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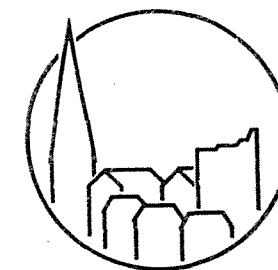
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DIARY DATES

January 10th Senior Citizen's Annual Dinner.

January 10th Clane Musical Society resume in the Abbey at 3pm.

January 11th M.A.D.E. Next term enrolment 10a.m. to 12 noon

January 12th Senior Citizen's Re-open.

January 13-14th Language Classes N.U.I. enrolment from 7 to 9p.m. nightly.

January 15th Night Out Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich.

January 18th Old Greenfield Residents Association A.G.M. Caulfields at 8p.m.

January 18th Maynooth I.C.A. Crafts resume

January 19th I.C.A. Badminton resumes at 10.30a.m.

January 19th Flower Club Dinner Moyglare Manor Hotel.

January 22nd Credit Union Primary Schools Table Quiz in St. Patrick's College.

May 30th Pioneer Rally in Croke Park.

June 99 Pioneer International Conference Maynooth College.

EDITORIAL

The turn of the year is a time for looking backwards and looking forwards. It is a time for New Year resolutions, discarding what's negative and setting ourselves targets for the future. It's also a time for handing out plaudits to people who make Maynooth a better place to live in. The list could be a long one and includes the huge number of residents working in voluntary and sporting bodies who give so freely of their time. The Newsletter would like to mention just three groups of people who for many years have been making a huge contribution to the town.

First of all there is the Senior Citizens Committee who do a fantastic job in arranging activities and generally caring for our older residents. The Newsletter regularly publishes photographs of their events and always capture the sense of fun and enjoyment which marks out their parties and outings.

Second, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band had a very active year in 1998 and showed that they are a very valuable resource in our community. Apart from the pleasure they bring when performing in the town, the band plays an important role in developing the musical talents of many young aspiring musicians. No doubt, later this year, many of us will see in the new millennium to the strains of St. Mary's Band.

Third, Maynooth is fortunate in having a range of excellent schools in the town. This is down to the talents and dedication of our teachers who give of their time, not just in the classroom, but in the whole range of extra-curricular activities from debating to drama and football. The demands of toddlers in the infants class to Leaving Cert students, striving for maximum points grow more challenging every year. But the future of Maynooth's young people appears to be in safe hands.

Here's to 1999, a Happy New Year to all our readers.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Control of alcohol in public places - Regulations proposed by Kildare County Council

Councillor John McGinley informed the December meeting of Maynooth Community Council, that Kildare County Council has put forward regulations regarding the control of alcohol in public places. Under powers granted to them in the Local Government Act 1994, Councillors can adopt these new regulations making it an offence to consume alcohol in public places. Fines of £25 can be imposed for a breach of the regulation and if it goes to court the fine increases to £500. The draft regulations will go on display for the public response for one month.

Maynooth Community Council objects to Landfill Dump proposal

The proposal by Thorntons to site a Landfill Dump in the Moyglare area was unanimously rejected by Maynooth Community Council at the December meeting. The Council has objected to the proposal and has encouraged everybody in the town to add their support, by actively campaigning against this proposal.

Maynooth Community Council supports extension of Dublin Taxi Meter Area to Maynooth

Leixlip Town Commission has sought the support of Maynooth Community Council for their application for the extension of the Dublin taxi meter area into North Kildare. The matter was considered at our December meeting, where there was unanimous agreement to support this proposal.

Maynooth 1798 Commemoration Group congratulated

The events of 1798 are recorded in the booklet published by the group called Maynooth and 1798. It is written by Liam Chambers and contains additional maps and letters relating to Maynooth. It also includes poetry written by local people to celebrate aspects of the rising relating specifically to Maynooth.

The success of the events that they arranged during the year bore testament to the excellent work undertaken by this group, to ensure that the bi-centenary of 1798 was celebrated in Maynooth. Maynooth Community Council accorded its congratulations to the group and were pleased to hear that the group is staying in place as a local history group.

Kairos - 25 years in Maynooth

Kairos celebrated twenty five years in Maynooth last month with a visit from President McAleese. The well known Communications Group has established a strong reputation in their field. Maynooth Community Council congratulated them on their silver jubilee in the town and wished them many more years of success.

Maynooth Band - Thanked for Christmas Cheer

Maynooth Community Council congratulated St. Mary's Band on their excellent performances over the Christmas period, in particular with their concert in the Aula Maxima, NUI, Maynooth on Saturday December 12th. The concert was a most enjoyable evening where the band took the opportunity to display the incredible range of their talents. The arrival on stage of Eoin Donovan, a piper with the Narraghmore Pipe Band to play with the Maynooth Band was the first occasion that this has occurred. Judging by the reaction of the audience it may become a regular feature.

Senior Citizens - a new co-option

Maynooth Community Council, Chairman Mr. Tom McMullon welcomed Ms. Joan Lennon as a member of the Council on her co-option as a representative for the Maynooth Senior Citizens Association.

Railway Station Footbridge - Community Council seeks update from Iarnrod Eireann

Maynooth Community Council has written to Iarnrod Eireann seeking information regarding the expected completion date for the new footbridge in the Harbour. Community Councillors also expressed their gratitude to Maynooth Students Union for their continuous efforts to bring this matter to a speedy conclusion.

*Paul Croghan
PRO*

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

First of all may I wish all our readers a happy New Year. At this time of the year resolutions are being made.

May I ask for one more to be included - for you to do your best to keep Maynooth tidy. We as a committee are small in number but big in ideas. We would welcome any help that you the readers can give us.

You could join our committee and help us formulate our plans for the next 3 - 5 years or you could help us with the Sunday morning clean up, 9 o'clock outside the Geraldine Hall.

Finally, please use the recycling facilities at Quinnsnorth and Glenroyal Shopping Centre.

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*Richard Farrell
P.R.O.*

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Maynooth Development Plan - Back to the Drawing Boards

January is always an anti-climax. Once the champagne has been consumed, and the strains of 'Auld Lang Syne' are over for another year, the realisation that 1999 will bring a familiar set of problems dawns. But while this is true of Maynooth's on-going planning tribulations, 1999 also brings a new set of challenges as signs of a more progressive approach to planning its future appear. Who would have believed in the dark days of the 1996 Amended Draft Plan for Maynooth that by the beginning of 1999 this would still not have been adopted? Who would have believed that by the end of 1998 the proposed Maynooth Plan would be scrapped?

Acting on the basis of legal advice, the County Manager announced last month that the town development the plans for Maynooth, and four other towns, must be started again from scratch in 1999 and must undergo again the various display periods laid down in the statutes. This about-turn reflects concerns that these plans are not compliant with the County Development Plan shortly to be adopted, and would, if proceeded with, run the risk of legal challenges. The Council had already lost legal challenges to the Clane and Kill plans over the past few years. The furnishing of a coherent strategy at county level to which individual towns complied at local level was also part of the requirement insisted on by successive Ministers for the Environment in recent years in granting Kildare councillors extensions of time to replace the out-dated 1985 County Plan (something that should have been completed by them in 1990). Certainly, as pointed out frequently in this column, several flaws in the proposals for Maynooth rendered them unlikely to stay within the required targets due to excessive residential rezonings.

For Maynooth, this new situation represents a reversal of the previously held position which was that no further display periods were to occur before the passage of the Plan. The new approach provides an opportunity for stricter compliance with the County Development Plan which specifies a target population for Maynooth of 11,500 by the year 2006. However, it also means that recent and currently proposed development must now be incorporated into the population commitments. In particular, proposed major new apartment complexes and proposed changes in density of residential developments become highly relevant to the calculation of residential land needs over the next five years and Maynooth Planning Alliance will be studying carefully how such matters are handled. The Council's legal advice appears to be that any actions which provide for a greater population increase by 2006 than specified in the County Development Plan will leave any proposed Town Plan open to challenge.

The news of this fresh approach was received with considerable dismay by some councillors who had expected a speedy resolution to Kildare's planning saga in the early weeks of the New Year. It now looks like the adoption of the various plans may not even be completed before the council elections in June. In some parts of Europe, councils are elected immediately after their planning proposals are passed, giving the electorate an opportunity to judge each on their actions and on their records. Perhaps 1999 will pose new challenges for some after all!

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

As we embark on a brand New Year, on the road to the millennium, lets just retrace our steps to the closing days of '98. "Our Sale of Work", which we held in November, was once again a resounding success. The amount raised was £6,615.54. This achievement was down to a dedicated Committee, hard working helpers and a responsive, generous community. All this despite the fact that we had stiff competitions elsewhere in the town. Many thanks to our loyal following who did not desert us for "pastures new". As Denis O'Brien said, referring to Telecom losing their monopoly, "this is a sweet day."

We are very grateful to Quinnsworth who allow us to sell our tickets on their premises each year and to Ollie for arranging the facility. I hope this will continue with the new proprietors. A special word of thanks to Donovans in general and Seán in particular for their generosity and support. To Bernard Flanagan for his help with the Hall and to 'Westside Waste for the free use of not one but two skips.



*Leixlip Active Retirement Group,
Enjoying the Christmas Party*

I also thank those who spent that Sunday night spreading the contents of those skips around the car park, as filling them again was great exercise for us. I am glad we brought such excitement into their otherwise dull little lives.

Congratulations to all who won prizes on the day especially Pat O'Rourke from Rail Park who won our "Monster Hamper"

See opposite page for results of all draws.

We held our Christmas Party on Dec 13th. We were joined on the day by a fairly new group in the area, Leixlip Active Retirement Association, who enhanced the enjoyment of the occasion. Our Mass was celebrated by Fr. Pat O'Connor and made all the more reverent by the participation of our own folk group. The rest of the evening was spent sampling the Christmas "goodies" and of course dancing the extra pounds

off. No Christmas party would be complete without a visit from Santa and sure enough he arrived on time with a gift for "everyone in the audience". Many thanks to all who made our final party of '98 so enjoyable, especially Brian who prepares the school for us without fail time and time again.



*Imelda Farrelly, Toisin Farrell,
enjoying the Christmas Party*

Our next event was on Monday December 14th, when Super Valu extended the hand of friendship for the third Christmas. This was a most enjoyable occasion indeed. Not only could our older people shop without all the discomfort associated with Supermarkets at Christmas time, but were also entertained with live music and plenty to eat and drink. Many thanks to Brian, Derek, Marjorie, Ann and all the staff who were so kind and helpful throughout the evening.

Cont./



*In Christmas Party Spirit, Mrs. Leavey,
Rita Thompson, Veronica Dolan and
Mrs. Thompson*

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Results of Draw . Nov 22nd 98

Draw 1

1st Prize	Monster Hamper	-	Pat O' Rourke Railpark
2nd Prize	£50	-	Sarah Curran Moneycooley
3rd Prize	£25	-	Dan Conway (Senior) Old Greenfield

Draw 2

1st Prize	C.D.R.C. Player	-	Rosemary Hanley Greenfield Drive
2nd Prize	Presentation Tray	-	Tess Mc Keown Greenlane Leixlip
3rd Prize	Btl. Baileys	-	Kathleen Gilten Newtown
4th Prize	Btl. Wine	-	Helen White Old Greenfield

Draw 3

1st Prize	Christmas Cake	-	Eileen Quinn Rockfield
2nd Prize	Btl. Whiskey	-	Della Clerkin Maynooth
3rd Prize	Basket of Fruit	-	Marie Nolan Newtown
4th Prize	Btl. Wine	-	Mary Daly Moyglare Rd

Special Draw

Portable T.V with Text	-	Sandra White Old Greenfield
Video Recorder	-	Eddie Cusker Old Greenfield

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE (Cont.)

You will have noticed that I mentioned three shopping venues in this one article. Isn't it nice to know that our larger shopping outlets can take time out from their busy schedule and make way for the more Senior members of our society, each playing a vital role in the scheme of things. Just another example of the Community spirit that is the hallmark of Maynooth. Well done to all concerned.

Our Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday January 10th at 5 p.m. If you have not got your name in, do it now. All our Senior Citizens in the area are welcome to all our events.

Our Club will re-open on Tuesday January 12th. Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday February 2nd at 8 p.m. in the Health Centre. This is an open meeting to which all are welcome.

Our sincere sympathy to the Newton family on the death of their Father Dan, to the Cusack family on the death of their Mother Claire, to the Farrelly family on the death of their Mother Rita, to the Flood family on the death of their Mother Essie and to the Murphy family on the death of their Mother Kathleen. May they all rest in the peace of Christ.

Finally may I wish each and every one of you a fruitful and peaceful New Year and remember take care of yourselves, take care of each other.

P.S. Only thirty nine more weeks to our next "Sale of Work".....Now isn't that a sobering thought!

Josephine Moore

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BAND BULLETIN

The early editorial deadline for the January Bulletin does not allow me to include much of our December news but two events stood out for mention.

Christmas Concert

It has been a long time since the Band last held a concert at Christmas and this was very much of an experiment. A £1 admission charge had a two fold purpose, to thank the people of Maynooth for their support in 1998 and to put 'bums on seats'. The formula worked reasonably well and over 200 musical connoisseurs turned out for what (in the view of the audience) was a magical experience. The emphasis was on entertainment and a jazzed-up Rudolph together with an experimental appearance by Eoin Donovan on Bagpipes had the crowd in top class form calling for more at the end of the evening. It was a most enjoyable evening for all concerned including the boys and girls in our junior classes who performed brilliantly on their first public performance. This will certainly be a hard act to follow in 1999.

Carol Service

The second Christmas Carol Service in the Parish Church was a huge success. All of the musicians and singers produced an exciting and varied programme during the 75 minute service and the congregation responded by joining in on all the carols. As with our concert a new standard has been set in the quality of the music and we hope this can be improved on next year.

January gives us an opportunity to recover from our hectic Christmas schedule and the only significant events will be the start-up of our new music classes and our Annual General Meeting. We will catch up with all the news in our February Bulletin.

Finally we would like to express our deepest sympathy to Cliff Murphy and his family on the death of their Mother last month.

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FLOWER CLUB

At our last meeting on the 17th. November, our demonstrator Irene Cunningham was excellent. Her exhibition the "Titanic" was magnificent. Her use of colours was truly beautiful.

We have no club meeting in January but we have our annual dinner at the Moyglare Manor Hotel on the 19th January to look forward to.

A great night was had by all, at the preview opening of the Flower Festival in St. Patricks Hospital, James St., Dublin, on Friday evening the 4th December. The Maynooth Flower Club produced some beautiful exhibits of their work. A big thank you to all our club members who helped out at our work nights. It was very much appreciated.

I wish all our members and their families a very happy New Year and may 1999 bring all of you health, wealth and happiness.

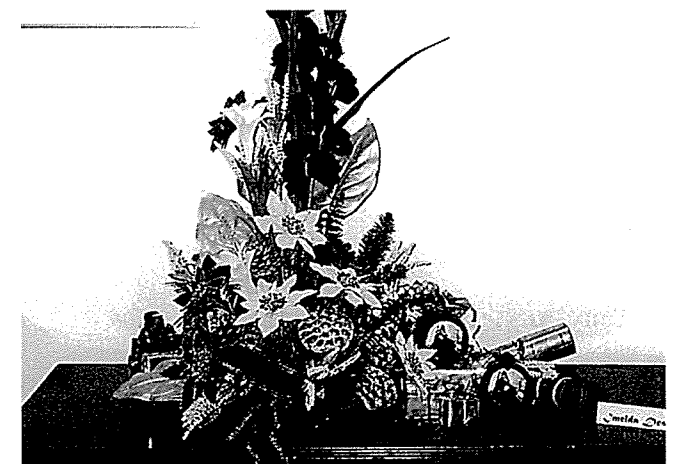
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Enjoying the preview of the Flower Festival in St. Patrick's Hospital were from left Jo O'Connell
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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Féasta na Nollag:

Because the páistí in "Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich" are so good Santa made an extra special visit to our Christmas Party which was held in the Parish Hall on the day we got our Christmas Holidays. He arrived laden down with wonderful presents for all the children. The party was organised by Liz Byrne and Joanna Sherry and was thoroughly enjoyed by parents and children alike.

Míle Buíochas libh Liz and Joanna.

Christmas Tour:

On Friday, 18th December we had a magical trip into the Arc Cultural Centre in Temple Bar to see a musical called 'Christmas Island'. It was an exciting and enjoyable hour of music, theatre, stories and singing. Just the ticket for getting us in the Christmas mood!

Book Fair:

We held a Folens book fair in the school during December. The fair was a great success and as a result we received £160 worth of books for our school library. Thanks for the support!



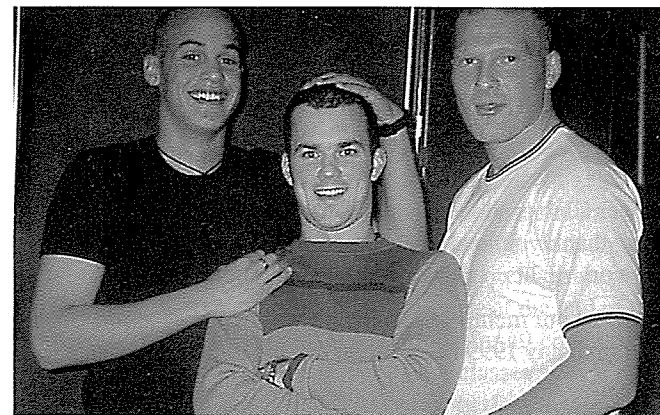
Nicole Troy and Sarah Edwards at the Fashion Show

Bogadh:

Finally, after a lot of hardwork, frustration and patience we are moving to our new premises at harbour View on Monday, 11th January, please God. We hope this will be a new era for our Gaelscoil and we are sure we will all be very happy with the move. Our new building will have a Computer Room, Staff Room/Office, Library, Resource Area and Classrooms. Visitors are always welcome to come and have a look!

Oscailt Oifigiúil:

After all our hard work obtaining our New Building we feel everyone deserves a night out. Friday 15th January has been

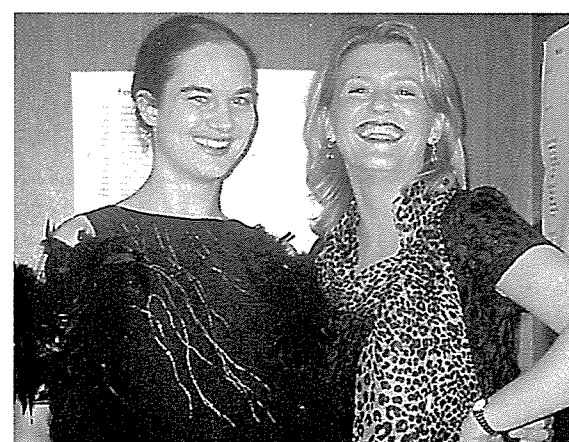


L-R Rory Wetherford, Fehin McDwyer and Paul Sparks at Scoil Uí Fhiaich Fashion Show

chosen provisionally as our 'Opening Night' in the school. Watch this space for more details!

Ranganna Fraincise

French classes for all the children will be recommencing this term. We have secured a lovely Parisien to come in from the College and teach the children. These classes are free of charge to parents as the Cairde Committee meet all the expenses.



Miriam Gormally and friend modelling at Scoil Uí Fhiaich Fashion Show

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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH (Cont)

Parents Trip to Gaeltacht!

Liz Byrne is organising a weekend trip for parents to Rath Cairn, the Gaeltacht area in Co. Meath. The weekend will consist of ceol, craic, ól and a little Gaeilge! The dates for the trip are 19th - 21st February and the cost is £45 p.p. Further details are available at the school, phone 6290667.

Ranganna Gaeilge for Parents:

Depending on demand we will hold Beginners or Intermediate Classes for parents this term. The classes will be held on Tuesday nights in the school. If you are interested in attending these classes please contact Aisling at the school, phone 6290667.

Cártaí Nollag:

Máirín and I would like to thank all those who supported our sale of Christmas Cards. The card was designed by Emma Ní Chearúil, Naíonáin Shóisir and all proceeds went to the school. Go raibh maith agaibh ar fad.

Calendar:

Our calendar will be distributed to every household in Maynooth this month. We are extremely grateful to all those businesses that supported us and ask you to support them in return!

Ath-bhliain faoi shéan daoibh ar fad/Wishing you all A Very Happy New Year.

Aisling Ní Bhriain.



Elaine Flood Celebrating her 21st at the Kildrough.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION BOYS SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

Our A.G.M. was held on the 4th of November in the school, there was a good attendance and a new committee was formed.

Chairperson:	Mary Mc Namara.
Secretary:	Yvonne Comerford.
Treasurer:	Margaret O Regan-Arden
Assistant Treasurer:	Sheila Hawthorn.
P.R.O.:	Claire O Rourke.

The committee also consists of representatives from most areas of Maynooth.

Over the past year the Parents Association have been fund raising for various activities and events in the school such as: Irish Dancing, Goal Posts, School Parties and Educational Equipment.

We would like to thank the parents and teachers for their support.

*Claire O Rourke ,
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Our A.G.M. was held on the 11th of November in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00pm, with a very poor attendance. To put it more clearly the only people who attended were last years committee who had no choice but to go forward for re-election if the Summer Project is to continue. When you consider that approx. 300 children took part in last years project it is hard to believe that there are so few parents available to take on the responsibility of helping out.

If there is any parent out there who would like to join, please contact any committee member or leave your name and particulars in the Community Council Office or phone 6285922

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee held its Annual General Meeting on the 24th November, 1998.

The following committee was elected:-

Chairperson:	Breda Holmes
Vice Chairperson:	Larry O'Brien
Secretary:	Helen Johnson
Treasurer:	Eoin Donovan
Committee Members:	Ann Nugent, Breda Ward, Lil Hyland, Mary Kenny, John Saults, Michael Kelly, Pat McDonald, Lenny Murphy, Dominic Nyland.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking our outgoing Chairman Lenny Murphy, also Tony Mooney, Peter Flynn, Marie Nolan and Patricia Malone who were part of the committee over the last two years.

A special thanks and best wishes to Ita McTiernan who contributed enormously to the committee also.

During 1998 we have made a lot of progress due to the fundraising received from parishioners and Kildare County Council. We would like to thank everyone who has helped us over the last year in particular our Local Councillors and Fr. Sinnott.

Again we would like to appeal for help in the coming year. If you can give us any support in our work we would greatly appreciate it. Please contact any of the above members if you have a few hours to spare and we can assure you that you will find the work very rewarding.

Thank you.

Breda Holmes.

ROYAL CANAL RENEWAL OF COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

We can report very good news of the scheme for a further year.

INTERNATIONAL BOAT RALLY

This rally on the Royal Canal will now take place in August 1999. Maynooth will be the real starting point with a stopover for one night. It will be an opportunity to promote the North Kildare area. Our group intends to have it coincide with a mini-festival.

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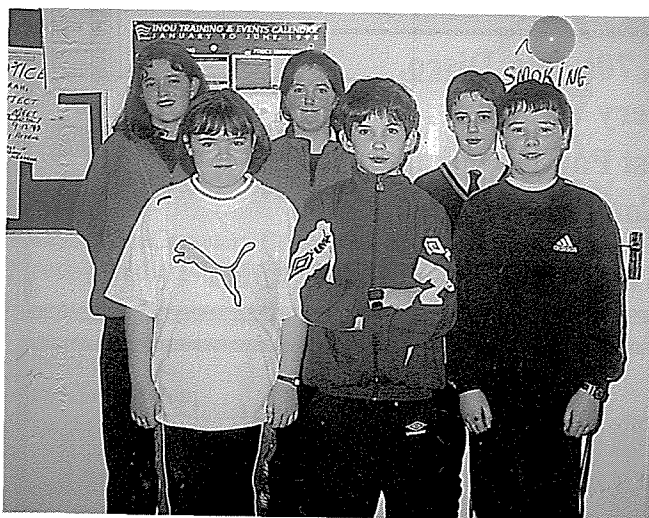
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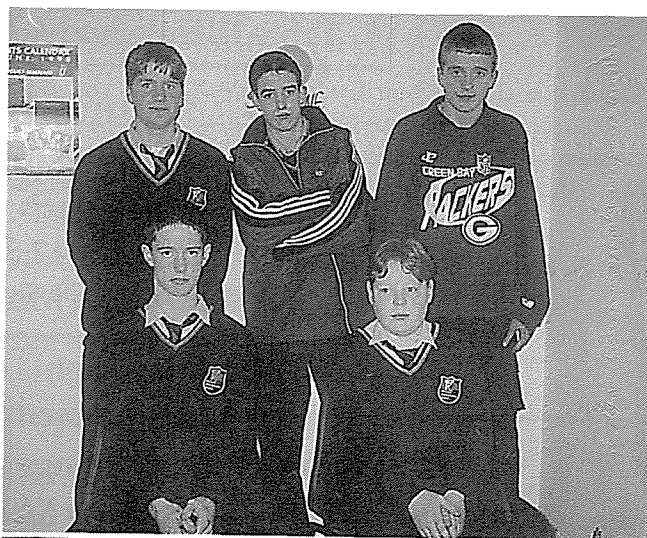
MAYNOOTH JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

The Club are enjoying their most successful year to date. Two teams have been entered in the Leinster Championship Juvenile Leagues. Both teams have enjoyed a great run of success. The U-13 team defeated their neighbours Kilcock in a match played in Scoil Dara. They had a second victory on the home ground in the return match against Kilcock. Much to the delight of the team they won a great victory over a team from the home of badminton, Terenure. They however conceded defeat to a very strong and experienced Mount Pleasant. A fine standard of badminton was displayed by both teams. The team are now eager for their next challenges against Terenure and Mount Pleasant. Boys and girls you have done us proud. We wish you success and hope you enjoy your next matches.



U-13 Team: Back: Suzanne O'Burley, Holly Murray, Roman Phelan.
Front: Keira Hayes, Patrick Larraghy, Darren Hayes

Baldoyle. We are hopeful that members from the Maynooth Club will qualify for selection and enjoy the great honour of playing for their County. The success of the Badminton Club is due in no small way to the sterling work and interest



U-17 Team: Back: John Healy, Morgan Sweeney, Barry Coughlan
Front: Alan Sweeney, Gerard McCarthy

of the coaches Msgr. Alex Stenson, Siobhain O'Riordan, and Colin Phelan. Coaching sessions are held in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays 3.15 -5pm, for beginners and improvers and on Saturdays 2-4pm, for more advanced players. New members are welcome to both sessions. Finally we wish our members and supporters a happy and successful New Year.

Secretary

The U-17 team under the leadership of their Captain John Healy got off to a flying start. Maynooth won all six matches and it was a rather crestfallen team that returned home to Skerries. Eager for their next challenge the team took on K.A.D.C.A. in the rather exclusive Baldoyle premises. Despite being presented with unfamiliar flooring our team displayed great confidence and stamina. Not deterred by this experience they were even more determined than ever. To their delight they won the return match on the home ground before an enthusiastic audience. The most exciting encounter so far was that of Dal Riada v Maynooth match. At the end of play the score was 3 all, so the final result was decided on the points scored. Alas, Maynooth lost by just 9 points. Spurred on by this close encounter the boys are now eagerly awaiting the opportunity of the return match to reverse the score. Well done lads!

The Club has entered members for Trials from which players will be selected to represent Kildare in an Inter-County Competition, which is scheduled later next month in

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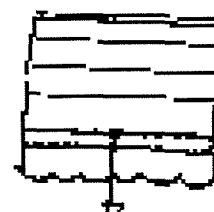
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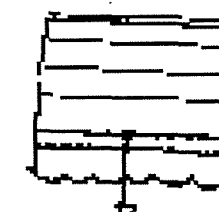
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MAYNOOTHATHLETIC CLUB

N.A.C.A.I. Athletes of the Year:

Two 'running partners' were rewarded for their achievements during the year at the N.A.C.A.I. Congress on Saturday 21st November.

Last September Bobby King from Kilcock won two medals in Italy when he took a gold and silver in the European Veteran's Walks Championships.

Bobby is ranked one of the world's top race walkers and the large attendance was delighted to see the Dunboyne clubman awarded Veteran Athlete of 1998. He is regularly found at



Rita Brady, N.A.C.A.I. Vice President presenting the awards to Bobby King and David Campbell.

sports meetings throughout the country, encouraging the next generation of athletes and so he was doubly delighted when Maynooth runner David Campbell was honoured, as the Juvenile Track Athlete of the Year.

Among David's highlights of the year was an Irish Under 16 record in the 800 Metres and on that day he was cheered through the finishing line by none other than Bobby.

David was selected for Leinster and he duly won a gold and silver medal in the Tailteann Games. However his biggest honour came when he wore the green of Ireland in the International Schools Championships in Scotland and finished in fourth place just outside the medals as the Irish boys took 2nd team to England.

Both athletes are training hard for next year, when Bobby will contest the indoor European championship in Malmo and David will be trying to reduce his times still further. They still regularly run together and hopefully will swap more tales of victory from the track in the future.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The December Guild meeting was held on the 3rd of December in the I.C.A. hall, with Rosemary Hanley presiding. Rosemary welcomed us all and wished all members and friends a very Happy Christmas.

Guild Activities:

Sport - Badminton will resume on Tuesday the 19th of January 1999 after the Christmas break, as usual in the Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m.

Crafts - Crafts will resume on the 18th of January at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. hall with lots of bright new ideas for the New Year.

The winner of the December Guild competition "Decorative Christmas Candle":-

- 1st - Jo O'Connell
- 2nd - Betty Farrell
- 3rd - Margaret Houlihan
- 4th - Rosemary Hanley

Quiz:

Rosemary Hanley and Veva Kearins tested all our brains on a very enjoyable quiz. These quizzes always prove to be very popular. There were lots of prizes plus also a few booby prizes. The winning team on this occasion was Mary Deane, May Haren and Bernadette Raftery.

The lucky winners of the turkey and ham were:-

- 1st - Bernie Doyle (Turkey)
- 2nd - Theresa Brennan (Turkey)
- 3rd - Veva Kearins (Ham)
- 4th - Dorothy Guinan Dornan (Bottle Wine)

The January Guild competition is a "Slice of Christmas Cake".

The Christmas night out was on December the 15th in the Red House where we were joined by Guild members from Kildare Federation. A most enjoyable evening was had by all.

Kildare Week in An Grianan is the 21st of June to the 25th of June at 8.00 p.m. Finally a very Happy New Year to all our members and friends.

Irene Matthews, P.R.O.

CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY

Clane Musical Society are looking for more men. The parts of the sheriff and Melvin P. Thorpe have not been cast yet for **BEST LITTLE WHOREHOUSE IN TEXAS**. CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY would be delighted to hear from anyone interested in auditioning for these parts, or interested in joining the male chorus.

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MOYGLARE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Moyglare residents object to Thorntons Landfill Dump

Moyglare Residents Association has written to Meath County Council formally objecting to the proposal from Thorntons seeking planning permission for a Landfill Dump. The site of the proposed dump is just up the road from the people represented by this association and it would have serious implications for the quality of life of over 1,000 people as well as on property values.

The Association urges residents to take the trouble to write individual letters to Meath County Council, as any apparent lack of interest by those directly affected could determine the response of the council to this application. The next residents meeting will discuss the tactics that the association will adopt in relation to reports that an illegal dump is already in place. It is hoped to form a sub-committee to deal exclusively with this issue and residents, particularly with specific skills from Moyglare Village, Road, Meadows and Abbey are welcome to get involved.

Warning traffic lights at the schools are welcomed

The installation of traffic warning lights at the schools on the Moyglare Road are well overdue. This area is used by all school children in the town and is a serious traffic bottleneck at times during the day. Full marks to those who identified the problem and worked hard to obtain these lights, which will be a great asset in assisting to prevent a serious accident.

Nobody knows better than the residents of this area about the level of traffic on the Moyglare Road. Many parents drive their children to the schools the short distance from Moyglare, as they fear for their childrens lives on a road that cannot be widened and where the footpaths are very narrow. This Association is studying the level of traffic using the Moyglare Road and will be seeking further traffic calming measures before it is too late for some young life.

Moyglare Village boundary with the Moyglare Road

This matter was foremost in our actions in 1998. Despite a number of letters to Kildare County Council, we have not received a reply outlining the current position. Through a number of local Councillors it has been indicated to us that the Council are facing a difficult situation with the developer.

This Association has written to Crewhill Properties seeking a meeting to resolve the situation. The level of anger is now so strong among residents on this matter, that the possibility of a picket at another site being developed by the same company is a real possibility, in the near future.

Revised Application by Manor Mills is Studied

A revised application for the development of the Manor Mills site in Mill Street was submitted to Kildare County Council. This Association welcomes in principle the re-development of the mill site, but will be studying the revised

application to see if our concerns regarding the impact on the residents in Moyglare have been addressed.

Vandals damage trees outside Moyglare Village

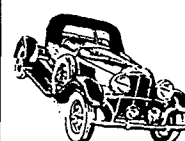
Pre-Christmas revelry resulted in the complete damage of a number of trees at the entrance to Moyglare Village. This Association believes that regrettably small trees are unlikely to survive in this particular area. It is intended to complete a tree planting and landscaping plan for Moyglare Village in 1999 and this area will be considered in the study.

*Paul Croghan, Chairman,
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Our A.G.M. will take place on Monday 18th January at 8pm in Caulfields Meeting Room.

Our Neighbourhood watch scheme is up and running, more details in February issue. We wish all our Residents a very happy 1999.

Our Christmas party was held on the 19th December, and was a great success. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors, without their support our job would have been made more difficult. Such as Katies Flowers, Tender Touch, Olympic Sports, Brady's, Caulfields, Head to Toe, Pottery Barn, Maynooth Garden Centre, Mill Wine Cellar, Housepride, O'Neills Butchers, St. Patrick's Pharmacy, Leinster Arms, Flower Pot, Fruit and Veg shop, Equestrian World, Mulcahy's Butchers, also Supervalu, Quinnsnorth, Londis and many more. Also we would like to send sympathy to the McEvoy family on the death of Larry, also to Liam Farrelly and Ethna Fanning on the death of Rita Farrelly and Ann King and her family on the death of her father Dan Newton.

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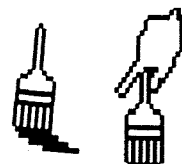
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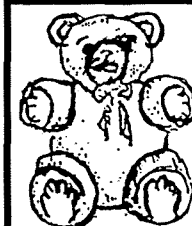
As I sit here now I'm not over glad,
I can't remember a Christmas so bad,
Without any money I feel quite bereft,
But that wouldn't matter if I'd some drink left.
The smoke from the chimney is blowing in my face,
Of the chimney-sweep from Longford there is no trace.
The big lumps of coal are hard to get lit,
I have to use petrol and that costs a bit.
The Newsletter says "In Maynooth, you have a good time",
But I'm not so sure when I've barely a dime.

It's amazing the money you'll find when you're stuck.
A big jar full of coppers brought me more luck.
We stacked them up on the table in lines.
'Till we made a New York City of tupenny coins.
The children all joined and built bridges across,
Shur you have great fun when you haven't a toss.
We stood amazed at the scene we had made,
Knowing we'd lose the 'Big Apple' if the milkman was paid.
It's only from pain you produce great art
And you know something suffering enriches the heart.

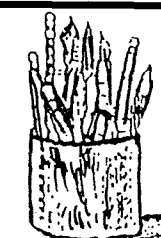
The kids brought in stones and added them all
'Till we made the Rockies looking so tall.
A few bean cans were an oil refinery
And the tea-pot, a space-ship, I flew it with glee.
Some split water, did the Amazon describe
With broom handles and sticks we were a wild tribe.
'I'm a Balluba," said my little lad,
"You play the big chief, you're fat enough Dad."
"Ballubas don't believe in Christmas," I said chancedly,
"Now why are yis all glaring at me?"

As we surveyed the sculpture of an empty purse,
I thought to myself things can't get any worse.
Then a stranger knocked on the door,
His hands they were cold and his coat it was tore.
We chatted a while, he seemed to get bored,
"Please sir, give me what you can afford."
The money on the table I tried so to hide,
But the spirit of Christmas welled up inside.
So I give him the Empire State Building
And that was worth quite a few schillings
But then I really felt quite a jerk,
When he was picked up in a big white merc.

Its a wonder when theres an economic boom,
There's no money and you can't afford a room.
At least I'll cry on New Years Eve,
You're always like that when you fail to achieve.
We were down to crisps, we'd ate all the spam,
It was nearly all over and we still had the jam.
Then in the post there came a late gift
And it really gave us quite a lift.
'I've got plans," I said gleeful and clever
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Features

Dowdstown Hotel

The official opening of Dowdstown Hotel took place on Friday 4th of December, by the Minister for Finance, Charlie McCreedy.

It was attended by all the local business people who wished Mr and Mrs James Hoare best wishes on their new venture. All the guests were greeted by James and Gay and General Manager Oliver Brennan. A light snack reception and a free bar were supplied for the occasion. A very enjoyable evening was had by all.

The Hotel is being run under the watchful eye of General Manager, Oliver Brennan, who hails from Gorey Co. Wexford. Oliver is married to Fiona who is nursing in Cappagh Hospital. Oliver trained in Hotel Management in Cathal Brugha Street in 1980. Since then he has worked in America and was also General Manager of the Spring Hill Court Hotel for 3 years. Oliver was born into the hotel trade. Oliver's family owns 'Brennans 64' pub and restaurant in Gorey. It is a well known landmark to anyone in that area. At present his family owns the Arklow Bay Hotel and the Spring Hill Court Hotel in Kilkenny.

Oliver feels that the personal touch is most important and would delight in assisting people with weddings and functions. The main bar is called The Horseshoe Bar. Carvery lunch is served here on a daily basis and then changes over to a bar snack menu in the evening. The Courtyard Restaurant is open nightly from 6pm-9pm and also for Sunday lunch. There is a full A La Carte menu and a table d'hôte.

The function room is called The Pavillion Suite and caters for Weddings, Dinner Dances and functions.

The Hotel at present has 17 ensuite bedrooms and there will be future development in 1999. At present the Hotel is employing 30 people in fulltime and part - time positions and are all mostly from the local area.



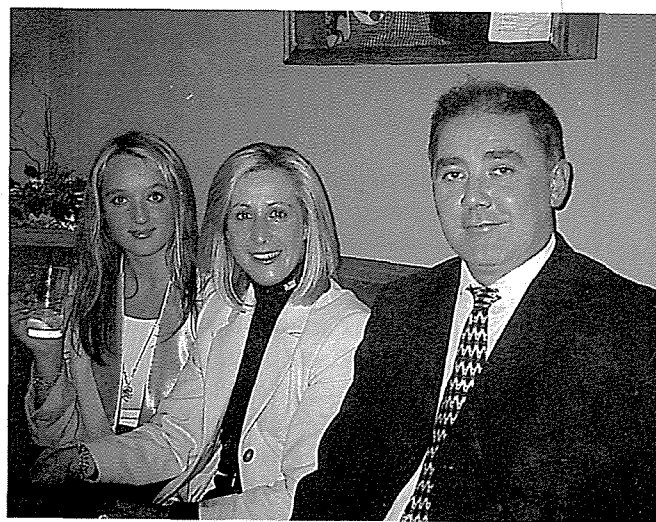
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*Charlie McCreedy, James Hoare and
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*Enjoying the Opening Night
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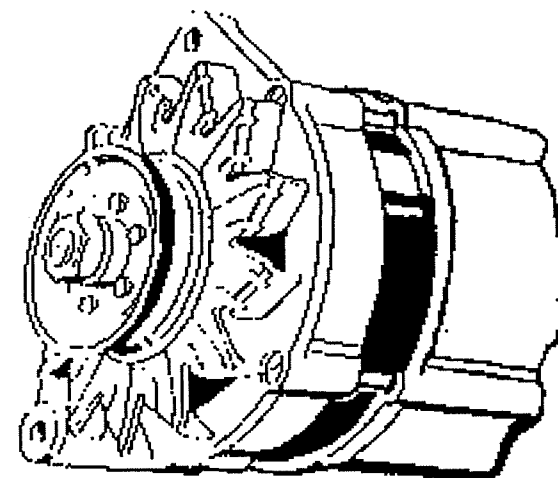
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A DIRTY BUSINESS AND THE CASE FOR RECYCLING

The December issue of the Newsletter featured an article recalling Maynooth's deliverance from becoming a dump town one year ago and went on to encourage residents to be responsible for their own waste through recycling. It considered that this community through its experience should be actively involved in recycling.

In this frame of mind it is hard to adjust to or to take on board the news that planning permission is again being sought for a dump in the same area. It can only be compared to the recurrence of a nightmare.

As an argument for recycling, but more importantly, just now, the residents of this community need to be aware of what it means to have a dump in their area.

Household waste contains some of the worst pollutants. People dump old batteries, bandages, nappies, oil, etc. This ends up compressed into bales and deposited in a landfill site where in a short time decomposition starts. The effluent from the decaying matter is toxic and can pollute everything it touches. Decomposition also creates gases known as land-fill gas (LFG). These gases, which include methane and carbon dioxide constantly escape into the atmosphere. They are a major contributor to the 'greenhouse effect' which is believed to be causing progressive global warming. The ozone layer is also affected by the CFCs that are part of the content of land-fill gas. What issues from these sites is sixteen times stronger than that contained in refrigerators.

Another effect is not above ground but below. LFG is a dangerous pollutant with the possibility of migration underground and off site. It is explosive and asphyxiating.

The landfill site is normally sunk to such a depth into the earth that its effluent reaches the level of the water table and there is then a very real danger of water contamination.

Vermin, air pollution, noise pollution and smell are more of the problems facing the person, unfortunate enough to live near a dump. Large numbers of foul smelling trucks converging on the site will be likely to cause traffic chaos in towns and the destruction of roads not designed to take heavy traffic.

Possibly the greatest threat of all is the unseen and unheard danger that lurks in industrial waste. Metals and toxic chemicals can escape into the air during transport before they reach the landfill site. Polluted and dust laden air can and does affect the health of those living near a dump as can be seen from the following.

For example, some years ago health nurses in the Finglas area of Dublin noticed that an unusually high number of babies and young children they visited, suffered from asthma. A survey was carried out with the participation of the doctors. The findings showed an increase of 39% in the instance of asthma in children living in the vicinity of the

landfill site. It is of concern to note that this increase manifested itself only after the refuse dump had been in operation for some time.

A comprehensive European study involving more than 1,000 children found they were 33% more likely to suffer from spina bifida, heart problems or a range of other defects if their mothers lived within three km (1.8 miles) of a toxic dump.

"There was a significantly overall increased risk of neural-tube defects, malformation of the cardiac septa (heart defects), malformations of the great arteries and veins in residents near landfill sites in our study," Dr Helen Dolk, of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, said in a report in The Lancet medical journal.

An understanding of how we have been polluting our planet up until now, has to be a real incentive to at least begin to think about recycling as an alternative. The knowledge that we are contributing to conditions that adversely affect the health of people unfortunate enough to live near these sites should be enough to convince us of the necessity to take action. The fact that Kildare, Meath and Dublin are seriously short of landfill sites has to be the deciding factor in the case for recycling.

For those interested in making a start on recycling the following information should be useful. As stated in last month's Newsletter Kerbside (a Dublin based recycling company), operate a monthly service from Riverforest shopping centre in Leixlip. They will take mixed materials such as glass, milk and juice cartons, all food, petfood and drink cans, plastic soft drink and mineral water bottles and detergent containers. Just rinse and remove caps - no need to sort. Their truck is in the car park from 2 p m until 4 p m on the last Saturday of every month. They can be contacted at 01 459 7677.

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ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION OF A YOUNG GIRL

An attempt was made to abduct a 14 year old female.

The girl was walking from Quinnsnorth to her home along Doctor's Lane at 5.30p.m., when she met a large silver/grey car with three men.

A passenger jumped out and grabbed her by the arm and tried to force her into the car.

The girl resisted and made good her escape.

The Gardai wish to alert schools, parents and students to be extra vigilant following this incident.

Gardai would be grateful for any assistance and information with regard to this, or any other similar type incidents.

Telephone Maynooth 6291444 or Naas 045/897333.

GARDA TALK

Special Effort For Children:

The Gardai have a responsibility for protecting all citizens, but we make a special effort to ensure that children should be particularly safe and free from all types of Criminal abuse. In achieving this goal its vital that adults appreciate this concern and that children themselves understand that the Gardai are there to help them.

Parents and Guardians should keep the following set guidelines in mind for the protection of children:

1. Keep informed of their whereabouts/company and expected time of return home.
2. Remember that children are always safer playing in groups than alone.
3. Make sure that they do not play in secluded or concealed places.
4. Ensure that they do not involve unknown adults in their games or activities.

While the dangers of strangers are often discussed, many abusers of children are actually known to their victims.

So before entrusting children into the care of adults, satisfy yourself that they are trustworthy and reliable. In this respect the following advice should prove helpful:

1. Use recommended babysitters.
2. Be alert to danger signs, for example, if your child exhibits strange or reluctant behaviour in the presence of a particular adult.

3. Warn children against talking to adults they do not know. Threats or bribes are frequently used to silence a child. but if you have any doubts, always listen to the child. Intuition should tell you if something is troubling them. Be receptive to any discussion and never doubt any disclosures: abuse is very difficult to reveal for fear of disbelief or rejection. If your child does disclose abuse, the Gardai recommend that parents/guardians try to remain calm as over reaction may reinforce the child's bad feelings of guilt. Seek help from any of the following:

1. Local social worker, who has access to the service of a psychologist.
2. Your Family doctor.
3. The Rape Crisis Centre where excellent counselling for children is provided.
4. For legal advice call to your local Garda station; specially trained members, male and female, will be assigned to such sensitive cases and you can be assured of a sympathetic hearing; calling to the Gardai and seeking advice will not in itself lead to a subsequent court case; the Gardai will appraise you of all the relevant agencies and confidentiality will be assured.

GARDA TALK:

Safe Driving Precautions:

That time of year is upon us in the depth of winter with all its accompanying road hazard conditions for driving. Freezing weather conditions are a feature:- cold, rainy, icy elements combined with snow create dangerous and unsuitable situations for road users. Consequently anyone contemplating doing a journey should spend a little time making a few precautionary checks on their vehicle.

Tyre pressures (including the spare) should be checked; clean vehicle windows, mirrors and lights. While travelling if you encounter any of the following weather elements follow this advice:

Fog:

1. Slow down - Fog is very deceptive.
2. Use dipped headlights.
3. If you have fog lights, use them.
4. Keep a safe distance from the vehicle in front.

Snow:

1. Remove all snow from windows and mirrors.
2. Accelerate gently - brake gently.
3. Use Main Road where possible.
4. Most important avoid speed, but if travelling fast, slow down gradually.

Ice:

1. In the comforts and heat of your vehicle you may be unaware of the drop in temperatures outside - Be aware and always alert.

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2. Black ice - you cannot see it, but reduced road noise tells you that its there.
3. Above all - slow down and take your time - its better to **be late than dead on time**. Carry de-icers, jump leads and in every severe weather situation carry a shovel, a heavy warm coat and an effective sizeable Car Lamp.

Forewarned is Forearmed.

DRINK DRIVING / SPEEDING

As we approach New Year, we must advise our readers of the inherent dangers of driving a car under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and at excessive speed.

The protection of life stands uppermost in the functions of the Garda Siochana, and we will continue our policy of checkpoints and other measures in bringing the message home. To be fair, most drivers observe the traffic code, and by doing so, reduces the number of traffic accidents on the roads. The growth in taxi and hackney business means that such services are more available.

Be sensible during this season of good will, and don't allow your actions to bring tragedy to others. **'Safe motoring'**

Finally we would like to wish all our patrons a very happy and peaceful and **Crime-Free** New Year, and take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your valued co-operation throughout the year.

STARTING A NEW BUSINESS - AT 51

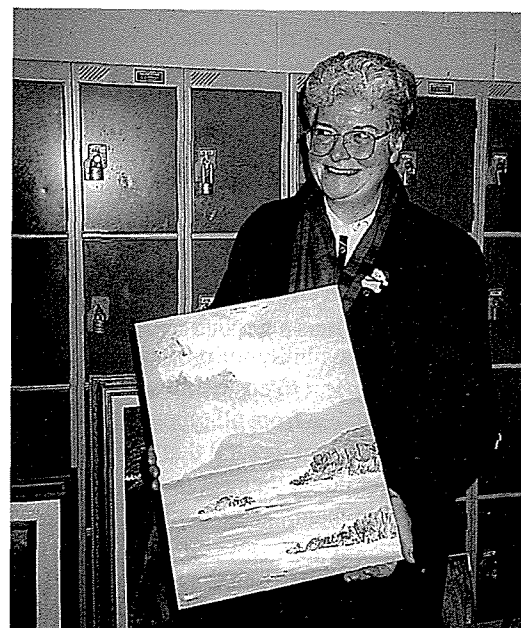
People who may worry about getting into a new business late in life can take solace from John Carpenter. This 51 year old Dubliner was a salesman for 25, but after he found himself out of a job for the third time in ten years, he had reached crisis point.

John has a talent for drawing and painting and so decided to start up his own company drawing or painting people's childhood homes. Naturally, he has tapped into the Irish expatriate community. "Thousands of Irish homes are missing brothers, sisters, uncles and family members who, over the years, went to live in America, Canada, Australia and the UK. They all have one thing in common, a family home," he says. "Maybe the parents are gone, or the family is no longer living there, but it holds a special place for people, a reminder of their childhood years". He works from a photograph of the home and will draw it to the customer's specifications. The internet has been a major tool in promoting this new enterprise. To make contact with Irish emigrants, John started a web page on the internet. However getting business on the internet is not as easy as some people suggest. "I thought that once I had set up with my e-mail, the work would flow in but it hasn't. Someone explained it to me this way - it's like having your book in a library of one million books. Why should anyone pick yours? So you have to go out there and work at it."

Every day, John drops about 100 leaflets into houses around the Dublin area. He is also hoping to get involved in wedding fairs by selling wedding gifts of three paintings in one - the bride's home, the groom's home and their new home.

At the moment, he is doing about five pieces a week. He charges approximately £80 for a framed watercolour painting. So is he making a living from it? "I better make a living from it. There's certainly a big market out there but, in the initial stages its going to be tight. However it's coming along gently and nicely." He can be contacted at 01-4510704.

In these days of the Celtic Tiger it is never too late to try a new venture and John is determined to be the proof that there is life after unemployment.



Sister Aquinas with one of her oil paintings at the Castle Keep Art Exhibition

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LAUNCH OF MAYNOOTH ARTS FORUM

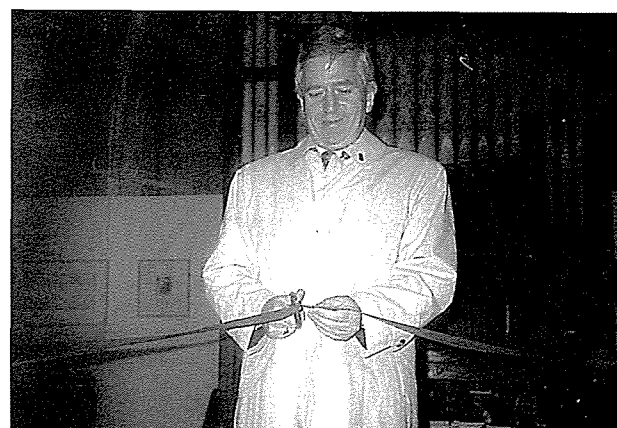
Under the auspices of Maynooth Action Strategy, Maynooth Arts Forum was formally launched in St. Mary's Church of Ireland on December 4th last. Over the past 18 months the Strategy group have been devising a blueprint for the town's future development. During the summer three working groups were formed to address the physical, commercial and the social development of Maynooth. Among a wide range of projects identified was the formation of an Arts Forum with a view to developing the arts in the town and exploring the possibility of obtaining a suitable venue for performances and exhibitions. The event in St. Mary's is the first of what is hoped to be a series of events in the New Year bringing together the wide range of talent that exists in the community.

Compered by Strategy Group member Sharon Geoghegan, the evening started with a performance given by the Maynooth School of Speech and Drama founded in 1993. A number of dramatic pieces were performed by Ross Cullinane, Eileen Ryan, Sarah Gibbons, Patrich McCarthy, Gemma Hawthorne, Matthew Kavanagh and Elouise McNeely. Martina Murphy, who is a teacher with the group and is currently working on a novel to be published in the New Year by Poolbeg, performed three pieces which demonstrated some of the disciplines involved in drama.

Clara Monahan was next on stage and charmed the audience with the power and beauty of her voice - and all this from one who is only 14 years old. Clara is an All-Ireland winner in the Fleadh na hEireann. Four players from Maynooth University Orchestra - Eileen



Charlie McCreedy & Pauline Keena at the Arts Night in Church of Ireland



Charlie McGreevy Opening the Arts Night.



Enjoying the Arts Night in Church of Ireland

and Caroline Manning, Lisa Travers and Eileen Creevy - formed a string quartet for the evening and played three pieces beautifully. We next had a reading from well known Maynooth author Joe Buckley who has written a number of novels for young people including a trilogy based on the character Donny which is on the Junior Cert curriculum. Poet Bill Tinley read a number of his poems - two in particular struck a chord with the audience as they were set in Maynooth.

The evening was rounded off in rousing fashion by Maynooth University Chamber Choir who performed a range of Christmas carols and then by St. Mary's Band who once again demonstrated very high standards of musicianship.

A further highlight of the evening was a number of exhibitions on display in the church. Pauline Keena exhibited some of her latest work, together with local artist Vinny Doyle, paintings from the Castle Keep Group and innovative photography by Dermot Nangle.

Minister for Finance Charlie McCreedy formally launched the Forum and complimented the performers for providing an entertaining evening. Maynooth Action Strategy hope to bring together all who are interested in developing the arts in the town early in the New Year with a view to building on the success of the launch.

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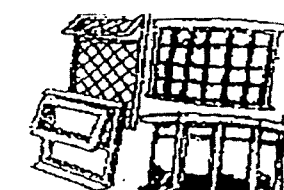
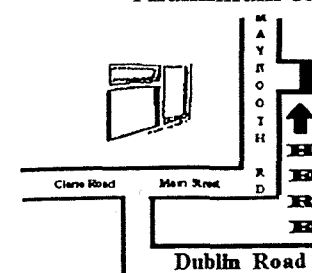
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MAYNOOTH ADULT DAY-TIME EDUCATION

The old prefab in the grounds of the Post Primary School which is used by Maynooth Adult Day-time Education during the day and by the scouts at night and week-ends, is getting face-lift thanks to Intel. Under their 'Intel Involved Programme', a number of Intel Employees are spending some time painting the prefab. The objective of this programme is to encourage the participation of Intel employees in projects that will ultimately benefit the community. This programme started in 1996 and since then over 5,000 volunteer hours have been clocked up on various community projects.

During the summer, MADE wrote to Angela Larkin, Intel's Community Relations Specialist, looking for help to repair and paint the prefab. When she came to inspect the prefab, it was in a terrible state. It had been broken into and the wall was covered with a fine white foam, because the hooligans who broke into the place had had great fun spraying the contents of the fire extinguishers all over the prefab. Paint had also been sprayed on the floor and the walls. Intel agreed to paint the prefab but not to do the repairs. The painters arrived on December 8th and they will paint the hall, the two big rooms and the toilet for now. The creche will be done in January. We are very grateful for their help.

The prefab had to be cleaned for the new term and Johnny Dowling, one of the Scout Leaders, spent a lot of time trying to get rid of the fine dust that had been there since the break in. Thank you Johnny. You were great. We had to wash the floor and the tables and chairs many times over and even now there is still a residue of this dust around the place.

The prefab was badly in need of repair. Some sections of the wall were rotting and other sections were coming away from the rest of the building leaving huge draughty gaps in between. There were holes everywhere which meant that the mice had no problems finding shelter there. We contacted Mr. Noel Dalton who is in charge of 'Adult Education' in Kildare V.E.C. to find out if the prefab could be patched up before it was too late. He got in touch with Mr. McGiveeney the wood-work teacher in the Post Primary School who undertook to do the repairs with the help of some of his students. Since September they have been working there whenever they had the time. They had to get special equipment to push the walls back to their original position. The place looks so much better now and we would like to thank them for the work that they have done.

The two groups involved then decided that it was time to dump all the rubbish that had accumulated over the years. A skip was hired and everything that was broken and not needed was thrown away.

The next project is to fix the outside of the prefab and to

paint it. Hopefully, this will help to prolong the life of the building which is very important to the community. Some people think that it is an eye sore and that a match should be set to it, but until a Community Centre is built in Maynooth, this modest prefab will be used to serve the community.

Classes for the Spring Term are:

Monday:	Flower Arranging for beginners and Parenting.
Tuesday:	Yoga and Doughcraft.
Wednesday:	Irish Theatre Workshop and Celtic Spirituality.
Thursday:	Calligraphy and Mother/Toddlers Group.
Friday:	Aromatherapy and Ballroom Dancing.

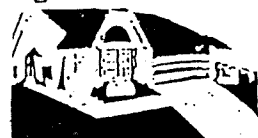
Next term enrolment will take place on Monday January 11th from 10 a.m. to 12.00 noon in the Centre. The first day of class will be January 25th 1999.



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PRESS RELEASE

LONG AND SHORT TERM SOLUTIONS TO THE DUMPING OF WASTE.

Short Term Solution

The Green Party of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge is 100% behind The North Kildare-South Meath Environment Protection Group that are opposing Mr. Padraig Thornton's Landfill Planning application.

Long Term Solution

As Green Party member, Leo Armstrong stressed at last Tuesday night's meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel, "that it is not just good enough to oppose a Landfill at our own backdoor, we must reduce domestic waste by good Waste Management. This will entail an effort on both Local Authorities and on a personal level."

The Green Party are only too aware of Dublin Corporations problems regarding the disposal of waste. However, why should we, in Maynooth have Dublin waste dumped on us. In fact why should Dublin Corporation be allowed to dump waste in any of the counties bordering Dublin.

As Mr. Armstrong pointed out at the meeting, "similar groups will be forming in Wicklow, Kildare and Meath to oppose the Thornton's of this world who stand to make millions out of this lucrative business. So it is not good enough just to oppose these plans we must put pressure on Dublin Corporation to adopt a waste management programme that reduces waste to a minimum. If we do not take such action meetings like this will be a regular occurrence, opposing dump planning applications, and eventually, Meath County Council or Bord Pleannala will have no alternative but to accede to Dump Planning Applications by people like Mr. Thornton."

It is on a personal level that everyone can reduce these enormous Waste Dumps - At Supermarkets, don't take plastic bags home with you - **waste you are left to get rid of** - bring your own bag or box with you - it doesn't take such a big effort.

Remember you are paying for the packaging, not just the contents. Look at the number of wrappings (mostly made from oil) that your favourite chocolates at Christmas are wrapped in. Ask in your Supermarket for alternatives. **They will supply if you demand.**

In 1840 there was a population of over 8 million people in Ireland and they left us with no Waste. Today, with less than half of that population what are we leaving behind us?

AULA MAXIMA CONCERT

The Maynooth Brass and Reed Band gave a wonderful performance on Saturday night. It was their first concert in the College and by the enthusiastic reception they got it will certainly become an annual event. The wide repertoire under Niall gave something for everyone - from The Millennium Medley - Molly Malone, The Rare Old Times etc. to Sinatra numbers. Dressed in their Christmas hats and red noses they gave us Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer. Christmas carols were a treat, and then no long drive home from the National Concert Hall.

The band will continue with its younger members giving such an accomplished performance. The Coventry Carol was a joy to listen to. Two junior members have joined the big band. 89 are taking music lessons. The highlight of the evening was the lone piper from the Narraghmore Pipe Band making his way from the back of the hall and joining the Maynooth band on stage. They got feet tapping. The new Parish Priest of Narraghmore, Fr. Colm O'Siochru certainly has a musical treat in store. Thank you to one and all.

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Maynooth Development Plan - Back to the Drawing Boards

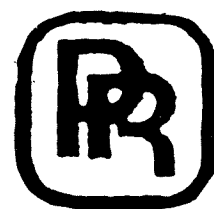
January is always an anti-climax. Once the champagne has been consumed, and the strains of 'Auld Lang Syne' are over for another year, the realisation that 1999 will bring a familiar set of problems dawns. But while this is true of Maynooth's on-going planning tribulations, 1999 also brings a new set of challenges as signs of a more progressive approach to planning its future appear. Who would have believed in the dark days of the 1996 Amended Draft Plan for Maynooth that by the beginning of 1999 this would still not have been adopted? Who would have believed that by the end of 1998 the proposed Maynooth Plan would be scrapped?

Acting on the basis of legal advice, the County Manager announced last month that the town development plans for Maynooth, and four other towns, must be started again from scratch in 1999 and must undergo against the various display periods laid down in the statutes. This about-turn reflects concerns that these plans are not compliant with the County Development Plan shortly to be adopted, and would, if proceeded with, run the risk of legal challenges. The Council had already lost legal challenges to the Clane and Kill plans over the past few years. The furnishing of a coherent strategy at county level to which individual towns complied at local level was also part of the requirement insisted on by successive Ministers for the Environment in recent years in granting Kildare councillors extensions of time to replace the out-dated 1985 County Plan (something that should have been completed by them in 1990). Certainly, as pointed out frequently in this column, several flaws in the proposals for Maynooth rendered them unlikely to stay within the required targets due to excessive residential rezonings.

For Maynooth, this new situation represents a reversal of the previously held position which was that no further display periods were to occur before the passage of the Plan. The new approach provides an opportunity for stricter compliance with the County Development Plan which specifies a target population for Maynooth of 11,500 by the year 2006. However, it also means that recent and currently proposed development must now be incorporated into the population commitments. In particular, proposed major new apartment complexes and proposed changes in density of residential developments become highly relevant to the calculation of residential land needs over the next five years and Maynooth Planning Alliance will be studying carefully how such matters are handled. The Council's legal advice appears to be that any actions which provide for a greater population increase by 2006 than specified in the County Development Plan will leave any proposed Town Plan open to challenge.

The news of this fresh approach was received with considerable dismay by some councillors who had expected

a speedy resolution to Kildare's planning saga in the early weeks of the New Year. It now looks like the adoption of the various plans may not even be completed before the council elections in June. In some parts of Europe, councils are elected immediately after their planning proposals are passed, giving the electorate an opportunity to judge each on their actions and on their records. Perhaps 1999 will pose new challenges for some after all!



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NEW MANAGER FOR TESCO MAYNOOTH

Originally from Limerick, Errol Flynn arrived at his new position as Manager of Quinnsworth Maynooth in late November. He started his work in the retail trade when he was sixteen years of age, working for Dunnes Stores. He swept the floors in Dunnes Stores for two and a half years, after which he took time out from the trade. Mr Flynn joined the Quinnsworth group two years ago. He has been transferred from Quinnsworth in Rathfarnham. A married man living in Dublin, he is looking forward to working in the Maynooth store.

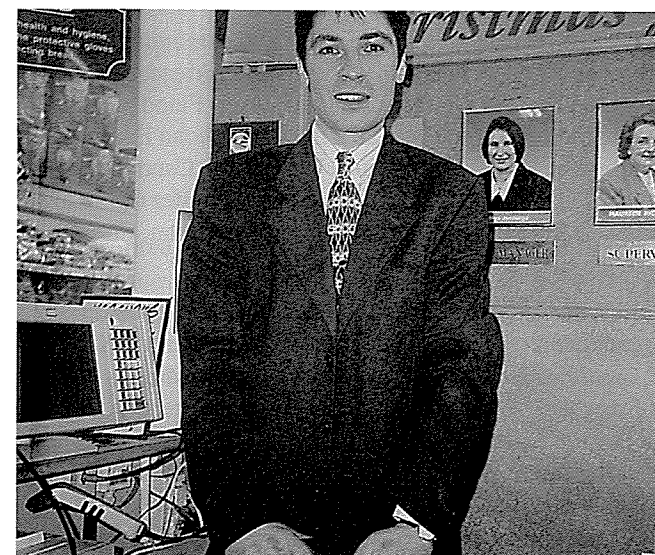
With the take - over from Tesco in the intermediate stage, Mr Flynn has many ideas for his new position. As he says "the Maynooth shop has a lot of potential and with such expertise on the shop floor it will make a good transition to a Tesco Store in time to come".

With a lot of Irish produced Tesco products on the shelves and many Irish companies supplying the store, it is a great boost to the Irish traders. The average Irish product sales is 100,000 per week in Quinnsworth's Maynooth store.

At present while being very busy looking after customers and staff's well being, Errol is already preparing for a successful January Sale.

Mr Flynn's message to the Maynooth people who are in search of jobs is "Come on in to see us, your hours may suit us".

Mr Flynn is looking forward to meeting the people of Maynooth, and is grateful for the welcome he has received from the community.

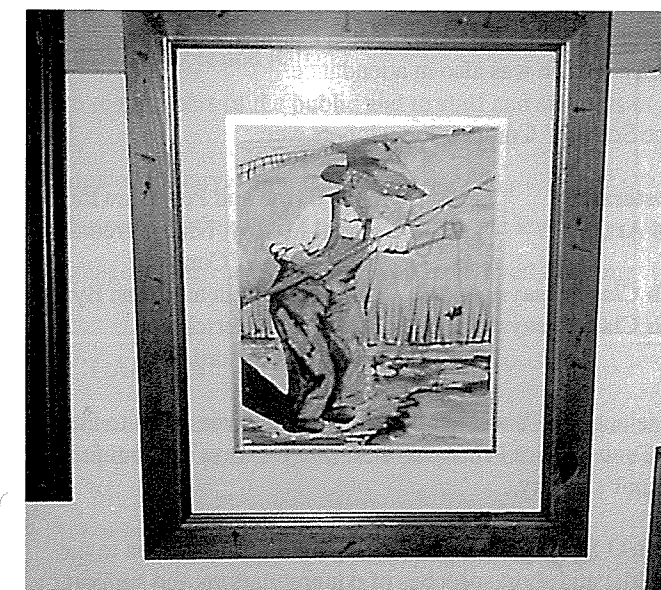


Errol Flynn
New Manager, Tesco

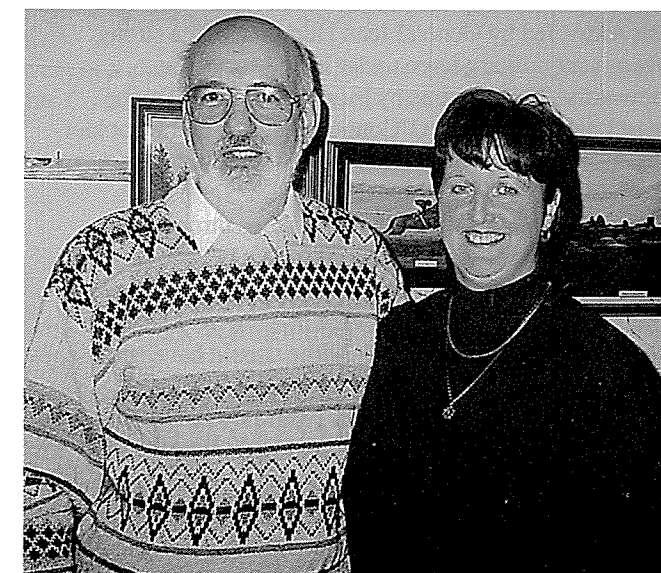
CASTLE KEEP ART EXHIBITION

This was the group's second Art Exhibition. Again it was held over three days. Friday 27th, Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th of November. Over 200 paintings were shown. Well done to all the Artists. The standard of work was second to none.

A big thank you must go to Henry and Lila Flynn, whose tireless work brought the whole Exhibition about. Well done Henry and Lila, thanks a lot. We look forward to the next Exhibition - watch the Newsletter for details.



The Fisher Boy
By Fiona O'Connor



Harry and Lily Flynn
Organisers of Art Exhibition

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MAYNOOTH 1798 COMMEMORATION GROUP (Comoradh '98 Maigh Nuad)

1798 and Maynooth Booklet Launched

A large attendance of adults and school pupils was present in the Library on Friday, 11th December for the official launch of our booklet and the presentation of prizes to the winners of our schools' competition. The attendance included: Councillor P.J. Sheridan, Vice Chair of Kildare County Council (deputising for the Chair of the County Council); Michael Kavanagh of Kildare County Council's 1798 Committee; members of Kilcock '98 Group; Paul Croghan, Maynooth Community Council, and Dermot Nangle, representing Joe Wall and staff at Cardinal Press. Councillor Senan Griffin was also in attendance.

The Schools' Competition winners were:

Posters:	Cian Byrne and Peter Lawlor
A4 Art:	Fergal Molloy, Niall Corcoran and Darren O'Connell
5th Class Essays:	Ciaran Duignan and Cian Byrne
6th Class Essays:	Stephen Broderick and Kevin Comerford

A selection of books on the theme of '98 was given to Pat O'Connor, Vice Principal of St. Mary's Boys' School for the school's library.

Sean O Siothchain, our P.R.O., gave an introduction to the booklet and short speeches of congratulations and support were made by Seamus Cullen of Kilcock '98 Group and by Liam Chambers, author of the booklet. Councillor Sheridan officially launched the publication and recalled his own childhood in Ballinamuc, Co. Longford, which was the battle-site on 8th September 1798 between a French / United Irish Army, led by General Jean Humbert, and a strong government military force under Lord Lieutenant Cornwallis. Three poems by local poets, Hilda Dunne, Stuart Lane and Declan O'Connor, featured in the booklet were then read by the authors.

The booklet is now on sale in many shops throughout Maynooth, at three pounds per copy. We believe that it is both a stimulating account of 1798 and Maynooth, and a worthy souvenir publication of the bi-centenary year's commemorative events. Every home should have one!

An announcement was also made regarding the future of our group. We will be reforming in 1999 as the Maynooth History and Civic Forum, whose purpose will be "exploring local history and promoting social debate". Should you be interested in joining the new group, please phone Michael Quinn, Tel. 6285258.

Michael Quinn.

PARISH FAITH FRIENDS COMMISSIONED

On Sunday 6th December, 2nd Sunday of Advent at 11.30am. Mass Monsignor Alex Stenson, p.p. commissioned this year's group of Faith Friends, who on behalf of St. Mary's Parish Maynooth, will help in the preparation of our boys and girls for Confirmation. This year Confirmation will be celebrated on Friday 19th and Saturday 20th of February 99.

This is the second year that the Confirmation Faith Friends Programme has operated in the parish. Nineteen young men and women undertook a training programme in November, and are now ready to meet the young candidates in January.

Faith Friends is a programme where adult members of the parish community share faith, in small groups, with the Confirmation Candidates. The role of the Faith Friends is not to teach, but rather to give witness to their faith, to share with the young boys and girls about how their belief in God and Christ affects their daily lives. So, over a series of four meetings, the Faith Friend talks with six or seven Confirmation children about such topics as: "when did I Feel close to God", "How do I pray", "Caring", "My gifts and talents" etc. Attractive worksheets are used at these small group meetings, to help the sharing and discussion.

Faith Friends provide a Parish/Community dimension to the preparation the children are already receiving at home (from their parents), and at school (from their teachers). It offers the young candidates a concrete experience of the interested and welcoming Community into which they are being fully initiated in faith-the parish of St Mary's, Maynooth.

We can trace the roots of Faith Friends back to the Celtic Church. In early times in Ireland, Christian Communities appointed "ordinary" people of faith to help those preparing for Baptism, and those returning to the Church in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These Christians were called "Anamchara", or Soul-friend. They walked in faith and gave example through prayer and christian living to the candidates for the sacraments.

The Parish is proud of the dedication and commitment of the young people who are this year's Faith Friends. They are: Emer O Keeffe, Lisa King, Anna Flood, Della Clerkin, Pádraig Madden, Rachel Watson, Fiona Hoare, Michael Madden, Andrée Ennis, Patricia Mc Cann, Dearbhla Boylan, Johanne Duignan, Karen Brady, Jennifer Gannon, Eimear O Reilly, Caitríona Monahan, Mary Lynn, Corina Wallisch and Christof Kracht.

Thanks are also extended to the Planning Team, who direct the programme and train the Faith Friends-Peter Mc Namara, Liz Jennings, Jennifer Quigley, Joan Lennon, Maeve Moloney and Noel Topley. Monsignor Alex Stenson, P.P. and Fr John Sinnott, C.C. have supported and encouraged along the way. A big "Thank You" to Mr Sean Ashe, Mr Senan Griffin, Caroline and Paul and all the staff of Maynooth Post Primary School, who have helped by providing rooms for the meetings.

Any information about Faith Friends can be obtained from the Co-Ordinator, Noelle Topley, Tel 628-5888.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES IN MAYNOOTH

INTRODUCTION

This year N.U.I., Maynooth Language Centre is offering extra-mural courses in Irish, French, German, Italian, Arabic and English as a Foreign Language. Our language courses are open to people of all ages and backgrounds. The emphasis is on communication and a practical knowledge of the language. Classes are limited to twelve students and take place in an informal, structured atmosphere, to ensure that each learner is given ample opportunity to practise his/her newly-acquired skills. Students may further enhance their language skills by availing of the Language Centre's up-to-date technology. Our Computer Assisted Language Learning and Self Access Language Learning centre have the latest language-learning software and audio-visual materials.

We look forward to meeting you.

GENERAL LANGUAGE SKILLS

Languages offered: Irish, French, German, English as a Foreign Language, Arabic and Italian.

All courses are offered subject to demand. Language courses are open to members of the public and to staff and students of the University.

Beginners' Level is suitable for those who have no previous knowledge of the target language.

Intermediate Level is suitable for those who have studied the target language to Junior or Leaving Certificate level.

Advanced Level is suitable for those who have studied the target language at third level or those who have lived for some time in the country of the target language.

FORMATION OF CLASSES

Commencement of classes will depend on a minimum number of enrolments. No more than twelve students will be admitted to each group. If there is sufficient demand, a second class will be formed where possible. The Language Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

A Certificate of Attendance is awarded on request to students with 80% minimum attendance.

DURATION AND DATES

Each course lasts for nine weeks with two hours of tuition each week. The extra-mural term dates will be:-

Course 1	Course 2
Monday, 5th October 1998 - Friday, 4th December 1998	Monday, 11th January 1999 - Friday, 12th March 1999

No classes will be held on public or University holidays. In the event of a class being missed for this reason, an extra class will be added on at the end of the extra-mural term. Please note that Course 2 is a continuation of Course 1.

ENROLMENT FOR COURSES

Enrolment for courses will take place on:

Course 1	Course 2
Wednesday, 30th September 1998, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. Thursday, 1st October 1998, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Wednesday, 13th January 1999, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. Thursday, 14th January 1999, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

in **Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building.** For E.F.L., please contact us directly.

For participants who join classes after their commencement, enrolment will take place on:

Course 1	Course 2
Monday, 12th October, 1998, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Monday, 25th January 1999, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

in **Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building.** Enrolment will only take place at the stated times.

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LANGUAGE CLASSES IN MAYNOOTH (Cont.) COURSE FEES

- £59 Wage earners from outside the University.
- £50 University staff and registered students of the University.
- £35 Social Welfare recipients (with proof of situation).
- £72 English as a Foreign Language.

Cheques should be made payable to: **The Language Centre, N.U.I., Maynooth.**

Course fees must be paid in full on enrolment; admission to classes is subject to this. Receipts should be retained. Fees will be refunded should a class not take place due to insufficient numbers.

The closing dates for refund applications are:

Course 1
Friday, 30th October 1998

Course 2
Friday, 5th February 1999

SCHEDULE OF LANGUAGE CLASSES

COURSE 1

Language	Day	Time	Venue	Starting
Arabic - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	T7	5th October
Irish - Beginners	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	8th October
Irish - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	6th October
French - Beginners	Tuesday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	T8	6th October
French - Intermediate	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	5th October
French - Advanced	Wednesday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	7th October
German - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Classhall E	5th October
German - Intermediate	Wednesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	Classhall E	7th October
Italian - Beginners	Monday	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.	T8	5th October
Italian - Intermediate	Monday	7.30 - 9.00 p.m.	T8	5th October
E.F.L. - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre
E.F.L. - Advanced	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre

COURSE 2

Arabic - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	T7	11th January
Irish - Beginners	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	14th January
Irish - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T7	12th January
French - Beginners	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	T8	12th January
French - Intermediate	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	11th January
French - Advanced	Wednesday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	13th January
German - Beginners	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.	Classhall E	11th January
German - Intermediate	Wednesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	Classhall E	13th January
Italian - Beginners	Monday	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.	T8	11th January
Italian - Intermediate	Monday	7.30 - 9.00 p.m.	T8	11th January
E.F.L. - Intermediate	Tuesday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre
E.F.L. - Advanced	Thursday	6.00 - 8.00 p.m.	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre

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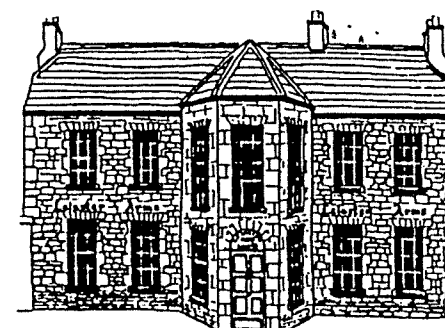
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We open in early February our "J1 Visa" programme for 3rd level full-time students. This visa enables the student to work from June to October legally in the States. It's always very popular and proves very successful every year.

Lots of special offers come into us weekly so we would advise you to keep in touch with us.

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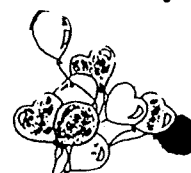
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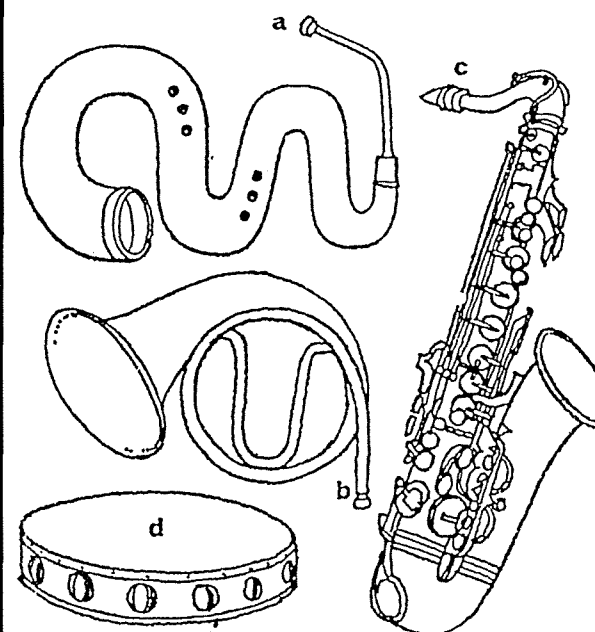


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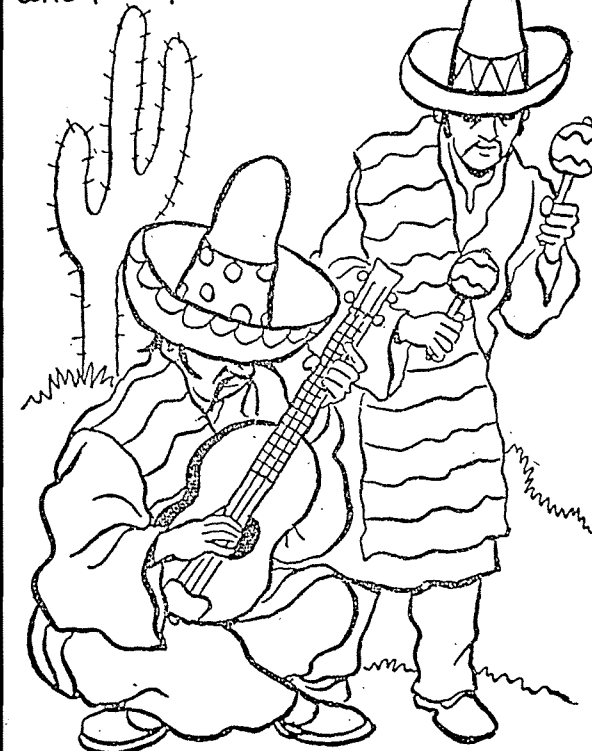
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4 - 7 years

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Elaine Houlihan
Cowanstown
Maynooth.

2nd Prize
Rónán Mc Cann
102 Moyglare Village
Maynooth

3rd Prize
Philip Corbally
22 Maynooth Park
Maynooth

8 - 12 years

1st Prize
Steven Halpin
243 River Forest
Leixlip

2nd Prize
Mark O'Connell
8 Woodlands
Maynooth

3rd Prize
Mathew O'Gorman
41 Maynooth Park
Maynooth

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PIONEERS

In Christmas week 1898 Fr. James Cullen of the Society of Jesus in Dublin began a movement which became known as the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. He could not have foreseen that one hundred years later the Association would be alive and that there would be just as much need for it.

There are about 200,000 Pioneers in this country now. The movement has spread to all five continents but sadly the Maynooth Parish Branch has lapsed. Perhaps the No Name Club has replaced it.

There are four age levels:

Juveniles: - 9-11 year old

Juniors: - 12-15 year old

Young: - 15-18 year old

Full membership: - 16 years and upwards

Pioneers of 25 years standing can get a silver pin; 50 years a Pioneer merits a gold pin.

Many functions are organised for the centenary celebrations. Archbishop Connell will open the Centenary with Mass at Gardiner Street Church at 3.00 p.m. on 28th December 1998. A Rally will take place in Croke Park on 30th May. A National Ball will be held in the Court Hotel, Carrigaline, Co. Cork on 27th March and an International Conference will assemble at Maynooth College in June.

Each year a young peoples seminar is held. The week of games, tennis and discos is attended by about 200 people. A seminar of 17+ age group is also held.

For some people Christmas and the New Year will be the time when they will have to admit to themselves "That we are powerless over alcohol and our lives have become unmanageable". The Alcohol Anonymous Group would welcome those wishing to resume control and to bring some peace into their lives before the year 2000.

For further information please phone (01)4538998. Meetings are held in Maynooth on Monday nights.



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30 QUESTION QUIZ

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2. Who wrote the Opera, Iolanthe?
3. Who designed the Dome of St. Peter's, Rome?
4. Which was the first of Jane Austen's novels to be published?
5. How many flights of Hurdles are there in a 110 meter hurdles race?
6. What does F.M. stand for on a radio?
7. What motor manufacturers produces a model called the Micra?
8. What is the chemical symbol for silver?
9. What is apiculture?
10. What two colours are on Sweden's flag?
11. Who in 1970 had her only No. 1 hit with "Band of Gold"?
12. What type of fish is a Toho?
13. Where does the celebrity guest sit in "Countdown"?
14. Who wrote "Snakes and Ladders"?
15. Which was Elvis Presley's first No. 1 U.K. hit single record?
16. What was the name of the Chief Pig in George Orwell's Animal Farm?
17. Where is the official residence of the President of France?
18. What colour is an opal stone?
19. What is a young elephant called?
20. What is the S.I. Unit of Energy?
21. When were the Premium Bonds first sold?
22. To which order do snails and slugs belong?
23. What is the liquid part of blood called?
24. In legend, who is said to have built "The Giant's Causeway"?
25. Which of the Beatles was known as "The Walrus"?
26. Which suit is ranked lowest in Bridge?
27. With which sport is the Isle of Man associated?
28. Which Irish town is famous for its Annual Open Horse Sales?
29. What was Stephen Spielberg's first blockbuster film?
30. What is the name of Maynooth's Lord Mayor?

Name:

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Closing Date: 18th January 1998

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MAYNOOTH LIBRARY NOTES

New books for Children in Maynooth Library, available in 1999. Watch this space for New Adult books coming in the New year.

Junior Non-Fiction

Moore, R. My life with the Indians
Sanders, P. and Farquhar, C. Aids
Horrell, S. The History of Emigration from Eastern Europe
Prior, K. The History of Emigration from the Indian Sub-Continent
Hirst, M. The History of Emigration from Scotland
Yorke, J. Shapes
Amos, J. Hospital
Yorke, J. Noises
Snazaroo. F.X. Faces
Roberts, E. Russia and the Republics
Miller, J. Training and Fitness
Original Graphics Story Book. Ireland
Pollard, M. Thinkers
Ross, S. Causes and Consequesces of the First World War
Waterlow, J. A Family from Bosnia
Wood, R. Diana: The People's Princess
Needham, K. and Smith, L. The Usborne Riding School
Parker, Steve and Jane. I Can Experiment
Palmer, Douglas. The First Humans
Royston, Angela. Trucks
McLeish, Ewan. Europe
Gibson, R. Masks
Gibson, R. Papier Mache
Miller, J. The Usborne Soccer School: Goal Keeping
Dungworth, R. The Usborne Soccer School: Attacking
Dungworth, R. The Usborne Soccer School: Dead Ball Skills
Harvey, G. The Usborne Soccer School: Defending
McGillivray, J. Standard Computing Book 2
Fisher, C. Publisher
Schofield and Sims. Occupations
Moore, C. Film Studio
Hudson, M. Working Worldwide: Doctor
Watson and Petrone. If You Were A Pilot
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Vet
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Teacher
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Baker
Watson, C. A Day in the Life of a Bus Driver
Hales, S. Real Lives, Real Times
Potter, T. Louis Braille
Castor, H. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
Matthews, A. Alfred the Great
Fischel, E. William Shakespeare
Wilkins, V. Martin Luther King
Fischel, E. Alexander Graham Bell
Castor, H. Anne Frank.
Castor, H. Queen Victoria
Fischel, E. Florence Nightingale
Wallace, K. Louis Pasteur
Matthews, A. Dick Whittington
Wallace, K. Thomas Edison

Wallace, K. Marie Curie
Fitzgerald, M. The World of Colmcille
Fischel, E. Captain Scott
Barker, C. A Question of Refugees
Elliott, D. Life in Europe
Condon, Judith. Chernobyl and Other Nuclear Accidents
Condon, J. Recycling Paper
Peckham, A. Resources Control
Baines, J. Keeping the Air Clean
Walker, J. The Ozone Hole
Brown, P. Energy and Resources
Beavis and Barrie, Living for the Future
Brown, J. Your Environment
Penny, M. Our World: Pollution and Conservation
Nelson, N. Conservation
Graham, I. Solar Power
Roden, K. Then and Now: Farming
Swift, F. R.S.P.C.A.
Shipson, J. Help the Aged
Clayton, E. OXFAM
Church, D. Barnardos
Bailey, K. Irish Proverbs
Walker, J. Man Made disasters: Oil Spills
Perry and Gibbs. Teamwork: Building Site
Litton, H. The Celts
Litton, H. The Irish Famine
Litton, H. Irish Rebellions 1798-1916
Litton, H. The Irish Civil War
Corey, P. Coping with Exams and Tests
Webb, S. Kids Can Cook
Duffy, R. Quiz Book 2000
Doherty and Hickey. The All Ireland Sport Quiz Book
Doherty and Hickey. The All Ireland History Quiz Book
Doherty and Hickey. The All Ireland Geography Quiz Book
Conroy and Wilson. Wildlife
Llywelyn and Scott, Ireland a Graphic History
Elsom, D. Planet Earth
Conroy, D. Cartoon Fun
O'Grady, A. Everything Irish

Bird, B. Flying High
Bird, B. World Tour
Hazell, V. Helicopters
Potter, T. Chillers: The Dinner Lady
The Quest and Other Stories
Something to Prove and Other Stories
Wooderson, P. Chillers: The Mincing Machine
Wooderson, P. Chillers: Spooked
Allen, E. Chillers: Ghost from the Sea
Christie, S. Chillers: Sarah Scarer

Irish Books:
Crosher, J. An tSean Eigipt
Stubbs, L. Seimi ar an gCoisir
Wood, D. and A. An Bear Mor Ocrach
Rabhlai Rabhlai Rogha Rannta Traidisiunta Don Aos Og
Wood, T. An Renaissance

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Williams, B. An tSean Sin
Ray, S Ainmhithe na h-Oiche
Davies, H. Beginners Irish Dictionary
Giona and Glasauer. An Fear a Chuireadh Crainn
Dys, C. Ca Bhfuil Mamai?
Dys, C. Ca Bhfuil Daidi?
Riddell, E. 100 Focal Tosaigh
Wolde, G. Eithne agus an bhruitineach
Wolde, G. Dearthainin Eithne
Wolde, G. Nuair a bhionn Eithne dana
Civardi and Cartwright. A Dul go dti an Fiacloir
Civardi and Cartwright. Ag dul go dti an tOspideal
Civardi and Cartwright. Ag dul go dti an Choisir
Civardi and Cartwright. An Leanbh Nua
Civardi and Cartwright. Ag Aistriú Ti
O'Raghallaigh, C. He, a Ruairi
Ni Ailpin, T. Ruairi agus Una ag an Ollmhargadh
Amery and Cartwright. Cead Focal

Young Adult Fiction:

Jones, J. The Webbed hand
Nicholls, S. The Book of shadows
Pierce, T. Wild Magic
Scott, M. Vampire
Brennan, J. Nightmares
Lynch C. Chiller
Doyle, R. Shiver
O'Laighleis, R. Ecstasy
Cooney, C. Vampire's Promise
Learangis, P. Driver's Dead
McFann, J. Hide and Seek
Smith, L.J. The Hunter
Smith, L.J. The Chase
Smith, L.J. The Kill
Steiner, B. Spring Break
Steiner, B. The Phantom
Steiner, B. The Mummy
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter II
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter III
Stine, R.L. The Babysitter IV
Stine, R.L. Beach Party
Stine, R.L. The Dead Girlfriend
Stine, R.L. Halloween II
Stine, R.L. Hit and Run
Stine, R.L. Call Waiting
Littke, L. The Watcher
Rees, C. The Vanished
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: The wish
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: The Silent Scream
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: Monster
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: Truth or Die
Hoh, D. Nightmare Hall: The Initiation
Hon, D. Funhouse
Hoh, D. The Invitation
Hall, J. Homecoming Queen
Harrell, J. Vampires Love 2: Blood Spell

Bates, A. Krazy 4-U.
Cooney, C. Freeze Tag
Cooney, C. The Perfume
Cooney, C. The Stranger
Cooney, C. Return of the Vampire
Ellis, C. Silent Witness
Ellis, C. My Secret Admirer
Jeffries, F. Sweet Sixteen
Smith, S. Double Date
Smith, S. Second Sight
Parkinson, S. Four Kids, Three Cats, Two Cows, One Witch (Maybe)
Parkinson, S. Sisters, No Way
Parkinson, S. Amelia
Parkinson, S. No Peace for Amelia
O'Sullivan, M. Angels Without Wings
O'Sullivan, M. White Lies
Swindells, R. Jacqueline Hyde
Arrigan, M. Saving the Dark Planet
Arrigan, M. Searching for the Green
Walsh, M. Catwalk

Early Readers:

Crowther, R. Jungle Jumble
Glioni, D. Hello Baby Bear
Hissey, J. Old Bear
Hissey, J. Little Bear's Trousers
Hill, E. Spot at Home
Hill, E. Spot in the Garden
Inkpen, M. If I had a Pig
Ladybird. The Three Little Pigs
Kittamura, S. Bath Time Boots
Kittamura, S. A Friend for Boots
Leslie, A. Let's Look inside the Yellow Truck
Crowther, R. Tractors and Trucks
Nilsen and Wells. Drive Your Tractor
Leslie, A. Let's Look Inside the Car
BBC Children's Books. Dino Babies
Awdry, W. James and the Rescue Train
Awdry, W. Henry pulls the Express
Awdry, W. Percy the Seaside Train
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Dad
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Brother
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Fish
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Ponies
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Sister
Deeing, J. Babette Cole's Mum
Abel, S. Two Bears have a Picnic
Inkpen, M. Say 'AAAH'
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat and the Blue Ball
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat gets Fat
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat makes a Present
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat's Sleepy Days
Ainliffe, J. Postman Pat Wins a Prize
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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Preamble of Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from Alcoholism.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any Sect, Denomination, Politics, Organisation or Institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy; neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other Alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

What A.A. Does Not Do

1. Solicit membership or try to persuade anyone to join A.A. who does not want to.
2. Keep membership records or case histories.
3. Engage in or sponsor research.
4. Join counselling or social agencies, although A.A. members frequently co-operate with them.
5. Make medical or psychological diagnosis or prognosis.
6. Provide drying out or nursing services, hospitalisation, drugs or any medical or psychiatric treatment.
7. Engage in education or propaganda about alcohol.
8. Provide housing, clothes, food, jobs, money or other welfare or social services.
9. Provide domestic counselling.
10. Accept money for its service or any money from non A.A. sources.

The Twelve Steps

1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol - that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. We're entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.

8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.
11. Sought, through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and practice these principles in all our affairs.

The Twelve Traditions

1. Our common welfare should come first, personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority - a loving God as He may express Himself in our Group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants - they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose - to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
6. An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever non-professional, but our service centres may employ special workers.
9. A.A., as such, ought never be organised; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Features

CREDIT UNION NEWS

Whats New, In 1999.

1. New Board of Directors.
2. New Loan Interest Rate.
3. New Services.

The new Board of Directors are K. Loane, P. Harney, A. Higgins, J. Read, M. Doran, M.T. Kelly, P. Holmes, M. O'Reilly, H. Devane, M.T. Power, F. Kelleher.

Some long serving Board members and some new ones, together with the other voluntary officers are offering their time and energy to serve us the members, for another year. May I take the opportunity to welcome the newest members to the Board.

A new lower Loan Interest Rate was introduced as and from December 1st. We have reduced our rate by 20% i.e. from 1% to 0.80% per month. The 12.68% A.P.R. is down to 10.14%. This will mean a big saving to the borrowing member over the loan term, less interest to pay is **Good News** for everyone.

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Junior Members are reminded that we are hosting the school table quiz on January 22nd in St. Patrick's College and during the event we will have a prize draw for all our junior members. It is more favourable to hold this draw separate to our A.G.M.

We are also preparing to set up a credit union in the Post Primary School, similar to the one already running in the primary schools.

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VIDEO REVIEW

The Wedding Singer (12's)

This is one of the best comedies to come on stream recently. The story centres around a cheesy, second-rate cabaret-style crooner, played superbly by Adam Sandler, who falls in love with Drew Barrymore, a waitress who works for a wedding caterers firm. The problem is that she's engaged to someone else, and Sandler's attempts to impress her and win her over are absolutely hilarious. The soundtrack is brilliant and straight out of the seventies, and the film is worth seeing for the music alone. All in all a very worthwhile and funny experience.

Verdict: Excellent.

Great Expectations (15's)

This is one of those movies that leaves you wondering why the makers bothered. For those of you who don't know the plot, it's basically about a Victorian *femme fatale* with a secret past. Gwyneth Paltrow plays our heroine, Ethan Hawke and, of all people, Robert DeNiro are the men in her life. Paltrow is, as usual, highly effective rubbish, and Ethan Hawke, who appears to appeal mostly to the 'teen viewers', is not much better. Robert DeNiro, who is always worth watching (although this time it's for completely different reasons) is totally miscast. There should be a law against the murder of what is great literature, and the perpetrators should be jailed for life. Charles Dickens must be turning over in his grave.

Verdict: Abysmal!

Hobbies & Interests



Deliciously Simple



LAMB CASSEROLE

1lb/450g lean lamb
1tbsp olive oil
6oz/175g button onions, peeled
1 red pepper, halved, deseeded and sliced
2 sticks celery, trimmed and chopped
1oz/25g flour
1pt/600ml vegetable stock
14oz/397g can chick peas, drained
14oz/397g can artichoke hearts, drained
A few rosemary sprigs
Salt and ground black pepper
Rosemary sprigs to garnish

1. Trim the lamb of any remaining fat and cut the meat into 2in/5cm chunks. Heat the oil in a flameproof casserole dish and sauté the onions for 5 mins. Add the lamb and cook for 7 mins, or until sealed.
2. Preheat the oven to Gas 4, 350F, 180C, 10 mins before cooking the casserole. Add the peppers, celery and flour to the lamb and onions, then continue to cook, stirring constantly, for 1 min. Stir in the vegetable stock, chick peas, artichoke hearts and rosemary. Season well and bring to the boil. Cover the casserole and transfer to the preheated oven. Cook for 1 1/2 hrs., or until lamb is tender.
3. Remove casserole lid, garnish with rosemary and serve.

Serves 4: 451 calories per portion.
Preparation time: 20 mins.
Cooking time: 1 hr 45 mins.

PICTURE LOGO

CHEESY VEGETABLES WITH TAGLIATELLE

A colourful mix of two standbys - cauliflower or macaroni cheese

1 1/2 lbs/700g mixed fresh broccoli and cauliflower florets
6ozs/175g fresh baby corn cobs
8ozs/225g dried tagliatelle
2oz/50g butter
2oz/50g flour
1pt/600ml milk
3oz/75g cheddar cheese, grated
1oz/25g fresh breadcrumbs, toasted
Garlic bread, to serve

1. Cook pasta in lightly salted boiling water for 10 minutes until al dente.
2. Meanwhile, cook vegetables in lightly salted boiling water for 5 minutes until just tender.
3. Melt butter in a saucepan, add flour and cook for 1 minute. Gradually add milk and bring to the boil, stirring constantly, until sauce thickens. Simmer for 1 minute. Stir in cheese and season to taste.
4. Drain vegetables, add to cheese sauce and mix until coated. Drain pasta and divide between plates. Spoon vegetables and cheese sauce over and sprinkle with breadcrumbs. Serve with garlic bread.

MANGO ICE WITH CREAM CHEESE

Serves 4

1 large fresh mango or a 15oz/425g can of mango pieces
Juice 1 lemon
8oz/250g cream cheese
1 tablespoon honey
Large pinch of ground cardamom, optional
Skin and stone the fresh mango, or drain the juice from the canned mango.

Put the fruit into a food processor with the rest of the ingredients, or sieve the fruit and mix in the other ingredients until smooth. Pour into a plastic container and freeze until firm. Allow to soften for about 30 mins. in the fridge before serving.

EASY RICE PUDDING

40g fine grain cereal or 50g large grain cereal
25g sugar
500ml milk
13g margarine
cinnamon

1. Wash large grain rice. Place rice, sugar, milk and margarine into a greased pie dish. Stir well.
2. Bake in a cool oven, 150C/300F or Gas 2, for 1 1/2 - 2 hrs, stirring once or twice during first hour, with a fork, to prevent rice settling on base. Sprinkle with cinnamon and cook until set, and beginning to brown on top.
3. Serve as above.

CHOCOLATE FLAPJACKS

4oz/125g butter or margarine
4oz/125g light brown sugar
1 tablespoon golden syrup
6oz/175g jumbo or porridge oats
2oz/60g chocolate drops
20z/60g toasted hazelnuts, chopped
11x7in shallow baking tin

Set oven to moderate, Gas 4 or 350F/180C.

Melt the butter, then slowly stir in the sugar and golden syrup. Stir in the rest of the ingredients. Spoon into the greased tin and spread evenly over the base. Bake above the centre of the oven for 30 minutes. Mark into 15 or 14 fingers while still warm. Allow to cool in the tin, then cut into pieces.

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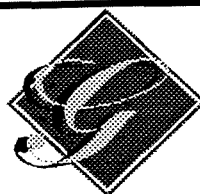
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JANUARY IN THE GARDEN

FLOWERS

This is usually the coldest month of the year. Conditions are frustrating for the gardener with many left over jobs from December waiting to be done. January is often thought as a colourless month in the garden, but there is quite a number of plants that bloom now, such as the winter flowering Jasime [Fasminum nudiflorum].

Little outdoor work can be done this month. If new areas are to be planted with shrubs or other plants, or sown with seed in the spring, plan these on paper now. Protect with cloches the flowers of Christmas roses [Helleborous niger] to prevent weather or bird damage. Water plants in containers sheltered from the weather, such as window boxes, hanging baskets and pots on patios.

Fruit

If weather and soil conditions are suitable, plant trees and bushes. Complete the pruning of established fruits and spray them all, except strawberries, with a tar-oil winter-wash to kill insect pest eggs.

Vegetables

Order seeds, seed potatoes and plant this month. Store them in a cool, frost-free and rodent - free place until required. In warm and sheltered gardens, the first sowings of certain cultivators of peas and broad beans can be made if the soil is friable and not too wet or cold.

Where necessary, apply lime to the soil-if not already done. Do not mix lime and animal manures. Lift parsnips and leeks as required. Inspect root vegetables in store and remove any that show signs of disease.

TREES, SHRUBS AND CLIMBERS

If the weather is suitable and in a friable condition, plant trees, shrubs and climbers. During inclement weather, store the plants in straw, in a cool frost-free place, or unwrap them and heel them into a trench in a sheltered part of the garden.

Prevent branches being broken by the weight of snow, removing it by hand. Ensure that small or tender plants have adequate protection. Check all plant supports and ties to ensure they are firm and in good condition.

UNDER GLASS

Order seeds and new plants now for sowing and planting during the next two months. Ventilate and water existing plants carefully to keep them in good health. Remove dead flowers heads and leaves to prevent infection and if necessary spray against pests and diseases. Make the first sowing of greenhouse tomato seeds in boxes or pots in heat. In the home, water houseplants given as Christmas presents, according to their requirements, and give them the temperature and amount of light they need.

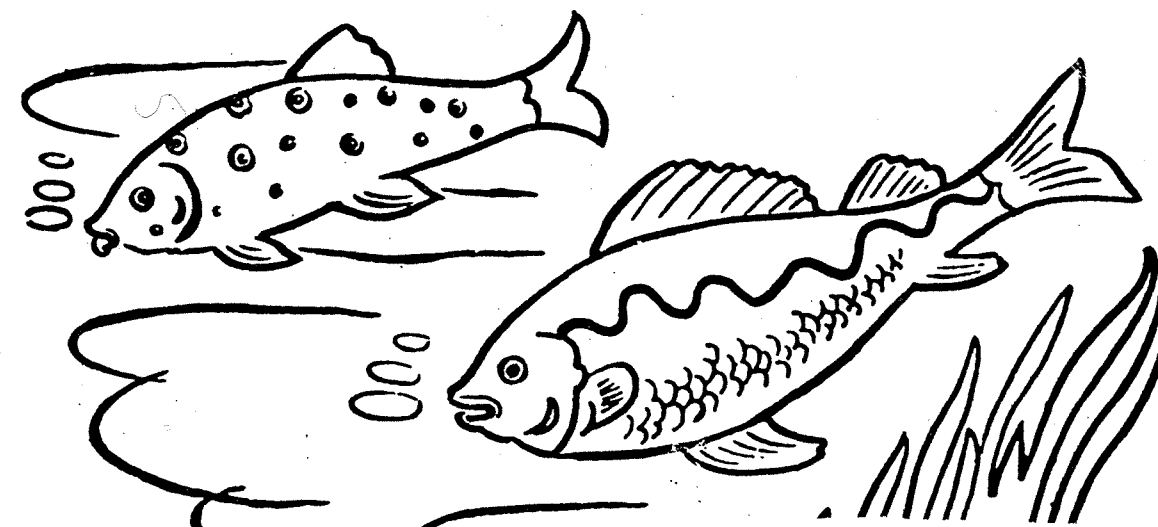
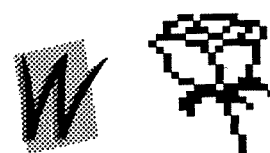
As forced bulbs, particularly hyacinths, tulips and narcissi, in bowls reach the correct stage of growth, bring them from the cold into the home. Water them as necessary. Plant hippeastrums to flower next month. Check that all seed sowing and potting equipment is in good condition.

AND DON'T FORGET

Clear away all leaves and debris by raking or brushing them into heaps and placing them on the compost heap. Prepare the ground for new lawns by digging the area whenever soil conditions permit. Check that the drainage is all right. Leave the soil surface roughly dug to enable the frost to produce a fine tilth.

Tread and firm the soil around plants recently set in position, especially if it has been loosened by frost or the plants rocked by the wind.

Check all machinery and tools to ensure they are in good working order for the forthcoming season. Make a note of paved or concrete areas that collect moisture which ices up, and correct the levels when time and weather permit. Also, keep drainage areas free of debris. Keep an area open in ice on the garden pool, to allow fish to breathe.



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Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES

New Year Greetings

Dep. Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin wish all their friends and supporters a very happy and prosperous new year.

Barrockstown Landfill Site

Fine Gael in Maynooth are opposing the location of this proposed dump on the grounds that it will eventually pollute the ground water, thereby causing problems for residents, the Lyreen, the Rye and further downstream the River Liffey. This site is deemed to be most unsuitable.

The dump has now brought into focus the requirements for all residents to change their habits when disposing of rubbish. Cllr. Senan Griffin recently stated that this can only be done with a proper waste management plan which will have to include recycling. Senan Griffin further stated that it will be a much more expensive operation if landfill sites are to be a thing of the past, but a price worth paying. Cllr. Griffin believes that the sooner the residents change and reduce the volume of disposable rubbish the better for the local environment.

Footpaths

At long last the laying of the footpaths has commenced and it is hoped that both sides of the street will be completed early in the new year.

Back Streets

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested that K.C.C. resurface the back streets. Double Lane, Buckleys, Fagans, Pound and Doctors Lane, while at the same time ensuring that adequate traffic calming measures are put in place for the safety of pedestrians.

Poor Quality Public Lighting

Despite numerous requests from Cllr. Senan Griffin and K.C.C., the E.S.B. are failing to provide a quality public lighting service to the people of Maynooth. The lights on the Moyglare Road and the Kilcock Road are frequently out of action. These two roads are now a danger to the pedestrians due to the poor quality of lighting.

Resurfacing of Estates

The Co., Councillors in agreeing the estimates have included a sum of money to resurface estates that are about twenty years old. This will be of benefit to estates like **Carton Court, Railpark, Cluain Aoibhinn and Greenfield Estate**. However the money allocated will not be adequate to do all the estates.

Control of Alcohol

At a recent meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee it was agreed that a draft of the bye laws for Maynooth be published for a period of one month. Submissions must be made within seven days after the end of the publication of

the draft proposals. It is important that all residents keep an eye on these proposals.

Greenfield Lane

K.C.C. have accepted the proposal by Cllr. Senan Griffin that the lane is in need of resurfacing and the laying of a surfacing water pipe. The funds required to do the job can be made available from the roads restoration grant programme.

Maynooth Interchange

Senan Griffin has requested K.C.C. to carry out a survey at the Maynooth interchange in order to improve its present poor quality exist. It is obvious that traffic wishing to turn right towards Maynooth are experiencing extreme difficulties and should be upgraded to roundabout status. It is the function of the N.R.A. to provide motorists with a safe exit from the motorway.

Maynooth Pumping Station

Cllr. Senan Griffin has welcomed the allocation of £60,000 to upgrade the sewerage pumping station at Dunboyne Road. This is a positive development and long overdue.

Girls National School

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested the engineering staff at K.C.C. to prepare plans so as to enhance the entrance to the Girls National School and to Carton Avenue. This area is now becoming totally congested and is in urgent need of a proper bus bay, and controlled car parking for the safety of the school going children.

Griffin Selected To Run

At a packed convention, held in the Glenroyal Hotel, Senan Griffin was selected to run for Fine Gael in the local elections to be held in June. He will contest the new Leixlip district which embraces Leixlip and Maynooth.

Senan currently occupies the Council seat vacated by Bernard Durkan T.D. when he became a Minister of State in the last Coalition. He is a member of a number of Council Sub Committees and represents the Council on the boards of Kildare Fáilte and mid- east tourism.

In his acceptance speech Councillor Griffin said that if elected his priorities would continue to be the provision of affordable housing, amenity facilities and the alleviation of traffic congestion in Maynooth and in Leixlip through the provision of ring roads. He reminded his audience that decisions made by the councillors elected in June would have profound affect on the future housing prospects and quality of life of the students who will be sitting the Junior Certificate at election time. He said he would strive to ensure that all decisions taken would be in the best interests of the population of Kildare.

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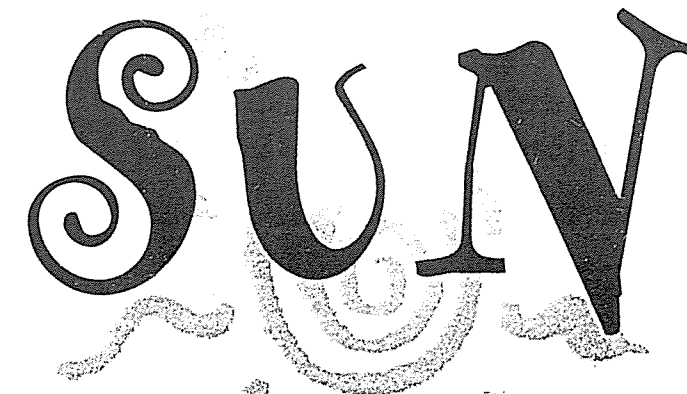
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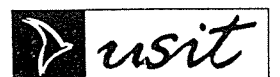


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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES - DECEMBER

MAIN STREET FOOTPATHS:

Work is progressing well on the new footpaths as no major problems have been encountered. The new footpaths, which include a cycle lane, will extend as far as the Castle and to Kavanagh's Mill. Traffic lights with a pedestrian crossing phase will be erected at the bottom of the town in order to regulate traffic at this very busy junction. The work is due for completion by the end of March.

MAYNOOTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

As a result of legal advice, the County Council have decided that the Development Plan for Maynooth must start from scratch. The first meeting to discuss the plan will be held on the 15th of January, 1999. A full day has been set aside on 18th January to discuss submissions received following the public display of the County Development Plan. If there are no changes to the population targets for Maynooth, the Maynooth Plan can then be approved to go on public display for the three months, first display period. As the Local Government Elections are due on the 11th of June, 1999, it is unlikely that the Maynooth Plan will be progressed beyond the first display period by the present Council.

RE-INSTALEMENT OF GREEN AT THE 67A TURNING POINT:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the Chief Executive of C.I.E. that they have arranged for the reinstatement of the green area at the 67A bus turning point on the Straffan Road.

SAFETY IN MOYGLARE ABBEY:

As a result of representations from residents in Moyglare Abbey, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the developer to clean up the roadways and to stop diggers from driving on the footpath green areas.

SPEED LIMIT ON LUCAN BY-PASS:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked his Labour Party Colleague on South Dublin County Council, Eamonn Walsh, to have the speed limit on the Lucan By-Pass changed to one more appropriate to an urban motorway. The speed limit is presently 40 m.p.h. even though the road is built to motorway standard i.e. it does not have footpaths or cycle lanes. Such roads elsewhere throughout the Country have a 60 m.p.h. speed limit.

MECHANISED STREET CLEANING FOR MAYNOOTH:

As stated in our November Newsletter Notes, Cllr. John McGinley was advised that mechanised street cleaning would take place in Maynooth following completion of the new footpaths. The County Manager confirmed this publicly at the Estimates Meeting on the 7th of December when asked by Cllr. McGinley.

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS FOR MAYNOOTH:

As a result of a proposal from Cllr. John McGinley new public lights will be erected in the following areas:

- Kilcock Road to beyond the new N.U.I. entrance.
- Three new lights at Doctor's Lane.

- Two new lights at Fagan's Lane.
- Two new lights at O'Neill Park.
- One new light at House No. 102, Carton Court.

If residents feel that additional lights should be located in a certain area please contact Cllr. John McGinley at 6285293.

TAKING HOUSING ESTATES IN CHARGE:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to speed up the taking in charge of estates. There is no excuse for the delay in the case of Kingsbry, where the outstanding work has been identified and the money to do the work is in place.

67A TURNING POINT, STRAFFAN ROAD:

Cllr. John McGinley has proposed that the roadside section of the 67A turning point on the Straffan Road, Maynooth be converted into a footpath in the interests of pedestrians safety and the environment. The Council's Engineering Section stated that it would cost £15,000. Cllr McGinley has pointed out to the County Secretary that it is only 8 metres of footpath and the outer edge is already in place. The County Secretary agreed to get the County Engineer to come up with a down to earth price.

THORNTON DUMP:

Emmet Stagg, T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley have both objected to the planning application by Thornton's for a super dump at Barrockstown, Co. Meath. We are offering our full support to the North Kildare / South Meath Environmental Protection Group who successfully opposed Thornton's earlier proposal for the same site.

GREENFIELD CLOSE / KINGSBRY:

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's Motion, the Council will erect bollards at the Greenfield Close end of the pedestrian walk between it and Kingsbry in order to stop cars from using it.

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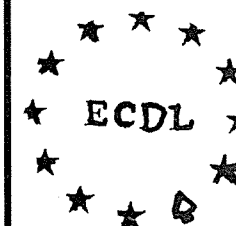
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT
15th November 1998	U.21 Football Championship	Rathangan 1-7 Maynooth 0-8
21st November 1998	U.15 Winter Football League	Confey 4-6 Maynooth 0-16
22nd November 1998	U.15 Winter Football League	Carbury 4-16 Maynooth 3-7
4th December 1998	Senior Hurling League Div. 2 Final	Moorefield 2-11 Maynooth 2-3

MATCH REPORTS

MAYNOOTH v KILCOCK - 7th November 1998

Maynooth under 9's had a very difficult first outing of the season against a very good Kilcock team. Playing with wind advantage in the first half they kept the score to 1-4 to 1 pt., the one point being scored by Keith Leonard. In goals, Sean Fox proved to be a very brave goalie. The full-back line of Ben Finnegan, Eoin Hynes and Sean Moore put in a solid performance. The half back line of Eoin Curran, Tomas Donnelly and Danny Finnan played well but were under enormous pressure especially in the second half. James Molloy and Brian Twomey were really up against a big Kilcock pairing. The half forward line of Joe Dempsey, Alex Cash (Captain) and Keith Leonard made the most of the scraps they got. William Reynolds and Sean McTernan tried hard with Conor O'Brien playing a roving role. The subs, when introduced, Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally and Edel Curran did well but could not turn the tide. P.S. Well done to all and great to see the parents support.

Team: Sean Fox, Ben Finnegan, Eoin Hynes, Sean Moore, Eoin Curran, Tomas Donnelly, Danny Finnan, James Molloy, Brian Twomey, Joe Dempsey, Alex Cash (Capt.), Keith Leonard, William Reynolds, Sean McTernan, Conor O'Brien.
Subs: Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally, Edel Curran.

RATHANGAN 1-7 : MAYNOOTH 0-8
Half-time Rathangan 0-3 : Maynooth 0-5

Team and Scores: John Fagan, Daragh Carr, James Gallagher, Alan Nugent, Niall Byrne, Eamon Gallagher (0-4), Marty Byrne (0-1), Ronan Murphy, Mick Bennett (0-1), Declan Buckley, Sean Lennon, Mark Nugent, Cathal Ryan, Karl Ennis (0-1), Niall Naughton (0-1).
Subs: Senan Griffin for C. Ryan.

CONFHEY 4-6 : MAYNOOTH 0-16
Half-time Confey 1-5 : Maynooth 0-4

Team and Scores: Colin O'Neill, Joe Brennan, Graham Quinn, Peter Sheehan, Tadg O Corcaire, Stephen Curran, Killian Carr (0-2), Patrick O'Rourke (0-8), Stephen O'Malley, Morgan Sweeney (0-2), Fintan O'Donohue, Brian Downey (0-3), Peter Lee, Fintan O'Gorman (0-1).

CARBURY 4-16 : MAYNOOTH 3-7
Half-time Carbury 3-11 : Maynooth 0-2

Best for Maynooth were: Peter Sheehan, Killian Carr, Graham Quinn, Pierre Ennis and Donal O'Houlihan.

Scorers: Donal O'Houlihan 1-2; Pierre Ennis 1-5; Eric Roberts 1-0; Peter Lee (0-2); Patrick O'Rourke 0-2.

MOOREFIELD 2-11 : MAYNOOTH 2-3
Half-time Moorefield 2-9 : Maynooth 0-2

Best for Maynooth were: Declan Buckley, Jimmy Cahill, Hugh Nevin, Killian Fagan, Fergal Scully, Conor Diggins, Karl Ennis and substitute John O'Brien.

Team: Matt Carroll, Stephen Noonan, Declan Buckley, Rory Kelly, Jimmy Cahill, Hugh Nevin, Tom Farrell, Killian Fagan, Fergal Scully, Conor Diggins, Ronan Murphy, Mick Bennett, Jim O'Mahony, Vincent Coughlin and Karl Ennis.
Subs: Eoin Nevin for Stephen Noonan, John O'Brien for Jim O'Mahoney, Padraic Ward for Tom Farrell.

Cont./

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS 6th December 1998	
This Weeks Numbers	1 - 4 - 12 - 23
This Weeks Jackpot	- £1,200
Winner:	No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot	- £1,300
WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00	
1.	John Kennedy c/o Ollie
2.	Angela Caffrey c/o Domo
3.	Brigid Waldron c/o McCormacks
4.	Trish Reilly c/o Quinnsworth
5.	Shay Brennan c/o Domo

MAYNOOTH G.A.A.
NOTES (Cont.)

The A.G.M. of Maynooth G.A.A. Club was held on Monday, 7th December 1998 in the Clubhouse.

The following officers were elected to the Executive:-

Chairman: Roddy Molloy (outgoing)
Vice Chairman: Tommy Fay (outgoing)
Secretary: Noel Farrelly (outgoing)
Assistant Secretary: Dominic Nugent (outgoing)
Treasurer: Mick Gleeson (outgoing)
Joint P.R.O.'s: Tom Coffey / Johnny Nevin
Registrar: Madeline Stynes (outgoing)
Football Committee Chairman: Pat Nevin (outgoing)
Hurling Committee Chairman: Larry Comerford
Handball Committee Chairman: Declan Quigley
Finance Committee Chairman: Matt Doran (outgoing)
Grounds and Development: Mick Gillick (outgoing)
Bar and Social Committee: Martin Bambrick

Also elected to Executive:
Dick Sheehan and Tony Mooney

Former Kildare stalwart Davy Dalton has been appointed Manager of the Maynooth Intermediate Football Team. He will take up his new appointment in January for a two year term. The highlight of the year was the success of the Intermediate B team in winning both League and Championship. The shortage of pitches is a perennial problem which needs to be addressed as a matter of extreme urgency.

Maynooth G.A.A. cater for nine adult teams, twelve under age teams, ladies football, camogie, hurling and give pitch facilities to the Boys National School, Post Primary School and Athletic Club. The ground available to the club at present has been developed to its full potential which sadly only allows for the use of one adult and one juvenile pitch. Given the vital contribution the G.A.A. makes to the local community it is essential that additional land be made available to foster and develop our national games and to ensure that our juvenile players are provided with the necessary infrastructure to develop and harness their sporting talents. Maybe the local public representatives and planning alliance organisation would consider this in their future deliberations concerning land rezoning.

Finally on behalf of Maynooth G.A.A. I would like to wish all our members a very happy Christmas and enjoyable 1999.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F. C. CLUB NOTES (Cont.)

Weather has played havoc with recent fixtures and highlighted that our dependence on one full size playing pitch is unsustainable with the rapid growth the Club has experienced. The lack of suitable playing surfaces is now the single biggest constraint Maynooth Town F.C. faces in allowing the youth of the town to play soccer at a competitive level. The Club now supports eleven schoolboy teams along with two senior mens and a ladies team. With the lack of reasonably priced suitable land close to the town the Club now finds itself unable to cope with current demand. The hope to cater for all age groups from seven years to senior level within the next four years is no longer a reasonable expectation. The fact that some teams have fulfilled less than half of their fixtures is a sad reflection of the facilities available and a tremendous frustration to both players and team managers alike. The dilemma the Club now faces is to streamline the amount of teams it supports or continue to fight a losing battle against the elements to keep our pitch playable. A decision on the amount of teams that the Club can realistically support next season with one full size pitch will be made early in the New Year. It is hoped that players, parents and supporters will understand the hard choices the Club is forced to make.

A small but welcome break in the heavy rain allowed a resumption of fixtures with mixed fortunes for the schoolboy teams. The under 16's lost home advantage in both their Cup-ties due to a waterlogged pitch and were knocked out of both competitions. The under 14A1's, 12A1's and 11B's are still involved in Cup competitions with the U11B's due to play for a place in the last eight. Unfortunately home advantage in that tie has also been lost due to a waterlogged pitch. All four teams are doing well and are in the top half of their respective leagues. The seven-a-side teams (7 to 10 years) have completed the league section of their games. The under 8's are doing exceptionally well in their first year with Cathal Murphy's side finishing third in their league. Well done to them and lets hope they can improve on that excellent performance in the second stage of the competition. The next section will be run in World Cup format and teams will be seeded on their finishing position in the league section.

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS					
DATE	NO'S	JACKPOT	TURKEY	HAM	BTL. WHISKEY
22.11.98	6,15,29	£525	Mary Flanagan	John Devine	Kathleen Gilton
29.11.98	1,22,28	£550	Aidan Oxley	Joey Dempsey	Helen Brazil
6.12.98	6,8,25	£575	Dave Mahoney	Ciara Murray	Marie McGovern
13.12.98	13,25,27	£600	Ann Marie Lyons	Rosemary McManus	Tom Flatley

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Sunday, 15th November

Joe "Do Do" Murray Memorial Cup at
Bodenstown Golf Club

1st Overall	-	Gerry McTernan	34 pts
2nd	-	Owen Byrne	30 pts
3rd	-	John Byrne	29 pts - (Back 9)
4th	-	Pa Conway	29 pts - (Back 9)
5th	-	Sean Tracey	29 pts
6th	-	Miley Scanlon	28 pts - (Back 9)
7th	-	Sean O'Connell	28 pts
Front 9	-	John Carroll	16 pts
Back 9	-	Paddy Foy	14 pts
Visitors	-	Kevin Loftus	36 pts

Nearest the Pin	Terry Moore
Two's Club	Derek Murray - Terry Moore
G.O.Y.	Sean Tracey
Senior G.O.Y.	Owen Byrne
Team Winners	Tom O'Haire and Sean O'Connell Sean Horgan Pa Conway

Mc The Master at Bodenstown

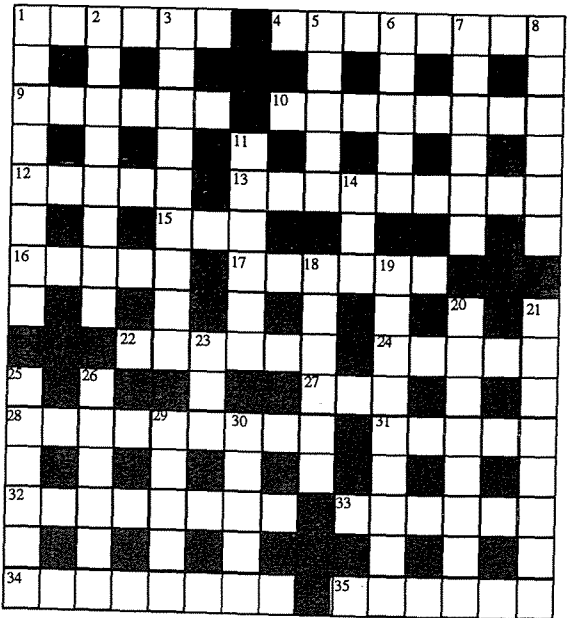
The final outing of the year for the 'Do Do' Murray Cup took place at Bodenstown (Ladyhill) Golf Club on Sunday 15th November. Early frost made for a delayed start with the Final 4 Ball putting out on the 18th in twilight. Heavy underfoot conditions made the course quite long and players struggled to score points. Local knowledge played its part with member Gerry McTernan scoring 34 points to win the coveted Trophy. Congrats Gerry. The presentation was made by Marie Murray in Caulfields that evening.

Thanks to sponsors John Byrne and Martin Doyle.

Finally we would like to thank our sponsors throughout the year and the members who supported each outing.

Roll on 1999.

Crossword No. 134



Entries before Monday 18th January

Name _____

Address _____

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Across:

- 1. Boy's name [6]
- 4. Confused [3,2,3]
- 9. Coaches (6)
- 10. Obvious (8)
- 12. Likeness (5)
- 13. Revenge [3,3,3]
- 15. Neither (3)
- 16. Lubricated (5)
- 17. Calls off (6)
- 22. Doorkeeper (6)
- 24. Bell peal (5)
- 27. Female sheep (3)
- 28. Washing powder (9)
- 31. Put straight (5)
- 32. Not adept (8)
- 33. Layers (6)
- 34. Avoid (8)
- 35. Woollen design (6)

Down:

- 1. Throw overboard (8)
- 2. Capable of being climbed (8)
- 3. Insinuations (9)
- 5. Smallest (5)
- 6. Spanish pal (5)
- 7. Scabbard (6)
- 8. Clever (6)
- 11. Aerial attack (6)

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- 14. Tree (3)
- 18. Beginnings (6)
- 19. Resemble (4,5)
- 20. Lone (8)
- 21. Extend (8)
- 23. Embrace (3)
- 25. Whirlpools (6)
- 26. Be present (6)
- 29. Cords (5)
- 30. Weird (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 133

Across: 1. Strive; 4. Sponsors; 9. Sedans; 10. Palimony; 12. Erase; 13. Tennessee; 15. Art; 16. Spoon; 17. Arable; 22. Peeked; 24. Maine; 27. Imp; 28. Restraint; 31. Patch; 32. Abounded; 33. Usurer; 34. Elements; 35. Escape.

Down: 1. Suspense; 2. Radiator; 3 Vengeance; 5. Plain; 6. Noise; 7. Oboist; 8. Styles ; 11. Attack; 14. Nib; 18. Audits ; 19. Lamposts; 20. Victoria; 21. Recharge; 23. Era; 25. Crease; 26. Ashore; 29. Range; 30. Inert.

Winner of Crossword No. 133
Patrick Healy
9 Leinster Pk.
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Classifieds

SYMPATHIES

Flood (nee Malone) Maynooth. Co. Kildare Dec 10, 1998, (peacefully at home). Essie, beloved wife of the late Thomas and loving mother of Gerard, Catherine and Maria: deeply regretted by her loving brother Patsy, grandchildren, family, relatives and friends. May she rest in peace.

Newton Son, daughters, brother, sisters, daughter-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great-grand-child, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Dan Newton, Greenfield, Maynooth.

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Nolan. John, Jacqueline and the family of the late Tom (Spin) Nolan wish to thank most sincerely all those who shared in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal, mass and funeral. Those who sent Mass Cards, perpetual enrolments, telemessages letters of sympathy and floral tributes, those who called to our home and supported and comforted us in so many ways. A special word of thanks to Monsignor Stenson and Fr. Sinnott, Mass Servers, Laura Duff and Organist, Oliver Reilly Undertakers and the G.A.A. Club for their Guard of Honour. To Dr. Cowhey, the Doctors and Nurses of J.C.M. Hospital, Blanchardstown. A special word of thanks to his nephew Liam, niece Mary and daughter-in-law Frances, his many friends especially Jimmy, Patsy and Phil, whom he used to enjoy meeting each day, for their kindness and friendship to him and to all our relatives who gave us great support at this very sad time. As it is impossible to thank you all individually we hope you will accept our sincere thanks in grateful appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Shirley Morgan** and **Martin Salmon** on the Birth of your baby son **Daniel** born on the 26th. November '98. Love from Liz, Jenny, Sarah, Ger, Elaine, Kathryn and family.

Congratulations to **Ian Kavanagh**, Kingsbry and **Niamh White**, Celbridge on the birth of your baby son **Seán** born on 23rd November 1998. Love from Mam, Neil, Karen, Mark, Declan and Jennnifer.

Wishing a very Happy 18th Birthday to **Karina McGovern** on the 14th. January
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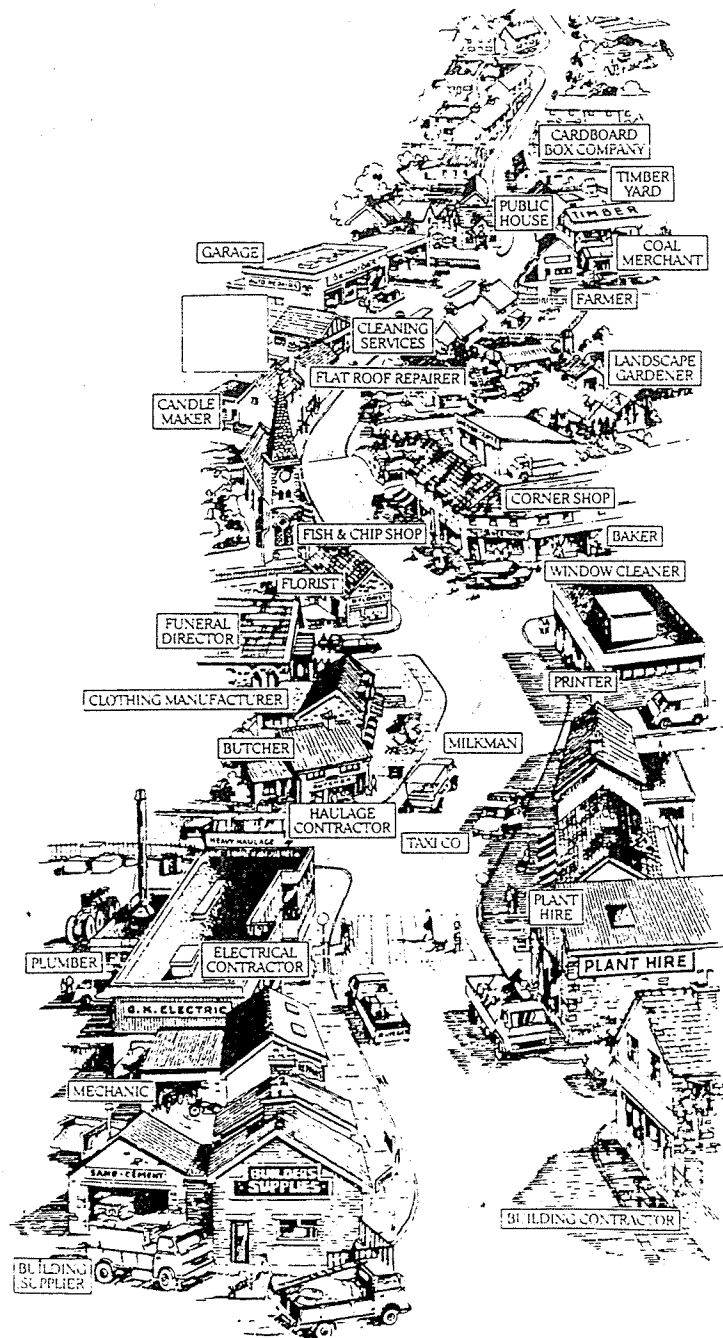
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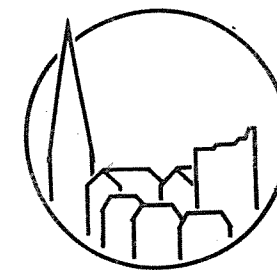
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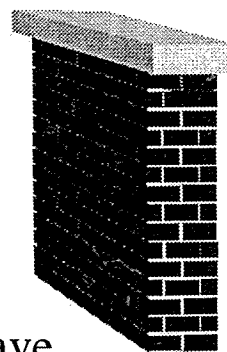
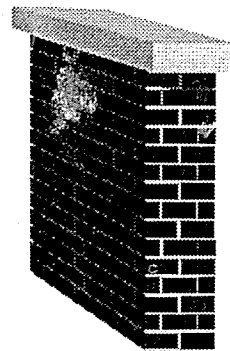
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EDITORIAL

Crime in Maynooth

According to the statistics over the past few years the crime rate in Ireland has been falling. And yet, stories of attempted abductions of children and attacks on women seem more widespread than ever before. A recent episode in Maynooth where a group of men in a car attempted to grab a young female student cycling home over Bond Bridge is just one of several such episodes which have occurred in the Maynooth area in recent years. Such is the level of fear amongst some students that business in the Students Union Bar on the Kilcock Road is down on previous years as young women will not contemplate walking home from the area at night. Garda patrols around the town have increased markedly in the last couple of months and the number of Gardai stationed in the town has almost doubled in recent years. While this is reassuring it is still a sad reflection on society that all residents cannot go about their business without fear for their personal safety.

Kiernan's

It is with sadness that the Newsletter records the closing of Kiernan's Shop on Main Street. For decades, and long before Maynooth became the busy town it is today, Kiernan's was an important part of the commercial life of the town. Shops like Kiernan's provided a great service to the community where locals dropped in to shop and have a chat. We wish Mrs. Kiernan all the best for the future.

DIARY DATES

Senior Citizens Committee Annual General Meeting in Health Centre - 2nd February at 8.00 p.m.

"Grease" - Post Primary Musical, Parish Hall, Wednesday, 3rd February - Saturday, 6th February.

I.C.A. Guild Meeting, Thursday February 4th at 8.00 p.m.

Community Games Annual General Meeting, G.A.A. Club Wednesday, 10th February at 8.00 p.m.

Maynooth Flower Club Meeting, Loftus Hall, Tuesday 16th February at 8.00 p.m.

Confirmation, Presentation, Advent Girls S. Friday, 19th February

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Ref: The feature on Pioneers

Whilst we welcome the publicity given to the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association in your January Newsletter, we wish to point out a serious inaccuracy contained in that article.

The Maynooth centre of the pioneers has not lapsed nor has it been replaced by the No Name Club. Our centre in conjunction with other centres in the North Kildare/South Meath region have been engaged in organising a number of functions down through the years, i.e. we hold table quizzes for National and Post Primary students which are held in the local schools, the winners represent the region at Leinster Finals and incidentally these finals have been held in the Parish Hall on a number of occasions, where between 400-500 people attend. We also hold a successful dinner dance each November where pioneers and friends from all other centres in the region can meet up, we present gold and silver pins at this function.

A Mass was celebrated by Msgr. Alex Stenson in the parish church on Monday 28th December '98 to mark our foundation day and to start our Centenary Year.

The rally to be held at Croke Park on 30th May '99 is an all ticket function and we are currently taking names of pioneers and friends who wish to attend.

If there are any pioneers in the parish who require gold or silver pins, please make contact with the undersigned.

Mr Owen Byrne (President) Tel. 6286514

Mr Leo McAtamney Tel. 6285502

Dear Sir/Madam,

As a recent resident in Maynooth I am shocked at the daily use of bicycles without working lights and reflectors. One runs the risk of being mown down after lighting up time by cyclists who cannot bother to buy bicycle lighting. Many use the cycle lane on the Straffan road and are thus a danger to pedestrians. Other cyclists ignore the cycle lanes and convert into dangers for motorists. Long time residents in Maynooth tell me that nothing has changed.

Yours Truly
F. Dowdall

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to say "Thank you" through your Newsletter. On New Years Eve I had a small accident on the towns bridge. Two youths came to my aid. While one stayed with me and covered me with his jacket, the other ran down the town to get the ambulance. Unfortunately I didn't get their names but I think it's right to give them credit for their good deed, when there always seems to be a lot of criticism on our youth. Once again I am deeply grateful to them for all their help.

Yours Faithfully,
Name and address with Editor.

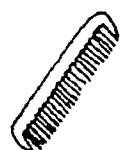
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Harbour Field/Geraldine Hall update

The committee convened to come up with proposals for the development of the Harbour Field/Geraldine Hall is making slow but definite progress, the community council was informed at the January meeting. The committee is made up of representatives of Maynooth Development Association and the Trustees of the Harbour Field as well as representation from Maynooth Soccer Club, Maynooth GAA and Athletic Club and Maynooth Community Council. The group is to seek information from Kildare County Council on their proposals for the development of the area as well as seeking the agreement of the council to carry out a feasibility plan on the potential of this important community and recreational area in the town.

Traffic behaviour causing safety concerns in Old Greenfield

Concern was expressed by the representative from the Old Greenfield area on Maynooth Community Council, about the behaviour of some motorists taking short-cuts across pedestrian only parts, in the Old Greenfield area. Residents in the area are concerned for the safety of their children, but despite approaches to the motorists involved the problem is still unresolved.

Drains blocked at the entrance to Woodlands raised at Community Council

The wet weather over Christmas and the New Year caused flooding in several places around Maynooth. The problem for the Residents of Woodlands was made worse because the drains at the entrance to this residential area are blocked. Representatives from the area on Maynooth Community Council outlined details of the problem to the council at the January meeting.

Utility Service providers criticised over gas leaks in Silken Vale

The potential danger that existed when a gas leak occurred on an open space in Silken Vale after Christmas was highlighted at the January meeting of the Community Council. Councillors could not understand how different utility providers did not seem to be aware of the location of other services when they were working in this area.

Lights on Parson Street Bridge

In 1998 beautiful new lights were installed on Parson Street Bridge, but why the lights on only one side are lighting puzzled members of the Community Council. Councillors were unsure whether or not the lights on the north side of the bridge ever worked. The matter is to be investigated with Kildare County Council, the authority responsible in the first instance.

Moyglare Village boundary wall discussed

Maynooth Community Council was informed about the difficulties experienced by the residents in this area regarding the completion of their boundary wall with the

Moyglare Road. Residents are seeking a wall but the developer has provided beech twigs. The primary concern of residents is for the safety of children playing on the open spaces bordering the Moyglare Road. The current boundary is totally unsuitable to provide the necessary safety on this busy road.

The Millennium

Community Councillors were invited to put forward proposals at the February meeting of the council on how Maynooth should celebrate the millennium. If you have any ideas contact your local community council representative or the Community Council office in Main Street.

Paul Croghan
PRO

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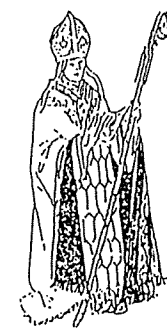
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Community Council Notes

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Question A

What are the new Medical Card income guidelines and the improved guidelines for older people announced in the Budget on 2nd December, 1998?

Answer A

Medical Card income guidelines will be increased on 1st January, 1999. There will be improved income limits for people aged 70 and over as announced in the budget, but this change will not be introduced until March, 1999. (The Government's intention is to double the income guidelines for over 70's within the next three years).

Medical Card income guidelines from 1st January, 1999 will be as follows:

Medical Card Income Guidelines January, 1999
Weekly (before tax) Income Limit

Category	Age under 66	Age 66-79	Age 80+
Single person Living alone	£92	£100	£105
Single person Living with family	£81.50	£86.50	£90.00
Married Couple	£133.00	£149.00	£156.50

Allowance for child under 16 years: £16.00

Allowance for dependant over 16 years with no income: £17.50

Allowance on house (rent, mortgage) excess over £16.00 per week

Cost of travelling to work in excess of £14.50 per week

The assessment is based on income after P.R.S.I. deductions but before tax.

The allowance for a child over 16 will be doubled where the young person is in full time education and is not grant aided.

Lone parents (with dependant children) will be treated under the same income guidelines as a married couple with dependants.

Family Income Supplement is not counted in the means test.

If you are over the income limit but have a lot of expenditure related to your health, G.P. bills, drugs etc., you should get information from your G.P. on the monthly cost to you and submit these with your application for a Medical Card. The Health Board has the discretion to award a Medical Card where undue hardship would be caused if someone did not have one. If you do not qualify for a Medical Card you may be eligible for some assistance with the cost of prescribed drugs. You will get more information on Drug Refund Schemes from your local Health Board.

Question B

I am planning to buy a new car in January and I am wondering if I will be liable to pay an increase in VRT from 1st January, 1999 ?

Answer B

From 1st January, 1999 there will be a new three tier structure of VRT (Vehicle Registration Tax) on cars.

The current VRT rate of 22.5 per cent will apply on cars up to and including 1,400 ccs. Cars between 1,400 and 2,000 ccs will be liable for a 25 per cent rate and cars over 2,000 ccs will be liable for VRT at 30 per cent.

If you want to check how much vehicle registration tax you will be liable to pay you should contact: Vehicle Registration Offices:

St. John's House, Tallaght Tel (01) 4149777 or Castleforbes Rd., Tel (01) 8554045 or 111 Lower George's St. Dun Laoghaire Tel (01) 2800077.

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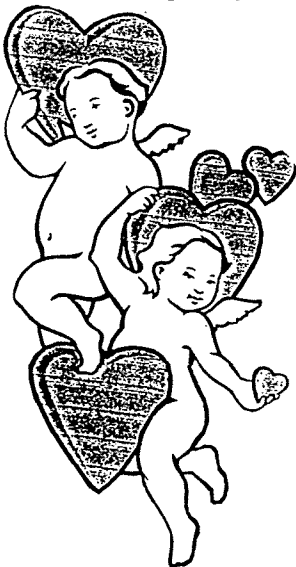
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Contact: Marie Gleeson, 5 Straffan Way, Maynooth	6285246
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Contact: Kevin Murphy	6290194
CASTLE COMMITTEE	
Contact: Gerard & Joan Howard-Williams, Carton Demesne	6289239
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Contact: Maynooth Community Council	6285922
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Colm O’Cearúil, 7 Moyglare Abbey, Maynooth	6290525
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Maynooth Golf Society, Contact: Seán O’Connell	6285048
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Lenny Murphy, 841 Old Greenfield, Maynooth. Sec. Helen Johnson	6272807
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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

BAND BULLETIN

Our first task this month is to express our sincere thanks for all the good things said about the Band in the January Newsletter. The Band’s two purposes in life are to ensure that there will always be a Band in Maynooth and to make our music as entertaining as possible. We hope our music during the past year has brightened someones life along the way but we now have concrete evidence that our Christmas Concert definitely “went down a bomb” with the larger than usual audience. We hope to increase the number of recitals in 1999 so please keep an eye to the Bulletin for all the latest news.

Last year brought us to Kansas City USA for St. Patrick’s Week and this year we head to Manchester in England. This trip will be just for a week and we will be back in time to resume our relationship with our own Paddy’s Day Parade on March 17th. We hope to have further news on this trip next month.

Our Annual General Meeting was held last month and we were blessed with a large attendance. A wide range of topics were discussed, including plans for New Years Eve 1999 and our own Millennium Programme. The following committee was elected to bring the band into year 2000.

Chairman:	Michael Dempsey
Vice Chairman:	Seamus O’Reilly
Secretary:	John Curran
Asst. Secretary:	Colm Carroll
Treasurer:	Eloise Mac an Airchinnigh

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The January Guild Meeting was held on the 14th. January in the I.C.A. Hall with Rosemary Hanley presiding. Rosemary welcomed us all and wished all members and friends a very Happy New Year.

Sympathy was extended to Margaret Houlihan on the death of her mother.

The January competition was a “Slice of Christmas Cake”, which was won by Viva Kearins, 2nd was Irene Matthews, and 3rd was Mary O’Gorman.

Activities:
- Badminton resumed on Tuesday the 12th in the Parish Hall at 10.30 am.
- Crafts resumed on the 18th of January in I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 pm.

Our speaker on the night was Margaret Long from Anglo-Irish Bank, who gave us a very interesting and informative talk on the background to the Euro, which was appreciated and well received.

Collections for Charity: Our members will be collecting at the church gate on the 13th & 14th February for the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland. We will be out again collecting on Daffodil Day, which this year is on the 19th of March. “Thank you” to all who support these two charities each year.

Raffle:
1st. Theresa Brennan
2nd Mary Deane
3rd Dorothy Dornan

Our next guild meeting will be held on Thursday the 4th of February in the I.C.A. Hall at 8 pm. The Guild competition on the night is: “Handmade Valentine’s Card”.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER CLUB

Welcome to 1999, I hope you are looking forward to an exciting season ahead. The club has a great array of impressive demonstrators for your pleasure throughout the year.



Felicity Satchwell and her husband, being introduced to the President, Mary McAleese

Our Christmas club night was very successful. Our demonstrator on the night was Emily Whitford MacDonald. She produced some beautiful exhibits and some exquisite crafts, to complement her work. I was particularly taken with her little church made from stone and her Cinderella's coach made from pure plant material. A big thank you to all the members who baked such delicious cakes for our evening supper.

Kairos Celebrated their 25th anniversary on the 11th December 1998. Mary McAleese the President of Ireland was present to meet officials from Kairos and to thank them for all their good works in Christian education, through the various media. Kairos presented our President with a beautiful hand blown crystal plaque to celebrate her visit. Members of the flower club were honoured to participate in the floral arranging for the occasion.

The lucky members who were present at the buffet lunch, also got to meet the President,

Felicity Satchwell
Moirra Baxter
Mary Doyle
Jo O'Connell

Our next club meeting will be held on the 16th February in the Loftus Hall, Maynooth College at 8.00p.m. The demonstrator is Candy Holten.

Competitions: "Austerity" an exhibit

Space - A : 75 cm.
B : 60 cm.
C : 45 cm.

Plant Competition : 3 stems of any spring flower.

Everyone is welcome to attend our meeting. Non-member £3 entry fee, to include refreshments. Come along for an enjoyable evening.

*Maureen Fagan.
P.R.O.*



Felicity Satchwell sitting beside one of the beautiful floral exhibits she created, for Mary McAleese's visit to Kairos.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Annual dinner took place as scheduled on Sunday January 10th despite the inclement weather and the "flu bug" that is doing the rounds at the moment. We were joined on the night by our friends from Kilcloon and Mulhussey. This was a most enjoyable and successful event which I attribute to the cooperation of a reliable group of people: Seamus Grant who runs a dependable Mini-Bus service; Seamus Murray and Aiden Flood who are more than generous with their Taxi services. Given the discrimination against people in wheel-chairs in some areas of transport there is huge credit due to our Taxi service here in Maynooth. We thank Sean Ashe and Brian Farrell who provide and prepare the Post Primary School; our own reliable Committee members who serve the meal and of course the man himself Peter O'Brien who has donated the dinner for the past sixteen years. A special word of thanks to the young people who came along and gave tremendous help on the night. They were Rebecca Flynn, Ciara Baxter, Sharon and Seamus Cummins and Dermot Moore. In today's climate we tend to hear negative things about young people. There are far more positive things we could say if we only took the time. Many thanks to all who helped make the event so enjoyable including Bill Lawlor and "the Earls", the Band who travelled all the way from Mountmellick and entertained us so beautifully.

The waltzing competition this year was won by P.J. Daly and Georgina Mulready with runners up Mary Deane and Patsy O'Rafferty and Bridie Flanagan and Josie Wicks. Congratulations and well done to all who entered into the spirit of the occasion.

Many thanks to the Management, Staff and customers of the Roost who in their generosity over Christmas raised £600.00 towards our Fuel and Social Fund and to Maynooth Golfing Society who donated the proceeds of their Golf Classic, held on December 13th, also to our fund. The amount raised was £415.00. As I recall, that day was one of the wettest days of '98 and I congratulate those who braved the elements in the interest of our Senior Citizens. Well done to all and once again, many thanks. There is a lot of kindness and goodwill out there and thankfully we seem to have it "tapped".

Our A.G.M. will take place on Tuesday February 2nd at 8.00p.m. in the Health Centre. All are welcome.

Our Valentine's Party will take place on Sunday February 14th in the Post Primary School. This event can be a "hoot" as we search for the most "Romantic Couple" or "Verse". So get your "thinking caps" on and find a partner or a pen.

Finally, may I just mention the closing of yet another of our older establishments in town. Kiernan's shop has served Maynooth well for many years and was appreciated by our older residents. Our organisation has dealt with Una for the past twenty years and I thank her for her generosity during that time. We wish her well in her retirement.

Josephine Moore

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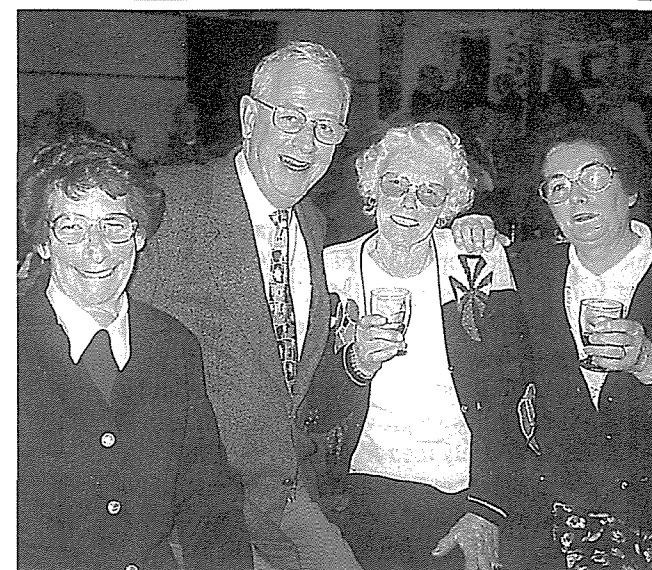
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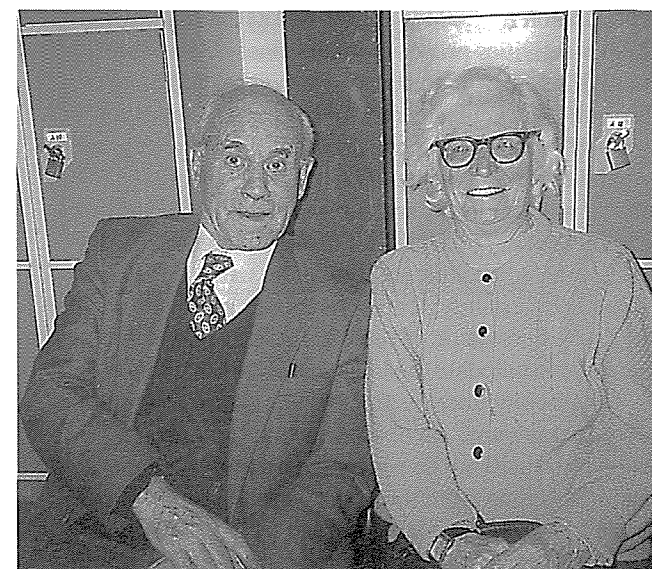
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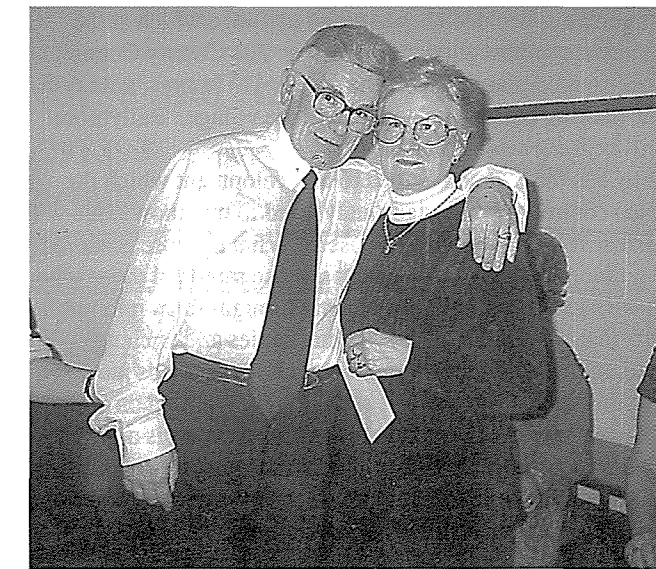
*May Hughes, Emmet Stagg T.D., Kathleen Reilly,
Bridget Nolan*



*3rd in Waltzing Competition
Bridget Flanagan & Josie Wicks*



Peter Blount & Elizabeth Higgins



*1st in Waltzing Competition
Georgina Mulready & P.J. Daly*



Nola Campbell



*2nd in Waltzing Competition
Patsy Rafferty & Mary Deane*

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

Those with a long memory will recall comments in this section several months ago culled from a report by *Irish Times* columnist Kevin Myers on the savage development proposals then being prepared for the small Co. Kildare village of Ballymore Eustace. Events there have taken a dramatic turn for the worse over the past few weeks and Mr. Myers has recently returned to the theme of towns, as he puts it, "being raped by grotesquely excessive development". Some sections of this article are highly relevant to Maynooth as once again the Maynooth Development Plan is being prepared for display.

"(Ballymore)... is a lovely little village... a courteous agreeable place where people leave the keys in the ignition when they park, where there is a deep sense of community and community values. What makes Ballymore is scale. Ballymore is not Ballymun, and it is not possible for Ballymore to be Ballymore in the face of large scale dramatic change; yet this is precisely what Kildare County Council has decided should befall a village which at the moment contains about 200 houses. The County Council has now granted planning permission for 416 houses, with 675 car-parking places, on land beside the village. Ballymore will be Ballymore no more.

Why has the Council agreed to a development which the local community has vigorously - and to my knowledge with almost 100% unanimity-opposed? What purpose is served? And more broadly, what goes on in the minds of those who make such decisions? Is this what brought them into public life, that they might destroy communities and ancient settlements, and turn every hamlet and crossroads into Rathfarnham? Was this the ambition they settled on when they left school? Is this what local government is all about? Is this its purpose, to find undamaged, intact and happy communities with common values and easy ways, and to impose colossal and unwanted development upon them which will assuredly wreck the qualities and the values they cherish most highly?"

It is a strongly written and emotive piece, but one whose sentiments find many echoes elsewhere in Kildare, not least in Maynooth. Indeed perhaps the article could have been written about Maynooth ten or so years ago. We too have had problems of excessively rapid growth, with over 1,000 new houses in the past 3-4 years. Such growth is good if spread over a longer period, and if infrastructure such as roads, education and social and recreational amenities are put in place at the same time. It brings new blood, new ideas and a rejuvenation of social and community life. *Maynooth Planning Alliance* is pro-development. But happening in a very few short years excessively rapid growth brings stresses and strains to many aspects of life in a town and destroys its sense of community. It is these aspects, and the political deficit which foists unwanted population explosions on small communities which engenders such widespread opposition. Indeed to illustrate what happens when excessively rapid urban growth is encouraged, a photograph of Maynooth Main Street accompanies the article in the *Irish Times*. We

are now, it appears, a model of how not to do things in the planning sphere.

Once again the Maynooth Development Plan is being prepared and our councillors are processing submissions from various quarters. Ostensibly, the Plan seeks to keep Maynooth to a target population of 10,500 by 2003, a 23% increase from the last census in 1996. But how committed to achieving this will the final product be? Reports of 120 new residential acres being proposed for Maynooth do not square with any such targets and would condemn Maynooth to another phase of explosive growth. In the short term the electorate and ultimately the Minister for the Environment and Local Government may have to decide whether our credibility is being stretched too far.

It is essential that in making rezoning proposals to accommodate a proposed population influx, due consideration is given to Maynooth's existing unused residential land bank, and also that the discipline of the target population for 2003 is maintained as the foundation for all other activities proposed by the plan. A plan for Maynooth is not just about houses. *Maynooth Planning Alliance* will be watching carefully what provisions are proposed for schools, for social and health facilities, for new recreational facilities and the preservation of passive amenity. It will be closely watching any proposals for recreational land as applicants for residential rezoning frequently offer some amenity land at the same time. How ethical is this? Certainly, it must be clearly apparent in this process that the provision of such facilities as playing fields is done to accommodate the interests of the community as a whole. Community interests in the widest sense must be considered paramount. An obsession with residential expansion alone will not be welcomed, and any attempts at overzoning this time around will not be easily forgiven by the people of Maynooth who have seen their town explode by 50% in the past seven years. Maynooth is not Ballymore Eustace any longer, if it ever was. But it too has community values and a heritage to safeguard.

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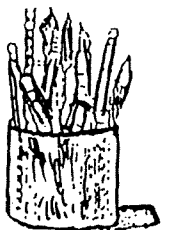
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The Newsletter are bringing new Competitions on stream over the next few months and we hope you like our Competitions this month. We would like to thank our sponsors who were so kind to donate prizes for them. At this point we would especially thank John Byrne of Maynooth Bookshop who has sponsored our crossword for so long. It's a great prize and always draws a large response for our crossword.

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These are our first notes of 1999 so the Committee would like to wish everyone good luck and good health for the coming year.

As the autumn was so wet the grass never got the late cut that it needed and it is looking very long already. While there is nothing we can do with the grass until the ground dries up a bit there is no excuse for leaving litter lying about the estate. After Christmas was particularly bad. If residents picked up litter in the vicinity of their own house there would be no problem.

The questionnaire, which we said would be given to each house in January, has probably been issued by now. While there are many obvious improvements that can be made to improve the appearance of the estate the co-operation of the residents is essential. There was a time when we won the Tidy Estates Competition after years of very hard work by previous committees. It wouldn't be difficult to have the estate looking smart again.

To help us towards our new beginning, the County Council has given us £250 towards the cost of new road name stones, and we are grateful to them for this grant.

There are some trees on the estate which look very poor. We hope residents won't object to them being removed. We would expect to replace them if it is considered desirable.

The AGM will be taking place in March and the date will be given in the March Newsletter.

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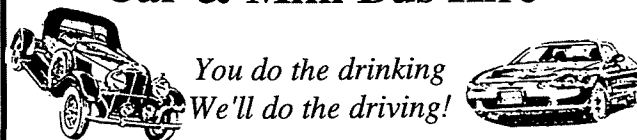
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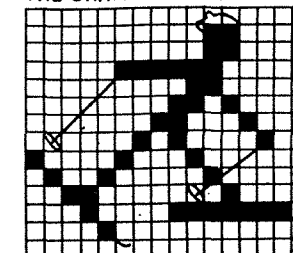
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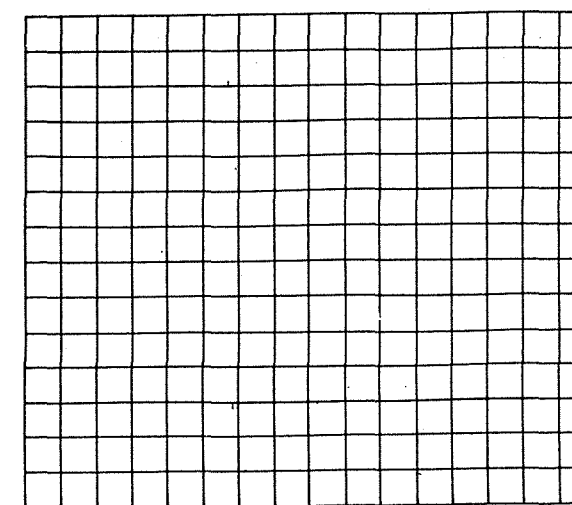
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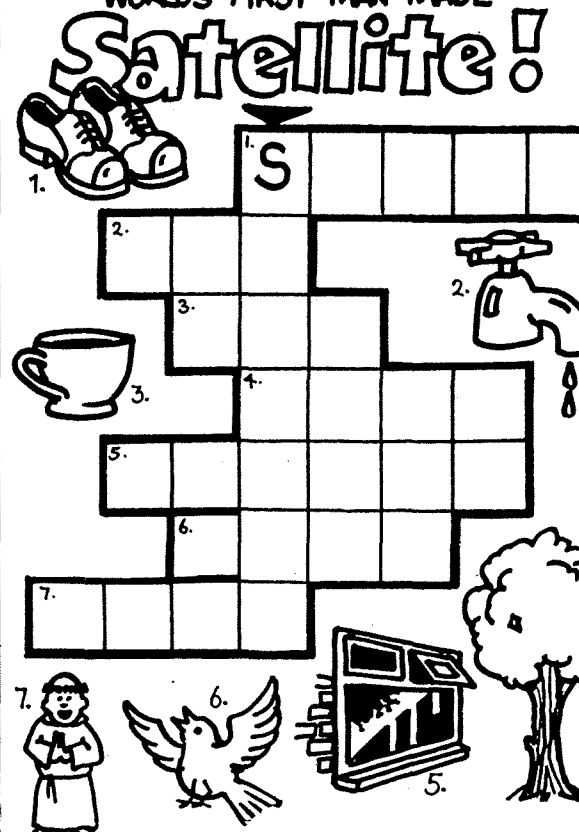


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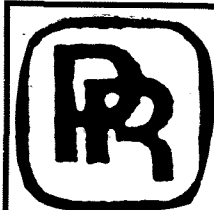
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PERSONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT

Environmentalism, Leo Armstrong, asks, "can we continue the way we are going?" Leo states, "the time has come when we must look at the way we, as individuals, look upon waste and how to dispose of it. How easy it is to just throw all that rubbish into a bin and leave it out every week for collection. Do we ever really think about what happens to that waste or worse, the effects your mixed bin of waste has when accumulated with all the other waste from all the other housing estates in your neighbourhood and the sad thing about it, waste is increasing at the rate of approximately 3% to 5% each year."

The disposal of this waste is a real headache. The recent Thornton saga is just the tip of the iceberg. If we burn it, because of the huge volume, the smoke emitting from the incinerator would be such that if it was constantly burning near Maynooth, and depending upon the direction of the wind, you might rarely see the sun, and worse, the ashes left over is even more toxic than the leachings which comes from waste when dumped - hence in America they are dispensing with the incinerator.

Can we continue the way we are going? Everywhere you look we are destroying our environment. The sea has too much radiation - we can't be sure of the fish we eat. Many of our rivers no longer contain life. Too much pesticides, fertilizers and leachings from waste dumps is getting into our water system and the whole monument we might be inclined to call 'progress' is catching up with us. We are not only endangering our own health but the health of our children and there is ample evidence of this. We build more hospitals yet the hospital beds are forever full even during the summer. This is the price we are now paying for 'progress' and will continue to pay until we stop and look at where we are going and what we are doing.

Can we continue the way we are going? The answer is, NO. Can we do anything about it? The answer is, YES. Many of us can still remember when there were no bins. What did we do with our rubbish then? For one thing, we had no plastic bags. Paper was used to light the fire, some screwed up to sustain the burning until the sticks caught on. All leftovers from our tables that could not be consumed later would be fed to the dogs, cats, chickens and some of us had our own pigs. Those of us that had no animals put the "leftovers" aside for collection by the local farmer or neighbour that had animals. That was yesterday. What can we do today?

In Maynooth, retailers are just as concerned about waste and they have offered to do their bit. Super Valu have offered to withdraw plastic bags and replace them with paper bags at their own expense. Quinnsworth have undertaken to promote their bio-degradable bag, which costs 10p but if torn will be replaced free of charge. This may not appear much, but it is a move in the right direction ... we have a long way to go before we can reach yesterday.

I have approached a company called Kerbside. They are funded by the European Union, business interests and County Councils when invited by them to come in to a County. They provide households with small green boxes which are collected weekly. Only empty bottles, plastic coke and milk containers and cans, etc. are placed in these boxes. In Dublin there are over 70,000 of these boxes collected each week at no cost to the householder; the cost is borne by the Corporation at £20 per household per year. This immediately reduces the waste for dumping by approximately 25%.

I would suggest that Kildare County Council invite Kerbside into Kildare and thus immediately reduce waste for dumping by 25%. The present collection from one point in a town in Kildare, Leixlip, on the last Saturday in the month is hopelessly inadequate and is a waste of money. Every individual in Kildare and members of the Kildare County Council should put pressure on Kildare County Council to execute the above immediately and look at further ways to reduce waste being dumped by having an imaginary waste management system in place.

However, at the end of the day, it is up to you, the individual, to reduce the amount of waste you have to dispose of. Buying loose vegetables, loose fruit, refusing to buy items on shop shelves that are wrapped several times over, like chocolates. Remember, the money in your purse and your pocket holds the key to reducing Thornton's waste dumps. The choice is yours.

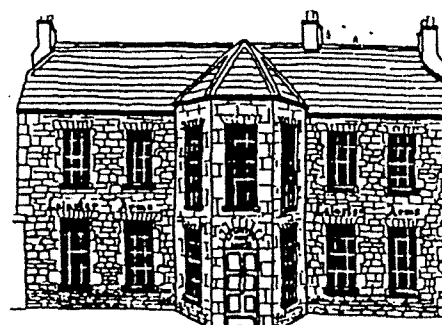
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CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS IN MAYNOOTH.

The people of Maynooth parishes can look back and reflect on a wonderful and meaningful celebration of the holy season of Christmas. Attendance at all the various celebrations and ceremonies was very high, and great credit must be given to our pastors and liturgical leaders - Mons. Alex Stenson, Fr. John Sinnott and Rev. Adrian Wilkinson.

Our heartfelt thanks and appreciation must also go to those involved in the myriad ministries - Readers of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, Choirs, Folk Groups, Band, Organists, Cantors, Altar Societies, School-children, Altar Servers, Sacristans etc. - all those who gave of their time, effort and commitment to ensure we did justice to the celebration of the miracle of Christmas.

The season's celebrations started on Sunday 13th December, with the Carol Service at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Rev. Wilkinson joined with the priests of the parish, along with a full congregation, to hear readings, poems, recitals. St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band joined with the two Folk groups and the Parish Choir to supply music and song. A small children's choir also participated. The congregation joined in great voice for all the hymns, and everyone felt it was a wonderful evening.

A second Carol Service was held on the following Sunday, the 20th December, this time at St. Mary's Church of Ireland Parish Church. Mons. Alex Stenson joined Rev. Adrian Wilkinson and parish congregation for a great celebration of hymns and readings. St. Mary's Band again took part, and the Parish Choir from St. Mary's Catholic Church sang some hymns and joined in the congregational singing.

The Penitential Service at St. Mary's Catholic Church on 21st was very well attended. Our two priests were joined by some other fellow-priests to help in this communal celebration of Reconciliation.

All the Masses and Services over Christmas Day, St. Stephen's Day and the following Sunday were very well attended. The midnight Masses were particularly full. Special mention must be made of the Family Mass at St. Mary's on Christmas Day. It was a wonderful celebration of family and Christmas. Many people hope that the family Mass will soon be resumed on a regular basis, as a normal feature of Parish celebration.

May the Christmas spirit live on in our Community in Maynooth right through 1999, and on to the Millennium. May we always show the unity, love, care and sense of thankfulness to God that we celebrated so meaningful during Christmas '98.

GREASE LIGHTNING HITS MAYNOOTH

"Grease" the musical will be staged by the Transition year and 5th year students of Maynooth Post-Primary and will be performed in St. Mary's parish hall from Wednesday 3rd to Saturday 6th February.

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A TO Z MONTESSORI SCHOOL

A brief guide to the Montessori classroom and Montessori Materials for Parents

Maria Montessori (1870-1952) was a doctor, an educator and a humanitarian who developed an approach to children and to education which has spread to almost every part of the world. She believed that the first six years of life are the most crucial ones and that children under six have the ability to absorb knowledge, language and culture effortlessly from their surrounding environment.

Montessori noticed that children under age six go through certain temporary 'phases' which she referred to as 'sensitive periods' which play a specific role in the development of each individual child. These 'sensitive periods' are stages in a child's life when he/she seems to experience an immense fascination for using all the senses, using language, for maintaining a sense of order and routine and for noticing small objects and detail.

In the Montessori pre-school, the environment (comprising the teacher, the classroom and the Montessori materials) is carefully prepared to work with the child's absorbent mind and 'sensitive periods'. The aim is to promote independent learning and exploration by the child. The classroom is arranged in orderly manner to answer the child's need for order and structure. The classroom is designed to aid independent learning so that the child, through the use of the materials and with the guidance of the teacher, selects activities of interest to him/her and thereby gains a love of learning.

There are two types of materials used in the Montessori School, namely:

1. Pre-school materials such as jigsaws, clay, paint and activities to develop social interaction and imaginative play.
2. Specially manufactured Montessori Materials, each of which aim to draw the child's attention to a particular quality e.g. dimension, number, colour.

The areas covered by the Montessori School and the materials associated with each are as follows:-

• Practical Life

Some of the activities children undertake help to develop their ability to look after themselves and their surroundings. They can practice dressing skills on specially made frames which allow them to try zips, buttons, bows and buckles. They use jugs filled with rice or water to practice pouring. They also spoon, scoop or use tongs and to transfer from one bowl to another. Other activities include using Sweeping brushes, shoe cleaning/polishing kits. Through these tasks, children develop their self-confidence as well as competence and an ability to concentrate.

• Sensorial

The children use specially designed materials to help stimulate and develop the senses, such as sense of touch, hearing and sight. The materials used include a tower of pink blocks, sets of cylinders graduated in size, cylinders with knobs which have to be fitted into the right size holes in a block, rough and smooth wooden plates, fabrics to sort by touch.

Another piece of sensorial apparatus that the children use is a set of geometric solids which the children explore with their hands, matching identical ones and sorting them into sets according to their geometric properties. As they get older, children become fascinated with words and the solids are given their names such as pyramid, cone etc. Another associated piece of material uses flat geometric shapes - circle, square, triangle.

The sensorial materials also help to prepare the children for reading and writing. For instance the knobbed cylinders and design insets which are held by knobs between the child's finger and thumb, prepare the muscles of the hand for writing. Sorting the colour box tablets according to subtle differences in shade and colour sharpens the child's perception of slight difference, another prerequisite for recognising letter and number shapes. Each stage is taught by itself, one step at a time and the child will gradually, at his/her own pace and particular learning style, integrate the different skills.

• Maths

Children gain a physical impression of size and quality by handling number rods and counting spindles in the spindle box, for instance. The children use sandpaper numbers for tracing the numerals with their fingers. A knowledge of quantity and numerals is built up using coloured glass beads and the Seguin Boards. An introduction to the decimal system is given to older children through use of the Golden bead material.

• Language

Children start to build up a knowledge of the letters phonetically using sandpaper letters. Subsequently, words can be put together using the large moveable alphabet. For older children, a reading programme is introduced and progresses through three colour coded levels, namely, pink, blue and green. A wide range of story and reference picture books are always available such as stories about children and animals, nature stories, nursery rhymes etc.



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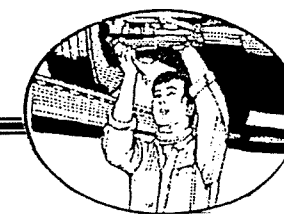
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• Cultural

This includes learning about the existence of other countries, cultures and ways of life. Cultural subjects also include an introduction to science such as carrying out simple experiments e.g. sinking and floating, conversion of water to ice and steam. The cultural subject area also includes, nature e.g. life cycle of the frog, different types of leaves, gardening activities (outdoors from time to time, weather permitting), and taking care of potted plants. At this school, the children will also have opportunities to do flower arranging.

• Art and Music

Painting and drawing opportunities are freely available to children in the school. Music sessions include dancing and singing. At this school, there will be opportunity for children to experiment with actual musical instruments such as Accordion and Keyboard.

• Social Skills

Children learn social skills by chatting and interacting with each other and with the teacher. Opportunities for group discussion are always availed of by the teacher. As the children learn about other cultures, they are encouraged to celebrate differences and value other people. Ground rules in the classroom give each child security in his/her environment. Children also learn to notice if someone else needs help and to offer assistance.

Enquiries about any of the above areas are welcome.

A. to Z. Montessori School,
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WHEN WE FIRST MET

There you were standing there
With a twinkle in your eye
I wanted your company to share
But I felt oh so shy
A blossom rose to see
Sure she opened up my heart
If only she would care for me
And never would we part

Be a man and say halo
So soon had a chat to say
Her blossom face did glow
She really made my day
We talked about each other
In such an anxious way
For me to be no other
And I asked her would she stay

Jennifer was this Ladies name
She really made my heart sing
We both agreed the same
And I gave her a diamond ring
We soon got married in time
With three kids to call our own
Everything just went fine
In our comfy little home

So the moral of my story is
Get your woman while you can
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REVIEW - 1798 AND MAYNOOTH by Liam Chambers

The Maynooth 1798 Commemoration Group was formed in September 1997 following an informative and stimulating lecture by Liam Chambers of N.U.I., Maynooth, entitled Rebellion in Co. Kildare.

The book he has now written broadens out that field. It is a remarkable work because within its two score pages it gives an overview to the whole eighteenth century from the victory of the Protestant forces of William of Orange over the deposed Catholic monarch James II in 1689-91. That secured the position of power held by the minority Protestant population in Ireland.

He traces the rising spirit of reform which led to the foundation of Maynooth College. The foundation ensured the continued orthodoxy of the Catholic clergy as well as the support for Government in the fight against the spread of dangerous ideas in Ireland. The College authorities opposed the participation of its members in the rebellion, however the parish priests of Maynooth and Celbridge, Frs. Ennis and Boyce, were suspected of facilitating rebel communication with Dublin. The Parish Priest of the next parish - Rathcoole/Saggart - Fr. James Harold spent more than a decade in the Penal Colonies for his alleged involvement.

Liam deals with the suppression of the underground movement of the United Irishmen in Co. Kildare leading to the 1798 Rebellion. Not alone that but he gives us an outline history of the Rebellion from Wexford to Antrim, from Dublin to Ballina. It covers such a broad landscape but he never loses sight of the central point '1798 and Maynooth'.

In 1998, the examination and re-appraisal of 1798 and its context might assist us in understanding our past and in turn the nature of our present situation. This book will certainly help in any such appraisal.



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Is clear to be seen
Together nothing go wrong
If they can fight for a dream
To give and to take
In a most reasonable way
All for each others sake
To make best of the day

Friendship from the heart
Is the only way to be
This gift not to part
With its divine ecstasy
Many obstacles come our way
With an emotional world to spend
In life come what may
You cannot beat a friend

Patrick Murray

S.O.S. Save our Scouts

The Scouts have been in Maynooth since 1974. Unfortunately by the year 2000 we may not be around anymore. Why? Like everything else in life, people move on. Therefore we are asking Maynooth Community for help. Some of our leaders have gone to bigger and better things, and reluctantly had to leave us. We'd like to thank them for all their time, dedication and voluntary work over the years, and hope to see them again sometime in the future. **Many thanks to Cathal, Gemma and Dervla.** So now, there are openings available for Scout Leaders in the Maynooth Unit. So if you have free time of a Thursday night (and possibly some weekends) we would appreciate your involvement with your own community. It's an experience for both Scout and Leader as you bring your experience and expertise into a learning environment, just as the Scout does in return for you. It's a great opportunity to spend more quality time with your children/young adults in a team environment. At present we are short of female leaders as we need equal representation for both genders. If you're interested, please contact: **Tony at 6286033 in the evenings, or Thursday nights between 7 and 9 pm. at the Scout Den /M.A.D.E. Centre.**

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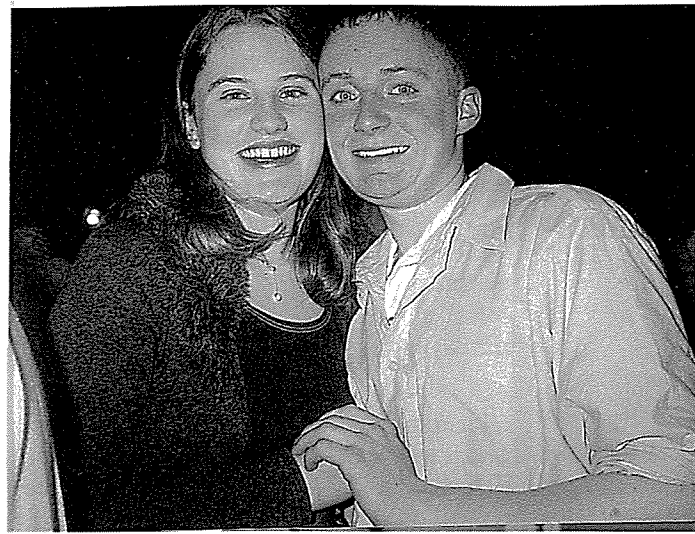
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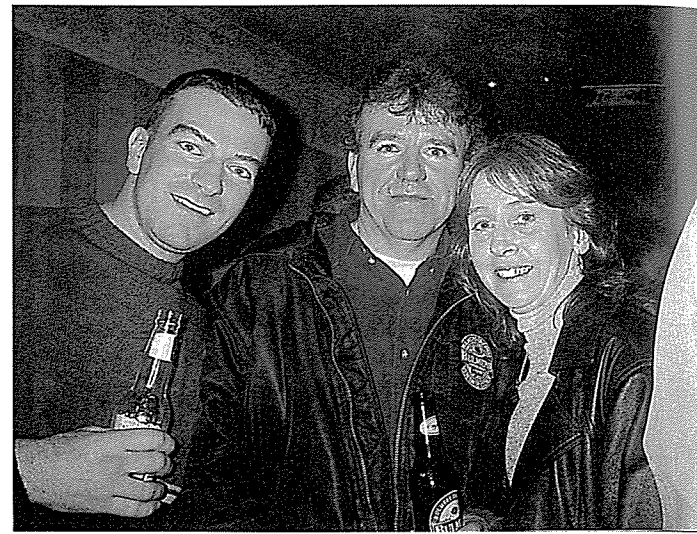
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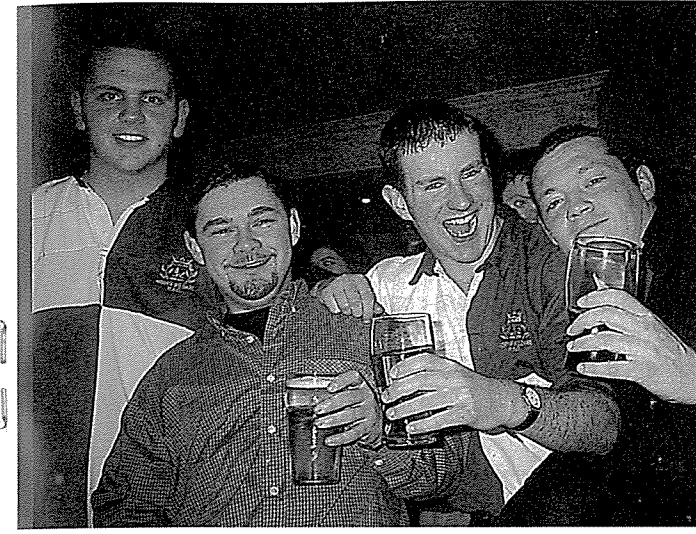
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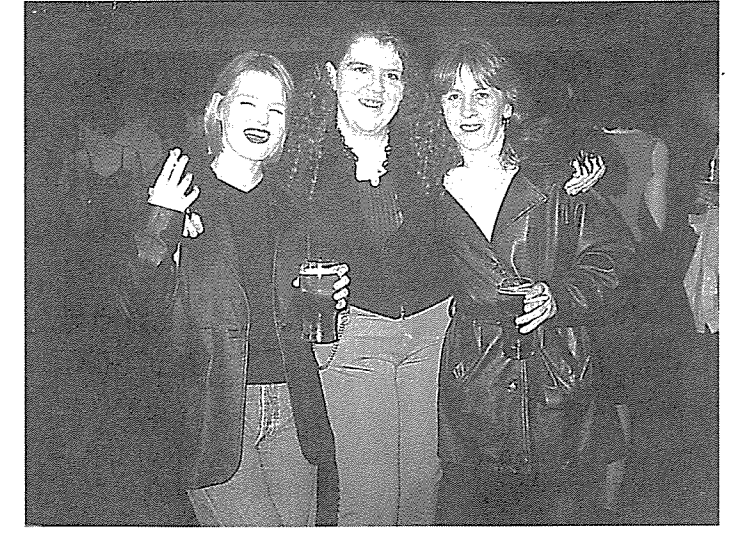
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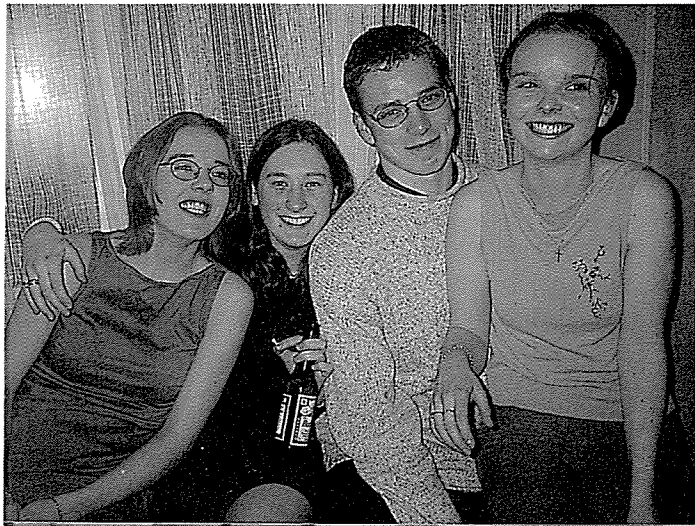
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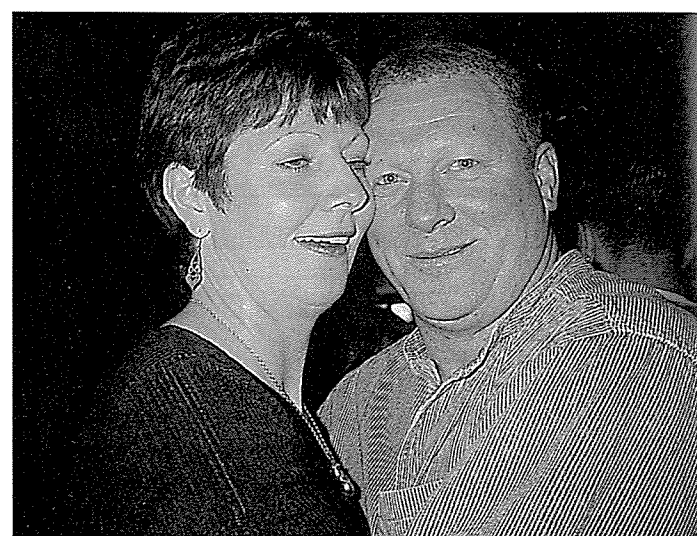
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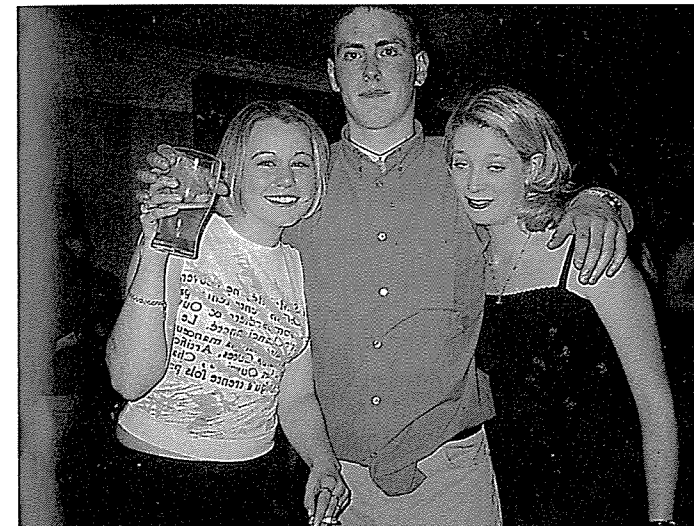
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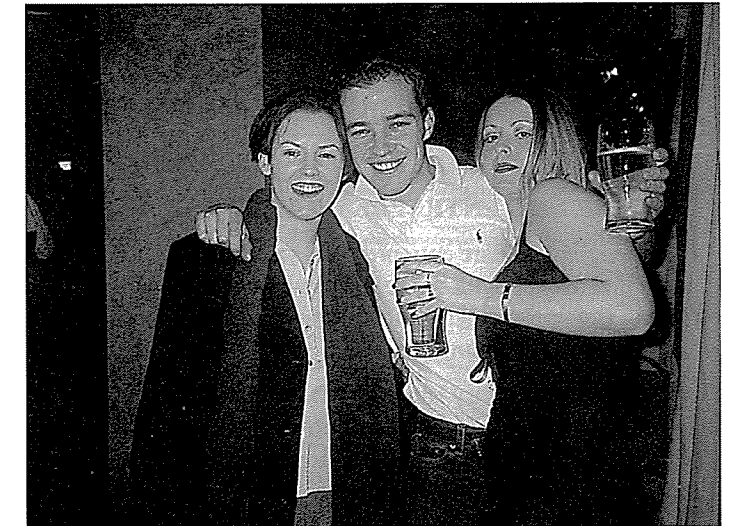
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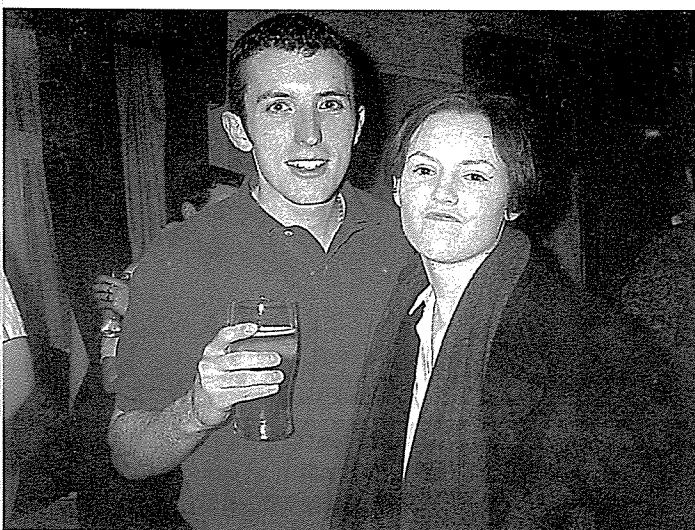
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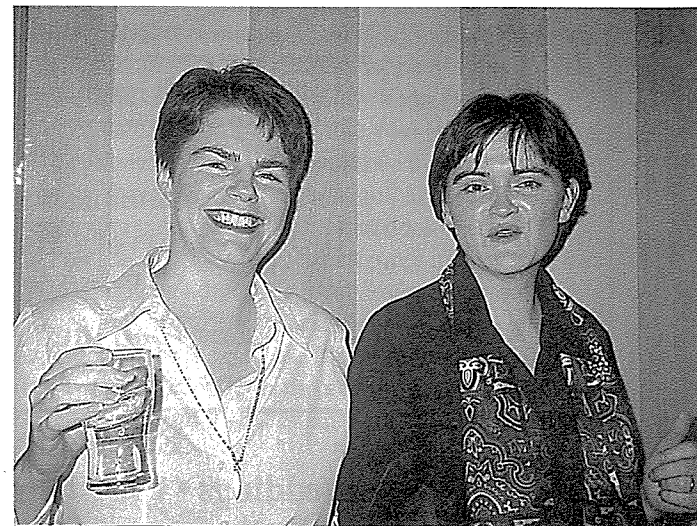
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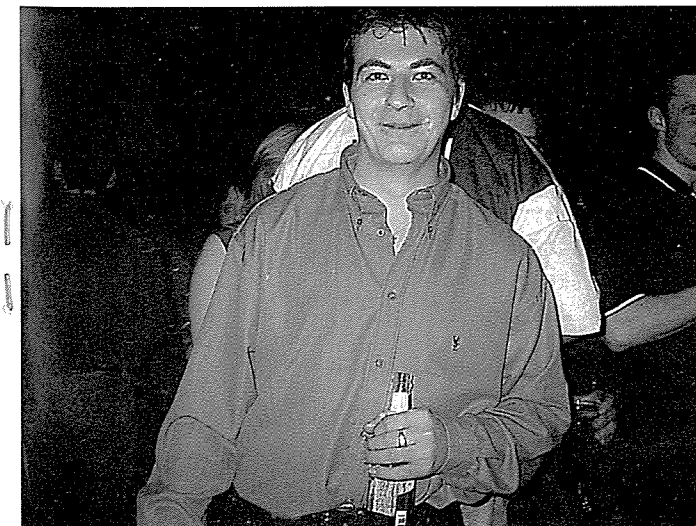
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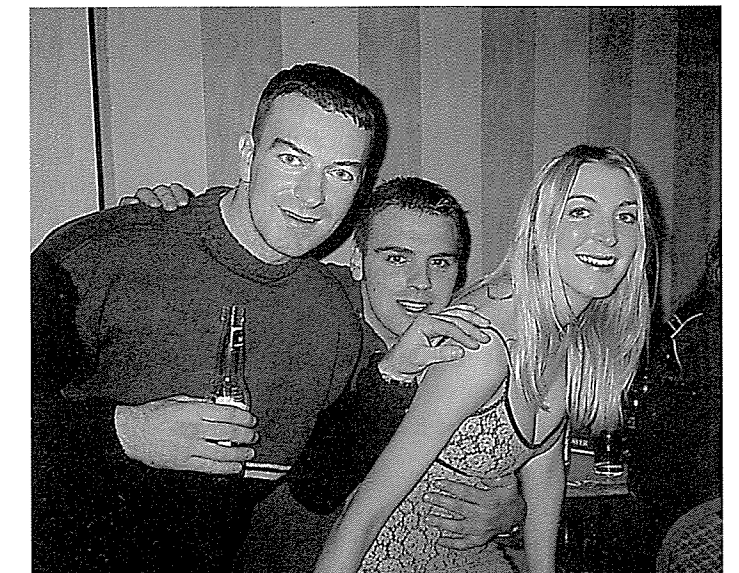
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STEPS TO SUCCESS IN YOUR ENTERPRISE

Kildare County Enterprise Board have commissioned and produced an audio tape as a guide to aspiring entrepreneurs which brings them through the logical sequence of a check list to assist them in the steps to start-up.

The tape is a combination of:

- Background to available help from Kildare County Enterprise.
- Real life experiences from newly started up entrepreneurs.
- Advice and direction on putting together a Business Plan.
- Help and guidelines on determining the market size and market research

The tape relies heavily on the inclusion of interviews with newly fledged entrepreneurs who have started up their enterprise in the past 1-2 years. These real life coal face experiences from those who have actually "done it" make for a very useful and credible business aid.

We have no doubt that our clients will find it an invaluable source of help and reference.

This is the first in a series, which we intend to produce. The tape will be available from 1st February 1999 to clients free of cost.

KILDARE NEW ENTREPRENEURS STRIKE GOLD

Four fledgling Kildare entrepreneurs had their first big commercial break with the help and support of Kildare County Enterprise Board at the Show-case 23rd international fair in the RDS, Dublin.

An Tanaiste, Ms. Mary Harney, T.D., Minister for Enterprise, Trade & Employment officially opened the show which attracted over 2,000 international and domestic buyers. For the second year running An Tanaiste visited the Kildare County Enterprise Board's stand. She spoke with the four new business people and encouraged them to maintain their impetus in their ambitions to own and grow their own business.

Later in the day the Minister for Finance, Mr. Charlie McCreevy, T.D. visited the Kildare stand and spent time discussing market opportunities with the four new entrepreneurs.

Already with only one days business our four local entrepreneurs have secured orders from India, Japan, Boston, London, Ontario, Belfast, Germany as well as very lucrative orders from the home market.

Three of those exhibiting on the Kildare County Enterprise Board are active members of the women in business initiative which is run by Kildare County Enterprise Board.

In addition to these four new entrepreneurs, Kildare was extremely well represented by representatives from other businesses both large and small and of particular interest was a fact that some of last years budding entrepreneurs were

exhibiting in their own right and on their own stands this year.

Those taking part on the Kildare County Enterprise Board stand were

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EVELYN DAVITT, DECOUPAGE IRELAND

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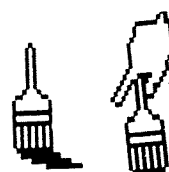
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	New Opening from 14th Jan Scoil San Carlos (Junior Hall) Confey	Thurs: 6.45pm
Maynooth:	Boys School	Thurs: 6.30pm
	New Opening from 13th Jan I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour	Wed: 9.30am

Features

Creative Writing Workshop in NUI Maynooth

Vona Groarke was appointed Writer-in-Residence for a six-month period commencing October 1998, the post being jointly funded by the National University of Ireland, Maynooth and the Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon. She is now to offer to members of the public a number of creative writing workshops on Tuesday evenings, 7-9pm. Anyone interested in creative writing should feel free to come along. Registration dates are Tuesday January 26th and Tuesday February 2nd, in Room 1, the Arts Building, North Campus, 7-9pm. If, however, you fail to make it for these registration dates, it may be possible to attend some of the later Tuesday sessions in any case.

Vona Groarke is a young poet of remarkable promise, and she has already been the recipient of a number of awards, including the prestigious Hennessy *Sunday Tribune* award, and the Listowel Writers' Week poetry prize. Her first publication was *Shale* (1994) from Gallery Press, and her second book, *Other People's Houses*, will be published this spring. She has also been published widely in magazines both in Ireland and abroad. Although this is the first time NUI Maynooth has had a writer-in-residence, Vona has been teaching Creative Writing for many years, and is an extremely skilful and effective communicator. Can you think of a better way to spend your Tuesday evenings?

For further information, contact Karen or Isabelle at the English Department, NUIM. Tel.01-7083667, Fax. 01-6289373, e-mail engsec @ may.ie.

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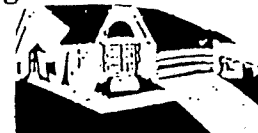
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Credit Union News

In recent times, through much local and national media coverage there has been a growing concern among credit unions members as to how such situations can and will effect them.

Items such as the Credit Union Act, the Financial Bill, Taxation of shares, Euro Money, Low Interest Rates, Money Laundering, Fraud and bad relationships within credit unions.

In the Financial Market, the credit union movement as a whole are competing with the other banking institutions, they are combating with the government to be treated fairly as an unique members co-operative and are continuing to keep up with changing times so that the needs of the members are foremost.

The unpaid Board members of credit unions are all the time learning to improve the management of their credit union, new ideas, new systems, and modern demands. Moving from being a voluntary unit to being an employer, moving from a small room to a state of the art building. It takes time to get it right and situations do arise that give concern to the member but with good management by the Board of Directors most problems can be overcome sooner than later.

There are three types of credit unions, the Industrial one, the long established large one and the one that continues to grow at a steady rate. Making comparisons is OK if you remember that what works for one could be the ruin of another. It takes time and changes to achieve things.

As a democratically run movement, credit unions are still the best place to save and borrow. Members can be sure their money is safe and that interest rates are realistic. No overcharging and no hidden costs.

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Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich

Welcome Back:

Máirín and I would like to welcome you all back to school this term. We hope 1999 will be a good year for you all.

New Premises:

We have now moved into our new premises at Harbour View and have settled in very well. We are very happy with the move and believe we will all be very happy there. The páistí are extremely happy and excited in their "scoil nua". We have our classrooms, library/playroom, staffroom/office and computer room. Obviously this is a huge improvement on our previous location and we feel Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich will go from strength to strength here. We will always welcome any parents who wish to view the premises or who wish to speak to either Máirín or I.

Oíche Oscailte:

We held a social night in our new premises and adjourned to Dowdstown Hotel afterwards for a traditional music session. As you can tell by the pictures a great night was had by all! Photos on opposite page.

Ranganna Fraincise:

The French classes are starting for all children on Tuesday 26th. January. Our French teacher Anne Laure, a Parisien, is studying in the University and the children are all looking forward to these classes.

Ranganna Feadóige:

First class will start back at their tin whistle lessons on Wednesday after school. They can already play two tunes and hopefully we will add to that this term.

Mother and Toddler Group:

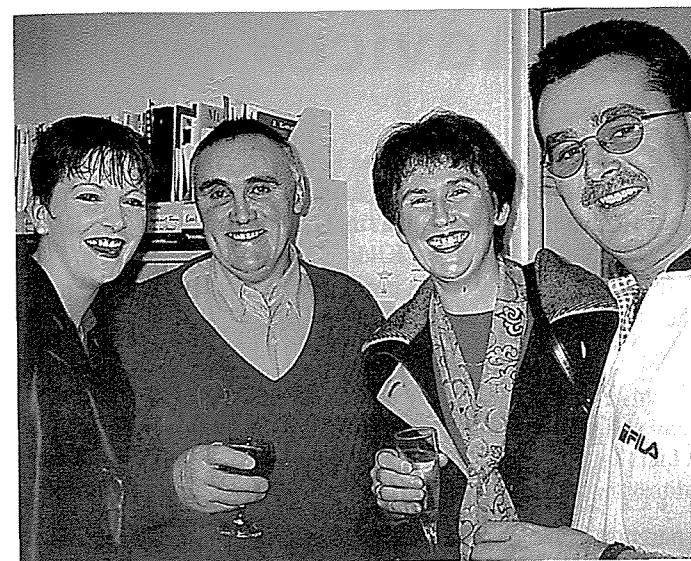
Ger Scanlon and Audrey Healy are holding a Mother and Toddler group in the school every Tuesday morning from 10 am. to 12 pm. This will give mothers and their toddlers a chance to meet and socialise and get to know the school. Please contact the school at 6290667 for further information.

Ranganna Gaeilge:

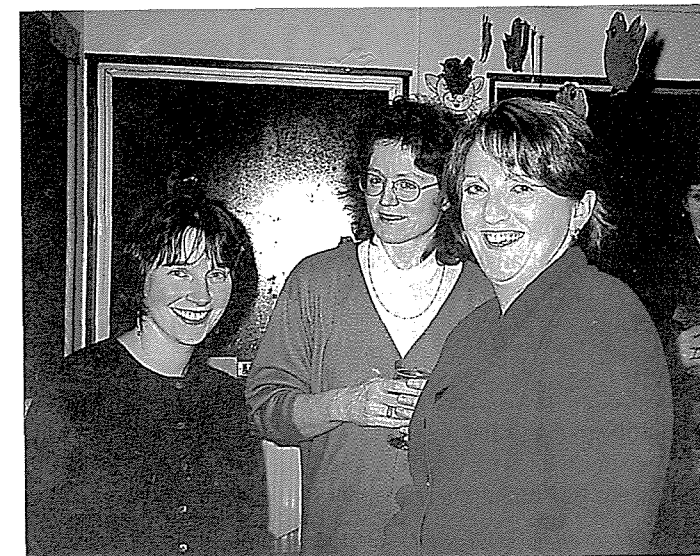
Improvers Irish Classes for parents will be held in the school this term. The classes which will be held on Tuesday nights will commence on Tuesday 2nd February at 8.00 and cost £15 for 10 lessons. If you are interested in attending these classes please contact me at 6290667

Míle Buíochas
Aisling Ní Bhriain

Scoil Uí Fhiaich's Social Night



From Left: Bridie Marcello, Séan Farrelly, Bernie Farrelly
Martin Collins



Geraldine Morrisroe, Claire Donalson, Alice Brennan



Geraldine Scanlon & Jim Brady



Alison Moriarty, Eamonn O Muircheartaigh,
Máirín Ní Chéileachair (Príomhoide) & Gerry Scully



Pádraic Fay, Kevin McCann, Mandy Murphy



Brid Dooley, Betty O'Hare & John Bean

Kildare Money Advice

The Minister for Finance, Mr Charlie McCreevy TD, launched the annual report for 1997 for the Kildare Money Advice and budgeting service in December. In that period, the service assisted 176 households, a ten-fold increase on 1996, when only in operation for four months. The service gave advice and assistance to clients on preparing a financial plan, repaying their debts, negotiating with creditors and maximising their income. For each of the 176 clients, Kildare Money Advice had on average three meetings and dealt with creditors on ten occasions. A budgeting account was provided for 24 severely indebted clients, which gave intensive help with managing repayments. The report gives four case studies of how clients were assisted.

Speaking at the launch, the chairperson of Kildare Money Advice, Jim Walsh, said: 'Indebtedness is an insidious social problem that traps people in a vicious cycle of fear, stigma and silence. Our service helps clients to regain control over their personal finances, and thus to restore their dignity and hope. The fact that our service is free, independent and confidential means that clients can trust us to represent their interests with creditors and other agencies.'

Most clients (80%) had families, including a third who were lone parents. A majority (55%) was on social welfare, with the remainder on community employment or in paid work. Forty per cent of clients were renting their home, with a quarter paying a mortgage and another quarter living with other family members.

Commenting on this profile, Jim Walsh said that: 'Despite our current affluence, indebtedness is clearly a fact of life for a minority of people in Kildare, especially those raising children on low incomes or with relatively high housing costs. Even people in well-off positions can find themselves in debt, through over-borrowing or a sudden change in family circumstances. We need to take the stigma away from debt and realise that in the vast majority of cases people just can't repay, rather than won't repay.'

The report details the first full year in operation of Kildare Money Advice, which covers the county of Kildare from its offices in Maynooth and Newbridge. The service is run by a voluntary management committee and employs two professional money advice officers, with funding from the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs. The service co-operates with other advice organisations, welfare agencies and credit unions in delivering its service.

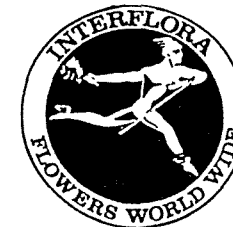
Outlining recent developments, Jim Walsh said; 'Based on our success in 1997, the Department has provided Kildare Money Advice with three-year funding to implement our 1998-2000 strategic plan. This should enable us to considerably increase the use of our service in the next few years. We are also working with other independent information providers and Kildare County Council to develop a one-stop-shop for public services for Maynooth. This would make our service more accessible to those with debt problems in this area.'

**Speech by the Minister for Finance,
Mr Charlie McCreevy TD, at the official Launch of the
1997 Annual Report and strategic plan 1998-2000 of
Kildare Money Advice and Budgeting Service:
Tuesday 22nd December; 1998**

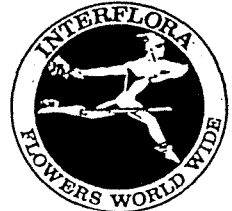
I want to thank the Chairperson, Jim Walsh, and the management committee of Kildare Money Advice and Budgeting Service for asking me here to Maynooth this evening to launch the 1997 Annual Report and Strategic Plan 1998-2000. As an accountant and Minister for Finance I have a natural empathy with a service that aims to help people achieve control, and stay in control of their personal finances. For this reason alone I am happy to be here to show my support for your activities.

Successive Governments have supported the MABS since its inception in 1992 on a pilot basis aimed at building new and more comprehensive approaches to combating the problems of moneylending. Since I came into office, this support has been reflected in substantial additional funding for this service. This is clear from the fact that the amount provided in the 1999 abridged Estimates was increased in the budget by £1.34 million to bring the total to £4.4 million, or about double the 1997 provision. This is not a trivial amount of money but neither is the problem which it seeks to address. This is true both for the individual people affected and in relation to the large number of people who need help. Next year, there should be 50 MABS projects operating nationally as compared with the original 5 which began in 1992.

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KILDARE MONEY ADVICE (Cont)

Most of us have trouble in making ends meet, and this struggle is, of course, particularly severe for those depending on Social Welfare income and on low earnings. Christmas time places additional stresses and strains on all budgets and particularly on those who have difficulty making ends meet in normal times. Most people get by, but some, faced by family or employment crises get into serious debt from which they can see no way out. Others on low incomes have never been able to manage because they never thought that they could. Until the Money Advice and Budgeting Service came along, people with severe money problems had few options and rarely had ones that delivered anything other than limited and short-term relief or which enabled them to restore their dignity or even to hold on to it.

One of the key strengths of Kildare Money Advice identified in the strategic plan is the widespread support for the service among external organisations. This is shown by the impressive number and range of such organisations listed in the plan and by the fact that so many are represented on the management committee. While the money advice officers are providing high quality professional support to (hundreds of) people, the effectiveness of this support and the achievement of the full potential of the MABS depend on these organisations' active involvement. As the Annual Report clearly illustrates, the wide range of organisations- public as well as private - which extend credit to their customers have a pivotal role to play both in preventing the accumulation of high levels of debt and in facilitating its repayment.

If procedures can be changed in these organisations which have the effect of helping to prevent problems arising in the first place and in facilitating their resolution where they do in a commercially prudent manner, everyone- both provider and client - will be better off as a result. It does not seem to make much commercial sense for any organisation to allow large debts to build up when they clearly know that their customers do not have the resources to repay them.

Another point that emerged from the Annual Report is the potential to help those dependent on social welfare to budget by matching bill payment days to the days on which social welfare money is payable. Although the Annual Report points out that there is a high level of co-operation from creditors, there still remains some lack of awareness and acceptance of the role of Kildare Money Advice in acting on behalf of those in debt.

I want to take this opportunity to ask any such creditors to give this co-operation because, in most cases, it offers them a realistic chance of getting their money back without incurring substantial additional administrative and legal costs. The goodwill which would be generated by such understanding and co-operation should not be underestimated.

I note that one of the 'threats' listed in the Strategic plan is 'future government funding'. Although the decision to approve the continued funding of Kildare Money Advice, of course, rests with my colleague Dermot Ahern TD, the Minister for Social, Community and Family Affairs, you may take some comfort from my own Department's MAB (Multi-Annual Budgetary) initiative. This involves the allocation of expenditure and other resources by Government over a three-year period. In my recent budget in addition to all previous Projections, I also published expenditure projections for each Government Department - including Social, Community and Family Affairs for year 2000 and 2001 on a "no policy change basis." In addition an amount for allocation above these levels in the final phase of the move to multi-annual budgeting. Decisions as to how this allocation will be made across Vote groups will be made by the Government in the first quarter of 1999.

I wish to commend Kildare Money Advice on its considerable achievements in such a short time.

No matter how well off Ireland becomes in the future, there will always be people who will get into serious debt, often through recourse to moneylending, and who will need help to get out of it. The professional advice and services provided by KMA and other MABS bodies throughout the country offer the best approach for providing this help because, ultimately, they derive their strength from the support of the whole community. I wish you success in future years. To those people who are now in debt and see no way out of it, my wish for you in the New year is that you may be given hope through the services and support of the management, staff and associated organisations of Kildare Money Advice.

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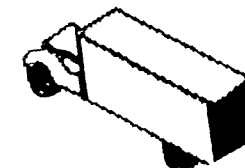
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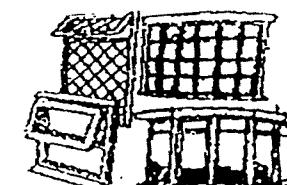
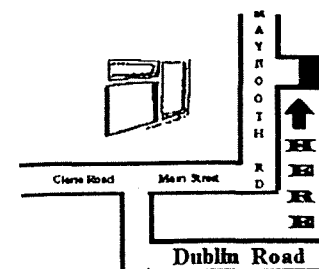
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Creative Writing Workshop in Maynooth Library

Neil Donnelly, Playwright-in-Residence will give creative writing workshops in Maynooth Library from Monday, February 8th, to May 1999. Workshops will start at 7.00 p.m. and end at 9.00 p.m. Neil was also Writer-in-residence with Mayo County Council and Writer-in-Association, Abbey Theatre 1994. He is an award winning playwright whose works have been performed extensively in Ireland and abroad. In order to book a place, please leave your name with one of the staff in Maynooth Library. No previous experience necessary - just enthusiasm and plenty of pens and paper!!

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MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY WORKING ON PROPOSALS

Over the past couple of months Maynooth Action Strategy has been putting the final touches to its report which proposes a strategy for the town's future development together with a series of projects designed to enhance the town. The group has already held briefing meetings with Dr. Seamus Smyth, President, NUI, Maynooth and has made a presentation to the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare Co. Council. Meetings with the executive of the Community Council, the Chamber of Commerce and St. Patrick's College are scheduled for the near future.

Within the next four to five weeks the group is planning to circulate a document to each house in Maynooth as a follow up the 'Choosing a Future' document published last March. The new document - working title 'Making It Happen' - will propose a series of steps to implement the strategy and outline a number of projects which, with community support, have the potential to improve Maynooth's physical environment, develop its commercial sector and add to the social and cultural life of the town.

In the short term the group is working on a submission to Telecom under the Community Access Support Programme. This is an initiative which is part of the Information Age Town project which aims to help communities achieve the economic and social benefits that are available through the use of Information Technology. Funding to the tune of £10,000 is available to successful applicants and the money is available to acquire computers, for networking and to pay internet connection charges.

As a follow up to our meeting with the Co. Council the group are considering a range of projects, about a dozen in number, which would address areas such as traffic, parking and passive amenity in the town. The Town Improvements Scheme which has seen the transformation of Main St. with the new Square, footpaths, lighting and the undergrounding of cables sets a standard from which other areas of the town would obviously benefit. A number of projects which would extend the Town Improvements Scheme are included in the list which is being considered. In the short term it is hoped to prioritise these projects and encourage the Co. Council to commit itself to funding those at the top of the list.

The launch of Maynooth Arts Forum in December proved highly successful and it is planned to invite all those interested in the arts in Maynooth to come together to discuss the next stage in the project. The range of talent in the town from music to drama to the visual arts suggests that there is real potential for drawing up a regular schedule of cultural events.

Finally, any residents interested in contributing either their time or ideas to this whole project should drop a note to John Cullen, Maynooth Action Strategy Convenor, Main St., Maynooth.

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VIDEO REVIEW

Mad City (15's)

A surprising flop in the USA last year, it took Mad City almost a year to be released in Ireland, where it duly flopped too. Dustin Hoffman plays veteran TV reporter Max Brackett, banished to a small-town station after he dared to confront his network's reigning nationwide news anchorman about his ethical standards live on air.

Sent to do a fluff piece on the possible closing down of the town's museum, Brackett stumbles into the story of a lifetime when sacked security guard Sam Baily, played by John Travolta, turns up with a gun in his hand and a demand for his job back. Unintentionally wounding his ex-fellow security guard, Baily panics and seals the building, taking hostage his old boss and a school outing of some kids and their teacher.

Brackett instantly realises that he's at the centre of the best show in town. Hoffman is perfectly cast, and Travolta just does his usual 'big-puppy-dog-lost' routine. A very good film that perhaps is a trifle overlong but nonetheless worthwhile.

Verdict: Excellent

Lost in Space (PG)

Inspired by the 60's cult TV series, this is a hip, thoroughly modern update that, unlike its source material, is low on camp and high on sci-fi.

The year is 2058, and with the ozone layer down to 40 per cent Professor John Robinson (John Hurt) is about to take his family on a mercy mission to the only other inhabitable planet in the galaxy.

Reluctantly piloting their spaceship is the headstrong Major Don West (Matt LeBlanc), with arch villain Dr. Zachary Smith (Gary Oldman) popping up after take-off to sabotage things.

Overblown and, at times, too scary for kids, Lost in Space is a slick, sleek sci-fi actioner in the best possible tradition.

Verdict: Brilliant!

Godzilla (PG)

On paper it looked as if it couldn't fail. Take one of the longest running franchises in cinema history and put it in the hands of the makers of Independence Day and you've a sure-fire smash hit.

However as it turned out, Godzilla may have chomped its way to a tidy profit, but it was nowhere near the monster hit most had expected. And the reason it stumbled at the box office is simply down to the fact that it's not very good.

Things start off promisingly enough, with the creature emerging from the ocean. Chomping down some fishing boats, our giant nuclear-mutated lizard decides to nest in Manhattan. After that, however, things get pretty silly. One minute Godzilla is rampaging through the streets, the next we're being treated to the reunion of two childhood sweethearts, played by Matthew Broderick and Maria Pitillo. Broderick is the scientist (a sort of absent-minded professor) who decides to play David to the scaly-backed Goliath.

Independence Day had thrills and laughs to burn, but this movie scarcely registers on either scale. The explosions go off on cue and the special effects are reasonable, but there's little else worth looking at here.

Verdict: Adequate for the kids



Enjoying the Dowdstown opening
L-R Kay Moore and Dolores Keely

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30 QUESTION QUIZ

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- Q. 1. Who is the newly appointed Sergeant in Maynooth ?
- Q. 2. What is the name of the owner of Weston Aerodrome ?
- Q. 3. What Pantomime did Leixlip Musical and Variety Group stage from 14-17 January ?
- Q. 4. Which Political Party will Catherine Murphy represent in the next local elections in the New Leixlip District ?
- Q. 5. Who is the owner of Carton Estate ?
- Q. 6. Who is the new manager of Maynooth Town G.A.A.Team ?
- Q. 7. From what town does retiring Sergeant Mick Gillick originate ?
- Q. 8. What date was the Maynooth Senior Citizen's Annual Dinner ?
- Q. 9. What date did Kiernan's shop close ?
- Q. 10. What time exactly is the early bird menu available in the Glenroyal Hotel ?
- Q. 11. On what day of the week are all Cocktails only £2.50 in the Orange Tree Restaurant ?
- Q. 12. Who are the new owners of Dowdstown Hotel ?
- Q. 13. Who now supplies paper carrier bags on request to help reduce our plastic mountain and encourage recycling
- Q. 14. Who will represent Fine Gael in this years local elections in the new Leixlip district ?
- Q. 15. When was the last time Galway won the Sam Maguire Cup (before '98) ?
- Q. 16. Who managed the Irish Youth Team u.16's and u18's ?.....
- Q. 17. Who was the first Irish woman to win gold in '98 world cross country event ?
- Q. 18. Who is the Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council ?
- Q. 19. Who was refused Planning Premission for a landfill dump just outside Maynooth in December 1998 ?
- Q. 20. Who is the President of N.U.I. Students Union ?
- Q. 21. What is the last serving orders time in a public house ?
- Q. 22. Who is the Chairperson of Maynooth Tidy Town Committee ?
- Q. 23. What is the telephone number of Sean's Cabs ?
- Q. 24. Where are the new premises of Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich ?
- Q. 25. Who is the Chairperson of the Laraghbryan Cemetery Development Association ?
- Q. 26. Who was the Maynooth local who was honoured as the Juvenile Track Athlete of the year '98
- Q. 27. Who offers the largest selection of greeting cards, magazines and provincial newspapers ?
- Q. 28. What is the name of the New Playschool which occupies unit 8 in Newtown Shopping Centre
- Q. 29. Where is the M.A.D.E. Centre situated ?
- Q. 30. Who is the new manager of Tesco, Maynooth ?

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Entries to Maynooth Newsletter - Main Street, Maynooth.



Deliciously Simple



Liver Pate

350g of Chicken Liver
1 Clove of Garlic
25g of Margarine
1 teaspoon of sherry
1 small onion
salt / pepper

Method

1. Trim Chicken Livers, wash in warm water and dry in kitchen paper.
2. Melt margarine, saute livers gently until they begin to brown.
3. Peel and chop onion, add to liver with garlic. Cook for five minutes.
4. Cool slightly and stir in sherry and seasoning.
5. Rub mixture through sieve, or liquidize.
6. Put into small dish. Chill. Garnish with lettuce, tomato and parsley. Serve with melba toast or fingers of hot or cold toast.

Brown or Beef Stew

400g round, rib or neck of beef
2 medium onions
2-3 medium carrots
2 medium parsnips
25g dripping
25g flour
375ml stock
Pepper/salt
1 dessert spoon savoury sauce eg. tomato ketchup.
To Garnish:
Parsley

Method

1. Wipe meat, trim away bone, grizzle and extra fat. Cut in 3 cm pieces.
2. Scrub carrots and parsnips. Peel vegetables thinly and slice.
3. Melt dripping in a heavy stew pan. Fry meat until lightly browned.
4. Add onion and fry until beginning to brown.
5. Reduce heat, stir in flour and cook gently for 1-2 minutes, stirring all the time.
6. Slowly stir in stock, and continue stirring until it boils.
7. Add carrots, parsnip, seasoning and sauce.

8. Cover and simmer gently for 1 1/2-2 hours, Stir now and then.
9. Serve on a hot oval dish, with the meat in the centre and vegetables around it. Garnish with parsley.
10. Extra sauce can be strained and served in a hot sauce boat.

Pineapple Soufflé

1 packet of lemon jelly
1 medium tin of pineapple chunks
1 medium carton cream
or small can evaporated milk
A little sherry (if wished)

To decorate:

whipped cream
4 pineapple pieces
Cherries

Method

1. Drain pineapple through sieve.
2. Dissolve jelly in 200ml boiling water. Make up to 300ml with syrup from pineapple and stir. Leave in a cold place until beginning to set.
3. Chop pineapple into small pieces, keeping back four for decoration.
4. Whip cream or evaporated milk until fairly thick.
5. When jelly begins to set around the edges, whip to a froth, add cream and whip until well mixed. Stir in pineapple and sherry if using.
6. Pour at once into a soufflé dish or dessert dish, which has been rinsed out in cold water. Leave to set.
7. Decorate with piped cream, pineapple and cherries. Place dish on a plate with a d'oyley beneath.

Variations:

1. Strawberry Soufflé: Use strawberry jelly and 400g strawberries (sieved).
2. Raspberry Soufflé: Use raspberry jelly and 200g canned or fresh raspberries (sieved).
3. Orange Soufflé: Use orange jelly and a can of mandarin oranges.

Gingerbread

200g flour
1/4 teasp. salt
1/4 teasp. bread soda
1 teasp. ground ginger
50g sultanas
75g margarine
75g brown sugar
1 tablesp. treacle
1 tablesp. syrup
1 egg
A little sour milk

Method

1. Sieve flour, salt, bread soda, and ginger into a bowl. Mix in sultanas.
2. Melt margarine, treacle, syrup and sugar over a very low heat- **do not overheat.**
3. Pour liquid into centre of dry ingredients. Add egg and enough milk to give a soft dropping consistency.
4. Pour into a well-greased loaf tin or spare cake tin.
5. Bake in a moderate oven, 190 C (375F), Gas 5, for about 35-40 minutes.
6. Cool in tin, then cut into about 15 squares.

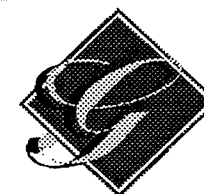
Melting moments

Ingredients

100g butter or margarine
75g sugar
Grated lemon rind
1 egg yolk
125g flour
1/4 teasp. baking powder
Crushed cornflakes (about 2 handfulls)

Method

1. Cream butter and sugar, beat in lemon and egg yolk.
2. Sieve in flour and baking powder and mix to a smooth dough.
3. Shape into small walnut-sized balls. Roll in cornflakes.
4. Place on greased tin, allowing space to spread.
5. Bake in a moderate oven, 180C (350F), Gas 4, for 20 minutes. Cool on wire tray.



ARDENING



INTS

FEBRUARY IN THE GARDEN



FLOWERS

Cut down herbaceous plants not previously pruned in November or December. Compost or burn the dead foliage, hoe or lightly fork the soil, incorporating a general-purpose fertilizer. Remove all weeds. Lift and thin out clumps of snowdrops (galanthus) after flowering and replant immediately. Mulch lily-of-the-valley (convallaria) with well-rotted compost or peat. If areas are free of plants and the soil workable, fork now for setting out summer bedding plants, such as dahlias and chrysanthemums, later. Also, fork and prepare the ground for new herbaceous perennials. Complete the flower seed order or buy direct from shops or garden centres before stocks are sold out. Water outdoor plants set in containers in sheltered areas.

Vegetables

Protect rhubarb, to force early stems. Prepare the ground for sowing of several vegetables next month. Continue to sow broad beans and peas, and plant shallots. Also plant early potatoes, onion sets and Jerusalem artichokes. Protect broccoli from frost damage by bending the leaves over the heads. Sow hardy annual herbs at the end of this month. Start sprouting maincrop seed potatoes in a light, frost-proof place.



TREES, SHRUBS AND CLIMBERS

Continue to plant trees, shrubs and climbers or heel them in if planting is not possible. Cut out dead, diseased and damaged wood and burn it. Prune large-flowered clematis, wisteria, honeysuckle (lonicera) and ornamental grape vines (vitis). Prepare, by double digging, new sites for hedges and evergreen trees and shrubs to be planted next month.

UNDER GLASS

Begin sowing seeds of half-hardy flowering annuals and summer bedding plants in heat - 10 -15C (50 -60F). Also, sow greenhouse display plants such as primulas, tuberous begonias, winter cherry (Solanum capsicastrum) and gloxinias (sinningias). Start into growth chrysanthemums, dahlias, fuchsias and pelargoniums, and take cuttings when growths are long enough. Sow seeds of lettuces, broad beans, brussels sprouts, cabbages, cauliflowers, leeks, carrots, beetroot, cucumbers, melons, sweetcorn, onions, mustard and cress and a further batch of tomatoes for greenhouse cropping. Thin out the seedlings when large enough to be handled. Syringe greenhouse grape vines with water to induce new growth. Pollinate greenhouse peaches, almonds, apricots and nectarines. Water and ventilate the greenhouse

to ensure correct humidity, temperature and freedom from draughts. Keep plants free from diseases. Bring indoors the last of the forced bulbs grown in bowls. Gradually harden off those bulbs that have finished flowering and water with a liquid fertilizer to replenish food stocks.

AND DON'T FORGET

Tread and firm soil around recently planted trees and shrubs which have been raised by the action of frost. Check existing lawns for waterlogged areas and spike or fork to improve the drainage. Rake and give the first mowing when the grass is 5- 7.5cm(2-3in) high. Brush off debris, leaves and wormcasts and apply a wormkiller. Continue to prepare new lawn sites. Keep an air hole in the ice on garden pools.

Sow antirrhinums and fibrous-rooted begonias, if not done in January, and also more pot plants: thunbergia, schizanthus, salpiglossis, exacum, torenia and heliotrope, for example. Sow lilies, and pot-up scales which you have carefully detached from saved bulbs for propagation. Sow sweet peas and border plants, such as delphiniums, for later transfer to the garden. Sow Christmas cherry. Make more vegetable sowings including radish, peas and beetroot. Start dahlia tubers into growth. Sow vegetables for later transference to the outdoor plot. Late in the month, sow tomatoes for early crops. Prune vines, cutting back lateral growth to two eyes.

Party Political

Green Party Notes

Leo Armstrong, an ex- Maynooth Community Council employee, has been selected at a recent Green Party Convention in North Kildare to go forward in the Maynooth/ Leixlip Electoral area.

Leo has been a member of the Green Party for the past ten years. He was involved in the setting up of the Green Party Wicklow group in the late 80's.

During the last five years Leo studied Sociology, Economics and History in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, where he received a B.A. and a H. Dip. During this time he set up and ran a local newspaper which due to pressure of study he had to give up.

Since finishing his studies Leo has been involved with other Green Party members in North Kildare in encouraging the reduction of waste. Recently Leo has approached local retail outlets asking them to withdraw plastic bags in favour of paper bags or boxes as a first step in reducing non biodegradable waste. If elected, he intends to put pressure on Kildare County Council to draw up and immediately implement Waste Management plans which will include all sectors, both business and domestic. Furthermore he will put pressure on Kildare County Council not to allow any Landfill sites to be established in North Kildare.

Leo is extremely concerned with the food we eat and the food we are giving to our children. Most food producers are only interested in how their products look and how well they can display them in the plastic containers. To address this problem Leo has approached Organic farmers with a view to setting up outlets for organic vegetables etc. in the North Kildare area. (Whilst organic vegetables are slightly more expensive they are 100% better for you and you use less than the conventional "sprayed" massed produced products). Why give your children and yourself anything less than the best?

Very few urban people are aware that there is today farmland that crops will not grow on. Where land is devoted to Dairy-farming potatoes etc, will not grow due to the overuse of fertilizer and slurry. A dairy farmer near Enfield tried to grow potatoes at the back of his house recently, but because the fertilized slurry had penetrated through the land only the stalks grew. Leo is deeply disturbed with this situation as the water we drink travels through such farmlands.

Whilst many of our present councillors are regularly telling us how they are lobbying for footpaths etc., and no doubt these are important, Leo sees the health of the people far more important. As we approach the millennium the air we breathe is getting worse, the food we eat contains too much additives, sprays and is not natural plus the water we are drinking is extremely suspect. Leo feels we are at a crisis

point. We are, he believes, heading towards a life where general ill health will be the norm. Unless we tackle the air, water and food problems today, tomorrow for many of us will mean Doctors, Hospitals need I go further. To enjoy these footpaths we need good health.



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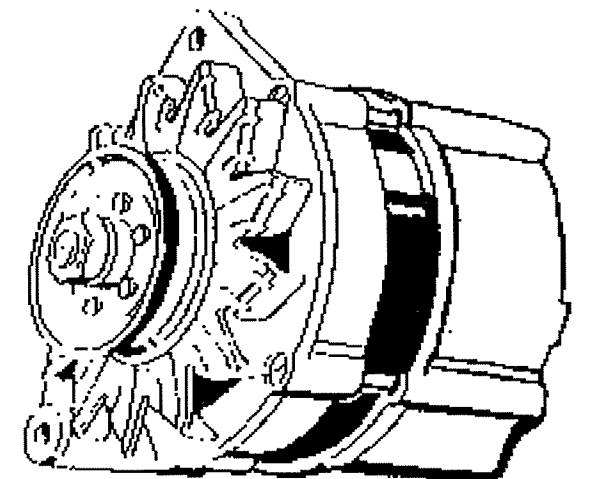
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan/County Plan

The Celbridge Area Committee met on 15th January to consider any changes that they wished to make to the population target in the County Development Plan as a result of submissions received during the display period of the County Plan. The Area Committee agreed by majority vote (casting vote of Chairman) that the population target of 11,500 for 2006 should remain unaltered and that the amount of land to be rezoned Residential to meet this target should be 100-120 acres.

Cllr. John McGinley also proposed that the figure be inserted in the County Plan. This was the figure recommended by both the Co. Manager and the Senior Planner of Kildare Co. Council. Cllr. McGinley stated that he wanted to have development of the rezoned land phased, in order to meet the Council's earlier target of 10,500 by 2003. No more than 50-55 acres should be rezoned prior to 2003 to meet this target.

Two of the Area Councillors wanted to increase the population targets and to rezone more than 100-120 acres. The Area Committee decision went before the full Council for Approval for inclusion in the Amended Draft Co. Development Plan on 18th. January.

Condition of Rathcoffey Road and Footpath

Cllr. McGinley has sent the following letter to the Co. Secretary:

Work carried out by the developer of Castledawson Estate has resulted in blocked shores/drainage and seriously damaged footpaths and roads from the Estate to Bond Bridge. I want the following attended to as a matter of urgency:

1. The footpath between Beafield and Cluain Aoibhinn is now practically non-existent as a result of the developer's damage. I brought this to the Co. Engineer's attention over six months ago.
2. There is flooding along the edge of the road on the right hand side from Bond Bridge to Woodlands. The developer blocked the shores at the entrance to Woodlands and the drain back to Bond Bridge. Here again I have advised Kildare Co. Council of this damage on numerous occasions.
3. The road surface from Cluain Aoibhinn to the motorway bridge is in a terrible condition, again as a result of the developer's work. Resurfacing of this road is required now, otherwise it will disintegrate.
4. There is no footpath between Cluain Aoibhinn and the motorway bridge. Levies were imposed on Castledawson and Parsons Hall to pay for the laying of a footpath. Yet despite the fact that most of the houses are now occupied there is still no footpath. I am now asking you to have a new footpath constructed without any further delay.

Telecom Cowboys

Despite promises from Telecom Éireann that they would reinstate the footpaths that they have damaged there has been no action from them.

Cllr. John McGinley's motion calling for Utilities, such as Telecom Éireann, to pay to the Council the full cost of reinstatement before a licence would be given to open a road/footpath has been adopted by the Council as policy.

Cllr. McGinley will be following up to make sure that it is implemented.

New Footpath and Lighting from Dillon's Row to Lyreen Park

The position is that the developer has now stated that the cost of work is £5,000 greater than that originally calculated by the Council. The main reason for this is that seven public lights are required to meet ESB standards whereas the Council felt that three public lights were required.

In order to finalise this matter once and for all the County Engineer has agreed to pay the developer the excess cost and the work will be carried out soon.

Cllr. McGinley will continue to monitor these long outstanding works to conclusion.

Bond Bridge / Railway Station

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee:

"That a vehicular exit/entrance to the Railway Station, Maynooth, be part of the new Bond Bridge design and that a roadway and parking bays be constructed between the Station and Bond Bridge in collaboration with Iarnród Éireann and DTO.

If implemented it will be much easier for Rathcoffey Road residents to get to the Railway Station, traffic will be taken out of the Town Centre and more parking spaces will be created at the Station.

Moyglare Road and Convent Lane - New Public Lights

As a result of Cllr. McGinley's motion twenty one lights are being replaced and four new poles erected on the Moyglare

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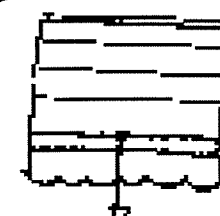
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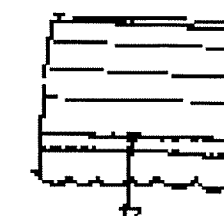
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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES (CONT.)

Road. Convent Lane is to have six lights replaced. The ESB have advised Cllr. McGinley that this work should take place in January or early February.

Public Lighting Kilcock Road

As a result of Cllr. McGinley's action the ESB have advised him that they will be installing new public lighting on the Kilcock Road (to beyond the University entrance) in February. This will be a great relief to students and other pedestrians.

New Public Lights Sought

1. Rathcoffey Road

Following representations from residents in the area Cllr. McGinley had asked the Council to have the public lighting extended to the motorway bridge on the Rathcoffey Road to cater for residents in Castledawson and Parsons Hall.

2. Old Greenfield

Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to install six new public lights in the back lane behind houses number 741 and 750.

3. Parklands/Castlebridge

The Celbridge Area Committee agreed to Cllr. McGinley's motion to take the through road in charge at its meeting on 18th December.

Council officials will now commence the procedure necessary to take the road in charge and once this occurs the Council can then follow up on the second part of Cllr. McGinley's motion which calls for the implementation of traffic calming measures to prevent the excessive speeding which is taking place at present.

New Speed Limit for Lucan By-Pass

Following Cllr. McGinley's approach to his Labour Party colleague, Eamonn Walsh, South Dublin Co. Council has agreed to increase the speed limit on the Lucan By-Pass from 40 m.p.h. to 60 m.p.h. This will be a relief to motorists using the urban motorway and Cllr. McGinley compliments South Dublin Co. Council for their prompt action.

Motorway Junction

It is now taking 20/30 minutes to exit the motorway at Maynooth at peak times. Eighteen months ago the Co. Engineer stated that traffic lights were warranted and he would be so advising the National Roads Authority (which has responsibility here). Cars are now queuing up on the motorway and this is leading to a hazardous situation. Cllr. McGinley has asked the Co. Engineer to raise this very serious problem as a matter of urgency with the NRA.

Heavy Commercial Vehicles in Housing Estates

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the full Council:-

"That the Council be given a report on the steps that have been taken to introduce by-laws to stop heavy commercial vehicles from parking in residential areas throughout the county".

Flooding Footpath Kilcock Road

Cllr. McGinley has asked the Area Engineer to carry out the work necessary to eliminate the flooding of the footpath on the Kilcock Road. This flooding is causing serious problems for students and other pedestrians. There needs to be proper drainage installed and a new footpath constructed.

New Footpaths Main Street

Cllr. McGinley has asked the Project Manager to ensure that the trees are protected from damage during construction works and to stop cars from parking on the new footpath. He has also asked that dumping of waste in the Doctor's Lane site be stopped as the trucks are muddying Geoghegan's Lane and Doctor's Lane.

Residents' Associations Grants

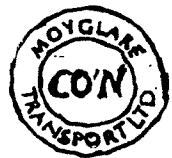
All seven Maynooth Residents' Associations that applied for improvement grants were successful. The Council will give grants of 50%, up to a maximum of £250, of the cost of a project. For further information please contact John McGinley at 6285293.

Footpath Contractors Using Area at Carton Avenue

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have requested the Council to contact the Main Street Footpath Contractors with a view to them moving their works depot from the area in front of Carton Avenue. Their presence at this location has made the area very dangerous for pedestrians, in particular children attending the Girls' School..



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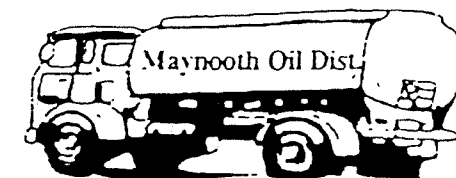


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FINE GAEL NOTES

Entrance to Girls National School:

The cost of upgrading the entrance to the Girls' National School will be in the region of £100,000 Kildare County Council has informed Cllr. Senan Griffin. The Council is proposing to put in place "low cost road marking" and these markings are unacceptable when it comes to the safety of school going children, said Cllr. Senan Griffin. The Council has been requested by Cllr Senan Griffin to terminate the current activity at the entrance to the school and to provide a proper planned layout as an urgent priority, which should also include an adjustment to the grass margin at the Dunboyne Road. Adequate funds could be obtained from the DTO, together with levies, which applied to the Charter House development. These monies should be made available to carry out this work, said Cllr. Senan Griffin and he has put forward this proposal to the Kildare County Council for their consideration. He further stated that Kildare County Council should be responsible for providing and maintaining the highest standard of Safety for school children.

Pound lane, Double Lane and Fagan's Lane:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has been informed that funds can be made available to carry out some repairs to the above lanes from the Discretionary Grants Section. These lanes are in a deplorable condition, he said and have caused residents much grief and hardship in trying to negotiate them.

Footpaths and Lights at Dunboyne Road:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has met with the director of CIF (Construction Industry Federation) in order to advance the construction of footpaths and erection of public lights at the Dunboyne Road. As a result of this meeting, the developer, Kildare County Council and the ESB are in discussions to clear up confusion resulting from the planning condition. It is hoped that works will commence shortly on this project he said.

Greenfield Lane:

Kildare County Council has agreed to carry out repairs to Greenfield Lane and will endeavour to have it included in this year's restoration programme. Cllr. Senan Griffin will continue to pressure the Council to ensure that these repairs will be carried out as a matter of urgency.

Lights at Moyglare Road:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested extra lights to be erected between the Church and the entrance to the student accommodation block on the Moyglare Road.

Fire at Silken Vale:

The recent fire at Silken Vale is of great concern to all residents. The laying of a gas main in such close proximity

to an ESB cable, which resulted in a huge blaze, raises the question of safety standards for the laying of these networks. Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested the County Engineer to outline the safety standards that are required and if they were adhered to by both the ESB and An Bord Gais at Silken Vale.

County Development Plan:

Details of the County Development Plan will be known prior to publication of this issue of the Newsletter. Cllr. Senan Griffin will continue to press for affordable housing for the first time house buyer. A proposal has been put forward to Kildare County Council by Cllr. Senan Griffin that 20% of zoned land should be made available for the first time purchaser and he further stated that Kildare County Council should avail of the private site system to house those earning less than £20,000. It is Cllr. Griffin's view that this system is under-utilised by all County Councils, given that the Department of the Environment (Housing Section) are encouraging its use, as a means to alleviate the housing crisis in this particular sector of the market.

Roads:

As a result of the recent terrible weather conditions, the road structure is in danger of collapsing in both the rural and urban areas. Cllr. Griffin has asked the County Engineer to request the Department of the Environment to provide an emergency grant of £1 million to help maintain roads and infrastructure, that have been set back at least five years, as a result of the deplorable weather.

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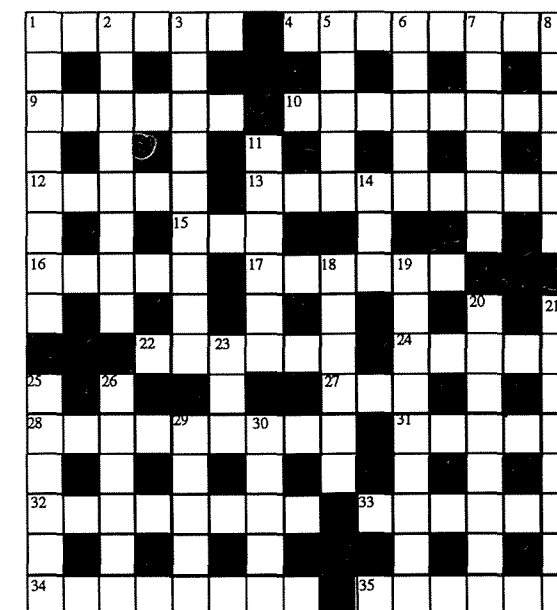
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Across:

1. Come from (6)
4. Beggars (8)
9. Goodbye! (2,4)
10. Monetary award (8)
12. Avoid (5)
13. U.S. State (9)
15. Fitting (3)
16. Rear (5)
17. Type of Land (6)
22. Mug (6)
24. Indian corn (5)
27. Mind reading (1,1,1)
28. Tethers (9)
31. Playing field (5)
32. Grew profusely (8)
33. Shylock (6)
34. Numerical fraction (8)
35. Evade (6)

Down:

1. Give out (8)
2. Set free (8)
3. Retaliation (9)
5. Sea food (5)
6. Racket (5)
7. Girl's name (6)
8. Types (6)
11. Sortie (6)

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14. Tip (3)
18. Halt (6)
19. Light standards (4,5)
20. Climbing plant (8)
21. Make powerful (8)
23. Girls name (3)
25. Oil (6)
26. On land (6)
29. Wash (5)
30. Clumsy (5)

Solution to Crossword No. 134

Across: 1. Justin; 4. All At Sea; 9. Trains; 10. Manifest; 12. Image; 13. Tit For Tat; 15. Nor; 16. Oiled; 17. Aborts; 22. Ushers; 24. Knoll; 27. Ewe; 28. Detergent; 31. Align; 32. Inexpert; 33. Strata; 34. Sidestep; 35. Argyle;

Down: 1. Jettison; 2. Scalable; 3. Innuendos; 5. Least; 6. Amigo; 7. Sheath; 8. Astute; 11. Strafe; 14. Fir; 18. Onsets; 19. Take After; 20. Solitary; 21. Elongate; 23. Hug; 25. Eddies; 26. Attend; 29. Ropes; 30. Eerie.

Winner of Crossword No. 134

Marie T. Kelly
Main St.
Maynooth

MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. CLUB NOTES

With the 11-a-side League due to restart on January 22nd and the 7-a-side a week later (weather permitting) there are no match reports available at the time of writing but it is hoped to continue our usual reports in the next issue. All managers are encouraged to forward match reports for inclusion. The dressing rooms in the Harbour Field have been fitted out and the junior teams will be making use of this in the future. Our thanks to Maxwell Mooney and Co., Solicitors, Charter House, Maynooth for their generous assistance in providing this facility. The Club are currently organising a trip to the Solar World Cup tournament in Liverpool between the 7th and 11th of April 1999. Although individual teams have travelled away before, this is the first time we have organised a trip on this scale. There will be three age groups travelling (under 11's, 12's and 14's) approximately 60 children and 20 adults. Fund raising is currently under way to assist in the cost of the trip, which is in excess of £15,000. Any business that would like to assist in sponsorship should contact John Doogan on 01-6289720 or any member of the committee. The Ladies team has started training early this year and anyone interested in joining them is welcome. Training is every Thursday at 8.30 p.m. in Maynooth Post Primary School. For further details contact Melanie Oliver on 01-6291153.

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This Weeks Numbers 7 - 9 - 19 - 24
This Weeks Jackpot - £1,400
Winner: Ann Folan c/o Domo
Next Weeks Jackpot - £500

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS 3rd January 1999
This Weeks Numbers 5 - 18 - 20 - 11
This Weeks Jackpot - £500
Winner: No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot - £550
WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00 1. Richard Dolan, Moyglare Village 2. Mary Costigan, c/o May 3. D. Hurley 4. Michael Kelly, c/o G.A.A. Club 5. Raffo

Classifieds

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To darling Bobby,
"Happy Valentine's Day".
Love Claudine (where is my house).

To Darren,
"Happy Valentine's Day". Our 7th together.
Love Sandra.

To Tomás (Super Valu),
We fancy you more and more each day. You see us
everyday and we hope we do the same to you as you do to
us. Guess who?

To Paul,
Happy Valentine's Day.
Love Aoife.

To my big cuddly 'Tarzan' (Neil Armstrong).
From your little Cuddly 'Jane' (Jill).
Happy Valentine's Day. Our first as a legal couple.

To my Killmacredock 'Stud' (Ken).
From your little Kingsbry 'Filly' (Karen).
Happy Valentine's Day.

To Derek (Super Valu),
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Birthday greetings to Maeve McTernan, Silken Vale, whose birthday was on the 24th. January, from Daddy, Mammy, sister Deirdre, and Grandad.

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Birthday greetings to Gerard McTernan, Greenfield (February 25th). Larry, Kilcock (February 27th). Larry's wife Marie (February 1st) their daughter Gillian age 17 on (January 24th) and son Paul (February 4th)

Happy birthday to John Saults, Lawrence Avenue, January 10th.

Phil Brady, Clock House who celebrated his 92nd. birthday on (January 19th) from family and friends.

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Congratulations to Sheila and David Jolley on their Anniversary from Alison, Rachel and grandson Andrew.

Happy Bithday to David Jolley on the 19th February, love from all the family

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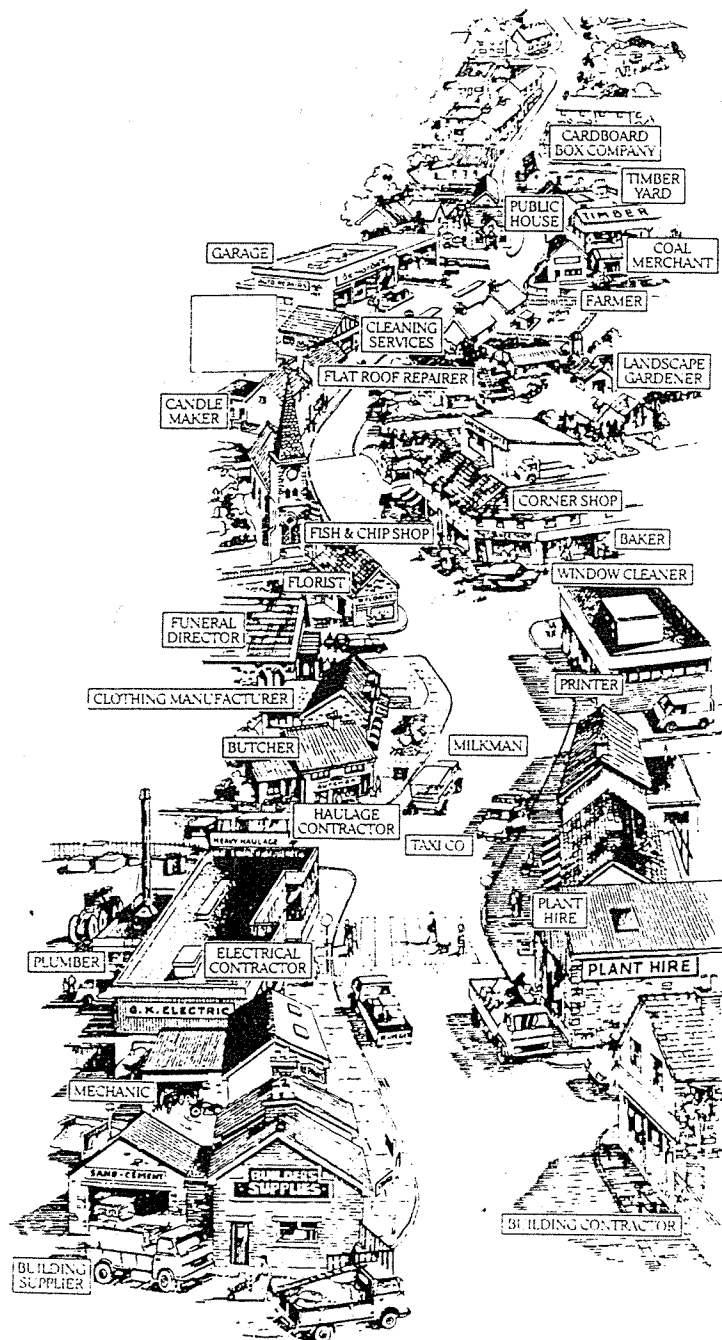
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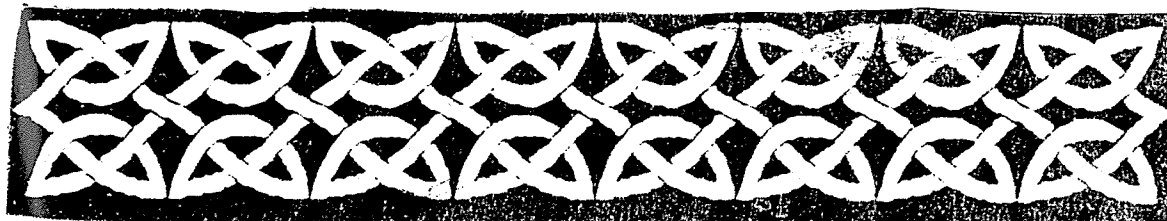
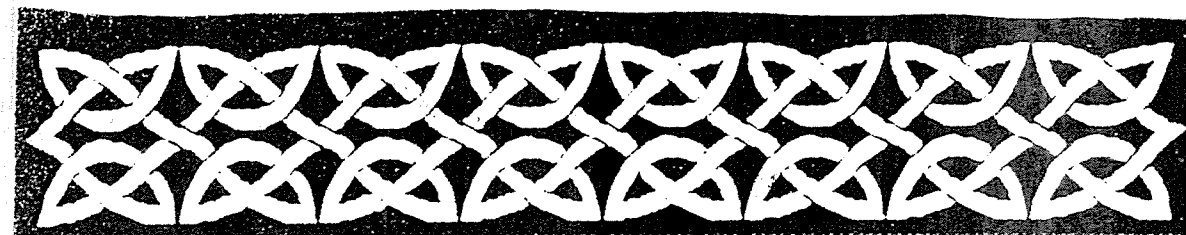
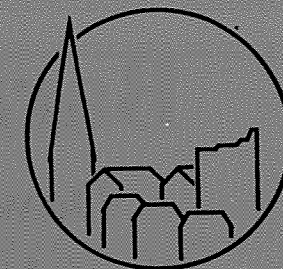
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DIARY DATES

The AGM for Woodlands Residents Association will be held on Wed 3rd March in I.C.A. Hall

I.C.A. next Guild Meeting 4th March in I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Senior Citizens Annual Collections on the 4th to 7th March.

The A.G.M. of Greenfield Estate Residents Association will be held on Wednesday, March 10th in I.C.A. Hall at 8.30 p.m.

Maynooth Golfing Society - 1st outing to Athy - Saturday, March 13th; 2nd outing to Moate - Saturday, April 17th.

Clane Musical Society - Best Little Whorehouse in Texas. The Abbey, Clane - Sunday, 21st March to Saturday 27th March 8.00 p.m. nightly.

Annual Fundraising Disco for Boys National School at 8.30 p.m. on 12th March. G.A.A. Club.

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Maynooth G.A.A. - Race Night - 5th March. G.A.A. Club.

EDITORIAL

The issue of parking on Main St. has generated some heated debate in the last few weeks and is the subject of a letter to the Newsletter this month. For a number of reasons the current situation cannot continue - principally because the new parking bye-law will come into force when the current works in the street are completed. We can reasonably expect that when the bye-laws are enacted that they will be enforced by the Gardai. This does not entirely solve the problem however. Of course we should be looking at an overall transport/parking plan for the town but, in the immediate further, it is important for the businesses in Main Street and also for residents that some short term parking is available within the immediate vicinity. The convenience of being able to park in the street for twenty minutes to buy a newspaper and visit the bank should not disappear when the bye-laws come into force. We can only have this facility, given that there will be fewer parking spaces than at present, if parking in the street is restricted to one or two hours. This suggests that we may have to consider the introduction of parking discs and paying for parking in the town centre. Free permits for residents might be considered as part of this scheme. The question is - are you willing to consider paying for short term parking in Maynooth? The Newsletter - and your local representatives-would like to hear your views.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

24th January 1999

Dear Editor,

Last August I made several telephone calls to the office of Kildare County Council in Maynooth in relation to two issues concerning Carton Avenue. The first issue related to the crop of dock weed which at that time of the year was flourishing in the left-hand section of the avenue at the town end. This is the section of the avenue which corresponds to the area dug up by Kildare County Council for the sewage works it undertook several years ago and which was never properly replanted. It was not the issue of restoring this area to its original state which I wanted to bring to the attention of the Council but the fact that they were not complying with the law of the land. The 1936 Noxious Weed Act covers the control of such weed as dock and ragwort, which is also present in the avenue, and requires those responsible for the land where these weeds are found to treat the weeds and prevent their spreading to other areas. To date the County Council has done absolutely nothing to comply with the requirements of the 1936 Act.

The second issue related to the state of one of the pillars at the entrance to the avenue. Both pillars had been damaged during the aforementioned sewage works and the hand cut capstone of one of the pillars was irreparable and was replaced by a concrete replica. One of the many groups of workmen who have dug up the Main Street over the past few years hit the right hand pillar with a digger sometime before last summer. One stone of the pillar was completely removed and another left in a precarious position and this unstable stone was bearing the weight of the pillar which could have collapsed if it also had been removed. The danger, with children returning to the adjacent girls' primary school at the beginning of September, was obvious and within a couple of days the stones had been reinserted into the pillar even if the pillar itself was not properly realigned. In order to reinsert the stones the wrought iron gate attached to the pillar was removed and thrown on the grass behind the wall to the left of the entrance. There it was to remain for the next four and a half months. Just this week while going for a walk down the avenue I noticed that the gate has disappeared from its grassy bed. One wonders what has become of a small little part of our heritage which has been so neglectfully treated. Even if Kildare County Council do know of the location of this monogrammed gate, at present, it doesn't excuse their shoddy workmanship in not finishing the job started, and their lack of due care of an amenity that they hold in trust for the people of Maynooth, to whom the avenue was given. We hear so much about Maynooth as a heritage town but small, at times almost imperceptible, parts of our heritage disappear or are damaged without our even noticing them, and by the time that we do notice them and question their disappearance it is too late.

Yours Truly,
Ann Kelly



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Pillar at Carton Avenue



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Letter to the Editor

Reply to Peter Connell, Pdraig O'Murchú and Tom McMullon's statements in the Liffey Champion re parking on Maynooth's "spanking new pavements".

For years the residents of the Main Street have been subjected to the inconsiderate parking of other locals who gave scant regard to the residents' right of access to their own properties. People have parked not just at the street edge of the paths but right against our house walls and front doors while they did their shopping or went to Dublin for the day. Some residents have also had to put up with taxis and mini-coaches parking anywhere and in any manner they wished, with no regard for pedestrians, and forcing residents to squeeze through their own hall doors. Complain as we might, the Community Council did nothing to alleviate our situation then and no-one came to photograph our plight.

Now the residents of the Main Street are once again to be penalised by the town's development. They are going to be denied the right to park in front of their own properties. When the Duke of Leinster and the property developers of 250 years ago designed and built the houses on the Main Street, they did not include driveways or garage spaces attached to the properties as we are sure the above objectors have attached to theirs. Even the back entrances to the houses on the Main Street, where, no doubt, the aforementioned would suggest we park our cars, are often inaccessible due again to the careless and inconsiderate parking of others who seem to have forgotten that these are entrances to people's homes. Those of us who have had to leave our cars on the back lanes overnight, when unable to park in front of our properties, know to our cost what this can mean, broken aerial, smashed mirrors etc. Naturally we feel safer when our cars are in full light and in front of our houses though even this is no guarantee. The owner of a new car, forced to park on the opposite side of the street over the Christmas period, due to the paving blocks deposited on the left hand side of the street, found the car dinged by blows on the pavement side, no doubt caused by revellers going home at night.

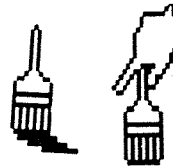
We are heartened by the words of caution given by Cllr. Senan Griffin in the face of the zeal displayed by the three people mentioned in the Liffey Champion article and we are glad that at least one person remembered that there are still people who have their homes on the Main Street. Perhaps these people can turn their energies to looking after the needs of this section of the Maynooth community and look to providing residents with special parking discs, as has been done elsewhere, or finding other solutions which will enable the Main Street residents to enjoy the privilege that they themselves have of parking at their own front door.

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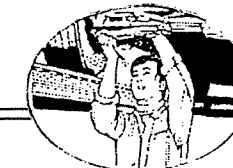
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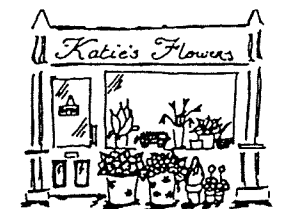
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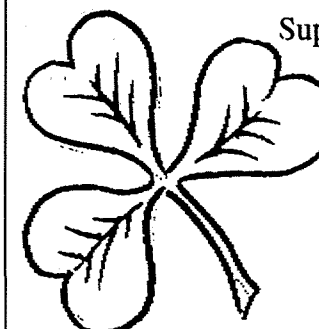
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Maynooth Community Council paid tribute to Ita McTernan (dec’d)

Mr. Tom McMullon, Chairman led members of Maynooth Community Council in tributes and a minute’s silence in sympathy with Gearoid McTernan and his family on the death of his wife Ita. The late Mrs. McTernan was a well known and active member of the community. Gearoid, represents Maynooth Mortality Society on the Community Council.

Community Council to object to landfill dump application

Maynooth Community Council members confirmed their support for the campaign against the proposal for a Landfill Dump at Barrockstown. Meath County Council refused permission for the dump in December 1998 and this decision is being appealed by Padraig Thornton (Waste Disposal) Ltd to An Bord Pleanala. Community Councillors agreed to support an objection to An Bord Pleanala by the North Kildare/South Meath Environmental Protection Group against the proposal.

Community Council - New Members

Ms. Pauline Loftus (34 Parklands Place) and Mr. Terry Murphy (13 Parklands Crescent) have been co-opted to the Community Council as additional representatives for the Parklands area.

Community Council - Resignation

Mrs Anne Birchall has resigned as a representative for the Old Greenfield Area on Maynooth Community Council.

Competition to be held to find new Maynooth Crest

Maynooth Community Council is to set out the rules for a competition to find a new town crest for Maynooth. The proposal was made following a discussion regarding the type of new signs that should be erected at the entrance points to the town.

There will be light on the Dunboyne Road

Maynooth Community Council was informed that significant progress had been achieved in discussion between the developer and Kildare County Council in resolving the difficulties that have prevented the completion of footpaths and the installation of lighting in this area. The works are expected to be completed in the near future.

Still dark at Parsons Street Bridge

Kildare County Council has informed Maynooth Community

Council that it has advised the ESB that lights on one of the bridges in Parsons Street need to be repaired. Maynooth Community Council had informed the County Council, that the ornate lighting which was installed last year, has not worked on one side of the bridge, for some considerable time.

Parking By - Laws still not agreed by Kildare County Council

Maynooth Community Council members were informed at their February meeting that the traffic By-Laws due to be implemented on completion of the new footpaths have not yet been finalised by Kildare County Council. The proposals were on display for one month and the Council are now considering the submission received following the public display.

Community Council supports motion for pedestrian safety measures

A revised motion from Mr. Padraig O’Murchu from Woodlands that a pedestrian area be marked out on Bond Bridge, as well as the provision of speed ramps on the bridge, received unanimous support from Community Councillors at the February meeting.

C.M.I. seeks Maynooth Community Council input

Cable Management Ireland who operate the licence to provide cable television services in the Maynooth area has written to Maynooth Council seeking to arrange a meeting to discuss issues regarding the service they provide to customers in this area. Representatives of the Community Council will attend a preliminary meeting with the Company to find out what is being proposed.

Community Games - Need to form second committee likely to be appealed

Maynooth has reached the population levels that requires a town to form a second Community Games local committee, Ms Marie Gleeson informed Maynooth Community Council at the February meeting. The Community Games representative also informed the council that careful consideration must be taken in how the town is split, in order to avoid the need for a third split in the near future. It is likely because of the demographic profile of the town, that the existing committee will appeal to the need to form a second committee this year, as there is a difficulty in maintaining one committee at this stage.

Support sought for “Circle Line” from Maynooth Community Council

Maynooth Community Council Chairman, Mr. Tom McMullon got together with the Chairpersons of Community
Cont./

Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES (Cont.)

Councils from the Navan Road to Kilcock including Lucan, Clondalkin, Dublin 15, Celbridge and Leixlip Town Commission to hear a presentation on the “Circle Line” rail proposal. The line would form part of the Luas Network and would effectively be laid along the route of the M50 Motorway. The proposers are seeking the support of all the community groups to lobby the Government to support the proposal.

Harbour Field/Geraldine Hall Committee - Calls for decisions

Maynooth Community Council has urged the committee representing the Community Council, the Maynooth Development Association, the Trustees of the Harbour Field, Maynooth GAA, Maynooth Soccer Club and the Athletic Club to move forward on establishing the future proposals for this area. Maynooth Community Council was informed that the owner of these facilities, the Hon. David Nall - Cain was prepared to hand over both to Kildare County Council, if the trustees of the Harbour Field were prepared to relinquish their trusteeship.

Gas Leak Debate continued at Community Council

Following a meeting between the Celbridge Area Committee members of Kildare County Council and representatives of Bord Gais, correspondence from the committee outlining the response received by the Councillors was read to the February meeting of Maynooth Community Council. The letter confirmed that it is the opinion of Bord Gais that the type of incident that occurred in Silken Vale just after Christmas was very unlikely to reoccur and that the highest standards are enforced in completing their work.

Festival Committee - Starts planning for 1999

Community Councillors and members of the public can put forward their ideas for the 1999 Community Festival. The festival committee will be holding their first meeting in March. Any opinions please contact the Community Council office.

Paul Croghan

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CREDIT UNION NEWS

Sunday 7th of February saw many credit union delegates converge on Maynooth. I.L.C.U. Tech the newly formed Technical Services of the Irish League of Credit Unions Movement held a special meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel.

These delegates from around the country came to Maynooth to be informed on the progress of the Movements new £40 million computerised system which should be operational in the near future.

The I.L.C.U.s. hold many meetings and conferences around the country and thanks to the location of the Glenroyal Conference Centre, Maynooth has now been added to their venues list. Hopefully, our hotels will encourage more Credit Union activities that would highlight Maynooth.

Congratulations to both teams of overall winners of our School Table Quiz, we wish you the best of luck in the next round.

On other matters, Credit Unions like any other financial lending group have those people who fall behind with their repayments for one reason or another. Unemployment, short-time working, redundancy, sickness and family problems are all understandable reasons for members falling into arrears. Credit Unions do everything in their power to help their members in difficult circumstances and are always approachable if a member finds difficulty in repaying their loan.

However, there are those who become indebted by over borrowing, obtaining too much credit all at the same time and there are those who set out to intentionally defraud. In such cases as these, Maynooth Credit Union assure the members that every step is taken to recover all money owing to the Credit Union. Defaulting members are pursued vigorously by the Credit Control Committee even to the last stage, legal proceedings.

Almost every Credit Union member realises that the money they borrow from a credit union is the other members savings and they make every effort to repay on time. It is those who are unwilling to meet their commitments that create problems for themselves.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

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If anybody reading this has any unwanted trophies or Plaques which they would be willing to donate to us we would be very grateful as the money saved could be put towards trips etc. If so please contact Claire at 6286863.

Registration day this year will be on Tuesday 6th July, details available at a later date.

Claire O'Rourke,
Secretary.

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The Parent/Teacher Association of Maynooth Post Primary School held a Social Evening and Dance on Saturday, 23rd January last in the beautifully appointed Pavilion Suite of the newly-opened Dowdstown House Hotel which is located on the Maynooth/Straffan Road just five minutes drive from the Square in Maynooth. Tickets for the event were completely sold out and Gay and James luxurious Function Room in lovely shades of green and gold was filled to capacity.

Excellent music was provided by the popular "Millionaires" and the crowd showed their appreciation by filling the dance floor.

Among the attendance were Parent/Teacher Association committee members including the Chairperson, Mrs Mary Byrne, Treasurer Mrs Mercedes O'Rourke, and Deputy Chairperson Mrs Geraldine Tobin who put a lot of hard work into the event by co-ordinating ticket sales.

Mr Sean Ashe, School Principal and Mrs Ashe, Mr Tom Ashe, former Principal and his wife and Mr Andrew Dunne were among the Teaching staff who came along. A raffle was conducted (in her own inimitable style!) by Mrs Josephine Moore who introduced each prize-winner, adding some little anecdote about many of them, much to the amusement of the crowd.

In her address, Mrs Mary Byrne thanked everyone who supported the Social evening, Gay and Jimmy Hoare for providing the beautiful venue and "The Millionaires" for their delightful music.

Over the past number of years, consecutive Parent/Teacher Associations have raised in the region of £180,000 which has gone towards numerous projects, large and small, from the School Assembly Hall and Oratory to the provision of lockers for students, photocopying facilities, sports equipment etc. Also, funds have gone towards the day to day running of the School which receives only a limited budget each year from which it is expected to cover all costs associated with running a large school. Fund-raising events over the years ranged from a Monster Draw to Social Evenings such as last Saturday's, race night in Harold's Cross Greyhound Stadium and American Tea Parties.

The fifth-year and Transition year students staged "Grease!" in the Parish Hall from Wednesday 3rd to Saturday 6th February to a packed house every night. We congratulate the students and staff on their wonderful achievement. Apart from the large cast, a production crew in the region of 90 people comprising students, teachers and parents worked tirelessly over a period of 6 weeks on costume making, set construction, design and painting, sound, programme design

and set-up, lights, choreography and tickets sales.

The musical is now firmly established as one of the highlights of the year in Maynooth. Long may it continue.

Mary Oliver

P.R.O.

Maynooth Post Primary
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PARENTS ASSOCIATION BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

We are holding our Annual Fundraising Disco in the G.A.A Club Moyglare Rd. at 8.30pm on Friday 12th March. Tickets £3 each or two for £5. These will be sent out through the boys at school and they will also be available at the door on the night.

We would also like to congratulate the boys who were confirmed on 20th February and to the teachers Mr McBride and Mr O'Connor who put in the hard work.

Claire O'Rourke,
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MAYNOOTH-KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

The Maynooth-Kilcock No Name Club are hosting the Cabaret Awards Final on the 9th of April and the Youth Awards on the 10th of April. The Club is part of the National No Name Club which celebrates its 21st birthday this year.

The No Name Club itself was started in Kilkenny in 1978 as an alternative to the pub culture for the youth. The purpose of the club is to demonstrate a lifestyle in which the use of alcohol is seen to be unnecessary to the enjoyment of a good happy, cheerful social life for young people. Members of No Name Clubs learn through their experiences in the Clubs that they can make friends, enjoy social outings and have great fun without the use of alcohol.

Training in the running of a successful club in all its aspects is provided for the adult committee, hosts and hostesses are trained in personal development and in their roles within the club.

The Maynooth-Kilcock No Name Club is in its 7th year and at present are busy with the preparation of the Cabaret Awards and Youth Awards Finals. Our hosts and hostesses are in rehearsal for the cabaret competition and the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Over the last few weeks the club enjoyed a social outing, Bowling and Leisure Plex, Blanchardstown and an enjoyable visit to Naas No Name Club. We also held an Inter Clubs Night when Naas and Finglas No Name Clubs came to visit with a quiz and disco. Thanks to all who organised this event. We are looking forward to our next disco's and upcoming events.

Congratulations are sent to Rebecca Flynn and Conor O'Shea who have been selected to represent the Maynooth-Kilcock No Name Club in the youth Awards competition. We wish them both every success and luck.

*Evelyn McGrath,
Pat Farrell,
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER CLUB

The Annual dinner at the Moyglare Manor Hotel on the 19th January, once again proved to be a most enjoyable evening. The 'old world' ambience of Moyglare, complemented by an excellent meal, all contributed to an evening out to remember. I would like, on behalf of the club, to thank the staff who looked after us so well on the night.

A big thank you also to Toni Reid, who supplied us with a brain teasing questionnaire on flowers. The 'Kris-Kindle' proved very successful. It meant that there was a gift 'for everyone in the audience' and all went home happy.

Our sincere sympathies go to Rosemary Smyth and Mary MacInerney who lost their mothers recently.

I would like to thank all my friends who kindly supported me recently on the sad death of my Dad.

Our next club night is 16th March:

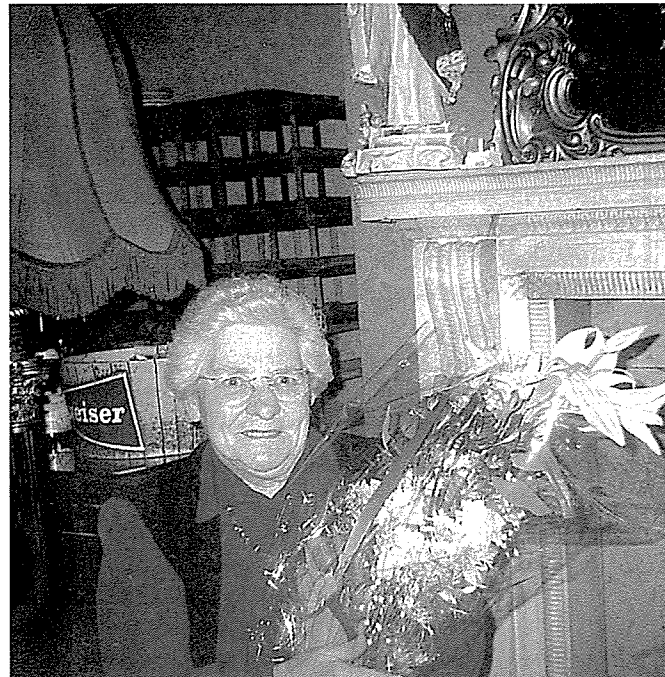
Demonstrator: Mary Calnan.
Competition: "St. Patrick" an exhibit.
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Non-members are always welcome to attend our meetings.
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Maureen Fagan,
P.R.O.



*L-R Noleen O'Brien, Margaret Howell,
Moire Baxter, enjoying the dinner dance in Moyglare
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Una Kiernan who was presented with flowers on the night

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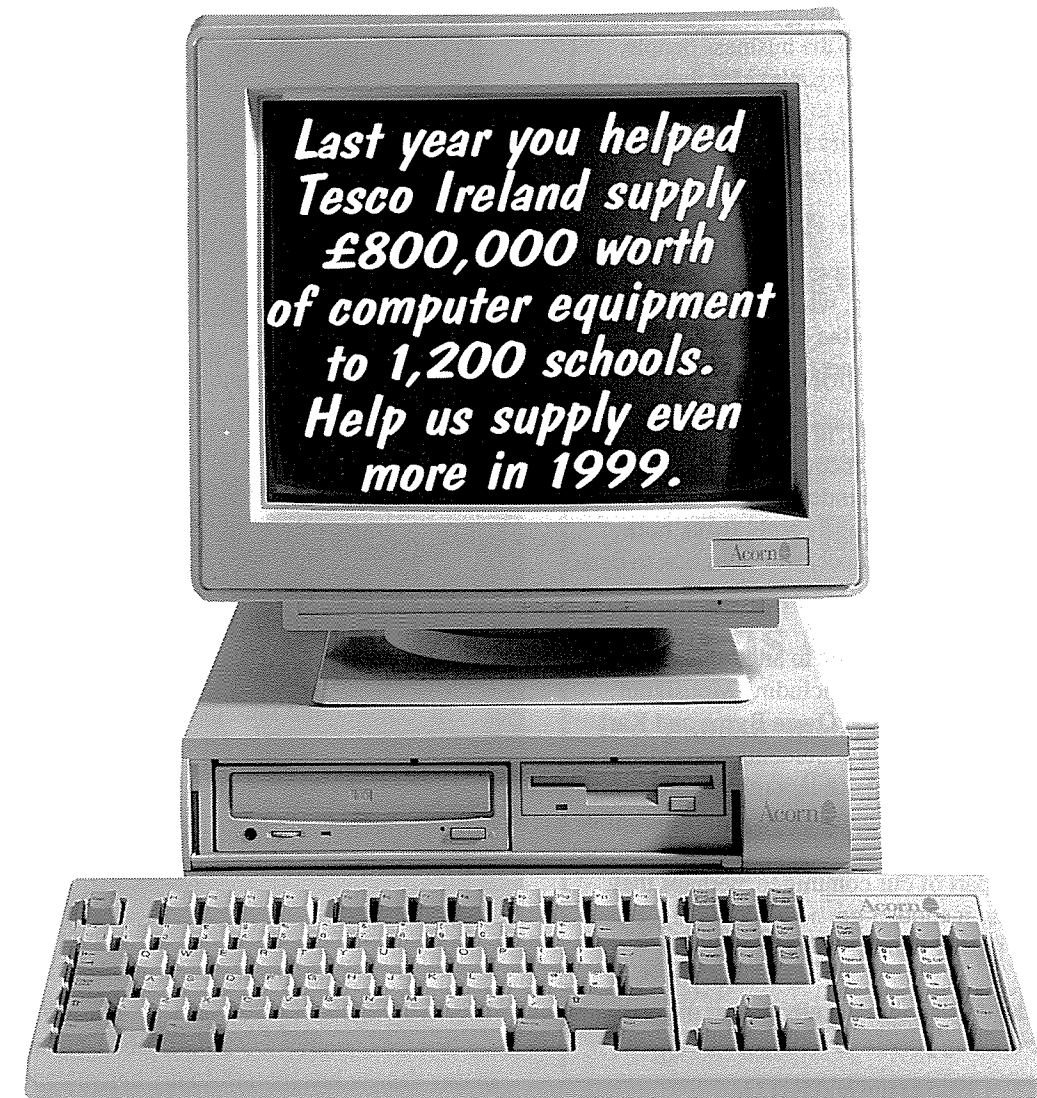
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A Canoe Club for Maynooth:

Padraig Fay Telephone 6290801 is interested in forming a Canoe Club. The Club in N.U.I. Maynooth have generously indicated their support with the loan of equipment to assist in any start up. Padraig is very anxious to hear from experienced canoeists in the Maynooth area as soon as possible.

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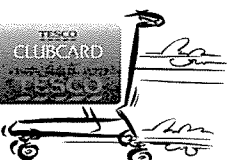
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Maynooth Senior Citizens

Our Annual General Meeting took place on February 2nd in the Health Centre. Members and guests were welcomed by the chairperson Josephine Moore. In her address she thanked the committee for their dedication through the year. Appreciation was also expressed to the business people, organisations and the community in general for their fiscal and physical support, which is vital to our work. While I am on the subject, I take this opportunity to thank Vincent Doyle and his team of "Fleur De Lits" performers for their generous donation of £500.

The Secretary, Patsy O'Rafferty, gave a comprehensive account of the years events. Patsy, while remaining with the committee, is taking a break from the demands of this office and I thank her for the last four years as Secretary.

The treasurer, Catherine Mulready, in her financial report produced a detailed statement of accounts to the satisfaction of all present. These accounts are independently audited in January each year by Eugene O'Reilly and I thank both Catherine and Eugene for their impeccable attention to detail in this regard.

Many thanks to all who took the time to attend this meeting, members and non - members alike including Monsignor Alex Stenson p.p. Our Lord Mayor Owen Byrne and Karl Quinn who represented the Pastoral Students from Maynooth College, who assist us in visiting our less mobile members. We welcome Kathleen Giltens return to the committee after an absence of several years. There are many such people out there who were once part of our committee, perhaps they would consider giving it another go, how about it? We can always use an extra pair of hands.

The next item on the agenda was the election of officers. The committee for the coming year is as follows;

Josephine Moore	Chairperson and P.R.O.
Patricia Nolan	Vice Chairperson
Joan Lennon	Hon. Secretary
Mairead Bean	Ass. Secretary
Catherine Mulready	Treasurer
Patricia Cusker	Ass. Treasurer

Agnes Boyd, Imelda Delaney, Helen Doyle, Ita Loughnane, Georgina Mulready, Kathleen McAtamney, Betty Moore, Lily O'Riordan, Bridget Tierney, Patsy O'Rafferty, Sr. Mary Ann Stafford and Kathleen Gilton.

The final item on the agenda was our guest speaker Mary Nally Chairperson of Summerhill Active Retirement Association. Mary talked at length about the Senior Help Line which they have pioneered. This is a service for isolated or lonely older people. The freephone number for this service is **1850 - 440 - 444.**

This service has been funded by the North Eastern Health Board Trim Initiative for Development and Enterprise and



Betty Farrell - Winner of Valentine Card Competition



L- R Kathleen Bennett, Bridie O'Brien, George Fennell, Betty Boyd, (Celebrating her Birthday) and Florrie Wansboro.



*The most Romantic Couple 1st Prize
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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZEN CONT.

the Department of Social Community and Family Affairs. The service is confidential and available for the price of a local call from any where in the country. Many thanks to Mary for travelling from Summerhill to give us an insight into a very special service.

It is interesting to see the cooperation between the North Eastern Health Board and the Voluntary sector in Meath. Our Committee have for years been seeking support from the Eastern Health Board to acquire a premises from which to run our activities, but every door has been kept tightly closed. We have never been high on their list of priorities. There are lessons to be learned here. It is time for greater cohesion between the Voluntary and Statutory Bodies in this part of the Country. Perhaps the powers that be in our Health Board are cut from the same cloth as those in our Co. Council....., or is there something in the water.....??

Our next event was our Valentine's party on Sunday 14th. This was preceded by a special Mass at 3pm in our parish church to celebrate "World Day of The Sick". During Mass the Sacrament of the sick was administered to all our older people and some not so old but in need of spiritual healing. This was a very poignant and beautiful celebration indeed. Many thanks to Monsignor Stenson who was the main celebrant and Frs. John, Gregory, Michael and Pat-Joe. All those who attended this Mass joined us for tea in the Post Primary School. After that it was business as usual. We danced and sang the evening away and searched for the most "Romantic Couple". There were quite a few couples who entered into the spirit of it all. The over all winner was Leo and Eileen McGlynn. Of course that was not the only prize. We also had a competition for the best Valentine card and verse. There were many excellent entries but the over-all winner was Betty Farrell. However all the cards were so good we gave everyone a prize. Congratulations to all and well done. In our club everyone's a winner.

Our next event will be our Annual Collection. This will take place between the 4th and 7th of March, and we ask you to be your usual generous selves.

Finally we extend our sympathy to the families of Ita McTernan and Nan Tracey. Ita was one of our more recent members. She was involved with many organisations when I was still a novice. She will be remembered for her involvement in the "Talent Contests" in the early seventies and more recently with the Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee. Whatever her roll she played it with flair.

Nan Tracey on the other hand was attending our parties and club almost from the outset, she will be remembered by those of us who grew up on the Moyglare Rd for her kindness, and gentleness, especially to children. Although there was almost twenty years between Ita and Nan, they had one thing in common, they were good neighbours. May they both rest in peace.

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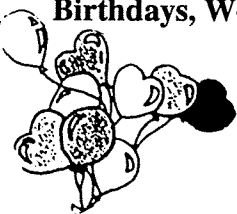
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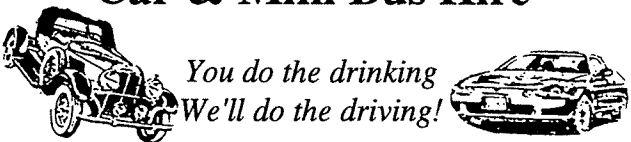


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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The February Guild meeting was held on the 4th of February in the I.C.A. hall at 8pm, with Vice-President Mary MacNamara presiding. Mary welcomed and thanked us all for coming out on such a cold night.

Sympathy was extended to Betty Farrell on the death of her son-in-law.

Guild Activities:

Sport - Badminton continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Parish Hall at 10.30am.

Crafts - Crafts continue on Monday nights at 8pm in the Parish Hall.

The winners of the February guild competition "Most creative Valentine's Card".

- 1st - Betty Farrell
- 2nd - Mary O'Gorman
- 3rd - Viva Kearins
- 4th - Mary MacNamara

Raffle Results:

- 1st - Ann Broughan
- 2nd - Mary MacNamara
- 3rd - May Haren

Quiz:

Viva Kearins, our secretary tested all our brains on a very enjoyable quiz. These quizzes always prove to be very popular. The winning team on this occasion was: Mary MacNamara, Helen Doyle and Ann Broughan. This was closely followed by: Irene Matthews, May Haren and Mary Flynn.

Our next Guild meeting will be held on the 4th of March in the I.C.A. hall at 8pm. The guild competition on the night is "An Emblem for one's Lapel on the theme of St. Patrick's Day".

Irene Matthews
P.R.O.

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Rince Gaelach:

We are now holding our Ranganna Rince Gaelach in the ICA hall. This is much more satisfactory than using the classrooms. We would like to thank the ICA for the use of the hall and their co-operation.

St. Patrick's Day Parade:

This year we hope that 'Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich' will have one of the most impressive floats at the parade. Ingrid Mc Cann, Paul Coyle and Kevin Freeney are doing trojan work to make this possible. We are all thoroughly looking forward to the Parade, to see this spectacle! Míle Buíochas libh, Ingrid, Paul and Kevin as ucht bhúr gcuid oibre ar fad.

Swimming Lessons:

Rang a hAon will be attending swimming lessons in the college next term. We are ideally located for this as the children can walk to the college from the school, thus eliminating the need for a bus.

Enrolments for Sept. '99:

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Residents Associations

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting 1999

The A.G.M. of Greenfield Estate Residents' Association will be held on Wednesday March 10th, in the I.C.A. Hall, at 8.30 p.m.

Estate Maintenance

The grass cutting will start in early March, as soon as the ground is dry enough.

The Committee would like to thank Cllr. John McGinley for his success in getting the County Council to clean and concrete the mucky patches at the entrance to the Estate. The Shopping Centre owner also plans to make improvements around the carpark, including white lining and safety features to control traffic.

The committee's efforts to purchase new road name signs are progressing more slowly than originally anticipated but they will be acquired sooner or later.

The questionnaire seeking the suggestions of Residents on improvements around the Estate will have been issued with the A.G.M. notice. If you haven't already returned it to a Committee Member please do so as all opinions are useful to the work of the Committee.

Finally, thank you to residents and landlords who paid their subscription in 1998. There was a significant increase in the number of contributions received.

*Mary McGinley,
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Notice of AGM

Our AGM will be held on Wednesday 3rd March in the I.C.A. hall at 8p.m. . Agenda items include setting annual levies for the upkeep of the estate, elections of new officers as well as future plans for the estate. We are looking for a good turn out for this one meeting in a year, as we are faced with a major hike in the annual levies to meet increases in grass - cutting charges which has consumed all surplus monies carried over from last year. Several of the officers have also indicated a desire to step down and we hope to have some new faces willing to take their place. Hope to see you all on the 3rd and hear what you want to do with your estate.

Padraig O' Murchu
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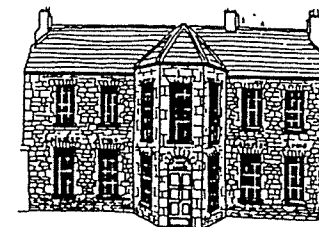
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From Wednesday February 3rd, to Saturday February 6th, 'Grease' the musical took Maynooth by storm. The production which was the work of the teachers, 5th years and transition years from Maynooth Post Primary played to sell-out crowds every night.



*Elaine Comerford, Vicky Byrne, Stacey McGovern
Danny Keenan, Sarah O'Brien, Lorraine Dempsey.*

Under the hands of producer Mary Murphy, musical director Anne Marie O'Farrell, director Laurene Barry and choreographer Julie Walsh it was of the same high standard of productions from recent years. The students were involved in every aspect of the show, they even had a real car on the stage. There were twenty main parts and almost eighty in the chorus. The T-Birds were played by Sam O'Mahony Adams, Shane Folan, Danny Keenan, Johnny Hanlon and Cian Lennon. Sinéad Keenan, Erica O'Dea,

Sarah Owens, Ruth Lord and Eimear O'Meara made up the pink ladies.

It's a credit to the school that this musical was put together in just four weeks which is why all the people who worked behind the scenes who are too numerous to mention are also to be commended.

On the last night there was a big surprise for everybody when the principal Mr. Sean Ashe came out to do his usual speech and was dressed in black jeans, white t-shirt and leather jacket. He even had his hair slicked back in the style of the musical.

Now the students must get back to normal after their time under the spotlights and the rest of us can look forward to next years production.



*Johnny Nevin, makeup artist,
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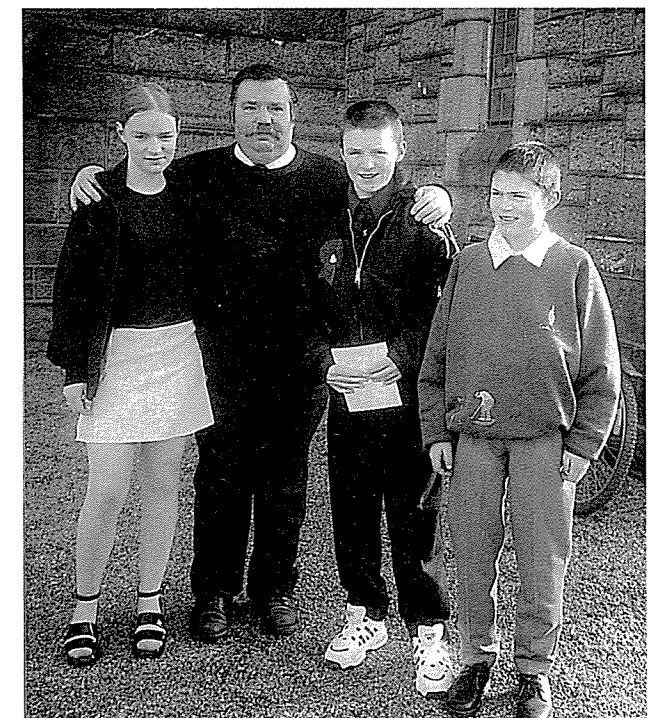
Anthony Doyle with Parents John and Ada



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Twins Martin and Gerald Hoare



John Fleming with Sarah, John Snr., and Shane

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R.J. COMMUNICATIONS

R.J. Communications has opened in Quinnsworth Shopping Centre, Maynooth. Niall Nangle, Robert O'Brien and John Walsh are the three partners involved with Niall being the actual Manager of the shop. They supply everything to do with communications. Mobile phones, stereo systems and C.B. radios for cars. They also have the new Esat Clear system which is a 2nd phone line and internet for the home. Another service they provide is the fitting of a hands free kit for the car.

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Niall stated that they will offer a friendly and helpful service and will answer any query no matter how big or small.

Take it from this reporter who spent a full day combing phone shops in Dublin for a certain product and to be told everywhere it couldn't be got, but when I walked into R.J. Communications there it was on the shelf. So it just goes to show that we should try local shops first before going outside the town.

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Cerebral Palsy Ireland is conducting a research project to examine the needs of children and young people with physical disabilities in Co. Kildare. The local branch of Cerebral Palsy Ireland has been providing a limited number of services for families in the area, but now wish to look at other services provided in the region and assess what children, young adults and their parents need in relation to services and activities.

As part of this research, CPI is holding a number of open meetings to bring together parents and young adults to discuss what services people currently use and what gaps people feel there are in relation to services within the county.

CPI would like to invite you to attend one of these meetings to ensure that your voice is heard and your priority needs are highlighted. The meetings will take place on the following dates, please try to attend:

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The exterior of Stepping Stones

Frances Dalton has worked alongside Evelyn before and has about 5 years experience in dealing with pre-school children. The playschool is open Monday to Friday and there are two



Opening Day with Barney, Evelyn and Frances

sessions everyday, one at 9.30 a.m to 12.00 p.m and an afternoon session from 12.30 p.m to 2.30 p.m. They take children from 3 years old and are able to provide for twenty children per session. There are still some vacancies left. Stepping Stones is Eastern Health Board and I.P.P.A. registered.

As a member of the Irish Pre-School Playgroups Association the emphasis is to provide for the needs of young children through play and play experience, paint, finger paint, playdough, sand, water, home corner, imaginative play, jigsaws, puzzles, construction toys, books and music appreciation are all included in their activities.

It has an open door policy, you are welcome to call in and have a look around at any time. The interior is brightly decorated with cartoon characters which were painted by the girls themselves. Even the toilets are painted in beautiful bright colours and decorated with stencils.

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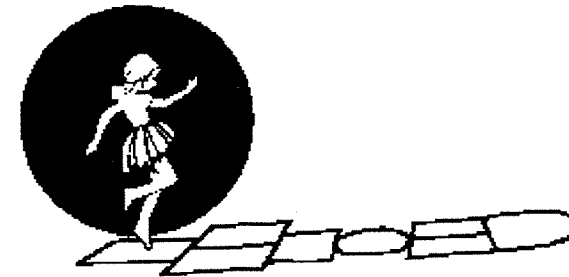
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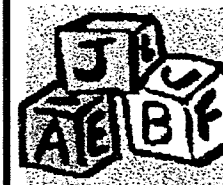
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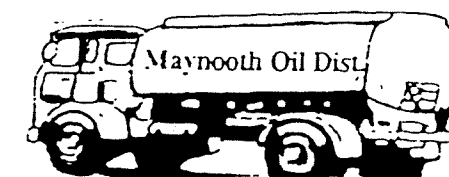


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At first now things went really great
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And when his mates all took the piss
Well their remarks he'd just dismiss
With "Watch me make the most of this"
But now there can be little doubt
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stout I mean.

Then he found out folks from afar
Were choosing Murphy's as their jar
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But did these stamps all come to mother
No these stamps went to another
Did this make him mad!! OH BROTHER!!
The next night the promo ended
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that's cost him a bloody packet
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The day that I am stiff and still
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So now you see there is not doubt
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stout I mean.

Tommy Campbell

KENNEDY INTERIORS

Seamus Kennedy took over Ellen Interiors in Unit 9, the Glenroyal Shopping Centre on the 22nd January. Aged twenty-six and from Milltown he studied Interior Design and Interior Architecture in Dublin. He worked in retail and commercial sales in Tile Savers. For the last two years he has done interior design and interior architecture practice in Milltown, Newbridge.

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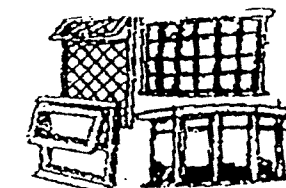
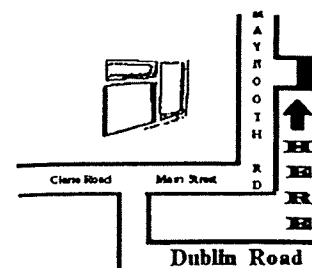
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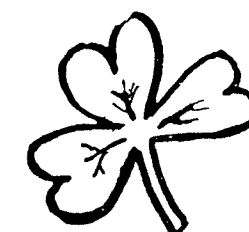
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Did the people remember that the year 1000 A.D. was the
celebration of 1000 years since Christ was born or were they
thinking of what they could charge for a bed in a stable or
for a cup of "excellent hazel mead" as happened on the first
Christmas night! Even the weather remains the same.

Weather 1000 years ago.

My tidings for you; the stag bells,
Winter snows, summer is gone.

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VIDEO REVIEW

Armageddon (12's)

Feeling more like an extended trailer for any one of half a
dozen disaster movies, Armageddon is one of those
everything-but-the-kitchen-sink drama blockbusters, with all
the subtlety of a kick in the groin.

With an asteroid having already struck Earth (thanks to Deep
Impact), it was feared this outing might not have the impact
expected by the makers. But not so; this film is all about
value for money! The fact that the plot is sillier than a
BBC2 play doesn't matter one bit - the message here is
forget the quality, just look at the quantity.

Bruce Willis plays deep core oil driller Harry Stamper, who
we're introduced to as he shoots golf balls off his rig at a
Greenpeace ship.

His chasing of young tearaway A.J. (Ben Affleck) with a
rifle after finding him in the sack with his daughter (Liv
Tyler), is interrupted by the arrival of the F.B.I. They need
Bruce and his merry men to, wait for it, fly into space and
plant nuclear explosives into rapidly approaching asteroid.
This movie is part Independence Day, part Apollo 13, and
part Bugs Bunny and Daffy Duck. Originality is definitely
not one of its stronger points - it tries very hard to be hugely
entertaining but winds up just trying very hard.

Having said that, it could very well be a film that develops a
cult following over the years.

Verdict: For aficionados and big kids only.

Dr. Dolittle (12's)

Having made something of a miraculous comeback with The
Nutty Professor, Eddy Murphy does the same again with this
slick but often patchy remake of the 1967 children's classic.

Set in modern day New York, Murphy plays Dr. John
Dolittle, one third partner in a successful veterinary practise
that's about to be taken over by a huge corporation.

Keen to sell, Dolittle has long been indifferent to his patients
as well as to his own family. But then, driving home late
one night he hits a dog who growls "Why don't you watch
where you're going, Bonehead?" and naturally his life takes
a major turn. As more and more animals let him have a
piece of their minds, while those around him hear only
barking and chirping, Dolittle becomes convinced that he's
losing his marbles. Pretty soon he's in the loony bin,
determined to block out the animal chatter, even if it means
simply ignoring everything they say.

A movie that's literally bursting with comic potential, Dr.
Dolittle somehow manages to fulfil barely half of its
promise. It has a few very good one-liners, but very little
else really.

Verdict: Reasonably entertaining.



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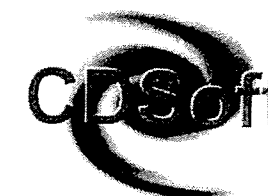
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MAYNOOTH HANDBALL

HANDBALL HISTORY MADE IN MAYNOOTH BY MARK BALL

Handball history was made at the GAA club at Maynooth on Saturday February thirteenth. The second half of the Leinster 40 x 20 Senior doubles semi-final was played on their court.

This fixture was originally made for Leixlip and indeed it started there. However, during the course of the game it became apparent that it could not be played to a conclusion there as the court was becoming increasingly slippery. With the score at seven four in the second game a halt was called and the necessary arrangements were made to transfer the remainder of the game to Maynooth.

Thus the first inter county player to step on to the court at Maynooth, to play a Leinster fixture, was none other then Michael (Ducksie) Walsh. A player regarded by many as the greatest player of all time. He was followed by his partner D.J. Carey. One of the best known sportsmen in the country. Is it any wonder that Declan Quigley, the handball chairman, (Himself a Kilkenny man) got so excited when welcoming the players to the club.

The opposition on this occasion was provided by Meath's Egin Jensen and David Gough. The referee was John Hoban (Dublin) and the marker was yours truly. The Kilkenny pair soon reduced the deficit, played excellent handball and won their way into the final. The whole experience was over far too fast for my liking and I, among many, can't wait for the next occasion when such a game will be played in Maynooth.

While it was very pleasing to have such great players playing in the court it was even more pleasing to hear them praise the court afterwards. The victors said that it was a great court to play on and they would be quite happy to play any of their future fixtures on it. However they did point out that unless the viewing area was greatly increased it was unlikely that the Leinster Council would fix any games for there.

The historic night concluded with tea and sandwiches. Made at the speed of sound by Ann Quigley.

Ducksie and D.J. could not have anything stronger because they are in training.

Mick Gillick tells me that he is at the planning stage of dealing with the lack of viewing facilities for the spectators, the matter is in hand he says so we can all expect to watch some great games in Maynooth in the near future.

KILDARE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Kildare County Handball Championships are about to commence. The following players from Maynooth have entered, Mick Duffy, Nial Leavy, Tony Fingelton, Eoin and Hugh Nevin, Mick Galvin, Darragh Kelly, Paul Ruane, Martin Bambrick and yours truly.

Mick Duffy gets the new season off to a start when he plays Leixlip player Pat Hilliard. I expect it to be a winning start for Maynooth. Eoin Nevin has a much harder game on his hands when he faces last years beaten finalist David Jordan. This all round sportsman will take a lot of beating. Maynooth clubmates Mick Galvin and Ger Loughran are drawn to meet in the first round. I predict a home win (safe or what?) Tony Fingelton has to travel to Leixlip to play Damien Carthy. I am hoping that Tony's craft and guile will win the day for him. Fingelton teams up with Nial Leavy in the doubles. They play father and son combination from Leixlip, Mark and Phelim Cribbin. This game could go either way but I think home advantage will stand to the Maynooth pair.

Des Lyons, Leixlip, is playing in two singles competitions and two doubles competitions in the championships. With eight clubs and eighty players taking part in the championships what are the odds against him being drawn against players from the same club in all four competitions? I don't know but what ever they are he has beaten them. He plays all his games against players from Maynooth. Paul Ruane plays him in the intermediate singles and doubles and Joe Rossiter plays him in the senior singles and doubles. His partner in both grades is Mick Connor. Martin Bambrick partners both the Maynooth players in their respective grades. I will be disappointed if Des gets a win in any of his games.

The committee has asked me to remind all members that membership fees are due now. They have also asked me to invite any handballers or intending handballers living in or around Maynooth to come on up to the G.A.A. and have a look at the facilities available and possibly join the club.

Alternatively they could phone the club and make arrangements to meet a member of the committee or for that matter any of the handballers. Come on Frank be the first, phone 6285020.

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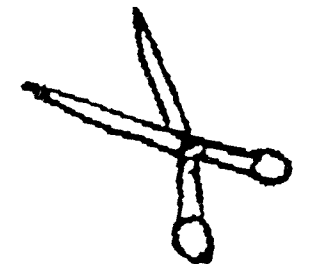
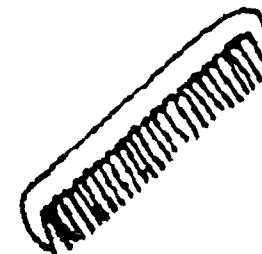
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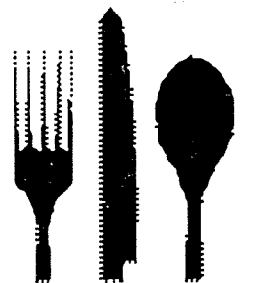
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WINNERS OF 'ST. VALENTINE'S DAY' COMPETITION

1st. Prize:

Dinner for Two plus Bottle of Wine in the Glenroyal Hotel

Winner: Margaret Walsh, The Green, Maynooth



My Valentine

I

I went for a walk one evening
and as I strolled along,
I saw him in the distance,
and my heart went ding-dong.

II

I didn't know what happened,
I lost all sense of time,
and standing there before me,
Was forever my "Valentine".

III

Although we're old and grey now,
and can barely walk along,
I'll have to say with honesty,
He's still "My Number One".

Runner up Prize:

Dinner for Two in Dowdstown Hotel

Winner: Peadar Maguire, 2 Beaufield Gardens

My Woman

I first met my woman in that old love nest the 'Glenroyal'. I had known her about a year and a half, but we only met for very short spaces of time. She was out with her friend and I was out with the lads. I spotted Rachael waiting at the bar and decided I really wanted to talk to her, so I decided to move in on my prey. I was trying to act all calm and collective and as she glanced around she spotted me. I walked up to her and said "hello" and she immediately asked me if I'd seen her friend anywhere as the two had managed to separate. I spotted her friend straight off but pretended not to so I could chat to her a little longer. We began walking around the place in search of her friend until a slow set would come on. It seemed like there was never going to be one, but eventually the D.J. managed to put one on. I invited her up to dance with me and she gladly accepted. We danced and chatted and discovered that we had a lot in common. We got on like a house on fire and I didn't want the evening to end, but end it did and sadly we had to part. I walked Rachael to the taxi rank as she doesn't live in the Maynooth area. She asked me if I'd like to see her again and without a glimmer of hesitation I surely replied yes. I gave Rachael my number and she promised she would ring the next day. She rang the next day and we arranged to meet in the Glenroyal that evening.

Now I had my debts coming up and I needed a partner to come with me. I thought Rachael would be ideal, in my eyes she was beautiful and this was strange because I never really thought like this before. I asked her if she would do me the honour of accompanying me to my debts. She thankfully said yes and the debts for me was now on track.

One month later the night of the debts arrived. I waited for her in her house. I was in the kitchen with all her relations staring at me. Rachael then entered the kitchen with the most beautiful of dresses. I thought she looked absolutely fabulous. We soon set off to Maynooth and when we arrived Rachael wanted to sit in the car because it was a little drizzly outside and her hair would supposedly get ruined, but I wanted to show her off because I believed I had the best looking woman at the debts. Anyway I won the argument and we both got a little wet. The night went well and I got extremely drunk. I got so drunk I even got up in the Karaoke and sang to her. I sang one of her favourite songs from Bryan Adams called, "Everything I do I do it for you". I sang that particular song because she told me previously that it was her favourite song and also because I had just fallen in love with her. Anyway I woke up the next morning with a sore head, but thoroughly enjoyed myself on the night.

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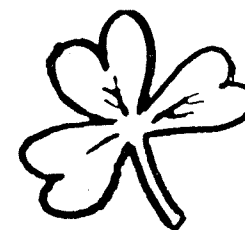
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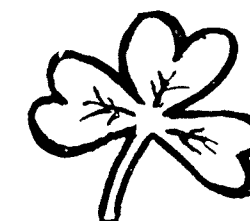
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Anyway I'm in college now and Rachael is a Leaving Certificate student, so we're pretty busy this year in our studies, also because we are full-time students we do not have too much money so to win this prize would be a gift. It's quite difficult for me to see her as much as I'd like because Rachael lives in Leixlip and I live in Maynooth, so we really only see each other at the weekends, but the weekends make up for the week. I am still with her till this day and I'm very happy to be in a relationship. She is my first real love and I'll never forget her, and we are both looking forward to spending Valentines together.

Runner up Prize:

Dinner for Two in the Leinster Arms

Winner: Naoise NigFhloinn, (Age 11)
"Cillín", Dunboyne Road.

My Most Romantic Valentines Day

Valentines Day always seemed the same as any other day because my husband and I had divorced five years ago. My parents were both dead and my brother had been killed in a car accident three years previously so there was no one I ever expected to hear from on this romantic day.

One Valentines morning I awoke to the sound of something coming through the mail box. I thought it was the newspaper and that the newspaper boy had come earlier than usual. I got up to get it and found it was a letter addressed to me. The only one who ever wrote to me was my friend in Germany but as it was a Saturday I knew it couldn't be from her. I began to wonder who it could be from. Cautiously I opened it and to my surprise it said:

Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
Meet me at midnight,
P.S. I love you.

There was another note inside saying. "meet me under the hawthorn tree". I began to feel very excited. It was the first Valentines card I had got in five years. I was so excited. I went out and bought new shoes, earrings, dress and make up. I thought I had to look perfect. It was boring waiting. I was waiting for hours and hours. Finally I heard my old grandfather clock strike midnight. I knew I was going to be late. I was supposed to leave my house at ten minutes to midnight but I fell asleep and the clock woke me up. I was dressed in my new dress and shoes but I had to rush to get my make-up and earrings on. I ran out the door and arrived at the hawthorn tree at ten minutes past midnight. When I arrived it looked like my admirer was late too. Suddenly I saw Stephen my old husband. "Oh Stephen" I said. "Do you really want us to get back together?". "Are you joking" he said "I have been married for three years" and he walked away. Soon it began to rain. A man walked under the tree

for shelter. I looked at my watch. It was twenty minutes to one. I began to cry. I tried to hold it in but I couldn't help it. The man came over to me and asked what was wrong. "Oh nothing" I said. "I bet you were meant to meet a man" he said. "How do you know" I asked. He didn't answer but continued talking. "I bet he sent you a Valentines card" he said. "Yes, but how do you know" I asked him. He reached inside his coat and took out a box of chocolates and a bunch of flowers. I looked at him and he looked just perfect for me and he seemed very kind. "Come on" he said. "You must be freezing out here without a coat, I'll take you to my house". I stayed in his house for a few hours and then he took me home. We kept in touch, went out on dates and after a year we got married. We had two adorable twin girls the very next Valentines Day and we called them Rose and Violet remembering the letter that David my husband wrote to me on the very first day we met.

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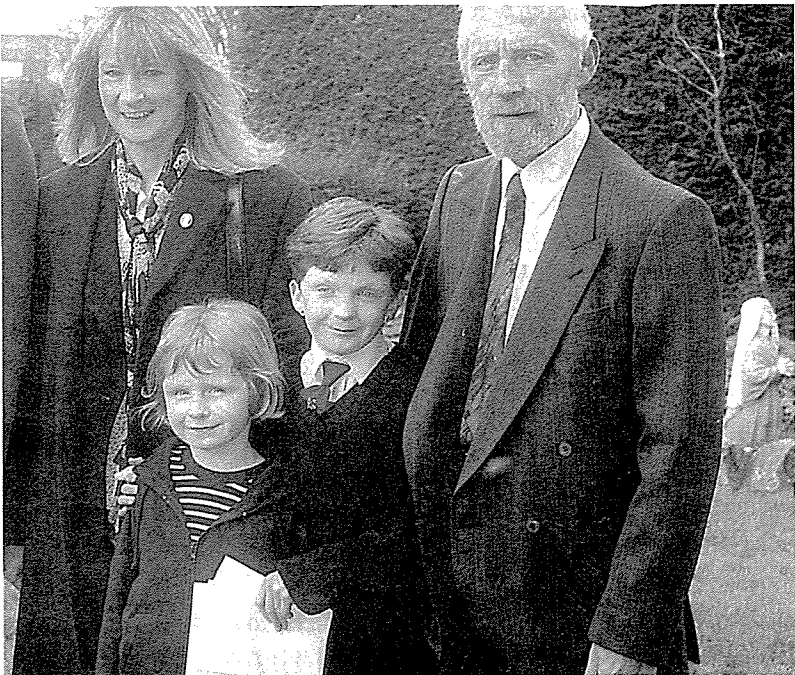
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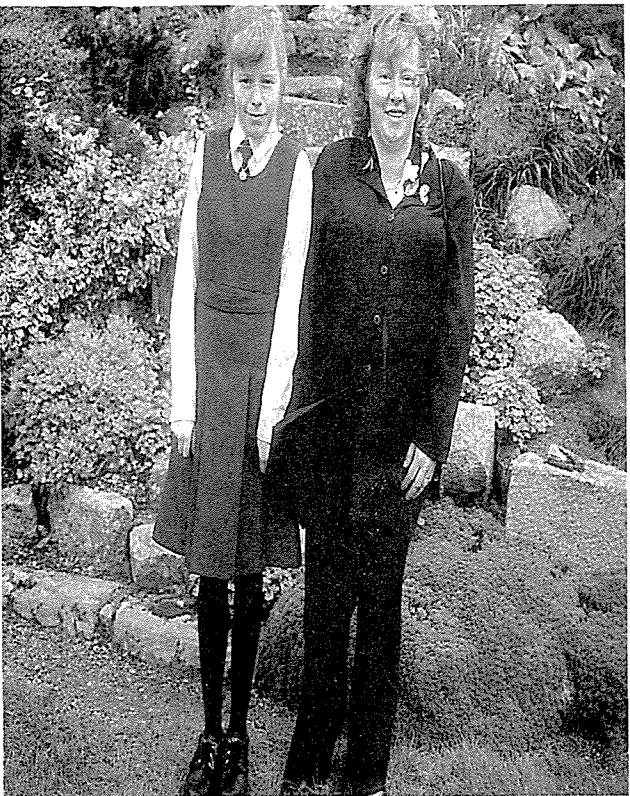
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NEW SERGEANT FOR MAYNOOTH

Last December saw the arrival of a new Sergeant for the Maynooth Station.

Originally from County Cork, Mick Desmond was transferred from Carbury to Maynooth. A married man with two children, he is currently living in Newcastle, Co. Dublin.



Maynooth is his tenth station in twenty-three years of service. He has served in other stations such as Clondalkin, Dublin Castle, Wexford, Terenure, Rathmines and also on the Dublin Traffic Corps.

An athletic man, he has spent many years involved in the sport of rowing. He started his rowing career in 1978 at the Island Bridge Rowing Club, where he competed and then progressed into coaching. He left Island Bridge Rowing Club in 1989, and continued in the sport by taking up international coaching. He has been connected with names such as Niall O'Toole, whom he coached to the I.C.S. in 1991. He was also involved with the team who were in Barcelona in 1992 and the team who received a bronze medal in France in 1998. He is currently coaching the Irish Rowing Team for the next Olympics.

An active man by all accounts, Mr. Desmond is looking forward to cementing the present relationship which the Maynooth Gardai have with the public.

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Pelican House are again appealing for Donations in Maynooth. They will be in the Glenroyal Hotel on 15th March from 3 p.m. - 4.45 p.m. & 7 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

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5. Which member of the Spice Girls left last year?
6. Who teamed up with Bryan Adams, to sing "When Your Gone"?

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Features

NO MAN IS AN ISLAND, ENTIRE OF ITSELF!

BY
Sister Rose Patricia McHugh

If I were asked to sum up in two words the secret of human happiness and unhappiness, I would say without shadow of doubt that it consists in *interpersonal relationships*.

I almost wish that this was not true, that the key to human happiness lay elsewhere, that others did not hold my maturity in their hands, that the quality of personal relationships had not so large a part to play in my life! For there can be no denying that human relationships present problems far too numerous and complex to bear mention here. The point is, however, that we must not be deterred by problems. There is too much at stake for that. It was Carl Jung who once remarked with characteristic insight, that the serious problems of life are never solved, and if they appear to have been solved, then something important has been lost.

There is a ring of truth which has a particular relevance to our times in the words of John Donne, written nearly three-and-a-half centuries ago: *No man is an island, entire of itself*. For at a moment in history when so much emphasis is placed on the person and his right to assert his own individuality, there is the tendency to forget that we all began life, not as individuals but as members of society known as 'family'. We were brought into being through the creative power of the relationship of two people - our mother and father - and were born into the context of human relationships where our development as persons first took root. It is true, of course, that in order to actualise himself, or herself, the person must sooner or later assert his or her own identity and affirm his or her own individuality. But the original *we* is the backcloth against which each one of us grows as a person. To quote W.H. Auden

Whatever view we hold, it must be shown
Why every lover has a wish to make
Some other kind of otherness
his own!
Perhaps, in fact, we never are alone.

Personally, I think that there is also a sense in which it is true to say that none of us ever completely overcomes his loneliness, even in the happiest marriage, in the enjoyment of the closest, most intimate of relationships. The only thing is that love when it is real intensifies our sense of personal significance and because of this we are the better equipped to cope with limitations imposed by reason of the human condition itself. In any case it must be affirmed that, physically, emotionally, intellectually, religiously, a person's maturity can be assessed through his capacity for and realisation of relationships with other people. In relationships we actualise the highest personal capacity given to us, namely, our capacity to love.

But there is a certain poignancy in the remark with which I had initially intended to entitle this article: *If only I could*

relate to the people I'm related to! Here the question arises: "What is relationship?" Or, "How does one relate?"

Relationship presupposes in the first place, the ability to communicate and therefore to enter into communion with others. Communication of this sort is difficult because it calls for the kind of openness which permits of our really knowing and experiencing each other as persons. And not everybody is capable of this. It is not sufficient that we communicate with each other at the level of ideas which, after all, is easy enough given a modicum of intelligence and perhaps also certain common interests. No! We have to reach to the much deeper level of *personal feeling*.

Recent developments in psychology and psychoanalysis indicate a new appreciation of feeling which formerly was overshadowed by the importance accorded to reason. Modern psychology holds that what individuates and differentiates us as persons, and makes self-communication unique, is not so much our ideas but our feelings, because our feelings constitute what is uniquely our own. Others may share our ideas and convictions, but no one can claim to share identically the same feelings or experience, the same emotions as we have in relation to these ideas or convictions. My feelings pertain to what is uniquely personal, most individual, most assuredly myself. That is why a relationship which is deep and authentic calls for communication at this level. We either speak out our feelings in the context of interpersonal relationships, or, we act them out in all sorts of subtle ways that not only militate against the authenticity of personal relationships but tend likewise to destroy the integrity of psychological and personal health.

A further question now arises: Can we realistically afford to be so open and honest as all this would seem to demand? What about the risk of inflicting pain on others, or, of laying oneself open to misunderstanding and perhaps even to severe criticism?

Here we shall have to content ourselves with one or two brief remarks. First, there can be no such thing as a genuine relationship without mutual honesty and openness, but this is by no means to condone the mistaken notion that one must blurt out every passing feeling, irrespective of its effect on others, under the comfortable impression that this is what is meant by being real. Being real involves the difficult task of being acquainted with the ebb and flow of experiences going on within oneself- experiences characterised especially by complexity and continuous change. I would therefore insist on the need not only for honesty but also for *sensitivity*. This implies an empathic understanding of what is going on within the other person and how prepared, or otherwise, he

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Features

NO MAN IS AN ISLAND, ENTIRE OF ITSELF! (Cont.)


or she is for honest disclosure. It involves the kind of respect for other people's feelings that calls into play *emotional control* - which is something quite different from *emotional repression*. Emotional control is both a cause and an effect of personal growth and maturity, while repression leads inevitably to serious problems of regression which keeps the person entrenched within the prison of his or her own ego.

It should also be understood, paraphrasing T.S. Eliot, that people can bear very little honesty because they can bear very little reality. So, while we can and must be friendly with everyone, we simply cannot make a friend of everyone. We must therefore be ready to adjust ourselves to people and circumstances in the light of experience as well as in the light of ideals.

Difficulties can also arise from the fact that there are people who are repulsed by someone's loving them. This evokes in others the fear of rejection if they open up or risk involving themselves in interpersonal relationships. Here it has to be insisted that nothing truly valuable can ever be accomplished in life without risk of error and even of failure. The person who risks nothing will never rise above the banality of everyday experience.

Finally, a great deal is said and written today about community. The Church goes further and provides the nearest thing to a definition of itself by speaking of the Christian people as *a community of love*- 'a people made one with the unity of the father, the Son and the Holy Spirit' (L.G.n.4). But what is this if not a relationship centred reality? True, not all Christians are capable of the kind of relationship envisaged here, but the fact remains that, *'when a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him'* (LK 12:48).

To sum up very briefly. It is only when drawn into communion with other people that my own person is confirmed in being and my own love is made equal to the perfection to which it aspires. My full growth as a person occurs only as a result of interpersonal relationship. I grow and help others to grow as persons when I love and am loved in return. My uniqueness, my wholeness - and therefore my holiness become possible only when I break out of the prison of my own ego, relate to others and live for others.



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SAFETY CONCERNS EXPRESSED AT COUNCIL MEETING

Statement

At a scheduled meeting of Celbridge Area Councillors on Friday, 22nd January 1999, the Chairman of the Group, Cllr. Colm Purcell, informed the meeting that safety concerns were expressed by local residents and some committee members about an incident in Maynooth's Silken Vale on the Sunday evening after Christmas, when a lamp post caught fire.

Cllr. Purcell had invited senior management from the Distribution Operations section of Bord Gáis to attend. Gerry Geoghegan, head of Distribution Operations, and Pat Walshe, Manager of Standards and Safety joined the meeting.

In response to a range of questions raised by Cllr. Purcell, Cllr. Senan Griffin and Cllr. Catherine Murphy, the Bord Gáis delegation dealt firstly with the incident in Maynooth. The unusual combination of circumstances involved was described including the eruptive failure of other plants in the ground at that point, the leaching away of protective sand by the extremely heavy rain and the way in which ignition could have occurred. It was stressed that although the damage to the gas main resulted in a fire, it was confined to the lamp standard which was damaged. The Bord Gáis team also stressed the speed and expertise with which their response teams dealt with the situation.

Further questions from Cllr. Senan Griffin and comments from Cllr. John McGinley added to the discussion. Gerry Geoghegan then described to the meeting the national and international standards which apply to laying gas mains and the statutory obligations which are placed on Bord Gáis and other public utilities. It was his view that all the public utilities and Local Authority personnel co-operated quite closely, to ensure any works carried out involving excavation, are well planned and the subject of liaison whenever appropriate. However, accidents do happen and in recognition of that Bord Gáis have trained and equipped Response Teams on duty every hour of every day of the year.

In his closing remarks, the Chairman, Cllr. Colm Purcell, endorsed the comments already made by his Committee members in saying that the response by Bord Gáis management was full in detail and presented in laymans' terms, and that it served to reassure the Committee and North Kildare residents that Natural Gas distribution is undertaken in a proper manner, in compliance with appropriate standards and that their response teams are certainly an effective safety unit.

MAYNOOTH LOCAL HISTORY AND CIVIC FORUM

Fóram Cathartha agus Staire Áitiúla Mhaigh Nuad
"Promoting Local History and Social Debate"

The Maynooth 1798 Group has been reformed and now meets under the above title.

We are delighted to report that the first printing of 300 copies of our booklet **1798 and Maynooth** has sold out completely and that we have placed a re-print order with Cardinal Press. The strength of sales, the support of shopkeepers in presenting the booklet and the positive review in February issue of the Newsletter have all been very heartening.

At our recent meeting we agreed to concentrate our efforts on the following areas:

Historic Local Sites and Monuments:

Boycetown, Rectangular enclosure,
Kilcock, Church site and graveyard,
Branganstown, Enclosure site,
Gragadder, Castle site possible,
Portgloriam, Ringfort (Rath / Cashel),
Maws, Moated site,
Pitchfordstown, Enclosure possible,
Laraghbryan East, Castle site,
Laraghbryan East, Church and Graveyard,
Maynooth, Enclosure site possible,
Maynooth, Enclosure site
Maynooth, Tracksay,
Maynooth, Field system site,
Collegeland, Stone House site,
Maynooth, Architectural Fragment Present Location,
Maynooth, Castle,
Maynooth, Church,
Treadstown, Dwelling site.

The above listed sites, buildings, remains etc. are preserved by the State, but very little information is available. We plan to research, host guided outings, publish information and generally attempt to create greater awareness in the community.

Historic Walks:

We will be examining the possibility of researching and publishing suggested walks of interest in and around the town of Maynooth, in conjunction with Maynooth Action Strategy.

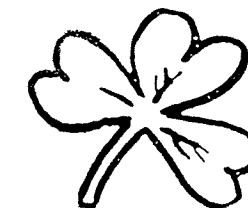
Local and International:

On the civic side of our Forum we plan to host public meetings on the theme of a community input to exploring Ireland's role in the world as we approach the new Millennium. Cancellation of Third World debts and possible Irish membership of the NATO sponsored Programme for Peace are issues that we are looking at.

Our group meets on the third Thursday of each month in the Library, Main Street, at 8.00 p.m. We would welcome new members to join us in our work.

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2. Paddy Wright (man with the ball). Worked in College labouring. He married a local girl named Nanny Carney and had two girls and one of the girls married a man by the name of Hugh Duignan, 7 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth. Paddy died and is buried in Laraghbryan.

Can anyone name the players in the picture? Some of them might be from Maynooth.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

How Maynooth was Finally Betrayed

(i) How Councillors Neutralised the County Strategy

Following the suspension of their planning powers three times by successive Ministers for the Environment, Kildare Co. Council engaged a respected consultant to advise them on what strategic aspects the next County Development Plan (1996-2001) should be based upon. This report suggested that the population of the county would increase by about 20,000 people between 1996 and 2006, of which about 8,000 should occur in the north-east of the county, in areas such as Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip. After a great deal of equivocation, County Councillors unanimously voted to adopt this sensible strategy.

When the first drafts of the County Development Plan were circulated the wording encapsulated this adopted strategy in the following section:

"It is the policy of the Council to promote the southward move of development within the county to re-direct pressures from the north-east and to encourage the spread of development through the towns of the centre to the west and south of the county.... The substantial zoning of lands in Maynooth and the additional zoning of lands in Celbridge would be contrary to the aims of this policy."

County Councillors voted to remove the last sentence!

(ii) How the Goalposts were Moved

When it became clear that many towns had huge landbanks of undeveloped land available, Councillors faced the reality that large population increases would occur in many towns without additional rezoning. So how could a five-year plan for the period 1996-2001 be devised with tracts of new rezonings without stoking the engines of growth even further? In Maynooth, for example, 86 acres of undeveloped land existed which would permit over 2,000 more people without any further residential land zonings. The solution lay in pushing the goalposts out to the year 2003 and suggesting that rezoning of 1.5 times the appropriate area was necessary to achieve desired targets. Accordingly, 55 acres of new residential land was suggested for Maynooth, giving a target population of 10,500 for 2003, up 23% on the 1996 figure. Even this however was likely to err on the conservative side as a basic calculation of (86+55 acres) X 24/acre suggests almost 3,400 extra bodies could be added to a 1996 population of 8,528, i.e. almost 12,000 people could be accommodated in Maynooth within 4 years with this rezoning. Some of your councillors objected to these land allocations as not being sufficient. They wanted faster and greater growth - and much more land rezoned.

(iii) How the Goalposts were moved to 2006

The Draft County Development Plan of 1998 gave many Councillors what they wanted. The target populations were now specified for 2006, meaning much more residential land could be zoned. For Maynooth a target population of 11,500 was now proposed and the various area subcommittees were convened to agree new land allocations.

The area committee for Maynooth met on January 15th this year and the following extracts from the Minutes has been obtained:

"Mr. P. Jones (The County Planner) informed the meeting that the population target for Maynooth would only allow for the re-zoning of 40-50 acres."

Cllr. McGinley (Lab) stated that he was in agreement with the inclusion of zoning figures in the Draft County Development Plan, and also in agreement with the population targets of 10,500 to the year 2003 and 11,500 to the year 2006.

Cllr. Griffin (FG) enquired as to the difference between targets and projections and Cllr. Murphy (Lab) wished it recorded that she was in favour of approx. 100 acres being rezoned.

Cllr. Brady (FF) stated that in his opinion 160 acres should be rezoned while Cllr Griffin (FG) stated that between 130 to 160 acres should be rezoned in order to cater for the student population.

Cllr McGinley (Lab) recommended a zoning of 100 to 120 acres and a population target of 11,500. Cllr. Griffin (FG) proposed 130 to 150 acres and a population target of 12,500. Cllr. Brady (FF) recommended 160 acres and a population target of 12,700.

*On the request of the Chairman, the following proposal was put to a vote:
Population target of 11,500 to the year 2006 and re-zoning acreage 100-120 phasing.
It was proposed by Cllr. McGinley (Lab) and seconded by the Chairman.*

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE (Cont.)

Those in favour: Cllr.J. McGinley (Lab), Cllr. C. Purcell (Lab)

Those against: Cllr. Cllr. S. Griffin (FG), Cllr. G. Brady (FF)

There being a tie between the number voting for and against, the Chairman exercised his casting vote in favour of the proposal."

(iv) How Maynooth's Final Betrayal was Delivered

As a result of the many submissions received by the Co. Council for its Draft Development Plan following its three-month display period, Councillors had several lengthy meetings during January and February. Obvious problems at a county level had arisen when the individual town target populations were added up together with rural amounts they greatly exceeded the projected total for the county! The solution to this and to related problems in other towns where land banks meant the population targets were likely to be exceeded was ingenious. Councillors decided to raise the population targets! For Maynooth this now went up to 11,840 for 2006.

But even this massaging of the figures was not enough for some Councillors. Unique of all the towns considered at the final meeting, Maynooth was singled out for special treatment by one of its own Councillors. Cllr. Senan Griffin (FG) proposed that, despite the decision taken at the area meeting attended by him, a further 30 acres of residential land be added to the Maynooth total. A majority not available to him at local level was brought to bear at full Council level to overturn the decisions he had been part of at area committee level. The two largest parties now voted together to support this additional rezoning for Maynooth. As a consequence of this action, Maynooth is now saddled with a target population of over 12,300, an increase of around 45% on current levels. A residential land availability totalling 234 acres has been decided for a town where the professional planning opinion was that approximately half this amount was appropriate. The consequence of this action is that if all of this land were to be developed (not unlikely in the present economic climate) a population of 14,200 would result for Maynooth within the next 6-7 years.

Slowly, but surely, an erosion of what started as a reasonable exercise in planning has occurred, and a travesty for Maynooth has resulted. For Kildare County as a whole the need to cater for a projected 20,000 increase in population under the original strategic plan has now evolved into an allocation of lands to sustain an increase of 55,000. What is even more alarming is the apparent absence of any guarantee that population targets will have any binding effect on the actual growth of towns in Kildare over the next decade. In reality, a 1996 population of 134,000 can now expand to over 210,000 within 6/7 years as a result of decisions taken over the past two weeks by County Councillors. Such a situation would place intolerable stresses on infrastructure such as schools and roads and on amenities of all kinds.

This report has highlighted how the situation has arisen and who have been the prime movers. It is for you to ask them why!

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Customer to barman "When I turn my back - put a drop of brandy in that soda - I told the wife I wouldn't look at a drop of brandy during Lent".

There was a man who was afraid of his own footsteps so instead of walking he started running - which only increased the number of footsteps. What he needed to do was stop. Lent gives us a chance to catch up with ourselves. Remember it is the last Lent this millennium.

UKAI - TORIYAMA - JAPANESE HOLIDAY

Stepping across the threshold of Ukai-Toriyama is being transported back into country life of ancient Japan. On five acres of verdant growth traced with pathways leading to structures reminiscent of times when shoguns held sway over the land, Sadao Ukai has recreated a world of simple idyllic charm; a living memory of rustic communities when moss-covered water-wheels produced the only mechanical power. People who might have sung folk songs as they toiled in fields now listen to strains of traditional music while they seek quiet refuge from the frenetic pace of today's world. Dinners in this peerless restaurant reflect the finest examples of Japanese cuisine as it has evolved from those early days.

When Ukai-san moved the first country house from Gokasan to the green valley of Okutakao in Showa 39 (1966), he launched a hobby born of a passionate desire to preserve evidence from Japan's past. Other ancient examples of early architecture, such as the tea house belonging to the daimyo of the Maeda family so respected by Shogun Ieyasu Tokugawa, have been meticulously relocated and contribute to the dream-like atmosphere in a unique setting near the crystal clear stream, Nakazawagawa.

Newer buildings, with authentic design and construction personally guided by Ukai-san, lend harmony to the landscape. Each window is strategically placed to give viewers a definitive portrait of nature's bounty; a tree donning autumn colours in Katsuratei Garden, a water falls' tumbling froth as it cascades downhill, a bridge gracefully linking banks of a stream of carp swimming lazily in the clear waters of Kogetsuik Pond.

No detail escapes the ubiquitous attention of Ukai-san. His great pride in presenting a look into the lives of ancient people extends to his business, serving food. Diners who enter the portals of Ukai-Toriyama have the opportunity to experience Japan's finest food products superbly prepared to remind patrons of repast partaken by ancestors who gathered around the hearth.

Ukai-san personally supervises selection of all vegetables and fruits. He intends to insure that only the finest foodstuffs Japan has to offer are served at his table, Savour the subtle flavours of custard-like tofu prepared in Ukai-Toriyama's kitchen. Clear soup begins with pure pure spring water, and pheasant meatballs lend tantalizing flavour. Ukai-Toriyama's rice speciality prepared from a secret recipe to recall dining before the open fire of a rice farming family. Cooked in a flavoured stock, rice with vegetables of the season combine to create a unique taste experience. Every course is accompanied by delicious sauces and accoutrements to delight the most discriminating tastebuds. Tea is served with the meal.

Sake brewed from pure, cold water and high quality rice is available. Excellent examples of this traditional Japanese drink will compliment each course.

As many as 600 patrons can be accommodated at Ukai-Toriyama. One room in Gasshozukuri, the old country house, seats 120 persons, and another holds 60. Smaller groups of varying numbers are exquisitely served in Lord Maeda's classic tea room or in other individual dwellings. Dining areas are comfortably equipped with central heat and air.

To secure desired dining facilities and to maintain standards imposed by Ukai-san, reservations are required. If the party includes more than eight people, menu choices must be selected two days prior to the reserved time.

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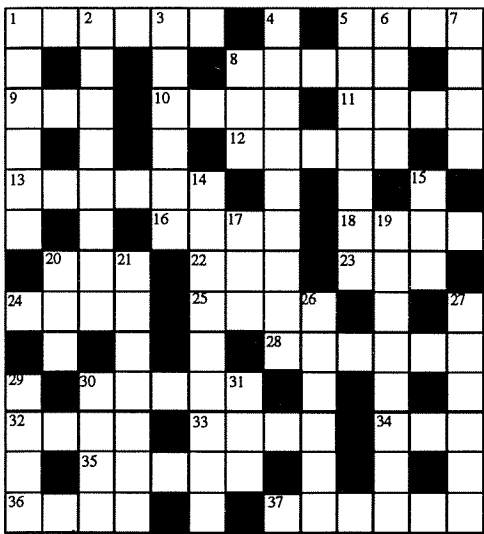
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Crossword No. 136



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- Across:
- 1. Meat-pin (6)
 - 5. Labour (4)
 - 8. Musical instrument (5)
 - 9. Contend (3)
 - 10. Idol (4)
 - 11. Scrutinise (4)
 - 12. Swim (5)
 - 13. Decayed (6)
 - 16. Record (4)
 - 18. Deadened (4)
 - 20. Brick carrier (3)
 - 22. Vegetable (3)
 - 23. Animal (3)
 - 24. Rod (4)
 - 25. Final (4)
 - 28. Knocked (6)
 - 30. Impression (5)
 - 32. Learn (4)
 - 33. Assistant (4)
 - 34. Horse (3)
 - 35. Compel (5)
 - 36. Victim (4)
 - 37. Apartment (6)

- Down:
- 1. Harsh (6)
 - 2. Poll (8)
 - 3. Resounded (6)
 - 4. Announce (9)
 - 5. Cleansing (7)
 - 6. Formerly (4)

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- 7. Ruler (4)
- 8. Sphere (3)
- 14. Tact (9)
- 15. Bird (3)
- 17. Ocean (3)
- 19. Closed (8)
- 20. Crone (3)
- 21. Ruin (7)
- 26. Gift (6)
- 27. Slowly (6)
- 29. Vessel (4)
- 30. Secure (4)
- 31. Baked Dish (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 135

Across: 1. Derive; 4. Spongers; 9. So Long; 10. Palimony; 12. Evade; 13. Tennessee; 15. Apt; 16. Stern; 17. Arable; 22. Beaker; 24. Maize; 27. E.S.P; 28. Restrains; 31. Pitch; 32. Abounded; 33. Usurer; 34. Eleventh; 35. Escape.

Down: 1. Dispense; 2. Released; 3. Vengeance; 5. Prawn; 6. Noise; 7. Eloise; 8. Styles; 11. Attack; 14. Nib; 18. Arrest; 19. Lamp Posts; 20. Wisteria; 21. Recharge; 23. Ada; 25. Grease; 26. Ashore; 29. Rinse; 30. Inept.

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Stir Fried Beef

450g rump or sirloin steak, cut into thin strips
3 tbsp soy sauce
1 leek
1 carrot, peeled
100g cup mushrooms
1 red pepper
2.5cm piece root ginger, peeled
3 tbsp sesame oil or vegetable oil
75g bean sprouts

Method

- Put beef in a shallow bowl and add soy sauce, coating the meat well. Leave to marinate for at least 30 mins.
- Cut leeks and carrots into match-stick sized strips. Slice mushrooms, chop pepper and cut ginger into thin strips.
- Heat oil in a wok or frying pan. Drain beef and add to wok, reserving marinade. Stir fry for 2 - 3 mins. Remove with a slotted spoon and keep warm.
- Add vegetables and stir fry for 3 - 4 mins, then add beef, marinade and bean sprouts. Cook for 2 - 3 mins. until vegetables are cooked but still crisp. Season and serve.

Seafood Stir Fry

700g of rock salmon or monkfish, cut into thin strips
2 carrots, scraped and cut into matchsticks (or vegetables of your choice)
2 peppers, red or green, seeded and cut into strips (or vegetables of your choice)
1 bunch of scallions, sliced lengthways
100g beansprouts
100g baby corn
2 cloves garlic, crushed and finely sliced
1 inch piece root ginger, finely grated
1 tbsp of each; soya sauce, orange juice, dry sherry, runny honey, pure vegetable or sunflower oil and flour, seasoned.

Method

Toss the fish in the seasoned flour to coat. Mix the soya sauce, orange juice, honey and sherry together. Heat the wok or frying pan over a high flame, add the oil and allow to get very hot. Quickly toss the fish in the oil for about two minutes until golden brown, remove with a slotted spoon, and keep warm. Stir fry the vegetables in the remaining oil. Give carrots, sweetcorn and peppers 2 minutes, the rest, including garlic and ginger, 1 minute. Keep the vegetables moving with a spatula to prevent burning. Replace the fish in the pan. Add the mixed liquid and stir fry for another few seconds until heated through. Serve immediately with boiled rice, or with noodles tossed after cooking in a little warm sesame oil.

Southern Fried Chicken on Saffron Rice

225g long grain rice
1 large pinch ground saffron
4 southern fried chicken portions
oil for frying.

Sauce

50g butter
1 onion, chopped
40g flour
425g canned tomatoes
1 tspn sugar
1 tspn dried oregano
1 bay leaf
salt and pepper
2 tbsp whipping cream
1 tbsp chopped parsley and 1 chopped spring onion to garnish.

Method

First make the sauce. Melt the butter and use to sauté the onion gently until soft but not coloured. Remove from the heat and stir in the flour. Replace over heat and gradually add the tomatoes, sugar, oregano, bay leaf, and seasoning. Bring to the boil, stirring constantly, and simmer for 5 minutes. Press through a sieve and stir in the cream. Meanwhile cook the rice in plenty of boiling salted water with the saffron added. Rinse with hot water, drain and add seasoning. At the same time, deep fry the chicken portions as directed. Place a bed of saffron rice on a hot serving dish and arrange the chicken on top. Reheat the sauce if necessary but do not allow to boil. Spoon sauce over the chicken and garnish with parsley and onion. Serve with fried aubergines.

Quick Vanilla Ice Cream

400ml carton fresh custard sauce
300ml pint double cream, whipped
2tsp vanilla essence
50g castor sugar.

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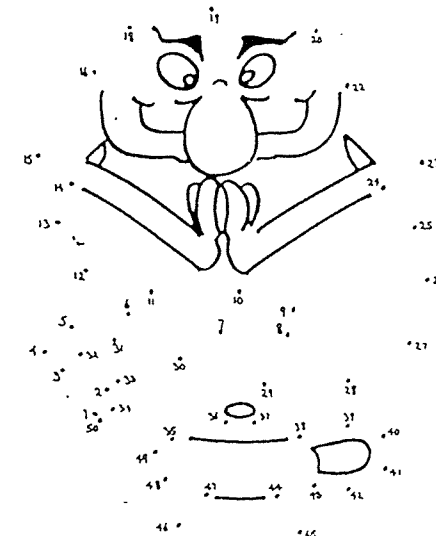
- Tip the custard sauce into a bowl, then carefully fold in the double cream, vanilla essence and castor sugar.
- Transfer the mixture to a shallow plastic container and leave in the freezer for 2 to 3 hours until firm, then serve.



Children's Corner

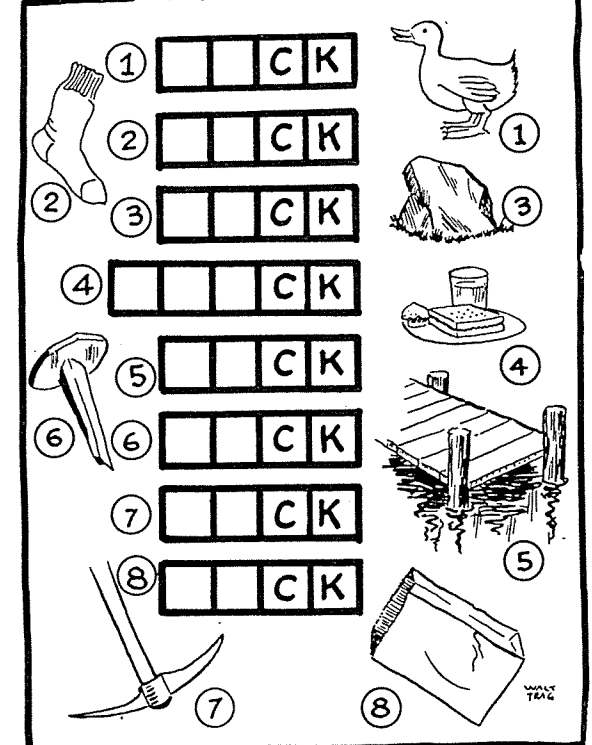


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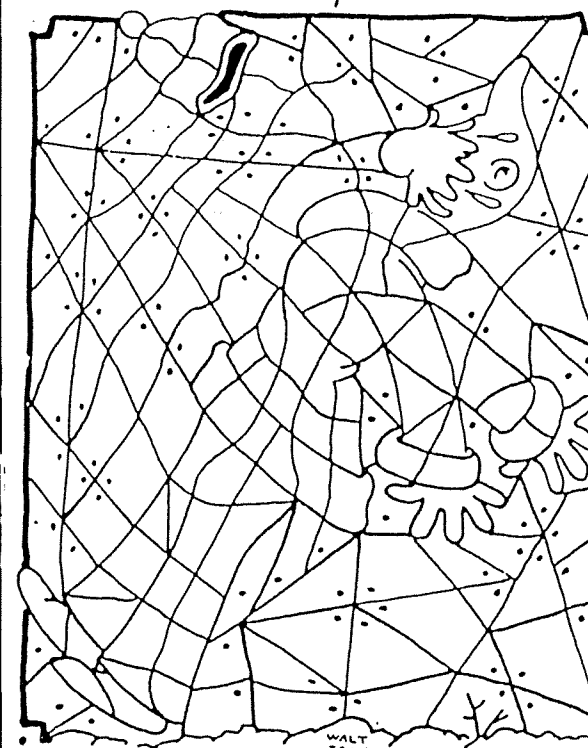
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Finish the words



ANSWERS: 1. DUCK, 2. SOCK, 3. ROCK, 4. SNACK, 5. DOCK, 6. PICK, 7. SACK, 8. TRAC.

Fill-in puzzle



FILL IN EVERY SPACE WITH A DOT IN IT.

WINNERS OF FEBRUARY COLOURING COMPETITION

4 - 7

1st Prize
Rebecca O'Sullivan
1183 Greenfield
Maynooth

2nd Prize
Emma Brady
61 Moyglare Village
Maynooth

3rd Prize
Maria McAuliffe
5620 O'Neill Pk.
Maynooth

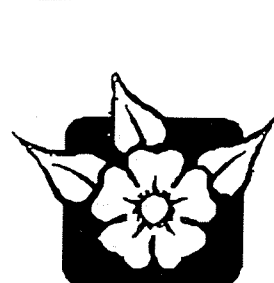
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1st Prize
Shane Byrne
281 Greenfield Cottage
Maynooth

2nd Prize
Aine Bell
126 Castle Dawson
Maynooth

3rd Prize
Shane Delaney
129 Kingsbry
Maynooth

Special Colouring Competition Winner
Yoann O'Donoghue, 171 Kingsbry Maynooth



GARDENING



HINTS



MARCH IN THE GARDEN

Flowers

Prepare the ground for sowings of hardy annuals by forking the soil and adding a general-purpose fertilizer. In sheltered and warm gardens, the first sowings may be made at the end of this month.

Remove dead heads of spring-flowering bulbs to conserve the strength of the bulbs.

Plant gladioli corms and lily corms.

Divide large clumps of perennial plants and replant the younger outer growths.

Hoe, feed and mulch herbaceous borders.

Plant out unsprouted dahlia tubers and cover them with a mulch to protect against frost.

Water outdoor plants in containers in sheltered areas.

Fruit

If not done last month, hoe in a general-purpose fertilizer round the root areas of all fruits and apply a layer of mulching material. Remove all weeds.

Tie in new shoots of cane fruits to their supports.

Continue to pollinate and protect from frost fruits such as apricots, peaches, nectarines and plums.

Place cloches over strawberries to obtain early fruits.

Spray apples and pears with a fungicide to prevent scab disease.

Remove low-growing or damaged stems from bush fruits such as gooseberries and currants.

Continue to plant strawberries, but don't let them fruit in the first year - remove the blossoms.

Vegetables

Dig up any swedes, parsnips and leeks that are still in the soil and prepare the ground for new crops.

As soon as the weather is suitable and the soil friable, start successional sowing of green vegetable crops, including lettuces and radishes, either where they are to mature or in seed-beds. Continue planting potatoes, shallots and onion sets.

Thin out sowings of broad beans and peas made last month. Insert stakes or supports.

Give spring cabbages a nitrogenous fertilizer to encourage growth.

Trees, shrubs and climbers

Complete the planting of new trees, shrubs and climbers - both deciduous and evergreen - by the end of the month. Top-dress them with manure, compost or peat.

Set out hedging plants in ground prepared last month.

Prune bush hybrid tea and floribunda roses, and shorten tips of lateral growths on climbing roses to encourage more blooms.

Remove dead wood and very old wood from winter-flowering shrubs, such as chimonanthus and viburnums.

Hoe carefully to remove weeds and work in a general-purpose fertilizer over the root areas of trees, shrubs and climbers. Give these plants a good mulch.

Plant evergreen trees and shrubs, and complete planting of bare-root deciduous trees.

Under Glass

Complete the sowing of half hardy and summer flowering bedding plants.

Prick out seedlings of those sown last month into boxes for hardening off next month.

Continue to sow or plant greenhouse flowering plants, and thin the seedlings of those sown last month.

Discard winter-flowering pot plants, such as cinerarias and calceolarias.

Remove the dead flowers from azaleas and cyclamen, and fruits from solanums, if the plants are to be kept for next year.

Take cuttings from chrysanthemums, dahlias, fuchsias and pelargoniums, also perpetual-flowering carnations. Start into growth tuberous begonias and gloxinias (sinningias).

Continue to spray grapevines daily with water. Grapevines and stone fruits, such as peaches and almonds, need sufficient water to keep the root area moist.

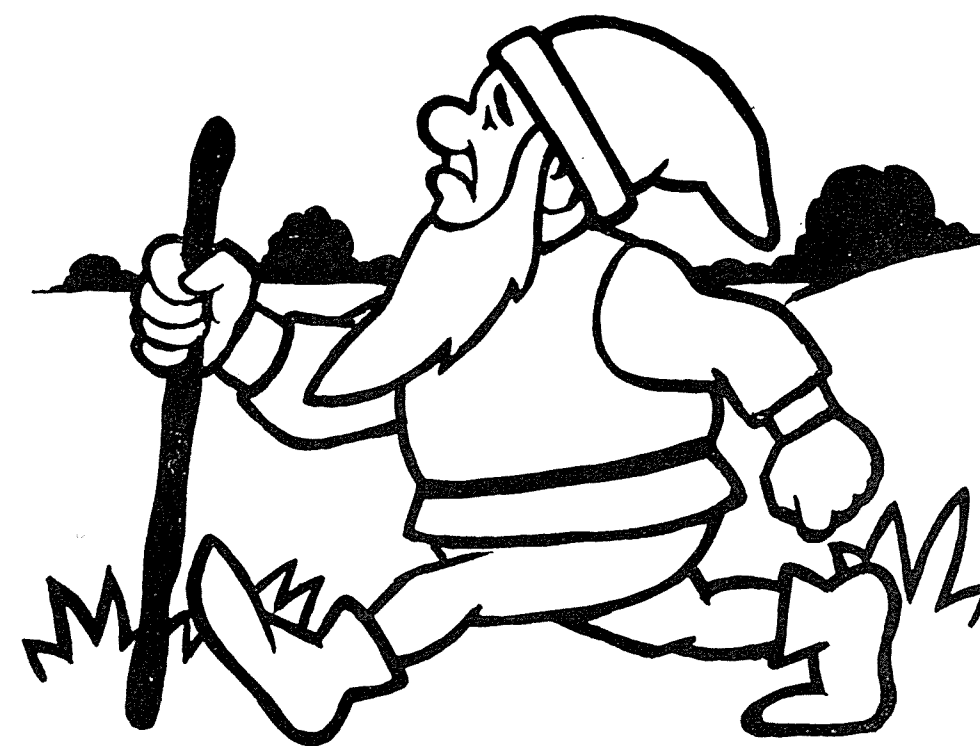
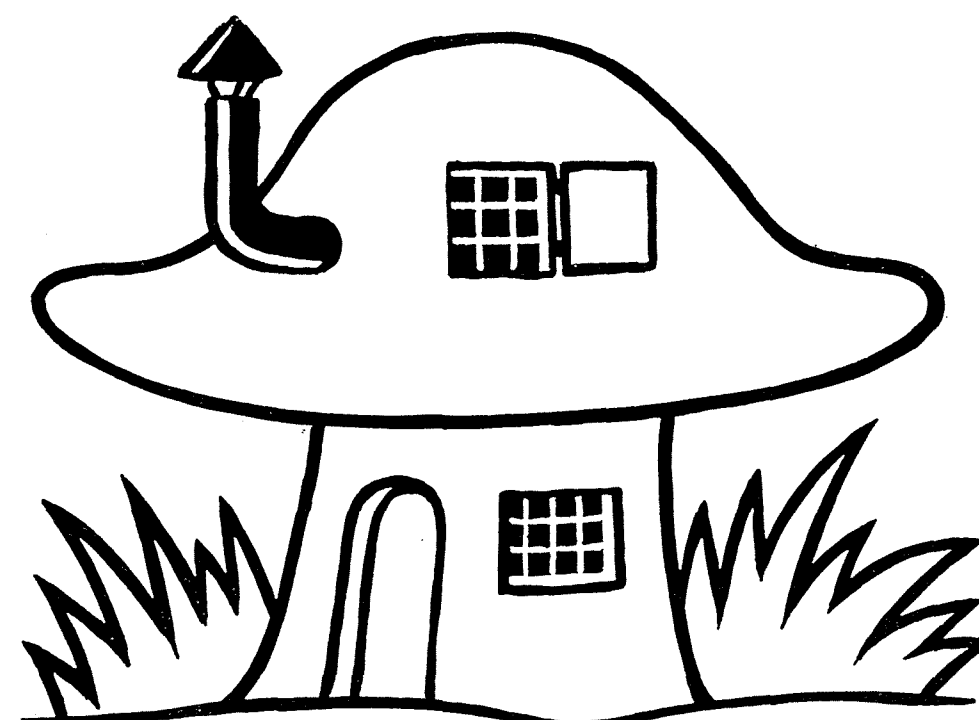
Sow melons, cucumbers, aubergines, sweetcorn, peppers and celery.

As forced bulbs complete their flowering, move them to a cool place. Feed with a liquid fertilizer.

.....and don't forget

Mow lawns, apply weed and moss-killers if necessary, and give the first spring dressing of a lawn fertilizer. Sow or turf new lawns, but take more care when cutting the grass and do not over-use the mower during the first summer.

This is a good month to create a water garden. Therefore, place orders for plants needed next month.



NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK OF ENTRANTS.

This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds.
Closing date for receipt of entries is 22nd March by 5 p.m.

Party Political

FINE GAEL NOTES The County Development Plan

Wednesday 10th February 1999 finally saw the adoption of the long awaited county development plan and the rezoning of 120 acres of land to meet the population target of 11,840 by the year 2006 as projected by the county planner.

Cllr. Senan Griffin proposed a further thirty acres of land be rezoned to meet the needs of local first time house buyers. He also proposed that 20% of land to be rezoned should be made available for the first time buyer to encourage the Department of the Environment and Kildare County Council to actively participate in the PRIVATE SITES SCHEME. This Scheme allows Kildare County Council to sell sites to suitably qualified clients at a reduced rate. *This proposal will reduce the cost to the 1st time buyer by up to 50%.*

"It is the only method available to assist young people, i.e. the sons and daughters of the people of Maynooth who cannot otherwise afford a home in the present climate, to have an opportunity to purchase their own homes at an affordable price and not be confined to living in a flat, and wasting their hard earned money, said Cllr. Griffin."

Why propose an extra thirty acres? When formulating the population targets for Maynooth, the County Manager and County Planner included six acres at the rear of Noones and ten acres at the side of the Cattle Mart (beside the slurry tank) which are currently zoned for general development, but in reality will not be used for residential purposes. In subtracting this sixteen acres from the thirty proposed, a net gain of fourteen acres will accrue and increase the population by 336 people over the period up to 2006.

Cllr. Senan Griffin has fought a lone campaign to secure low cost housing for the first time buyer. During the past two years he has worked tirelessly to ensure that private sites are made available in both Leixlip and Celbridge. It is hoped that by the time that this publication is to hand that eighteen sites in Leixlip and Celbridge will be allocated to local people and that they can proceed to start building their own homes by mid-summer.

Currently Cllr. Senan Griffin has a motion before Kildare County Council, demanding that the Council make an extra 120 sites immediately available in the north of the County to first time buyers.

Public Lights

Kildare County Council has been requested by Cllr Senan Griffin to provide a public light at the bus turning bay on the Straffan Road at the Harbour field side. He has also requested Bus Atha Cliath to erect a bus shelter at this point so as to provide some protection to commuters awaiting long distance buses.

Private Sites

Cllr. Senan Griffin has urgently requested Kildare County Council to make available 120 private sites in the north of

the county, in order to alleviate the current housing crisis for those who are unable to purchase a house on the open market. These sites can be sold to suitable clients who then can proceed to build their own home for a price ranging from £60,000 to £70,000. This scheme has the full support of the Department of the Environment.

Unfinished Estates

Housing Estates throughout the County should be completed forthwith, said Cllr. Senan Griffin and he has demanded that Kildare County Council should where necessary utilise the bond to carry out any outstanding works needed to complete the development in accordance with the planning permission as granted by Kildare County Council.

Moyglare Road - Footpaths

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested Kildare County Council, to proceed with the completion of the footpath at the Moyglare Road from the S.V.D. Hostel up to the telephone exchange. It should be possible to obtain finance from development levies, he said.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

The A.G.M. took place on Sunday 7th February. Officers elected were:

President	John Carey
Vice President	Noel Brady
Captain	Tom O'Haire
Vice Captain	John Saults
Treasurer	John Saults
Handicap Secretary	Gerry McTernan

1st outing to Athy on Saturday March 13th
2nd outing to Moate on Saturday April 17th

Membership fee to be paid by April 17th

Maynooth Taekwon-Do School (Korean Martial Art)

By the time you read this article a new beginners class will have commenced in the Parish Hall, however it is not too late to join or find out more about Taekwon-Do. Classes are held on Monday and Friday nights in the Parish Hall and interested people can drop in and talk to the instructors about the classes. This is a martial art suitable to all age groups and provides for people looking for fitness, a pastime or a serious competitive sport. You can choose what approach suits you and regardless of your present ability you will be guided safely and progressively towards achieving your goal.

Beginners classes are taking place Monday nights at 8pm in the Parish Hall.

You can contact the School by Phoning 087-2796721 or 6280868

Party Political

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN/MAYNOOTH PLAN: The Amended Draft County Plan was approved at the Council meeting on the 10th February. Unfortunately, it is bad news for the people of Maynooth as Councillors Griffin and Brady went against the recommendation of the Senior Planner and County Manager and against the decision of the Celbridge Area Committee. With the support of their Party colleagues they increased the amount of land to be rezoned by a further 30 acres and increased the population target by 850.

Maynooth is the only town where the views of the Planners and the decision of the Area Committee were ignored by the Councillors. The amended draft Plan will now go on display for a further month and the public will have an opportunity to make submissions on the changes made. Needless to say, your local Councillor, John McGinley, voted against the Griffin/Brady proposals.

GERALDINE HALL/HARBOUR FIELD:

Most communities would be overwhelmed if they had ownership of these two amenities. The Maynooth community is no exception, however, a small unelected, unrepresentative group of people, in a body called the Maynooth Development Association, is stopping the development of both the Geraldine Hall and the Harbour Field from taking place.

The Hon. David Nall Cain is the owner of both and he wishes to give the properties to Kildare County Council who will then lease the properties to a representative Maynooth Community Group. His Solicitors wrote to the four Trustees of the Harbour Field on the 8th of October, 1998 outlining his proposals and requesting them to relinquish their Trustees rights so that his proposal could proceed. (Kildare County Council sent a similar letter to the Trustees on the 17th September, 1998). None of the Trustees have got back to the Solicitors Brown and McCann. The Solicitors (who also happen to be Kildare County Council's Solicitors) wrote to Kildare County Council on the 9th February, 1999 wanting to know if some local intervention would help on progressing this wonderful opportunity. This information was passed by the County Secretary to Cllr. John McGinley. Cllr. McGinley has advised the County Secretary that the Maynooth Community would like to develop the Geraldine Hall as a Community Centre for Children, Youth, No Name Club, Senior Citizens, I.C.A. etc., with the Community Council and Citizens Information Centre as anchor tenants. Likewise, the Harbour Field could be developed for children's GAA, soccer and athletics, with the Town end of the field being devoted to passive amenity i.e. a park.

There is no shortage of funds available for such projects and indeed the aforementioned Maynooth Development

Association (MDA) collected community funding over 20 years ago which has remained dormant since then, but, could be used for such a community project with a lot of good will.

It is now incumbent on the Trustees and M.D.A. to act in the interests of the community and agree to the transfer of the property to Kildare County Council so that it can be used for community purposes only.

Girls Primary School/Carton Avenue Entrance:

At the Celbridge Area Committee meeting of Kildare County Council held on Friday January 22nd, Cllr. John McGinley, proposed; *"That the £200,000 grant, which was due to be spent on new footpaths in Mill Street, be diverted to the Girls School/Carton Avenue entrance area instead, where there is a much greater urgency on safety and for new footpaths."* Cllr. McGinley in making his case to transfer the funding stated that the required works in Mill Street can be funded from Development Levies in the area, with particular reference to the proposed development at Kavanagh's. Cllr. John McGinley's Motion was as a result of representations he had received from the Board of Management of the Girls National School requesting his assistance in making the area safer for pupils attending the school. Kildare County Council had advised the Board of Management in writing on the 9th of December last that they had no funding to carry out the required works. Cllr. McGinley's Motion was greeted with enthusiasm at the meeting and was agreed to with no dissenting voices. The County Engineer will now prepare the designs for the improvements which will include a bus pull-in bay, pedestrian crossing and prohibition of parking at Carton Avenue entrance.

In order to ensure that there is no delay in carrying out this urgent work, Cllr. McGinley will seek monthly updates at the Celbridge Area Committee meetings.

MAYNOOTH CASTLE FUNDING:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his concern that funding for the development of Maynooth Castle is being diverted away from the project within the Department of Arts, Heritage, Gaeltacht and the Islands.

Concern has been expressed recently by members of the Maynooth Castle Restoration Committee that soundings from the Department were becoming negative with regard to the overall project and that a phasing of the project was being introduced because of a lack of funds.

Deputy Stagg tabled a question to Minister De Valera and in her response on February 2nd she indicated that Phase 1 of the Development Project will start in the latter part of 1999. She further indicated that the detailed programme of works will be considered in the light of available resources. This statement clearly means that there is now a question mark

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over the full funding of the project.

Deputy Stagg will press the Minister to restore full funding of the project and he described as ridiculous any attempt to do a botched job on the development of the Castle by proceeding in Phases without any certainty of the end result.

GREENFIELD SHOPPING CENTRE:

Following the representations from Cllr. John McGinley, Kildare County Council agreed to concrete in the two green (mud) patches at the entrance to the shopping centre. The owner of the complex, John Dolan, advised Cllr. McGinley that he intends to carry out other improvements i.e. marking out car park, placing decorative bollards around the perimeter of the car park. It is hoped that cars and lorries will stop driving on the greens here and in other areas.

NEW FOOTPATHS, MAIN STREET:

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley, the Project Engineer has agreed to decrease the spacings between the bollards. The present spacing is proving to be tempting to some motorists to break the law and park on the footpath.

NEW TRAFFIC LIGHTS, STRAFFAN ROAD:

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee; *"That traffic lights be installed on the Straffan Road, Maynooth at an appropriate location to facilitate the exiting traffic from Old Greenfields, Silken Vale, Parklands and the Railway Station."* Because of the difficulty in getting out of these locations, it is Cllr. McGinley's view that traffic lights are urgently needed.

GAS HEATING IN COUNCIL HOUSES:

Cllr. John McGinley has placed the following Motion on the Agenda for the next Council meeting; *"That this Council would now draw up a scheme for the provision of a Natural Gas supply for the central heating in Council houses, in areas where same is available, and that finance for same be included in the estimates for 2000."*

UPGRADING OF FOOTPATHS IN THE 700'S OLD GREENFIELD:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to upgrade these footpaths out of the £150,000 provided in the 1999 Estimate for such purposes.

MAIN STREET, TREES:

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee; *"That a tree surgeon's report be carried out on the trees on Maynooth's Main Street in order to find out the condition of*

the trees."

When it is established how many need to be replaced because of age or disease the necessary action can then be taken.

INCREASED SERVICES ON MAYNOOTH RAIL LINE DELAYED:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his dismay that the upgrading of the Maynooth Suburban Rail Line is not progressing in line with expectations. In response to a Parliamentary Question tabled by Deputy Stagg, the Minister for Public Enterprise, Mary O'Rourke T.D. advised Deputy Stagg as follows:

- A comprehensive engineering assessment of the line between Maynooth and the city centre has been completed.
- Design work is well advanced for track remodelling, bridge renewal, re-signalling, new platforms and station upgrading.
- The installation of the new track will commence in the latter half of 1999 and the whole infrastructure improvement should be completed by the end of 2000.
- New diesel railcars for use on the line will be delivered in Autumn 2000.

However the Minister also advised Deputy Stagg that signalling work in the City Centre is not covered by the present work and that this matter will be dealt with in a post 2000 development programme, because the signalling works are not being dealt with in tandem with the other improvements commuters will not see the full benefit of additional services for some time. At all stages Iarnrod Eireann have indicated that without the signalling improvements in the City Centre train services cannot be increased safely. Deputy Stagg will press the Minister to give Iarnrod Eireann the resources to enable it to bring forward the signalling work.

ROAD SERVING HOUSE NO.'S 509-514, NEWTOWN:

The roadway here is in a terrible condition and Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to carry out repairs as a matter of urgency.

TRAIN OVERCROWDING:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has again raised the issue of the over crowding of trains on the Maynooth Suburban Rail Line with Minister O'Rourke. He has tabled Parliamentary Questions to the Minister in relation to the role of her Railway Inspecting Office in ensuring passenger safety.

To date the Minister has indicated that she has no function in relation to over crowding, as the owner of the company she should insist that Iarnrod Eireann not pack passengers into trains which are already full to capacity. As Minister for Transport her policy should be to encourage people to use trains rather than private cars and certainly if the present

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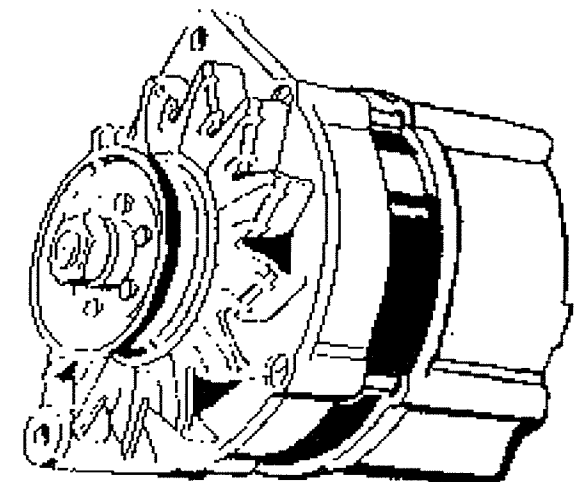
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system continues the problem will resolve itself, because people will stop using the suburban trains.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS TO BE PROVIDED AT MAYNOOTH MOTORWAY INTERCHANGE:

Following repeated requests to Kildare County Council, Cllr. John McGinley, has been informed by the County Engineer that traffic lights are to be put in place at the Maynooth Motorway Interchange within a matter of months. The County Engineer informed Cllr. McGinley that design work for the lights was near completion and that funding was in place.

Welcoming the news. Cllr. McGinley stated that the provision of the lights will make the area much safer for motorists exiting the motorway. It should prevent the continued back up of traffic from the slipway on to the motorway which in recent times has seen 30 minute delays at peak times. In addition to this exiting the motorway was always dangerous and this danger will be removed by the provision of the lights and the elimination of the priority status for traffic crossing the motorway bridge.

Cllr. McGinley will continue to press the County Engineer to carry out the work as soon as possible.

FOOTPATHS, PARSON STREET TO BOND BRIDGE:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to use Discretionary Grants money to resurface the three sections of footpath, Parson Street/Parson Lodge/Parson Court/Bond Bridge in this highly pedestrianised area. They are very much in need of repair.

BLACKLION HALTING SITE:

The Celbridge Area Committee approved plans for housing and improvements to bays at its meeting on the 22nd January. The plans will now be discussed with the residents for final approval before submission to the Department for funding. This face lift is long overdue and hopefully work will begin in the Autumn.

LANE BETWEEN MEADOWBROOK AND NEWTOWN ROAD:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has contacted the developers of Castledawson in connection with the condition of the laneway between Meadowbrook and the Newtown Road.

PROVISION OF BUS SHELTERS:

Cllr John McGinley has welcomed the decision by Kildare Co. Council to grant planning permission to Dublin Bus for the provision of Bus Shelters at the following locations:

- Main Street - Outside Geraldine Arms.

- Main Street - Outside Coonans.
- Outside Kingsbry Estate.
- At 67A Bus Turning Point on Straffan Road.

COMMUNITY UNIT FOR OLDER PEOPLE:

Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg have been advised by the Eastern Health Board that a Design Team has now been selected for the development of a 50 Bed Community Unit for Older People at Leinster Street, Maynooth.

The new unit will provide a wide range of services for older people including respite/intermittent care, convalescent care, day care, rehabilitation and long stay care beds.

The design team are presently preparing plans for the submission on an application for planning permission to Kildare Co. Council.



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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Minor Football League Division I North (all games at 11.00 a.m.)

Fixtures

Sunday	28th February 1999	Maynooth v Leixlip (home)	
Sunday	7th March 1999	Na Fianna v Maynooth (away)	Venue Allenwood
Sunday	14th March 1999	Maynooth v Carbury (home)	
Sunday	21st March 1999	St. Cocas v Maynooth (away)	Venue Kilcock
Sunday	28th March 1999	Maynooth v Clane (home)	
Sunday	11th April 1999	Balyna v Maynooth (away)	Venue Clogherinkoe

Forthcoming Function in Clubhouse

Race Night on Friday, 5th March.
Purpose: To raise funds for Maynooth G.A.A. which caters for football / hurling / handball / camogie / ladies football. We are asking people to purchase horses, offer themselves as jockeys or to sponsor a race.
The fees are as follows: Race Sponsorship - £200
Horse Sponsorship - £20.

A race programme will be produced for the night which will offer an opportunity for advertising.

Given the vital contribution the G.A.A. makes to the local community by promoting our national games and preserving our cultural identity we would greatly appreciate your support on March 5th. For further details ring 6285020.

Music each Saturday night commencing at 10.00 p.m.
Archives slot (G.A.A. matches) shown each Friday at 10.00 p.m. Training for minor and senior camogie players on Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. and on Sunday morning at 10.30 a.m.

As part of their preparations for the forthcoming League Campaign Maynooth Intermediate Hurlers, despite short a number of regulars, played impressively to overcome the challenge of Kilmacud and a scoreline of 2-9 to 2-6 on the 7th February 1999.

To honour the achievement of the Junior Footballers in winning both League and Championship in 1998 a special presentation was made to the team and mentors in the Clubhouse on Friday 12th February 1999. Rody Molloy acted as the jovial M.C. for the night and Davy Dalton, Kildare All Star and current Manager of Maynooth Intermediate Football Team presided over the medal presentation to the players.

Congratulations to the following players who achieved this dual success:
Joe Edwards, Mark Nugent, Derek Fleming, Marty Byrne, Hugh Nevin, Noel Reilly, Alan Nugent, Karl Ennis, John O'Toole, Owen O'Neill, Aidan O'Dea, Martin Donnelly (junior), James Gilligan, James Gallagher, Niall Naughton, Sean Molloy, Danny Casey, Aiden Burke, Liam O'Toole, Thomas Farrell, James Delargy, Declan Buckley, Gerry Delaney. No team can operate effectively without a strong management team and in this regard, Mick Faherty ably assisted by Martin Donnelly (senior) and Mick O'Riordan rose to their task magnificently.

Tom Coffey, P.R.O.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB
WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS
23rd January 1999

This Weeks Numbers 8 - 16 - 19 - 24

This Weeks Jackpot - £550

Winner: No Winner

Next Weeks Jackpot - £600

WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00

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4. Madeline Stynes, Moneycooley
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)

Maynooth P.P. 4-7 Enniscorthy C.B.S. 5-5

Maynooth fall to last gasp goal
but only after an epic battle

Maynooth P.P. travelled to Dr. Cullen Park, Carlow on Wednesday 3rd February 1999 to take on Enniscorthy in the Leinster Juvenile 'B' Football Championship Final.

Scores were hard to come by in a tight first half with Enniscorthy having a goal disallowed within the first couple of minutes. Enniscorthy eventually broke the deadlock with a well worked point. Maynooth took control for the rest of the half and were deserving of their goal when it came, which was neatly finished by Aidan Ferris. Maynooth went ahead at the break by 1-2 to 2 points.

The second half started in dramatic style with a penalty being awarded to Enniscorthy, which they failed to capitalise on. For the rest of the half, Maynooth trailed and were lucky to bring the game in to extra-time with a last minute free from Aidan Dalton. F.T.: Maynooth 2-4, Enniscorthy 2-4. Extra time started with Maynooth racing into a six point lead, with two solo goals from Maynooth's captain Aidan Dalton. At this stage, Maynooth looked to have the game in the bag and had a commanding lead at the end of the first period.

The second period saw Enniscorthy ease their way back in to the game with two goals in quick succession. Still

Maynooth had a solid two point lead with points coming from the boots of Ricki Moore, David Comerford and Fergal Molloy.

But as the referee was about to blow the whistle for full-time, instead he blew for an Enniscorthy penalty. And as the ball hit the back of the net, the tears began to appear on the faces of tired Maynooth players. A cruel blow for a team, who with so many star players in their ranks are sure to be back again to claim a Leinster title.

Maynooth's team was backboned in defence by full-back Daniel O'Neill and centre-back Alan Sweeney. Aidan Dalton gave a great account of himself in midfield, Fergal Molloy and Johnaton Kerins, who also doubled up as a third midfielder, in attack.

Maynooth Team and Scorers:

1. John McCarthy, 2. Ricki Moore (-1), 3. Daniel O'Neill, 4. Michael Dowd, 5. Liam Rattigan, 6. Alan Sweeney, 7. Colin O'Neill, 8. Aidan Dalton (3-4), 9. Ciaran McCullough, 10. David Comerford (-1), 11. Sean Rattigan, 12. D.J. Canning, 13. Fergal Molloy, (-1), 14. Aidan Ferris (-1), 15. Johnaton Kerins.
Subs: Wayne Byrne for Aidan Ferris.

Brendan Coffey, Maynooth Post Primary School.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB
WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS
31st January 1999

This Weeks Numbers 17 - 21- 18 - 5

This Weeks Jackpot - £600

Winner: No Winner

Next Weeks Jackpot - £650

WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00

1. Kathleen McDermott
2. Rose Hayes, 69 Cluain Aoibhinn
3. Fiona Lawlor, 181 Kingsbry
4. Ann O'Duffy, c/o Domo
5. Mick Goulding, c/o Allie

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB
WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS
14th February 1999

This Weeks Numbers 10 - 17 - 18 - 21

This Weeks Jackpot - £700

Winner: No Winner

Next Weeks Jackpot - £750

WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00

1. Richard Hatton, Kilcock
2. Bernard Flanagan, c/o Domo
3. Don Toppin, Moyglare Road, Mary Daly
4. Ann Moran, Moneycooley, c/o Domo
5. John Murray, c/o Domo

Sport

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB DUBLIN AND DISTRICT SCHOOLBOY'S RESULTS

D.D.S.L. U12A1
St. Malachy's 3 Maynooth Town 4

After a nine week break without a competitive game, following Christmas and bad weather, this was not the ideal tie for the under 12 A1 side to resume their league campaign. With St. Malachy's unbeaten and top of the division the away tie was seen as one of the toughest test of the season. On the day this young Maynooth side were at the top of their form. It was twenty-five minutes into the first half before Maynooth opened the scoring when Shaun Doogan put Brian O'Malley through with an inch perfect pass. O'Malley finished off superbly to put Maynooth one up. Malachy's came back strongly and equalised two minutes later. A class high lob seven minutes into the second half gave Maynooth's in form keeper Sean Kennedy no chance and against the run of play the home side were 2-1 up. Maynooth were by no means out of it and continued to press forward. In the 43rd minute Shaun Doogan laid the ball wide to O'Malley who whipped in the perfect cross for Sean McAllister to drive home from 18 yards. Maynooth started to dominate and in the 49th minute, O'Malley was again in the thick of it with another superb cross for David Baxter to head home and put the Town in front for the second time. A disputed penalty decision allowed the home side to level the score at 3-3. In the final six minutes as the tie looked set for a draw Shaun Doogan was hacked down just outside the box. McAllister struck the resultant free kick into the top corner to give Maynooth a well-deserved winner. A tremendous all round performance with the Maynooth defence of Walsh, Cummins, Comerford and O'Connor well up to the task. Declan Bambrick in mid-field and Niall Doogan upfront were also at the top of their game.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Mark Cummins, Kevin Comerford, Gavin O'Connor, Sean McAllister, Brian O'Malley, David Baxter, Declan Bambridge, Shaun Doogan, Niall Doogan, Jason Moen and Peter Lawlor.

D.D.S.L. U16B
Mountview Boys 1 Maynooth Town 1

Maynooth Town Under 16's travelled to Hartstown for what was a very competitive tie between two evenly matched sides. The commitment shown in this highly entertaining contest was a credit to schoolboy football. The Town settled well and the first half became a battle in midfield with neither side giving any quarter. The Maynooth defense of Bobby Kelly, Tom Farrell, Dan Corbett and David O'Brien were in top form and dealt well with any threat from the home side. It was ten minutes into the second half before the deadlock was broken. With Mountview pushing forward Maynooth failed to clear their lines and a close range shot gave in form Town keeper Dean Conway no chance. The Town refused to lie down and started to dominate putting the home side on the back foot. Just reward came in the 70th minute when Stephen King cracked his shot off the post and the rebound fell sweetly for Colin (Super-sub) Daly to coolly tap in from six yds. Both sides had late chances for the winner but the draw was a fair result. An all round good performance with Robert Stanley the engine in midfield but Man of the Match went to Bobby Kelly for an outstanding display at right back.

Maynooth: Dean Conway, Bobby Kelly, Tom Farrell, Daniel Corbett, David O'Brien, Ashley Ledwith, Stephen King, Stephen Dunk, Robert Stanley, Martin Conway, Trevor McMahon, Colin Daly, Stephen Kelly, Paddy King and Martin McMahon.

D.D.S.L. U8C
Maynooth Town 7 Balally Celtic 0

Balally Celtic were the visitors to the Harbour Field on a damp Sunday morning for this under 8C tie. The home side was always in control and after only 5 mins Peter Murphy broke clear and drove a low shot in from 6 yds. Just 4 mins later Shane McBride launched a 20 yrd. rocket that skimmed just past the post. Daniel Burke made it 2-0 in the 12th minute after an inch perfect cross from Peter Murphy. Following a deflected shot off a defender Maynooth lead 3-0 at the break. With goals from Sean Murphy, Gavin Doyle, a second from Peter Murphy, and two from Darragh Moore Maynooth ran out the easy winners. A good all round performance with Shane McBride outstanding in defence.

Maynooth: Sean Murphy, Peter Murphy, Shane McBride, Conor Bean, Darragh Dunning, Ailbhe Flynn, Gavin Doyle, Daniel Burke, Richard Hawkins and Darragh Moore.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB (Cont.)
DUBLIN AND DISTRICT SCHOOLBOY'S RESULTS

Under 9B1

Maynooth Town 0 Rangers 4

Two goals in two minutes from the visitors, half way through the first half, left Maynooth with an uphill task in this under 9B1 clash. The home side had contested well and had their chances to take the lead. A free kick on the edge of the box was superbly struck into the top right hand corner to put Rangers 0-1 ahead. Maynooth were pushing forward and got caught on the break to go two down. The second half again saw Maynooth on top for long spells but they were unable to break down a solid Ranger's defence. Another two minute period in the second half saw the Town concede two more to make it 0-4 a final scoreline that flattered the visitors.

Maynooth: Paddy Prendergast, Stephen Travers, Bill Gannon, Fintan Daly, Garth Hamilton, Eoghan Hinds, Stephen Byrne, Chris O'Reilly, Alex Delaney, David Scalley and Brian O'Dwyer.

D.D.S.L. U16B

Maynooth Town 2 Templeogue United 1

Two games in successive weeks has been a rarity for our under 16 side but given the chance to compete regularly they showed that they are capable of achieving results. Despite the difficult surface Maynooth played some attractive football and were on top for most of the tie. Despite having most of the play there was 30 minute on the watch before Trevor McMahon drove his shot low and to the left to give the keeper no chance. After the break Maynooth continued to press forward and were awarded a penalty for handball. Jason Newton made no mistake from the spot to put the home side two up. With 55 minutes gone Templeogue were reduced to ten men when their centre-half was dismissed for a second bookable offence. Following the sending off the visitors were at their most dangerous and began to push forward. In the 60th minute Maynooth keeper Dean Conway could only parry a fiercely struck shot and with the defence looking on the attacker was first to react to put Templeogue back in the game. The final minutes were played at a pace but Maynooth defended well to earn all three points. Best for Maynooth were Dean Conway and Daniel (the early bird) Corbett.

Maynooth: Dean Conway, Bobby Kelly, Jason Newton, Noel Healy, Daniel Corbett, David O'Brien, Ashley Ledwith, Stephen King, Stephen Dunk, Robert Stanley, Martin Conway, Trevor McMahon, Colin Daly, Stephen Kelly, Paddy King and Martin McMahon.

Other Results

Under 8B	Maynooth Town 2	St. Joseph's Boys 5
Under 8C	Shankill 1	Maynooth Town 4
Under 9B1	Carrighlean Boys 1	Maynooth Town 1
Under 11B	Maynooth Town 4	St. Anthony's Boys 3
Under 12A1	St. Joseph's Boys 2	Maynooth Town 0
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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB NOTES

All Ireland Indoor Results from Nenagh

Many of our young athletes made the journey to Nenagh, in order to compete against Ireland's best young athletes and taste the cut and thrust of top class competition. It was a great experience for the young boys and girls that will pay off in the future.

In the under 11 events twins Niamh and Alison MacAuliffe combined with Arek Ni Murchu and Ciana Ennis gave a good account of themselves in the relay, sprints and long jump. Ciana, second in the All Ireland cross country, was closest to a medal in the 300 metres but was edged out in the final straight.

For the boys Sean MacTernan had a great run in the 300 metres but a stumble at the start left him with too much to do.

Under 13s Kevin Comerford, Daryl O'Connell, Marc O'Murchu and Joseph O'Riordan performed heroically in the 600 metres without reaching the final and then were pipped in the relay heats. Muire Ennis and Elaine MacAuliffe ran a very tough 600 metres and despite finishing second and fifth in their heats, the medals continued to elude us.

Awut Ní Murchú followed her 600 on Saturday with a great run in the 300 on Sunday and finished fifth in her race.

Finally our first win came when under 17 David Campbell retained his 800 metres title despite a seven week lay off due to a knee injury.

The following evening Philip Campbell won a silver in the 1,000 metres after a tough battle, in which he eventually had to give way after bravely making the pace.

All in all it was a very successful and enjoyable competition.

All Ireland Cross Country relays. Three of our athletes represented Kildare in the scenic village of Rostrevor in mid February and their efforts were rewarded with a gold and silver medal.

Muire Ennis captured the win under 13, while Ciana Ennis ran strongly to win second place. In what was described as "one of the best runs of the day" Kevin Comerford battled to the line but the under 13 Kildare team finished in fourth place.

Next Committee Meeting in the G.A.A. club on Thursday 25th February at 8.00pm

Don't forget that training continues at 7.00pm Wednesdays and 10.00am Saturdays at the G.A.A. Club.

New members are welcome so come along.....

MAYNOOTH COARSE ANGLING CLUB

An update on our inaugural competition held on Sunday January 31st. A total of 16 anglers in both senior and junior classes competed in very cold, but dry, conditions. The results were as follows:

Senior: 1st. Mick O'Sullivan, 2nd Stephen O'Meara, 3rd Brian Browne
Junior: 1st Donald Tippen, 2nd Kellie Higgins, 3rd Andy Barry

Maynooth Coarse Angling Club would like to thank Luke and Pat McHale of McHale Scaffolding for their kind donation to the club.

More news in next issue.

Michael O'Sullivan (Sec)

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to **Michelle O'Sullivan** who was one on Feb 9th from Mammy, Daddy, brother Stephen and sister Rebecca.

To my beloved boyfriend **Tony** who celebrates his 21st birthday on the 15th March, love and kisses from your fiancée Gráinne and daughter Jade.

To **Yvonne** Happy Birthday on the 6th of March from all your colleagues in Maynooth Community Council.

Happy 14th Anniversary to **Trevor and Ruth Cassidy**, may there be many more, from Peter and Séan.

Happy Birthday **Ali Williams**: 4 years old from Mam and Dad.

Happy Birthday to **Jennifer Kavanagh** who will be 8 on the 14th of March. "Have a great day" love from Mam, Neil, Karen, Mark and Declan.

Happy Birthday to **Jennifer Kavanagh** on her 8th birthday love from Ian, Niamh and Seán.

Happy Birthday to **Jennifer Kavanagh** love from Nanna and Grandad Ankers

Happy Birthday to **Karen Kavanagh** who will be 19 on 5th March love from Mam, Neil, Declan, Mark and Jennifer.

Happy Birthday to **Karen Kavanagh** on her 19th birthday love from Ian, Niamh and Baby Seán.

Happy Birthday to **Monica O'Sullivan** of Killeaney from Cindy.

Happy Birthday to Mammy (**Carmel Mc Auliffe**) love from Marie.

Happy Birthday to **Peter Kinsella**, who was 18 on the 15th February from all his admirers in the Community Council Office

Happy Birthday to **Gerard McTernan**, Greenfield, on March 4th, best wishes from Daddy, Mammie, sister Claire, Granny and Grandad.

Happy Birthday to **Bill Hendrick**, O'Neill Park, on March 19th.

Happy Birthday to **Kevin McDonnell**, who will be 16 on the 8th March.

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O'Reilly: Editorial Board and Staff of Maynooth Community Council would like to send their deepest sympathies to Helen O'Reilly on the death of her mother Teresa (Tess) of Avondale, Leixlip

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Murphy: The husband Joe and family of the late Kathleen Murphy wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who travelled, attended the removal, mass and funeral, and all those who sent messages of sympathy, mass cards, floral tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. Synott C.C. and to Fr. Stenson P.P. relatives, friends and neighbours for their kindness and support. We trust that this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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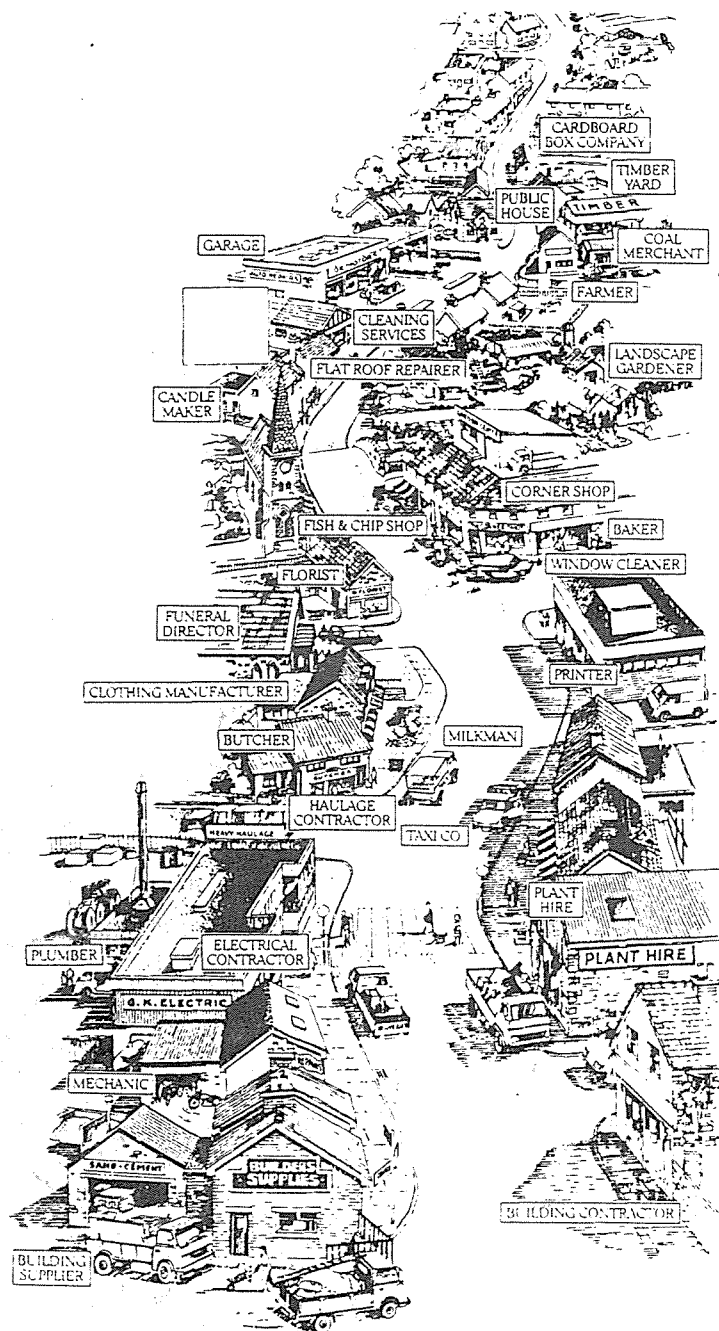
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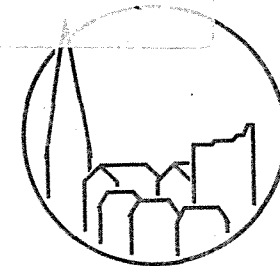
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The Last Newsletter ?

Newsletter's future threatened by FAS Scheme closure

As most of our readers will be aware FAS has decided to discontinue one of the Community Employment Schemes sponsored by the Community Council. The scheme affected employs office staff who are primarily involved in the production of our monthly Newsletter. Without this scheme the future of the Newsletter is very much in doubt.

Over the past twenty years the Maynooth Newsletter has grown from a series of photocopied pages produced entirely by voluntary effort to a substantial publication covering the news and views of the people of Maynooth. In the last few years employees on the scheme have taken over large parts of the production of the Newsletter and become skilled in a range of computer packages. It is largely down to their skill, enthusiasm and hard work and that of the scheme supervisor, Norah McDermott, that the Newsletter appears every month. The decision by FAS to cut this valuable scheme represent a considerable loss to our community.

The Community Council and the Editorial Board have, over the years, attempted to organise the production of the Newsletter in a professional manner. We have built up a good working relationship with the business community. Advertising by local shops and businesses has represented an important source of revenue for the magazine. Equally, our printers Cardinal Press have been important business partners in the production of the Newsletter. In this context, the decision on by FAS to provide only three weeks

notice for the termination of the scheme is entirely unacceptable and has allowed us insufficient time to plan for the future. Losing such experienced personnel as Norah McDermott and a number of other staff at such short notice means the the future of the Newsletter as currently constituted, is very much in doubt.

The termination of this scheme also has implications which go well beyond the future of the Newsletter. Between now and the end of the year it seems certain that the number of Community Council employees on FAS schemes will be drastically reduced. The impact on the community will be significant. The administrative backup so vital for the staging of such events as the Summer Festival, the Summer Project and the St. Patrick's Day Parade may not be available. It may no longer be feasible for the Community Council to retain their office in Main Street, a location which has become an important focus for local information in a rapidly growing town. All of this marks a withdrawal of support for community activity in Maynooth. And this at a time when additional resources should be provided for voluntary bodies and community organisations struggling to retain our town's sense of community in the face of a rapidly growing population. The Newsletter, we hope, has played some role in promoting Maynooth's sense of identity. It has been your magazine, written largely by the community for the community. Perhaps it is important enough not to let it die.

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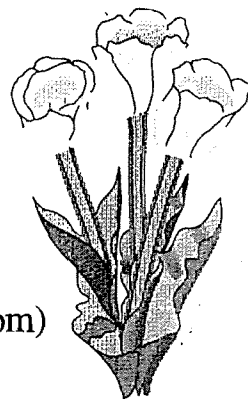
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council encourages Residents Associations to provide a list of rented houses to Kildare County Council

Maynooth Community Council has been asked to write to Residents Associations in the town to encourage them to provide details of absentee landlords to Kildare County Council. Kildare County Council want to compile a list of rented properties in the County.

Flooding in the Rathcoffey Area

Concern about the continuing levels of flooding along the Rathcoffey Road was expressed by the representatives from Woodlands. The condition of the road at Castledawson was also considered very dangerous when it rains.

Community Council - Resignation

Former Community Council Vice-chairperson Ms. Liz Stoll, from Parklands has resigned from Maynooth Community Council. The Council decided to write thanking her for her contribution to the work of Maynooth Community Council.

Community Council - Co-options

New members were co-opted to the Council on behalf of Parklands Residents Association. The new members are Ms. Mary Fitzgerald, 10 Parklands Square and Mr. Tony Keane, 9 Parklands Square.

Illegal Parking - Community Council to meet the Gardai

The continuing level of illegal and dangerous parking in Maynooth was discussed at the March meeting. Maynooth Community Council is to seek a meeting with local Gardai to review the problem.

Community Council to contact Dublin Bus about bus stops in Main Street

The problems caused due to traffic flow in Main Street as a result of the location of bus stops was raised at the Community Council meeting. The matter is to be discussed with Dublin Bus as well as the possibilities for extending bus services to the residential areas in Maynooth.

Community Council supports motion condemning Kildare County Council:

A motion to Maynooth Community Council regarding additional residential rezoning by the full membership of Kildare County Council in respect of Maynooth was passed at the March meeting. The motion expressed concern that the proposal for an additional thirty acres were approved as it was contrary to the proposals of the local area committee of the Council.

**Paul Croghan
P.R.O.**

P.S. The Community Council meetings are attended by the representatives of local Residents Associations and clubs and interest groups. The purpose of these notes are to inform the public of decisions and to give a flavour of the debate that took place. Thanks to Mr. Kennedy for his interest in writing to me with his views on the notes.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

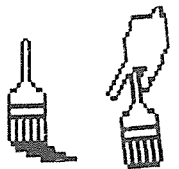
As a resident of the Main Street, I was heartened by your editorial which acknowledges that special consideration is needed regarding parking for people who live on the street. As my car is the second car in the family, and therefore I have no access to garage space at the rear of the house, it would be much appreciated if I was allotted a special permit to park in a parking bay on my return from work each day and at the weekends as I find it almost impossible to get parking anywhere. Parking a car down the back lanes is not safe at night, even if one could get a space. Aerials, mirrors etc are smashed and people fear for their own personal safety. Thanking you in anticipation for considering my requests.

Name and Address with Editor

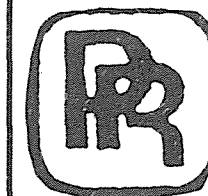
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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Sixty two different groups took part in this year's parade. The weather was fantastic. 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, Hewlett Packard and George O'Connor.

I would also like to thank the following:

- Mattie Callaghan and Paul Kelly Transport for providing the reviewing stand.
- Leo Bean, Seamus Kennedy and Ollie Bright for preparing the reviewing stand. Not to mention Melanie Oliver and Elaine Bean.
- Cindy Ankers and the staff of the Community Council Office for their work.
- Kathleen Gannon and Betty Brilly for flower arranging on 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.
- Emmet Stagg, T.D., for being guest speaker.
- Jim McManus for the power supply for the public address system.
- Sergeant Michael Desmond and the Gardai for their advice and help.
- Owen Byrne, our Lord Mayor, for leading the parade.
- All the stewards who yet again performed their tasks professionally.
- Tesco for the use of the car park.
- Bernard Flanagan 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.
- George O'Connor for the crash barriers. Very much appreciated.
- Leinster Arms for providing tea and sandwiches for the O.N.E. and Army.
- Freda Kelleher (Chairperson) 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.

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3. The Roost.

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- (b) **Best Club Float:**
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- (c) **Best Band:**
St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band
- (d) **Best Marchers:**
O.N.E.
- (e) **Best Costumes:**
Rita Doyle School of Dancing
- (f) **Most Topical:**
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- (g) **Funniest:**
Mulhussey Drama Group.

*John McGinley,
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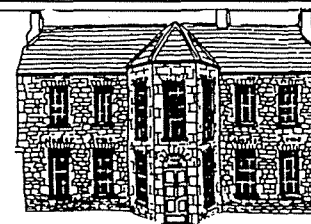
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PRESS RELEASE

Maynooth Community Council - Termination of Community Employment Project

Following the decision of Fás to terminate the Community Employment Project, Maynooth Community Council held an emergency meeting (22nd March 1999) in camera to appraise Community Councillors of the impact of this decision on the future of the Council. The following statement was issued after the meeting:

Maynooth Community Council has promoted Community Employment Schemes in conjunction with Fás (the National Training Authority), for 13 yrs. Over that period we have always responded to the wishes of Fás to increase the number of trainees on our schemes at times of high unemployment and have also worked with them in reducing our numbers in times of cutbacks in the Fás budgets.

The level of placement in full-time employment for trainees on our community employment schemes has been consistently 95% - 99%. The type of training provided has always been the most up to date, preparing people well for the workplace. The environment, while controlled and protected for the trainees, has at the same time represented the type of demands that people have to face in a busy office.

Central to the success of the project has been the interest and support given to the trainees by Ms. Norah McDermott, the office administrator. Maynooth Community Councillors acknowledge the key role she has played over the 13 years and confirm that she has the full support of the council.

Maynooth Community Council acknowledges the requirement that in the light of current employment trends that the number of trainees would be reduced because of the decision to reduce the number of trainees nationally from 41,000 to 28,000 by the end of 2000. Like before we expected to work with Fás in revising our schemes to take our share of the overall reduction. This scheme came up for review, a project plan was submitted in January, the evaluation process took place where the scheme was considered valuable training. Despite verbal agreement to renew the scheme for another year, the council were unexpectedly informed in writing that the scheme would be terminated.

Maynooth Community Council is the only focal point for the community, in a rapidly growing town. The council is operating to a workplan which envisaged the continuity of this community employment project. In the near future we had plans to be the central point for updating a technology based community information system. The projects currently carried out by the trainees include the monthly publication of the Maynooth Newsletter and the Community Festival. In the summer the local Community Games and Summer Project are also handled by this scheme. The sudden loss of this scheme will have an immediate impact on the wider community and put the Community Council plans in disarray.

Maynooth Community Council as sponsors have always taken an interest in the progress of our individual trainees. We are now concerned for their future as they are on one year training contracts. The termination of this scheme will mean that they will carry out the remaining period of the year on another scheme and then the Fás commitment to them will cease. In the light of comments from senior management in Fás, that the best opportunity for increasing the available workforce is to retrain people to come back to work, we

cannot understand the decision to terminate this scheme. Most of the trainees meet this criteria and in our opinion, the scheme was a very successful feeder training programme to meet this need.

We acknowledge that Fás Management are operating within the criteria determined by the Department of Enterprise and Employment. We know that the decision to terminate may well be taken as a response to these instructions. However, we believe that the valuable training and job placement success was not considered and we will be making representations to have this decision reviewed.

Our individual sponsors have kept the Council fully informed of the discussions with Fás to-date. Maynooth Community Council has sought a meeting with Fás to discuss the future involvement of the Council in promoting Community Employment projects.

Paul Croghan,
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Maynooth Community Council
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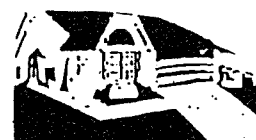
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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL NOTES

Maynooth pupil wins German Scholarship

Claire Hogan, a Transition Year pupil attending Maynooth Post-Primary, has won a Scholarship to Germany to attend a language course during the forthcoming summer holidays. Claire was awarded the Scholarship by the German Embassy because of her excellent German result in the 1998 Junior Cert. Exam. All staff and pupils of Maynooth Post-Primary congratulate her.

Maynooth Post-Primary v St. David's Artane Senior 'A' Dublin Final - 19th March 1999

1. John O'Brien
2. Daniel McCarthy 3. Andrew Dalton 4. Denis Beirne
5. John Joyce 6. Conor Diggins 7. Alan Geoghegan
8. George Beirne 9. Aidan Doyle
10. Padraig O'Sullivan 11. Karl Ennis 12. Kieran Kennedy
13. Barry Doyle 14. William Farrelly 15. Pierre Ennis

Subs: John Fagan, Aidan McCarron, Peter Finnan, Shane Carty, John Ashe, Sean Brady, Jonathan Leddy, George Snee, Mark Creevey, Cillian Carr.

Subs used: A. McCarron for K. Kennedy, C. Carr for P. O'Sullivan.

Result: Maynooth 0-10 St. David's 3-08

Half Time Score: Maynooth 0-08 St. David's 2-02

Scorers Maynooth: W. Farrelly 0-4, P. Ennis 0-4, K. Ennis 0-1, P. O'Sullivan 0-1.

Maynooth Post Primary were defeated in the Dublin 'A' Colleges Final on Friday in a marvellous well contested game played in O'Toole Park.

Indeed Maynooth were unlucky to lose, having dominated the opening half, but the succession of the first half goals proved to be their downfall. All credit to the way Maynooth played the game, never giving up until the final minute. On another day the result would have gone their way. Here's looking forward to next year when hopefully they will be back in the final.



"Maynooth Post Primary Senior Football Captain, Andrew Dalton receives a new set of jerseys from Ian Barrett, representing Barrett's Plumbing, Heating and Hardware, who sponsored the team for the Dublin Senior 'A' final last week. Also pictured are Mr. J. Nevin (left) and Mr. J. McKeon (right) who were the team managers."

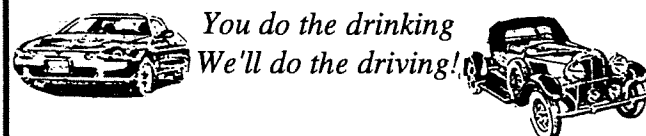
Maynooth Post-Primary in Leinster Final of the ESB Debate

James Mulligan, a sixth year pupil attending Maynooth Post-Primary, qualified for the Leinster Final in the ESB Debate last Tuesday. On Friday 25th March James will propose the motion "Socialism is a spent force". All staff and pupils wish James the very best of luck.

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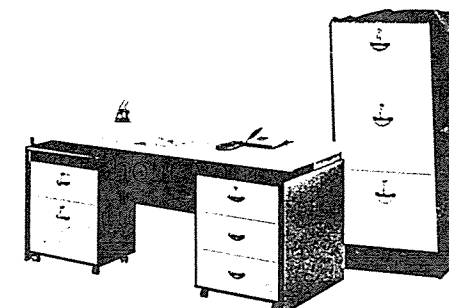
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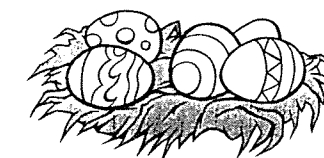
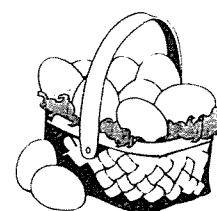


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BAND BULLETIN

As per normal the month of March has been hectic for the band. On Friday 12th March we embarked on our second trip abroad, this time to Manchester. On the Saturday we played a recital at Granada Studios, the home of Coronation Street. Some members returned later in the day for a tour, while others went to Maine Road to a football match. (Any rumours that the streaker at the match was a band member are unconfirmed).

On Sunday we took part in Manchester's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. It was a beautiful morning weatherwise, which was fortunate because the parade was five miles long. Directly after the parade we were homeward bound, with all agreeing that it was a great trip.

The band would like to pay a special thanks to the younger members, who on their first journey with the band, were a credit to themselves and needed little looking after. We would also like to thank coach driver Mick Stynes who looked after us brilliantly all weekend.

On St. Patrick's Day we were back in Maynooth for the last Parade of the Millennium. To mark the occasion, the band presented a souvenir to the Community Council to acknowledge their input to the parade over the last number of years. The fine weather brought out huge numbers lining the whole parade route. We hope to see the parade continue well into the new millennium. After Maynooth, we set off to first Kilcock and then Enfield for two parades which continue to grow in size each year.

With the band championship coming up on April 10th, we'll be right back to the grind after March.

For queries about the band and engagements the band can be contacted through : John Curran (Hon Sec) 34 Beechdale, Dunboyne, Co. Meath. Tel: 8252445 or E-Mail: joecur@tinet.ie

The band wishes all our friends and supporters a very Happy Easter. That's all until next month.

Colm Carroll
P.R.O.

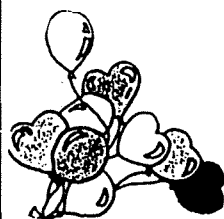
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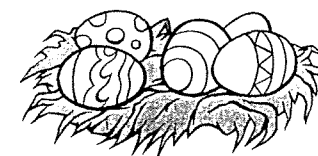
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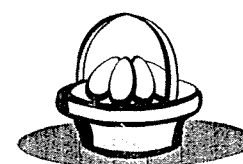
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Last month we wished both the boys and girls teams good luck in the next round of the Credit Union School Quiz. We are delighted to announce that they did very well for both their school and Maynooth Credit Union. Congratulations to St Mary's Boys' School who won the quiz on the day. The boys' team of Muiris Dunworth, Cian Duffy, Brian O'Rourke and David Baxter won the Chapter stage of the quiz and now go on to represent both this Credit Union and St. Mary's boys school at National level. On Sunday April 11th they will compete in the R.D.S. Dublin with 100 teams from all over Ireland.

We are sure that all the members of the Credit Union, their parents, teachers and school friends will be wishing them good luck on the day.

In last month's article we mentioned members who fall into arrears and how the credit union is always willing to help these people solve their problem. Since the start of the new year our credit control committee have been busy in this area.

Some members have received letters from the committee reminding them of their commitments. Members have reacted in different ways to these reminders. Some cannot believe they were sent one, How Dare we do such a thing. Some complaints were made but most members recognised that they themselves were at fault.

Missing one or two payments is all very well if you can immediately afford to make up the shortfall, but what if it is the start of indebtedness. Maynooth credit union will help any member with a problem, but we prefer to do it at the start, not at the end of the hole that the member has dug.

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On a sad note, having learned by public announcement that Maynooth Community Council is to be made redundant in the very near future, it is a most regrettable situation. This community project has served the people in so many ways over the years and it should be allowed to continue. Maynooth Credit Union would like to offer our sincere sympathy to those, who put so much time and energy into the running of the Community Council. We hope that good sense may prevail and reverse the situation.

Ken Loane., P.R.O.

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Summer Project Is this the end of an era?

I have been involved in the Maynooth Summer Project since it started 17 years ago. In those 17 years a lot of kids have come through the project. The Summer Project has been an invaluable part of the community, not only have the kids who participated in it gained but also any leaders who have worked on it have gained also.

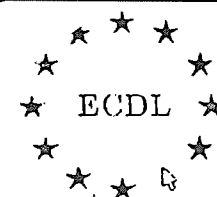
There have been a lot of changes in Maynooth since the Summer Project was started. Mainly the population has grown and the project has grown along with it. The project has grown along with the population growth to cater for the bigger number of kids and teenagers.



To me personally it would be a great loss if the project had to disband because the Fás scheme had to close. As it stands in Maynooth at the moment with the greater population moving in there is not a lot of activities for the younger people. Like most organisations in Maynooth when the Summer Project started it relied heavily on a group of volunteers who did an excellent job. But due to work and personal commitments, this committee disbanded, which left a void as to where the Summer Project would go. Thankfully the Community Council deemed it appropriate and necessary to keep this vital community project going, which without the participation of the people on the Fás scheme it would have been impossible to run. As like so many other things I'm involved in, it is very hard to get people to volunteer their time to these projects.

Over the years that I have been on the Summer Project whether with the old committee or the Community Council, I would say within those years one of the vital aspects has been the commitment of Norah McDermott, the Community Council and the Fás workers. If this is the last Summer Project, within my heart of hearts I hope not, I wish all the kids who have known me through-out the years a fond goodbye and farewell from "Captain Jack."

Johnny Dowling



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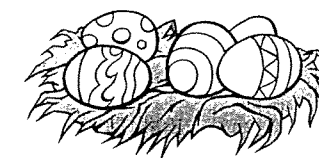
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

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Our Committee for 1999 is : Chair: Marie Gleeson, Secretary: Mary Bean, Treasurer: Madeline Stynes, P.R.O. Mary Cahill. Committee: Mary O'Gorman, Matt & Liz Callaghan, Moira Baxter, Mary McNamara, Padraig O'Murchú, Mick Gleeson, Bernie O'Shea, Matt Doran.

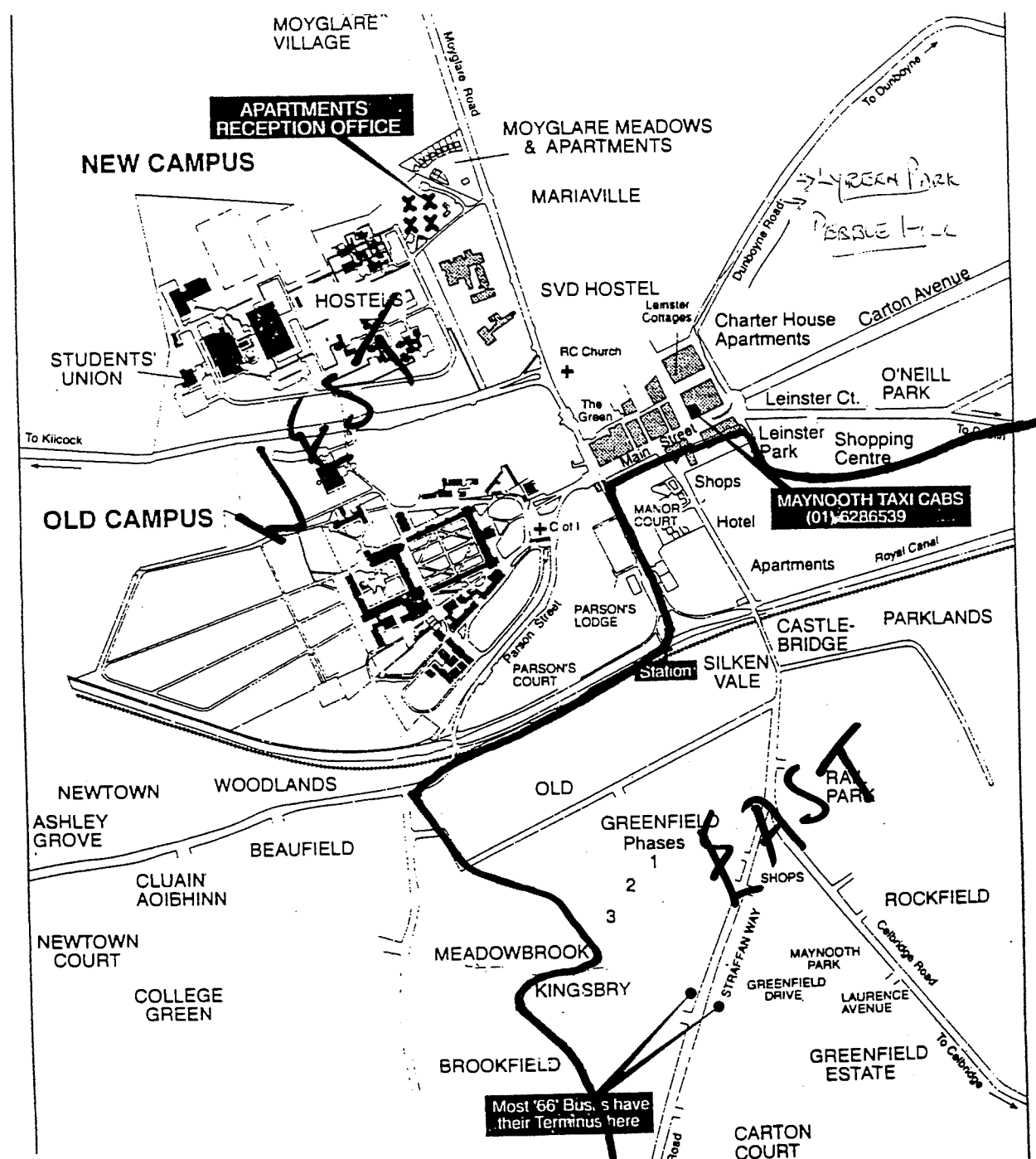
We will be holding the Art and Modelling Competition on 26th March in the Boys National School. Our swimming will be held at the end of April, date to be finalised. Also at local level we will be holding the Pitch and Putt and Gymnastics, for further information, Phone Mary Bean or Marie Gleeson at 6285246 - 087-2228089.

Maynooth has now split into two areas so from now on we will have East and West : Maynooth:

East: Parklands, Castlebridge, (Greenfield Estate), Old Greenfield, Rail Park, Rockfield, Kingsbry, Taghadoe, Mooneycooley, Straffan Road.

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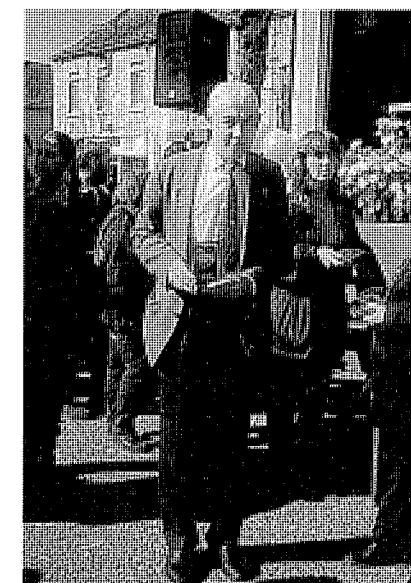
Thanking you for all your support and wishing the children in Maynooth all the best in the Community Games '99.



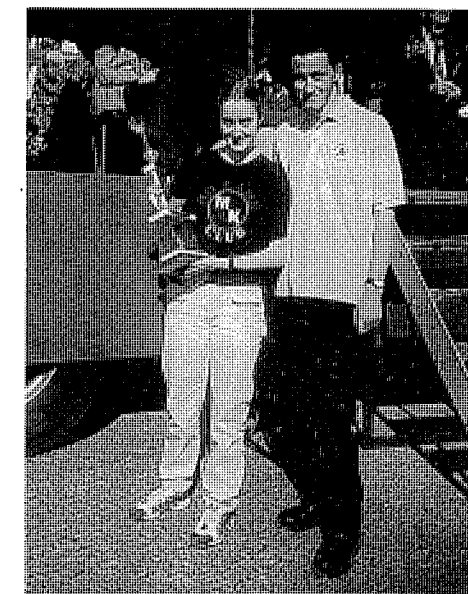
ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



Deirdre Horan receiving the trophy on behalf of the Barber Shop



Eddie Tracey receiving trophy for highly recommended window for the Library



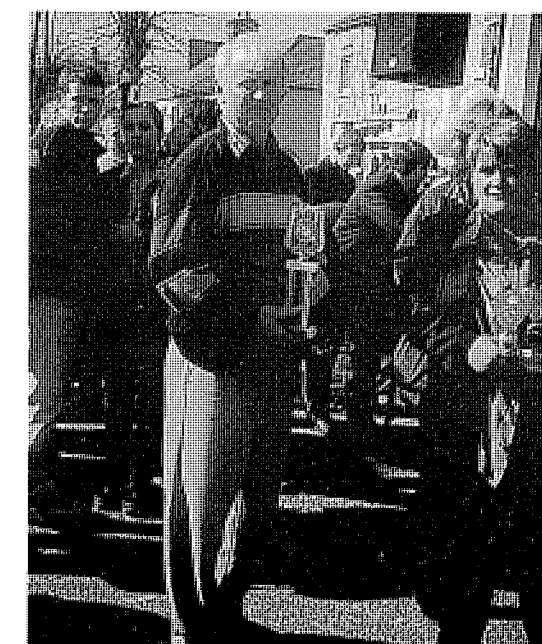
No Name Club receiving trophy for Best Club Float



Enjoying the St. Patrick's Day Parade



Senan Griffin, Sean Ashe, Bernard Durkan and Seamus Smyth enjoy the Parade.



Joe Buckley receiving Trophy for Best Window Display

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THE NO NAME! CLUB

As Chairperson of Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club, I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of a Special Event, the 21st celebrations of the No Name! Club, to be held on the weekend of Friday 9th April and Saturday 10th April 1999. The cabaret awards will be held in Maynooth on Friday 5th April and the National Youth Awards will be held in The Stand House Hotel, The Curragh, on Saturday 10th April.

The Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club has been given the honour of hosting this special event.

As part of this event, the participating clubs from around the country will be in attendance to the number of approximately 550. On that special night, the best Host and Hostess will be selected and a special presentation will be made on the night.

**Martin Caine, Chairperson,
Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club.**



Enjoying the Parade

National History - A Brief Summary

The old cliché, "the Butcher, the Baker & the Candlestick Maker" took on a new meaning when a group of friends and neighbours of two great Hurling counties, Wexford and Kilkenny, sat down together when it became very apparent that teenage time was "drinking time".

Drink was being used to celebrate and also in defeat - to drown the sorrows.

The three friends, the Garda, the Priest and Bank Official, decided that something had to be done about this. When they looked back at their own teenage years, drink never entered the equation. The excitement of new discoveries, fitness and health, they felt, were being taken away from all those teenagers who were being caught up in the world of drink.

In each of their daily lives, they saw first hand, how drink was effecting the youth. The Priest saw the effects of drink on families in the Parish. The Garda saw drink in his daily work and the Bank Official saw the terrible effects on those who wanted to become involved in Sport.

Something had to be done about the "pub culture" and how to find an alternative for the young.

The Priest, Fr. Tom Murphy, The Garda, Eamon Doyle, and Eddie Keher, the Bank Official got the use of the Function Room in Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny.

They had a venue now, so what to do with it ?

The pub culture had comfortable surroundings, music, dancing, singing and craic. They had to compete with this.

They needed to have somewhere comfortable and safe to attract the teenagers away from the pubs but yet combine all the activities that were on offer in the pubs. Somewhere that could house a commercially viable weekly event, and a large range of non - alcoholic drinks could be available, good inexpensive food would be essential, and reasonable starting and finishing times for all these events.

The biggest obstacle in the setting up of such a Club was a name to call it. Several names were suggested but No Name! was settled upon. The organisers did not want a name that suggested that the Club was anti drink or anti any other thing.

The Club began its life with Cabarets, informal dancing and discos. Initially teenagers and adults came to the events but slowly the adults declined as the Disco was taking over from the "auld time dancing".

The No Name! was founded in Kilkenny in 1978.

As the word spread locally and far and wide, other towns were getting interested in what was happening in Kilkenny.

Kilkenny Club invited other interested parties to visit to see how it worked and the Kilkenny Club were only too enthusiastic to visit other Clubs to help them get up and running.

Today the original Club is flourishing with capacity crowds for all their events.

As with everything, operational changes were inevitable with constant trend changes, venues etc but the basic aims and aspirations of the Club remain constant.

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Anyone interested in registering, please fill out the following details and send this form to:

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Telephone : _____
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Singing, Dancing, Other _____

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Additional forms available from the Maynooth Town Library and the Citizens Advice Centre, or photocopy as required

Notification will be sent in May of the forthcoming meeting

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THE NO NAME! CLUB (CONT.)

Today there are 35 No Name! Clubs operating in 14 Counties in all 4 Provinces.

Over 1,000 young Hosts and Hostesses are given specialised training each year and work within these Clubs.

Over 10,000 young people ranging in ages from 15 - 19 attend these Clubs weekly and participate and enjoy all the activities.

Hundreds of adults are deeply and totally committed to their local Club and very often hundreds more "curious and soon to be involved" adults are coming to events to enjoy the feeling of doing something very positive for a younger generation attempting to cope with alcohol abuse.

The original organisers, Eddie, Tom and Eamon take great pride when they think back on what their initiative and hard work has achieved for all the young people and indeed the adults around the country.

The Main Aims of No Name!

1. To provide a positive alternative to the pub and reduce the pressures which force people to an over - dependence on alcohol.
2. To demonstrate that it is possible and popular to organise and enjoy a social event and attend a function without the aid of alcohol.
3. Use voluntary effort and train and educate young people as informed community leaders with responsible attitudes towards drinking habits.
4. Create an awareness in the community generally, of the positive points to be gained by everyone when there is a reduced dependence on alcohol.

The purpose of No Name! is a simple and basic one.

To demonstrate a lifestyle in which the use of alcohol is seen to be unnecessary to the enjoyment of a good, happy, cheerful social life for young people.

Members of No Name! Clubs learn through their experiences in the Clubs that they can make friends, enjoy social outings and have great fun in a warm and friendly and healthy atmosphere without the use of alcohol.

Training in the running of a successful Club in all aspects is provided for the Adult Committee. Hosts and Hostesses are training in personal development and training in their roles within the Club. They are helped to develop leadership skills and qualities which prepare them for future life - as citizens with a valuable and serious contribution to make to society.

Each year an award is made to the Host and Hostess who are deemed to have made the most outstanding contribution to their own development, the work of their Club and the well being of the community in which they live.

All training is carried out at local level.

The Adult Committee comprises of people with commitment, interest, and positive attitudes who are willing to make a large contribution to the quality of life for the young people in their locality.

Adults from every walk of life are involved and at this time such people are needed more than ever before.

The No Name! Logo

The No Name! logo is an acorn. There is a special symbolism involved in this logo. When people become involved in No Name! Clubs, seeds of potential growth are sown. This potential for growth is the acorn. There is potential for growing in the following areas:

Self Reliance,
Self Confidence,
Organisational Competence,
Social Skills,
Personal Effectiveness,
Good decision making skills,
The Ability to make good choices in life,
Personal Development,
Leadership qualities and skills,
and a variety of other ways.

The LEAF is a sign that all the things listed above have begun to happen and have changed from what was possible to what actually is. There is the possibility that each acorn will become a mighty oak. The Leaf in the LOGO shows that process has begun. The writing around the acorn and leaf indicates that within No Name! there is all this potential for growth and human development.

In other words, within the Club the potential of each person is nurtured and encouraged to grow and bear good fruit.

GO ON.....GET INVOLVED IN YOUR NO NAME! CLUB!!!!!!

Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club! - A History.

In 1992, in response to a local ad, concerned people of Maynooth and Kilcock met to discuss the setting up of a club for teenagers in the area. Thus the Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club was established. The local Schools were canvassed for hosts and hostesses. Around 40 responded and along with the adults the club got underway. The adults, hosts and hostesses were trained by the C.Y.C.

Our first host and hostess to represent the club in the National Youth Awards were Michael Reilly, who is now an adult leader and Jennifer Rathegan, who represented the club nationally in the final in New Ross.

Our club is now into its 6th year and we are going from strength to strength. During this time the Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club has been represented nationally and locally. Conor Newman and Sheelagh Brady represented the club in Galway and Lucan respectively as finalists in the National Youth Awards. Both are now active adult members of the club.

Apart from running disco's the Maynooth Kilcock No Name! Club takes part in inter - club nights, both national and local training days and social nights out.

On the sporting front, the club has organised and sponsored its 3rd Annual Inter - Schools Basketball Tournament, which is proving more popular each year. We hope to have more sporting events in the future.

We have successfully entered the Maynooth and the Kilcock St. Patrick's Day Parades, which has helped to raise the profile of the club in the locality.

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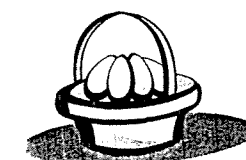
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THE NO NAME! CLUB (CONT.)

The club has hosted the National Cabaret Finals on two occasions and were delighted that our club's entry came 3rd in the final on one of these occasions.

Our hosts and hostesses look forward to their weekend away and our own away and our own awards night each year, where they receive their certificates.

On a national level we have been represented by Assistant Chairperson, Sheelagh Brady on Brendan O'Carroll's television show "Hot Milk and Pepper." We also had our voice heard on local radio stations. The *No Name!* Club has a website on the Internet, its address is <http://www.iol.ie/~noname>

Each year we expand on the training of, not only our hosts and hostesses but also the adult leaders. Our hosts and hostesses are trained in personal development, leadership, health and well being, the art of good service, group dynamics and in the duties of the club. For our adult leaders we offer training in leadership, first aid, drug and alcohol awareness etc.

At this point we would like to thank our hard working and dedicated adult committee members, founders, both past and present. The current adult committee members are as follows:

Chairperson:	Martin Caine.
Assist. Chairperson:	Sheelagh Brady.
Treasurer:	John Lamb.
Assist. Treasurer:	Muredach Tuffy.
Secretary:	Melanie Oliver.
Assist. Secretary:	Sinead Molyneaux.
PRO:	Evelyn McGrath
Assist. PRO:	Pat Farrell.

Elected Members:

Andrew Lamb.	Leonard Taylor.
Barry O'Grady.	Lila Flynn
Brian Ferry	Mark Mahon
David Lamb	Mary Mangan
Derek Gormley	Micheal Madden
Eamonn McLoughlin	Michael Maloney
Emer Heneghan	Michael Reilly
Emlyn McGin	Olan Rynn
Freddie O'Melia	Peter McNamara
James McMahon	Tommy Gallagher
Josephine Moore	Ursula Walsh
Karen Delahan	Kathryn Walsh
Vincent Mulready	Johnny Dowling

We would also like to thank all the adults who help us at our Discos and other functions. We are also looking for extra help and support. We extend our thanks and gratitude to National University of Ireland, Maynooth, Maynooth Gardaí, Seminary Students and Staff and all other local businesses who sponsor us and help us out each year.

For the future we hope to expand our services in all areas. We have currently lowered the age to accommodate for more of the youth. We issue membership cards, we are expanding the activities we have to offer. For our adults, hosts and hostesses we are offering a wider range of training. We plan to canvas more local businesses for their support. Hopefully we will be successful in obtaining our goal of a "Drop In Centre" for the youth.

All of these goals can be achieved with the continued support of the community and businesses and the dedication of the adults of the club, not forgetting the commitment and enthusiasm of our hosts and hostesses who make the club what it is. If you wish to become involved, please contact any of the named committee.

Pat Farrell,
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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The March Guild meeting was held on the 4th of March in the I.C.A. Hall at 8pm, with Rosemary Hanley presiding. Rosemary thanked us all for coming, and especially thanked Mary McNamara, our vice-president, who stood in for Rosemary while she was on holidays.

Sympathy was extended to Maureen Fagan on the death of her father. Also to the McTernan family on the death of Ita, who was a former member of Maynooth I.C.A.

Guild Activities:

Sport - Badminton continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Parish Hall at 10.30am.

Crafts - Crafts continue on Monday nights at 8pm in the I.C.A. Hall.

The winners of the March Guild competition "An Emblem for one's lapel on the theme of St. Patrick's Day":

1st - Rosemary Hanley

2nd - Jo O'Connell

3rd - Margaret Houlihan

* Highly recommended was Mary O'Gorman*

Quiz:

Helen Doyle, our contest secretary, tested our knowledge on a brain teaser, which left most of us struggling for the answers. The winning teams were:

1st - Mary O'Gorman & Jo O'Connell

2nd - Rosemary Hanley & Ann Broughan

3rd - Bernie Doyle & Grainne Kelly

We also had a game of "Call My Bluff," organised by our international officer, Mary McNamara with:

Team A: Margaret Houlihan, Ann Broughan & Rosemary Hanley.

Team B: Irene Matthews, Bernie Doyle & Bernie King.

The winning team was Team A.

Raffle Results:

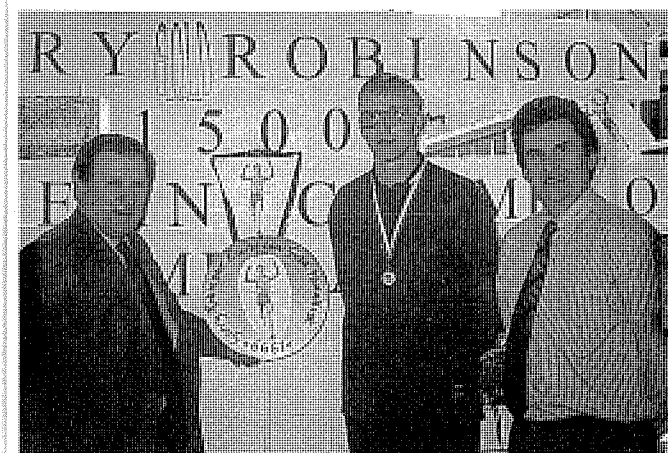
1st - Mary Halton

2nd - Ann Broughan

3rd - Maureen Fagan

Our next guild meeting will be held on the 1st of April in the I.C.A. Hall at 8pm. The Guild competition on the night is "A hard boiled-egg decorated for Easter".

Irene Matthews, P.R.O.



Gerry Robinson, Staff Member, Maynooth Post Primary School, 1,500 Gold Medal Winner In Vets European Championships

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

As I completed our item in last months issue I asked you to support our annual collection which we held from the 4th to the 7th of March. Well this you did, very generously indeed. The amount raised was £1,924.74. This exceeded all expectations and is already "ear-marked" for our Easter fuel delivery, many thanks to all who gave so willingly. A special thanks to the proprietors of Quinns/Tesco for the use of their premises and to Ollie Bright who organises the facility. We thank the Publicans who allow us invade their premises with our boxes and their customers for their courtesy and kindness to our collectors. Last but by no means least, we thank Monsignor Stenson and Fr. Sinnott for that all important "plug" which helped us along the way.

Our next event will be our Easter Party which will take place on Sunday April 11th in the Post Primary School. By now all those "Easter Bonnets" should be ready for the Parade, if not, you have nine days to complete the "Masterpiece".

Activities still to come, the sponsored walk, our summer outing, the community festival and of course our annual holidays in Kerdifstown. So lots to look forward to as the evenings stretch and the weather softens.

Our morning club is now closed for the Easter break and will re-open on Tuesday April 13th. Meanwhile may I wish you all a very Happy Easter.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of the late Nan-McLoughlin, Marie Dowdall, Eileen Brady, Michael Glenville, Robert Bishop, Arthur Kearney and Lil Dunne. May they rest in peace.

Finally, it is with sadness and regret that I learned, that this may be the final issue of the Newsletter. This monthly publication has been a source of information in this community for many years. It has acted as voice and window to many voluntary organisations like ourselves in this town. It provided an opportunity to ordinary people to express their opinions and views openly.

Over the years Norah and staff have been a great help and support in the many projects that our committee have undertaken. They provided us with research facilities during the publication of two booklets, printing and copying at unbeatable prices and judges, reporters and photographers for our many competitions and functions for which we thank them.

Yes it is a great pity to see a service coming to an end that puts simplicity over sophistication. Perhaps the powers that be may come to their senses, even at the "eleventh hour", or are we so elevated by our "economic boom" that we are uncomfortable with things "ordinary"....."The Tiger Roars"

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More support is needed so please contact us at 6286311, 6286268 or 6271704 Anytime

Kind Regards Des Noone and Paula O'Shea.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our last club night meeting on 16th March, was very successful. Mary Colnan was an excellent demonstrator and produced some beautiful exhibits, as did Candy Holten on the 16th February.

The day school with Nuala Hegarty was very inspirational and every one who attended found it very informative.

The Maynooth Flower and Garden Unit are staging the annual Spring Show on the 24 - 25 April 1999, Loftus Hall, Maynooth College.

Spring Show Details

- Only one entry per exhibitor per class.
- The committee will in no way be responsible for any loss or damage sustained to exhibits either at Show or in transit.
- Competition will be judged in accordance with the NAFAS Schedule of Definitions - Ninth Edition.
- Judges decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Enquiries/Entries to: Felicity Satchwell, 6286240

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Entry Fee: 50p per entry. Prizes: £10, £7, £5, Prizes Class 5: £15, £10, £5

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PLANT SECTION:

Class 9 One stem of Flowering Shrub (Trees excluded)

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Class 11 Three Daffodils or Narcissi (same or Mixed)

Class 12 Collection of cut flowers from the garden, excluding Daffodils, Narcissi or shrubs.

Class 13 3 Tulips.

Class 14 3 stems of spring flowers (same or mixed), Excluding Daffodils, Narcissi or shrubs.

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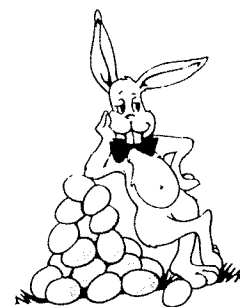
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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Press Release

BEST ESTATE AND SHOP FRONT COMPETITIONS 1999

Maynooth Tidy Towns are pleased to announce that these competitions will take place again this year. Both competitions have proved very popular with the residents and businesses in the town. Applications are not necessary as all residential areas and businesses are automatically included. Judging to new guidelines will take place during the summer months.

Robert O'Reilly, Chairman of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee said that the new footpaths and other improvement works have engendered positive feelings and an interest by the people in the general appearance of the town. He believes that these changes will encourage the business community to ensure that their shop fronts are well maintained and he predicted stiff competition for the best shopfront 1999.

The appointment of a Litter Warden by Kildare County Council, as well as a number of other new initiatives such as the green environment programme supported by Maynooth Post Primary School will greatly assist the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee in our work commented Paul Croghan, Secretary of the Tidy Towns Committee. He also acknowledged the pioneering role taken by Coonans Estate Agents and Financial Services in their sponsorship of the annual best estate and shop front competitions since 1996.



Chairman, Robert O'Reilly, presents Miriam Ahern of Rockfield with 1st prize in Best Large Estate Awards.

As in previous years the competitions will be sponsored by Coonans Estate Agents and Financial Services. Confirming their continued involvement with the competitions, Mr. Willie Coonan, Managing Director, said that the interest in the competitions has grown over the years, evidenced by the general improvements in the level of maintenance that has taken place in many residential areas. Coonans are pleased to be associated with such positive projects in the town.



L-R. Paul Croghan, Katie Delaney, Willie Coonan and Robert O'Reilly

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

We thank Gerard Mulcahy Family Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre for once again sponsoring our entry and float in the St. Patricks Day Parade. We congratulate Gerard for winning a prize in the shop window competition organised by Maynooth Community Council for St. Patricks Day.

The Committee would like to place on record our thanks to Mattie and Liz Callaghan, Mathew and Margaret Callaghan and Seamus Kennedy for their work on our St. Patrick's Day Parade Float.

This time of the year we are normally very busy getting together our entry for the National Tidy Towns Competition. This year with no Community Employment Project it will be even more difficult. So we ask anybody who has an hour or two to spare to contact us c/o the Community Council Offices.

In April there is National Spring clean-up, watch for our notices about our local campaign.

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GARDA TALK VANDALISM

What is Vandalism?

The term "Vandalism" is used in many different contexts to describe a variety of behaviours. Generally, however, it is held to be the destruction or damage of property, carried out for trivial motives, or simply because of carelessness and disregard. In this way we could describe as vandalism, the breaking of car aerials, the smashing of telephone kiosks, the painting of graffiti, the damaging of trees, or even the indiscriminate discarding of glass bottles and other rubbish. Vandalism is never harmless, or funny!

Who Pays for Vandalism?

The answer is easy - WE ALL PAY!

- When bottles, cans, paper and other 'rubbish' are thrown into our rivers and parks, they destroy beautiful amenities. Ones which should be used for recreation, the encouragement of wildlife, the growing of plants and trees, etc.
- When telephones are damaged we have no facility to ring our friends, or enquire about that job or advertisement, and no way to contact the emergency services when we need them most.
- When flower beds are destroyed, tree branches broken, bottles smashed, buildings sprayed with paint, they all badly affect the environment in which we live. Sometimes these things are set right by the government using our tax money, not just income tax, but tax money gained from food, clothes, magazines, entertainment etc. So, even if you aren't in paid employment, you still will be paying money towards the costs. There is no escaping the bill - WE ALL PAY!

Vandalism Costs Money

While all this 'Vandalism' appears to be different, and while it would be possible for you to name many other varied acts which could be described as vandalism, they all do have something in common - they all involve costs! These costs relate to repair, replacement and repainting, as well as simply cleaning up "the mess". All costs can have a money value, but some also include costs to the environment and to the quality of our lives. Thinking about these costs, raises another big question - Who pays?

Why do people commit Vandalism

There are many reasons put forward as to why people commit acts of vandalism.

- One form of explanation blames the individual for personal failings or character defects.
- Some seek to locate the problem in the way that society is structured.
- One other set of explanations points to the importance of the different sets of values that we hold.

Clearly, it is important to consider the causes so that we may try to deal with them, but it is also important to consider the effects.

The effects of Vandalism

You know that money is limited. What is used in one way, cannot be used in another. This means that if we spend money to replace things which we destroy, then we cannot afford to pay for other recreational facilities. We cannot

afford to improve our environment with additional parks, improved waterways, leisure centres, revitalised town centres. We cannot afford to have vandalism without paying the price in terms of poorer services, and a poorer quality of life.

Destroying your own property

When you think about vandalism, always remember that in some way, the thing that is being attacked is YOURS. You will always be worse off with an environment marked by deteriorating and damaged property, and YOU will always have to pay for it.

Preventing Vandalism

Don't get involved in vandalism! Be aware of your actions and their consequences for you, and for everyone else. Even little things like discarding litter can become a major, expensive problem, if millions of others are equally careless. Help your friends to realise this, and lead by example. You will be playing a very valuable part in making our country a better, more attractive place to live in. Not only will you be showing a sense of civic pride, but also a degree of common sense. Sometimes it's not easy making a stand against vandalism, but it is always worthwhile, and something for which you can be proud. This article hasn't sought to emphasise that vandalism is a crime - you know that already! But it is a strange kind of crime. Vandalism is a crime committed by the irresponsible against themselves, and against everyone else in the community.

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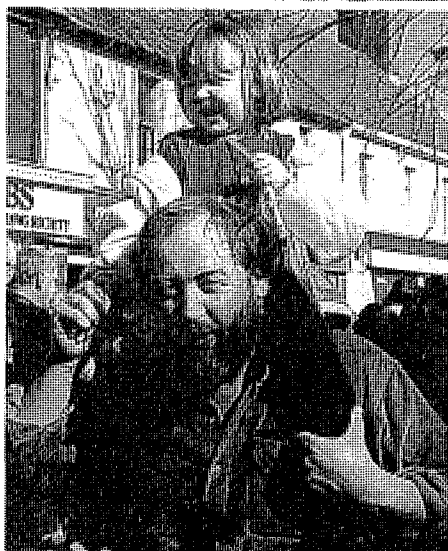
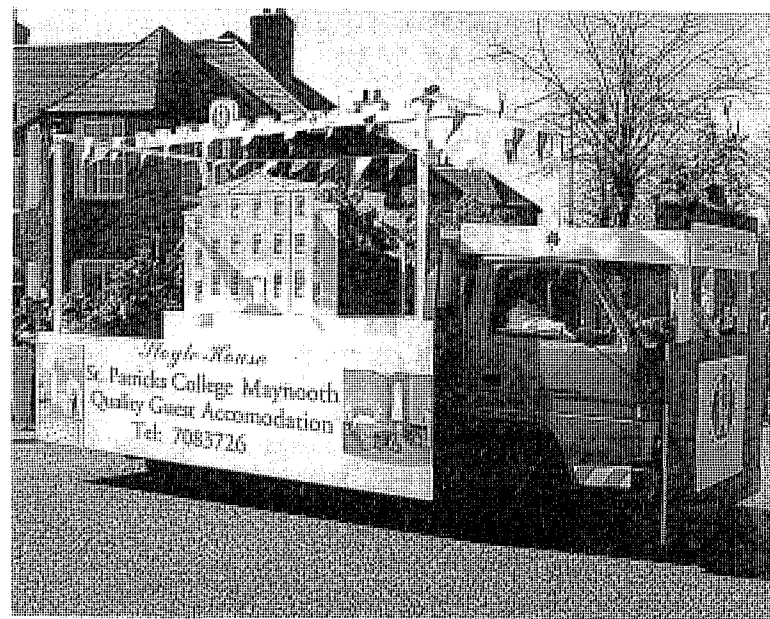
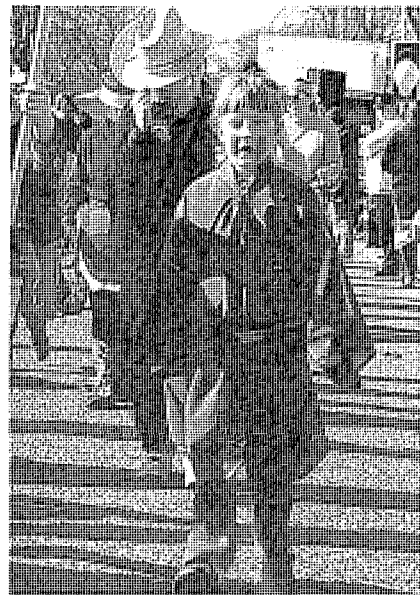
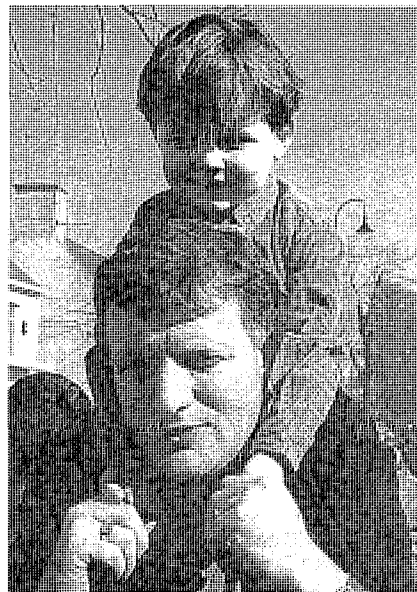
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VIDEO REVIEW

The Horse Whisperer (12's)

Robert Redford directs and stars in this beautiful and superbly crafted adaptation of the novel by Nicholas Evans. It's a kind of a Mills and Boon story with stetsons, boots and saddles.

Redford plays Tom Booker, a grizzled horse doctor living in Montana with his ever-so-Waltons family, mending the fences and passing the grits when he's not chatting to the nags.

Meanwhile, back east in the big city, Kristen Scott-Thomas is the hard-nosed New York magazine editor, Annie, forced to pay attention to her slowly disintegrating family when her daughter loses her leg, her best friend and very nearly her horse in an accident.

Having decided to take her indignant, pain in the ass daughter and the injured nag to the acclaimed horse whisperer, the bould Annie soon finds herself fancying the great man. I'll leave the rest to you to work out!

Redford makes sure that, at the very least, The Horse Whisperer looks beautiful. He also tries to make sure that he himself looks equally beautiful, though at this stage it's a trick of the camera.

This movie runs for over two and a half hours, and that's about two hours too long. In the end your sympathy for the gi-gi and the kid and the mot is totally exhausted, and you wish to God that somebody would put the whole lot of them out of your misery!

Verdict: For incurable insomniacs only.

Lethal Weapon 4 (18's)

Starting out as it means to go on - very loud and extremely violent - the movie opens with a bullet-proof, flame throwing madman who seems to have wandered in off a Batman set.

Wisecracking cop Martin Riggs (Mel Gibson), seeing the deranged fireman, reckons he might be the spokesman for the I.R.A. before convincing his partner, Roger Murtaugh (Danny Glover), to strip off his boxer shorts and flap like a chicken as a distraction so that he can save the day.

From there the plot goes on to involve the Chinese mafia, slavery, police corruption, illegal immigrants, impending fatherhood and growing old! As the two ageing partners find themselves unable to run quite as fast as they used to, the phrase "we're getting too old for this crap" pops up several times.

Joe Pesci and Rene Russo resume their former roles, Pesci as the grating, hapless Leo Getz and Russo as Gibson's love interest.

A clear case of more of the same only less, this movie is saved by the interaction between Gibson and Glover and some very funny one-liners.

Verdict: Adequately entertaining.

Mercury Rising (12's)

Bruce Willis stars as the cop who takes an autistic boy on the run after a mysterious group tries to kill him in this so-so thriller.

Willis plays F.B.I. agent Art Jeffries, demoted from his

position as hostage expert after punching his superior. When he's sent on a routine case of a missing boy whose parents have apparently committed suicide, he realises there's more to this assignment that meets the eye.

Finding the boy hiding in an attic. Jeffries's suspicions are confirmed when a killer infiltrates the hospital he takes him to. Soon the boy is attracting all sorts of gun-crazy wackos, as Jeffries tries to find out just why the kid has become a walking target.

Willis churns out these action movies in his sleep, so you know what to expect.

Verdict: Very ordinary.

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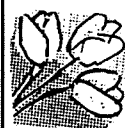
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UNSUNG MEMORIES AND HEROES

If published, this Newsletter may well be the last of this series. We hope not.

From the first 2 page pamphlet produced by the late Ted Kelly and his team, to the black and white issues of the first Community Council, to the issue of today, introduced by the reconstituted council. So just in case I would like to reflect on the people scenes and events of years gone by, many of which did not merit mention in Cannon Balls and Croziers.

Many residents will recall the weekly Cattle Drives from the area and through the Village. Every Tuesday evening cattle were driven on foot to the Cattle market on the North Circular Road in Dublin. The many talented drovers. "Tipperary Tim" being the most notable, who drove through the night. The weekly parade of "Turfmen" with their ponies and carts, from Donadea, Coolcarrigan and Timahoe, the Hynams, Gills, Dempseys, and many more. Some delivered locally, other to the western suburbs of Dublin, where early morning travellers witnessed the scene of the carts tipped up under which these men spent Friday night on the disused Tramline on Cunningham Road before continuing their deliveries and return on Saturday night. The old square was crammed with much relieved ponies while some of the turfmen partook refreshments in the local hosteleries.

One omission that cannot go without mention is Stillorys R.C. choir and choir master Frank Walsh, who in the years 1945 - 1949 made five live broadcasts on Radio Eireann, a mighty achievement in those days.

Many will recall the Horse Racing achievements of the late beloved Dr Paddy Osborne and his Horses Alice Maythorn and Prince Blackthorn at Fairyhouse and Punchestown.

The wartime Parish Council instituted by the Late Rev John Flynn C.C. this co-op provided allotments at the Parish Hall and Pebble Hill for those without gardens, and Turf Plots on the bog. On page 130 of Croziers and Cannonballs mention was made re the impact of World War II on the people of Maynooth, but nothing of our many pre war emigrants, and indeed those girls and boys who emigrated to Britain for work in those days, joined the army, Navy and R.A.F., others the U.S or Canadian armies and served with valour and distinction in Burma, Italy, Normandy and on the North Atlantic convoys. Some alas lie today where they died. There were in those days, unsung good Samaritans, who were generous to all without monetary gain. Three in particular who rowed in with their help in all emergencies voluntarily. One elderly small holder awoke one morning whilst her husband was in hospital, to find the cow milked, the milk cooled and canned, cow and calf, pigs and hens fed, firewood prepared, later in the evening found the hay which had been cut, cocked and other chores done by persons unknown, afterwards to be identified as Paddy Burke, To Sue Harte who had cycled six miles from Kellystown and Joe Murphy, all now sadly deceased. These chores were completed before they began their work, and again afterwards.

People today are generous, but there is not to be found the equal of these unsung heroes and there were many more like the above.

There is so much more to recall, neither time or space or perhaps no Newsletter to publish them.

Perhaps this scribes efforts may encourage others to remember and relate what I have omitted in some future local publication.

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CAN YOU WALK THE WALK ?

An oriental adventure in China has been chosen for the 1999 overseas sponsored walk of the Irish Heart Foundation. Fifty walkers are invited to take the challenge and join the walk. The journey begins before heading overseas with a fundraising effort to raise £3,500 needed to secure a place on the team.

The walk will begin in September for two weeks and participants will follow a route steeped in history and fascination from the ancient city of Beijing to Xi'an. Stroll through Tiananmen Square in Beijing, hike along the great wall of China, amble along the Paddy Fields, follow the trails of the old silk road in the south finishing at the Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an.

The Irish Heart Foundation is dedicated to the prevention of premature death and disability from heart diseases and stroke through research, education and community service. New Orleans hosted the sponsored walk last year and the expedition was a memorable one raising over £100,000 for Heart Foundation sponsored research in Ireland.

Ruth Findlater, Fundraising Manager, Irish Heart Foundation said, "As well as the delight of first hand experience and sights encountered along the journey, the walkers gain immense personal satisfaction through maintaining their own health as well as contributing towards the health of the country. Exercise and especially walking is strongly encouraged by the Heart Foundation as a firm step towards the prevention of heart disease."

The overseas walk will stretch over seven days, averaging 5 hours a day. Walkers are divided into three groups depending on their level of ability - just be fit and healthy. The Heart Foundation provides advice on training for the walk and also helps with the individual fundraising efforts. The £3,500 entry requirement covers all transport, accommodation, visa requirements and Insurance. Past walks have been enjoyed in Russia, the Black Forest, Argentina and South Africa. To date a total of 15 overseas walks have been arranged by the Foundation. For more details, please contact the Irish Heart Foundation on 01 6685001.

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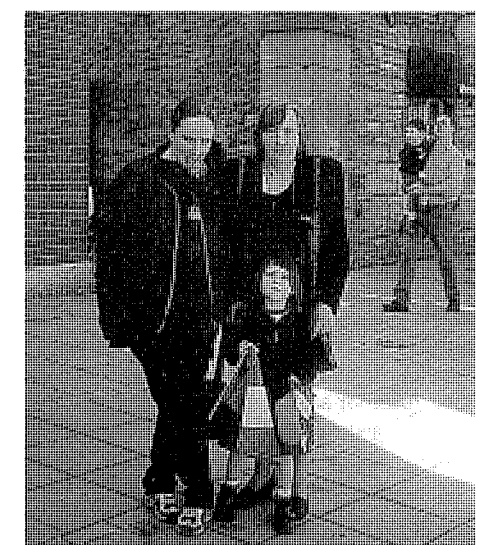
Pupils in deep conversation with the President.



Rita Doyle School of Dancing receiving the Trophy for Best Costumes at the Patrick's Day Parade.



Larry O'Brien receiving trophy for ONE Best Marches in St. Patrick's Day Parade



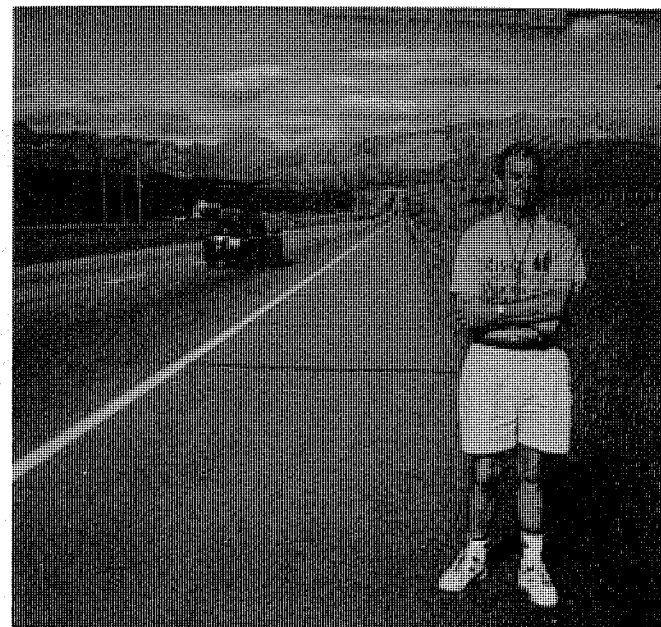
At St. Patrick's Day Parade, L-R: Tara, Mary & Samantha Thompson.

Features

QUIGLEY THE MASTER HANDBALLER

In 1998 Declan Quigley brought glory to the Maynooth Handball Club by winning a Leinster 40x20 emerald masters doubles with partner Declan Carling and a Kildare junior county title with Paul Hand, proving in both cases that they were the best in their grade. In fact if Carling had not injured himself in the Leinster final they may well have gone all the way and took the national title.

Water under the bridge said Declan. This year I am going to put all my eggs into the one basket and play only in the inter county emerald masters singles. With his mind made up Declan geared all his training towards achieving his goal,



Canadian Highway

another All Ireland title. He had previously won a 60x30 doubles title with Pat Farren while in the garda club. He was working in and playing for Dublin then.

His first fixture in the 1999 series was against fellow Kilkenny man Frank Minogue. This game never materialised due to a mix up in the venues and Declan found himself in the Leinster Final without having played a game, he had to travel to Kilbeggan to play Tony Martin in that final. Despite this being his first game Declan recorded a fine victory beating the Westmeath player in two straight games 21-13, 21-14.

The All Ireland Semi-final pitted him against Down's Des McNeill, the Ulster champion. Newry was the venue for this game. Another away venue for Quigley. The Leinster win had given greater confidence to Declan and he played an excellent game to win his way into the All Ireland Final on a scoreline of 21-6, 21-9.

All Ireland day arrived and Declan found himself on the road to Roscommon to play the Connaught Champion. Another away fixture, what's new? Jim Doherty had beaten the Munster champion and no doubt expected to do the same to the Leinster Champion. However Declan had other ideas and continued his good run by taking the first game 21-9. Early in the second game Declan got a belt of the ball where

it really hurts and there were doubts as to whether he would be able to continue or not. After a brief rest and a few deep breaths he carried on as best he could. He soon found himself behind by 17-9. Showing all the skill and guile that brought him this far he rallied and went on to win by 21-19, and became the emerald masters champion for 1999.

Subsequent to the above win Declan was attending what he believed to be a normal handball meeting, when he was taken completely by surprise and presented with a trophy by Mick Gillick on behalf of the club executive to mark the occasion of his famous victory. Having recovered from the shock he thanked all concerned and made the best of the party which followed. He also said that he may very well not talk to the members of his family who neglected to tell him about the celebrations. His wife Ann, daughter Jennifer and son Mark were in attendance.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The County Championships got under way in February. Mick Duffy was the first Maynooth player to play in the novice competition. His opponent was veteran Leixlip player Pat Hilliard. Mick won the first game at a canter and looked odds on to take the match in two straight games. Complacency set in and he lost the second game. The third game was a titanic struggle with both players giving of their best and the Maynooth man winning by a single ace.

Niall Leavy and Ger Loughry had the misfortune to draw each other in the first round. Leavy proved too strong for Loughry and he now meets Ronan Flaherty, Leixlip in the next round. Tony Fingelton played his first round match in Leixlip. He came second to Damian Carthy on this occasion. Tony and Niall were also defeated by Leixlip Father and son combination Mark and Phelim Cribbin in the doubles. Mark Quigley recorded his first win in the championships when he travelled to Castledermot and knocked out Moon's Phil Morrissey. He now plays Noel Mullahey from Leixlip Mick Galvin, one of the most improved players in the club, played Leixlip's Seamus Brennan in his first outing this year. He went down by the narrowest of margins in a game that will be remembered more for its controversy than for its great handball. If Mick keeps improving at his present rate he will take some stopping in next years championships.

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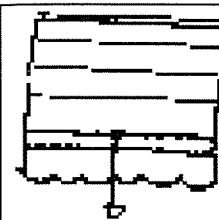
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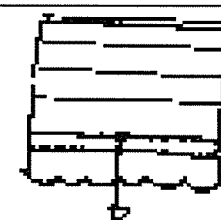
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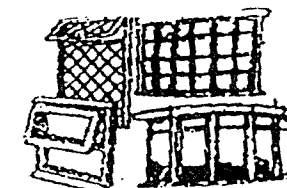
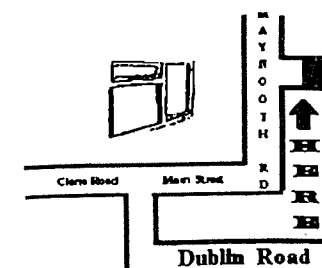
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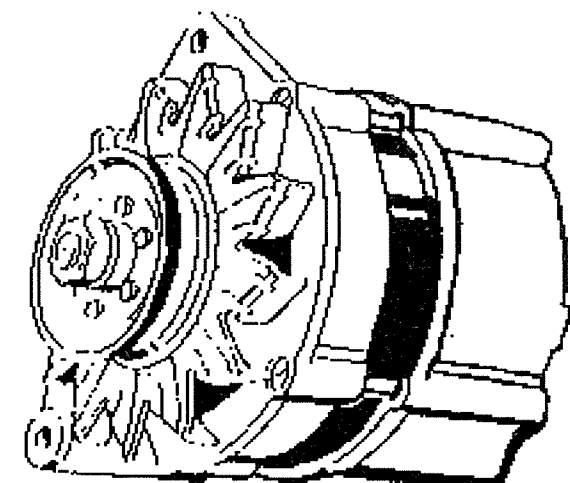
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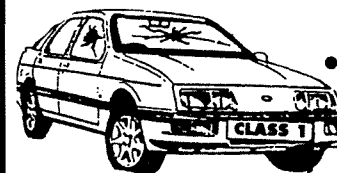
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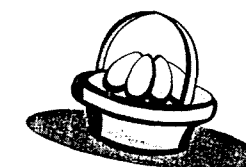
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Maynooth Community Council Fás Scheme

The decision by Fás to terminate one of the Community Employment Schemes sponsored by Maynooth Community Council is totally unacceptable and will be challenged at every level by Labour Public Representatives.

It had been known that the scheme numbers would probably be reduced but the decision to terminate the scheme fully is entirely arbitrary and without foundation and shows no regard for the highly successful placement rate which the Community Council Scheme achieved, both in Bad Times and Good Times.

To date discussions with Fás locally have proved fruitless and their attitude is one of "no way are we reversing the decision". Because of this attitude Deputy Emmet Stagg has sought to raise the matter with the Tanaiste under the Adjournment Debate in the Dáil on Tuesday March 23rd.

Let one thing be clear every avenue will be explored by both Deputy Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley in resolving this matter to the satisfaction of the Fás workers and the wider Community of Maynooth.

LOCKING OF GATES TO LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

A considerable number of people have contacted both Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley in connection with their opposition to the Locking of the gates to Laraghbryan Cemetery.

It seems that the Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee requested Kildare County Council to lock the gates at all times to prevent cars from driving into the cemetery and driving on the side verges. Having looked at this situation it is clear that only one minor verge area was driven over. Because of the inconvenience caused to senior citizens visiting the graves of their deceased family members Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have called on Kildare Co. Council not to allow the locking of the cemetery gates.

Everyone in the Community appreciates the work undertaken by the Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee but this does not give them the right to decide how the cemetery operates on a daily basis.

NEW CAR PARK FOR MAYNOOTH TRAIN STATION

Kildare Co. Council have acted on Cllr. John McGinley's motion to provide an entrance/exit to the train station from the new Bond Bridge and to construct parking bays between the station and Bond Bridge in conjunction with Iarnród Éireann and the Dublin Transportation Office (DTO).

At its meeting on 15th March the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council was advised that Iarnród Éireann were in agreement with Cllr. McGinley's proposal and that the DTO would fund the project (previously the DTO had recommended putting the car park in the Harbour Field).

The new car park will accommodate 100 extra cars and as a temporary measure the Straffan Road entrance/exit can be

used until Bond Bridge is completed. A turning point will be provided at the Bond Bridge end. When Bond Bridge is completed the new car park will be closed at the station and the exit/entrance will be from Bond Bridge in order to avoid creating a 'rat run' from Bond Bridge to the Straffan Road.

BOND BRIDGE UPDATE

As a result of a motion from Cllr. John McGinley the Area Committee are given a quarterly update on Bond Bridge. At their meeting on the 15th March the Area Committee were advised that the consultants H.G.O'Connor had submitted preliminary design drawings and that they expected to have the tender documents ready by Mid-October of this year. Land has to be acquired from both the O.P.W. and C.I.E. but it is expected that this will not delay construction.

BOTTOM OF OLD GREENFIELD LANE

Roads design section of the Council advised the Area Committee that resurfacing of this section of the Lane from the entrance to the 700's to the Bollards will be included in the 1999 Road Works Programme. This is good news for the residents in the area who have had to tolerate an appalling roadway and footpath for too long.

BOREEN CLEAN UP

Arising from Cllr. John McGinley's motion the Council have agreed to a clean up of the Boreen. This will be good news for Maynooth Soccer Club and their supporters. Hopefully, indiscriminate dumping will now stop at this location.

CARTON AVENUE PIER

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley are pleased that work has finally commenced on rebuilding the Pier at Carton Avenue. The gate which was taken down will also be rehung.

NEW PUBLIC LIGHT FOR MAYNOOTH PARK

Following representations from residents in Maynooth Park, Cllr. John McGinley is pleased to report that a new Public Light will be installed at Maynooth Park No. 2 Sub-station. This should light up this dark area of Maynooth Park.

KAVANAGHS MILL COMPLEX

Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg welcome the granting of Planning Permission for this major complex.

Cllr. McGinley also welcomes the condition of Special Development Levies of £236,000, which were included in the permission granted, and which will pay for the upgrading of footpaths from the Main Street to the Mill. This will enhance the new Mill complex in addition to enhancing the Towns environment.

POUND LANE SPEED CUSHIONS

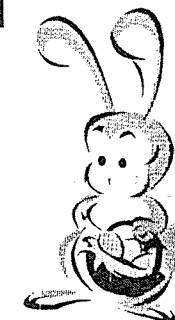
Cllr. John McGinley's motion to provide three speed cushions

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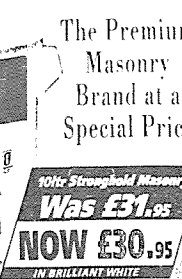
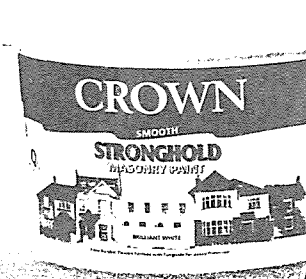
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on Pound Lane in order to slow down traffic was debated at the last Area meeting. In order to proceed the Council officials have advised that the locations of the speed cushions would need to be agreed with the residents and this will now be followed up. The cost of the speed cushions which is put at £10,000 can be met from development levies.

O'NEILL PARK FOOTPATHS

In response to concerns expressed by residents in O'Neill Park, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to provide footpaths in the Square section of O'Neill Park. They are practically non-existent at present and it is causing ponding of water at gateways.

LITTER STRAFFAN ROAD

In order to try and reduce litter on the Straffan Road Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Area Committee.

'That litter bins be installed at the bus stops on the Straffan Road, Maynooth, and that they be emptied by the Council daily'

CONDITION OF RATHCOFFEY ROAD AND FOOTPATHS

Following representation from Cllr. John McGinley concerning the dangerous state of this roadway and footpath, he has been advised as follows by Kildare Co. Council:

'Areas have been set back to facilitate road widening, and the matter will be discussed with Roads Design Section in the near future to ascertain if any remedial action can be taken in the short term which would be consistent with medium term realignment proposals'.

Cllr. John McGinley has also submitted the following motion to the Council:

'That the realignment of the Rathcoffey Road from Bond Bridge to the Motorway be carried out in conjunction with the new Bond Bridge project and that the realigned road should incorporate footpaths, cycle paths and traffic route standard lighting for its full length.'

BUS SHELTER O'NEILL PARK

Cllr. John McGinley has asked Dublin Bus to provide a bus shelter at the stop at O'Neill Park in order to provide shelter for those who regularly use this bus stop.

NON PROVISION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICE

Whilst the National schools in South Kildare can avail of the services of an Education Psychologist it is unacceptable that pupils in Maynooth have no service available to them.

The provision of a proper Psychological Service is a must in addressing the needs of children presenting with educational difficulties. Previously the Department of Health carried out assessments but they now state that the provision of the service is a matter for the Department of Education.

The Minister for Education has indicated to Deputy Stagg that

25 additional psychologists will be appointed for the beginning of the 1999/2000 school term. Deputy Stagg stated that he will be insisting that both Maynooth and the remainder of North Kildare schools are included under these appointments.

RATIO OF CIVILIANS TO GARDAI-WORST IN COUNTRY

Figures provided to Deputy Emmet Stagg have indicated that the Carlow/Kildare Divisional Area, of which Maynooth is part of, has the worst ratio of Civilians to Gardai in the Country at 563 Civilians to every Garda.

This compares with a ratio of 492 to 1 in Waterford/Kilkenny, 454 to 1 in Mayo and 388 to 1 in Clare.

On top of this the Crime Rate has increased in the Carlow/Kildare Division by 8% in 1997 and a further 4% in 1998. This is against a national average crime drop of 6% in 1998.

The existing compliment of Gardai in Kildare are doing their best but clearly they are under-resourced. If we had a compliment similar to Mayo, 73 extra gardai would be assigned to the division bringing our total to 376 gardai.

Deputy Stagg will raise the inequity in the allocation of resources with the Minister for Justice.

TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk in aid of the Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee will be held on Sunday May 9th at 3.00pm from Maynooth Post Primary School.

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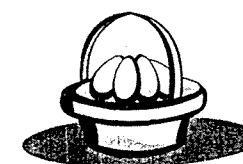
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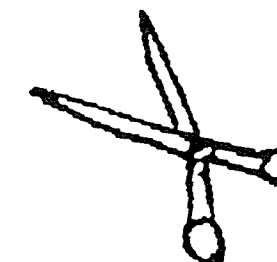
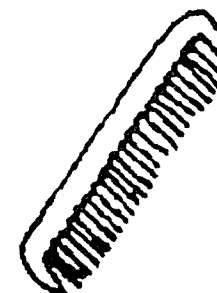
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FINE GAEL NOTES

Bond Bridge

Deputy Bernard Durkan has been told following numerous representations to the Minister that Kildare County Council received approval to raise a loan of 1.5 million to fund a reconstruction of the Bridge last year. The project is at the design stage. *"It is clear that Kildare County Council needs to accelerate action on this issue, said Deputy Durkan"*

Shared Ownership Loans

Provisional figures for 1998 show that 2,962 applications were received by local authorities of which 980 have been approved and 805 have been completed, Deputy Bernard Durkan has been told following his continuous representations on behalf of concerned constituents. *"It is a disgrace that less than 1 in 3 applications results in a house purchase" said Deputy Durkan*

New Affordable Housing Scheme

At last the Minister and the Government accepts that there is a housing crisis! said Deputy Bernard Durkan responding to a recent Press Release from the Government on the above issue.

The main elements of the new scheme are as follows: The Local Authority will build houses suitable for purchasers who qualify under the scheme by way of an income test or by surrendering local authority or voluntary accommodation. In the case of the single earner an income of £20,000 or less, and in the case of double income households, where 2 1/2 the principal income plus once the secondary income is £50,000 or less.

Houses will be sold at cost price i.e. discounted from market value.

The Housing Finance Agency (HFA) will provide mortgage finance to enable loans under the scheme at a variable rate of 4% at present, or at a fixed rate of 4.4%.

There will be a graduated subsidy to assist with repayments which will further reduce mortgage outgoings for those with a household income of not more than £16,000 or less as follows:

Income (p.a.)	Subsidy (p.a.)
£10,000 or under	£1,600
£10,001-£12,000	£1,400
£12,001-£14,000	£1,200
£14,001-£16,000	£1,000
Over £16,000	Nil

It is important to note that should a house purchased under the scheme but re-sold within 5 years, the discount in the sale price (i.e. the difference between the original market value and the sale price) would be repayable to the local authority by the purchaser at the time of sale of the house. Should a house be sold 5-10 years after original purchase a tapered repayment of the discount would apply.

Waiting Lists for Orthodontic Treatment for Children

A total of 18,798 children are awaiting orthodontic treatment with a waiting period of between 1-4 years. The breakdown by Health Board region is as follows:

EHB	6,649
MHB	645
MWHB	834
NEHB	1,140
NWHB	1,051
SEHB	511
SHB	4,168
WHB	3,800

"These figures are a disgrace", said Deputy Bernard Durkan "It is quite clear that no effort is being made to provide a proper orthodontic service for to-days children. Parents are likely to have to fork out again to get attention privately for their children, despite the existence of a so called orthodontic service" he said.

Motorway Link-Leixlip/Celbridge

Kildare County Council submitted an Environmental Impact Statement (E.I.S.) for the proposed Celbridge Interchange in October 1998 and submitted a Motorway Scheme in November 1998. An Inspector will be appointed to hold a public inquiry into the Motorway Scheme in the near future. The date and time will be published in the national press. A date for the commencement of site works does not arise at this time, Deputy Bernard Durkan has been told in a reply from the Minister.

Major Road Improvements & Realignment in Kildare North

Deputy Bernard Durkan raised the issue of road improvements and realignments with the Minister recently and received the following reply: Kildare County Council were allocated a total of £8,055 million in non-national road grants for 1999 in February of this year, an increase of 14% on the 1998 allocation. Regarding national roads, nearly £312 million is being made available through the Department of the Environment for the improvement of national roads, an increase of 18% over 1998.

Responsibility for the allocation of this funding to individual projects lies with the National Road Authority. Responsibility for the maintenance/improvements of non-national roads in North Kildare rests with Kildare County Council.

Public Lighting at Kilcock Road, Maynooth

Following continuous representations by Deputy Bernard Durkan with both Kildare County Council and the National Roads Authority, an order has been placed with the E.S.B. under the refurbishment programme for the installation of public lighting at the Kilcock Road, Maynooth. Deputy Bernard Durkan & Cllr. Senan Griffin have been assured that this work will take place within 2-3 weeks.

Additional Gardai in North Kildare Area

The total number of Gardai assigned to the North Kildare area is totally inadequate given the increasing crime rate in this area said Deputy Bernard Durkan following information he received recently (as listed below) from the Minister:

Naas District	110 (All Ranks)
(Maynooth, Celbridge, Clane)	
Ashbourne District	68 (All Ranks)
(Kilcock)	
Lucan District	138 (All Ranks)
(Leixlip)	

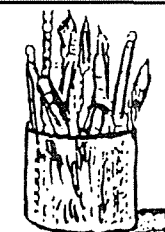
The situation is being kept under review by the Garda Authorities and when additional personnel next become available, the needs of the stations referred to i.e. Celbridge, Clane, Leixlip, Kilcock & Maynooth, will be fully considered in the overall context of the needs of other Garda stations throughout the country.

Deputy Bernard Durkan was further informed that the total strength of the Force at the present time is at 11,200 with a projected figure of 11,500 for end of 1999 and 11,800 at the end of 2000. It is planned to meet the target of 12,000 by 2002.

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FINE GAEL NOTES (Cont.)

Footbridge at Canal Harbour

The provision of a new footbridge at the Canal Harbour is being actively pursued by both *Deputy Bernard Durkan* and *Cllr. Senan Griffin* in light of the festivities planned this coming Summer. CIE has overall responsibility for the provision of the bridge and they have been in contact with the Minister regarding design of the new structure. It is hoped that the new bridge will be in-situ before festivities begin.

Restoration of Geraldine Castle

A provision of £1m has been allocated for the restoration, 75% of which is being provided by the European Union's Operational Programme *Deputy Bernard Durkan* has been informed, following his representations to the Minister. The first phase will begin in the latter part of this year. To date, £78,000 has been already spent.

Royal Canal Amenity Group-Jubilee Rally

Deputy Bernard Durkan is pleased to report that "an agreement has been reached between the Minister and the RCAG Jubilee Committee to provide a range of facilities at a number of locations along the canal, including Leixlip, Maynooth and Kilcock at their Jubilee Rally in August next".

Greenfield Lane

The Council engineering staff gave an undertaking to Cllr. Senan Griffin at the Area Meeting of the 15th March 1999 that the Lane will be resurfaced and flooding (which occurs on a regular basis) will be corrected as a matter of priority.

Lights/Footpath / Speed Limit - Dunboyne Road

At long last this footpath and lights are in place along the Dunboyne Road servicing Pebble Hill and Lyreen Park and Nagle Court. Cllr Senan Griffin would like to express his thanks to Mr. Hugh Peacock of the Construction Industry Federation for his help in expediting the provision of the lights and footpath.

Speeding traffic is of serious concern to the residents in this area, said Cllr. Senan Griffin and he has requested the Gardai and Kildare County Council to extend the 30 m.p.h. speed limit further out the Dunboyne Road.

Minutes of Planning Meeting

The minutes of the planning meeting as used by the Labour Party and the Planning Alliance in last month's issue of the Newsletter were deemed to be inaccurate by the Celbridge Area Committee as they had not been adopted by the Area Committee. It is important to note that these minutes go to the full meeting of Kildare County Council as recommendations and can be adjusted before adoption. It is wrong for any person to use these minutes prior to their adoption by the full Council.

Kelly's, Fagan's Lane / Coates, Pound and Double Lane

A proposal by Cllr Senan Griffin "that the above Lanes are in urgent need of resurfacing" has been accepted by the Area Committee and the Engineering Staff following a recent meeting.

Festival Grants

The Area Committee have accepted Cllr. Senan Griffin's proposal that a grant be made available to the Royal Canal Amenity Group for the running of their festival in August. They also agreed that fresh water stands would be made available along with a number of portaloos for the festival from 8th August - 12th August 1999.

Affordable Housing

This is the most important issue before all public

representatives at the present time and Cllr. Senan Griffin has welcomed the recent announcement by the Minister for the Environment encouraging Local Authorities to make sites available to couples earning up to £20,000 single or £50,000 joint income. It is only one step and will require immediate action by all Local Authorities.

Cllr. Senan Griffin has for the past two and a half years projected this kind of scheme as the only solution to help those earning £16,000 to £20,000 and time has proved him to be correct in his assessment of the problem facing young couples.

The problem can only be solved by Kildare County Council making serviced sites available. Unfortunately, for those young couples living and wishing to continue residing in Maynooth, the Council do not have any land which they can make available to these young couples.

It is important that Kildare County Council acquire at least 30 acres of land for these serviced sites to cover the period up to 2006 which is the period of the forthcoming development plan. Cllr. Senan Griffin has stated on numerous occasions that it is wrong to ask young couples of the age 27 plus to wait for the next plan. This is the time to give these young couples a chance to own their own affordable home, he said.

Local Elections 1999

Cllr. Senan Griffin is contesting the local election in June and his aims for the future are:

- (1) Affordable Housing (especially for young couples).
- (2) Amenities:
 - Active - playing pitches
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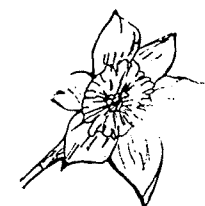
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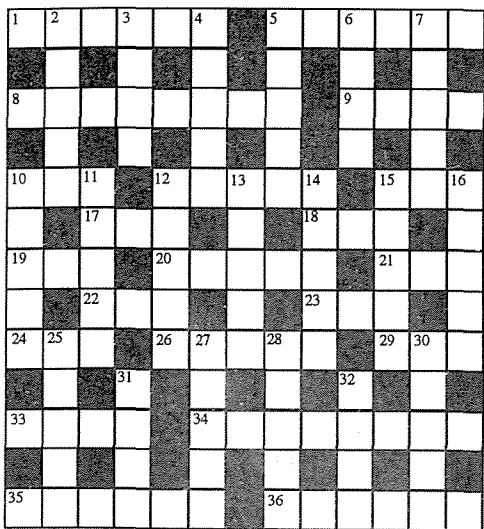
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Crossword No. 137



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Across:

- 1. Shriek (6)
- 5. Debase (6)
- 8. Scare (8)
- 9. Ooze (4)
- 10. Toupee (3)
- 12. Managed (5)
- 15. Total (3)
- 17. Meadow (3)
- 18. Tear (3)
- 19. Spring (3)
- 20. Rascal (5)
- 21. Sort (3)
- 22. Cur (3)
- 23. Skill (3)
- 24. Watch (3)
- 26. Possessed (5)
- 29. Stray (3)
- 33. Secure (4)
- 34. Story-teller (8)
- 35. Combined (6)
- 36. Pact (6)

Down:

- 2. Dog breed (5)
- 3. Border (4)
- 4. Saying (5)
- 5. Thick (5)
- 6. Method (4)
- 7. Farewell (5)
- 10. Squander (5)
- 11. Clearing (5)
- 12. Freight (5)

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- 15. Malice (5)
- 16. Manufacturer (5)
- 25. Long (5)
- 27. Declined (5)
- 28. Heron (5)
- 30. Perch (5)
- 31. Adroit (4)
- 32. Paddle (4)

Solution to Crossword No. 136

Across: 1. Skewer; 5. Work; 8. Organ; 9. Vie; 10. Hero; 11. Scan
12. Bathe; 13. Rotted; 16. Disc; 18. Numb; 20. Hod; 22. Pea; 23. Gnu
24. Cane; 25. Last; 28. Tapped; 30. Stamp; 32. Hear; 33. Aide; 34. Nag
35. Force; 36. Prey; 37. Studio.

Down: 1. Severe; 2. Election; 3. Echoed; 4. Broadcast; 5. Washing 6. Once; 7. King; 8. Orb; 14. Diplomacy; 15. Emu; 17. Sea; 19. Unopened; 20. Hag; 21. Destroy; 26. Talent; 27. Adagio; 29. Ship 30. Safe; 31. Pie.

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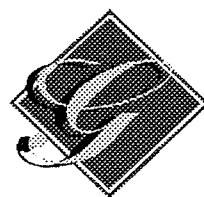


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GARDENING



INTERESTS

APRIL IN THE GARDEN

Flowers

Sow hardy annual seeds where they are to flower, in previously prepared ground, either in a border of their own or as fillers among other plants. Remove the dead heads from flowering bulbs. Apply a foliar feed to the leaves and bulbs to encourage them to flower the following year. Plant out forced bulbs in bowls when they have finished flowering and been hardened off. These will add to the garden display next spring. Plant out dahlia tubers as soon as the ground is workable. Continue to plant gladioli corms and lily bulbs, also other bulbous plants such as ranunculus, anemones, montbretias and nerines. At the end of the month, plant out hardened-off chrysanthemum cuttings. Lift and divide hardy chrysanthemums which have wintered outdoors-replant young healthy pieces immediately and discard old and central pieces. Continue to water outdoor plants in containers in sheltered areas.

Fruit

Spray all fruits with insecticides and fungicides to control pests and diseases when the flowers are not fully open-spray before bud-burst or after petal fall. Lightly prune newly-planted plums and established figs, and disbud at intervals the sideshoots of fan-trained peaches and nectarines when marble-sized to allow the remainder to develop fully. Remove the flowers from newly-planted fruit trees and bushes to prevent them fruiting this year. This helps build up their strength for the following year. Water container grown plants and weed the borders.

Vegetables

Continue successional sowings of most vegetable crops, including lettuces, radishes, chicory, endive and parsley, either where they are to mature or in seed-beds. Start sowings of root crops such as carrots, beetroot, parsnips, swedes and turnips. Thin out or transplant seedlings of vegetables sown last month. Stake peas and beans. Earth-up early potatoes and plant main crop cultivars. Plant out vegetables raised earlier under glass and which have been well hardened. Sow seeds of annual and perennial herb. Spray against pests and diseases as soon as they are noticed.

Trees, shrubs and climbers

If the pruning of roses, winter-flowering shrubs, and those which flower on this year's growth, was not completed last month, finish it as quickly as possible. Plant out pot-grown clematis and prune back. All climbers and wall shrubs should have new growth tied in as they appear. Hoe carefully round root areas, remove weeds, and mulch. Shallow-rooting plants, such as magnolias and rhododendrons, are best not hoed but given a deep layer of mulch over the roots - use acid peat for rhododendrons.



Under Glass

Thin out seedlings of half-hardy plants sown last month, and gradually harden them by moving them to cold-frames. Rooted cuttings of chrysanthemums, dahlias, fuchsias and pelargoniums should also be hardened off next month. Pot-on greenhouse plants such as chrysanthemums, tuberous begonias and gloxinias, also new cyclamen. Older cyclamen that have finished flowering should be rested. Plant greenhouse tomatoes into a soil-bed, pots, growing-bags or rings (if grown by the ring-culture method.) Sow hardy tomatoe cultivars for planting outdoors in the summer. Thin out seedlings of greenhouse cucumbers, melons, peppers and aubergines. Also, thin and start to harden off sweetcorn and celery for planting out next month. Thin the fruits of greenhouse grapes. Ventilate the greenhouse more freely, lower the temperature (except if frosts are expected) and water the plants regularly to prevent drying out. Spray or fumigate the plants against pests and diseases. Most houseplants will now start to require more water and liquid feeding.

.....and don't forget

Mow lawns, apply weed and moss-killers if necessary, and give the first spring dressing of a lawn fertilizer. Sow or turf new lawns, but take more care when cutting the grass and do not over-use the mower during the first summer cutting. This is a good month to create a water garden. Therefore, place orders for plants needed next month.

POP QUIZ

10 - 15 Years Olds

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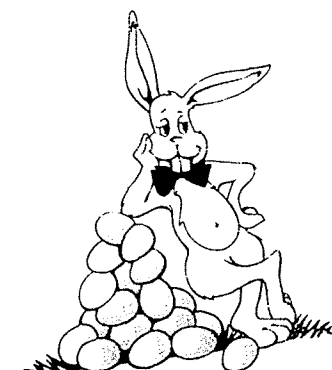
2. Who had the original hit with "The Going Gets Tough"?

3. What is the name of Posh Spices Baby?

4. Name Robbie Williams latest single?

5. Name Ronan Keatings Baby?

6. What is George Michaels latest Album?



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Filling:

25g margarine or 1 tablesp. oil
1 medium onion, peeled
300g tomatoes or 1 tin tomatoes
Salt and pepper
Pinch oregano or mixed herbs
100g grated cheese

Method

1. Start with the filling. Chop onion and sauté for 5 minutes in hot oil or fat in a saucepan. Add peeled tomatoes or tinned tomatoes and their juice, herbs and seasoning.
2. Simmer gently while making dough, until mixture is thick and pulpy (break up tomatoes with a wooden spoon if necessary).
3. Base: Sieve flour, salt and baking powder into a bowl. Rub in margarine until it resembles fine breadcrumbs.
4. Moisten with liquid and mix to a fairly stiff dough. Roll into a large round shape 1cm thick.
5. Place on greased baking tray, sprinkle cheese over (keeping back 1 teasp.) then spoon tomato mixture over cheese, covering it completely. Sprinkle remaining cheese on top.
6. Bake in fairly hot oven, 200C (400F)/ Gas 6, for about 30 minutes. Serve at once with green salad for lunch or supper. It may also be eaten cold.

Quiche Lorraine

Ingredients:

Pastry:

150g plain flour
1/8 teasp. salt; 1/2 teasp. icing sugar
75g margarine/butter
Squeeze lemon juice
Cold water

Filling:

2 eggs (or 4 egg yolks)
200ml creamy milk (or cream)
Salt and pepper; pinch nutmeg
25g butter/margarine
75g streaky bacon
100g cheese (Cheddar or Gruyère)

Method:

1. Make pastry by sieving plain flour, sugar and salt into a bowl. Rub in margarine until it resembles fine breadcrumbs. Add lemon juice and sufficient water to make a stiff dough. Chill in refrigerator for 20 minutes.
 2. Roll out pastry, to fit 20cm flan tin. Return to refrigerator while making filling.
 3. Sauté de-rinded bacon in 25g butter/ margarine until soft and beginning to brown. Cut into strips.
 4. Beat eggs, stir in milk (cream), nutmeg and seasoning.
 5. Grate cheese and sprinkle over flan. Place bacon on top.
 6. Pour egg mixture over and bake in a moderate oven 190C (375F) Gas 5, for 30-40 minutes until mixture is set and golden brown on top.
 7. Remove flan ring, serve on hot plate, cut into wedges, with a green salad. Garnish with tomato or cucumber slices.
- Note: To ensure thorough cooking of pastry base, place a baking tray in oven while it is heating up and put the quiche on this to cook.

Easter Simnel Cake

This is a traditional Easter cake and it should be made at least two weeks in advance.

Ingredients:

175g butter or margarine
175g caster sugar
3 large eggs
225g plain flour
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
300g currants
100g sultanas
75g chopped mixed peel
1-2 tablespoons milk
500g Marzipan
3-4 tablespoons apricot jam
1 egg, beaten, for glazing

Method:

Line an 18cm round cake tin. Cream the butter and sugar together and beat in the eggs gradually. Sieve the flour with the spices and fold it in, then the fruit. Mix to a soft dropping consistency with a little milk. Put half the mixture into the tin and level it off. Divide the marzipan into 3 and roll out one-third on a sugared board into a round slightly smaller than the tin. Pinch the edges to prevent the paste cracking. Lay the marzipan round on top of the cake mixture and level it off. Tie a band of brown paper round the outside of the tin and 5cm above it to protect the top of the cake during baking. Place it in a preheated moderate oven so that the top of the cake is in the centre of the oven and bake at 170C/325F Gas 3 for 1 hour, reduce to 150C/300F Gas 2 for a further 2 hours or until the cake is firm to the touch. Allow to cool in the tin before turning out on to a wire rack to cool. Leave on the lining paper, wrap the cake in foil and store for about 2 weeks.



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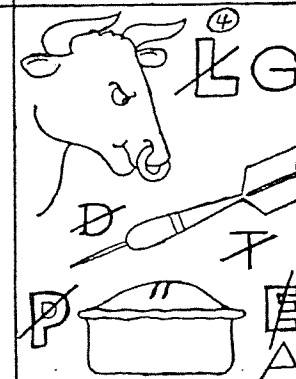
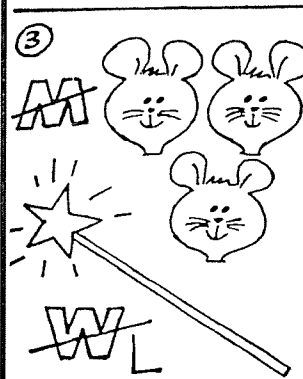
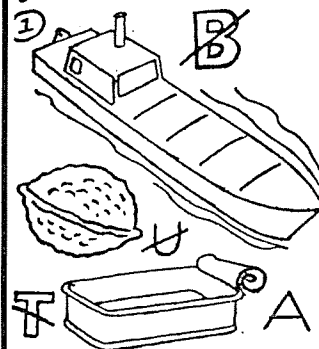
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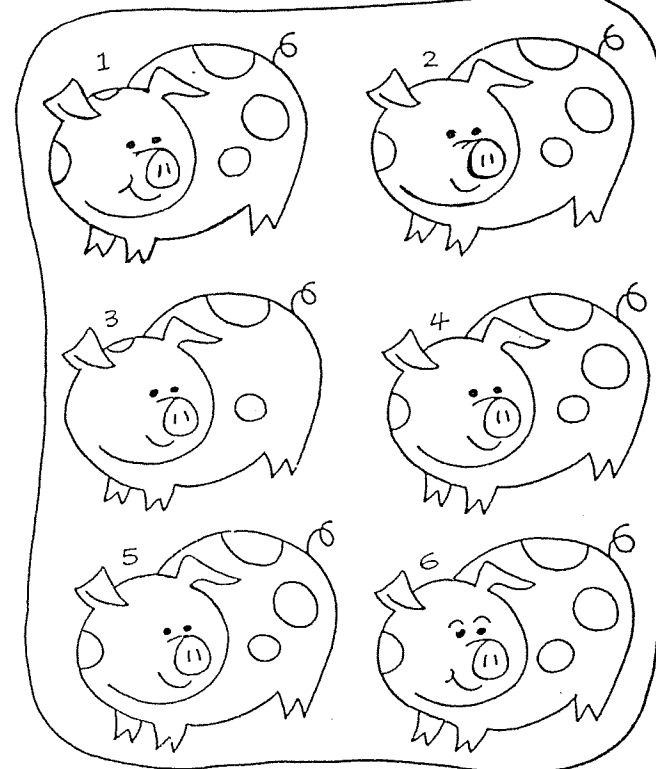


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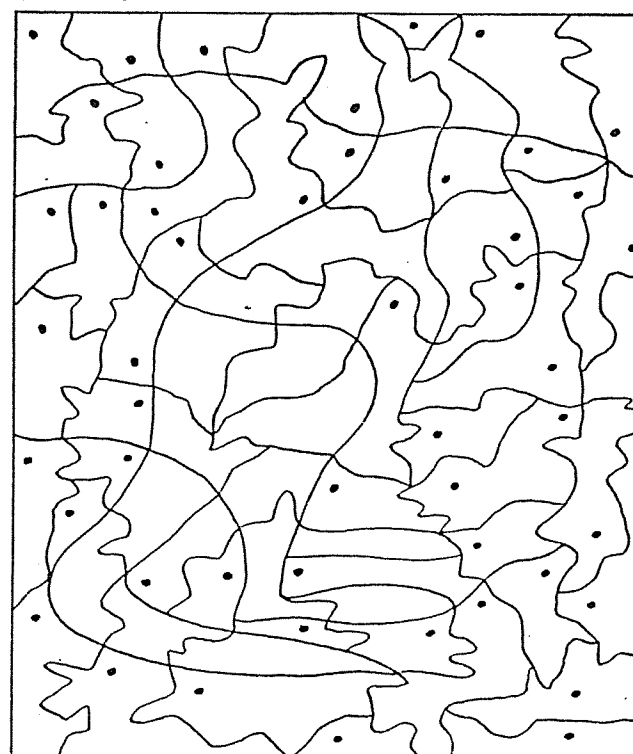
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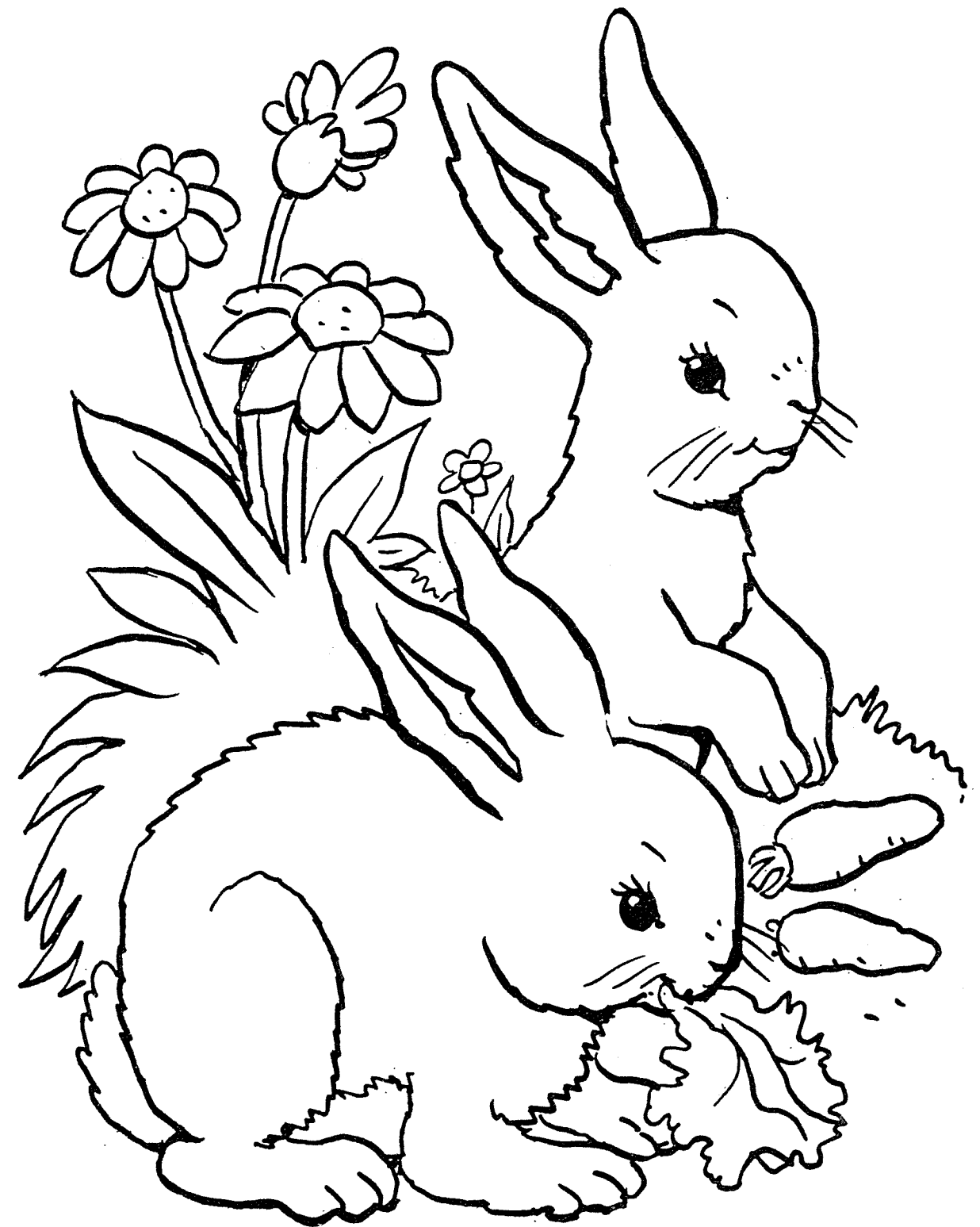
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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES

D.D.S.L. Under 12's (Cup)

Rivervalley Rangers 3 Maynooth Town 0

Maynooth's under 12 team travelled to Swords for this cup tie that was decided by 3 goals from the home side in the second half. The Town won the toss but failed to capitalize on the strong wind in the first period. Despite some good spells Maynooth were never firing on all cylinders and went 1-0 down within a minute of the restart. The Rangers attack beat the offside trap and finished well. The Town were having trouble coping with the wind and a lively front pairing and inside of 40 mins, were two down after a well struck 20 yd. low drive gave Maynooth keeper Sean Kennedy no chance. Rivervalley made it 3-0 in the 57 min. to end Maynooth's cup run.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Mark Cummins, Kevin Comerford, Jason Moen, Niall Doogan, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Brian O'Malley, Sean McAllister, Shaun Doogan and John Flemming.

D.D.S.L. Under 16's B

Templeogue 5 Maynooth Town 3

The Maynooth under 16's travelled to Templeogue only to be greeted by gale force winds and a torrential downpour. In the first 7 minutes Maynooth were 3 goals down due to the wind and some poor defending. Worse was to come as both teams battled against the elements with the home team having a 5-1 advantage at the break. Maynooth's first came when Colin Daly won a penalty and Jason Newton casually converted the spot kick. The second half saw the Town fight back but as the wind receded it was always going to be tough. Martin McMahon got a second for Maynooth after Robert Stanley's shot hit the crossbar. Stanley got his just reward when he hit a delightful free kick over the wall and into the top right-hand corner to make it 5-3. McMahon was on target for Maynooth in the dying minutes but was deemed to be offside. It was a day when the wind was too much for Maynooth. Best for Maynooth were David O'Brien and Trevor McMahon.

Maynooth: Dean Conway, Bobby Kelly, David O'Brien, Ashley Ledwith, Noel Healy, Jason Newton, Stephen King, Robert Stanley, Trevor McMahon, Colin Daly, Stephen Dunk, Martin McMahon, Stephen Kelly and Tom Farrell.

D.D.S.L. Under 11's B

Maynooth Town 2 Leixlip Utd. 2

This eagerly awaited local derby was always going to be a close contest with both teams chasing promotion. Leixlip could have had a dream start after just 5 minutes when a long through ball caught the Town's defence napping. But for the quick reaction of keeper Owen Delaney in the Maynooth goal the visitors could have been one up. In the 16th minute the home side took a severe blow when defender Niall Hanlon suffered a back strain and had to be replaced. A reshaped Maynooth defence took time to settle and after 20 minutes United took the lead when the Town failed to clear a loose ball. Going one down seemed to inspire the home side and they began to push forward. After a good 10 minute spell and on the stroke of half time Paul McGreall rounded the keeper to put the Town on level terms. Maynooth continued to dominate after the break and in the 55th minute Daniel O'Hare got on the end of a well taken corner to put his side in front. With only 2 minutes left Leixlip got their second to share the points. With this Maynooth side only 3 points behind the league leaders and with games in hand this result

could be very important at the end of the season.

Maynooth: Owen Delaney, Damien O'Neill, Niall Hanlon, Neill Cooney, Darren Weafer, Sean Geoghan, David Gahan, Eddie Power, Paul McGreall, David Fagan, Daniel O'Hare, Paul Clerkin, Mark Lord, Mark Doyle and David Harkness.

D.D.S.L. Under 12's A1

Maynooth Town 2 Valeview Shankhill 1

Following a drawn away tie in which Maynooth were reduced to ten men the home tie looked to be following the same pattern with the departure of Sean McAllister. Maynooth had played some attractive football with Declan Bambrick and David Baxter dominating in midfield. Despite looking much the better side it was 30 minutes before the Town could break down a solid Valeview defence. Maynooth's first was a candidate for goal of the season when Kevin Comerford picked up the ball in the centre and beat three before laying off a slide rule through pass to Brian O'Malley. O'Malley whipped in the perfect cross to the back post where Luke Daly was on hand to finish off brilliantly. A momentary lapse in an otherwise outstanding performance allowed the visitors to draw level. Having been reduced to ten men Maynooth looked to have missed their chance to take maximum points. As the final whistle drew closer Shaun Doogan was taken down and coolly converted the resultant spot kick to give Maynooth a well deserved win. Maximum points see this talented young side maintain their 100% home record.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Sean McAllister, Mark Cummins, Gavin O'Connor, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Sam Telli and Kevin Farrell.

D.D.S.L. Under 9's C

Maynooth Town 1 Hillview 2

The Harbour field was the venue for this under 9's tie that saw Maynooth lose their unbeaten tag. The Town dominated from start to finish but it was one of those days in football when the best side lost. Maynooth struck first when Chris Moynan put the home side in front after just 5 minutes. Moynan was unlucky not to put his side 2 up when his shot slid just past the upright 2 minutes before the break. The Town were again unlucky not to increase their lead 3 minutes after the break when Glenn Weafer's shot crept just passed the post. A goal direct from a well taken free-kick saw Hillview draw level and a poor back pass allowed the visitors to steal a second to take all three points. A case of missed chances for Maynooth.

D.D.S.L. Under 12's A1

Maynooth Town 3 Larkview Boys 0

Having been beaten 2-0 in the away leg in the first game of the season this was expected to be a tough tie for this improving Maynooth side. Sean McAllister gave the home side a dream start after just 2 minutes when he found the top corner direct from a free kick to put his side 1-0 up. The Town settled well and began to play some attractive football. Brian O'Malley cut the Larkview defence in half with an inch perfect pass to put Shaun Doogan through in the 14th minute. Doogan lobbed the advancing keeper to put the home side two ahead. Despite their obvious ability the visitors began to get more physical. Some rash challenges were poorly dealt with by the official and the quality of the game suffered. Maynooth continued to attempt to play skilful

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES (Cont.)

football and McAllister's cross 5 minutes from the end was met with a superb half volley by David Baxter to get Maynooth's third. A tough battle that proved the best way to beat the physical element is to put the ball in the net. A tremendous all round performance to maintain an unbeaten home record.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Sean McAllister, Mark Cummins, Gavin O'Connor, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Niall Doogan and Jason Moen.

The St. Patrick's Day Parade saw a great turn out with the

under 8's, 9's, 10's, 11's, 12's and Ladies team's all represented. The under 14's and 16's coolly observed from the crowd. A great day out that is always enjoyed by the younger club members. Our thanks to all the managers and parents who supervised the teams and the parade organizers for the opportunity to take part. The fun continued for the under 12's who took part in a three hour soccer marathon in the afternoon as part of their fund raising efforts for their Liverpool trip. Good luck to all 52 youngsters and the 20 adults who will be heading for the Solar World competition in England between the 7th and 11th of April.

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

Date	No's	Jackpot	5 x £10 Winners				
14 Feb. 99	16,21,26	£800	Peter Connell	Anne-Marie McGee	Alan Dolan	Joe Brennan	Edward Connolly
21 Feb. 99	6,16,22	£825	Rosaleen Roche	Mark Walsh	Martin Walsh	A. Kavanagh	Mick Foley
28 Feb 99	6,10,16	£850	John Gallagher	J. Gallagher	Josephine Dempsey	David Garvey	Mick Hyland
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	2nd	Christo O'Reilly	34 pts.
Class 2	1st	Mick Fahy	32 pts.(B9)
	2nd	Pat Conway	32 pts.
Class 3	1st	Paddy Foy	40 pts.
	2nd	Mick Flynn	38 pts.
Front 9	-	Sean O'Connell	17 pts.
Back 9	-	Jim Lynch	19 pts.
Nearest the Pin	-	Brendan Leigh	

Paul wins First Overall

Athy Golf Club on Saturday, 13th March was the first outing of the year. The Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup was the prize and twenty-eight members turned out. Played in excellent weather conditions and dry sod, the scoring was very high. Early starter Paul O'Connor posted a score of 42 points and this total held good throughout the day. Congratulations Paul on your first Overall Prize. The presentation was made in Caulfields by Brona Kavanagh that evening followed by the usual chat of missed putts and knocked down drives. We would like to thank our sponsors for the day, Kehoes Delicatessan, Main Street.

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Birthday greetings to **Joan Lennon** who will be celebrating her 21st on April 24th. from her Auntie Margaret, Uncle Michael and cousins.

Happy 70th birthday **Mammy** from Angie and Jessica.

Happy 23rd birthday to **Ian Kavanagh** and **Niamh White** on the 19th and 17th April. From Jennifer and Declan.

Happy birthday **Gráinne**, from all your friends in Maynooth Community Council.

Happy birthday **Mammy**, from Jade.

Happy birthday **Leona** who will be 15 years on the 10th of May. From all your cousins in Kilmacredock.

Happy birthday **Marcella O'Reilly** from Mammy Annmarie, and Daragh.

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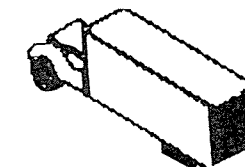
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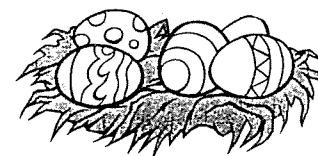
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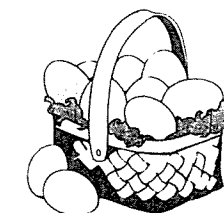


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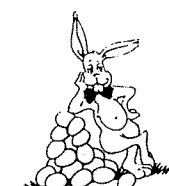
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Kearney: Wife, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives, large circle of friends of Arthur Kearney, Edmund Rice House, Maynooth.

Dunne : (nee Nolan) Old Greenfield, Maynooth Co. Kildare March 21st 1999 at the James Connolly Memorial Hospital Blanchardstown. Elizabeth (Lil) beloved wife of the late Thomas, deeply regretted by her loving sons Patrick and Thomas, daughters Maureen, Lorna and Angela, brother Frank, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Brady : Husband, family, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, relatives and friends of Eileen (Brady) nee Donahoe Moyglare Village, Maynooth formerly Tyrconnell Park, Inchicore, Dublin.

Glanville : Wife, daughter, sister, son-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Michael Paul Glanville, retired Surgeon Commander R.N. retired, The Harbour, Maynooth.

Sympathy to Joan Howard Williams on the death of her mother.

Sympathy to Ann Gartland on the death of her father.

We extend our sympathy to Tom Flatley on the death of his father.

To the Dunne family, Greenfield, on the death of their mother.

Acknowledgment

McTernan Parson St Maynooth

The husband and family of the late Ita wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended removal of remains, funeral mass cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy. A special thanks to Fr Synott C.C. Rr. Mc Mullins, Fr P Monagan, Fr P. Tyrell and all the priest who assisted in her funeral mass. To Dr C O'Rourke for his care kindness to both Ita and us to our neighbours and friends, to John O'Brien and organist who sang and played so beautifully. To the staff of St. James Hospital and St Lukes and Rye Vale Nursing home.

As we cannot thank all individually for your kindness, we trust that this acknowledgment will be accepted as a token of our deep appreciation.

The holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered for your intentions.

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

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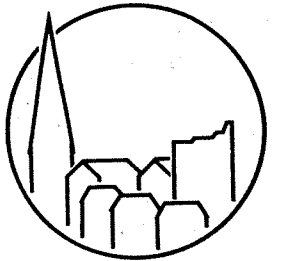
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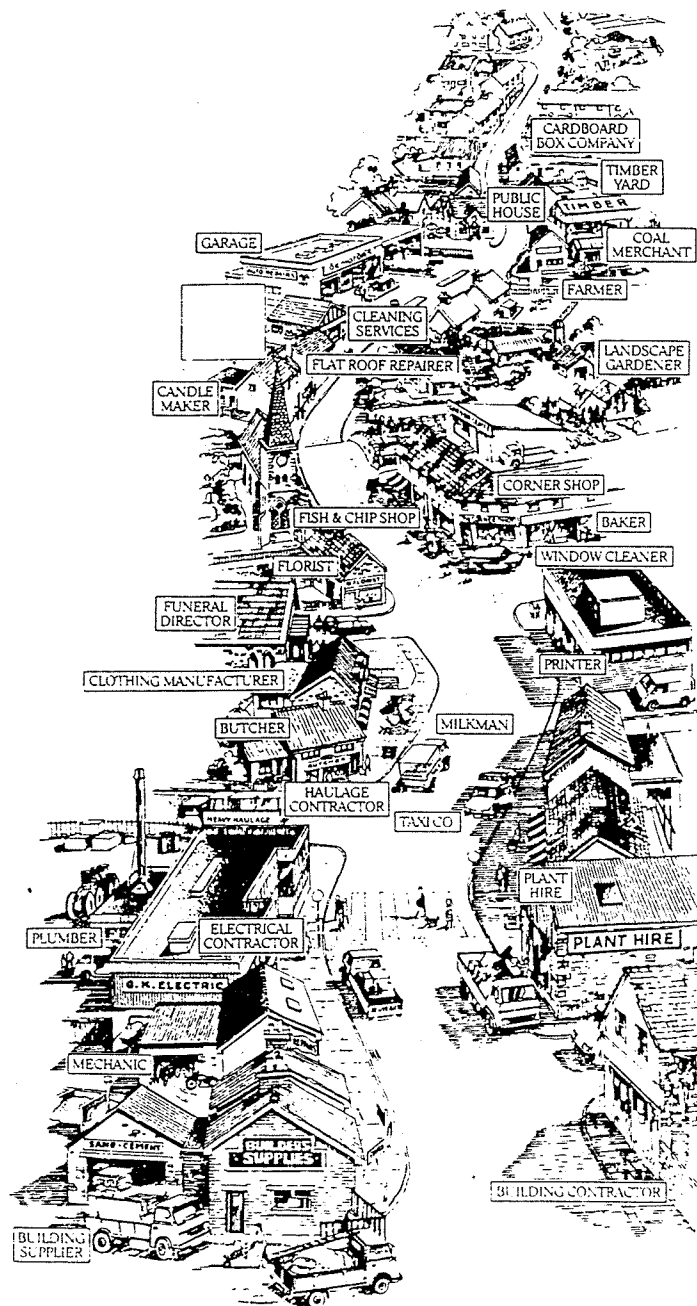
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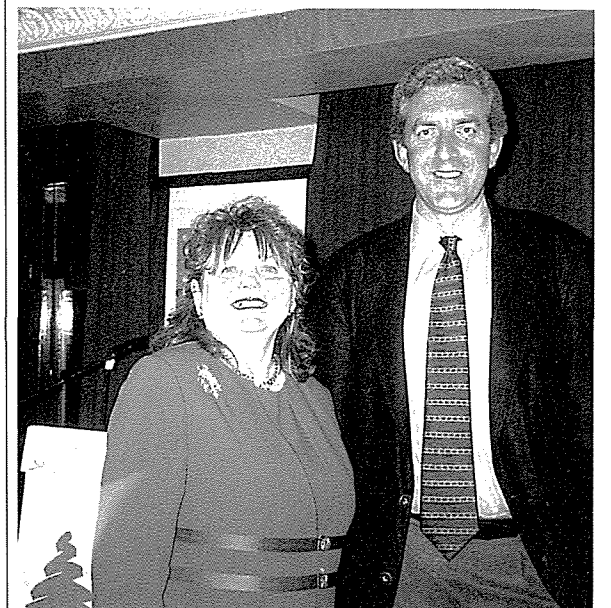
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When publishing our April issue none of us were sure if it would be the last **Newsletter**. Fortunately, thanks to the enthusiasm of all involved in the Community Council offices, we are reasonably confident that the Newsletter has a future in the medium term. For many years Norah McDermott co-ordinated the production of the Newsletter each month. The termination of her scheme and Norah's departure from the Community Council is a loss both to the Newsletter and to the wider community in Maynooth. The Editorial Board would like to express its appreciation of all her work over the years. The baton now passes on to Freda Kelleher and her team. This month's issue reflects their hard work.

The success of the Newsletter also depends on the support of the community. At present the Editorial Board has only two volunteers when, ten years ago, there were ten. No doubt there are people out there with ideas on how the Newsletter could be improved. If so, our next Editorial meeting is on May 20th at 7:30 in the Community Council offices. Involvement with the Newsletter can be an enjoyable and productive way of making a contribution to community life. Over the last year the costs associated with producing the Newsletter have increased considerably. To insure that the magazine is not a drain on the finances of the Community Council we have been obliged to increase the cover price to £1. We look forward to your continued support.



Professor Susan McKenna-Lawlor, NUI, Maynooth who launched Maynooth Action Strategy's 'First Steps' document and Peter Connell, Chairperson of the Group.

Special Features

- Opening of Arkle Room in Dowdstown House. The career of the great horse recalled.
- Maynooth - Kilcock No Name Club come second in National Finals.
- 'First Steps' document launched by Maynooth Action Strategy
- Shape of Things to Come - waste disposal in the future will not be as simple as filling your bin.
- Students Summer Scheme - how to go about getting a job for the summer.

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As a householder I find it difficult to conceal the annoyance I feel about the second rate shopping facilities that have been foisted upon us by the takeover of the Quinnsworth supermarket chain.

In spite of promises made by the company on taking over from Quinnsworth that they would retain their Irish suppliers it is fairly obvious that the promise has not been kept. Where has the variety gone that used to be available to the customer? Tesco branded products have a large part of shelf space nowadays and many Irish products have disappeared.

Another annoying feature of Tesco management is the fact that the customer can no longer be sure that vegetables are Irish grown. The limp and wizened vegetables available are largely imported from England. This is a disgrace considering that we have first class vegetables available locally.

An aspect of Tesco management that is extremely worrying is the reduction in store management budgets. This has a definite affect on standards of hygiene within the store, security etc.

What could be regarded as an insult to the consumer is the recent exposure of over-charging by Tesco. Most people would agree that mistakes are made and that over-charging can and does occur in business. When it continues over a six-month period it is no longer a mistake but a fraud. It is estimated that the Tesco rate of fraud would have made an annual profit of £33 million for the company. We need not take it personally, however, - they (Tesco) are presently in court in England for overcharging fraud.

Personally, I consider that Tesco's 78 or so outlets in this country are primarily for the marketing of imported goods to the exclusion of Irish products. It is limiting the selection of goods we have to choose from. This type of multi-national with its soon to be, round the clock opening hours, is greedily devouring the business of the small shop. With the demise of small shops the consumer loses diversity of choice and part of the fabric of our community, the friendly grocer. I think this is a time for loyalty to what we hold dear, don't you?

Name and address with Editor.

DIARY DATES

May 6th A.G.M. Maynooth I.C.A.

May 9th Senior Citizens Bealtaine Festival - Judging of entries for competitions and Tony Smith Memorial Walk at 3.00 p.m. - Post Primary School.

May 10th Community Games Gymnastics at 4.30 p.m.

May 14th Irish Heart Foundation - Table Quiz (Martin Byrne - Walk in China) G.A.A. Club at 9.15 p.m.

May 16th Community Games Athletics at 1.00 p.m.

May 17th Community Council Annual General Meeting - Post Primary School at 8.00 p.m.

May 18th Flower Club Meeting.

May 22nd Grand Final and Presentation to participants in Under 12 Street League for Hurlers at G.A.A. Club.

May 25th Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum - Public Meeting - "Europe, Neutrality, NATO and The Partnership for Peace" in the Glenroyal Hotel at 8.00 p.m.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Summer Project

In all the discussions regarding the future involvement of Maynooth Community Council in the sponsorship of Community Employment schemes, reference was made to the possible impact on the work of a number of sub-committees after the reduction in the number of workers available on the scheme. One of the projects concerned is the Maynooth Summer Project.

The good news is that Maynooth Summer Project will take place this year, thanks to the efforts of the voluntary organising committee. At this stage the programme of events is not finalised, but no doubt many of the usual popular activities will be included again this year.

Maynooth Community Festival 1999

At the time of writing a meeting of the Festival Committee was scheduled for the 28th April 1999, after which many of the plans for the 1999 Community Festival are expected to be agreed. At this stage the expectation is that the festival, which is one of the most important events in the Community Council's annual calendar will take place in mid-July. Further details will be available in next months Maynooth Newsletter.

Community Council meet to consider the future of key projects

At the April meeting of Maynooth Community Council, normal business was set aside and the members present focused on reviewing a number of key projects, following the termination of one of the community employment schemes. The meeting considered the future of a number of sub-committees, the future of the Community Council office, the continuation of the Maynooth Newsletter and the need for new methods of fundraising. A report on the views expressed and the many questions raised will be provided for the AGM.

Community Council AGM - 17/5/99

The AGM has been deferred to allow time for a number of issues to be progressed in advance of this meeting. It will now take place on Monday 17th May in Maynooth Post-Primary School at 8pm. Members will receive minutes and the agenda in advance.

Paul Croghan PRO

Maynooth Castle Committee

The good news for Maynooth Castle is that after all these years, work is due to commence in September on the restoration of the Keep and the landscaping of the park. The first phase involves the restoration of the ground floor, the furnishing of a visitors centre to portray the history of the Castle in one vaulted chamber.

The innér vaulted chamber to be accessible for use by Maynooth College, University and town work has to be completed by the end of the year 2000.

The bad news is that the first phase does not include the roofing of the Keep, for which planning permission has been passed.



From left: Cáit Ní Rualrc, Seán Ó Beacháin, Samantha Ní Laráin and Aisling Ní Bhriain (rear)

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

At this time of the year, we put in our entry for the national tidy towns competition. This year we will have a number of good things to report, the street paving, new lights. Some new shop fronts or decoration. Maynooth a tidier place??? what do you think.

This month we hope to have some very positive news in our partnership process with local businesses. We are a voluntary committee, but we need volunteers for our work in advance of the competition. Judging is in June. Everyone says they would like to see Maynooth doing better, here is your chance. If you find that you have a few hours to help, we would love to hear from you.

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*Richard Farrell
P.R.O.*

Community Council Notes

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Question:

I am attending a Post Leaving Certificate course and am wondering how I would get a place on the Student Summer Jobs Scheme?

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To be eligible for the scheme you must be a third level or Post Leaving Certificate student and have not completed your course of study at the end of the current academic year. You must also be aged 18 or over on 31st August, 1999 and satisfy a means test. The means test is the same as that used in assessing parental means for Unemployment Assistance (under the Board and Lodgings Provisions).

The purpose of the Students Summer Jobs Scheme is to provide income support for less well off third level students and Post Leaving Certificate students who are unable to obtain summer work and are not eligible to claim Unemployment Assistance during their summer holidays. The Scheme provides approved students with Job Certificates and allows them to take up work useful to their community and to receive payment for this work.

The Scheme will operate from 1st June, 1999 to 31st August, 1999. Students are allowed to work 200 hours over a 6 - 13 week period at a rate of £3 per hour (maximum earnings £600 which is not subject to tax or P.R.S.I.) The maximum hours worked in a week cannot exceed 35 and the 200 hours may not be completed in less than 6 weeks. Students are not allowed to undertake other work while participating on the scheme.

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MAYNOOTH-KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

National Cabaret Awards

On Friday 9th April Maynooth-Kilcock No Name Club took part in the final of the National Cabaret Awards in the Aula Maxima, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. The finalists were Maynooth-Kilcock, Mountbellew and Kilkenny No Name Clubs. The competition was watched by an audience of over 300 who enjoyed an entertaining and talented show.

The evening was an end result of many months of practice and dedication by the hosts and hostesses from different clubs with three different and enjoyable shows performed. Mountbellew No Name Club won the competition with a show filled with musical talent in singing, playing of instruments, Irish dancing and comedy.



Guest of Honour, Chief Superintendent
Catherine Clancy with Maynooth-Kilcock
Chairperson, Martin Caine at the National
Youth Awards

Maynooth-Kilcock came second with a show titled "A Small Beginning" based on the foundation of the No Name Club 21 years ago. It included an original song about the No Name Club written and sung by Josephine Moore and accompanied by the host and hostesses. The show set in 1978 brought back memories for the audience of fashion and hairstyle. The modern dancing and ballet performed by the host and hostesses was excellent, a result of months of practice under the guidance of dance teacher Deirdre Brennan. Comedy and vocal talent was also present in a show that was lively and witty. Taking part in the show for Maynooth-Kilcock No Name Club were Eimer O'Meara, Rebecca Flynn, Ciara Baxter, Catherine Molyneaux, Brooke Delaney, Lynda Byrne, Lisa Mulvihille, Catherine Bow, Louise Harney, Maria Mangan, Therese Flood, Aoife Tolan, Joanne Thornton, Jim O'Rourke, Conor O'Shea, David Farrell, Paul Mullin, Padraig Madden, Philip Ryan, Michael Madden, James McMahon under the guidance of Josephine Moore and Lyla Flynn.

The competition was followed by refreshments and a disco in the Students Union where all could celebrate an enjoyable night.

The National Youth Awards 1999.

On Saturday, 10th April Maynooth-Kilcock No Name Club hosted the National Youth Awards in the Stand House in the Curragh on the occasion of the 21st Birthday of the No Name Club. These awards are presented to two young people who have given outstanding service to their clubs, communities, homes and schools. The six finalists were Brian Dooley, Lucan No Name Club, Stephen Hogan, Mayfield No Name Club, Seamus Hogan, Mountbellew No Name Club, Paula Higgins, Mountbellew No Name Club, Deirdre Hickey, Tullow No Name Club and Gina Honeyman, Finglas No Name Club.

The competition was watched by 550 people from clubs all around the country and the guest of honour was Chief Superintendent Catherine Clancy. M.C. for the evening was Ray Darcy who entertained the audience and made the competitors relaxed and at ease during their on stage interview, soap box and party piece. Title of Host of the Year went to Brian Dooley, Lucan No Name Club and hostess of the year to Paula Higgins, Mountbellew No Name Club.

After a meal the entertainment was continued by the surprise arrival of the band "Dove" who performed to a delighted and enthusiastic audience and the band eagerly met hosts and hostesses from clubs around the country. A disco followed and afterwards clubs stayed over in the gym of Maynooth Post Primary where the musical talents of the hosts and hostesses continued throughout the night. The weekend finished with Mass in the School Gym celebrated by Fr. John Brickley, President of the No Name Club.

Maynooth Kilcock wish to acknowledge and thank all sponsors and helpers in the hosting of these events.

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COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Up Coming Events

Swimming: Sunday 2nd May, in Maynooth College
Swimming Pool at 1pm.

Gymnastics: Monday 10th May, in Parish Hall at 4.30pm.

Athletics: Sunday 16th May, in the G.A.A. grounds at 1pm.

County Dates

Swimming 5th June in Athy:

Gymnastics 30th May in Athy:

Pitch and Putt 16th May in Maynooth:

Athletics 25th/26th June in Newbridge:

Art was held on March 26th in boys school.

Results as follows

Maynooth East

Girls U/8

1st Katie Curran 2nd Grainne Hoban

3rd Karen Feehan

Girls U/10

1st Julie Ann Rush 2nd Eimear Flynn

3rd Jennifer Feehan

Girls U/12

1st Deirdre Mulcahy

Girls U/14

Ginine Power

Girls U/16

1st Brenda Karney

Boys U/8

1st Johnny Curran

Boys U/10

1st Gavin Doyle 2nd Philip Corbally

3rd Stephen Buckley

Boys U/12

1st Matthew O'Gorman 2nd Eoghan Hinds

Maynooth West

Girls U/8

1st Shauna Haughney

Girls U/10

1st Elaine Houlihan

2nd Claire MacNamara

Boys U/8

1st Dillon Haughney

Boys U/10

Conor Bean

Modelling

Maynooth West

Boys U/14

1st Sean MacNamara

Congratulations to Seán MacNamara who went on to the Kildare finals on Saturday 16th April and won gold. We wish Seán good luck at the All Ireland Competition in Mosney.

Set Dancing

Congratulations to the two girls teams, organised by Rita Doyle, who came 2nd and 3rd in their respective categories.

A word of thanks to all who contributed to the Annual Collection of the Maynooth Community Games.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER CLUB

The Annual Spring Show on the 24th and 25th April, was a great success. Here are the winners:

Class 1 "Spring"

1st :- Geraldine Doyle
2nd:- Ann Walker
3rd:- Pat Dalton

Class 2 "The Present"

1st :- Moira Baxter
2nd:- Geraldine Doyle
3rd:- Rosemary Smith

Class 3 "Lift Off"

1st :- Rosemary Smith
2nd:- Phylis Byrne
3rd:- Carmel Owens

Class 4 "Looking Back"

1st :- Maureen Fagan
2nd:- Pat Dalton
3rd:- Vera Carroll

Class 5 "Here's to the Future"

1st :- Susan Mulvihill
2nd:- Felicity Satchwell
3rd:- Kathleen Cleary

Class 6 "Leisure Time"

1st :- Felicity Satchwell
2nd:- Sarah Angel
3rd:- Ann Walker

Class 7 "Changing Styles"

1st :- Felicity Satchwell
2nd:- Imelda Desmond
3rd:- Elsa Lawlor

Class 8 "An Exhibit in a Basket"

1st :- Sarah Baxter
2nd:- Darryl O'Connor
3rd:- Mark O'Connell

PLANT SECTION

Class 9 "One Stem of Flowering Shrub"

1st :- Aileen Howard
2nd:- Maureen Fagan
3rd:- Sarah Angel

Class 10 "One Daffodil or Narcissus"

1st :- Pam Acton
2nd:- Carmel O'Leary
3rd:- Sarah Angel

Class 11 "Three Daffodils or Narcissi"

1st :- Pam Acton
2nd:- Sarah Angel
3rd:- Margaret Howe

Class 12 "Collection of cut flowers from the garden"

1st:- Carmel O'Leary
2nd:- Martha Howard
3rd:- Sarah Angel

Class 13 "Three Tulips"

1st :- Sarah Angel
2nd:- Betty Farrell
3rd:- Moira Baxter

Class 14 "Three stems of spring Flowers"

1st :- Sarah Angel
2nd:- Moira Baxter
3rd:- Pam Acton

Class 15 "A collection of herbs in a jam jar"

1st :- Imelda Desmond
2nd:- Aileen Howard
3rd:- Vera Carroll

CUP WINNERS 1999:

Judge - Marcella Campbell

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Best exhibit in Show:
Susan Mulvihill

(2) ULSTER BANK PERPETUAL CUP, AND RHSI SPOON.

Most points in show: Sarah Angel

(3) BRADSHAW PERPETUAL CUP, AND RHSI SPOON.

Best exhibit in Plant section:
Sarah Angel

(4) SATCHWELL PERPETUAL CUP

Best exhibit in classes 1 & 2

"Spring" Geraldine Doyle

(5) FLOWER POT PERPETUAL CUP

Winner in Class 3

Rosemary Smith

(6) AOIFA PERPETUAL CUP

Winner in Class 6

Felicity Satchwell

The next club night meeting is on the 18th May. It is a **Garden Talk** by Marie Sheahan. No Competitions.

Venue: Physics Hall.

The 28th/30th May A.O.I.F.A. Howth Festival.

A big thank you to all the people of Maynooth and members of the club who supported the show and made it such a great success. Thank you to all the sponsors.

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COMMUNITY GAMES SET-DANCING WINNERS

Two teams from Maynooth East, and Maynooth West travelled to Nurney, Co. Kildare to take part in the County final of the Set-dancing competition. Both teams returned with medals. Maynooth East received silver medals for 2nd place and Maynooth West received Bronze medals for third place. Congratulations girls. All the team members are from Rita Doyle's School of dancing.



Maynooth East Team

Aisling Dunne, Laura Bennett, Eimear Connellan, Deirdre Mulcahy, Eimear Flynn, Aoife Hoban, Roisín Hoban, Karen Bracken.



Maynooth West Team

Back Row: Sarah Oxley, Laura Corcoran, Jessica McGrath, Anna Piggott.

Front row: Michelle Kearney, Karen Treacy, Katherine Oliver, Jennifer Feehan.

Missing from picture our Sub: Helen Downes.

PARKLANDS OVER 35'S RETAIN INDOOR FOOTBALL TITLE AT LEIXLIP AMENITIES

On Saturday 27th March, at Leixlip Amenities, Parklands over 35's retained their 5 a side indoor football title against a game Forest Park United side from Leixlip. The final score was 4-1 in favour of the Maynooth side. Parklands, who won the title in 1998, got off to their usual nervous start conceding a goal in the first two minutes. However an equaliser just before half time by Simon Williams settled their nerves. Forest Park had obviously done their homework as they effectively shackled the Maynooth side's dangerman Ciaran McGroarty in the first half. McGroarty had scored eight goals in the previous two rounds.

However an astute tactical move by Parklands management whereby they rested McGroarty at the start of the second half caught the Leixlip side off guard. McGroarty was sprung after two minutes and immediately put the Maynooth side 2-1 ahead. A cheeky back heeled goal, by the same player, which had the large attendance in awe, put Parklands 3-1 ahead. Tony O'Connor sealed the game with a deft touch from a Paul Broughan cross. Parklands hope to make it 3 in a row next year.

Parklands Panel. Tony O'Connor, Simon Williams, Tom O'Grady, Sean Sinclair, Eamonn Boland, Paul Broughan and Ciaran McGroarty.

**Yours In Sport
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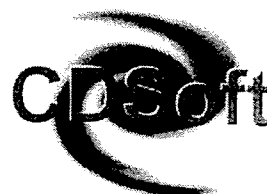
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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The April meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. took place in the I.C.A. Hall on Thursday the 1st April, with Rosemary Hanley presiding. Rosemary thanked us all for coming. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Bernie King in the absence of our secretary, Veva Kearins.

Daffodil Day

Thank you to the people of Maynooth who once again contributed so generously to our recent collection for the "Irish Cancer Society"-£1498.

Guild Activities

Crafts - Crafts will continue on Monday nights at 8pm in the I.C.A. Hall. Badminton - Badminton continues on Tuesday and Thursday morning in the Parish Hall at 10.30am. Bernie King, our Sports Officer, congratulated Rosemary Hanley and Margaret Houlihan on their triumphant victory in Rathmore Hall on the 24th of March. Bernie presented them each with a beautiful vase. Craft Day - Kildare Day Care Centre on the 24th of April, price £8.50 plus pack.

Competition Results:

"A Hard Boiled-Egg Decorated for Easter".

- 1st - Jo O'Connell
- 2nd - Margaret Houlihan
- 3rd - Mary O'Gorman.

Raffle

- 1st - Mairead Scanlon
- 2nd - Anna Dolan
- 3rd - Margaret Houlihan

Night Out:

Shelbourne Park Greyhound Track - Date to be decided.

A.G.M:

The Annual General Meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. will take place on Thursday the 6th of May in the I.C.A. Hall. We would ask all members to please attend this meeting. The meeting is open to anyone interested in joining our guild. This is the ideal time to join the I.C.A. for a small membership fee of £20, you can avail of the many activities, courses and trips etc. on offer, as well as making many new friends. At present we have over 50 members of different ages, backgrounds and interests. We have a very active guild and would warmly welcome new members.

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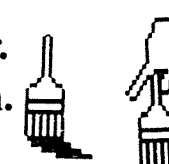
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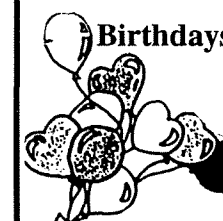
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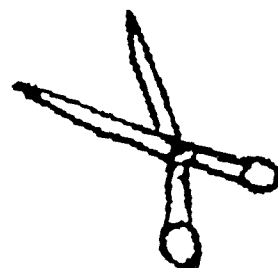
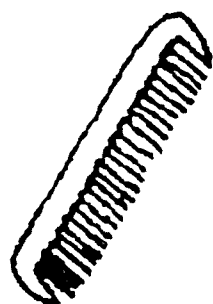
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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Just when we thought our 'writing careers' and the Newsletter had received a death sentence, a pardon appears to have been granted. Perhaps it's demise was greatly exaggerated or is this just a 'stay of execution'. When the smoke clears will the sentence be minimal, or is the 'jury' still out? Meanwhile we welcome it's continuance.



Overall Winner - Mai Hughes watched by Mary Doyle (Judge)

Now to the business in hand. Our Easter Party went off with its usual flair and regalia, with more style and bonnets than ever before. They get more imaginative with every passing year. We were joined on the day by our friends from Celbridge 'Silver Threads' who enhanced the splendour of the evening with their own particular brand of fashion. Everyone who took the trouble to make and wear a bonnet were rewarded for their efforts with a prize. However, the overall winner was Mai Hughes with an entry resembling a 'Philip Tracy Creation'. And just to show that we have no gender bias, Bill McFarland showed up with his masterpiece, complete with 'Bunny' (See photos). Well done to all who entered into the spirit of the occasion. Many thanks to Mary Doyle who did a wonderful job in judging the competition.



Centre - Bill McFarland (with bonnet)

Sunday of course was a double celebration as we shared with Kitty Thompson her 99th birthday. Kitty is truly a great lady, who in my recollection has never missed a party or social outing since it all began thirty-four years ago. We look forward to Easter 2,000 when we hope to celebrate with Kitty her very own 'millennium'! Many thanks to our young people in the 'No Name Club' who sent along a birthday floral arrangement to Kitty. That's a step towards 'a society for all ages' which is the slogan in this the 'United Nations International Year of Older Persons'.

All of the days activities were preceded by the celebration held most dear by our members, 'the Mass'. Many thanks to Fr. Sinnott for a good start to the day. In the short while that Fr. Alex and Fr. John have been with us they have given our organisation great support, for this we thank them.



Kitty Thompson celebrating 99 years

Our next event will be our Bealtaine Festival. This is the occasion each year when we ask you all to get into the 'Artistic Mode'. So all of you who knit, crochet, write, paint etc., whatever your artistic bent, we would like to hear from you. All entries will be on display at our party on May 9th and thereafter in the Library.

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk will also take place on May 9th, leaving the Post Primary School at 3.00 p.m. All walkers will join us for tea on their return. Do join in the fun, its good exercise and a great cause.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Pat Collins, Kevin Connolly and Mary Costigan, who died recently. May they rest in peace.

Josephine Moore.

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THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME

To the householder it may appear that not much has happened in this country with regard to the management of waste. The usual bin collection happens every week and there is not as yet any real indication of a different way. But unknown to many the wheels of change are turning which will change people's approach and attitude to waste disposal. Our tiger economy with increased industrialisation and increased consumerism creates waste disposal problems that demand change. Growing mountains of rubbish, overflowing landfills and dwindling resources is the main driving force behind the action of governments in the enactment of legislation which aims to deal with these problems.

Originating from Brussels this EU legislation will affect everyone in Europe. The European goal of reducing and re-using packaging and then recycling what is left will be applied here. With the enactment of The Waste Management (Packaging) Regulations, 1997 our government has put into action laws relating to the reduction of waste at source. This means that manufacturers must now shoulder the responsibility for control of packaging waste. REPAK was set up as a result and acts as an industrial body enforcing recycling in the manufacturing area. On the consumer side we have a branch of another European project operating very successfully here. This is the dynamic KERBSIDE. Since it began here in 1992 it has continued to expand serving households in the greater Dublin area. It collects, sorts and dispatches for recycling a large portion of domestic waste. Kerbside trucks can be seen in Kildare, Wicklow and North Dublin where they take delivery of bags of unsorted recyclables on a specified day of each month.

This is a successful project as it diverts from landfill 18% of the wastestream in the area served, by collecting recyclable materials in a Green Box. It serves 50,000 householders in the Dublin Area. One reason for Kerbside's success could be attributed to its awareness of the importance of communicating with the public. School children, being the consumers of the future, are one of the most important targets in the campaign for gaining public attention. It is believed they are very responsive to environmental issues and can influence parental behaviour in a positive manner. Consequently, Kerbside encourages schools, student and community group visits to its Material Recovery Facility (MRF), which has a specifically designed education centre for this purpose.

From time to time, to maintain and improve participation, leaflets and special newspapers are delivered to householders. When householders do not participate, or when mistakes are made concerning the materials to be collected, they receive separate notes from the collectors highlighting the problem and suggesting improvements. When this occurs frequently, a personal call is made to the household in question.

The Kerbside operation is an example of a system of recycling which will eventually become countrywide.

Continental countries have this type of system but with a wider range of materials for recycling. Germany are leaders in this field. Due to having an economy which was developed industrially long before Ireland they had to face waste management problems many years before us. Manufacturers'

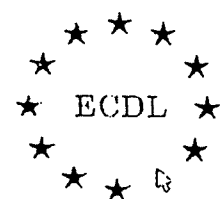
responsibility for the limiting, collection and recycling of packaging waste has been legislated for as a result of public pressure. These laws entitle the German consumer to return the sales packaging of all goods purchased by them to the manufacturer, distributor and retailer of those goods. In turn, the manufacturers, are obliged to accept this packaging and to reuse or recycle it. Special bins and bags exist for this purpose and special containers for glass and paper are provided in each neighbourhood. The packaging is sorted into material groups e.g. glass, plastic and this is then recycled by contract companies. This is known as the "Green Dot" system and is displayed on the participating companies' packaging.

Tried and tested methods of waste management like those of Germany should be easy to follow. What is surprising is the fact that there is so little evidence here of local authority participation in these methods to date. Why are they not putting to work the enacted legislation?

Do we sit back complacently and wait for compulsory change or do we look for ways of dealing with it as individuals?. As consumers we can query the need for all the unnecessary packaging that we must dispose of. This same packaging is produced by the manufacturer or retailer, very often for the sole purpose of persuading or enticing us to buy. We can be justifiably angry about it and let the real producer know that we are. We can leave it in the shop where we purchased the goods. We can avoid articles that are packaged in unrecyclable material - an example of this can be seen littering the streets outside take-aways late at night or early in the morning before the streets are swept. Burger containers are also to be seen along country roads where they have been thrown out of cars. Display trays made of the same material exhibit meat, processed vegetables, dried fruit, etc., in the supermarket. We can say 'no' to that plastic bag when we don't really need it. It is not difficult to take along ones' own shopping bags to the supermarket - just a question of always putting them back in the car or associating them with shopping. It is not too difficult to keep a plastic bag in your haversack or bag for when it is needed.

Kerbside having recycled all our glass bottles, jars, food tins of every description, plastic bottles, etc., the organic content of our waste can be easily dealt with by composting. This is an easy operation and will account for much of the heavy waste. Composting done properly will not attract rats, will not smell and will provide the householder with top quality natural fertiliser which is free from chemicals.

This sustainable approach to waste management may seem difficult and unattainable just now. It is however working very well in many areas of Europe, Australia and the U.S. Our throwaway mentality is set to change in this generation and the biggest single motivator will be the soaring costs of waste disposal to the business sector and the householder. When costs climb, businesses and consumers alike will move towards the adoption of sustainable methods of waste management through necessity.



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- **Fishing** - a section on fishing on the Royal Canal
- **Booklist** - a list of known publications on the canal
- **Branches** - this could be interesting! A section for each branch to put up small amounts of information about ongoing in their area.

There is also an e-mail address

(ngalway@esatclear.ie) for those who want to send information or comments to us.

There are some simple rules for those submitting material for the web site, and they are as follows:

1. Site is updated on the last day of each month (regardless of day).
2. All material must reach the WebMaster on or before the 17th of each month.
3. Material must be typed and on A4 paper (only type on one side please!).
4. Material must be related to the site.
5. Keep photos to a minimum please (they are memory hungry, and the size of the print is of no consequence).
6. Any material submitted can only be returned if a S.A.E. is enclosed, this includes photos.

Terms and conditions available from the above address.

Looking forward to your comments and material.

NEW ACTIVITIES ON THE ROYAL CANAL

The summer of 1999 will see lots of activity on the canal at "Hill of Down" Bridge. In addition to the "Boat Hire" which was a big attraction last year we will have "Barbecue Units" to cook your own steaks, burgers, sausages, etc., wooden benches and seats as you relax and dine on the banks.

In the event of inclement weather you can avail of our new coffee shop which will be opening in May.

Our 2 bedroom self catering cottage is available to rent on a weekly basis and we have excellent B & B facilities.

Bicycles are also for hire if you feel you have the energy. Across the canal is the "Hill Bar" to finish off the day.

A 10% reduction exists for members of the R.C.A.G.

For further information contact:
Peter or Frances at 0405-46731.

JUBILEE RALLY - 12th-19th August

Day-Date	Revised Itinerary	Events
1. Sun 8th	Launching at Confey and Maynooth	Proceed to 12th Lock at Castleknock for get-together.
2. Mon 9th	Castleknock - Leixlip - Maynooth	Opening Ceremony and Reception 11.00. Depart 14.00 - stop at Confey, Bankside entertainments and facilities at Maynooth.
3. Tue 10th	Maynooth to Enfield	Entertainment at Bridge House, Enfield.
4. Wed 11th	Enfield to Kilcock	Eclipse Pageant. Departure at 14.00. Entertainment at Canal Bank, Kilcock.
5. Thurs 12th	Kilcock to Moyvalley	Afternoon sports at Moyvalley, followed by pub evening.
6. Fri 13th	Moyvalley - Longwood - Hill of Down - Thomastown/Killucan	Stop at Boyne Aqueduct. Picnic lunch at Hill of Down. Evening entertainment at Thomastown.
7. Sat 14th	Thomastown	Passage through 8th lock flight, gather at McNead's Bridge.
8. Sun 15th	McNead's Bridge	Ecumenical Service. Cruise in convoy to Mullingar. Dance at Greville Arms.
9. Mon 16th	Mullingar	Bus tour of unrestored sections of canal to Richmond Harbour. Irish night at Greville Arms.
10. Tues 17th	Mullingar to Ballinacargy	Pub evening.
11. Wed 18th	Ballinacargy to Abbeyshrule	Closing night dinner.
12. Thurs 19th	Slip out at Ballinacargy	Slán Abhaile!

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MAYNOOTH LOCAL HISTORY AND CIVIC FORUM Fóram Cathartha agus Staire Áitiúla Mhaigh Nuad

Promoting local history and social debate

Our project of compiling a booklet of short walks is proceeding and we have now identified four local walks of historical interest: a canal walk; college walk; a town walk; and a longer Carton Avenue to Grangewilliam/Donaghmore Cemetery walk. We hope to publish same, in conjunction with Maynooth Action Strategy, in the near future.

On the civic side of our forum we are hosting a public meeting as follows:

"Europe, Neutrality, NATO and the Partnership for Peace"

**in The Glenroyal Hotel
on Tuesday, 25th May
at 8.00 p.m.**

Chair: Mary Cullen, Historian

We have invited the political parties to send their candidate for the forthcoming European Elections to attend and address the meeting. We have also invited an experienced commentator on the PnP and the history of Irish neutrality, Philip O'Connor, to participate.

We hope that the occasion will also afford local people the opportunity to express their concerns about the current conflict in the former Yugoslavia - NATO bombing, 'ethnic cleansing', etc.

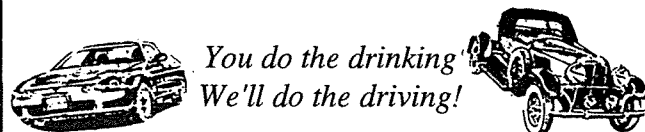
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VINTAGE AND HERITAGE EVOKING DORMANT MEMORIES

Our ancestors have left much evidence of structures, implements and ruins, but little of their way of work or leisure. A great bank of data is available today through television archives and the internet, but nothing compares with people conversing face to face and re-awakening dormant memories.

Membership of a Vintage or Heritage society provides the opportunity to experience this knowledge being exchanged by enthusiasts. In our regional travels we became aware of the work of vintage groups in restoring windmills, farm buildings, and other projects. This awareness soon dispels the misconception that vintage groups are solely concerned with engines, tractors, motor cars and steam engines.

You don't need faded overalls, an oily rag or a spanner to be a vintage member. If you are interested in, and enthusiastic about the ways and wisdom of our ancestors, you will find your own speciality and will be warmly welcomed in the Irish Vintage Society.

Our members restore items in rallies and shows for the enjoyment of all and especially for the benefit of younger enthusiasts who have never seen these machines as the erstwhile work horses of our nation.

Much remains for members of all ages to do through research, recording of data, organising events, and above all detailing with pen and camera our knowledge for future generations. It is a source of encouragement and inspiration to meet so many teenage boys and girls at our meetings.

Vintage is described as being concerned with any item over twenty-five years old. It is a sobering thought to realise that Ford Anglias and Cortinas etc., and those moon landing space Apollo's of the 60's are now Vintage items.

The foundation of this scribe's entry into the Vintage movement was laid nearly sixty years ago, by a local ploughing expert with his horses and plough, Joe Murphy, R.I.P., well known to many in Maynooth. As a young boy watching him plough his furrow, he offered to teach me, an offer I enthusiastically accepted. With his tuition I soon became an adept hand with the team and plough, an art I have never lost. With the demise of the horse and plough, I was soon to be initiated into the art of tractor ploughing by the late Jimmy Geoghegan, R.I.P. Although I did not make a career out of the art, it remained dear to me throughout the years, until the cherished memories of times long past lured me into the Irish Vintage Society, reliving the times, before the arrival of the Celtic Tiger.

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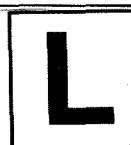
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MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY LAUNCH FIRST STEPS

Over the past two weeks all Maynooth residents will have received a copy of 'The First Steps', the latest publication of Maynooth Action Strategy. The document was launched in the Glenroyal Hotel on April 20th by Professor Susan McKenna-Lawlor of N.U.I. Maynooth and founder of Space Technology Ireland. Professor McKenna-Lawlor, in an inspiring speech, welcomed the publication of the document and went on to say "I have attended in my life my launches of spacecraft designed to go to far away places. But it seems to me that the launch today of the document First Steps provides us with a vehicle in which we can all embark together on an exciting journey into the future. Here we truly have a ship of dreams, and dreams we can work to make come true".

intact historic village, the strong voluntary tradition and the presence of two universities as important foundations on which we can build. Arising from this analysis the group is putting forward thirty one projects which, it believes, will contribute to the town's future development. These range from the preservation and enhancement of Carton Avenue, on the one hand, through the provision of a multi-purpose Sports and Community Centre on the other. Already a number of the projects are under way, including the formation of Maynooth Arts Forum which had a very successful launch some months ago.

THE NEXT STAGE

Maynooth Action Strategy have identified the next stages as consultation, preparation and implementation. Each copy of First Steps includes a questionnaire which residents are asked to leave at one of the collection points in Londis, Supervalu or Tesco supermarkets or post to Maynooth Action Strategy, c/o Dr. John Cullen, Main Street. During May/June it is planned to hold a series of public consultation workshops to discuss the strategy and the projects. All those returning questionnaires will be invited to attend the workshops in which they have expressed an interest. To quote Professor McKenna-Lawlor - "It is a wonderful thing to be asked to shape the future of the unique heritage town which is our home, and to do so will constitute in a very real way an adventure of the spirit".



WORKING GROUPS

First Steps is a follow up document to 'Maynooth: Choosing a Future' published by Maynooth Action Strategy in March 1998. This earlier document outlined, in broad strokes, a proposed strategy for Maynooth's future development. In the interim three Working Groups were formed to bring forward proposals under the headings - Physical, Commercial and Social and Amenity and on-going consultation has taken place with the four partners to the strategy - Maynooth Community Council, the Chamber of Commerce, N.U.I. Maynooth and St. Patrick's College. The First Steps document lays out in some detail a strategy for addressing the issues associated with developing a town which has grown very quickly in the past twenty years. In summary, the strategy proposes that we use our strengths to address the town's weaknesses and the document identifies the relatively





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UNSUNG MEMORIES AND HEROES

Pre war, and Michael O'Hehir days of 2 R.N. recall Sunday afternoon memories of the football broadcast. Electric radios were scarce, and in a few select places in the village, radios were placed on window sills, and groups gathered to listen.

A particular senior citizen of long ago, he was an absolute Kildare true blue or "Lily White", who throughout the game would listen with intense interest. Settling into his seat he would take off his hat, light his pipe, before kick off.

Things would go well whilst Kildare were doing well but whenever their opponents, usually Kerry, Cavan or whoever scored, he would jump up, put on his hat and declare he would listen to no more.

Strangely in his opinion referees then also required spectacles. This procedure continued throughout the evening until the final whistle.

Depending on the result, if Kildare won he would cycle off to Kilcock for a celebratory drink. "Bona fide days". Otherwise he would hold a post mortem, doubting the commentators accuracy in Maths, and would not accept the adverse result, until verified by Larry Keeley or Jock Keyes, R.I.P. on alighting from the I.O.C. omnibus at "Pitts" on their return from the game.

Omission in March Issue:

The Late W.J. Kavanagh, Manor Mills, composed much music and lately did arrangements of existing church music.

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This year some of you may be under the false impression that Maynooth Summer Project is not going ahead. This is not true. But due to unforeseen circumstances we will only be able to hold it for two weeks this year.

As it is a voluntary committee we are hoping that we may get some more volunteers to join us. We are planning an open meeting for the 11th May at 8.30 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall. We are also hoping that parents will attend this meeting and commit themselves to help on at least one day of the project and anybody who wishes to join our committee may also come along.

This year the project will start on the 12th of July and finish on the 23rd of July.

The project as usual will include day trips away and local events for children of seven years of age and up.

Due to lack of interest last year for the night time events for the older children, there will be no night time events this year.

Claire O'Rourke, Secretary.

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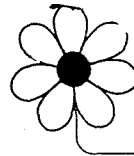
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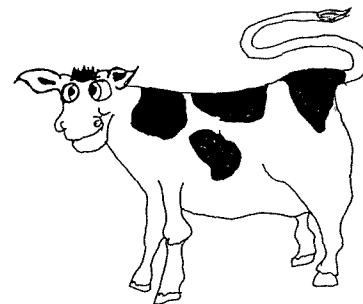
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IRISH HEART FOUNDATION

Calling All Walkers

An oriental adventure in China has been chosen for the 1999 overseas sponsored walk of the Irish Heart Foundation. Fifty walkers are invited to take the challenge and join the walk. The journey begins before heading overseas with the fundraising effort to raise £3,500 needed to secure a place on the team.

The walk will begin in September for two weeks and participants will follow a route rich in history and fascination from the ancient city of Beijing to Xi'an. Stroll through Tiananmen Square in Beijing, hike along the Great Wall of China, amble along the Paddy Fields, follow the trails of the Silk Road in the south and finishing at the Terracota Warriors in Xi'an.

Joe Fitzpatrick, Regional Manager, Irish Heart Foundation states, "As well as the delight of first hand experiences and sights encountered along the journey, the walkers gain immense personal satisfaction through maintaining their own health as well as contributing towards the health of the country. Exercise and especially walking is strongly encouraged by the Heart Foundation as a positive step towards the prevention of heart disease."

The overseas walk will stretch over 7 days, averaging 5 hours a day. Walkers are divided into three groups depending on their level of ability - just be fit and healthy. The Heart Foundation provides advice on training for the walk and also helps with the individual fundraising efforts. The £3,500 entry requirement covers all transport, accommodation, visa requirements and insurance.

All are Welcome,

To date a total of 15 overseas walks have been arranged by the Foundation; for more details, **please contact Joe Fitzpatrick, Irish Heart Foundation on 01 - 6685001**

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WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day was held on Friday 23rd April. Each child brought in their favourite book and the day was dedicated to books! We also made a special trip to Maynooth local library where we availed of their wonderful facilities. We would like to thank the staff at Maynooth library for their warm welcome and hospitality when we 'invaded their library'!!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Even though it seems like a long time ago, we all remember the wonderful day we had last March 17th. Each child took part in the parade in our 'Caterpillar' float and thoroughly enjoyed it!

ENROLMENTS FOR SEPT. '99

A waiting list is now in place for September '99. Any parent wishing to register a child for September '99 or 2000 should contact the school immediately at 6290667. Places may become available due to families moving house etc.

NEW PARENTS!

We will shortly have an information night for new parents and will notify them of same. We will also have an 'Open Day' for new pupils where they will get a chance to see the school and meet the Múinteoirí.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

The 'Cairde' committee will be holding a car boot sale in May, all proceeds going to the school. Further details are available at the school Ph: 6290667.

Míle Buíochas

Aisling Ní Bhriain



"Insects" following the Caterpillar.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Boys National School Maynooth

We would like to thank all who supported our fund raising night in the G.A.A. club and also to the G.A.A. themselves for the use of the hall and for all their help. We raised approx. £1,000 which was very good. This will go on sports equipment and classroom equipment among other things.

Congratulations to the school quiz team who did so well out of 5000 teams from all over the country.

The school cycle went very well on Sunday 25th April, the weather was not too good but it did not stop the boys and parents having a good time. Well done to the younger boys who cycled around the yard.

We wish the boys who are making their Holy Communion a very happy day.

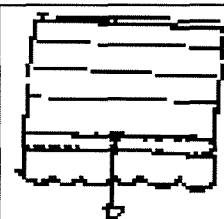
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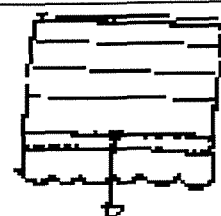
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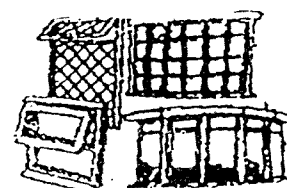
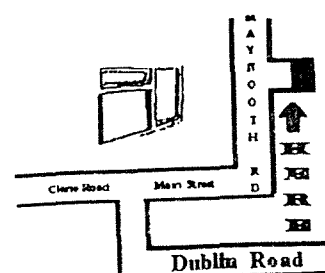
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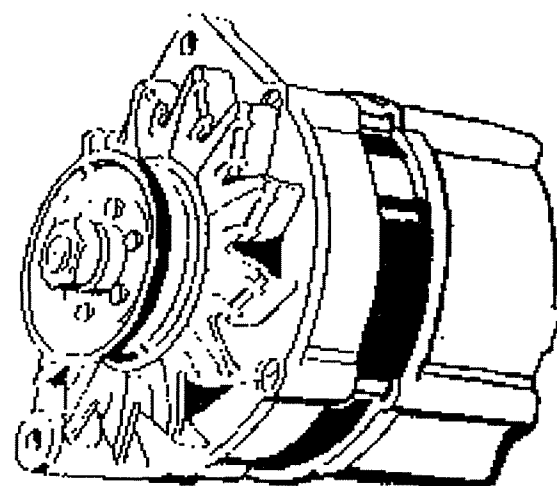
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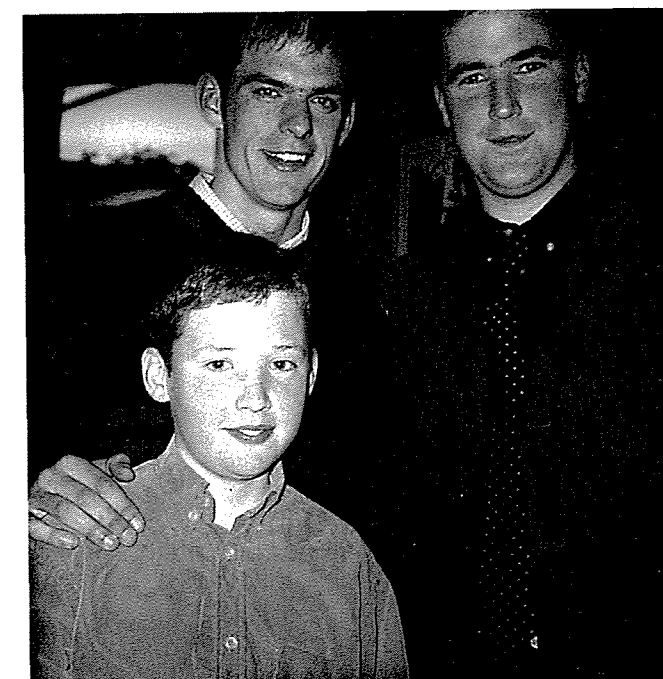
There was a large attendance which included, Tommy and Pamela Carberry, Bobby Burke, owner of Grand National Winner 1999 Bobby Jo.

Bobby Burke was presented with a memento of the occasion by Jim Hoare, owner of Dowdstown Hotel.

T.V.3 were also there as was Pat Taaffe's son Tom who represented his late father who was the jockey for Arkle.



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Arkle

(1957 - 1970)

Nobody, least of all his breeder **Mrs. Mary Baker**, realised that the bay foal she bred on her modest farm in North County Dublin on April 19th, 1957 would grow up to become **Arkle** the greatest 'chaser there has ever been. The colt by **Archive** out of **Bright Cherry** looked just a good sort and was knocked down to the **Duchess of Westminster** at **Goffs Sales** in Ballsbridge on August 4th, 1960 for 1,150 Guineas.

He went into training in 1961 with the legendary **Tom Dreaper** who fashioned for Arkle a career that will never be matched. Stable jockey **Pat Taaffe** was associated with Arkle in all his 'chases. Together they won almost every major race in England, including three successive **Cheltenham Gold Cups** in the 1960's. His duels with the mighty **Mill House** left their mark on the great horse and many believe that Arkle broke his heart. Mill House was never the same again.

In Ireland, Arkle's superiority was so great the handicapper had to change the rules to give other horses a chance to beat him - one weight if Arkle ran and another weight if he didn't **Leopardstown** was Arkle's favourite course. He won five races there, including three Leopardstown Chases carrying top weight, but one of his finest races was in the Miltown Chase in February 1963. He carried 3lb. less than thirteen stone in a field of fifteen at odds of 1-2 and won by eight lengths.

His final win came at **Ascot** on December 14th, 1966 when he won under his usual twelve stone seven pounds. Thirteen days later in the King George V1 chase at **Kempton** he struck the take-off board at the open ditch and fractured the pedal bone in his off fore-leg. He never flinched and battled on to the line, though sadly caught close to home by **Dormant**. Even in defeat on that grey day at Kempton, Arkle was magnificent for his incomparable courage. That broken bone meant the end of his career, but for those privileged to witness him in action there will never be a 'chaser to compare with Arkle.

Winner of an unprecedented 27 of his 35 races, Arkle died on May 31st, 1970 at Bryanstown Stud near Maynooth in Co. Kildare.

Arkle

Archive - Bright Cherry, Career Record.

Ran 35; won 27; Second 2; Third 3; Fourth 2; Unplaced 1;

December, 1961: Lough Ennel Maiden Plate, M. Hely - Hutchinson, Mullingar - **Third**

December, 1961: Greystones Flat Race, M. Hely - Hutchinson, Leopardstown- **Fourth**.

January, 1962: Bective Hurdle, L. McLoughlin, Navan - **WON**

March, 1962: Rathconnell Handicap Hurdle, P. Taaffe, Naas - **WON**

April, 1962: Balbriggan Handicap Hurdle, L. McLoughlin, Baldoyle - **Unplaced**.

April, 1962: New Handicap Hurdle, L. McLoughlin, Fairyhouse - **Fourth**

October 1962: Wee County Handicap Hurdle, P. Taaffe,

Dundalk- **WON**

October, 1962: President's Handicap Hurdle, P. Woods, Gowran Park- **WON**

November: 1962: Honeybourne Chase, P.Taaffe, Cheltenham - **WON**

February, 1963: Milltown Chase, P. Taaffe, Leopardstown - **WON**

March, 1963: Broadway Chase, P. Taaffe, Cheltenham - **WON**

April, 1963: Power Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Fairyhouse - **WON**

May, 1963: John Jameson Gold Cup, P. Taaffe,

Punchestown - **WON**

October 1963: Donoughmore Maiden Plate, T.P Burns, Navan - **WON**

October 1963: Carey's Cottage Chase, P. Taaffe, Gowran Park - **WON**

November 1963: Hennessy Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Newbury - **THIRD**

December 1963: Christmas Handicap Chase, P. Taaffe, Leopardstown - **WON**

January 1964: Thyestes Chase, P. Taaffe, Gowran Park - **WON**

February 1964: Leopardstown Chase, P. Taaffe, Leopardstown - **WON**

March 1964: Gold Cup, P.Taaffe, Cheltenham - **WON**

March 1964: Irish Grand National, P. Taaffe, Fairyhouse - **WON**

October 1964: Carey's Cottage Handicap Chase, P. Taaffe, Gowran Park - **WON**

December 1964: Hennessy Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Newberry - **WON**

December, 1964: Massey Ferguson Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Cheltenham - **THIRD**

February, 1965: Leopardstown Chase, P. Taaffe, Leopardstown - **WON**

March, 1965: Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Cheltenham - **WON**

April, 1965: Whitbread Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Sandown - **WON**

November, 1965: Gallaher Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Sandown - **WON**

November, 1965: Hennessy Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Newbury - **WON**

December, 1965: King George VI Chase, P. Taaffe, Kempton - **WON**

March, 1966: Leopardstown Chase, P. Taaffe, Leopardstown - **WON**

March, 1966: Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Cheltenham - **WON**

November, 1966: Hennessy Gold Cup, P. Taaffe, Newbury - **SECOND**

December, 1966: S.G.B. Chase, P. Taaffe, Ascot - **WON**

December, 1966: King George VI Chase, P. Taaffe, Kempton - **SECOND**

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Video Review

Halloween H20 (18)

This smart and suspenseful thriller stars the original movie's scream queen Jamie Lee Curtis, along with a cast of hot young chic actors. Laurie Strode is now the headmistress of an exclusive private college, still struggling to shake off the memories of twenty years ago when maniac Michael Myers first made his presence felt, when he suddenly re-appears with a vengeance! And this Halloween his terror will strike a whole new generation of would - be victims. Laurie's rebellious son (Josh Harnett), his girlfriend (Michelle Williams) and the school security guard (LL Cool J), are set to become Myers' newest victims, unless Laurie can conquer her greatest fears and put the evil killer in his place once and for all. The time has come again for you to experience the frightening fun of Halloween - the movie series that totally redefined the horror genre.

Verdict: The mixture as before!

Wag the Dog (15s)

Re-live the Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinski scandal with this irreverent movie that pokes fun at American politics and all its works and pomps. The President is accused of molesting a girl guide and he gets spin doctor Ronnie Breaan, played by Robert DeNiro, and big-shot Hollywood movie producer Stan Moss, played by Dustin Hoffman, to deflect attention from his little pecadillo by staging a phoney war. It all goes well for a while, but of course the public will surely see through the scam - or will they. This is a film that started off as a great idea, but for some reason about half way through gets extremely tedious. Even the dialogue between Hoffman and DeNiro starts to grate and you wonder why you bothered.

Verdict: Glad to see the closing credits

US Marshals (15's)

This movie is actually a prequel to the Fugitive, and stars Tommy Lee Jones as US Marshal Sam Gerard who is hot on the trail of deadly assassin, Wesley Snipes. It's got all the usual action movie ingredients: plenty of cat and mouse stuff, car chases, helicopter chases and lashings of things that go boom in the night (and at any other time).

Jones and Snipes put in sterling performances as the cop and killer pair, but it's all been done before. Still not bad; great if you're an action movie fan, but tired and tedious if you're not.

Verdict: Passable

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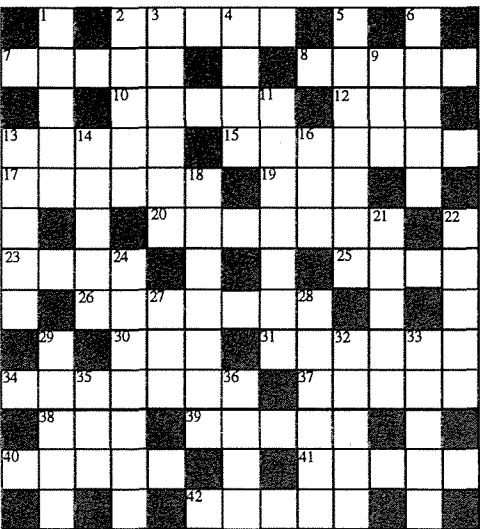
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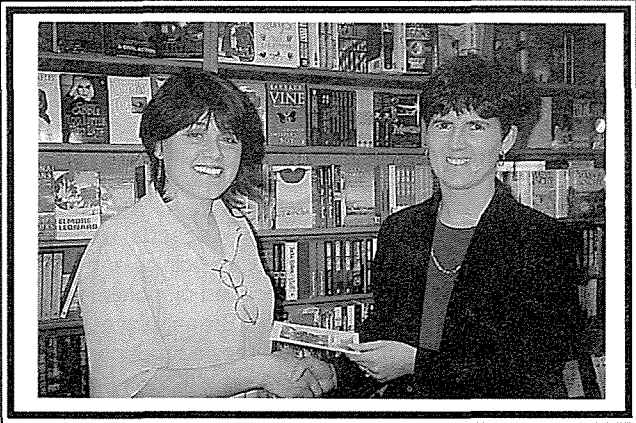


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- 2. Shore (5)
 - 7. Brutal (5)
 - 8. Demon (5)
 - 10. Drain (5)
 - 12. Rug (3)
 - 13. Sober (5)
 - 15. Dedicated (7)
 - 17. Whimpered (6)
 - 19. Tune (3)
 - 20. Dishearten (7)
 - 23. Swear (4)
 - 25. Resound (4)
 - 26. Ousted (7)
 - 30. Coach (3)
 - 31. Erase (6)
 - 34. Wandering (7)
 - 37. Promised (5)
 - 38. Obtain (3)
 - 39. Pick-me-up (5)
 - 40. Repulse (5)
 - 41. Gallery (5)
 - 42. Spree (5)

- Down:
- 1. Veracity (5)
 - 2. Start (5)
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- 27. Place (3)
- 28. Invent (6)
- 29. Impelled (5)
- 32. Regional (5)
- 33. Singer (5)
- 35. Material (3)
- 36. Centre (4)

Solution to Crossword No. 137
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Winner of Crossword No.: 137
Margaret Houlihan, Cowanstown, Maynooth

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A TO Z MONTESSORI SCHOOL

A brief guide to the Montessori classroom and Montessori Materials for Parents

Maria Montessori (1870-1952) was a doctor, an educator and a humanitarian who developed an approach to children and to education which has spread to almost every part of the world. She believed that the first six years of life are the most crucial ones and that children under six have the ability to absorb knowledge, language and culture effortlessly from their surrounding environment.

Montessori noticed that children under age six go through certain temporary 'phases' which she referred to as 'sensitive periods' which play a specific role in the development of each individual child. These 'sensitive periods' are stages in a child's life when he/she seems to experience an immense fascination for using all the senses, using language, for maintaining a sense of order and routine and for noticing small objects and detail.

In the Montessori pre-school, the environment (comprising the teacher, the classroom and the Montessori materials) is carefully prepared to work with the child's absorbent mind and 'sensitive periods'. The aim is to promote independent learning and exploration by the child. The classroom is arranged in orderly manner to answer the child's need for order and structure. The classroom is designed to aid independent learning so that the child, through the use of the materials and with the guidance of the teacher, selects activities of interest to him/her and thereby gains a love of learning.

There are two types of materials used in the Montessori School, namely:

- 1. Pre-school materials such as jigsaws, clay, paint and activities to develop social interaction and imaginative play.
- 2. Specially manufactured Montessori Materials, each of which aim to draw the child's attention to a particular quality e.g. dimension, number, colour.

The areas covered by the Montessori School and the materials associated with each are as follows:-

• Practical Life

Some of the activities children undertake help to develop their ability to look after themselves and their surroundings. They can practice dressing skills on specially made frames which allow them to try zips, buttons, bows and buckles. They use jugs filled with rice or water to practice pouring. They also spoon, scoop or use tongs to transfer from one bowl to another. Other activities include using sweeping brushes, shoe cleaning/polishing kits. Through these tasks, children develop their self-confidence as well as competence and an ability to concentrate.

• Sensorial

The children use specially designed materials to help stimulate and develop the senses, such as sense of touch, hearing and sight. The materials used include a tower of pink blocks, sets of cylinders graduated in size, cylinders with knobs which have to be fitted into the right size holes in a block, rough and smooth wooden plates, fabrics to sort by touch.

Another piece of sensorial apparatus that the children use is a set of geometric solids which the children explore with their hands, matching identical ones and sorting them into sets according to their geometric properties. As they get older, children become fascinated with words and the solids are given their names such as pyramid, cone etc. Another associated piece of material uses flat geometric shapes - circle, square, triangle.

The sensorial materials also help to prepare the children for reading and writing. For instance the knobbed cylinders and design insets which are held by knobs between the child's finger and thumb, prepare the muscles of the hand for writing. Sorting the colour box tablets according to subtle differences in shade and colour sharpens the child's perception of slight difference, another prerequisite for recognising letter and number shapes. Each stage is taught by itself, one step at a time and the child will gradually, at his/her own pace and particular learning style, integrate the different skills.

• Maths

Children gain a physical impression of size and quality by handling number rods and counting spindles in the spindle box, for instance. The children use sandpaper numbers for tracing the numerals with their fingers. A knowledge of quantity and numerals is built up using coloured glass beads and the Seguin Boards. An introduction to the decimal system is given to older children through use of the Golden bead material.

• Language

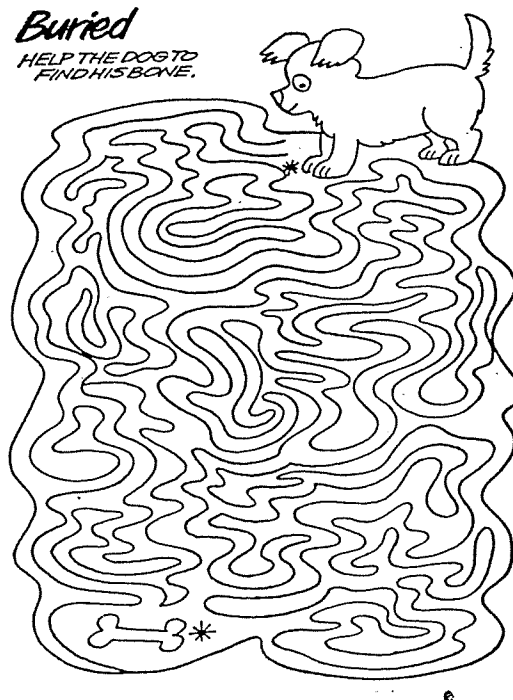
Children start to build up a knowledge of the letters phonetically using sandpaper letters. Subsequently, words can be put together using the large moveable alphabet. For older children, a reading programme is introduced and progresses through three colour coded levels, namely, pink, blue and green. A wide range of story and reference picture books are always available such as stories about children and animals, nature stories, nursery rhymes etc.



Children's Corner

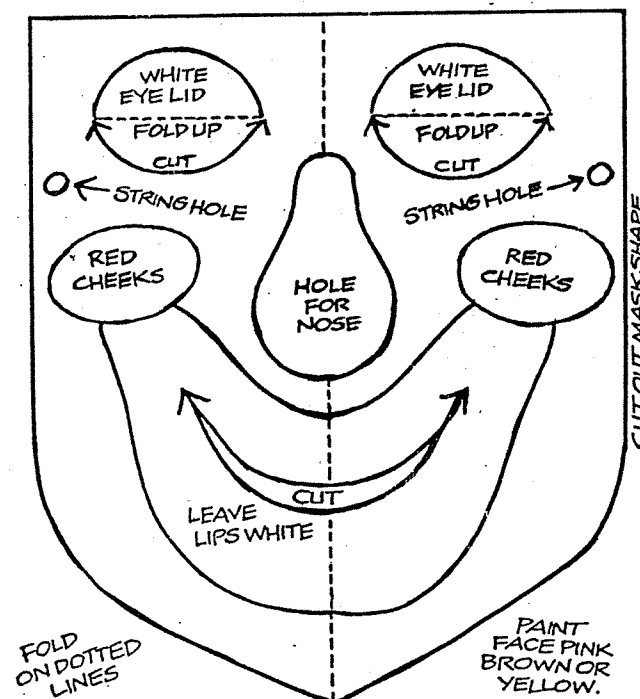


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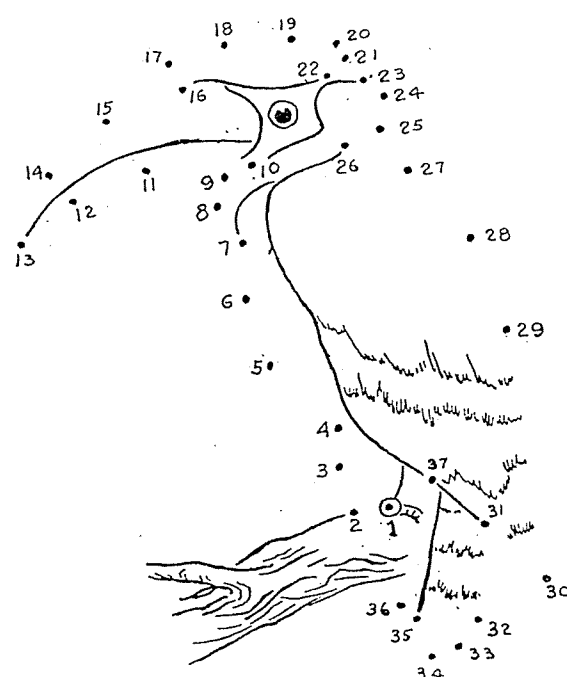
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A TO Z MONTESSORI SCHOOL (Cont.)

Children attending A to Z Montessori School also have exposure to languages other than English, namely Irish and French, so that they have an opportunity to become aware of the existence of these languages as well.

• Cultural

This includes learning about the existence of other countries, cultures and ways of life. Cultural subjects also include an introduction to science such as carrying out simple experiments e.g. sinking and floating, conversion of water to ice and steam. The cultural subject area also includes, nature e.g. life cycle of the frog, different types of leaves, gardening activities (outdoors from time to time, weather permitting), and taking care of potted plants. At this school, the children will also have opportunities to do flower arranging.

• Art and Music

Painting and drawing opportunities are freely available to children in the school. Music sessions include dancing and singing. At this school, there will be opportunity for children to experiment with actual musical instruments such as Accordion and Keyboard.

• Social Skills

Children learn social skills by chatting and interacting with each other and with the teacher. Opportunities for group discussion are always availed of by the teacher. As the children learn about other cultures, they are encouraged to celebrate differences and value other people. Ground rules in the classroom give each child security in his/her environment. Children also learn to notice if someone else needs help and to offer assistance.

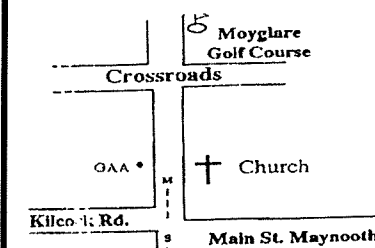
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Labour Leinster Euro Candidate Statement by Sean Butler

Labour Leinster Euro Candidate, Sean Butler, has attacked the reforms of the Community Employment scheme set forward by Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Mary Harney. The proposal's outlined in a report commissioned by the Minister includes measures designed to exclude under 25's, lone parents and the disabled from participating in Community Employment.

Mr. Butler expressed his concerns at the content of the report referring to the proposals as "an attack on the weak and vulnerable sectors of society"

Mr. Butler goes on, "I condemn the proposals outlined in the report in the strongest possible terms. The proposals to effectively exclude the under 25's from Community Employment cannot be tolerated by anyone who is serious about offering the young unemployed real and meaningful opportunities to participate in training in order to find stable and secure employment.

"I accept that there is room for improvement in the way that Community Employment schemes operate at the moment. The ethos of the CE Schemes is twofold. Firstly, participants are provided with training in order to increase their opportunities of gaining a job. Secondly, the scheme should provide a chance for the participant to work in the community giving them opportunities for greater social interaction and enhancing their sense of social responsibility and community awareness. This important central aspect has been overlooked by this report in its single-minded determination to find mechanisms to cut costs. All that these unjust proposals will succeed in doing will be to deny opportunities to young people and force them onto the dole and into the wilderness with very few realistic opportunities for social and economic advancement".

Mr. Butler continues "The suggestions that CE schemes were not serving the purpose of successfully training people for participation in the labour force does not stand up. The statistics show that in 1997, many CE projects experienced job placement rates of up to 61%".

"The report recommendations concerning the exclusion of lone parents and the disabled from participation on CE schemes is nothing short of contemptible. Young lone parents should be given every encouragement to participate in training and the workplace in order to give them and their families the dignity and quality of life they are entitled to expect. The fallacy that young lone parents find that CE's is 'financially attractive' is insulting."

Contact, Sean Butler, 056 65575 or 087 2302823

PERMISSION SOUGHT FOR MAJOR DEVELOPMENT OFF LEINSTER STREET

Planning permission is being sought for the redevelopment of Buckley's house and the adjoining site off Leinster Street. The property was recently acquired by Mr. Louis Fitzgerald, owner of the Roost and the planning application lodged with Kildare Co. Council suggests that the whole area will undergo major redevelopment if approved by the Council. At first glance the plans contain some very positive elements. It is proposed to retain the existing house which, at the moment, seems to be in very poor condition. The house has important historical significance as the residence of the State's first Attorney General. The plans to renovate it and house a restaurant and art gallery in the building are to be welcomed. The garden to the right of the house is to be retained and immediately behind the house it is planned to locate a mixture of retail units and apartments. The site stretches along the back of the Garda Station and the Credit Union offices and has significant frontage along Leinster Street. Apartments are planned for this area with an archway entrance from Leinster Street unto a residents courtyard.

Perhaps one of the less desirable aspects of the plans is that the apartments along Leinster Street front right on to the roadside and break the line of buildings set by the terrace which includes the Garda Station and Credit Union. Leinster Street has the potential to be a very attractive routeway linking the Canal and Harbour Field areas with the Main Street. One hopes that our planners bear this in mind when considering this planning application and encourage the developers to retain the existing line of the street.



6 finalists National Youth Awards No Name Club

Back left to right:
Stephen Hogan, Mayfield
Paula Higgins, Mountbellew
Seamus Hogan, Mountbellew
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Deirdre Hickey, Tullow
Gina Honeyman, Finglas

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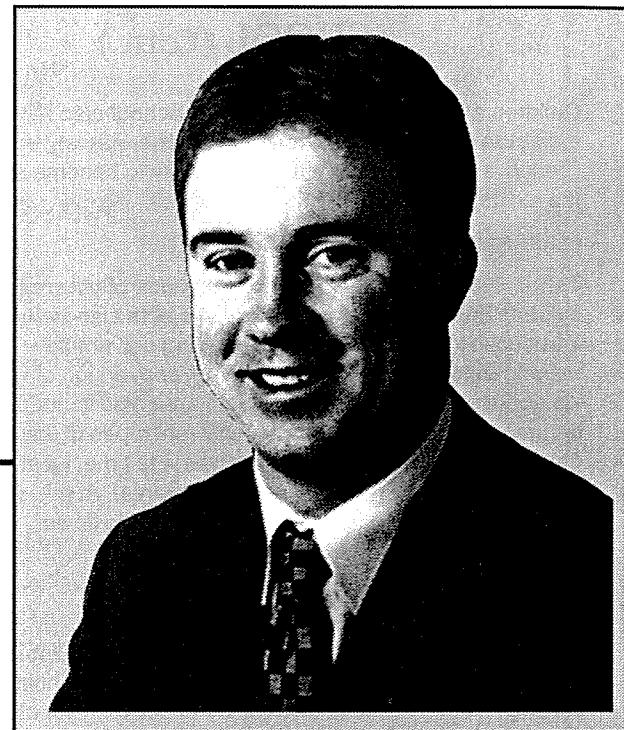
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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Maynooth Development Plan

The Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare Co. Council met on April 9th to consider what action to take on the Maynooth Development Plan in light of the forced new strategy in the County Plan.

Cllr. John Mc Ginley's priorities are to secure playing pitches for the Soccer Club, G.A.A. and the Primary and Post Primary Schools. Prior to the meeting Cllr. McGinley had got written agreement from landowners that they would transfer land for such purpose i.e.

- 10 Acres to the Soccer Club
- 10 Acres to the G.A.A.
- 10 Acres to the Schools

Cllr. Mc Ginley will also be insisting on the inserting of a clause in the Plan confining development within the Educational Zoning (out by the College and Moyglare Road) to Buildings for Educational Purposes only. This is to ensure that houses or apartments are excluded from consideration in this area.

In relation to a site for a Gaelscoil Cllr. John Mc Ginley will ensure that an appropriate area is zoned for same.

Concerning passive recreation Cllr. John Mc Ginley will ensure that the lands on both sides of Carton Avenue remain Green Belt. Provision will also be made for passive recreation at the Harbour Field.

As the roads engineering staff were not present at the meeting it was not possible to finalise matters. However Cllr. Mc Ginley did formally propose the rezoning of approximately 120 acres of land for housing in line with the County Plan. One of the Councillors made it very clear that if the Area Committee only rezoned 120 acres for housing, he would add a further 30 acres at the full Council.

The next meeting is scheduled for the 6th May and it is expected that the Draft Plan will be approved then to go on a 3 month public display period.

Cllr. Mc Ginley will be proposing that the Ring Road from Straffan Road to Blacklion, which was in the previous Draft Plan, be deleted from this Plan. This road is no longer required because of the Intel link to the Motorway which is due for completion in 2001.

NEW PUBLIC LIGHT - ROCKFIELD

Following representations from Cllr. John Mc Ginley, the Council have requested the E.S.B. to install a new Public Light at the left hand side entrance to Rockfield Estate. This is a very dark spot and the absence of a light makes it very dangerous.

MAYNOOTH TOWN IMPROVEMENTS WORKS

The Motion that brought the Improvement Works was proposed by Cllr. John Mc Ginley some 4 years ago. Despite the long wait it is great to see the changes that it has brought about to our Main

Street environment. With the footpaths practically completed the next steps are the resurfacing of Main Street with red tar/chippings, the provision of traffic lights and pedestrian crossing at the junction of Main Street/Parson Street/Mill Street/Leinster Street (the pedestrian lights at the Bank of Ireland will then be removed), and finally the new parking regulations yellow lines.

As this will have used up all of the money, leaving no funding to complete the paving at the Girls School/Carton Avenue entrance and works at Doctors Lane, the Assistant Co. Manager has agreed to a proposal from Cllr. John Mc Ginley to investigate what general development levies are unused in Maynooth to date. With over 400 houses completed in Maynooth in the last three years there should be at least the £85,000 required for this very necessary work.

Cllr. Mc Ginley has also requested the Council to investigate General Levies placed on premises such as Supermac's with a view to improving each of the Lanes off Main Street.

FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE CANAL AT THE RAILWAY STATION

C.I.E. and the O.P.W. are in disagreement over the positioning of the new replacement bridge. C.I.E. want to put it in the old location and the O.P.W. want it 30 metres nearer Bond Bridge. As the O.P.W. stance does not make any sense Cllr. John Mc Ginley proposed at the last meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee that the Co. Secretary write to the O.P.W. advising them the new bridge should go in the old location. Enough inconvenience has been caused to train commuters and it is essential that the footbridge be put in place as a matter of urgency.

BARBERSTOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Over £500,000 has been agreed for improvement to this very busy road. A footpath will be constructed from the Motorway Bridge to the Dowdstown Hotel and the bad bend close to the Hotel will be removed. In addition the road will be widened. Improvements will also take place in other dangerous sections of the roadway.

TRAFFIC CALMING - BACK LANE/POUND LANE

The Roads Engineer advised the Area Committee that he was not in favour of speed cushions at junctions as they would constitute a traffic hazard. He believes that "Pinch Points" are more suitable (narrowing of road at locations) for this road. As a result of Cllr. John Mc Ginley's motion the roads engineer has agreed to provide a written report for the consideration of the Lyreen Residents Association.

MEADOWBROOK LINK ROAD TO STRAFFAN ROAD

The Celbridge Area Committee were shown a preliminary design at the meeting on the 16th April. The design includes traffic calming measures as requested by Cllr. John Mc Ginley.

In addition the Roads Engineer has agreed to Cllr. John Mc Ginley's Motion to pipe Meadowbrook Stream between Meadowbrook Court and Meadowbrook Avenue and to close

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off the road from pedestrian access at these locations by building up the back garden walls.

The preliminary design has the road exiting opposite the Bus Stop on the Straffan Road.

Cllr. John Mc Ginley had requested the officials to speed up the Compulsory Purchase Order of the land necessary to build the road. It is a pity that the landowner just does not give the land to the Council because he will have to repay the money to the Council anyway if he ever develops the field.

NEWTOWN/RATHCOFFEY ROAD

Cllr. John Mc Ginley raised the disgraceful condition of this road at the full Council meeting on the 19th April. He has also written to the County Secretary asking that immediate steps be taken to provide footpaths, public lighting and road markings. After all the residents of Parsons Hall and Castledawson have already paid for this through development levies when they bought their homes.

THE POUND

The Tidy Towns Committee did a lovely job developing The Pound opposite the Mill. The contractors on the Main Street works undid the work when they were laying pipes some three months ago. Cllr. John Mc Ginley has requested the Council overseer to ensure that the area is restored to its former status as a matter of urgency.

FOOTPATH IMPROVEMENTS IN MAYNOOTH

The following proposals by Cllr. John Mc Ginley were agreed to at the Area Committee meeting on April 9th.

- £7,000 for Kilcock Road Footpath.
- £5,000 for Old Greenfields - Improve footpaths House No's 738 to 757.
- £3,000 for bottom of Old Greenfields Lane - Footpath from House No. 350 to the Bollards. (Cllr. Griffin added a further £2,000)
- £5,000 for footpath improvements Parson Street to Bond Bridge
- £2,000 for O'Neill Park footpaths

USAGE OF DEVELOPMENT LEVIES MONEY

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council 'That a Parallel Road Works Programme be drawn up for Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge, using funding from unspent Development Levies in these towns'.

This Motion will ensure that the significant development levies collected in our area will be spent here and not siphoned off to South Kildare as has happened in the past.

PARKING REGULATIONS FOR MAYNOOTH AGREED

On the proposal of Cllr. John McGinley the Parking Regulations for Maynooth were agreed to at the Council meeting on March 29th.

KINGSBRY ESTATE - TAKING IN CHARGE AGREED

Following Cllr. John McGinley's proposal it was agreed at the Council meeting of March 29th that Kingsbry Estate be taken in charge.

This means that the Council will advertise the fact that they are taking the estate in charge and the improvement works they intend to carry out in Kingsbry to bring it to a proper standard in the local papers and Library. Any submissions received will be considered by the Council and a final approval given. The Council will then hire a contractor to carry out the agreed works.

PARKLANDS THROUGH ROAD TAKEN IN CHARGE

As proposed by Cllr. John Mc Ginley the taking in charge of Parklands through road was agreed to at the Council meeting held on 26th April.

This means that proposals for traffic calming measures can now be drawn up by the council in consultation with the Residents of the area.



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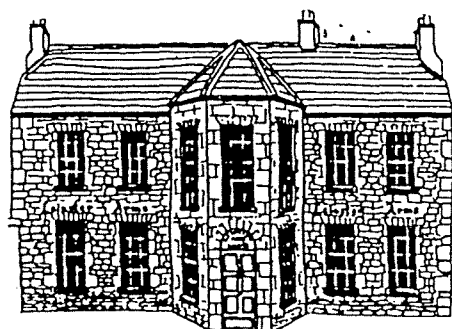
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FINE GAEI NOTES

Girls National School Entrance:

Kildare County Council's Road Design Engineer, Mr. Charlie O'Sullivan, has accepted a proposal from Cllr. Senan Griffin to remove the grass margin at Convent Lane in Maynooth, in order to facilitate a bus bay for the school children attending the Presentation Convent Maynooth. This entrance has become completely congested with cars and buses, resulting in heightened danger for school children. The safety of school children is of paramount importance, especially those children who use the bus as a means of getting to and from school.

Cllr. Senan Griffin complimented Fergal Barton of Barton's Transport for the company's co-operation in offering to take the long way around to the school, to fully utilise the bus bay. When this bus bay is put in place, it will also help to alleviate the traffic congestion at the Dunboyne Road, and the top of the Main Street. The Area Engineer has been requested by Cllr. Senan Griffin to give priority to this project.

Greenfield Housing:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested the County Architect to expedite the survey of the housing scheme in Greenfield, so that a Part Ten (which is equivalent to planning permission and thus allows renovations to be carried out on the houses) can be put on display. The need to carry out the repair work is obvious and should be carried out as soon as possible by the Council (preferably before the Winter months).

Carton Court / Cluain Aoibhinn:

Following representations by Cllr. Senan Griffin to Kildare County Council in relation to the poor quality of the finished road surface in Carton Court and Cluain Aoibhinn, the Roads Engineer, Mr. Des O'Connor, has given an undertaking to examine all estates in Maynooth and Leixlip. A priority listing will be produced and presented to the Area Councillors by the Roads Engineer, so that work can be carried out on those areas most in need over the summer months.

Rathcoffey Road:

A proposal by Cllr Senan Griffin to extend the 30 m.p.h. speed limit from Maynooth town to the motorway bridge on the Rathcoffey Road and a 40 m.p.h. limit to a distance of 200 meters beyond the bridge has been accepted by Kildare County Council. "This will ensure that the road is much safer, especially for entry/exit to houses at Crinstown", said Cllr. Griffin.

The urgent need to provide a footpath to serve the residents of both Castledawson and Parson's Hall is being constantly highlighted to the County Engineer by Cllr. Senan Griffin. The number of residents currently using the unsafe road, combined with the lack of a footpath, is of serious concern, and Cllr. Griffin is seeking immediate remedial work to be carried out in order to make it safer for pedestrians.

Affordable Housing:

Kildare County Council has finally agreed to allocate sixteen private sites to young couples living in North Kildare after much convincing by Cllr. Senan Griffin. This allocation is due to be finalised on May 7th, 1999. "This scheme is the only way forward for young couples wishing to set up a new home", said Cllr. Griffin in a recent statement. Cllr. Griffin has been actively working on this scheme for the past two years. The alternative scheme recently announced by the

Government is to be welcomed, he said, but the private site scheme is undoubtedly of most benefit to those in the £18,000 to £22,000 income bracket.

Footpaths:

At a recent meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee the five local Councillors were afforded an opportunity to allocate the sum of £115,000 for the improvement of footpaths in the Celbridge Area, i.e., Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge and Ardclough. It was agreed that each Councillor would be given an equal share of the allocated monies (i.e. £22,500 each). Cllr. Griffin stated that in his opinion the total of £115,000 would be needed for the Castletown / Oaklawn Estates in Leixlip.

"The town of Celbridge should be given its fair share of the allocated money argued Cllr. Griffin, given that we are still the elected representatives of that area until after June 11th when Celbridge will be an area on its own after that date".

Cllr. Griffin allocated his share as follows:

Moyglare Road, Maynooth	-	£8,000
Greenfield Lane, Maynooth	-	£2,000
Leinster Street, Maynooth	-	£1,000
Quarry Lane, Celbridge	-	£1,000
Inglewood, Celbridge	-	£3,000
Castletown, Leixlip	-	£10,000

The excess in Cllr. Griffin's share was given by Cllr. Gerry Brady, for which Cllr. Griffin has expressed his grateful appreciation. This money, together with development levies, should enable the completion of the footpath from the S.V.D. Hostel to the Telecom Entrance.

Local Roads in Disrepair:

A number of local roads bordering Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge are now showing the signs of rapid deterioration, due to the huge volume of heavy traffic using these roads. Cllr. Senan Griffin has suggested to the Roads Engineer that all large trucks using these roads have a weight limit placed on them.

Maynooth Development Plan:

The Maynooth Development Plan was discussed at a recent
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FINE GAEL NOTES (Cont.)

meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee. The Labour Party proposed the zoning of 65 acres on the Moyglare Road, and 45 acres at the Rathcoffey Road. Cllr. Senan Griffin objected to any rezoning until such time as the Roads Engineering staff has prepared a Roads Plan for Maynooth. This proposal was accepted by the Committee, and the Roads Section are now going to prepare a report for Maynooth, so as to ensure that any new road required in the future will be placed on the development map.

Cllr. Senan Griffin proposed that the parallel road to run at the rear of Greenfield Lane, be adopted as a requirement for the Maynooth Action Plan. This road which will open out onto the Straffan Road, will provide the access necessary so that the houses can continue to be built at the back of houses on the lane. This road will be part of the Area Action Plan and will help to solve planning permission difficulties (in terms of adequate access) which are currently causing problems for those locals wishing to live close to their original homes.

Litter:

Now that the works on the Main Street are nearing completion, the erection of litter bins should help to reduce the volume of litter on the street. The Litter Warden has visited Maynooth 23 times since his appointment, and he will shortly be issuing summonses to those who litter the streets.

Taking Estates in Charge:

The method of taking housing estates into the charge of Kildare County Council is currently very cumbersome and in urgent need of change. Cllr. Griffin has put a set of proposals to Kildare County Council as a way forward, and he has requested that the Council prepare plans for the taking in charge by default, those estates that have been completed for fifteen years.

This will solve the problems in Kingsbry, Leinster Park, Doctor's Lane, Moyglare Village and Beaufield. The current situation is totally unacceptable to the residents - the only way forward is for the Council to take the estates in charge and spend the bond in correcting any immediate problems, as well as putting in place a plan to correct any outstanding works for each estate.

Maynooth Post-Primary School:

Following representations by Deputy Bernard Durkan, Minister Martin has said it is too early to say when construction is likely to commence in providing extra facilities at the School. A Stage 1 (site suitability) submission is awaited from Co. Kildare Vocational Educational Committee for the proposed extension. The overall accommodation will then cater for an enrolment figure of 800 pupils.

"The delay by both the Co. Kildare VEC and the Department is totally unacceptable given the development of Maynooth and environs. Extra accommodation is needed as a matter of urgency to cater for the growing needs of the community in Maynooth" said Deputy Durkan.

No Institute of Technology for North Kildare:

Deputy Bernard Durkan has expressed his disappointment at a reply from the Minister for Education stating that his Department have no plans to develop an Institute of Technology in the North Kildare Area.

Projected Requirements for Places at Third Level Universities and other Colleges:

There were 104,000 students in third level institutions in the year 1997/98, with an increase for 1999/2000 to 112,000. The Steering Committee on the Future Development of Higher Education has been finalised and will be published shortly. The Study remit was to advise on the provision of educational and training places for school leavers and others, Deputy Bernard Durkan was told in a recent reply from the Minister.

"Concern was expressed by Deputy Bernard Durkan at the rising demand for places at third level institutions and urged the Minister to give the report to be published shortly adequate and urgent consideration".

Scoil Uí Fhiaich, Maynooth:

This school was granted temporary recognition in April 1997. Part of the condition of temporary recognition is that the school must provide temporary premises suitable for school use. Grant-aid up to 75% is provided by the Department towards rental costs.

An application for permanent recognition is being processed at present. When permanent recognition is granted then the School is entitled to claim capital grant-aid for the provision of permanent accommodation, Deputy Bernard Durkan has been told by the Minister.

"Deputy Bernard Durkan expressed his disappointment at this reply. He said it seems extraordinary to him that for temporary recognition, a grant of 75% is paid towards the rental of temporary accommodation, it would seem logical to expect that a phased grant would be given to assist in the provision of a permanent structure", he said.

Are you aware that:

Exports of timber amounted to £144m in 1997. The forestry sector stands to gain significantly if it is developed beyond its current scale.

In the area of Irish Seafood, exports have been increasing steadily from £170m in 1993 to £228m in 1997. Further expansion in this area is also envisaged.

In the area of Tourism - Angling, it is estimated that over 170,000 overseas anglers came to Ireland in 1996. Angling is the second most important tourism sport after golf and extends the normal tourism season.

Over 100,000 tonnes of potatoes (i.e. frozen, fresh, preserved, flour and meal, flakes and dried) were imported into Ireland up to September 1998.

The catering industry has requirements for chipping potatoes that have particular characteristics which ensure a quality of produce acceptable to consumers. The variety predominantly used are Maris Piper and are sourced through specialist suppliers of peeled potatoes and through potato merchants. There is unfortunately no willingness among producers here to grow this particular variety.

Deputy Durkan has requested the Minister to investigate the possibility of growing this variety in Ireland so as to ensure an adequate supply for this important industry.

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FINE GAEL NOTES (Cont.)

Expansion of Forestry:

The total area under forestry at the end of 1998 was 619,000 hectares or just over 9% of the total land cover in the country. The area of mature forests is estimated at 293,100 hectares or 47% of the total, Deputy Bernard Durkan was told by way of reply to a question to the Minister for the Marine and Natural Resources.

The total planted over the last five years is as follows:

Year	Hectares
1994	19,335
1995	23,529
1996	20,952
1997	11,435
1998	12,928

The greatest increase in forestry cover occurred in counties Cork, Mayo, Kerry, Donegal and Tipperary.

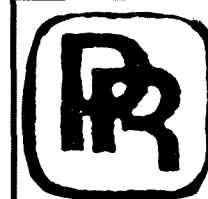
Prisoner Officer Staffing Levels:

At present there is a total of 2,801 serving prison staff of which 2,305 are of prison officer grade. Allowance has been made in the budgets 1999-2001 for further recruitment to bring the staffing levels to 3,370 to cater for the operation of prisons which are due to open this year i.e. Mountjoy Womens Prison, Cloverhill and new Midlands Prison in Portlaoise.

Staffing levels in the prison service will be kept under review, in light of the Staffing and Operational Review Team who are undertaking a staffing assessment in each prison at the present time and in light of developments vis-a-vis prisoner accommodation, Deputy Bernard Durkan has been told.

Maynooth Rail Line:

In a recent reply Deputy Bernard Durkan was informed that there are delays on the Maynooth to Connolly Line. All commuters are fully aware of the inadequacy of the service, said Deputy Durkan and it is appreciated that work is being undertaken at the present time on the line. Deputy Durkan was at pains to stress the need to observe safety regulations in the interim and at the same time try to ensure that commuters are given a reasonable degree of service.



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Sport

MAYNOOTH G.A.A NOTES

DATE	LEVEL	RESULT	
27th March 1999	U/21 Hurling Championship	Clane 2-7	Maynooth 2-4
28th March 1999	Ladies Football League	Maynooth 5-15	Grange 2-0
18th April 1999	Minor Hurling League	Clane 2-5	Maynooth 1-4
19th April 1999	Junior Camogie League	Maynooth 4-1	St. Laurences 0-1
25th April 1999	Senior Hurling League	Maynooth 0-12	Kilcock 1-6
25th April 1999	Junior Camogie League	Maynooth 7-5	Clane 0-0

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

JUNIOR CAMOGIE LEAGUE

10th May 1999	Maynooth v Celbridge	Home at 7.30 p.m.
17th May 1999	Confey v Maynooth	Away at 7.30 p.m.
24th May 1999	Rathcoffey v Maynooth	Away at 7.30 p.m.

SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE

19th May 1999	Eire Og/Corrachoill v Maynooth	Away at 8.00 p.m.
26th May 1999	Moorefield v Maynooth	Away at 8.00 p.m.
2nd June 1999	Maynooth v Coill Dubh	Home at 8.00 p.m.

JUNIOR HURLING LEAGUE

6th May 1999	Broadford v Maynooth	Home at 7.30 p.m.
20th May 1999	Maynooth v Eire Og/Corrachoill	Home at 7.30 p.m.
27th May 1999	Kill v Maynooth	Away at 7.30 p.m.
3rd June 1999	Maynooth v Moorefield	Home at 7.30 p.m.

MIINOR HURLING LEAGUE

9th May 1999	Maynooth v Eire Og/Corrachoill	Home at 11.00 a.m.
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UNDER 16 HURLING LEAGUE

12th May 1999	Maynooth v Naas	Home at 6.45 p.m.
19th May 1999	Eire Og/Corrachoill v Maynooth	Away at 6.45 p.m.
26th May 1999	Celbridge v Maynooth	Away at 6.45 p.m.

U/21 Hurling Championship

Brave Show By Maynooth

Clane 2-7 : Maynooth 2-4

In a game that will be best remembered for the high standard of hurling throughout, Maynooth after a heart rendering performance finally succumbed to a Clane side which were expected to win this game more easily. Clane threatened to overrun their opponents early in the first half but such was the excellence of the Maynooth rearguard that Clane found scoring very difficult. Maynooth were first to score in the tenth minute when Conor Diggins picked up the sliotar on his own half back line soloed all

of 80 yds. before picking out full forward Seamus Cummins with a diagonal pass and with the blink of an eye the ball was in the Clane net. Maynooth began to take control at midfield and scored their second goal five minutes later where after good interplay between Alan Nugent and Mikey Gleeson, Ken Dooley was on hand to whip the sliotar to the net from 21 yds. Clane rocked by this second goal gradually clawed their way back into the game with four points from frees by their corner forward Benny Langan. Two superb points from play by Conor Diggins and Alan Nugent eased Maynooth into a 4 point lead before David Cafferty finished the first half scoring with a point leaving the score at half time : Maynooth 2-2 : Clane 0-5.

As expected Clane tried to up the tempo of the game early in the second half but Maynooth were in no mood for surrender and thwarted attack after attack. However ten minutes into the

second half. Paudie Reidy pounced on a Maynooth mix-up in the full back line to score an opportunist goal to level the match. Maynooth had a number of opportunities to take the lead but their shooting was off target. Benny Langan and Paudie Reidy scored a further two points for Clane but Conor Diggins had his second point for Maynooth from a free in the twentieth minute to leave the minimum between the sides. Clane made a number of positional changes and Brian Gleeson who had started at full back moved into attack and had a spectacular shot from 30yds. which crept into the top right hand corner of the net. Maynooth to their credit never gave up and threw everything at Clane in the last ten minutes, but for the brilliance of Peter White in the Clane goal the result might have been different. Even in defeat this was a sterling performance by Maynooth and Clane will have been relieved to survive this epic encounter.

Best for Maynooth were: Karl Ennis in goal, Matt Callaghan, Declan Buckley, Tom Mullarkey, Rory Kelly in defence, Stephen Brennan and Conor Diggins worked tirelessly at midfield while in attack Ken Dooley, Alan Nugent and Eoin Nevin were very impressive.

Maynooth

Team and Scores:Karl Ennis, Matt Callaghan, Declan Buckley, Stephen O Mahoney, Conor Minogue, Tom Mullarkey, Rory Kelly, Stephen Brennan (0-1), Conor Diggins (0-2), Andrew Quinn, Ken Dooley (1-0), Alan Nugent (0-1), Eoin Nevin, Seamus Cummins (1-0), Mikey Gleeson. Sub: Chris Arthurs for S. Cummins, S. Kelly for K. Dooley.

Clane

P. White, E. Gleeson, B. Gleeson (1-0), T. Craughwell, D. Lynch, D. Harney, S. Nolan, D. Cafferty (0-1), ML. Walsh (0-1), E. Walsh, S.O. Dea, N. Doolin (0-1), P. Reidy (1-1), S. Lyons, B. Langan, (0-5).

Referee: Paddy Moore

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MAYNOOTH 5-15 GRANGE 2-0

Maynooth Ladies kicked off their football league campaign with an impressive win over Grange at home on Sunday. The home team got off to a great start when centre half forward Meadhbh Flood (Captain) broke through the lack-lustre Grange defence to score a great point and goal in the first few minutes. Anto Mooney and Ginny Breslin contributed to the score line whilst good working forwards fed the ball to Meadhbh Flood and in addition produced two more goals. It was then that Grange came into the game and scored their first goal. Five minutes later Grange achieved their second and final score. Some sharp shooting performances by Emma Kilduff and Anto Mooney left Maynooth ahead (3-9/2-0) going into the second half.

The second half was dominated by Maynooth. Aideen McCann, Anto Mooney, Emma Kilduff and Meadhbh Flood had a major impact on the second half. Maynooth's defence held Grange off very well and Maynooth ran out easy winners.

Maynooth: R. Watson, P. O'Shea, S. Breslin, M. O'Farrell, L.Keyes, I.Kearney, R. Agnew, A. Mooney (0-4), E. Kilduff (1-2), J. Smith, M. Flood (3-3), A. McCann (1-4), G. Breslin (0-1), T. Kearney, P. Purcell (0-1) for I. Kearney M. Noone, G. Breslin, A. Flood, N. Fitzpatrick, K. Mulhern.

Joanne Smith, Pro.
Ladies Team

MINOR HURLING LEAGUE

Maynooth 1-4 : Clane 2-5

This was a match that lived up to expectations and both teams looked a little ring rusty, played at Clane on 18 April 1999.

In a poor first half, Maynooth dominated for the first 20 minutes but they failed to capitalize on the many chances they had. Instead Clane, who only came into their own towards the end of the half, made more of their chances and went in ahead at half time by 1-2 to 0-1.

The second half was a much more lively affair but still Clane took their chances and started to build up a lead. Maynooth really seemed to get going with the move of Tom Mullarkey to midfield. He totally dominated and was the backbone of many Maynooth scores. Maynooth reduced the deficit to a goal, with a free from Séan Lennon. But try as they did, Clane just broke away and found the net with a goal from David Harney. This looked like sealing a win for Clane but Maynooth fought back and got an opportunist goal through Brendan Coffey. This made the last 5 minutes nailbiting but Clane held on for a narrow win 2-5 to 1-4.

Maynooth Team and Scores: S. Kelly, P. Nevin, T. Mullarkey (0-1) J. Brennan, A. Sweeney, P. Sheehan, A. McCarron, C. Diggins (0-1), K. Ennis, S. Lennon (0-1), C. Cushen, ML Sweeney (0-1), M. Ryan, D. Travers, A. Molloy. Subs: T. Naughton for Travers B. Coffey (1-0) for A. Molloy.

MAYNOOTH CAMOGIE - MATCH REPORT

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Maynooth 4-1 : St. Laurences 0-1

Maynooth got their league campaign off to a satisfactory start with an impressive victory over a fancied St. Laurence side played at Maynooth on 19 April 1999. Despite having most of the scoring chances early in the first half, St Laurence opened the scoring after 10 minutes with a point from play.

Gradually Michelle Gillick and Emma Fahy got the upper hand at midfield and with Christine Flannery dominating at centre back it was no surprise when Anne Comerford got an opportunist goal in the fifteenth minute after good approach work by Ciara O'Neill and Naomi Comerford. Maynooth had a number of point scoring opportunities but failed to convert, while Anne Comerford and Margaret Farrell were denied goals by the brilliance of the St. Laurence keeper. At half time Maynooth led by 1-0 to 0-1.

The first ten minutes of the second half saw Maynooth increase the tempo of the game and two goals from Anne Comerford and

Ciara O'Neill gave Maynooth an unassailable lead. St. Laurence tried to reduce the deficit but the Maynooth defence were in no mood to cave in and in addition Ger Fahy brought off two fine saves. A further goal from Anne Comerford and point from Margaret Farrell wrapped up victory for the home side.

Best for Maynooth were Niamh Mulready, Christine Flannery, Lynn Brennan, Michelle Gillick, Emma Fahy, Ciara O'Neill, Teresa Hession and Anne Comerford.

Team and Scores: Ger Fahy, Niamh Mulready, Claire McCarrick, Lynn Brennan, A.M. Farrell, Christine Flannery, Sandra Gillick, Michelle Gillick, Emma Fahy, Ciara O'Neill (1-0), Teresa Hession, Sharon Cummins, Naomi Devereux, Anne Comerford (3-0) Margaret Farrell (0-1). Sub: Pamela Fahy.

SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE DIVISION I

Maynooth 0-12 : Kilcock 1-6

Maynooth hurlers got their league campaign off to a satisfactory start with a hard earned victory over neighbours Kilcock played at Maynooth on 25th April 1999. The constant drizzle throughout the match made underfoot conditions difficult particularly in the second half when the pitch had cut up badly. However the hurling displayed was of a very high standard and credit is due to both teams for their efforts. Maynooth got off to the better start with four points inside the first ten minutes from Mick Galvin, Fergal Scully, Vincent Coughlan and a superb point from play by John O'Brien.

Gradually Kilcock began to get back into the game with two points in as many minutes. Kilcock took the lead in the twentieth minute when a long delivery from midfield broke between Declan Buckley and his marker and Raymond Keane was on hand to score an opportunist goal. Fergal Scully restored parity two minutes later when he pointed a long range free after a foul on Conor Diggins. The same player scored a superb point from a free a minute later. Maynooth finished the stronger at the end of the half and Vincent Coughlan, following a flick on by Donna Hollan pointed to leave the half time score Maynooth 0-7 to Kilcock 1-2.

Maynooth were first to score in the second half via a point from play by Donnagh Hollan. Kilcock replied with a point from a free three minutes later before Mick Galvin pointed a free after a foul on Killian Fagan.

Midway through the second half Kilcock began to take control at midfield and three unanswered points levelled the match at 1-6 to 0-9. However ace free taker Mick Galvin proved to be a life saver for Maynooth with two superb points and Donnagh Hollan had his second point of the game two minutes from time. Despite a final onslaught from Kilcock the Maynooth rearguard held firm and in the end deserved victory. Best for Maynooth were Rory Kelly, Jimmy Cahill and Padraic Ward in defence. Conor Diggins worked hard at midfield and in attack Mark Nugent until injury forced his retirement, John O'Brien and Donnagh Hollan impressed.

Teams and scores: Sean Cushen, Tom Mullarkey, Declan Buckley, Rory Kelly, Padraic Ward, Fergal Scully (0-3), Jimmy Cahill, Conor Diggins, Killian Fagan, Donnagh Hollan (0-2), Vincent Coughlan (0-2), Mark Nugent, John O'Brien, (0-1) Ciaran McGuinness, Mick Galvin (0-4), Sub: Stephen O'Mahony for Mark Nugent (injured) Seamus Cummins for Tom Mullarkey (injured).

JUNIOR CAMOGIE LEAGUE

Maynooth 7-5 : Clane 0-0

In their second league match Maynooth had a comprehensive win over a very youthful Clane side played at Clane on 25th April 1999. Maynooth had the advantage of a strong wind in the first half but took a long time to settle and scoring opportunities were spurned on a number of occasions. However in the tenth minute Maeve Herbert punished hesitancy in the Clane defence and struck the sliotar to the net. Points by Naomi Devereux and Teresa Hession helped to settle the winners and they grew in confidence as the half wore on and further goals from Anne Comerford who got two and Naomi Devereux helped Maynooth into a half time lead of 4-3 to 0-0.

It was expected that Clane would offer stiffer resistance in the second half having wind advantage but in fact it never materialised.

Further goals by Naomi Devereux, Maeve Herbert, and Teresa Hession sealed victory for Maynooth.

Best for Maynooth were Ann-Marie Farrell, Sandra Gillick, Niamh Mulready in defence. Emma Fahy worked tirelessly at midfield and in attack Ciara O'Neill, Naomi Devereux and Anne Comerford impressed.

Teams and Scores: Geraldine Fahy, Niamh Mulready, Claire McCarrick, Lynn Brennan, AnnMarie Farrell, Christine Flannery, Sandra Gillick, Emma Fahy (0-1), Michelle Gillick, Ciara O'Neill, Teresa Hession (1-2), Sharon Cummins, Naomi Devereux (3-1) Maeve Herbert (1-0), Anne Comerford (2-1). Subs: Pam Fahy for S. Cummins, Mgt. Farrell for Emma Fahy.

An under 12 street league for hurlers commenced in the Harbour Field on Thursday 22nd April at 7 o'clock and will continue for the next five weeks culminating in a Grand Final and Presentation to participants on Saturday 22nd May at G.A.A. Headquarters on Moyglare Road.

Last Thursday was very encouraging with a large turn out of both boys and girls. Beginners are especially welcome. It is hoped that a summer camp for both hurlers and camogie players will take place in July, hosted by G.A.A. club. For further details contact Aidan Sinnott c/o Maynooth G.A.A. at 6285020

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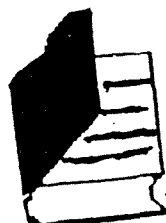
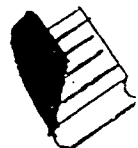
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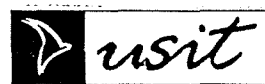
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Sport

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

April saw Maynooth Town F.C. set sail for Liverpool with a party of 75 to take part in the Solar Holiday World Cup. This was the first time the Club had embarked on an overseas trip of this magnitude. Three age groups took part in the competition, Under 11's, 12's and 14's. Maynooth was one of the smaller clubs to take part and our emphasis was on having some fun and giving all the lads some football rather than winning at all costs. With some 700 children from across Ireland and Liverpool the standard of the opposition was extremely high. The English clubs were out in force all week watching the action. Representatives from Liverpool, Everton, Tranmere, Manchester City, Manchester United and Rochdale were all spotted. More than a little interest was shown in at least one young Maynooth star. Watch this space for further developments. All the youngsters from Maynooth exceeded all expectations and there was many a proud manager and parent on the sideline. The injury stricken under 14's were beaten in the final of their age group by a very talented local side. Both the under 11's and 12's were beaten in the semi-finals of their sections. The 11's going out after a heart breaking penalty shoot-out and the under 12's beaten by a single goal. An excellent performance by all the lads who won many friends on and off the pitch and did the town of Maynooth proud. The under 14's also showed their overall knowledge of football by winning the table quiz. The presentation ceremony gave each youngster a chance to meet Paul McGrath and receive a participants medal. With the competition out of the way Sunday saw us make a visit to Goodison Park to see Everton play Coventry and sample the atmosphere of a Premiership game. On Sunday night the group headed to Holyhead for the overnight sailing home. Overall a great trip for the lads and a demanding but enjoyable five days for the minders most of whom are now having nightmares about chicken nuggets and pizza. Many thanks to all the team managers and parents who took excellent care of all our little treasures and returned them all safely.

MAYNOOTH'S SOLAR WORLD CUP RESULTS

UNDER 11 SECTION

Millstead 2 Maynooth Town 1; Maynooth Town 6 Raheen Boys 0; Larkhill Farmers 4; Maynooth Town 0

Shield Quarter-Final:

Maynooth Town 1; Rec's Robbie 0.

Shield Semi-Final

Ashbourne 0; Maynooth Town 0; (Ashbourne won 3-0 on pens.)

UNDER 12 SECTION

Larkhill Farmers 2; Maynooth Town 2; Rockmount 2 Maynooth Town 0; Valient 2; Maynooth Town 1.

Shield Quarter-Final:

Rush Athletic 0; Maynooth Town 1

Shield Semi-Final:

Rockmount 1; Maynooth Town 0.

UNDER 14 SECTION

Maynooth Town 2; Pye F.C. 1; Redbourne 2 Maynooth Town 7; Maynooth Town 1 Keyways 1; Maynooth Town 1; Millsteads Vics 0; One/Four F.C. 2 Maynooth Town 0.

Cup Final:

One/Four F.C. 4; Maynooth Town 0.

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D.D.S.L. Under 12A1

Maynooth Town 4 Jobstown Y.C. 1

Having won the away leg of this league tie 0-6 Maynooth were possibly slightly over confident and took 20 minutes to break down this much improved Tallaght based opposition. The break came when Niall Doogan was brought down in the area and Sean McAllister converted the resulting spot kick. Having taken the lead the Town began to dominate and Niall Doogan was again in the thick of the action when he beat three defenders to whip in a perfect cross to give Shaun Doogan Maynooth's second. The home side started the second half in the same mode as the first and it took 24 minutes before Shaun Doogan got his second and Maynooth's third. The Town began to push forward and paid the price of failing to get back when Jobstown got one back to make it 3-1. In the dying minutes Maynooth restored their three-goal lead when David Baxter finished well after a 40 yard run. Overall a good performance to keep a 100% home record.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Kevin Comerford, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Brian O'Malley, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Niall Doogan, Shaun Doogan, Jason Moen, Luke Daly and Kevin Farrell.

D.D.S.L. Under 12A1

Maynooth Town 2 Celbridge Town 1

Maynooth's under 12 side returned from Liverpool on Monday morning to meet fellow promotion rivals Celbridge in the first evening fixture of the season. Not an ideal tie for the home team following their five days of football across channel. The game started at a pace with two evenly matched sides playing some attractive football. It was 20 minutes into the first half when David Prendergast got on the end of a through ball and chipped the advancing keeper. A superbly taken goal that saw Celbridge up the tempo and Maynooth's defence had to be at their very best to hold the visitors until the break. The second half saw more of the same from Celbridge and it was all hands to the pump to keep them at bay. Striker Shaun Doogan was back in a defensive role to clear one off the line to keep the Town in front. In the 54th minute the visitors got their just reward for constant pressure to draw level at 1-1. As Celbridge continued to push forward for the winner they got caught on the break. Shaun Doogan collected the ball on the edge of their box and laid a peach back to Kevin Comerford who struck a superb winner. Celbridge will be disappointed not to have got something out of this game but Maynooth's defence were in the kind of form to hold out the likes of Manchester United or Liverpool. A

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Sport

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB (Cont.)

terrific game of football played in good spirit and a great advert for schoolboy football.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Kevin Comerford, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Brian O'Malley, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Shaun Doogan, Luke Daly, Jason Moen and David Prendergast.

D.D.S.L. Under 16B Maynooth Town 3 Swords Celtic 0

Swords Celtic were the visitors to the Dublin Road for this under 16's league tie. Maynooth were on top as early as the 6th minute when Jason Newton's free-kick found Trevor McMahon who lobbed the keeper to put the home side 1-0 up. The Town were always on top and it was Noel Healy who supplied the through ball for McMahon to get his second in the 25th minute. Five minutes later it was McMahon who completed his hat trick to put the game beyond Celtic. The second half became a lack lustre affair as Swords defended in numbers and Maynooth ran out worthy winners.

Maynooth: Dean Conway, David O'Brien, Noel Healy, Tom McGovern, Jason Newton, Bobby Kelly, Stephen King, Robert Stanley, Alan Baxter, Trevor McMahon, Colin Daly, Martin Conway, Stephen Dunk and Ashley Ledwith.

D.D.S.L. Under 12A1 Celbridge Town 3 Maynooth Town 0

Expectations were high for this under 12 promotion battle following a first class home tie. The opposite was the reality as Maynooth struggled to find the form of recent games. Although the Town started well it was the home side who struck first in the 12th minute. Maynooth never recovered from that set back and the type of competitiveness that had seen them climb to third in the table was not to be seen on the night. Celbridge struck again 2 minutes before the break and added a third in the dying minutes to run out easy 3-0 winners. The type of game most teams will have at least once a season and a performance best forgotten.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Kevin Comerford, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Brian O'Malley, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Shaun Doogan, David Prendergast, Luke Daly, Jason Moen and Niall Doogan.

D.D.S.L. Under 12B Maynooth Town 2 Club Transport 3.

Maynooth started in top gear for this under 12B clash at the Dublin Road scoring in just 3 minutes. David Canny supplied the cross after a dazzling solo run for Tadgh Moriarty to put his side 1-0 up. The Town started to dominate and against the run of play Transport got an equalizer with 15 minutes on the watch. Maynooth failed to clear from a corner kick and paid the price for the lapse of concentration. The Town fought back and as they pushed forward Darragh Sweeney's cross was fumbled by the visitor's keeper. As the ball broke Peter Lawlor was the first to react to put Maynooth back in front. Transport equalized in the dying seconds of the first when the Town's defence were caught square. The second half became a battle in mid-field and although Maynooth looked the better side for long periods it was Transport who got the winner. A fine strike from a laid off indirect free kick gave Mark Sweeney in the Maynooth goal no chance. A good all round performance but Maynooth will be

disappointed not to have got at least a point for their efforts.

Maynooth: Mark Sidney, Barry Harney, Cormac Moran, Lorcan Brehney, Kevin Farrell, Peter Lawlor, Paddy Broughan, Sam Telli, David Canny, Tadgh Moriarty and Darragh Sweeney.

D.D.S.L. Under 12A1 Maynooth Town 6 Swords Celtic 1

The performance against Celbridge Town was well and truly forgotten as Maynooth's under 12A1 side tore apart the visitors from Swords. The Town's first came from a move that started deep in their own half. A series of inch perfect passes started by Cian Walsh and included Niall Doogan, Declan Bambrick and a delightful final ball into the box was finished off by David Prendergast to go one up inside three minutes. Prendergast was again involved in the town's second with a superbly taken corner kick for Brian O'Malley to get the Town's second. In the dying seconds of the first half it was Prendergast again in the thick of it. He received the ball with his back to goal and turned on a sixpence to strike a cracker for his second and Maynooth's third. The Town started the second half as they finished the first. Kevin Comerford laid the ball off to Shaun Doogan who found Prendergast who again finished well for his hat-trick and Maynooth's fourth. Having had a hand in two Shaun Doogan got his just reward after 45 minutes with a delightful flick to beat the advancing keeper. It was another Prendergast corner that supplied O'Malley with his second and Maynooth's sixth. Swords got a consolation goal in the 56th minute when the Maynooth defence was caught cold. A fine performance that even the Sword's coach was complimentary about.

Maynooth: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Kevin Comerford, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Brian O'Malley, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Shaun Doogan, David Prendergast, Jason Moen and Niall Doogan.

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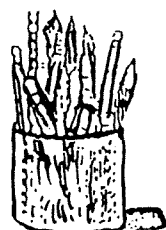
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Sport

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB (Cont.)

D.D.S.L. Under 16B

Swords Celtic 2 Maynooth Town 4

A wet and windy Sunday afternoon saw Maynooth's under 16 side travel to Swords for this under 16's B clash. The Town had to re-shuffle the team due to the absence of a number of players. The Town's new formation settled well and four goals in 18 minutes of the first half destroyed the home side. The first came after 15 minutes when team captain Robert Stanley let fly with a 30 yards rocket that saw him lucky not to get a bill for net repairs. Maynooth were well on top playing some classy football and after 25 minutes went 2-0 ahead. It was stand-in centre half Dean Conway with a long free kick that allowed Trevor McMahon to round the home keeper with style. It was McMahon again that got on the end of a Stephen Dunk cross for the Town's third. Just 3 minutes later McMahon laid an inch perfect ball to Stephen King who cracked in his side's fourth. The second half saw a revival by

Swords as Maynooth began to sit back on their lead. A disputed penalty decision in the 50th minute was the start of the home side's fight back. Despite Stephen Kelly's excellent save it was the Celtic attacker who reacted first to convert the rebound. Swords got a second in the 75th minute when Maynooth failed to clear from a corner. Maynooth were without doubt the best side on the day but may not get away with sitting back against better opposition. Best for Maynooth were David O'Brien, Bobby Kelly, Stephen King, Robert Stanley and Trevor McMahon but Man of the Match went to Alan Baxter whose work rate on the left of mid-field was unsurpassed.

Maynooth: Stephen Kelly, Bobby Kelly, Dean Conway, David O'Brien, Tom McGovern, Stephen King, Robert Stanley, Alan Baxter, Trevor McMahon, Colin Daly, Martin Conway, Stephen Dunk, Martin McMahon and Ashley Ledwith.

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Sport

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

We are now in our 4th and last term for this year. The dates are from 17th of April to the 26th of June. We would ask parents to pay all fees promptly this term as the accounts have to be ready for the A.G.M. in mid June. The swimming fees are due by the 1st of May.

Dates to remember:

12th June	-	Junior Gala
19th June	-	Senior Gala
26th June	-	Family Swim

There will be no bus service for our family swim.

Finally, congratulations to our St. Patrick's Day Fancy Dress Winners. They were Kevin Molloy, Lydia Farrell, Michelle Roche, Kate Broughton. There was a great turn out and everyone looked very well. Thank you to all who helped out on the day.


Patricia Moynan, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TAEKWON DO SCHOOL

Maynooth Taekwon Do School is undergoing quite an expansion at the moment with doors re-opening for new members. Because of the demand, a new class is being set up for under 12's but is strictly restricted to over 8's. These classes, as well as adult and teenage classes, are held every Monday from 8pm. Existing grades are on at 7pm. people who used to train and have moved on for various reasons, are very welcome at anytime. If you have any questions at all regarding Taekwon Do, please call Gerard McClelland at 6280868

A big congratulations to Mark Hallinan who represented Maynooth Taekwon Do in a tournament in Enniscorthy last week. Mark took second place in the patterns division, in this, his first tournament. A sign of things to come....

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Connolly: daughters, son, sons-in-law, grandson, brothers, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Kevin Connolly, Maynooth.

O'Donoghue: sons, Patrick and James, daughters, Margaret, Kathleen and Mary-Ann, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Dermot O'Donoghue, Derrinstown and Maynooth.

Costigan: (nee Phelan) daughters, Maria and Betty, sisters, brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of Mary Kate Costigan.

BIRTHDAYS

Birthday greetings to **Maria McAuliffe**, who will be nine on 16th May, From Mam and Dad.

Happy birthday to **Rachel Jolley** who will be nineteen on 1st May, Love From Mam, Dad, Louise, Alison and her nephew Andrew.

Happy birthday to **Natasha Conlan** who will be nine on 26th May, Lots of love Mammy, Darrielle, Niamh, Shannon, Ronan, Nanny and Grandad.

Belated happy birthday to **Stacey-Ann McGovern** who was sixteen on April 13th, From all the Gang!

Belated birthday Wishes to **Triona Cahill**, Leinster Park, age fourteen on April 17th, best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, sister, brother and all your friends.

Belated happy birthday to **Gearoid McTernan**, Parson Street, April 18th. Best wishes from all the family.

Belated birthday Wishes to **Ted Connolly**, Nagle Court, April 14th. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

Belated happy birthday to **Pat Burke**, Newtown, April 14th, from Daddy, Mammy, brothers, sisters and all your friends.

Belated birthday wishes to **Kitty Thompson** who celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday on the 5th April. Best wishes from family and friends.

Belated happy birthday to **Paddy (Ginger) Malone**, Double Lane. April 18th from all the family.

Belated happy birthday to **Mary Harty**, The Maws, Kilcock, age nineteen April 10th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy and brother Patrick.

Happy birthday to **Mark Kavanagh** who will be 17 on the 13th May from Mam, Neil, Karen, Declan and Jennifer

Congratulations to **Jennifer Kavanagh** who will be making her first Holy Communion on the 15th May, from Mam, Neil, Karen, Ken, Mark, Declan. Hope you enjoy your special day.

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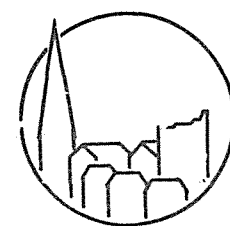
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MAYNOOTH BY-PASS

Submission to Public Inquiry

Maynooth Community Council supports, in principle, the construction of the Maynooth By-Pass. While accepting that the By-Pass will have a negative impact on some businesses in Maynooth, the Council considers that, on balance, the By-Pass will be of benefit to the town. It will be of particular benefit to the large number of Maynooth residents who commute daily to the Dublin area. The removal of very large volumes of through traffic from the town centre will considerably enhance the environmental amenity of the town and contribute significantly to the conservation of Maynooth's historical and architectural heritage. The By-Pass will also increase greatly Maynooth's attractiveness as a place to live, which in the long run will boost the town's business life.

Maynooth Community Council's main concern, therefore, is with the link road between Maynooth and the By-Pass. The Council accepts, in principle, that the Straffan Road should be used to provide this link. This will be advantageous to the great majority of the residents of Maynooth who live on the south and southwest sides of the town, while it will also divert a large volume of local traffic from the town centre, particularly during rush hours.

It is, however, absolutely necessary that major improvements be carried out on the Straffan Road before it will be suitable to serve as a link road to the By-Pass. Even with existing volumes of traffic, this road is extremely inadequate. Accordingly, Maynooth Community Council calls for the full and immediate implementation of the improvement plan for the Straffan Road submitted by Kildare Co. Council to the Department of the Environment. This plan provides for:

1. Widening of the road to 10 metres throughout the stretch from the Town Square to the interchange with the By-Pass, including the town railway/canal bridge.
2. Footpaths to be laid on both sides of the road within the built-up area.
3. Pedestrian lights to be provided at the entrance to Greenfield Lane.

4. The road to be re-aligned on the Straffan side of the bridge.
5. The Clebridge Road to meet the Straffan Road at right angles.
6. Right-turning lanes to be provided at all junctions.

In addition to the above, Maynooth Community Council seeks the following:

- (1) One-way system to operate in the town square.
- (2) All cut-stone structures and items of historical/architectural value which will be disturbed by road-widening and associated work to be restored as far as possible. This to include walls, the old horse watering station near the square, the ball alley near the bridge, and the bridge itself.

- (3) Particular care needs to be taken to make the access road to the railway station, between the railway and canal segments of the bridge, as safe as possible.
- (4) Satisfactory public street lighting along the link road.
- (5) As this road carries a very heavy volume of pedestrian traffic, proper surfacing and roadside drains are required to prevent drenching of pedestrians during wet weather.
- (6) Since the widening of the Straffan Road will inevitably lead to speeding traffic, strict traffic policing is required in the interests of pedestrian and cyclist safety (as well, of course, as the safety of vehicle drivers and passengers).

Maynooth Community Council is particularly concerned that the use of the Straffan Road as the By-Pass link will mean that drivers from the built-up Newtown district of the town will use Greenfield Lane to get access to the By-Pass, as this lane provides a direct link to the Straffan Road.

Greenfield Lane (see map) is narrow, poorly lit, poorly surfaced and passes through a residential area with large numbers of children and older residents. However, it is also dead straight for most of its length, and this will inevitably encourage speeding and hence constitute a public hazard. Large volumes of through traffic will also detract from the amenity of those living along the lane. As most of Newtown has been zoned for further residential development, this problem will only get worse over the years.

Maynooth Community Council is aware that Kildare Co. Council has tentative long-term plans to build a new road which will link the Straffan Road directly with Newtown (see map). However, these plans are dependent on further

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using developments along the Straffan ad, and are not related to the By-Pass project. Maynooth Community Council is for these plans to be brought forward and integrated with the plans to prove the Straffan Road as part of the small By-Pass project, with the costs to be included as part of the project. It is vital in the interests of proper traffic management and public safety in the Maynooth area.

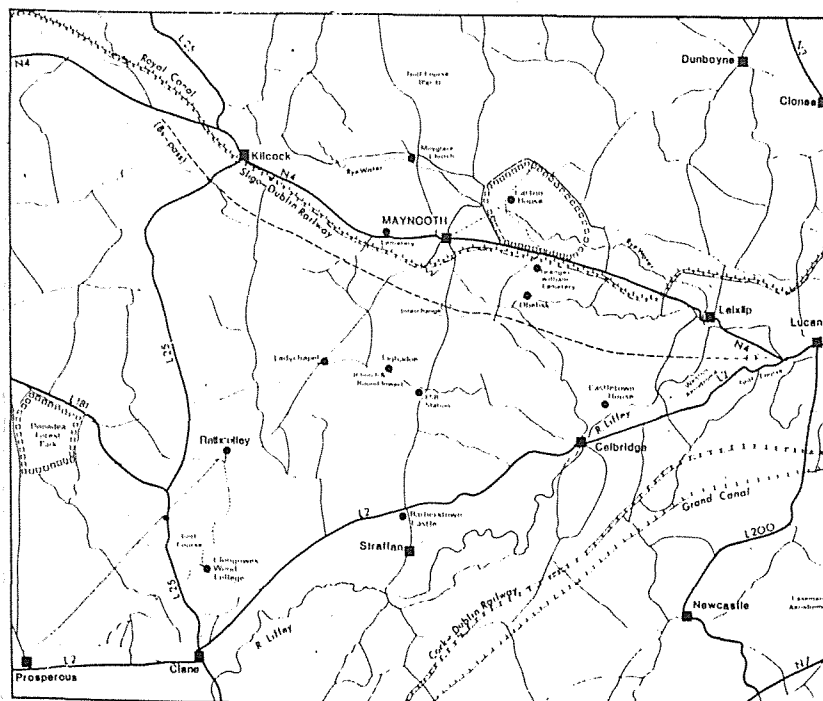
The building of a By-Pass will result in the re-orientation of traffic flows in many ways, only some of which can be accurately envisaged. It is vital that those pressures which can be foreseen be planned for in an adequate and timely manner. Hence Maynooth Community Council regards it as absolutely necessary that the improvements and measures indicated above be carried out in advance of the opening of the By-Pass, and be ready to come into operation at that time.

Maynooth Community Council also looks forward to co-operating with Kildare Co. Council and the Department of the Environment in sorting the unforeseen problems once they become apparent, and expects that adequate resources will be made available by these bodies to allow a speedy resolution of these problems.

Doinsias Breathnach
(athaoirleach)
May 19, 1986.

MAYNOOTH BY-PASS

Dotted line shows proposed route of By-Pass.



EDITORIAL

Fort Apache — The Bronx

The gun totin' business people of Maynooth are fighting back against the wave of crime hitting our quiet village. The shutters are going up all over Maynooth, and the reason is the hordes descending on us from the Metropolis, looting all in sight, and disappearing over the horizon before the Garda Station has opened for business. We may have a most efficient firebrigade and ambulance service to attend to any emergency, but the hard-pressed garda who arrives at your doorstep after your house has been cleaned out has either walked, cycled, or driven his own car from the station and that is if you are lucky enough to have been done before 3.00 in the morning. The nearest squadcar is based in Naas so don't expect any high-speed chases after your precious videos and stereos.

The scare headlines should not be allowed to promote a siege mentality in us. However, there are disturbing indications that crime is not only a foreign import. A letter in this issue highlights problems arising from the indigenous Bugsy Malone generation, and violent scenes in mid-May on the Straffan Road between persons unidentified tend to shatter the rural urban idyll which Maynooth people enjoy.

The new Chamber of Commerce is reported to be lobbying for a squadcar and 24 hour police presence, and it may be preferable to issue more police uniforms than gun licences.

But to combat the enemy within, perhaps the most effective option is for us to take responsibility for each other, and to ensure that Maynooth remains a safe place to live in for young and old, the business and residential community. Perhaps it is time to actively promote a neighbourhood watch scheme.

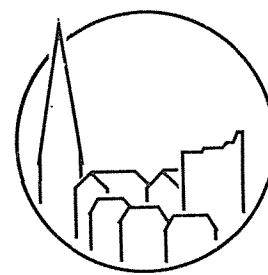
The Sports Complex

With the temperature soaring to the high fourteens, our thoughts turn to summer and the ways we might spend the two days involved. And we hear rumours that there are plans to build a Sports Complex as an historic joint venture between the College, the Schools, and the Community Council. The survey of Maynooth residents featured in this issue highlights the real need for recreational facilities. Negotiations are proceeding. We can only offer our heartiest support. Go to it!

Separations and Goodbyes

We must say farewell to two women who have contributed enormously, if anonymously to the community of Maynooth, Eileen O'Donohue is leaving Maynooth Public Library to take up a new post in Carlow, leaving Maynooth readers devastated, especially the children. Her successor will face a clientele whose expectations of librarians have been raised to alpine proportions.

Siobhan Hall is leaving Maynooth Community Council, but not Maynooth itself. Over the last year she has done trojan work, administering the affairs of the council. Her support and assistance in all of the council's activities — including the Newsletter, are very much appreciated, and she will be much missed.



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All materials to be included in the July Edition of the Newsletter should be addressed to the Editor,

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Maynooth's contributions to Sport Aid. Pictures of the start of the Fun Run held on Sunday, 18th May.



Royal Canal Amenities Group Table Quiz. Winners: Peter and Siobhan Denman, Jim Cunningham and Kevin Honan with John Glynn, manager of Ulster Bank who sponsored the event.



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Letters to the Editor

Crodaun Park,
Celbridge,
Co. Kildare.

Dear Editor,

Further to Cllr. Stagg's reply to Ms Cullen which was published in *Leinster Leader* on Saturday 17th May, 1986, the Cllr. seems to take offence at some of the comments as set out in Ms. Cullen's letter.

Further to the record and in order to refresh Cllr.'s memory, at a meeting of Kildare Co. Council held on Monday, 17th March, 1986 to consider the Estimate of Expenditure for the County, Deputy Mayor Power proposed that all outstanding arrears of refuse and water charges to the extent of £1.16m be collected forthwith and that future charges be deducted from the 1986 Estimate.

This motion was put to the meeting and was carried as follows:

For the Motion:

Mrs. P. Aspell, P. Behan, G. Brady, Coleman, L. Doyle, A. Groome, Miley, S. O'Fearghail, J. O'Loughlin, O'Neill, P. Power, E. STAGG, and Wright - Sinn Fein.

Against the Motion:

Mrs. J. Bermingham, T. Conway, B. Durkan, J. Gallagher, W. Hillis, R. Lalor, McWey, M. Nolan J. Reilly, S. Reilly. Abstained:

Mrs. P. Lawlor, C. Purcell.

It is noticeable that Cllr. Purcell abstained from this vote, because if he had voted for the motion he would then have been voting like Cllr. STAGG for the strict collection of all outstanding charges.

At a further Sub-Committee Meeting of the Council, with no PRESS in attendance, Cllr. Stagg proposed making 8 employees of the Council redundant in order to facilitate striking a lower estimate.

At subsequent Sub-Committee Meetings, the same Cllr. proposed dramatic reductions in the Estimate of Expenditure, the end result of which, could only be more redundancies. Also, at a Sub-Committee Meeting, which again was not attended by the PRESS, Cllr. Stagg proposed the re-negotiation of pay agreements entered into by Kildare County Council and the Trade Unions representing the employees of the Council.

So shocked was Deputy J. Bermingham by these suggestions that he stated that it was disgraceful for a member of the Labour Party to make such a proposal.

Can Cllr. Stagg clarify whether the resolution he supported, if accepted by the Council, would mean that those whom he advised to withhold charges for

the past 4 years, would in fact have to pay all charges including legal fees up to the end of 1985 and how much of a loss would that mean to the average household?

These FACTS will no doubt be of further benefit to the Electorate at decision time.

Sincerely,

P. Finnegan.

Dear Editor,

On Sunday the 11th of May, just after midday, my son left his BMX bicycle outside Donovan's Shop at Greenfield Shopping Centre. When he emerged a few minutes later the bicycle was gone. It had been taken behind the Shopping Centre by two boys who broke the rear reflector, damaged the front one and stole the wheel reflectors and some padding. I'm sure you can imagine my son's distress.

I have asked several shopkeepers in the Greenfield Shopping Centre would they request the Landlords, Civil Engineers, to restrict access to the rear of the building. This would at least deprive the thieves and vandals of what is an out-of-sight spot for their malicious deeds.

I have been told that incidents of this nature are not uncommon and have even heard it said that bicycles are taken from their young owners and only returned in exchange for pocket money.

An atmosphere of menace and fear is thus generated amongst our youngsters by a small number of wayward youths.

Might I finish by requesting the adult members of our community to be watchful and to deter would-be offenders.

Worried Parent

Dear Editor,

I wish to refer to the mis-informed and mischievous attack on me contained in a letter from Ms. C. Cullen in the May edition of your magazine.

On first reading I thought Ms. Cullen was a disappointed and mis-informed socialist but a minimum of research revealed that she is the one and same Claire Cullen who is elected secretary of Maynooth Fine Gael Branch and a political opponent of everything both Labour and Socialist stand for.

Of course she is entitled to her political opinions and position but as an elected officer of a political party is she entitled to hide behind her private position to launch a sneak attack on her political opponents. I believe it is strikingly dishonest to do so and was purposely done by Ms. Cullen to mislead your readers as to the source of the attack on me.

Her totally unfounded accusations that I have advocated the collection of all arrears of local charges, re-negotiation of pay agreements and an increase in unemployment should be viewed in the context of my record on such matters and Ms. Cullen misleading and devious methods.

I believe her letter can now be seen for what it is - a slightly concealed part of a concerted smear campaign being organised against me by certain sections in Fine Gael.

I wish to assure your readers that I will not be deflected from my campaign for an equitable tax system and the removal of local charges by such tactics. Equally I am satisfied that Ms. Cullen and the party she represents will continue to support the imposition of local charges and the collection of all arrears 'with the full rigour of the law' including the Offences against the State Act.

The electorate will in time decide which course they support.

Yours sincerely,

Emmet M. Stagg,
Labour Member of Kildare Co. Council.

COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Well this month things are well under way for the Community Games, the Art has already taken place in the Post Primary School and there was a great attendance in all age groups, by the time this magazine is on sale the Athletics will be over but we will have a full report for next month.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank some people, Mr. T. Ashe and Mr. W. Coughlan from the Post Primary School for their help and co-operation in the Art. Also to all the people who sponsored many beautiful trophies for the games, the list is too long to mention all but we are sincerely grateful to them. A special word of thanks to Mr. T. McDonald of the Sports Locker who was of great assistance to us with regard to trophies and medals for the games.

Finally, to date we have a total of £586.50 which includes our door to door collection and also donations from businesses around the town.

The Presentation of Art Trophies will take place in the Boys National School on Tuesday, the 3rd of June at 7.00 pm - 9 pm

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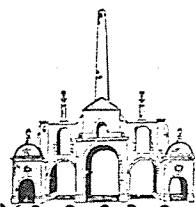
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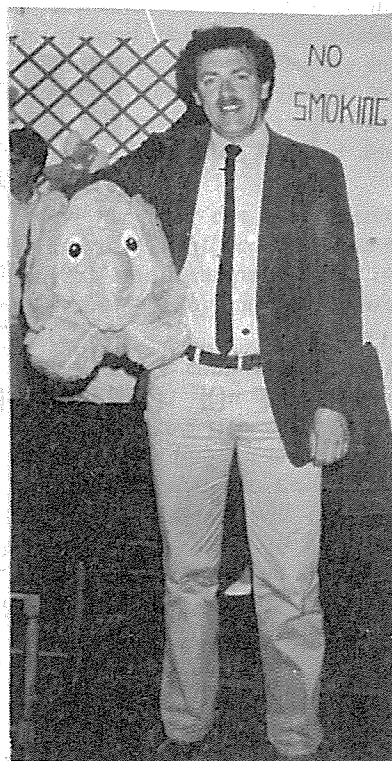
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The following are some limericks composed by members of Maynooth Library Book Club:

There was a young man named Terry,
who ran all the way from Derry.

He fell over a log,
and landed in a bog,
And that was the end of poor Terry.

There was a cow from Mayo,
who ate 50 bags of Tayto,
she lived in a shed,
along with some bread
Oh - I pity that cow from Mayo.

There was a cat from Timbucktoo,
Who went out swimming and got the flu,
He went to the doctor,
in his friends helicopter,
and landed in Malibu.

There was an old man from Maynooth,
Who lived in a small ticket booth.

He ate twice a day,
Two big bales of hay,
That Fat little man of Maynooth.

There was a poor child from Kilcock,
Who tripped one day on a rock.

She started to bleed,
So she rubbed it with weed,
And then she jumped off the dock.

There was an old woman from Cork,
Who ate twice a day with a fork.

She lived in a shoe,
And caught a bad flu,
That poor old woman from Cork.

Members of the book club included Padraic Flood, Aine Flood, Tara Cassidy, Miriam Nolan, Geraldine Breslin, Francis Flood, Sinead Guinan, Kathy Tynan, Neasa Hogan, Lorraine Nolan, Gerard Horn, Aileen Hardiman and Rory McDonagh.

The Book Club, which is winding up shortly, held discussions on various book related topics, played charades, wrote limericks and stories, and are presently engaged in learning lines for a small play which they will perform for their brothers and sisters, in the near future.

Margaret Walshe-Gannon, Maynooth Public Library.

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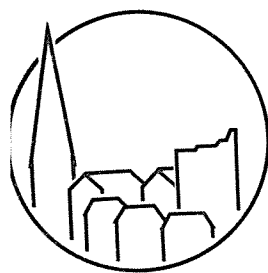
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could be made in advance to the Envir-

onment Section, Kildare Co. Council,

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Land at Church

We have been advised by the Co. Council

that work will commence on this on the

week beginning 23rd June. Work on the

land at the public toilets will commence

shortly afterwards.

Tidy Estate and Tidy Shop Front

Competition

These will this year be organised by our

new Environment Sub-Committee, which

is an amalgamation of the Tidy Towns

and Residents' Associations Sub-Com-

mittees. As judging will take place during

Community Fortnight, 22nd June - 6th

July, Residents' Associations and Shop-

keepers should now begin preparations.

Environment Awareness Week

3rd - 8th June

This is being organised nationally by the

Environment Awareness Bureau, St.

Martin's House, Waterloo Road, Dublin.

The County Council advises that every

effort will be made to improve the en-

vironment and it is asking the assistance

of Residents' Associations and other vol-

untary groups to create a greater aware-

ness of the damage which can be done to

the environment by the indiscriminate

dumping of litter, both in the vicinity of

towns and in the open countryside.

Your contribution to the Environment

Awareness Week would be appreciated.

John McGinley,

Secretary.

COMMUNITY FORTNIGHT

The Social and Recreational Sub-Comm-

ittee of the Community Council are hard

at work organising the Community Fort-

night.

Community Fortnight will begin on 22nd

June with the Fancy Dress Parade which

will leave O'Brien's Supermarket at 3 pm

and go through the town to the Harbour

Field. Then there will be a Crazy Match

at 4.30 pm and assorted side-shows, in-

cluding the ever popular Bottle Stall.

The fortnight of activities will end with

the Tramps' Ball on the 6th of July in

the Parish Hall.

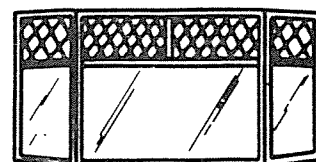
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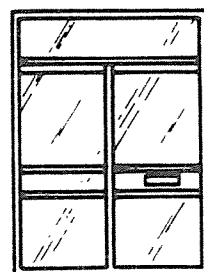
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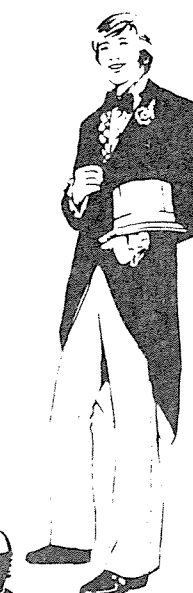
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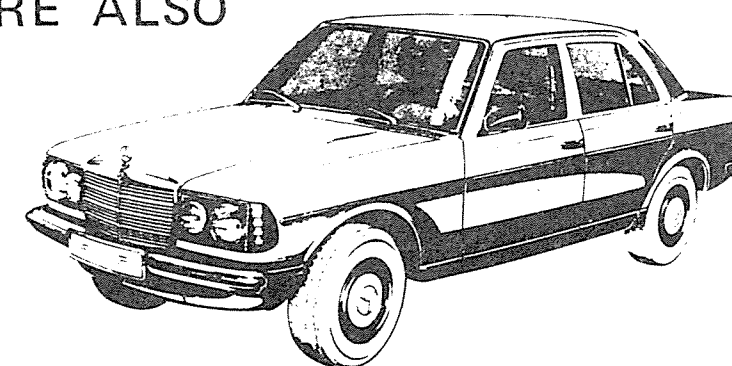
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MRS. DALY OF O'NEILL PARK

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Born on the 26th of October in 1896 in Moyglare, Mrs. Daly formerly Monahan, is presently Maynooth's eldest lady. She was educated in the Presentation Convent until the age of fourteen and then she found employment in service with the Duke of Leinster who then resided at Carton House. After a short spell there Miss Monahan found employment with a Sir Walter Nugent, the owner of a 100 acre estate in Multifarnham, Co. Westmeath and she stayed with him for 2 and a half years. She was then approached by one of the ladies of Carton House and she returned to service in Carton where her duties included laundry and daily work.

A year later leaving Carton to be married Miss Monahan may have imagined her days of service in such houses were over, though this was not to be. Mrs. Daly had 3 children the eldest of whom was not even 5 years old when her husband died. She then worked for Mr. Gannon in the place where her husband had worked for 5 years as a Farm Manager, until such a time as the farm was sold. At that time her parents were very supportive of her, and she returned home.

As fate would have it she returned to Carton House where she was provided with her own apartment. The only conditions she had to abide by was that she had to be in by 10 o'clock each night. The Duke of Leinster left Carton, and now lives in England and has a son who would be the now Earl of Kildare.

Informed of a vacancy in Derrinstown House, Ladychapel, a house owned by the Duchess of Westminster, Mrs. Daly was a successful applicant and so began a term of 29 years service in all. The Duchess only occasionally visited the house and on one occasion she requested that Mrs. Daly would accompany her to Loughmore in Scotland, another residence of the Duchess. While there the Duchess entertained many guests and at one particular lunch party Mrs. Daly was presented to Princess Anne by the Duchess, in the kitchens of Loughmore. After six months Mrs. Daly then returned to Derrinstown.

A regular visitor at the Annual Dublin Horse Show Mrs. Daly kept an interest in events and followed with pride the fortunes of the Great Arkle (who died in 1970 and is now on show in the Irish National Stud in Kildare) who was owned indeed by the Duchess of Westminster

(and in more recent times the Duchess won the Grand National with a horse called Last Suspect).

The Duchess retained the house in Derrinstown and the services of Mrs. Daly up to two years ago when the house was sold to Arabs.

Mrs. Daly recollects fond memories of her time with the Duchess and a particular highlight of her service was a cruise on the Rhine with the Duchess which took place in 1975.

Among other things Mrs. Daly spent 3 months in Zambia visiting her daughter who was a nurse there. Other recollections of life in Maynooth were the memories of Kildare winning the All Ireland Final in 1927, and the Easter Rising in 1916.

Mrs. Daly is a very fit and alert lady, her secret is cycling (in her young days she thought nothing of cycling from Maynooth to Dun Laoghaire and back, to spend the day by the sea) and just simply being active. It is not uncommon for Mrs. Daly to make a 9 mile cycle to Clane to visit her daughter.

Report from A. Kearney.

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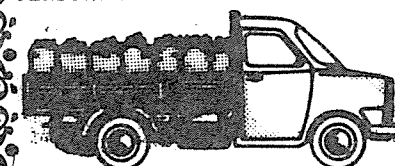
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FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club meeting was held on Tuesday the 20th of May in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth. It was very well attended and enjoyed by all. Our demonstrator was Mrs. Joan Gibson, who is a great character she kept the audience full of good spirit. The meeting ended with a lovely cup of tea, served by Hostess Mrs. Nell Byrne. Our next meeting is the 17th of June in the I.C.A. Hall. Our next date to remember is a demonstration by Mrs. F. Satchwell on the 12th of June in the Post Primary School, Maynooth at 8 pm. So please come along and bring a friend. Also another date to remember is the 24th of June our Club outing to the Japanese Gardens leaving Maynooth at 2 o'clock. See posters for further arrangements.

P.R.O. Mary Doyle.

MAYNOOTH A.C. NOTES

We are now into track and field season and the early results auger well for the rest of the year.

Fr. Murphy's Ac Atholy 27/4/86

Results from here include:
Sen Ladies 1500m I. G. Farrelly,
Vet Ladies 800m I. P. McCluskey,
3. M. Noonan; Sen Ladies 100m
2. K. Hughes, Sen Men 400m
3. P. Mahon, Senior Men T.J.
2. K. Treacy; Sen Ladies 400m
3. M. Noonan; Vet men 3000m
5. B. Redmond, Girls U/14 800m
3. C. Noonan, 4. M. Ennis, 5.
L. McCluskey, 6. C. Gleeson;
Boys U/12 600m 7. E. Lacy.
Relays Girls U/14 I. Maynooth
A (A. Kelly, M. Ennis, S. Gillick,
S. Stewart) 4. Maynooth B
(L. McCluskey, C. Noonan, F.
Redmond, C. Gleeson), Sen Ladies
3 Maynooth (K. Hughes, M.
Noonan, P. McCluskey, G. Farrelly),
Boys U/16 5 (D. Callaghan,
E. Breslin, N. McCormack, S.
Breslin). Others in action at
this sports were K. Higgins,
A. Redmond, E. McCluskey and
S. Ennis.

NACA LEAGUE BELFAST 11/5/86

Helen Tracey had the best club result on the day with a fine win in the Javelin while also in action helping Maynooth A.C. into 8th position after the 1st round were Margaret, Mairead and Nuala Noonan, Barbara Tracey, Kate Hughes, Grainne Farrelly, Enda Gleeson, Sarah Breslin, Sharon Ennis, Darragh Callaghan, Niall Mc Cormack and Phil McDermott.

SOUTH LEINSTER SCHOOLS

CARLOW 6/5 & 13/5/86

Mairead Noonan (2nd Sen 800), Helen Tracey (2nd Inter Jun), Sharon Ennis (2nd Jun Walk), Grainne Farrelly (2nd Inter 3000m), and Enda Breslin (2nd Jun 1500m) all duly qualified for the Leinster Finals and other club members in action in these tests were E. Gleeson (5th Inter 800), S. Breslin (Semi-Finalist inter 100m & 200m), D. Callaghan (4th Inter 1500m), S. Stewart (100 & 200 Jun), E. Farrelly (Jun 1500), F. Lawlor (Jun 800) and N. Noonan (Inter 100). H. Tracey also finished 8th in Inter 400m.

WEST LEINSTER SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Shelly Breslin had a great outing here where she finished 3rd in both senior 800m and shot.

LEINSTER VETS CHAMPIONSHIPS - ENFIELD 17/5/86

This was a very successful outing for our veterans with the ladies starting the evening in style through Margaret Gillick's fine run to take 1st 0/35 followed by Marie Gleeson who was 3rd 0/35. The men took 3 individual and 2 team awards with Liam McNamee 3rd, Brian Redmond 4th (1st 0/40), Pat Maher 6th (3rd 0/40), Tony Callaghan 11th, Noel Farrelly 20th, Brian Stewart 23rd, Mick Gleeson 28th, David Jolley 33rd and Mick Gillick 35th. The over 40 team (Redmond, Maher

and Callaghan) were 1st while the 0/35 team were 2nd (McNamee, Farrelly, Stewart, Gleeson).

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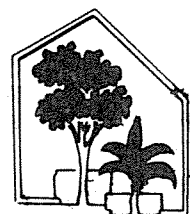
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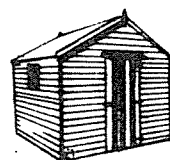
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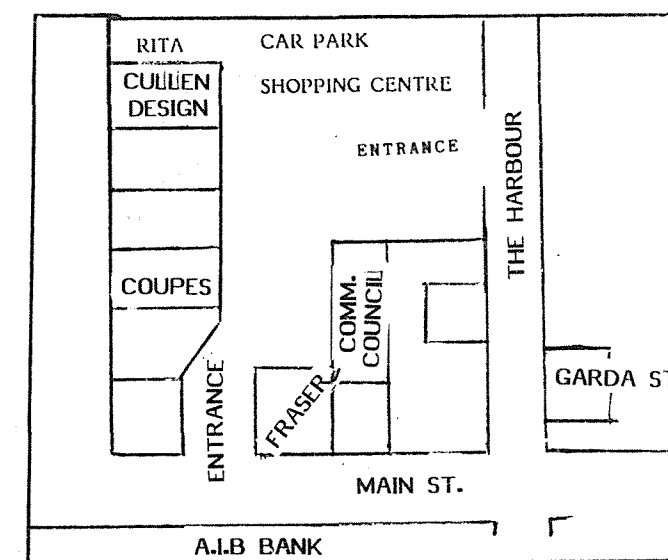
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Happy Birthday to Mrs. Kathleen Tracey, Main Street, who celebrates her birthday on June 11th.

Happy Birthday to Stephen McCarron, Gate 2, Greenfield, Maynooth who celebrated his birthday on the 15th of May age 10 yrs. and Mark McCarron who will celebrate his birthday on June the 2nd age 6 years. (From Nan Na Dowling.)

RECENT BIRTH

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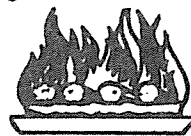
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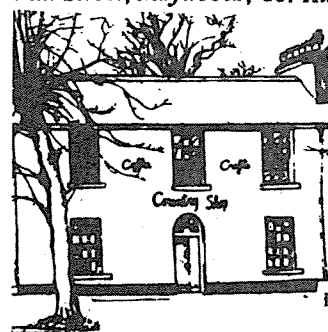
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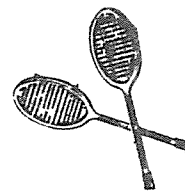
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By A.A. Milne.

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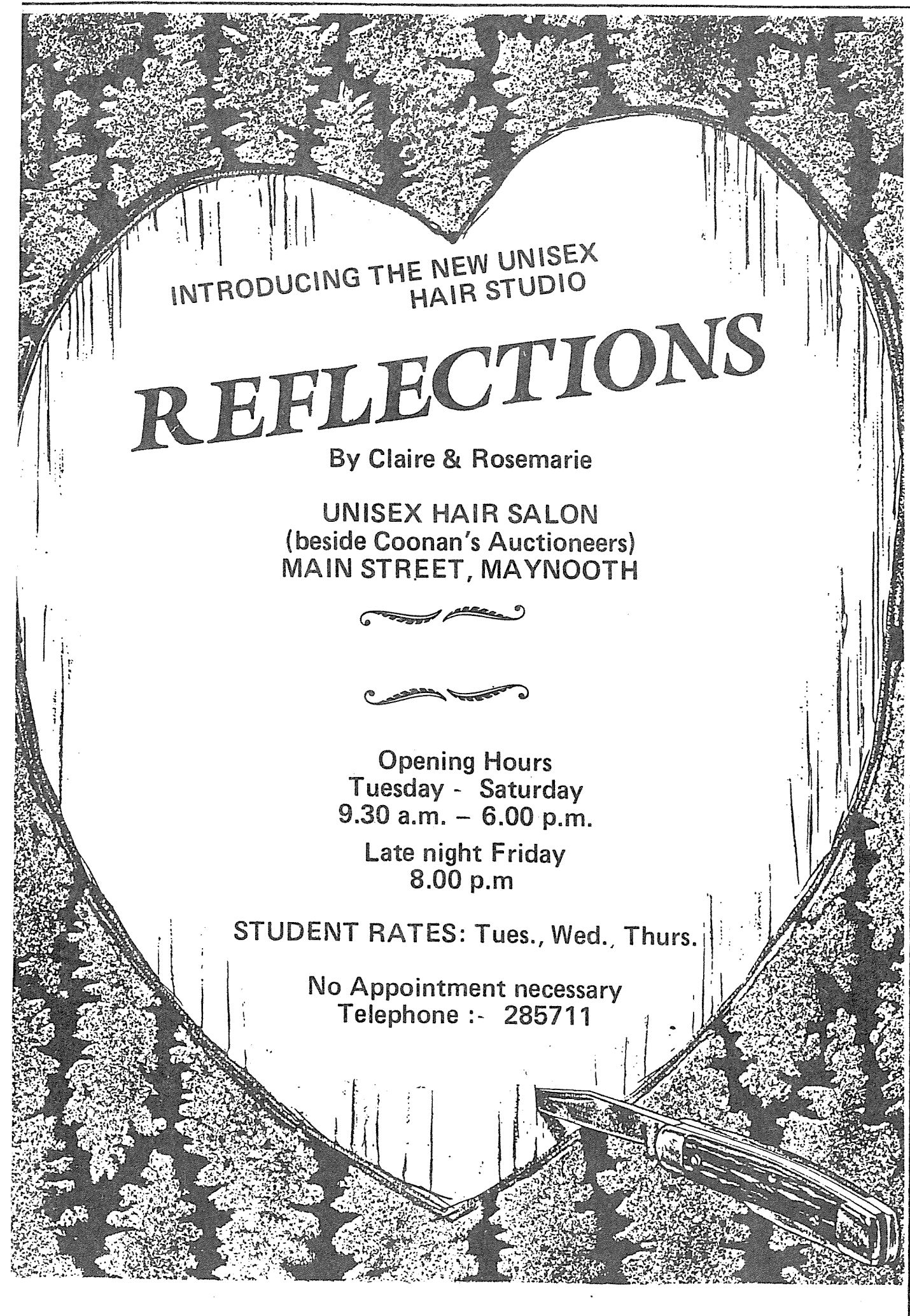
I opened his box for half a minute,
Just to make sure he was really in it,
And while I was looking, he
jumped outside!
I tried to catch him, I tried, I tried...
I think he's somewhere about the house.
Has anyone seen my mouse?

Uncle Jim have you seen my mouse?

Just a small sort of mouse,
A dear little brown one,
He came from the country;
He wasn't a town one,
So he'll feel all lonely in a London street,
Why, what could be possibly find to eat?

He must be somewhere. I'll ask
Aunt Rose
Have you seen a mouse with a woffelly
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Oh, somewhere about,
He's just got out...

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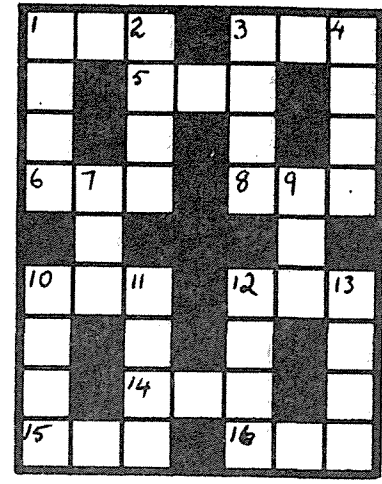
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1. Mixed up Counties.

- (1) ROCK
- (2) RADLIKE
- (3) MARTIN
- (4) LOGIS
- (5) LACER
- (6) THEMA
- (7) LOWARC
- (8) YRRED
- (9) EKKELLNNY
- (10) IOCKWWL.

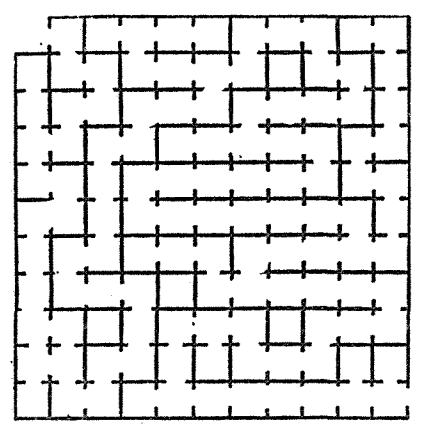
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3. Missing Numbers

- A) 1,3,2,4,3,-,4,-,-,3,-,-
- B) 5,4,10,8,15,12,-,-,-,-,-

4. Get Through The Maze.



5. If it rains today and snows tomorrow at 6a.m. and blows a gale at 12.00 noon the following day, will the sun be shining here at 11.30p.m. next Sunday week.

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Doctor: Well, I hate to make rash promises...

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What is the difference between an angry audience and a row with laryngitis?

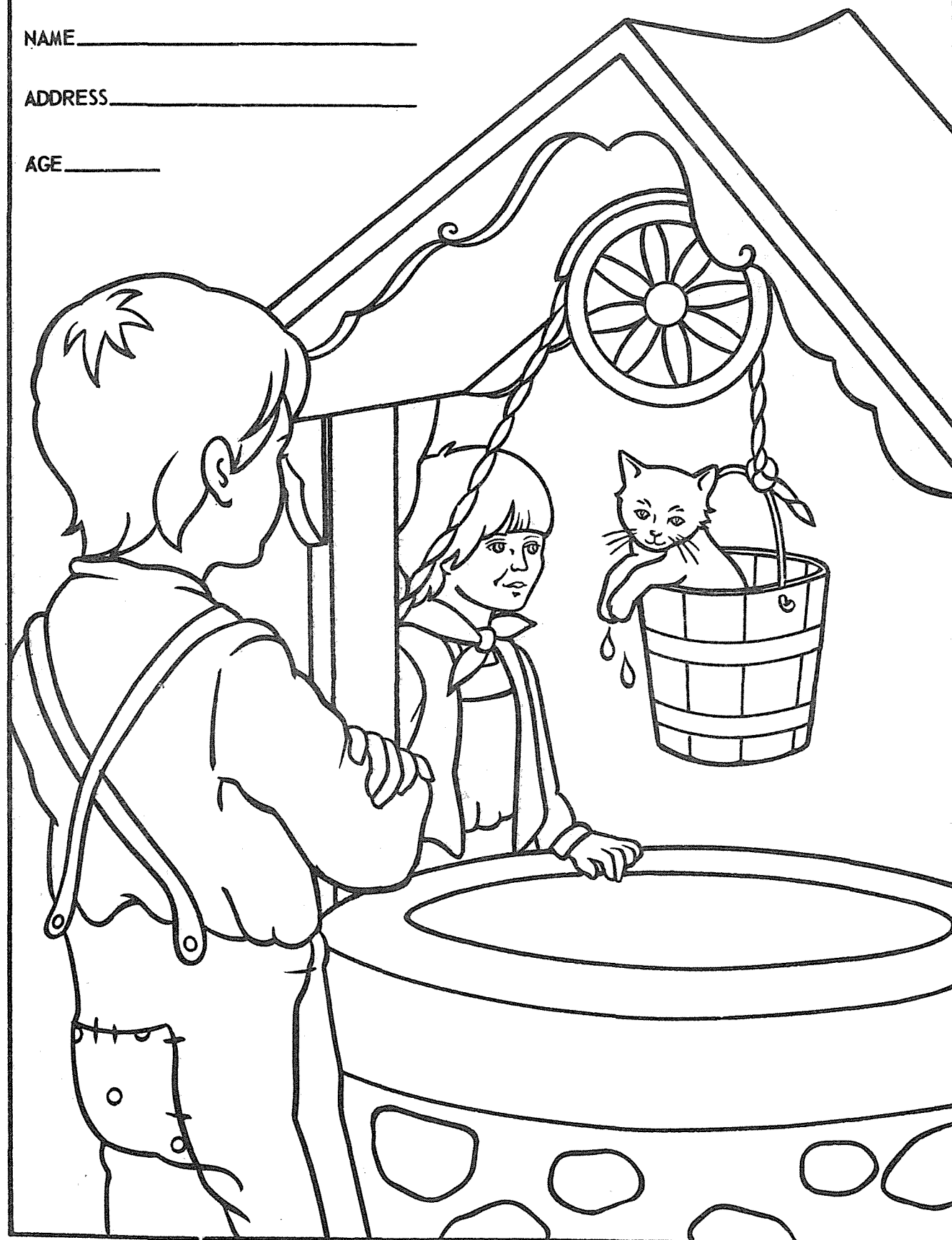
One boos madly, the other moos badly!

Ding, dong, bell, Pussy's in the well!
Who put her in? Little Tommy Lin.

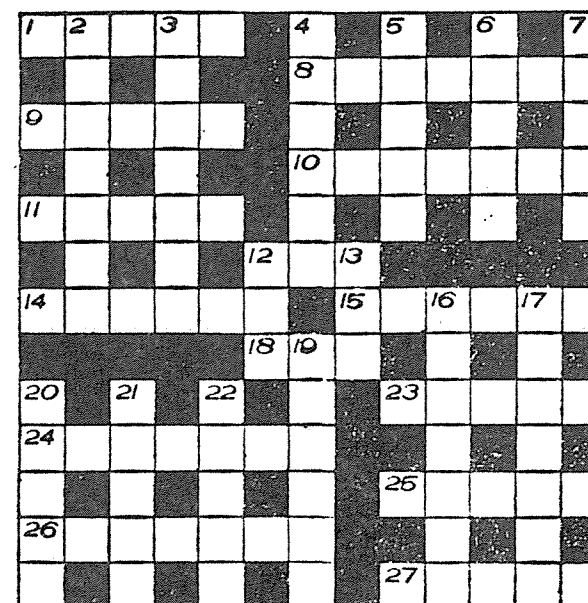
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20. Dresser
22. Input
23. Nonsense
26. Eerie
27. Repaired

DOWN

2. Actor
3. Demon
4. Axe
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6. Stationery
8. Brownies
10. Lies
12. Positive
13. Improper
16. Patrner
19. Iris
21. Sin
24. Nip
25. End

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ACROSS

1. Not Timid (5)
8. Navy Commander (7)
9. Odour (5)
10. Bird (7)
11. Town in Meath (5)
12. Unusual (3)
14. Leisurely Walk (6)
15. Blue-Violet Colour (6)
18. Female Deer (3)
23. Frequently (5)
24. Laughable (7)
25. Experts (5)
26. Delapidated (3,4)
27. Musty (5)

DOWN

2. Castle Wall (7)
3. Mt. Etna (7)
4. Went By (6)
5. Smudge (5)
6. A Furrow (5)
7. Comic (5)
12. Aged (3)
13. Wither (3)
16. Failure to Act (7)
17. Merry (7)
19. Elongated (6)
20. Oak Fruit (5)
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- Q10. Enjoy a glass of wine with your meal in
- Q11. See the Nissan Range of cars at
- Q12. Where can you book now and pay later?
- Q13. Henry Cahill is proprietor of
- Q14. Personal attention is guaranteed by
- Q15. Who is open every day from 7.30 am to 8 pm?
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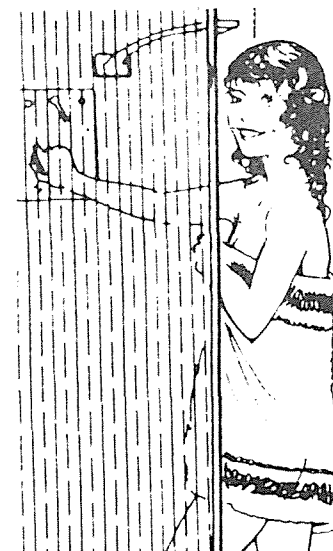
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The Maynooth concert is being organised by the Youth Affairs Sub-Committee of Maynooth Community Council as part of the Council's forthcoming Community Fortnight. Full details later.

La Leche League

For Breast Help and Information, Castleknock group of La Leche League will hold its next series of four monthly meetings in Lucan starting with an open meeting in the Methodist Centre Lucan (opposite Londis) on Village Green at 8.30 p.m. Wednesday the 21st of May. Parents and babies and parents to be, Health Care professionals and all interested welcome.

Enquiries: Phone 241730, 241463.

DRAMA SOCIETY

Following two recent advertisements in the Newsletter regarding the formation of a drama society, I was somewhat disappointed by the response. There were only five people who replied and these were all ladies. Surely there must be some gentlemen out there who would be interested. I feel we would need between 15 and 20 members as going onstage is not the only part one can play in a successful dramatic society.

Maybe it would be better to leave things until after the summer and resume our search for talent then. To the ladies who replied - many thanks for your interest we won't give up hope just yet!

(Carol Barton 286664).

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by Adrian Kearney

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My own collection includes 1847 Victoria pence which are very rare some valuable pennies and three penny pieces. In recent years I sold a 1939 Irish florin, (I had 60) and got a very reasonable price for

it, if anyone has any coins they wish to sell I would consider buying them.

Now here's a tip about cleaning coins, as a rule they should not be cleaned at all, as this distracts from their value. If really necessary surface dirt and grease can be removed by gently rubbing with a soft cloth dipped in lighter fuel. Metal polishes or abrasive pads should never be used. The grade of coin cannot be improved by cleaning. I'll leave you now, so start checking that small change, and with a bit of luck you may 'find yourself in the money' to coin a phrase.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

Final preparations are being made for the opening draw of the Maynooth G.F.C. Members' Club 1986 Draw. There will be 12 monthly draws, commencing on Fri. 27th June, 1986. There are prizes worth over £75,000 to be won, including 6 motor cars. Subscription for the 12 months is £100 in a once off payment or £9 per month, payable by direct debit from a Bank Account.

The purpose of the Draw is to provide the necessary finance for a new Club Centre at Moyglare Road. We are asking for the support of all the people in Maynooth for this venture. Apart from the attractive prizes on offer, participants will be investing in the future of our Club.

We are saddened by the recent death of William (Bill) Lettis, formerly of Old Greenfield. Bill was goalkeeper on a very good Maynooth team which won the 1957 Intermediate Football Championship. To his son William and daughter Ann we offer our sincere sympathy. May he Rest in Peace.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1-10

Caragh 1-5

Our senior team recorded their second win in the League by outplaying Caragh at Prosperous. Maynooth were always in command and were never extended by a poor Caragh side. This was Maynooth's last competitive match before the first round of the Championship, due to be played on 15th June. On this evidence there is a lot of hard work to be got through if we hope to get past the first round. On the credit side there have been encouraging performances from the newcomers and some of the old hands.

Scores: D. Farrell 1-4; M. Nevin 0-2;
M. Dolphin 0-1; P. Carr 0-1;
N. Boyce 0-1; G. Connellan 0-1.

Junior Football League

Since our last report our Junior team has lost to Kilcock, St. Kevin's, Rathcoffey and Johnstownbridge. In three of these games the margin of victory for the opposition did not exceed 3 points. Overall the team has performed well but must now be regretting lost scoring chances.

J. Mee, P. Conway, P. Nevin, M. Martin, M. Kelly, P. Ennis, K. Fagan, M. McCann and T. O'Connor have been consistent throughout.

Minor League

Maynooth 2-5

Kill 2-5

Maynooth and Kill must meet again to decide which one of them will contest the Division 3 Minor Football League Final. Both teams overcame the wet conditions at Ardclough to produce a sparkling hour's football.

Maynooth led by 1 point at half-time thanks to a goal from P. Ennis from a long range free. This did not appear to be sufficient having had the advantage of the wind in the first half. On the resumption Maynooth played some very good football and went into a 5 point lead. However, Kill struck with two late goals. On the stroke of full-time K. Fagan pointed a free from an awkward angle to give Maynooth an other chance. Best for Maynooth were D. & M. Faherty, M. Nevin, M. Kelly, R. Barry, P. Ennis, S. Reilly, S. Molloy and K. Fagan.

Under 16 League

Maynooth 4-4

Celbridge 3-6

Maynooth had a hard earned 1 point victory over local rivals Celbridge at Maynooth. During the first half it was all Maynooth with some fine scores from M. Nevin at full forward. Celbridge gained control in the second half and the home team were lucky to hang on for the 1 point victory.

Scores: M. Nevin 3-2; J. Riordan 1-0;
F. Barton 0-2.

Maynooth 2-5

St. Kevin's 2-3

Maynooth went to Staplestown knowing that they had to win this game to stay in contention in the League. The achieved this win with style and a determination one would expect from a senior team.

St. Kevin's dominated the early exchanges but thanks to good defensive work by Maynooth scores were hard earned. St. Kevin's appeared to have the game won early in the second half when they went into a 7 point lead. A great goal from J. O'Toole broke Maynooth back into the game. With time running out S. Molloy crashed in another goal and M. Nevin got the insurance point from a well taken free.

M. Kevin played a captain's part in this victory. He was well assisted by G. Whelan D. Mee, R. Richardson, P. Stynes, D. Faherty, J. Thompson and J. O'Toole.

Scores: J. O'Toole 1-1; S. Molloy 1-0;
F. Barton 0-2; M. Nevin 0-2.

PASSING OF BILL LETTIS

Maynooth lost one of its former G.A.A. Players on Friday May 16th. The death of Bill Lettis came as a shock to all G.A.A. followers locally.

Bill was a member of Maynooth Team who won the Kildare Junior Championship in 1951 and the league title in 1952. A Guard of Honour by his team-mates was formed for his funeral to Laraghbryan Cemetery. To his son and daughter we extend our sincere sympathy.



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U/12

This team had a good win over Ballymore in their first outing though short Martin Donnelly and Jonathan Flynn. There were great displays from Andrew Fay, Edward Leacy, Joseph Nevin and Padraig Ward with the rest of team all in good form.

U/14

This team was beaten in the Feile na Gael competition after a great game against Ardclough. Maynooth boys in this panel include Joseph Canny, Patrick Kelleher, Keenan Loughnane, Declan Quigley, Ronan Bennett, Gregory Stynes and Simon Cotter. They got back to winning form with a comfortable victory over Ballymore in the league.

Minors

Another defeat at the hands of Leixlip this time resulted from a poor first half display when all the damage was done. B. Desmond, P. Ennis, C. & S. O'Reilly and M. Nevin, P. Farrelly and D. Corcoran were all in good form.

Juniors

With the postponment of the early league matches this team was dependent on friendlies for match practice with a couple of good wins recorded. However, the opening league came against Naas was more difficult though we held a slender lead until about ten minutes from time when Naas got through for a couple of good scores to leave us losers by 1-9 to 4-8. Dave Harding, Larry Comerford, Kieran Diggins, Phil Purcell and Tom Carey were our best on this occasion.





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Presentation of cheque for £700 to Royal Canal Amenity Group at Moyglare Manor Hotel. L-R: Willie Coonan, John Caulfield, Peter Robinson (President of Lions Club), Brian Stewart, Jim McCormack and Dominic Guest.

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FINE GAEL NOTES MAY, 1986.

The May Meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael was held on Wed. 14th May, 1986 in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth.

Mr. Philip McDermott, Chairman, Celbridge District Executive was welcomed to the meeting.

Many varied topics were discussed including the satisfactory outcome of:

Water Supply at Doctor's Lane, Maynooth Funds have now been made available by the Minister for the Environment and Kildare Co. Council to carry out the necessary improvements to the water supply.

Unsecured Loans for Home Improvements Mr. John Boland, T.D., Minister for the Environment announced recently that he

has increased from £1,000 to £2,000 the amount of the unsecured loan which may be advanced by housing authorities for house improvement works carried out on or after 1st May 1986.

Reduction in interest rates charges to Local Authorities on future Local Authority House Mortgages

The Minister for the Environment, Mr. John Boland, T.D. notified local authorities on 2nd May, 1986 of a reduction of 1½% in the rate of interest (i.e. from 10½ to 9%) on loans borrowed by them from the Exchequer. The new interest rate, which is the lowest for over 11 years, will help to ease the burden of loan charges on local authorities which has continued to grow despite the large State subsidies. The reduced rate will apply to loan charges on all loans advanced on or after 1st May, 1986 from Local Loan Funds and to existing loans advanced since 1st February, 1982 at a variable interest rate. A fixed interest

rate applies to earlier loans. The loans are used by local authorities to finance capital expenditure on local authority housing, sanitary services, fire service, libraries swimming pools and other environmental projects.

The reduction in the interest rate will also apply to new loan advances from 1st May 1986 by housing authorities for the purchase, construction or improvement of houses. The new rate will result in significant benefits to persons availing of these loans and to the house building industry.

Maynooth Park

Following representations made by Deputy Durkan on behalf of Residents of Maynooth Park, the following reply has been received from the Co. Engineer.

Item No. 1 - Water Supply:

Deficiencies in the water supply during heavy frost are due to service pipes from the mains to each house being laid too near the surface of the ground thus causing the water to freeze. The problem can only be rectified by replacing these service pipes at a lower level. From information to hand at the moment the problem is spread throughout the Estate and is not confined to any one area. It is the responsibility of each householder affected to remedy this deficiency.

Item No. 2 - Sewerage:

Work has been carried out on defective sections of sewer in Maynooth Park and Straffan Way. The Council is not aware of any other defective sections at this stage.

By-Pass Enquiry

The enquiry into the Maynooth By-Pass started on May, 19th in the Community Centre, Leixlip. As a result of representations from the Community Council, Residents' Associations and all Cllr.'s for the area. The Co. Council have agreed to make major changes to the Straffan Road

which will meet the requests of the residents of the area. These changes have now been placed before the Department of Environment. All interested groups and individuals should now show positive support for this submission.

Watermain Old Railpark

Following representations by Cllr. Stagg, a leaking water main at Old Railpark has been repaired.

Old Greenfield's Road

Cllr. Stagg has made representations concerning the deplorable condition of Old Greenfield Road. The road is continually littered with potholes and is unacceptable to the residents of Greenfield.

Convent Road

The continuing condition of Convent Rd. was raised at a recent branch meeting. It was noted that previously Cllr. Stagg had tabled a motion at Kildare Co. Council to have heavy traffic diverted to Blacklion Road, and that this proposal was opposed by another local public representative. The Branch have requested Cllr. Stagg to once again seek to have heavy traffic diverted to Blacklion Road, and to have Convent Road put in a proper state of repair.

Royal Canal Amenities - Quiz:

Congratulations were expressed by Members to Mrs. Maura Cullen, Andree Eddery, Gerry Smith and Finan Hardiman for coming 3rd in the Quiz - Well done!

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PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS

A very successful meeting of the P.D.'s was held on May 5th. A large attendance heard the guest speaker, Dr. Andrew Wynne (National Co-ordinator of Health Policy) outline some very interesting new directions which his committee considered health planning in Ireland should take. Among the ideas proposed are:

A type of contributory health insurance for everybody, along the lines of the H.I., subsidised where necessary for people unable to afford the full cost. It is thought that this would involve major savings for the exchequer, as it would force hospitals to become self-reliant on funds received in payment for services rendered rather than on state grants, which are often somewhat arbitrary. Such a system already works in other countries such as Canada and Australia.

It is thought that this system would also make treatment more equitable, by removing many of the existing distinctions between the treatment available to some in contrast with what is available to others. For example, at present for some ailments such as arthritic hips, operations are available much sooner to V.H.I. patients than to Public Health patients.

The transfer of resources away from high-technology hospitals to community-based services. As hospitalization is so expensive and not always necessary for certain patients (e.g. sick old people living alone who have to be hospitalized because they have nobody to care for them), a well developed community-based service could be both more beneficial to the sick and cheaper for the exchequer.

Greater state involvement in future health policy for new services where available. This would help to eliminate competition between hospitals for the same type of treatment, e.g. heart transplants, and would avoid the unnecessary duplication of expensive equipment.

A very strong and determined health education/preventative medicine programme would also focus on the need for careful planning and development of good housing.

Cllr. Timmy Conway who has recently joined the P.D.'s also addressed the meeting, speaking on his reasons for joining the party.

There are a number of events taking place soon to which we would like to draw your attention. On Sun. 8th of June there will be a cake sale at the Parish Hall Maynooth, after 10 o'clock mass. And on June 20th, at the Setanta House Hotel, Celbridge, there will be a Barbecue in aid of the P.D.'s. This promises to be a really good night, with a disco and a marquee just in case the weather is not suitable. Further details and tickets are available

from Louis Lennon (286012) or Richard O'Sullivan (286393).

On Monday, June 9th, at the Springfield Hotel Leixlip, Mary Harney, Michael Keating, and Timmy Conway will address a public meeting. All are welcome.

Next meeting of the Maynooth Branch, June 3rd, 8.30 pm in the I.C.A. hall.

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Maynooth Labour Branch welcomes the decision of the Administrative Council of the Labour Party, to appoint Cllr. Emmet Stagg as the Labour Candidate in Kildare for the next General Election.

This swift and decisive action by the National Executive ends a period of speculation and uncertainty and has had the effect of galvanising the party in Kildare into a united fighting machine.

On the basis of Cllr. Stagg's record of service to the people of Kildare, and on the basis of the Socialist Policies of the Labour Party, we are confident of re-training the Labour seat in Kildare.

Kildare Labour News

The 12th issue of Kildare Labour News will be issued in the first week of June. Our circulation for this issue will be 10,500. Once again we would like to thank our advertisers for their continuing support.

Divorce Referendum

At our May meeting the branch discussed the Government's plan to hold a referendum to remove the constitutional ban on divorce, in late June. This development was warmly welcomed and it was noted that it comes about mainly due to Labour pressure within the Dail. At last this undemocratic law which deprives thousands of separated people of the right to re-marry and build new lives, is likely to be separated. It was agreed that to replace the ban with a 5 year separation requirement before re-marrying is a practical one in present circumstances.

We decided to campaign actively in association with Maynooth Divorce Action Group for a 'yes' vote in this area and indeed we are honoured that our Treasurer Dave Moynan, has been chosen as Kildare's Director of Elections appointed by the National Committee of the Divorce Action Group.

Finally, the branch calls upon all local supporters of this measure, irrespective of political allegiance, to join with Maynooth Divorce Action Group and together we can ensure that Maynooth says 'YES'.

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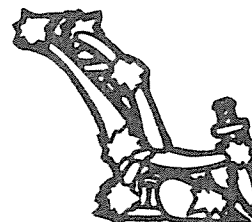
The inaugural meeting of our new Youth section took place in Caulfield's committee room on the 15th of May. As Maynooth has an increasing youth population the branch feels that the time has come to involve more 15 to 25 year olds in the political life of our town.

The serious problems of youth unemployment and lack of recreational facilities were examined and it was agreed that surveys to determine the extent of these problems would be conducted over the summer months.

The first event planned is a Disco and Live Rock Show to be staged at a local venue, when the present exams are finished. We are looking for two local bands to do a 30 minute spot each. Do you know of a young group needing a gig? Please contact Michael Quinn 285258.

Labour Advice Service

Due to his appointment as the Labour Candidate for the next General Election, Cllr. Emmet Stagg has expanded the Labour Advice Service to cover all of Kildare. The Advice Service in Maynooth will continue to be in Caulfield's Private Meeting Room, every Saturday from 4.00 pm to 5.30 pm.



WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

Workers' Party Selects Candidate

Cllr. Colm Purcell is to represent the Workers' Party in the next General Election in the Kildare constituency. Because of the obvious support for the Party and its policies in the area, as demonstrated in last year's local elections, the Party has decided to contest the Kildare constituency for the first time.

Colm Purcell was born in Leixlip 35 years ago. He lives in Avondale with his wife Marie and their two children. He is a member of the ITGWU and works in the engineering industry. He was elected to Kildare Co. Council in 1985 in recognition of his record on issues such as unemployment, crippling taxation and his opposition to local charges.

Gaming Machines Stay

Cllr. Colm Purcell seconded the motion at the last meeting of Kildare Co. Council to rescind Section 13 of the Gaming and Lotteries Act, relating to gaming machines. He expressed the view that these machines are a social evil exploiting the vulnerability of those who are unemployed or poorly paid. The majority of Fianna Fail and Fine Gael councillors did not support the motion, so, unfortunately for the people of Kildare, the machines will be staying in the county.

Divorce Referendum

The Workers' Party welcomes the holding of a referendum to amend the constitution in order to permit the introduction of divorce. The Party will work with the local Divorce Action Group to ensure that the amendment is passed.

Niall Toibin

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By-Pass Link Road

Cllr. Colm Purcell has been informed by Kildare Co. Council that it has submitted plans to the Department of the Environment for the upgrading of the Straffan Road (including Mullen Bridge) which is to be the link road between Maynooth and the new By-Pass road.

News and Views

The local Workers' Party newsletter, "news and Views", has been circulated to 15,000 homes in North Kildare. Topics covered include food subsidies, water rates, the Maynooth train service, and unemployment.

Advice Service

Cllr. Colm Purcell is available to meet constituents every Saturday in the Leinster Arms from 12 noon to 1.00 pm.



Cllr. Colm Purcell

Workers' Party Announce Candidate

Cllr. Colm Purcell has been selected by the Workers' Party to contest the next General Election in the Kildare Constituency.

The Party have decided to contest the Kildare Constituency for the first time because of the obvious support for the party and its policies.

Colm is a native of the County, born in Leixlip 35 years ago. A member of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, he is employed in the engineering industry.

Colm was elected to Kildare Co. Council in 1985 by the voters in recognition of

his record on such issues as unemployment, crippling taxation and of course his leadership against the imposition of Local Charges.

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EILEEN O'DONOHOE

A tribute must be paid to the excellent work done by Eileen O'Donohoe during her short but productive stay in Maynooth. Eileen brought the Public Library into the Community, going out of her way to make contact with the various groups and organisations which play such important roles in the lives of young people in Maynooth. She promoted the Library tirelessly, attracting more people to avail of its services, adults and children alike.

It is with regret that we see her go, as she will be sadly missed by all, but we wish her every success in the future.

Margaret Walshe-Gannon.

A NEW MONTESSORI SCHOOL FOR MAYNOOTH

PATRICIA DOYLE will be opening a Montessori school for children aged 2½- 6 years in the Maynooth area this September. She is a university graduate and a fully qualified A.M.I. Montessori Directress. She has teaching experience in Ireland and she spent two years teaching in Japan. Thus she has worked with children of a wide variety of backgrounds. She would now like the local children to avail of this highly successful method of education.

Many of you ask who or what is Montessori?

Dr. Maria Montessori was born in 1870 in Italy. By studying the child from birth through all stages of growth, she showed how the child's inner development can be best helped to produce a fully balanced adult. Dr. Montessori felt that the goal of early childhood education should be to cultivate the child's natural curiosity and love for knowledge. He would then continue in his search for knowledge all through his life. Dr. Montessori believed that there is in every child between 0 and 6, a special kind of sensitivity which enables him to absorb impressions from his environment. She calls this, "the absorbent mind". For instance, a two-year old learns his language without formal instruction or the conscious effort which an adult must make to master a foreign language.

So Dr. Montessori reasoned that this experience could be enriched by a prepared environment: a classroom where he could handle materials which would demonstrate basic educational information to him. She believed that a young child can learn to read, write and calculate in the same natural way that he learns to talk and walk. In a Montessori classroom the

equipment invites him to do this at his own periods of interest and readiness.

A Montessori school is neither a baby-sitting service nor a play school. Dr. Montessori described it as a navishing place for the child. It is designed to meet his needs for self-construction and to reveal his personality and growth patterns to us. The environment must be carefully prepared for the child by a knowledgeable and sensitive adult i.e. the trained Montessori Director/Directress. This Director/Directress must be the dynamic link between the child and this specially prepared environment. Each child works individually at his own pace, so there is a non-competitive atmosphere. Montessori classrooms show that children of different ages help one another. A child of three will take interest in what a five-year old is doing and the other child becomes a teacher for him.

"The most important period of life is not the age of university studies, but the first one, the period before birth to the age of six... At no other age has the child greater need of intelligent help, and any obstacle that impedes his creative work will lessen the chance he has of ever achieving perfection."

(Maria Montessori - THE ABSORBENT MIND).

Patricia will be holding a workshop on Montessori education in the near future. Meanwhile you can contact her at (01) 255470 if you require further information.

Traditional Irish Music Session, back Lounge, Brady's every Monday night.

Skills Foundation Programme Exhibition in Maynooth

An exhibition of items produced on a Skills Foundation Programme in Maynooth was held at the Post Primary School on Friday 9th and Saturday 10th May, 1986. This event represented the culmination of 6 months work by a group of 27 unemployed young people from the general Maynooth area. The course was designed and funded by AnCO and implemented by the Adult Education service of Co. Kildare V.E.C.

The Exhibition was opened by Mr. Paddy Power, T.D., Chairman of Co. Kildare V.E.C. He complimented all the people associated with the course for the high standards achieved and for putting on such a high class quality exhibition. In particular he gave a special word of praise to the trainees on the course for having produced goods of such a very high quality. He said this type of course demonstrated the latent talent held by young people and the great potential they possessed. In concluding he wished the trainees every success for the future.

Mr. Power's sentiments were also echoed by other speakers. Mr. Commins, C.E.O. of Kildare V.E.C. said that the course represented a good example of what can be achieved when two state bodies - AnCO and the V.E.C. - co-operated in responding to the needs of the local community. Mr. Francis Walsh, Chairman of the Community Council, expressed the hope that this type of programme would continue to be developed and implemented in the future. On behalf of the Community he expressed a sincere word of thanks to all those who helped with the course.

Mr. Noel Dalton, Adult Education Organiser and Course Co-ordinator thanked the large crowd who attended the exhibition which represented to the trainees the depth of interest and concern felt by the local community on the issue of unemployment. He went on to say that unemployment is probably the greatest social and economic challenge to face Ireland since the mass emigration of the 1950's. While there were many proposed solutions to the problem of unemployment, he felt that there is scope for a serious and significant intervention through such courses as the Skills Foundation Programme. Commenting on the background to the course, he said the programme was designed for people who have left school early i.e. before completing the Leaving Certificate cycle. Most of the trainees would have never experienced what it was like to work full-time in a permanent job. The personal attitude of many of the trainees before the course was one of no hope and a belief that no one gave a damn about their position. Many trainees would believe that there is no likelihood of an improvement in the near future. He said that a rather frightening trend among many of our unemployed people is the belief that the only solution to their personal plight is emigration. The programme sought to meet the trainees needs by concentrating on five areas:

- (1) building up the motivation and enthusiasm of trainees.



Mr. Paddy Power T.D., Chairman of Co. Kildare V.E.C. Opening the Skills Foundation Exhibition.

- (2) helping trainees identify skills which are most suitable both to their own talents and energies and to local job opportunities and community needs.
- (3) providing trainees with an industrial environment within which various skills can be acquired and positive work attitudes developed.
- (4) developing creativity in the application of the skills to make products or provide services, and to using the skills for job-seeking purposes.
- (5) providing relevant job experience.

Given the time and financial constraints under which the course operated he felt that these objectives were achieved for the majority of the trainees. The work on display bears adequate testimony to that fact. Furthermore, the positive response from the trainees has also been very encouraging

For the future Mr. Dalton said he would like to see the Skills Foundation Programme expanded and developed. In particular he would like to see a Community Enterprise and Resource Centre developed in Maynooth which would act as a focal point for unemployed people in the community. In general the functions of such a Centre could be summarised as follows:

- (i) Start-up facilities (workshops, secretarial help, Management advisory service etc) for unemployed people in the community.
- (ii) A link-up facility for individuals or groups in the community who have already started their own business (e.g. in the home) and who would benefit from such a service.
- (iii) A training facility for people who have already started their business but are located outside the centre.
- (iv) Workshop and Training facilities for unemployed people to generate ideas and skills relating to new enterprises.

He said that if we are serious about a significant response to the issue of unemployment then it is imperative that an integrated facility along the above lines is established in Maynooth.

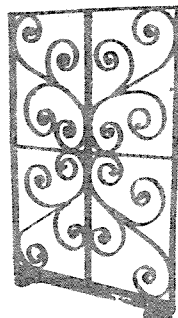
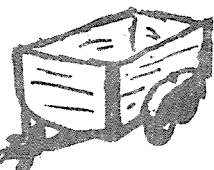
In conclusion he thanked all those who co-operated in running the programme - Mr. John O'Brien and Catherine Corcoran the course managers, the instructors, the Community Council and in particular Ms. Siobhan Hall. For helping with local facilities he thanked the Scouts, M.A.D.E., Mr. Tom Ashe and the Don Bosco Youth Club. The I.C.A. were complimented on preparing an excellent buffet for those attending the Exhibition. Finally he thanked the trainees for their effort and contribution and he expressed the wish that they would look back on the course as being of benefit to them in developing a meaningful and successful career.

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I.C.A. Maynooth Guild

Sincere apologies to regular readers of I.C.A. notes who were disappointed last month. This happened due to the fact of my holiday out of the country, which was most enjoyable. Here's hoping to bring you up to date with I.C.A. activities for two months.

The monthly meeting was held on 3rd of April, 1986. Mrs. Stynes was in the chair and a fair number of members attended. The President congratulated the guild who took part in the I.C.A. & Macra Quiz and were 3rd out of 14 teams.

The speakers for the night from Kidney Association were Michael Murphy, Syl Sexton, Peter Nevin and Eamonn McNamee. They showed a video of various aspects of the disease Dialysis and Transplants. One of the speakers is on the machine twelve years, another had a transplant after ten years and Eamonn McNamee a local man had a transplant a couple of months ago. They gave a very interesting talk and made some of the members realise the importance of becoming a kidney donor.

The competition for April which due to illness of the Judge was held at a later date on a Craft worknight was won by Rosemary Hanley, V Neck Jumper! The Potatoe Dish was also won by Rosemary, 2nd Bridie Brady, 3rd Betty Farrelly. On the Spot Competition on Guild Night was won by Maureen Kiely, 2nd D. Hickey, 3rd M. O'Gorman.

The May meeting was held in the I.C.A. Hall on the 1st of May. The President, Madeleine Stynes presided and a large

number of members attended. Mrs. Brady and yours truly was welcomed back from the U.S.A. It was agreed to enter a team in the Quiz in Keanes on 23rd of May. The four members taking part are: R. Hanley, A. Boyd, H. Doyle and D. O'Reilly.

Congratulations to our Badminton ladies who have been successful at Federation Level Competitions. The ladies concerned, Seniors: R. Glennon, K. Burns, U. Walsh and T. Mooney. Beginners: M. O'Gorman.

Our speaker this month Laurence Kennon from the Eastern Health Board Ambulance Service. Laurence a local man gave us a lot of useful information regarding the prevention of accidents in the home. He also informed us the quickest way to obtain the Ambulance is by phoning 999. Since the meeting the exciting news which went around the place like wild fire was the good news Maynooth Guild won the Patchwork Quilt Competition. More news on this at a later date.

On the Spot Competition was won by Mairead Scanlon, 2nd Imelda Delaney and 3rd Bridie Brady. Next month's competition the Best Homemade Book Mark.

P.R.O. Imelda Delaney.

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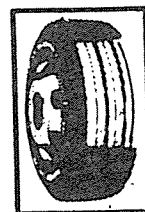
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SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS THE PLEASURES AND PROBLEMS OF LIVING IN MAYNOOTH

A survey of 119 Maynooth residents was carried out in April by the participants in the Community Development Course organised by Maynooth College. The survey, which is part of a larger project, shows a picture of a community generally happy with life in Maynooth. 89% of those surveyed could name positive aspects to living in Maynooth. However, 86% could also point out problems and needs.

Almost half of the residents questioned regard the physical environment as a positive attribute of Maynooth. The rural/urban setting, the relative peace and quiet, and the cleanliness of the air were mentioned. Almost one third referred to the social environment, the general friendliness and neighbourliness, and above all, people considered that Maynooth is a good place to bring up children. Another important feature of Maynooth is its relationship with Dublin. "It's near enough to commute but far enough to avoid the pollution and other problems of urban living", was the opinion of over a third of those questioned.

However, lest we get carried away with visions of paradise, there are also a host of problems. Perhaps we are fortunate in that the problems identified are not as serious as those facing other communities. Few people mentioned drugs, and only 12% referred to unemployment. However, the lack of recreational facilities was mentioned by almost half of the group. They cry was "nothing for young adults, nothing for teenagers, cinema, no swimming pool". There was the fear that more problems may arise as our young population increases, to find nothing constructive to do with their leisure. Other problems identified were the appalling roads (17%), transport (9%), services e.g. shopping (13%), and a whole host of others, ranging from lack of public seating, general untidiness, to the 'thing in the square'.

Despite the fact that there are 66 organisations in Maynooth, and despite the cries that there is nothing to do, only 35 people said they belonged to local organisations i.e. less than one third. One per-

son, having bemoaned the lack of things to do, sheepishly admitted that she couldn't persuade the children to go swimming, and she herself hadn't the interest to become involved with what is going on already. It appears that some people are less inclined to take responsibility for their own leisure pursuits, leaving others to provide, whether on a commercial or a voluntary basis. The voluntary organisations would be only too happy to give people something to do!

An encouraging note is that involvement increases the longer people are resident, so that over half of those who have lived in Maynooth for over 10 years are involved, compared with just 14% of those who have lived here for less than 5 years.

The survey also covered questions relating to Maynooth Community Council, and how people perceived its role in the community, as well as the Newsletter. The responses to these questions are being studied at the moment. A copy of the full report will be ready within the next few weeks, and will be available to interested organisations: Contact — Kay MacKeogh, 92 Railpark, Tel. 285241.

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Nearly 4,000 children from towns and cities all over the country were given a day down on the farm yesterday, courtesy of the farmers involved and the Agricultural Science Association.

At Mr. Tommy McMyler's farm at Taghadoo, near Maynooth, Co. Kildare, 60 schoolchildren from Ballyfermot in Dublin and another group from a nursery school in Kimmage, were taken to see the animals and the crops. Afterwards, Mrs. McMyler gave them a picnic lunch in the garden. The Minister of State for Agriculture, Mr. Paddy Hegarty, joined them to wish the ASA's Urban-Rural Relations Day success.

Nearby Carton farm and the farm attached to St. Patrick's College, Maynooth played hosts to scores of other city children. In all, about 1,000 Dublin children took part.

Irish Times 21/5/86.

MAYNOOTH RAISES OVER £500 FOR SELF-AID

The A.I.B. Branch in the Main Street opened on Saturday the 17th of May to accept donations for Self-Aid. Over £500 was raised. The photograph shows A.I.E. Bankstaff, Dominic Guest, Bob O'Reilly, Susan Darcy, Vivienne Tierney and Deirdre Duggan.



Silence Please

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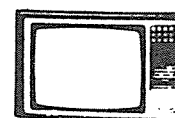
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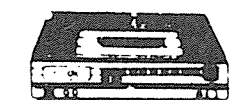
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Maynooth Community together with the office staff wish to express good luck and best wishes to Siobhan Hall and Patricia Cleary who finish their employment with the Community Council at the end of May. Siobhan and Patricia have been placed with Maynooth Community Co. through the Don Bosco Voluntary Service who give its workers the opportunity of experiencing the fulfilment of making a worthwhile contribution to local communities and society in general.



Siobhan Hall

Siobhan, a native of Athlone was given her first introduction to Maynooth town when she packed her bags in October, 1979 to do a Science degree at St. Patrick's College. Having completed her Science degree, Siobhan went on to do a Diploma in Adult and Community Education. Since completing her formal and indeed informal education at St. Patrick's College, she was employed in the College as a part-time teacher and worked full-time with the Chaplaincy. She joined the Don Bosco Voluntary Service in May, 1985 and was placed with Maynooth Community Council as administrator and was instrumental in negotiating the employment of six workers now on projects with the Community Council.

Siobhan, who always had a finger in more than one pie took part in the peer ministry Course which took place in the College last year. She was also very active in Eurobosco which took place last Sept. Her main interests are in Adult and Community Education.

Siobhan will continue to work with Don Bosco Voluntary Service. She will be based in Dublin but rumour has it she will still reside in Maynooth. Siobhan's good points include her dedication, sincerity and good humour. Her bad points none.



Patricia Cleary:

Patricia hails from Baile Atha Cliath, but has spent the last ten years living in Maynooth. Although she has settled down quite well in Maynooth and is very active in the community, she still has a grá for that fine Dublin football team.

Whatever about Kerry for the holidays, Patricia is sure to spend some of her Sundays shouting on the Boys in Blue in their defence of the Leinster Championship. Patricia's main interests lie in Basketball. She has been involved in the Youth Club since it started and is now one of its leaders. She also worked on the AnCO project as a general worker before she started her commercial course. Patricia joined the Don Bosco Voluntary Service in May, 1985. She was first placed with Viatores Christi but then joined the Community Council last February where she was involved in the Newsletter production. Greatest credit however must go to her for her selfless involvement in organising the Community Games. Patricia took part in the Community Development Course this year and was very active in the group project. She was also involved in Eurobosco which took place in September 1985. Her intentions are to continue to work with young people and is worthy of every opportunity that will help her achieve this aim.

We take this opportunity to wish them the best of luck in the future. They deserve it.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS

Congratulations to Pat and Carol Barton "San Felu", Maynooth who celebrated their 20th Wedding Anniversary on the 11th of June. With much love from Aisling, Fergal and Roisin.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

I heard on the radio recently about the all-out effort the residents of Malahide are making at the moment to try and win the Tidy Towns title from Kilkenny, equally determined not to lose it. I don't know whether our campaign to retain the Tidy Estate title in the competition to be held during Community Week at the end of June quite reaches that same high feverish pitch - at the moment, anyway! We could well ask ourselves how the estate has improved visually since last year. There is a very attractive corner, planted with evergreens, at the junction of Maynooth Park and Greenfield Drive, thanks to the householder nearby. Some front gardens look lovely (and the writer here is NOT including his own) while a few others, belonging presumably to absentee landlords, score so many goals against us that it takes great spirit to fight on. And, we know, there's that bald black patch in Maynooth Park Green which badly needs a grass-transplant. Anyway, win or lose, what matter: let's simply do our bit to brighter up the place and help Nature to show herself at her best.

I think some people on the estate and in Maynooth will be expending energy in a much more spendthrift way than by weeding or cutting grass, such is the popularity of the soccer tournament held up to and during Community Week. The Inter-Estate soccer competition (7-a-side, ladies and gentlemen) will be held again this year, from June 16th to the finals on June 29th.

Another title we have to defend during Community Week is that of Quiz Winners 1985. The recent Royal Canal quiz competition showed that our team of last year, though not wearing our colours on that occasion (seceding from the (e)state?!), have lost none of their prize-winning form. So, come on again, the I.C.A!

An ongoing concern with the Committee at the time of writing and one which was mentioned in the last issue is the proposal for a snooker club in the Shopping Centre. The Committee are currently trying to gauge public feeling about this, while continuing their negotiations with the developers and with the Planning authorities.

So see you on the Green, on the field, or on the stage some time during Community Week!

Donal McMahon
P.R.O.

Vale

(To The Sisters who lived next door)

It is summertime,
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And white blouses,
You voices twittering in the still morning,
The praises of God,
Your roses blooming like memories
In the garden...

Scarcely had the swallows come
When you, as if to fill their place
And take back summer to the
songless lands,
Locked your door and left.
I think of you now,
In despite of weariness
And the slights of those
Who mock your medieval plight,
Helping the outcasts,
Nursing the sick,
Teaching the blind the braille of love,
And should your service prove no more
Than one small drop of oil
On the myriad sores of man,
What more can handmaids do
Who are but few and still imperfect?
And so fly far, God's migrants,
Though we must be content
To guard your empty nest
In case that, sick at heart of exile,
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The second annual sponsored cycle organised jointly by the Boys National School and St. Mary's Band takes place on Sunday, 15th June.

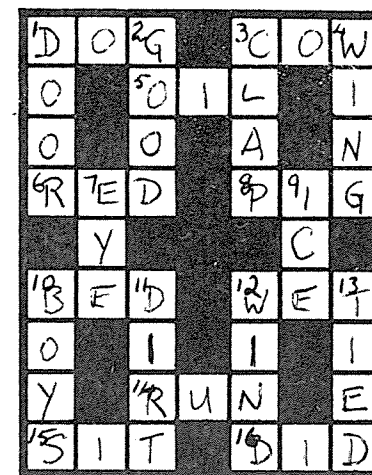
The event follows the same routes as last year and moves off from the Parish Hall at 3.00 pm.

This year the prizes will be awarded not on the highest amount collected but on a draw basis. Each £10 of sponsorship returned will entitle participants to inclusion in a draw for a bicycle, £100 and £50 and the draw will take place at a function on Sunday, 6th July.

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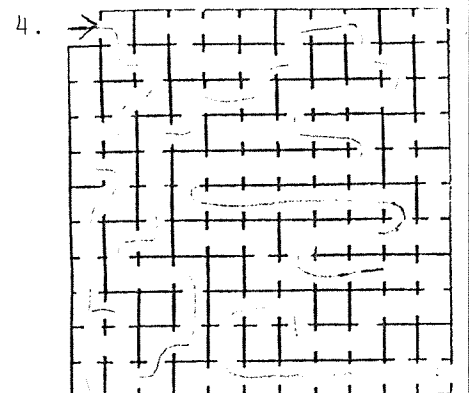
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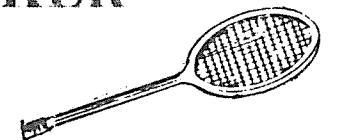
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Although Easter was in March we didn't have our Easter Party until 27th April. It was held once again in S.M.A. House and it was attended by about sixty of our Senior Citizens. This was a much smaller gathering than usual but I think many were still suffering after effects of flu. We had no guests with us for the occasion as the member from Lucan were unable to come that Sunday and the member from Dunboyne had to cancel two days before because of the death of Mr. Charlie Wall who always drove their mini-bus.

We didn't have as many Easter Bonnets as usual but what we lacked in quantity we made up for in quality. Our judges were Mrs. Madeline Stynes and Mrs. Betty Farrell of Maynooth I.C.A. Guild. They awarded prizes under the following categories.

Most Unusual	—	Mrs. Bridie Brady
Most Original	—	Mrs. Flanagan
Most Colourful	—	Mrs. Tracey, Moyglare
Most Springlike	—	Mrs. Bennet
Most Elegant	—	Mrs. McDermott

We would like to express our sincere thanks to Fr. Dunne who celebrated Holy Mass and the students who give so willing of their time to us. We would also like to say 'thank you' to all who entertained for the afternoon and of course to our Entertainments Director and M.C. Mrs. Josephine Moore. Josie asked me to say thank you to everyone who came along over the months to entertain at the parties.

Outing time is with us again and this year our outing will be on 7th June. Coaches by courtesy of Mr. Pat Barton will depart from the Band Hall at 1.30 sharp. We hope to have only one more party left for this season this will be over before the Newsletter goes to press. We will have a report for the July issue.

Carol Barton, P.R.O.

BAND BULLETIN

The bulletin of necessity is quite short this month as we are in the throes of organising some coming events.

The annual sponsored cycle organised jointly by ourselves and the Boys School will be held on Sunday, 15th June, and you can read all about it elsewhere in the Newsletter. We hope as many as possible will turn out to help the cause and we would also be glad if any of the "Friends of the Band" movement could join us on the day to help with supervision, drink dispensing or traffic direction, it's all in a good cause. Let's hope the sun shines on us as it did last year.

The summer engagements are coming in at the moment so once again could we ask all of you requesting the services of the Band to write as early as possible to our Secretary — Elaine Bean, Rye View, Maynooth to ensure that we are free on your particular date.

See you next month with the news on the cycle.



GARDEN HINTS

In the past the gardeners' activities were closely linked to the seasons. This was particularly so when it came to planting rose trees and shrubs because these plants were grown in the ground and lost a lot of roots when lifted they could only be transplanted when dormant. This meant planting had to be done between November and March when weather and soil conditions were far from pleasant. If you did not get your planting done during this time then you lost a full year. The use of container grown rose trees and shrubs frees the modern gardener from these constraints and means that planting can be done at any time of the year, even in the summer months of June, July or August, so there is no need to put off until next year what you have not yet done.

Whether planting bare-rooted or container grown subjects attention to a few points will ensure success. Firstly ensure the soil is well prepared. It is no use digging a small hole in a piece of rock-hard ground and expecting a plant to thrive. You must dig the soil around the planting area to get it into good condition. Then open a hole large enough to take the plant roots. Work some more mosspeat and bonemeal into the bottom of the hole, place your plant in position and plant with your foot then rake the surface even and water well with container grown subjects which dry out rapidly in warm weather.

It is a good idea to water them well a few hours before planting. Some of the roots at the bottom of the mass of roots should be teased out before planting. Should the weather become dry after planting help your plant by watering it. This is best done in the evening.

The lawn is such a large element of most gardens that its condition can affect the general appearance of the garden. If your lawn is weedy there is still time to apply fertiliser and weedkiller, use either a general fertiliser which includes a weed-killer or apply sulphate of ammonia and follow it three weeks later with a spray of a selective weedkiller. Fertiliser should be applied before rain or washed in by hose. Mowing has an important affect on the quality of a lawn. It should be done regularly at least once a week during the summer and not too close.

Summer besides bringing better weather also brings a host of pests and diseases. Regular spraying is necessary to keep these at bay.

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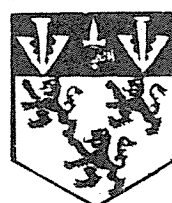
For apples, pears, blackcurrants and gooseberries use "Nimrod T" to protect them from mildew, scab, and leaf spot, while Sybol 2 will protect them from the ravages of a host of insects.

Finally there is still time to plant a selection of bedding plants to give you a summer long display of colour right up to the first frosts of winter. Don't let the poor spring weather get you down, get out and get at it.

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Congratulations to the following ladies who participated and completed the Irish Course at the M.A.D.E. Centre. Certificates will be awarded by A-Athair Dirmh, Padraigh O'Finnachta.
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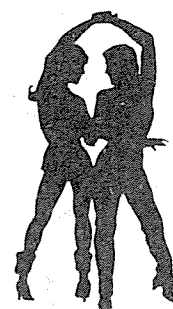
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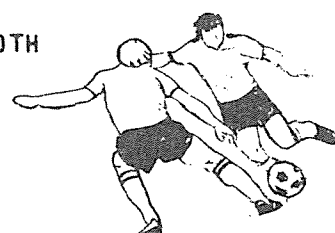
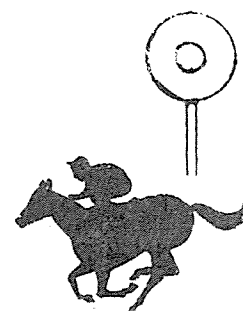
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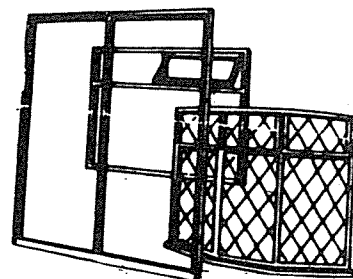
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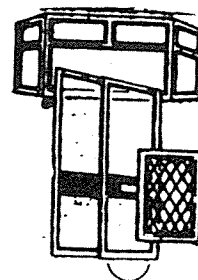
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On Saturday the 26th of April the Tuesday cub scout pack travelled to Bray on D.A.R.T. It was a beautiful day and the boys enjoyed their climb on Bray Head. Ten cub scouts from this pack have now completed their Link-badger programme and are moving up to the Scout Troop.

Also on Saturday the 26th of April the Saturday cub scout pack played host to forty cub scouts and their leaders from Tuam. They arrived at 12.30 pm and were welcomed to Maynooth by Betty Begley cub scout leader. After they had settled into our Den they held an inter-pack meeting with the Saturday cubs. This consisted mainly of sports and games for which medals were awarded. At 7.30 pm there was a mock camp fire which was attended by both our cub scout packs and their guests. The singing was led by Eamonn Conway and it sounded G-R-E-A-T. Everyone indulged in sweets, crisps and minerals and a wonderful time was had by all. On Sunday morning Mass was celebrated in the Scout Den by our Chaplain Fr. Eoin Thynne, assisted by Deacon Sean McAuley cub scout leader. After Mass all the cub scouts were taken on a conducted tour of the college, the highlight of which was a visit to the ghost room. We say a big Thank You to the Tuam Pack Leaders, Teresa, Margaret, Sylvester and Colm and we hope to return their visit later this year.

The Scout Troop went to Kerdiffstown on the Regional competition from May 2nd to 4th. The Troop held their Investiture at a special meeting on Monday the 12th of May. Twelve scouts, and two leaders, Ronan and David were invested. Plans are well under way for this year's scout camp which starts on 12th July at Cong Castle in Co. Mayo.

The Venturers went on a hike along the Wicklow way on 6th of April. On April 20th they went cycling to Blessington and they were accompanied by ten scouts.

Our Bob-a-Job was very successful and we would like to thank the people of Maynooth for supporting our busy jobbers. The top earner among the jobbers in our unit was Patrick Halton, 10 Maynooth Park. Well done Patrick and all our jobbers who worked so hard.

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P.R.O.



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7th St. Mary's Church of Ireland.
Fete in Castle Grounds. Starting
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8th Community Games Swimming
Stewarts Hospital 4 - 6.30pm.

12th Maynooth I.C.A. Floral
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14th Variety Final Co. Kildare
Community Games. Maynooth
Parish Hall 7pm.

15th I.C.A. Summer Outing to
Shannon.
Boys' National School/Maynooth
Band Sponsored Cycle. Starting
Parish Hall 2 pm.

21st County Finals Community
Games Gymnastics, Newbridge.

22nd County Finals Community
Games Outdoor Team Events,
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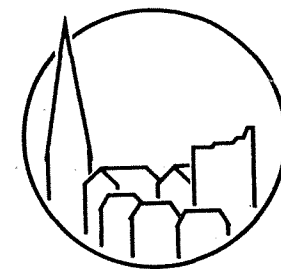
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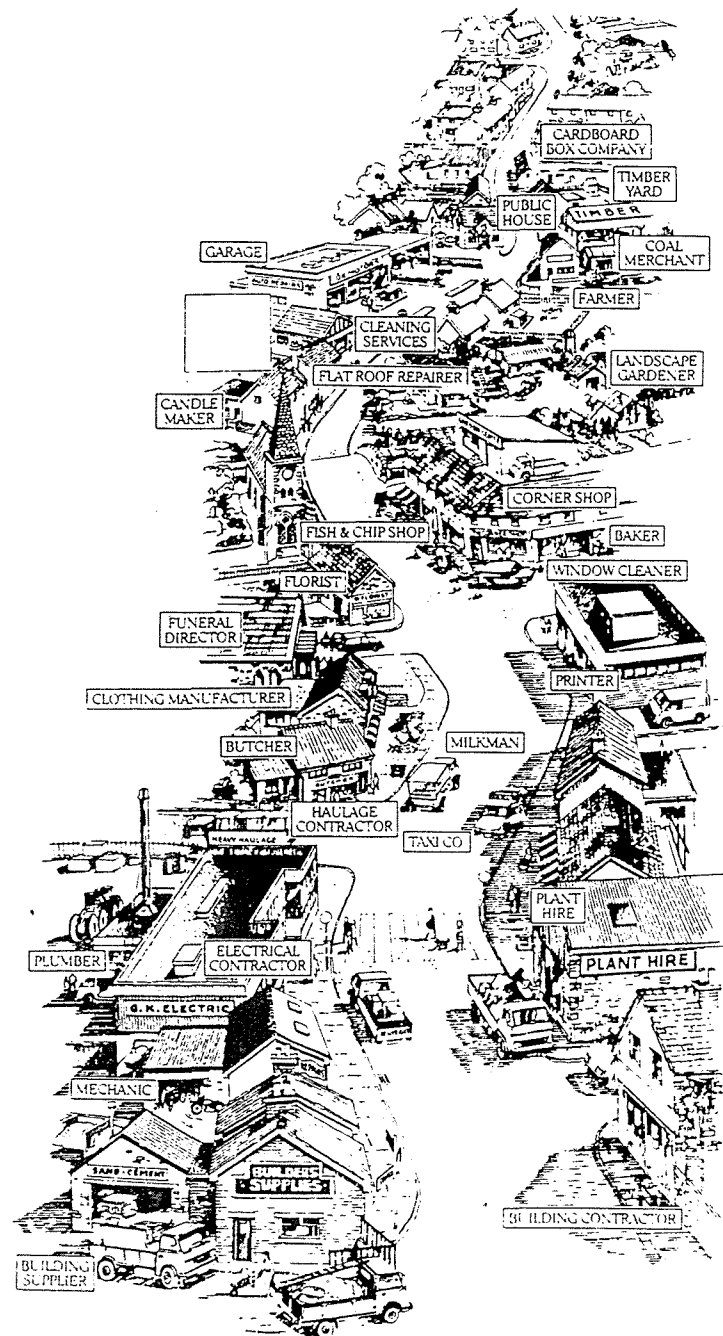
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Two Maynooth Councillors Elected in Low Turnout

After a count extending over three days Maynooth candidates John McGinley and Senan Griffin were returned as councillors on June 14th. The final result saw Paul Kelly (FF) and Catherine Murphy (Lab) elected on the first and third counts respectively leaving John McGinley (Lab), Senan Griffin (FG) and Colm Purcell (Lab) to battle it out for the remaining two seats. Purcell, who trailed Griffin by 100 votes on the first count, eventually lost out as both McGinley and Griffin picked up significant transfers from Laura Canning (FF) and Leo Armstrong (Greens) when they were eliminated.

All parties will take something positive from the result although the Labour Party, despite winning almost 50% of the vote, will be disappointed that Colm Purcell lost out. John McGinley's performance in Maynooth where he won 45% of the vote was quite an achievement while Catherine Murphy will be pleased to have won almost 20% of the vote overall, including 27% of the vote in Leixlip, against stiff opposition. Fianna Fail's Paul Kelly in topping the poll and winning 31% of the vote in Leixlip has set down a marker for the next General Election but Maynooth student Laura Canning has expressed disappointment at her 354 votes. Senan Griffin had to battle very hard to hold on to his seat and did well to push up the Fine Gael vote to over 15%, a higher figure than in the last local elections when Bernard Durkan was a candidate. Leo Armstrong (Greens) surprised many by winning over 550 votes and did particularly well in Leixlip.

Sadly only 35% of the electorate in Maynooth bothered to vote. Political scandals at the national level have certainly damaged the public's perception of politics and this may partly explain the low turnout. Many have expressed the view that Friday is perhaps the most inconvenient day in the week on which to hold an election. Polling on Sunday, as in much of Europe, must surely be introduced in the future. Finally, we wish our newly elected councillors well over the next five years and look forward to them delivering on their election promises!



Cllr. John McGinley



Cllr. Senan Griffin

Special Features in this issue: Joseph in the Parish Hall, Boys School Summer Fair, NO to Kilcock Incinerator, Maynooth Community Games Results, Arts in Maynooth

Community Council Notes

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

As there was no Community Council Meeting this month the notes will be brief. I fear that Paul Croghan has left me a hard job to follow on.

Incinerator Update

It is noted that Kildare County Council have put off making a decision for a month.

Elections

It is noted that Mr. John McGinley and Mr. Senan Griffin, two Community Councillors have been re-elected to Kildare County Council. Congratulations and success to both.

Festival

The Maynooth Festival will take place from the 21st to the 25th of July. There is a full programme to be found in the Newsletter. The Festival will run for one week this year. There will be something for everyone, so come out and enjoy the Festival and make it the success it should be.

Summer Project

The Summer Project will take place from the 12th of July to the 23rd of July. The Project will run for two weeks, with many fun activities. Enrolment will take place in the I.C.A. Hall on Tuesday, 6th of July from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. A programme of events will be found in the Newsletter.

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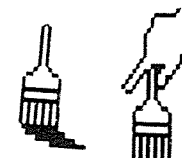
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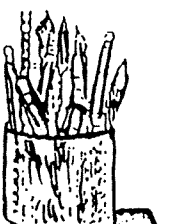


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MAYNOOTH FOROIGE YOUTH CLUB

Just to let everyone know that the Maynooth Foróige Youth Club/Sorny Navel is still going strong. We were able to attend a Foroige day out in Kildare during April and we went Hill Walking last month also. All the members would like to thank everyone who donated money to us at our Carol Singing at Christmas. We are also grateful to our leaders who did bag packing at Christmas. If there is anyone who wants to join or to donate money please call the club secretary Paul Broughan Jn. **Phone: 6285536**

Pauline Cushen
PRO.

GYMNASTICS

Gymnastics Medals at County Finals for Maynooth

Three Gymnasts from Leonards School of Gymnastics in Maynooth were honoured with medals in the recent County finals held in Athy. In the boys under 8 section young Ciarán Kearney took the Silver Medal while Shane Hawthorne took the Bronze. Both these gymnasts are members of Leonards School of Gymnastics (L.S.G.) for only a year and showed great potential for future competitions. It was their first County finals and they did themselves proud to take second and third out of the twenty gymnasts in that section. The winner of that section, Anthony Davidson, is also a member of L.S.G. in Newbridge and trained with Ciarán and Shane prior to the competition.

In the girls under 16 Emma Higgins, L.S.G. Maynooth, took the Bronze Medal with good performances on both the floor and vault. If you are interested in Membership of L.S.G. in Maynooth, Clane, Enfield or Newbridge you can contact Leonard on **087-2462885 / 0405-30228**

Scouts News

A lot has happened since our last notice. We went to Campcraft in Larch Hill not to win but for the practice. A lot of new scouts joined us this year, we had 5 new scouts on Campcraft. But to our surprise we came second to the joy of the kids that took part in it. So we have to go again in August to the finals of the Melvin which is held in Larchhill.

We had our sponsored walk at the end of May from Maynooth to Ferns Lough. We had a barbeque and it was enjoyed by all.

I would like to thank the businesses and people of Maynooth for their support, and the support which is promised to us in future.

Yours in Scouting
Martina Perry, Scout Leader



Longing for a Trophy



Unbelievable we came 2nd
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PITCH AND PUTT

The Kildare County Finals of the Community Games were hosted on the course on Saturday 12th June. There was an excellent turnout of over 50 players from all over the County but as in Croke Park the following day there was disappointment for the Maynooth Boy's team who failed to secure a placing in the competition. The team from Kill went on to win and will go forward to represent the County in the Leinster qualifiers and we wish them every success. There was however a more heartening result in the Girl's category with the two girls teams taking first and second place and the winning team will also progress to the Leinster qualifiers and likewise we wish them safe passage through to All-Ireland Finals in Mosney. A special mention here to Matt and Liz Callaghan who work hard behind the scenes each year to ensure that Maynooth have teams involved in the Community Games Pitch and Putt.

There will be a Pitch and Putt Matchplay Competition running during Festival Week. It will be open to all players regardless of age, gender or ability. Details will be posted in the Clubhouse during July.

Finally Trevor Cassidy's long-standing course record of 46 has been bettered in the recent weeks by Tom McCormack from Prosperous who scored a 44. Trevor's record has been in place since 1995 which is a record in its own right.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Registration day is on Tuesday, 6th July in the ICA Hall from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. All children must be seven years of age or older. The project itself starts on 12th July and finishes on 23rd July. It takes place for two weeks this year.

We would like to thank the Parents' Association in the Boys School for their kind donation from the proceeds of the School Fair. It was much appreciated.

See you all on the 6th of July.

**Claire O'Rourke,
Secretary.**



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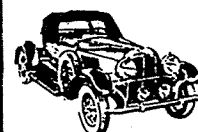
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Maynooth Community Games

Maynooth Community Games has come to an end at Local Level. All in all it was not a bad year, with children taking part in Swimming, Art, Modelling, Athletics, Pitch-Putt, Gymnastics, Hard-Court Tennis, Badminton and Basketball. With Maynooth having to form two areas this year it was very difficult to set teams out. I wish all the children all the best at County, Leinster Level.

Marie Gleeson

Here are the results at Local & County Level

Athletics (West)

Girls U/8 60m

1 Aishling Wall 2 Siobhán Kelly 3 Caoimhe Brennan

Girls U/10 100m

1 Aishling Farrell 2 Elaine Houlihan 3 Claire McNamara

Girls U/12 100m

1 Cianna Ennis 2 Niamh Molloy 3 Katie O'Neill

Girls U/14 100m

1 Múire Ennis 2 Emily Lyons

Girls U/16 100m

1 Awut Ní Mhurchú

Girls U/8 80m

1 Aishling Wall 2 Caoimhe Brennan 3 Siobhán Kelly

Girls U/10 200m

1 Elaine Hulihan 2 Sarah O'Neill 3 Claire McNamara

Girls U/12 600m

1 Cianna Ennis 2 Niamh Molloy 3 Arek Ní Mhurchú

Girls U/14 Shot Putt

1 E. Lyons 2 Múire Ennis

Girls U/16 100m

A. Ní Mhurchú

Girls U/17 Javelin

Awut Ní Mhurchú

Girls U/13 Walk

1 Cianna Ennis 2 Emily Lyons 3 Laura Daly

Girls U/16 1,500m

1 Awut Ní Mhurchú 2 Aileen Devaney

Girls U/14 Long Puck

Múire Ennis

Girls U/17 Javelin

Awut Ní Mhurchú

Boys U/8 80m

1 William Olson 2 Adam Talbot

Boys U/8 60m

1 William Olson 2 Adam Talbot

Boys U/10 100m

1 William Reynolds 2 Henry Olson 3 John Daly

Boys U/12 100m

1 Edward Power 2 Brian Bean

Boys U/12 600m

1 Edward Power 2 Joseph O'Riordan 3 Brendan Cawley

Boys U/14 100m

1 Mark Cummins 2 Sean McNamara 3 Brian Cooney

Boys U/12 Long Puck

1 Brendan Cawley 2 Brian Bean

Boys U/14 800m

1 Sean McNamara 2 Mark Cummins 3 Mark Cooney

Boys U/12 Long Puck

1 Brendan Cawley 2 Brian Bean 3 David Fagan

Girls U/8 60m East

1 Jennifer Moore 2 Sara Carolan

Girls U/8 80m

1 Jennifer Moore 2 Sara Carolan

Girls U/10 100m

1 Eimer Flynn 2 Ailbhe Flynn 3 Niamh Mc Auliffe

Girls U/10 200m

1 Eimer Flynn 2 Ailbhe Flynn 3 Niamh Mc Auliffe

Girls U/12 100m

1 Elaine Mc Auliffe 2 Deirdre Mulcahy 3 Michelle Roche

Girls U/14 100m

Orla Bambrick

Girls U/12 600m

Elaine Mc Auliffe

Girls U/16 100m

Aileen Devaney

Girls U/14 100m

Orla Bambrick

Girls U/14 Long Puck

Paula Curran

Girls U/14 Shot Putt

Orla Bambrick

Girls U/17 Javelin

Aileen Devaney

Girls U/13 Walk

1 Orla Bambrick 2 Elaine Mc Auliffe 3 Deirdre Mulcahy

Boys U/8 60m East

1 Shane Hawthorne 2 John Comerford 3 Owen Cullinane

Boys U/8 80m

1 John Comerford 2 Shane Hawthorne 3 Stephen Roche

Boys U/10 200m

1 Eoin Curran 2 Gavin Doyle 3 Justin Cullinane

Boys U/10 100m

1 Owen Curran 2 Gavin Doyle 3 Justin Cullinane

Boys U/12 600m

1 Mark Ford 2 Ross Cullinane

Boys U/14 800m

1 Kevin Comerford 2 Declan Bambrick

Boys U/16 1,500

Connor Devaney

Boys U/14 100m

1 Kevin Comerford 2 Declan Brambrick

Boys U/12 100m

1 Mark Ford 2 Mikey Gillick 3 Ross Cullinane

Boys U/16 100m

Connor Devaney

Boys U/14 Shot Putt

Kevin Comerford

Boys U/16 Shot Putt

Connor Devaney

Boys U/12 Long Puck

1 Mickey Gillick 2 Terence Fitzgerald 3 Patrick Comerford

Tiny Tots Girls 3/4 Years

1 Shana Murray 2 Sarah Greally 3 Ciara Brennan

Girls 5/6 Years

Emer Wall

Boys 3/4 Years

1 Neil Flynn 2 David Kelly 3 Shane Roche

Boys 5/6 Years

1 Owen Cullinane 2 Diarmaid O'Murchú 3 Adam Talbot

Fathers Race

1 Matt Callaghan 2 Michael Gleeson

Pitch and Putt Results

Girls U/16 East

Gone forward to Leinster

Aileen Devaney, Elizabeth Broderick, Gráinne O'Rourke, Suzanne Doyle, Emma Higgins

Girls U/16 West

Awut Ní Mhurchú, Elaine Mc Marane, Andréé Heslin, Aishling Bean

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Community Games (Cont.)

These are the teams that took part in Pitch & Putt at Local & County level with the girls **U/16 East** going forward to Leinster **Well Done Girls**

Boys U/16 West

1st Brian Bean, David Fagan, Paul Clerkin, Sean McNamara, David Baxter

Boys U/16

2nd Mark Cooney, Mark Cummins, Stephen Conneely, Conor Bean

Boys U/16 East

1st Shane Quinn, David Comerford, Alex Wall, Fintan Daly, Paul Farrelly

Boys U/16

2nd Michael Quinn, Brian Downey, Stephen Burnell, Cian Byrne, Stephen Cassells

East

3rd Stephen Curran, Brian Cosgrave, Ross Cullinane, Shane Kelleher, Stephen Broderick

Gymnastics Results

These children took part in Gymnastics at County Level. Some taking Silver & Bronze places. **Well done all.**

Girls U/8 Maynooth West

Ruth Burns, Ali Rogers

Boys U/8 West

Darragh Fitzgerald, Ciarian Kearney, David O' Callaghan

Boys U/8 East

Shane Hawthorne, Denis Ryan, David Burgess

2nd Place Ruth Burns, 2nd Place Ciarian Kearney

Girls U/10 West

Alida O' Connor, Claire McNamara, Elaine Houlihan

Boys U/10 West

Jacob Cartwright

Girls U/10 East Eviean Flynn, Michelle Coyle

Girls U/12 West

Katie Burns, Alicia Cartwright, Grace Fox, Elaine Pollard

Girls U/12 East

Elaine Mc Auliffe Girls U/14 West Emily Lyons

Boys U/14 West Sean Mc Namara

Girls U/14 East Amy O' Connor Girls U/16 East Emma Higgins

3rd Place Emma Higgins

Congratulations to Aileen Devaney who won a Silver Medal in the County Swimming Finals held in Newbridge

Mary Cahill

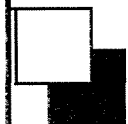
Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee

As our club is now closed for the Summer break, there is very little to report. So just a reminder of coming events. Our annual outing takes place as you know, this Saturday, July 3rd. The three "pick up" points are Greenfield Shopping Centre, Old Greenfield and the Dublin Road near Leinster Park, at 1.30pm.

Our contribution to the Community Festival will take place in Caulfields at 9pm on July 22nd. Kevin and myself will provide the entertainment with special guests Noel and Sandra Brady. This is an open night and all are welcome. Transport as usual for our Senior Citizens. Tea and sandwiches will be provided by our own committee members for those with a different kind of thirst. This is usually a good night with all ages catered for.

Our holidays in Kerdiffstown will take place from August 15th - 21st. We will be in touch with those who are going before then meanwhile enjoy the Summer. Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Michael Fox, Aileen Brady, Jimmy Mee and Henry Gee. May they rest in peace.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

Guild Meeting was held on June 3rd. Rosemary Hanley presided and extended the sympathy of the Guild to Molly Carney on the death of her grandson.

Competitions

Rosemary congratulated Margaret Houlihan on reaching the National Final of "Mc Vitie's bake a biscuit" and presented her with her Certificate. The Gresham Hotel was the venue.

Betty Moore completed her "Weigh in" for slimmer of the year and Betty Farrell was the Lucky Lady.

On the spot Guild Competition

1st Teresa Brennan, 2nd Betty Farrell, 3rd Mairead Scanlon and Anna Dolan. Our next event is Table Quiz in Kill on June 16th.

A.O.B.

Guild decided to send a protest to Kildare Co. Council at the idea of basing an incinerator in Kilcock. A letter was received from Concern acknowledging receipt of £100 donation for Kosovo. Betty Farrell's Coffee morning for Alzheimers fund netted £256.

Mary O'Gorman gave an excellent demonstration of Tea Bag folding and card making.

Raffle winners

1st Rosemary Hanley, 2nd Teresa Brennan, 3rd Teresa Mooney. Meeting concluded with Rosemary wishing everyone a great summer.

We recommence Guild Meetings on Sept. 2nd. We would welcome anybody who might like to drop in to our meetings, or our Craft nights every Monday at 8p.m. Our crafts are various and numerous, Cross Stitch, Crochet, Ribbon Embroidery, Trapunta, Soft toys, Mount Mellick Embroidery, Tapestry, to name a few. Or maybe your interest lies with drama: we attend plays and musicals during the year.

Badminton is held in Parish Hall Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30a.m. Players and Beginners are very welcome, we recommence on 7th Sept. Maybe you might have some new ideas to share with us, think about it over the Summer, need any information ring Rosemary at 6286334.

Sympathy - We would also like to extend our sympathy to the Gee family on the death of Henry Gee and to Betty Farrell on the death of her brother-in-law.

See you all on Sept 2nd.

MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

The A.G.M. of the Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club held on Monday 14th June 1999 in the Arts block of N.U.I. Maynooth. A large crowd of people attended to see the existing executive committee members step aside in favour of younger and fresher blood to take their place in the smooth event-full running of this vibrant six year old youth club.

The new executive members of the Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club are as follows:

Chair Person	Lila Flynn
Vice Chair Person	James Mac Mahon
Secretary	Cairen Delahan
Ass Secretary	Mary Mangan
Treasure	Alison Thornton
Ass. Treasurer	Pat Forrall
P.R.O	Michael Madden
Ass. P.R.O	Ursula Walsh

The above group are looking forward with great enthusiasm to bring the Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club into the next century.

The first event since the A.G.M will be a **disco on the 26th of June in the North Kildare Club**, admission by membership **ID only**, dancing will be from 9.00 to 1.00.

The No Name Club caters for the youth of the area between the ages of 14 to 18.

We the Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club would like to thank the N.U.I Maynooth, North Kildare Club and all our sponsors and friends who supported us in all our past events.

We would also like to wish everyone who is doing exams the best of luck.

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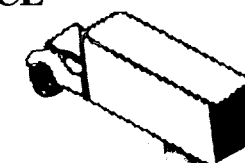
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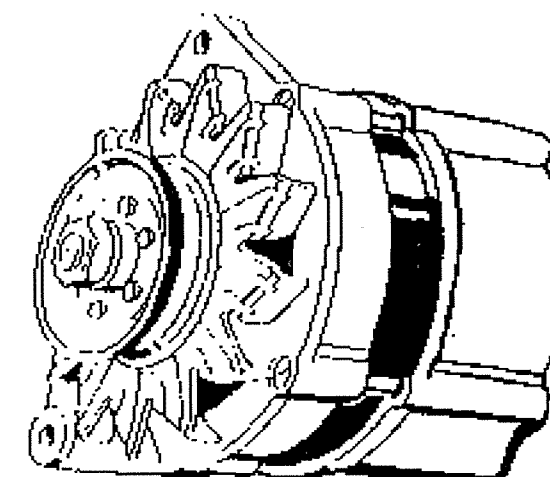
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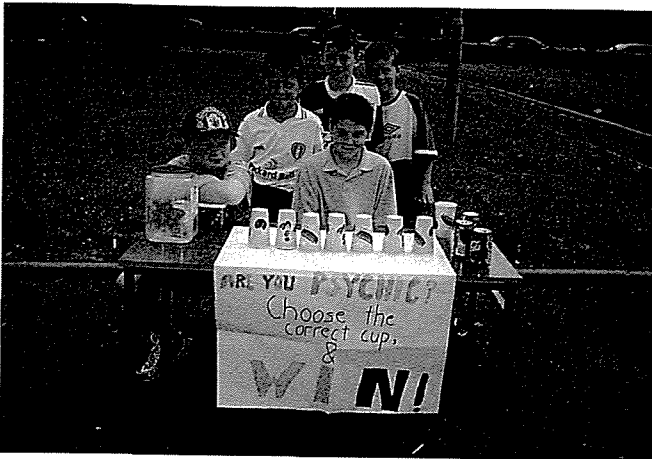
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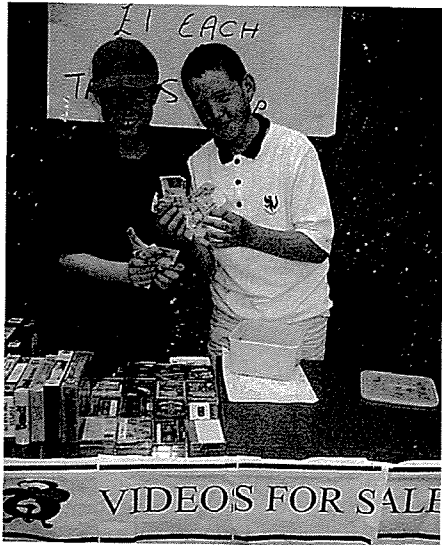
We would like to thank all who supported our recent School Fair, to the boys for running their stalls, to all who brought us in books, cakes, bottles, bric-a-brack etc. To parents and friends who helped on the stalls. Finally to all the local businesses and organisations whom I will mention in the next issue.

We would like to wish good luck to all the sixth class boys who are leaving the school. They had a very enjoyable night at their graduation, where they had a parent and child quiz. Tea and refreshments were provided for parents and goodies for the boys.

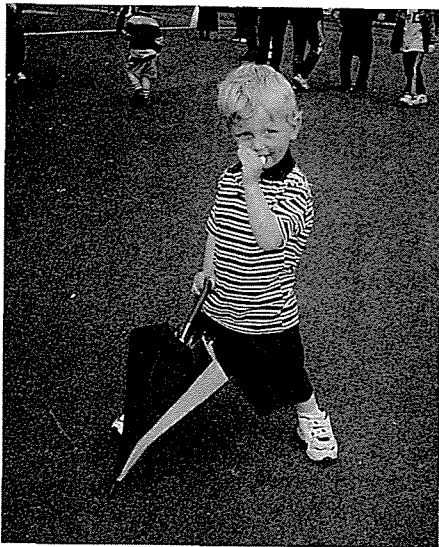
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GUINNESS JAZZ BAND: 10.00

Bar Extension

Thu. July 22

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Fri. July 23

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10.00p.m. Adult Disco
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Bar Extension

Features

PROTECTION FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

What is Domestic Violence?

Domestic violence is any form of physical, sexual or psychological violence which puts the safety or welfare of a family member at risk.

What Protection is available?

Physical or sexual violence against a family member is a crime. The Gardaí have the power to arrest and prosecute a violent family member. Garda powers of arrest have been strengthened in the new law.

Under the new law, there are two main kinds of protection available:

•**A safety order.** This is an order of the court which prohibits the violent person from further violence or threats of violence. It does not oblige that person to leave the family home. If that person lives apart from you, the order prohibits them from watching or being in the vicinity of your home.

•**A barring order.** This is an order which requires the violent person to leave the family home.

While you are waiting for the court to decide on your application, the court can give you an immediate order called a protection order. This has the same effect as a safety order. It is intended to last until the court decides on your case. In exceptional circumstances the court can grant an interim barring order which is an immediate order requiring the violent person to leave the family home.

•Who is Protected?

You can apply for protection under the new law if you come within one of these categories.

•**Married couples:** a married person can apply for protection against violence by their spouse.

•**Co-habiting couples:** where a couple are not married to each other but are living together, one partner can apply for protection against violence by the other partner. The protection available depends on how long they have been living together and on who owns the family home. If you have been living with your partner for 6 months during the past year, you can apply for a safety order. If you have been living together for 6 months during the past 9 months you can get a barring order, unless the violent partner owns the family home in full, or has greater ownership rights than you do.

•**Parents:** a parent can apply for protection against domestic violence by their own child if the child is over 18. You can get a barring order, unless the adult child owns the home in full, or has greater ownership rights than you do. You can also get a safety order even if a barring order is not available.

•**Others living together:** you can apply for protection against violence by someone over 18 who you are living with if the court decides that your relationship is not primarily based on a contract. For example, two relatives living together could be covered. If you come within this heading, the courts will be able to give you a safety order. You will not qualify for a barring order.

•**Children:** you can apply either because of violence towards you, towards your child, or towards a child who you are looking after.

A Health Board may, in special circumstances, seek protection on your behalf (effective from 1st January '97).

How long will the court order last?

In the District Court, a safety order can last up to 5 years and a barring order up to 3 years. These orders can be renewed.

What happens if the order is broken ?

If you get a court order, and the violent person breaks it, that is a crime. The Gardaí can arrest and charge that person.

Where do I get further help?

•Contact your local Garda Station.

•Women's Aid is a voluntary organisation to assist victims of domestic violence. They have a national freephone helpline which you can call at **1800-341900**

•For legal assistance you can contact the Legal Aid Board. There is a legal aid centre in every county in Ireland. The Board will be able to advise you on whether you qualify for legal aid or advice. The head office can be contacted at: **(01) 661-5811**

•The District Court Office in your area will also be able to help you in relation to your application.

This is not an interpretation of the law. For legal advice you should contact a private solicitor or the Legal Aid Board.

Protection from Domestic Violence

Domestic violence is a serious matter. Every year, thousands of cases involving violence in the home come before the courts. Violence in the family home is a crime. The victims of violence need protection.

A new law has been brought in by the Minister for Equality and Law Reform, Mr. Mervyn Taylor, T.D. to improve protection for the victims of domestic violence. That new law is the Domestic Violence Act, 1996, effective from 27th March

PRESS RELEASE

WORLD BOOK DAY KOSOVO READATHON

Our Readathon raised **£418.17** for the Kosovo Refugee Fund. This money has been forwarded to the **Irish Red Cross Society**, and will be used to buy food, clothing and to send money and volunteers to the aid of the Refugee Crisis in the Balkans.

A special mention to the pupils of **Confey College, Leixlip**, for their very generous donation of **£393.62**. Congratulations and well done!

The staff at Maynooth Library would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who took part, for their time and hard work, and for making this Readathon a success.

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Fire Safety (E.D.I.T.H.) Evacuation Drill in the Home

There are few things more frightening than being trapped in a burning building. How you and your family cope however will decide whether or not you will survive the ordeal. At work there is a legal obligation to carry out evacuation drills so that should a fire break out, everyone knows where to go and what to do. In the home however, no such legislation exists. Nevertheless it is still vitally important to be aware of the action to be taken if a fire occurs. E.D.I.T.H. is designed to assist you evacuate a burning house in safety. Reading this article *now* and regularly practicing evacuation drills in your home will increase your chances of survival.

An Evacuation Drill

At regular unannounced intervals, raise an alarm using for example a bell or whistle. Everyone then proceeds to carry out pre-assigned tasks which may be either to:-

1. Look after children or the elderly and get them out safely.
2. Close doors after you to minimise damage.
3. Take a "roll-call" at your pre-arranged meeting point outside.
4. Phone for the Fire Brigade.

Clearly not all these tasks can be done by one person. Sit down with your family *today* and make step-by-step plans, and delegate specific tasks for emergency escape from fire.

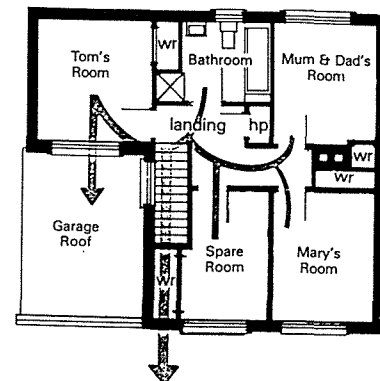
Knowing what to do

Everyone should know at least two possible ways out of the house from all rooms, especially the bedrooms. The stairs are your primary escape route and must not be blocked by heaters, laundry baskets or chairs/prams etc. Once downstairs, exit via the front or back door and everyone *meet at one preplanned point outside*. Many people have died returning to a burning building thinking there was someone still inside when in fact they were out but in a different location.

When your are out - stay out!

Only as a last resort should upstairs windows, your secondary escape route, be used and if so, one over a garage or shed is preferable. Ensure that at least one window upstairs is capable of being opened horizontally especially if you have sealed single or double glazing fitted. If you suspect that the landing is alight, test the door for heat. Since heat rises, feel the door as high as you can. If it is warm, use your alternative escape route - if not, brace your shoulder against it and open it cautiously. Be ready to close it if heat and smoke rush in.

If you find yourself trapped in a room more than one storey up, don't jump! Stuff the cracks around the door with clothes etc. and signal from the window for someone to call the Fire Brigade.



An Escape Plan

It is a good idea to draw a diagram of the rooms in your house showing the various escape routes. Imagine how impressed any guests staying in your house will be at your concern for their safety!

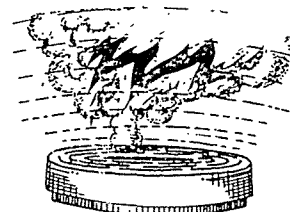
Some Sound Advice

Unless you have a very good system of fire or smoke detection, sleep with all doors closed. The doors hold back smoke and flames giving you a better chance of summoning help from a window or escaping onto a garage roof etc.

If caught in a room filled with smoke, get down on your hands and knees and *crawl*. There is a layer of clean air there for you to breathe.

INSTALL A SMOKE ALARM - IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE.

As the smoke from a fire contacts the unit, a clear high pitched sound is emitted alerting everybody to get out quickly. Two smoke alarms properly located would suit the average home but one may suffice in certain situations.



- * Only smoke alarms manufactured to recognised standards should be installed.
- * Fit only recommended batteries and test for correct working
- * Ensure the alarm incorporates a warning tone when batteries are running low.
- * Make sure used batteries are promptly replaced.
- * Smoke alarms should be purchased only from reputable outlets.
- * Follow manufacturer's instructions re. siting, fitting and testing of smoke alarms.

Phoning the Fire Brigade

Whoever has been given the responsibility for calling the fire brigade should know
 (a) The location of the nearest phone (i.e. neighbour's house).
 (b) The precise address of the house on fire and any directions necessary (landmarks etc. particularly if outside the urban area).
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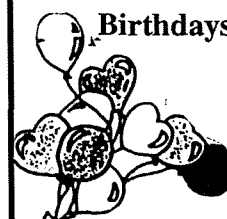
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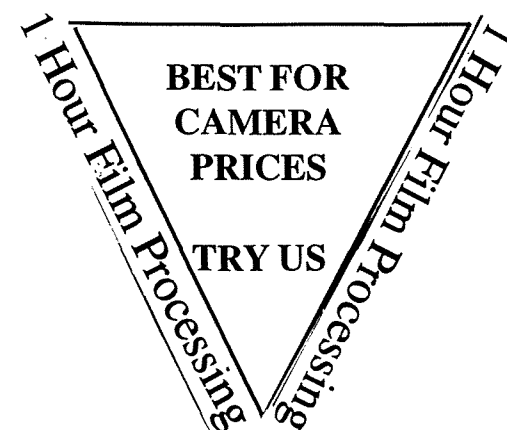


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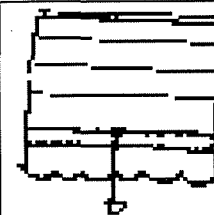
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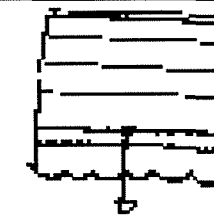
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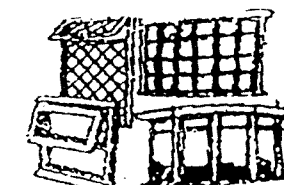
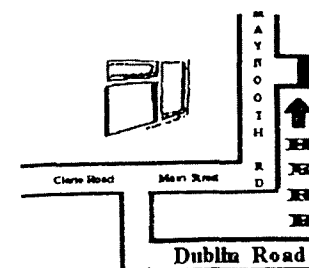
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Features

BODYWHYS

Help, Support and Understanding for Anorexia and Bulimia Nervosa

BODYWHYS is a national charity which offers help, support, understanding and information to people with anorexia or bulimia nervosa, their families and friends, and to professionals involved in the treatment of eating disorders.

ANOREXIA NERVOSA

People with anorexia nervosa diet continually and starve themselves. They are usually extremely thin. Symptoms may include severe weight loss, periods stopping, insomnia, dizziness, feeling cold, feeling fat, being irritable, setting high standards, isolation, excessive exercising, losing friends, secretive behaviour.

BULIMIA NERVOSA

People with bulimia nervosa binge eat and get rid of the food immediately either by vomiting or taking laxatives and/or diuretics. They are usually of normal or slightly above normal body weight.

Symptoms include sore throat and mouth infections, dental problems, irregular periods, poor skin condition, depression, mood swings, obsession with dieting and weight, secretive behaviour.

BINGE EATING DISORDER

People who binge eat usually consume large amounts of food over a set period of time, often in response to stress, but do not get rid of the food.

WHAT ARE THE CAUSES OF EATING DISORDERS?

There are many reasons why people develop eating disorders. Often there is no single cause but a whole series of events which makes the person feel unable to cope with his or her life. These could include family or school-related problems, perfectionist values, lack of close friends, sexual or emotional abuse, a belief that to be successful you must be thin, a need to please others and fears about growing up.

Research has shown that some people can inherit a tendency to develop an eating disorder. The eating disorder is triggered by factors such as life events and personal or family situations.

THE DANGERS OF EATING DISORDERS

Eating disorders can be very serious and in some cases may result in death. Very low weight or bingeing and vomiting may endanger health. There may be effects on the ovaries, the stomach and gut, the heart, kidneys, teeth and salivary glands, hormones and there may be changes in blood pressure. **Most of the changes and risks of eating disorders can be reversed by effective treatment.**

GETTING HELP

It is very difficult for people with eating disorders to get better on their own. Recovery is easier if they have professional help and support from those who care for them. Will power on its own may not be enough.

People with eating disorders often want to get help but are afraid of how those around them will react. They are afraid that others will become angry with them and that they will lose the control they feel they have over their lives. They need to find someone they can trust and talk openly to about their feelings and difficulties.

TREATMENT

The type of treatment available varies around the country but should include talking about the emotional difficulties that have led to the eating disorder as well as exploring the physical problems, general health matters and eating patterns.

It is important to have a medical assessment.

The doctor may:

- check out any medical condition and offer a firm diagnosis
- assess what kind of treatment is most appropriate
- refer the person on to specialist services i.e. psychiatrist, hospital, psychologist, counsellor, dietician etc.

Most people with eating disorders can be seen as out patients but in severe cases, hospital treatment may be necessary.

BODYWHY has a self-help/support group around the country. These are specially run for people with eating disorders and their families. They provide a place to share feelings with others who have had similar experiences. Eating disorders are very widespread. Studies have shown that anorexia nervosa affect 1%-2% of adolescent girls and young women while bulimia nervosa 1%-5%. More women have eating disorders than men the ratio being approximately 10:1.

No research has been done in Ireland to find out how many people have eating disorders and specialised treatment and services can be difficult to find.

Eating disorders have a high mortality rate and one in ten people will die.

Seek help quickly

Recovery is possible, and early treatment is associated with a better outcome. The longer the problem is left, the longer feelings of isolation, depression and being trapped will remain. It is also important to remember that recovery takes time and that relapses can occur.

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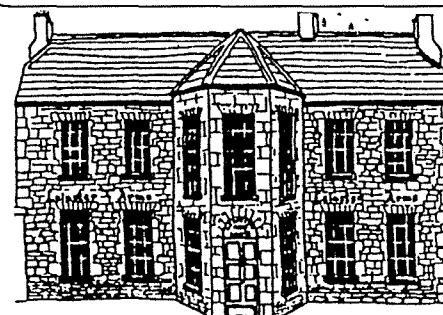
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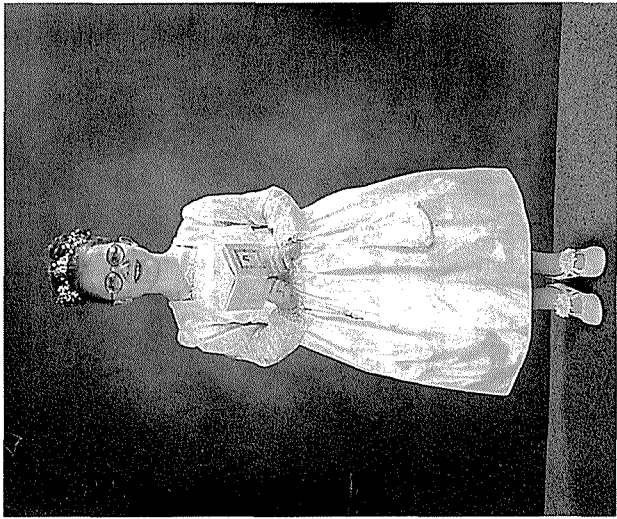


Triona being presented with her award from Mr. Micheál Martin T.D.

KOSOVO

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The coal is burning bright
The storm it howls around out side
You've not a care insight
The baby's fed he's gone to bed
The video's in play
Your favourite film about to roll
To top a brilliant day
But wait what's that, a news flash
Just come upon your screen
It shows a million Albanians
But what does it all mean
On bare feet they walk, with child aloft
They tread a lonely path
And all they have in all the World
Is laden on their back
Their kin have gone, their brother's dead
Their homes they lie in ruins
Tears in their eyes too weak to cry
Their Armageddon looms
Can we even know or begin to feel
The pain that's in their hearts
Their children starved of food and love
Their family's torn apart
They ask the help off their fellow man
Their pride has long long died
Stripped so bare by hate and war
They have no place to hide
So as you sit without a care
Give the Lord a call I'm sure he's there
Say a prayer to him don't be afraid
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WEDNESDAY 21 JULY

Guinness 7-a-Side Soccer	-	Harbour Field	6.45 pm
7 Aside Hurling & Football	-	GAA	7.00 pm
Maher School of Irish Dancing	-	The Square	7.30 pm
Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum/Cathartha agus Staire Ait�la Mhaigh Nua			
Poetry Reading	-	The Library	7.30 pm
Guinness Table Quiz	-	Caulfields	9.00 pm
Pitch & Putt	-	Dunboyne Road	Ongoing
Music - Sing- a-Long	-	Roost	9.30 pm
Guinness Jazz Band	-	GAA	11.00pm - 1pm

THURSDAY 22 JULY

Guinness 7-a-Side Soccer	-	Harbour Field	6.45 pm
Maynooth Brass & Reed Band	-	The Square	7.30 pm
7 Aside Hurling & Football	-	GAA	8.00 pm
Teenage Disco	-	GAA Moyglare Rd	8.30 -12.00 pm
Maynooth Senior Citizens Cabaret	-	Caulfields	9.00 pm
Karaoke	-	Leinster Arms	9.30 pm
Pitch & Putt	-	Dunboyne Road	Ongoing
Sing Along	-	Roost	9.30 pm

If raining events for the square will take place in the G.A.A. Centre

Festival Programme Continued

FRIDAY 23 JULY

Guinness 7-a-Side Soccer	-	Harbour Field	6.45 pm
Traditional Music	-	The Square	7.30 pm
Guinness Swing-Along	-	Caulfields Outdoor	9.30 pm
Sing-a-Long	-	Brady's	9.30 pm
Pitch & Putt	-	Dunboyne Road	Ongoing
Danny McCarthy	-	GAA Moyglare Rd	10.00 pm
Maynooth , Kilcock Lions Club Adult Disco			
		GAA Moyglare Rd	11 - 2 a.m.
Traditonal Irish Music	-	Dowdstown Hotel	9.00 pm

SATURDAY 24 JULY

Fire Brigade Display	-	Harbour	6.30 pm
Car Treasure Hunt	-	The Mall	4.00 pm
Pitch & Putt	-	Dunboyne Road	Final
Blue Heaven Singers	-	The Square	7.30pm
7 Aside Hurling & Football - Semi Final	-	GAA	8.00 pm
Barbeque and Country Music	-	GAA Moyglare Rd	8.30 pm
Sing-a-Long	-	Brady's	9.30 pm
Sing - a Long	-	Roost	9.30 pm
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SUNDAY 25 JULY

Sensing History - braving change. Guided Tour by Mary Cullen - a longer
walk via Carton Ave to Grangewilliam Cemetary and banks of the Royal
Canal

Guided Historical Walk	-	College	3.00 pm
Maynooth College Visitors Centre	-	College	2.00pm - 6.00pm
Mens Guinness Soccer Finals	-	Harbour Field	3.00 pm
Mens Guinness Soccer Presentations	-	Roost	6.00 pm
Presentation Pitch & Putt Trophies	-	Roost	6.30 pm
Presentation Guinness Barperson	-	Roost	6.30 pm
7 Aside Hurling & Football - Final	-	GAA	7.00 pm
Doyle's School of Dancing	-	The Square	7.30 pm
Guinness Talent Competition	-	Leinster Arms	9.30 pm
Music - Sing-a-Long	-	Roost	9.30 pm
Open Air Concert-Ritchie Kavanagh	-	GAA	2 - 6 pm
Festival Adult Disco - late licence	-	GAA	11 - 2am

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PRESS RELEASE - MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

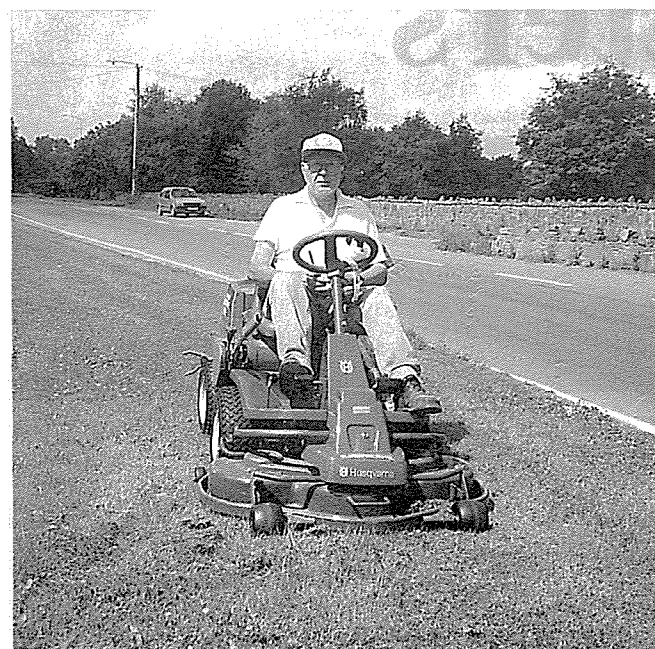
Glenroyal Hotel sponsor the purchase of ride-on lawnmower for Maynooth Tidy Towns

At the 1998 prize giving meeting, last October, the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee Secretary, Paul Croghan put forward the groups plans for 1999. Included in the plans was a wish to purchase a ride-on lawnmower to make more effective use of the time spent by the group cutting grass around the town. Ray Grehan, Managing Director of the Glenroyal Hotel, who was at the meeting to receive a prize, made a mental note of the appeal and one week later, he contacted Paul Croghan and offered to sponsor the purchase of the equipment.

Speaking at the formal presentation of the lawnmower this week, Paul Croghan expressed his delight with getting the call. As a small voluntary group we always need help to cope with the amount of work that needs to be done in the town.



Maynooth Tidy Towns Ray Grehan, Paul Croghan, Mattie Callaghan and Bob Reilly.



Robert Reilly tries out the new lawnmower

Ray Grehan has assisted me on a number of occasions and it is a regular joke between us, that I am involved with many community groups who are always in need of help he said.

Presenting the ride-on lawnmower to Maynooth Tidy Towns, Ray Grehan said that it was just chance that he had not left the meeting before the appeal for a sponsor was made. The Glenroyal Hotel is now an established part of the town and we got involved in this project to give back something, for all the support we have received from the people of Maynooth.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Chairman, Robert O'Reilly in thanking the Glenroyal Hotel said that in his twenty years in the Tidy Towns Committee, he has seen both good and bad times for the group. In recent years the lows included the loss of our Community Employment workers, but one of the biggest boosts must be the receiving of this lawnmower which is valued at £3,500.

The ride-on lawnmower will assist us in maintaining the many green areas in the town, commented Tidy Towns P.R.O. Richard Farrell and in order for us to get the most effective use of the new lawnmower we intend to recruit a part-time worker for the Summer period. We will continue to work on a voluntary basis to complete much of the work that will help us to do well in the "National Tidy Towns Competition" and we welcome further support from anybody no matter how little, so that we can all make Maynooth a place we are all proud to call our home.

Contacts: Paul Croghan
Telephone 6091082 (w) 6286709 (h)
or Richard Farrell
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THE LATEST THREAT TO MAYNOOTH -- NATIONAL TOXIC WASTE INCINERATOR

The residents of Maynooth still await the decision of An Bord Pleanála which will decide whether Maynooth and the surrounding area are to be polluted as a consequence of having a super dump in their environment. A decision on this will not be available until mid-July and may even go to a public hearing yet. What can be their reaction to the latest threat - the possibility of a national toxic waste incinerator on their doorstep? Anger, fear and frustration are the only adequate words to describe how people feel about it. The danger a toxic waste incinerator poses to the population is known to most.

Far, far more dangerous than a waste disposal landfill site, a toxic waste incinerator is a silent lethal destroyer. Its emissions will poison the air we breathe and because of the height of this structure it will be capable of polluting a wide area. Kilcock, the planned site is only five minutes from Maynooth and both Maynooth and Celbridge are just downwind and sure to be affected. It is difficult to understand how planners would even consider a venture such as this on the edge of a large city and a densely populated area.

WHAT THE KILCOCK INCINERATOR WILL ADD TO OUR AIR

Dioxins are the most toxic chemicals ever known. They are highly toxic at extremely low doses. They are a potent cancer-causing agent, but its effects on the immune system and the central nervous system, as well as on sexual development actually pose the greater threat. Dioxins and furans accumulate in the food chain. They are absorbed into the soil and farmers in the area could find it increasingly difficult to sell their crops and livestock. 90% of dioxin exposure is through meat and dairy products. Infants are at a higher risk because of their ingestion of mother's breast milk. Emissions from the smoke stack include a cocktail of toxic chemicals - Sulphur Dioxide, Nitrogen Dioxide, Hydrogen Chloride, Mercury, Cadmium and Thallium, Arsenic, Chromium and other heavy metals. Just one of the emissions - lead, has the following effect. It causes brain damage, particularly in children and the elderly. For those who may consider a job at the incinerator there are further health effects. Studies of toxic incinerator workers in the US show that they suffer from memory loss, severe depression, heart palpitations, tremors and sleep disorders.

The applicants, Thermal Waste Management (TWM) are an American company and are interested in this project as an investment with little or no concern for the people of the area or the environment.

Kilcock people have not been idle since this obscene plan became known to them. Over the past weeks, Kilcock Traders, Community Council, residents' associations, sporting organisations and others have come together and have set up the North Kildare/South Meath Anti-Incinerator Alliance. They have linked up with groups in Maynooth, Celbridge, Leixlip, Enfield and the surrounding area to form a strong, united front to face what is without a doubt the worst threat North Kildare and South Meath have ever faced.

The Steering Committee for the Alliance is headed by P.J. Gannon, principal of Scoil Dara in Kilcock. The Alliance has also formed a limited liability company, to act as fund-holders. Fr. P.J. Byrne, P.P. (Kilcock & Newtown) is a member of its board of directors.

Working closely with the Steering Committee is the Legal and

Scientific Committee, among whose members are Fintan Hurley and specialists from the N.U.I., Maynooth. Fintan Hurley can be contacted at (01)-6287072.

The P.R. Group is already in action. They keep everyone informed - partly through Incinerator Update and contact with the media. Chris Morash: (01)-6287125 or Helene MacManus (01)-6284022 are the contacts.

The Action Committee raises funds, organises protests, lobbies politicians and ensures that the issue gets the attention it deserves. Niall MacGearailt: (01)-6284031 is chairman.

LETTERS OF PROTEST

Hard work by the Committee contributed to the success of the letters of objection venture. The public responded enthusiastically and registered their objection to this project by sending huge numbers of letters to Kildare County Council.

RALLY OF 18TH JUNE

Kildare County Council's decision on the planning application was due to be announced on 18th June and to coincide with this a protest rally was arranged. People from Kilcock and Maynooth who could transmit their anger and anxiety into action assembled at Kildare County Council offices in Naas on Friday 18th June to register their objection. A short march through the town carrying placards and distributing leaflets was completed and the crowd assembled outside the Council offices to await the decision of the planning department. But there was to be no decision. A spokesman for the Council told the crowd that Thermal Waste Management had submitted some more information at a late stage and that the Council had not enough time to examine it. It would be some weeks before a decision would be given and the middle of July was suggested as the latest date.

Once more the people of this area must wait for a decision on their future - whether they are to have an incinerator or whether they are to have a superdump, or both. If you have not yet registered your personal objection to the incinerator there is still time. Everyone has a right to lodge an objection with Kildare County Council. Every objection counts. But do it now. Be sure to include your address, signature and the Application Number (99/618): Planning Office, Kildare County Council, St. Mary's Naas, County Kildare.

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UNSUNG MEMORIES AND HEROES

In a futile effort to have a conversation with a friend on the Main Street of our supposedly by-passed town, the traffic noise was horrific. I returned home and recalled the tranquility of our village, when the main road to the West passed along the street. In those pre World War 2 days the comparative silence, went unnoticed or was taken for granted.

Each morning the tolling of the College Bell summoned the clerics to rise, this bell tolled at various times throughout the day. Also the bell is seldom heard nowadays.

Then another distant but very audible bell at Carton House in those pre juggernaut days rang around 8.00 a.m. to summon the employees of Carton Demesne to work. This bell was followed at 8.00 a.m. by the Angelus being rung from the Parish Church, repeated at noon and 6.00 p.m.

At about 9.00 a.m. another ringing sound commenced in Leinster Street on weekdays. This was of the Farrier and Smithy's anvils, continuing at intervals throughout the day. This also served as a signal for a family of ducks to parade each morning from the Harbour. In single file up the Main Street to Carton Avenue, returning before dusk. Interspersed with these sounds, the shrill whistle and distinctive sound of the G.W.S.R. steam engines, arriving and departing at the station, from Dublin, Galway or Sligo and shunting wagons at the Cattle Pens, which are now the site of houses. These sounds brought another dimension, the aroma of steam coal smoke. Depending on wind direction, these sounds and smells were detectable as far as Moyglare Church, Ballygoran and Ladychapel.

The Manor Mill also contributed its own special sound of the Big Mill Wheel, driving many shafts and belts. The wheel now obsolete may be seen at the Grain Store on the Kilcock Road.

On school days the sound of girls and boys at play in the Convent and Pound Street contributed to the daily buzz.

Whilst on a quiet summer evening the steady dull sound of the Hydraulic Ramparts on the Royal Canal, pumping water into the tanks on the Tank House at the Railway Station could be heard.

Hay-making time brought the distinctive sound of horse drawn Sickle Mowing Machines, detectable from as far as Laragh, Moyglare, Killeaney and Windgates.

That pleasant and soothing sound was so different to the motorised lawnmowers of today.

A by-gone era of peace and tranquility to the noise and roar of Celtic Tiger Ireland. What chance for the ducks today?

Robert O'Reilly

p.s. On behalf of the Tidy Towns Committee, I wish to thank Margaret Howe and the ladies of the Flower and Garden Club, for their kind assistance in planting flowers in the beds on the Kilcock Road.

INTERNET SOLUTION

Innovate Internet Solutions is a relatively new business to Maynooth. The company specialises in Internet Solutions specifically for the business community. Their product range includes website design, hosting, virtual servers, Internet databases and applications, e-commerce solutions and network consultancy.

The company took over Unit 3, The Square in March '99 and due to the rapid growth of the business are now taking over Unit 4 also to accommodate extra technical staff. The technical team at 'Innovate' all have many years experience in major computer companies and have backgrounds in computer networking, software development, programming and engineering, to name but a few.

As the name suggests, the company is also involved in developing new and 'innovative' Internet solutions. One such Internet system is the Kildare Business Directory online which launches in County Kildare this month. All companies in County Kildare are entitled to a free listing in this directory and users can search the directory by category, keyword or town to find the information they require. An excellent product and considering it's free of charge, the price is definitely right! See Innovate's full page advert for more details on how to have your company listed on the directory.

Other major projects include an online system for a local auctioneers to provide their property information live on the web, an Internet shopping/e-commerce system and product catalogues on the internet for a variety of companies in Kildare and Dublin.

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VIDEO REVIEW

Ronin (15's)

Set in and around Paris, Ronin is a classic seventies style thriller.

Five hit-men from around the world have assembled in the French capital at the behest of a beautiful woman with an Irish accent. Their task is to locate and recover a suitcase, the contents of which is not made known to them. What we do know is that the gang - Robert De Niro, Sean Bean, Stellan Skarsgard and Jean Reno - are the best and baddest in the business.

From the opening moments of this film the audience is kept firmly on its toes and the action sequences come fast and furious. Seldom have car chases been filmed so effectively as the gang use the streets of Paris as their personal racetrack.

The director, John Frankenheimer, made his reputation with movies such as The Manchurian Candidate and The French Connection and he handles the thriller genre better than most. A first rate movie with a great cast and loads of action.

Verdict: Excellent

Blade (18's)

Blade is a new type of vampire movie. Armed with silver bullets, UV light beams and garlic harpoons, Wesley Snipes is a high-tech vampire slayer.

Snipes plays a man whose mother was bitten by a vampire while giving birth. Besides giving Blade a reason to avenge the death of his mother, he is endowed with all the strength of an immortal. Kris Kristofferson plays our hero's partner, Whistler, a gruff, cigarette smoking, whiskey swilling vampire hunter whose own family were victims of the bloodsuckers. The vampires themselves have a highly organised hierarchy.

The Elders take pride in the fact that they were born vampires and they look down on others like Deacon (Stephen Dorff) because he was merely bitten.

This is much more an action adventure than a horror movie. There's no real plot but it doesn't really matter.

The cast is excellent, the action sequences are great and the whole thing bowls along apace.

Verdict: Great fun!

My Name is Joe (18's)

This is one of those 'life as it really is' movies that may not appeal to everybody, but be that as it may it's a very worthy offering.

Joe Kavanagh is a recovering alcoholic happily making up for lost time. Energetic and enthusiastic, his new lease of life off the booze has instilled him with a passion that's contagious. He coaches a soccer team, the worst in the league, but that doesn't stop them coming back each week for more. He falls in love with a county health worker and she falls for him, but this is no fairy tale!

Well directed by Ken Loach and with a powerful screenplay by Paul Laverty, there's plenty to keep you interested - and there are some very good action sequences as well. Spot-on performances by a very able cast make this an extremely powerful and heartfelt movie.

Verdict: Very watchable

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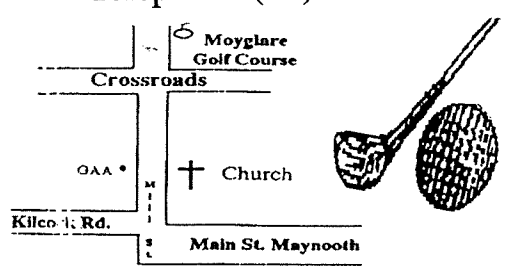
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3. Who Sang It Before?

4. Who Recorded Bring It All Back?

5. What is the name of Mel B's Solo Single out at the Moment?

6. Name Backstreet Boys Latest Album?

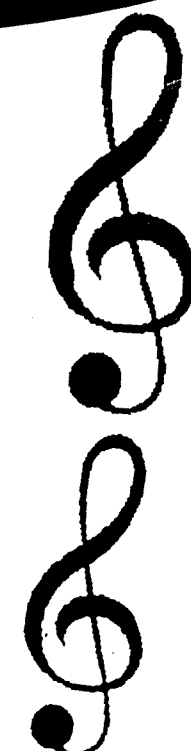
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Age 14



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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee wish to thank all who contributed to our recent gate collection on Saturday / Sunday 12th / 13th June. The sum collected amounted to £442.79. It is being put to good use. If anyone wishes to contribute to the Tidy Towns collection any donations should be left in the Community Council Office.

Our thanks to Bridie O'Brien, Sally Ann O'Brien, Mary Farrell, Mattie Callaghan, Patricia Sweeney, Bob O'Reilly, Paul Croghan, Richard Farrell and Barbara Ann McKenna for their help.

National judging takes place over the months of June and July. We hope the judges will appreciate the work of the Maynooth Flower Club who planted the beautiful array of flowers on the greens opposite the church.

We are in the process of getting the grass cut in Carton Avenue, Memorial Park and O'Neill Park.

We thank the business community for their support to date. We will come back to this topic next month.

We would ask all Residents Associations and businesses to make a special effort over the next few months.

We are always in need of help if you have an hour or two to spare - contact us at 6286044 after 6.00 p.m. or through the Community Council Office.

Finally, once again our thanks to Ray Grehan and the Glenroyal Hotel for the Ride on Mower - see full report else where in the Newsletter.



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MAYNOOTH SCHOOL OF SPEECH AND DRAMA...UPDATE.

Yes, it's that time of year again. The time when all you lucky readers find out about the latest exploits and successes of your local drama school.

The year in drama is divided into three terms, the September term, the January term and the April term. Each term has a focus and each year the teachers, Martina and Claire, try to improve and build on achievements of previous years.

The September term involves major preparation for the prestigious Guildhall School of Music and Drama exams. These exams, while expensive, are recognised worldwide as *the* exams to do in Speech and Drama. The standard is extremely high with only a handful of students achieving an honours mark. Maynooth School of Speech and Drama are proud to announce that every year at least one student manages to acquire this coveted mark (85%) plus a handful of others are always within a point or two of getting it. Nevertheless, every student that has been examined by the board has passed, most of them with merit.

The following term is one in which both the students and the teachers have a ball. March is Dun Laoghaire Feis time and this year was the best the school has enjoyed thus far. A number of students won first prize in their solo poetry speaking while others were runners up and highly commended.

Then, the most exciting part of the Feis and one which not only the students love, but the teachers too!

THE PLAYS!!

This year three plays were entered. *The Gingerbread Gal* by Claire Reilly (teacher) came first in the under nines section. The adjudicator said it was a *witty, clever play with all the children involved*. Next, another play also written by the class teacher, Martina Murphy, was performed. *All Fall Down*, chronicling the story of the Irish Famine, was acted by children, the eldest of which was only ten years old. It won first prize in the under 12's section. The adjudicator said she couldn't believe that the children who acted in it were as young as they were. Great compliments indeed. The third play, *The Last Flower* by James Thurber, (nope, he's not a teacher with the school) came second in it's section. Again the adjudicator was full of praise for it.

All in all, the Feis, running from Friday to Sunday, was a great success for everyone involved. The final term, the run up to the Summer break, is another busy one. It's when the annual concert is held and is the most nerve wracking time for the teachers. It's when parents are given an example of the children's work for the year. It shows how far they've come since the concert the previous year and indeed, Frances Fox, the adjudicator for the day, commented on how she could see a progression in the children's work from year to year. Martina Murphy said, "We love having Frances down, not only is she great with the kids, but because she's adjudicated at every one of our annual concerts, she is in a brilliant position to comment on how our work is progressing with the children." Medals were awarded to Ellen, best junior, Gemma, best senior and Fiona, most promising.

Because Martina and Claire don't believe in charging parents into shows (they've earned the right to be here by paying their children's tuition fees - Claire Reilly) a raffle for Martina Murphy's latest two books was held. The proceeds went to Concern.

All in all a great years work.

Here's to next year!!!

Enrolments for next September (5-7yrs) are now taking place.

Classes every Saturday in Parish Hall.

Contact Martina or Claire on 6286944.

They'll be delighted to talk to you!!!

THE ARTS
LOCAL ARTISTS

Local artists and members of the Castle Keep Art Group have had their work on display in the old Barry's shop unit beside the A.I.B. Bank on Main Street for the last month.

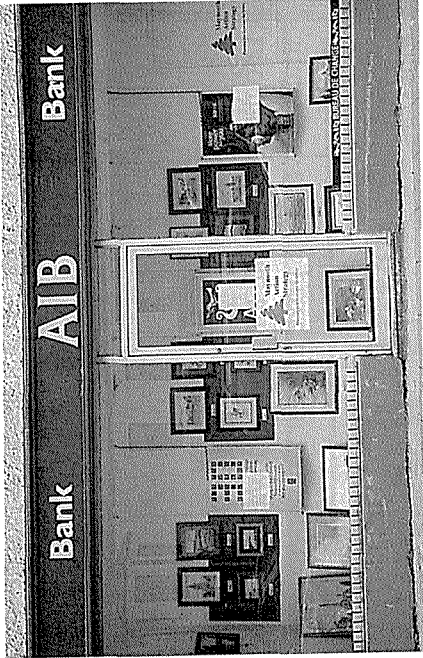
The idea for the exhibition originated with the Maynooth Arts Forum under the auspices of Maynooth Action Strategy. The A.I.B. has agreed to provide a permanent display area for paintings by local artists.

Other paintings can be seen in Anne Doohan's Maynooth Flower Shop.

Anyone who would like to come and paint please contact Susan at 6289349. Every welcome.



Left to right Susan Durack, Brian Tuohy, Gerry Lawlor, A.I.B. and Emma Boyce



Works on display in A.I.B. Maynooth

ART EXHIBITION

Jacinta Eiffe Faherty has been painting for the last 20 yrs full time. Originally from Ratoath, Jacinta is now living in Dunshauglin Co. Meath and has a lot of exhibitions in her own town. She is a member of the Druid Circle.

Druid Circle is a small group which consists of Jacinta herself and Marguerite Dolan also Claire Blake, John Caffery. Ann Doohan of Maynooth Flower Shop has Jacinta paintings on display. The paintings which have Maynooth local scenes sell very well.

Jacinta does a lot of painting for wedding presents, anniversaries, and birthday. Jacinta has a studio in her home and gives classes in the morning and evenings, she also has a picture framing service. Contact Jacinta at 8259965.

Marguerite Dolan is also a member of the Druid Circle, she gives classes and paints full-time. Marguerite does a lot of commission work.



Jacinta Eiffe Faherty



Marguerite Dolan

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT JULY 1999
WEEK 1

Day/Date	Time	Meeting Place	Activity/Venue
Tues 6th July	10.30 - 12.30	I.C.A. Hall	Registration £2.00 £5.00 Family
Mon 12th July	10.30 - 4.00	Greenfield s/c	Malahide Castle (Packed lunch) & Raincoat £4
Tues 13th July	2.00 - 4.00	MADE Centre	Quiz £1
Wed 14th July	10.30 - 4.00	Greenfield S/C	Bowling/Coolock St. Annes Pk. £4.50 (Packed Lunch) + Raincoat
Thur 15th July	2.00 - 4.00	MADE Centre	Bingo £1
Fri 16th July	10.30 - 4.00	Greenfield S/C	Viking Centre £4 Phoenix Park Lunch & Raincoat.

WEEK 2

Mon 19th July	11.00 - 4.00	Greenfield S/C	Bowling/Bray [Packed Lunch] & Raincoat £5
Tues 20th July	2.00 - 4.00	MADE Centre	Bingo £1
Wed 21st July	12.15 - 4.15	Greenfield S/C	Film £3.50
Thurs 22nd July	2.00 - 4.00	MADE Centre Pitch & Putt Club	Film 50p. 0/10 yrs £1.50
Fri 23rd July	9.00 - 5.00	Greenfield S/C	Clara Lara £8.00 Complete change of clothing , Packed Lunch & Raincoat

JULY 1999

JULY 1999 Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome to Summer Project 1999

This year registration day is on 6th July in the I.C.A. Hall at 10.30a.m. Children under 7 years of age cannot be registered. Registration fee is £2.00 per child or £5 per family. Booking for all the Day Trips **MUST BE PAID ON THAT DAY.** We would also be glad of **Your Help** during the project even if only for one day. Let us know on registration day. **This is a must this year**

A few very important things to remember for the project
Children

1. All children must be **accompanied** by a parent or guardian on **registration** day.
2. On all **Day Trips** children must have sufficient food for the day. **Please bring rainwear on every trip.**
3. In the interest of safety and security do not bring bicycles to Summer Project activities.
4. Parents be fair to the leaders - **Collect your children on time.**

In order to take part in any activity you must register with the project on Tuesday 6th July, 10.30 a.m.

Please Collect Your children on Time.

Features

Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich

Turas Scoile

The sun shone on us for our school trip and contributed to a wonderful day for all. Naíonáin Shóisir and Naíonáin Shinsir went to Monkstown to the Lambert Puppet Theatre where we saw Hansel and Gretel and The 3 Billy Goats Gruff. Many thanks to Betty O'Hare who came on the trip with us. Rang a hAon and Rang a Dó went to Larchhill farm in Kilcock and had a wonderful day.

Maidin Oiscailte

We held our open morning for new children and parents on Saturday, 12th June. Parents and children alike were very happy with their day and we're looking forward to welcoming you again on September 1st.

Feis Rince Gaelach

As is usual in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich we finished our Irish Dancing classes in style with our annual feis. Many thanks to Rita Ní Dhúil for all her hard work. The following children won trophies on the day:

Conchúr O Dúlaín
Carolyn Ní Dhúill
Meggan Miach
Lúcás Essex
Marco Marcello
Sorcha Ní Eadbhaird
Watch out Michael Flatley!!

Campa Samhraidh

Our Summer Camp will be held in the school during the first two weeks in July. It promises to be an action-packed fortnight with activities including sport (badminton, tennis, football, skipping, skittles etc.) computers, art, music, Irish dancing and drama. We will also go on a special trip on Thursdays. Hope to see you there!

Swimming

Rang a hAon have had an extremely enjoyable term when they started each week in style with swimming lessons in the College Pool. We hope to continue these lessons again next year as they were such a success this year.

Lá Spóirt

Our annual Sports Day was held in the GAA grounds on Friday 25th June. An extremely enjoyable day was had by all. We would like to thank the GAA for use of their grounds and all the parents who helped out on the day.

Car Boot Sale

Betty O'Hare's hard work and determination certainly paid off as the Car Boot Sale was a great success. The money raised from it enabled us to purchase a television and video for the school and to stock up on our sports equipment. Many thanks to the parish for the use of the Parish Car Park, to Supermacs for their generous contribution and to all who supported us on the day.

Mother and Toddler Group

Everyone who attended the Mother and Toddler Group this year thoroughly enjoyed it. Unfortunately, due to lack of space we will not be able to house the group next year. But, the group are already seeking a new premises.

New Teachers

Due to our growing numbers we will be employing a new teacher next September. We will also be sharing a remedial

teacher with St. Anne's N.S. Straffan. Naturally, this is a huge asset to the school and our children will benefit greatly from it.

Oíche Shóisialta

Our end of year social night, as usual organised by our parents, was held in Dowdstown Hotel. These nights give parents an opportunity to meet in an informal setting and have a bit of fun.

Words of Thanks

As always our helpers are too numerous to mention. But, we would like to take this opportunity at the end of the year to thank all those who helped us during the year with snámh, school trips, fundraising, music, St. Patrick's Day Parade, various parties, committees and all our other activities. It is a great asset to the school to have such a large number of parents who can be called on for the various activities during the school year.

Ph: 6290667



Shane O'Brien, Conor Dowling and Seán Bean



Kate Ní Rualrc, Niamh Ní Bhraonáin and Carolyn Ní Dhúill.

Features

Joseph and his Amazing Technicoloured Dreamcoat

Forget about Broadway, The West End and The Point Depot. The place to be for Theatre last week was the Parish Hall in Maynooth as the boys of third, fourth and fifth presented their version of "Joseph and his Amazing Technicoloured Dreamcoat" on Monday 31st May and Tuesday 1st June. There was also a special matinee for their own school and the girls' school.

The boys had been working on the show since last October, learning lines, making props and painting scenery. A group of parents arranged sponsorship, costumes and very importantly the "wrap party" on Tuesday night.

Altogether over 80 boys were involved either on stage or in the background. As well as the obvious acting, dancing and singing skills the boys also learned the value of team-work, dedication and stretching themselves. Many of the boys "got the bug" so don't be surprised if a new Liam Neeson or Colm Wilkinson is on the way.

Great credit is due to the staff of the school who put long hours into the project, to the dedicated parents for their invaluable help but the stars of the show were the boys themselves who never flagged through hours of practise and who gave a great performance each night.

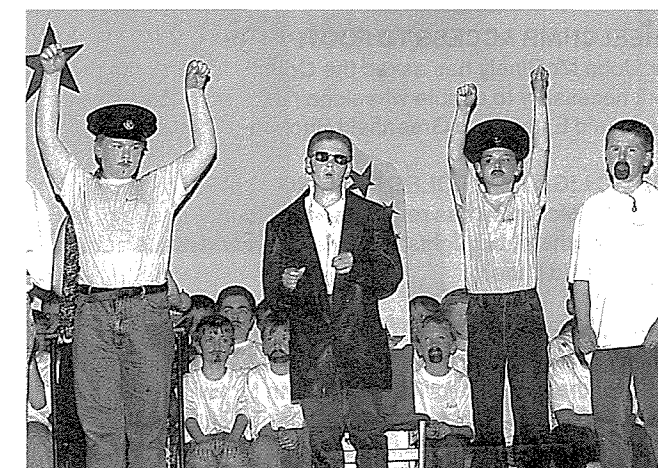
After a standing ovation from a packed house on the second night of the run the talk was of next year and a bigger challenge. Is The Point big enough?



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Joseph (Paul Clerkin) and his father Jacob (Kenneth Corbally)



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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

LOCAL ELECTIONS

John McGinley was elected on the fourth count having exceeded the quota by 19 votes with 1355 votes in total.

John got 45.5% of all votes cast in Maynooth. This was an extraordinary endorsement of John's work by the people of Maynooth. John commits himself to working with residents associations, clubs, voluntary organisations and businesses to continue making Maynooth a Better Place to Live in.

INCINERATOR UPDATE

The County Manager sought and got an extension of one month (until 18th July) to further consider the application for the incinerator. He is likely to seek a further extension as he still has not come back to the members of Kildare Co. Council with the Legal advice on whether or not a material contravention of the County Development is required.

Anyone wishing to help the North Kildare/South Meath Anti-Incinerator Alliance should contact Helene McManus at 6284022.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS TO FOOTPATHS

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to carry out the work necessary to enable wheelchair access to footpaths in Greenfield Estate and Greenfield Shopping Centre.

PUBLIC LIGHTING POLES FALLING

Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to straighten and repair the public lights in Nagle Court and at the bottom of Greenfield Lane.

REINSTATEMENT OF ROAD ON O'NEILL PARK

Following the digging up of the road in O'Neill Park to lay the cable for the new public lights Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to reinstate the road surface.

FOOTBRIDGE OVER CANAL TO RAILWAY STATION

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by Iarnrod Eireann's Engineering department that they will install the new footbridge as quickly as possible. They have reached agreement with the OPW on its location and the only hold up is identifying the owners of the land on the Harbour side.

CONVENT LANE/DUNBOYNE ROAD EYESORE

Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to dig out the grass verge (jungle) and to concrete it to create a cycle path or wider footpath. It is a disgrace that any local authority should allow such an eyesore at the entrance to a town.

RATHCOFFEY ROAD

Now that resurfacing has been carried out Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to lay footpaths and provide public lighting to the motorway bridge as a matter of urgency.



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G.A.A. NOTES

SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE DIVISION 1

Éire Óg Corrachoill 0-17: Maynooth 1-11

Maynooth's second League match ended in disappointment when they were beaten by Éire Óg Corrachoill played at Prosperous on the 19th May 1999. True, Maynooth were short a number of their regulars but the team played well below par and defensively. They gave far too much latitude to the winners attack.

Best for Maynooth were: Padraic Ward, Eoin Nevin, Fergal Scully, Tom Farrell, Mark Nugent and Donna Hollain.

Teams and Scores: Matt Carroll, Stephen O'Mahony, Padraic Ward, Eoin Nevin, Killian Fagan, Fergal Scully (0-2), Senan Griffin, Justin O'Reilly (0-2), Conor Diggins (0-1), Tom Farrell (1-0), Donna Hollain, Mark Nugent, John O'Brien (0-2), Mick Galvin (0-3), Mick Bennett (0-1).

JUNIOR HURLING LEAGUE

Éire Óg Corrachoill 3-8: Maynooth 2-10

In a nail biting game Maynooth just failed to beat Éire Óg Corrachoill by the narrowest of margins played at St. Mary's Park on the 20th May 1999. Maynooth started off in impressive form and were 3 points to 1 ahead after ten minutes. However sloppy defensive play allowed Éire Óg in for a goal two minutes later. However this spurred on Maynooth to greater effort and further points by John O'Brien who scored two and Mark Nugent put Maynooth ahead and a smashing goal from Seamus Cummins in the 20th minute left 5 points between the sides.

Complacency in the Maynooth full back line let in Éire Óg for a brace of goals but John O'Brien equalised with a splendid point from play to leave the half-time score Éire Óg 3-2; Maynooth 1-8. Maynooth had much the better of the exchanges at the start of the second half but the forwards were very inaccurate in their shooting. In contrast Éire Óg took full advantage of their limited scoring opportunities and were five points ahead by the twentieth minute of the second half. Seamus Cummins had his second goal minutes later and John O'Brien scored a pointed free to leave the minimum between the sides. Try as they might Maynooth squandered three scoring opportunities later in the game and Éire Óg held out for a one point victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Matt Carroll in goal who had a number of fine saves, Mick Madden was outstanding at left half back ably assisted by Senan Griffin and Stephen O'Mahony. Padraic Ward and Mark Nugent worked tirelessly at midfield while in attack John O'Brien and Seamus Cummins played well.

Teams and Scores: (14 Aside): Matt Carroll, Mick Gahan, Sean Cushen, Stephen O'Mahoney, Matt Callaghan, Senan Griffin (0-1), Mick Madden, Padraic Ward (0-1), Mark Nugent (0-1), John O'Brien (0-5), Mick Bennett (0-1), Sean Lennon, Eamon Toomey, Seamus Cummins (2-1).

U/16 HURLING LEAGUE DIVISION 1

Maynooth 4-9: Éire Óg Corrachoill 3-7

Maynooth recorded their third win of their U.16 League Campaign with a hard fought win over Éire Óg Corrachoill on Wednesday 19th May 1999.

Maynooth played with a third midfielder in the first half and it was a tactic that proved very successful with Maynooth using this to build up a reasonable lead. But Éire Óg created many

chances of their own and took advantage of some sloppy defending by Maynooth. Half-time score: Maynooth 2-4 Éire Óg 1-4.

Maynooth opened up a lot more in the second half and although the score-board didn't reflect it, they were much the better team with some fine points from distance. Éire Óg kept in touch with two goals but Maynooth killed off the game with a goal five minutes from time.

Best for Maynooth: Enda Diggins, Padraic Nevin, Alan Sweeney, Morgan Sweeney, Kevin Gannon and Seán Óg Farrelly.

Team and Scores: Fergus Deveraux, Joe Brennan, Enda Diggins, Brendan Coffey (0-2), Peter Sheehan, Padraic Nevin, Alan Sweeney (0-1), Aidan Molloy, David Comerford (1-1), Kevin Gannon (0-1), Fergal Molloy (1-0), Mark Cummins (0-1), Seán Óg Farrelly (0-1), Morgan Sweeney (2-2).

SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE - DIVISION 1

Coill Dubh 2-5: Maynooth 1-3

Played in dreadful conditions - Coill Dubh held out for a hard earned victory over Maynooth played at St. Mary's Park on 2nd June 1999. Maynooth played their best hurling in the first half. The teams were level on three occasions in that half. A goal by Coill Dubh five minutes before half-time left the score at the interval Coill Dubh 1-3; Maynooth 0-3. Coill Dubh showed greater determination and better team-work in the second half and had added on a further two points by the tenth minute. Maynooth had their share of possession too but squandered a number of good scoring opportunities. A second goal for Coill Dubh in the fifteenth minute put the result beyond doubt and although John O'Brien got an opportunist goal five minutes from full time, to reduce the deficit the Coill Dubh defence hurled superbly and thwarted attack after attack. In difficult conditions Jimmy O'Sullivan was a very impartial referee.

Best for Maynooth were: Declan Buckley, Rory Kelly, Padraic Ward, Mark Nugent, Killian Fagan and Tom Farrell.

Team and Scores: Matt Carroll, Eoin Nevin, Declan Buckley, Rory Kelly, Padraic Ward, Fergal Scully, Jimmy Cahill, Justin White, Conor Diggins (0-2), Mark Nugent (0-1), Killian Fagan, Donna Hollain, Tom Farrell, Mick Bennett, Mick Galvin. Subs: John O'Brien (1-0) for Mick Galvin (injured).

JUNIOR CAMOGIE LEAGUE AT CONFEEY

Maynooth 2-7: Confeey 1-1

Played on 8th June 1999

This was a much closer match than the final result might indicate and Maynooth had to call on all their battling qualities to withstand a very strong challenge from Confeey. The unerring accuracy of Teresa Hession both from play and placed balls enabled Maynooth to hold a slender four point lead at half time. Confeey created many problems for the Maynooth defence and scored a goal late in the first half to leave the half-time score Maynooth 0-7: Confeey 1-0. Confeey continued to offer stiff resistance in the second half and their keeper was in fine form bringing off a number of excellent saves. However Maynooth consolidated their lead ten minutes into the second half. When Naomi Devereux who was put through by Anne Comerford showed great persistence and striking a ground shot to the net. Confeey

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G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)

continued to play strongly and were unlucky when two goal bound shots went narrowly wide. Anne Comerford ensured victory for Maynooth with a second goal ten minutes from full time. Confeey scored a point five minutes later but the goals they badly needed never materialised.

Best for Maynooth were: Niamh Mulready, Ann Marie Farrell, Michelle Gillick, Maeve Herbert, Teresa Hession, Margaret Farrell and Anne Comerford.

Team Scores: Geraldine Fahy, Niamh Mulready, Clare McCarrick, Lynn Brennan, Ann Marie Farrell, Michelle Gillick, Sandra Gillick, Maeve Herbert (0-1), Ciara O'Neill, Margaret Farrell, Teresa Hession (0-6), Sharon Cummins, Naomi Devereux (1-0), Anne Comerford (1-0), Pamela Fahy. Subs: Roisin Lillis for Pam Fahy, Clery Naughton and Aileen Devanney (not used).

JUNIOR HURLING LEAGUE - 10th June 1999

Celbridge 1-13; Maynooth 0-10

This was certainly a game of two different halves. Maynooth were by far the more industrious side in the first half. They led at half time by 0-7 to 0-3 with a brace of points from John O'Brien, Paul White and long range effort from Mick Madden. The first minute of the second half, Maynooth extended their lead to 4 points with a free from Mick Madden. Believe it or not Maynooth did not score again until the 28th minute.

By then Celbridge had added on a whooping ten points mostly from play and a goal five minutes from full time put the result beyond doubt. In fairness to Maynooth the players fought determinedly to the end and two points in as many minutes from John O'Brien and Mark Nugent put a more respectable look on the score-board.

Best for Maynooth were: Sean Cushen who brought off a number of fine saves, Padraic Ward, Alan Nugent and Mick Madden in defence. Mark Nugent worked tirelessly at midfield while in attack. Paul White, John O'Brien and Matt Carroll stood out.

Teams and Scores: Sean Cushen, Sean Lennon, Padraic Ward, Mick Gahan, Alan Nugent, Mick Madden (0-2), Stephen O'Mahony, Mark Nugent (0-1), Eoin Nevin, Ollie Gaffney, Paul White (0-4), John O'Brien (0-3), Matt Carroll, Eamon Toomey, John Lee. Subs: Frank Ryan for E. Toomey, Aidan McCarron for Ollie Gaffney.

12TH JUNE

Maynooth 2-3: Clane 2-1

Maynooth under 9s had a great win over a sporting Clane team in the North Kildare League. The winning goal was scored with five minutes remaining by Conor O'Brien. The Maynooth backs then defended well.

15TH JUNE

Maynooth 4-8: Sallins 2-3

A large squad of players and parents travelled to Sallins for this evening fixture. A strong Sallins team were subdued early by Maynooth. Three quick points followed by a goal left Maynooth ahead at half time. In the second half all the squad were given a run.

19TH JUNE

Maynooth 5-9: Naas 1-0

Maynooth's good run continued in this game played in Maynooth before a large attendance, helped by the wind in

the first half. Maynooth led by 4-8 to no score at half-time. This was the third win in a row for this improving Maynooth team.

The Maynooth Panel is: Eoin McNutt, Sean Moore, Damien Greavy, Cormac O'Reilly, John Comerford, Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally, Brian Cowley, Eoin Curran, Joe Dempsey, Michael Fahy, Ben Finnegan, Sean Fox, Dean McAvinue, Francis McDonald, Conor O'Brien, David O'Grady, Dennis Ryan, Stephen Shearan, Eoin Synott, Maurice Cowey, Danny Finnan, William Reynolds.

Tom Coffey, P.R.O.

INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPION (QUATER FINAL)

Date : 19th June 1999

Venue: Sarsfields, Newbridge

Maynooth 2-13 : Castledermot 0-2

Maynooth advanced to a semi-final meeting with Castlemitchel with this comprehensive victory over Castledermot on Saturday 19th June 1999.

Forced to line out without the injured Eamon Gallagher, Joey O'Riordan and Pascal Ennis and with John Jordan and Paul Garvey both in the USA, Maynooth acquitted themselves well in the poor weather conditions.

Leading 0-7 to 0-0 at half-time, thanks to a superb penalty save by Paul Flood in the first half, Maynooth turned on the style in the second half and ran out convincing winners, with Peter Burke, Mick Nevin and Stephen Noonan especially prominent in the senior football league Division 2.

Maynooth are in second place with 14 points having won 7 of their 9 games with only 4 games left to play Maynooth Crom Abu's are in a strong position for an automatic promotion place with the top three going straight up.

Team and Scores: Paul Flood, Mickey Noone, Stephen Noonan, Niall Byrne, Thomas Farrell, Mick Nevin (1-1), David Mahony, Eamon Dunne, Killian Fagan, Peter Burke (0-3), Niall Naughton (1-0), William Farrelly (0-1), Johnny Nevin (0-1), Hugh Nevin (1-1), Darren Naughton (0-7) (4 Frees)
Subs: P.Stynes for T. Farrell, K. Ennis for J. Nevin, P. Ennis for M. Noone.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES

With the season now over congratulations to all 11-schoolboy teams and the 2 men's senior teams who competed well throughout the year. A special mention for under 8's and 10's who reached the semi-finals and quarterfinals of their Cup competitions. Also to the under 14's who finished runners-up in their division and the Sunday side who reached the semi-final of the Dalton Cup.

As the Club gets bigger the effort required to keep this amount of teams going grows by the year. The amount of teams that will compete next year will depend on the number of parents that come forward to help out. I would encourage all parents to make the time and get involved in some way next season. There are approximately 200 youngsters between the age of 7 and 17 wanting to play competitive soccer next year. It is unfair to continue to ask the handful of adults, who have done so in the past, to look after such vast numbers. If you would like to get involved in any way pop along to the training sessions when they recommence.

A special thank you to all the parents who worked so hard to make last season such a success.

John Doogan,
Chairman,
Maynooth Town Football Club.

Maynooth Town Football Club would like to thank Maynooth Credit Union for its very generous sponsorship of kit for the Under 9Cs. A special word of thanks to Michael O'Reilly.

Training for the team who will be playing Under-10 next year will resume in the Harbour Field on Tuesday, July 20th at 7.00 o'clock. Any new players are welcome. For information contact Pat Moynan at 6286865



Pictured are (back) Pat Moynan, Eimear Flynn, Carl O'Sullivan, Alex Cash, Ronan Kelly, Christopher Moynan, Michael O'Reilly. (Front) Cormac O'Reilly, Garret Dooley, Harrison Silke and Michael McCarthy. Missing from the picture is Sean Durcan.

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23 May 99	1, 21, 22	£1,150	John McGinley	Emma McCullagh	Maura Brady	Mary Cahill	Dave Moynan
30 May 99	7, 8, 11	£1,175	Mick Gallagher	G. McTernan	Jackie Nolan	Stephen Kennedy	Margaret Dempsey
6 June 99	9, 12, 29	£1,200	Margaret Mills	Jackie Nolan	Mrs. Gilton	Caroline Dunne	Meghann Foley
13 June 99	4, 17, 22	£1,225	G. McTernan	Margaret Gannon	Lauren Murphy	Stephen Gallagher	Paul Flood
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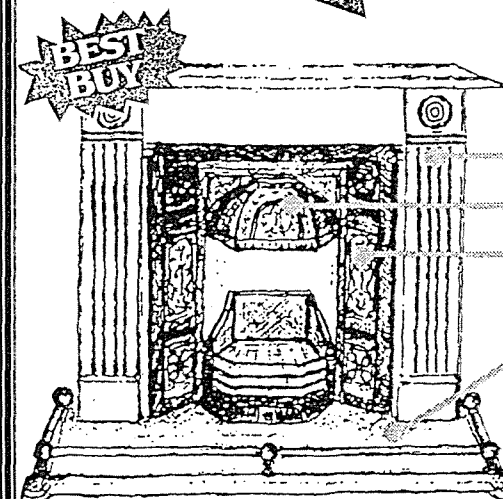
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Tom comes out on top in Moate

This midlands venue proved a happy hunting ground for Tom Flatley whose 37 points left him a comfortable winner. Played in perfect conditions this testing course found out most of the flaws in the golfers game. Well done Tom.

Moate Golf Club - 17th April 1999

Overall Winner	-	Tom Flatley	(24)	37 points
Class 1	1st	G. McTernan	(13)	33 points
	2nd	C. O'Reilly	(13)	32 points
Class 2	1st	M. Fahy	(22)	34 points
	2nd	B. Cassidy	(18)	33 points
Class 3	1st	T. O'Haire	(23)	34 points
	2nd	M. O'Regan	(25)	33 points
Front 9	-	M. Flynn		20 points
Back 9	-	N. Brady		17 points
Nearest the pin	-	S. Tracey		

Philip Causes Shock Result in Athlone

The tough Athlone course was the venue on Saturday 12th June for the Shay Moore Perpetual Cup. Thirty-five golfers set out with expectations of lifting the coveted trophy and the stiff breeze blowing in off the lake made for a tight contest. Playing in the first three ball, Philip Doyle posted an early 35 points and despite the best efforts of the remainder this score held on by one point from Joe Moore, Ray Delemere, Dornic Nyland, John Carroll and veteran Paddy Foy who all finished on 34 points. Congrats Philip on your first big win. The overall prize was sponsored by the Moore family and Mrs. B. Moore made the presentation in the Club House after the event.

Shay Moore Memorial Outing to Athlone Golf Club

1st Overall	-	Philip Doyle	35 points
1st Class 1	-	Joe Moore	34 points (back 9)
2nd Class 1	-	Ray Delemere	34 points
1st Class 2	-	D. Nyland	34 points (back 9)
2nd Class 2	-	J. Carroll	34 points
1st Class 3	-	P. Foy	34 points
2nd Class 3	-	M. Flynn	31 points
Front 9	-	L. Farrelly	19 points
Back 9	-	T. Flatley	18 points
Nearest the Pin	-	Dornic Nyland	

Vice-President the victor in Kilcock

This Friday evening venue was a popular choice and the thirty-three golfers set out with great ambitions to conquer the local course. Noel Brady with 41 points came out on top and easily held the challenge of Terry Moore 38 points and Mick Fahy 38 points. Congratulations Noel, not bad for a veteran. We would like to thank our sponsors, T.S.B. Bank.

Next outing is the Captains - Tom O'Haire Prize - to Kilkea Castle on Saturday 3rd July.

Outing to Kilcock Golf Club 14th May 1999

Overall	-	Noel Brady	41 points
Class 1	1st	T. Moore	38 points
	2nd	G. McTernan	33 points
Class 2	1st	M. Fahy	38 points
	2nd	P. Conway	37 points
Class 3	1st	M. Flynn	35 points
	2nd	M. Scanlon	31 points (back 9)
Front 9	-	W. Moore	
Back 9	-	T. O'Haire	
2's Club	-	T. Moore / M. Hegarty	
Nearest the pin	-	M. Hegarty	

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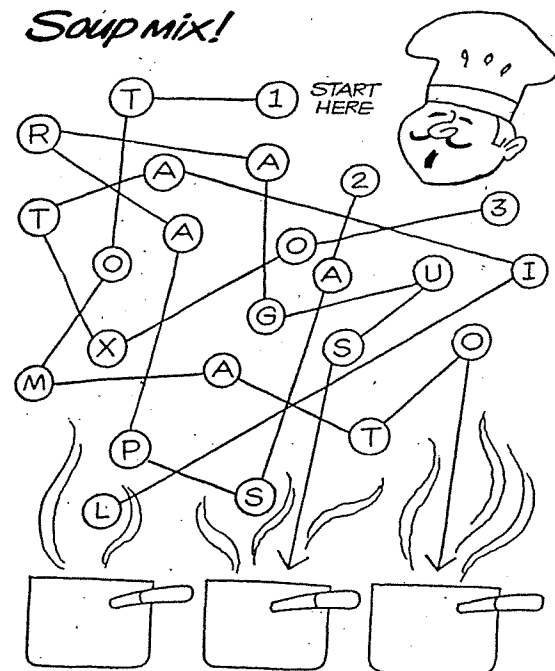
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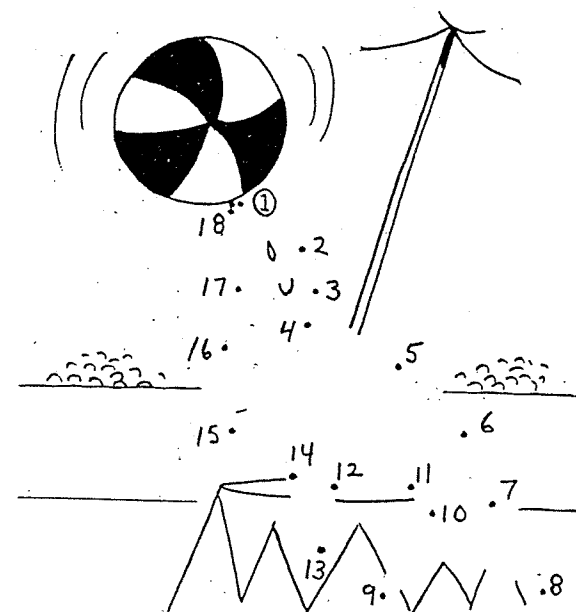
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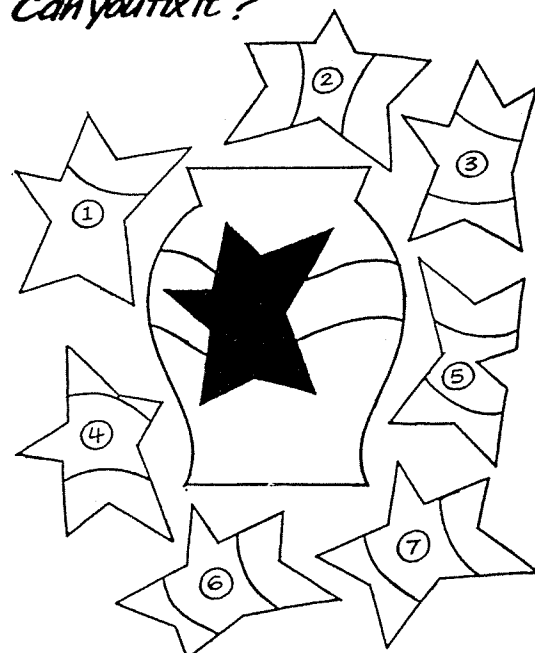
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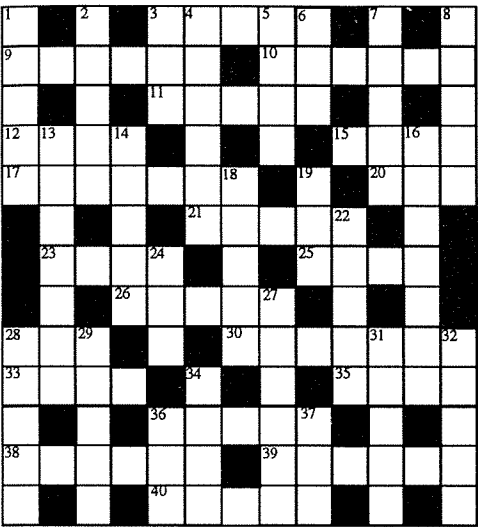
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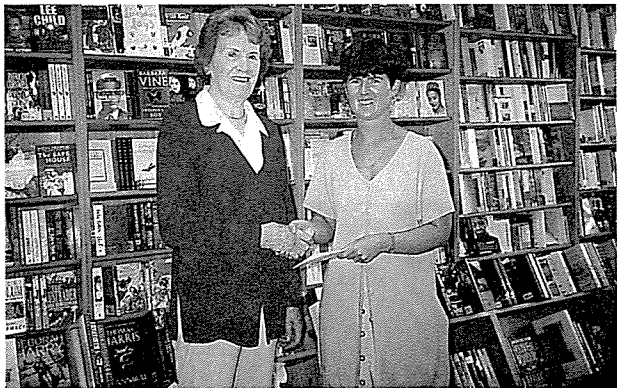
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- 3. Confusion (5)
- 9. Previous (6)
- 10. Sooner (6)
- 11. Characteristic (5)
- 12. Paradise (4)
- 15. Otherwise (4)
- 17. Book (7)
- 20. Performed (3)
- 21. Follow (5)
- 23. Detail (4)
- 25. Wind (4)
- 26. Wandered (5)
- 28. Fixed (3)
- 30. Guard (7)
- 33. Cupid (4)
- 35. Rush (4)
- 36. Slumber (5)
- 38. Bird (6)
- 39. Maintain (6)
- 40. Celebration (5)

Down:

- 1. Tender (5)
- 2. The Ram (5)
- 3. Favourite (3)
- 4. Come (6)
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- 16. Quiet (7)
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- 19. Beaker (3)
- 22. Keen (5)
- 24. Crowd (3)
- 27. Beat (6)
- 28. Sordid (5)
- 29. Robust (5)
- 31. At no time (5)
- 32. Bordered (5)
- 34. Excuse (4)
- 36. Mouthful (3)
- 37. Layer (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 139

Across: 1. Plot; 4. Rim; 6. Slab; 9. Pal; 10. Confused;
11. Edit; 14. Asp; 16. Order; 19. Spirited; 21. Deter;
23. Damaging; 24. Tense; 27. Lag; 31. Cure;
33. Industry; 34. Doe; 35. Deep; 36. Sad; 37. Ramp;

Down: 2. Look; 3. Tiff; 4. Resisted; 5. Made; 6. Spear;
7. Lad; 8. Alive; 12. Islet; 13. Siren; 14. Aid; 15. Petal;
17. Drain; 18. Range; 20. Demanded; 22. Rag; 25. Elude;
26. Sleep; 28. Miss; 29. User; 30. Cram; 32. Roe;

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Barry Hogan, 70 Maynooth Park, Maynooth.

FROM A FREE FALL TO A FLIP SIDE

Martina Murphy is a speech and drama teacher from Maynooth

Early in April 1998 Phone call.
"Hi, this is Gaye Shortland, the new Editor with Poolbeg, can I speak to Martina Murphy, please?"
"Yep, speaking."
"Any chance of meeting you Martina. I'd like to discuss your writing."
Oh no, I thought. She hates my new teenage book. (I'd submitted *Free Fall* a few weeks before and was anxiously waiting for judgement to be pronounced).
"Sure." Insolent tone.
"Where?"
"Cafe Rouge?"
"Fine."
Dressed in tattered jeans, sweatshirt, sitting in Cafe Rouge waiting for someone I didn't know from Adam.
Two dressed up people walk in the door. A woman, black hair, a man, grey hair. I know him. Philip McD, director of Poolbeg. I know I'm for it now. They really hate me.
Sitting down, they order dinner. I have to order it too. Gaye speaks first. "Martina, we love your writing. Any chance you'd do an adult book for us?"
Gob - smacked. Shell - shocked. Totally stupefied. "Eh, yeah." Thinking. What am I doing??
"And we've your teenage book *Free Fall* scheduled for May 1999."
I was glad I'd gone to that meeting.

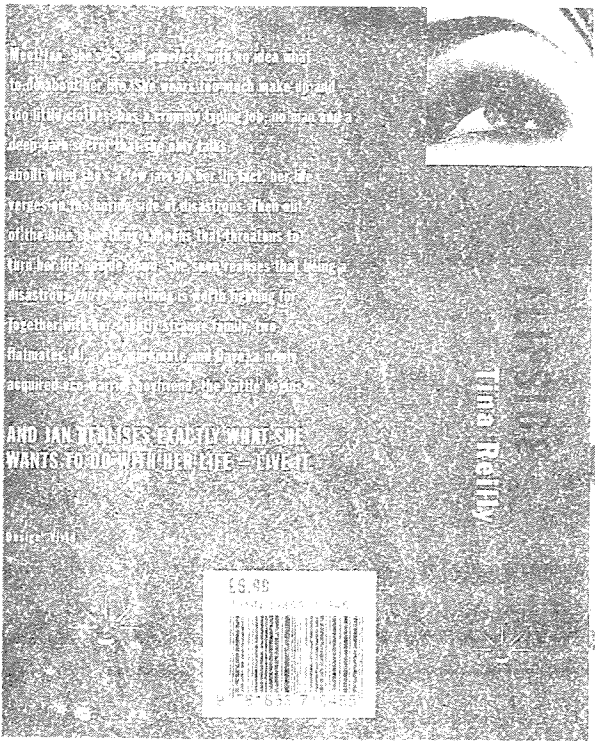
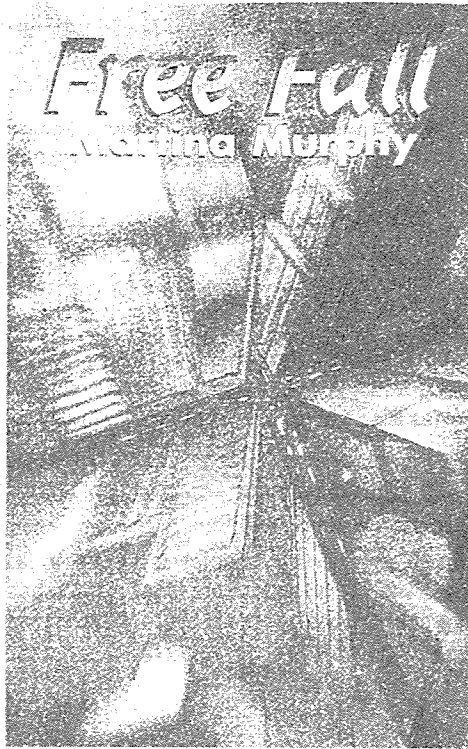
Lots of months later, both books are in the shops. *Free Fall*, my third teenage book was released, as promised, in May.
And *Flipside*, my pride and joy adult book, written under my maiden name Tina Reilly, was let loose on the public on June 14th. It's funny, sad, romantic. It tells the story of Jan. A clueless twenty five year who wears too much make up and not enough clothes. She's fed-up with her crummy job, her lack of pulling power and the fact that her life constantly verges on the boring side of disastrous. How much worse can things get? she wonders.
Well, if you don't know but you'd like to find out, buy *Flipside*, by Tina Reilly. Published by Poolbeg it's a guaranteed massive Summer read.

"The worse things seem, the more you gotta laugh..."

Harriet's life was going great. OK, so it had its downside - "Ick," Alice, her mate, hanging out with the cool, black-haired new girl. Or the fact that the guy she fancied fancied Alice instead. Or even worse, being back in school after a brilliant summer.

But all that was liveable with. Until the boy her Dad left. Then, things slowly began to fall apart. And there came a time when a free fall turned into a major crash-landing and no one could laugh any more.

Praise for Martina Murphy's *Livewire* and *Fast Car*. "An in-your-face mix of teenage humour, angst and complex relationships..." *The Sunday Tribune*. "Incredibly funny and definitely worth reading..." *The Irish Times*.



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Happy Birthday to **Aoife McTernan**, Moyglare Village, 17 on July 1st From Mammy and Daddy, Sister Aileen brother Séan, Grannie and Grandad.

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Happy Birthday to **Deirdre McTernan**, Silken Vale, July 3rd from Daddy, Mammy, Sister Maeve and Grandad.

Happy Birthday to **David Lennon Kilmacredock** who will be 14 on the 14th of July.

Happy Birthday to **Ann Murphy** who will be very old on the 9th July love from her sister Margaret and Family.

Happy Birthday **Mam** on the 10th of July From Martina, Peter Lisa and Danny.

Happy Birthday **Ann Kelleher** on her 23rd Birthday on the 8th July from Mammy, Pat, Aisling and John.

Happy Birthday **Darragh O'Reilly** who will be 10 on the 30th of June From Mammy, Annmarie and Marcella.

Happy Birthday to **Regina McGovern** who will be 12 on the 12th of July lots of love From Mammy, Daddy, Karina, Stacey, Michelle and Debbie.

Congratulations to **Ciara Murphy** from Lucan who did extremely well in her exams, with all second class honours from Mam and Art.

Congratulations to **Ciara Murphy** from Lucan From Nana.

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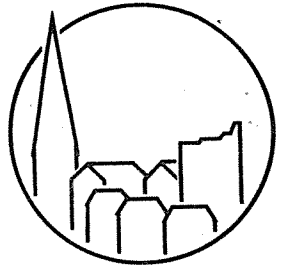
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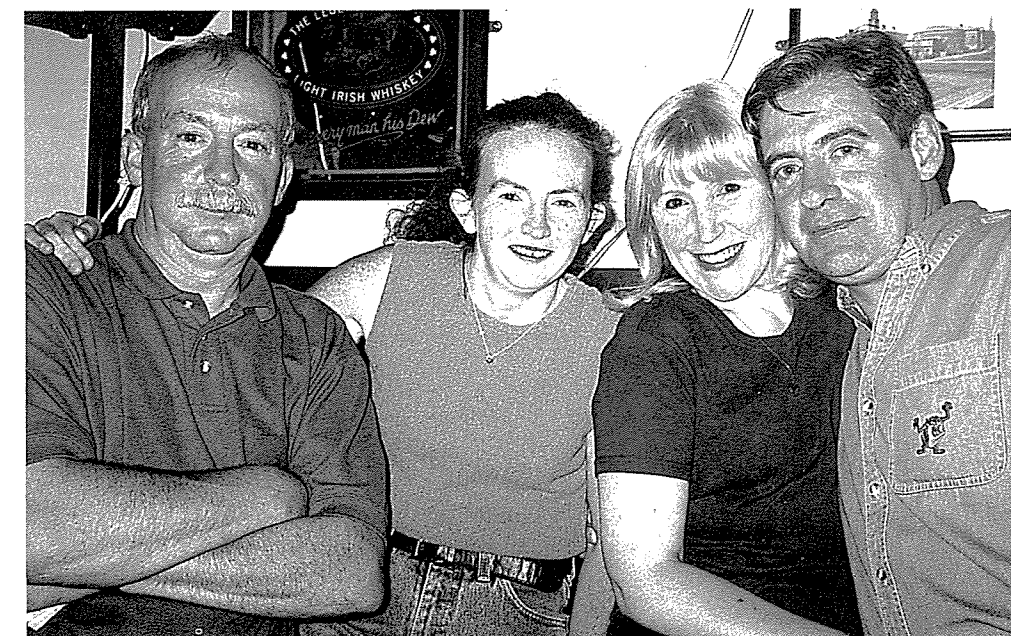
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Maynooth Festival a Success



The Executive of the Community Council at the launch of the festival, from left: Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Dominic Nyland, Tom McMullon, Paul Croghan & Marie Gleeson



Winners of the Table Festival Quiz
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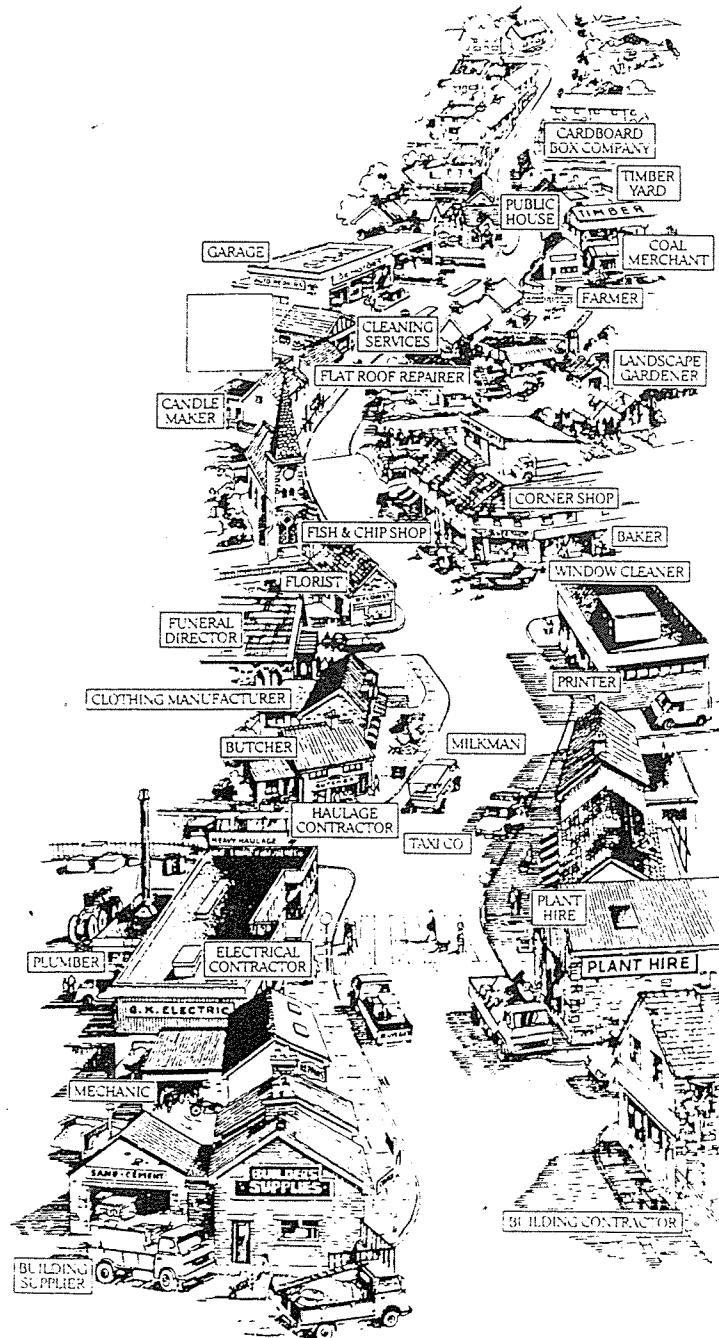
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Second Invasion

Dear Sir/Madam,

Back in 1916 a group of Irish people lead an insurrection which would lead to our eventual freedom from English rule. Not many would be aware that these men knew that the rising had no hope of military success. They knew that they were sacrificing their lives for the cause. The cause was the rebirth of nationalism. In Dublin in particular Anglicisation was well advanced and this was proven later by the jeers and taunts heaped on the prisoners as they were led away to prison. Their execution changed the attitude of the people, serving the purpose for which they died.

Seventy years or so it took us to rise from abject poverty to a booming economy. This economy has sparked off changes that have occurred with frightening speed. It can be likened to a second invasion. The British are coming in force - this time without tanks and guns. Anglicisation is well under way as they establish their almost all, British shopping centres (Jervis Street and Liffey Valley). They have taken over Irish companies without a whisper of protest. The Hayes Cunningham and Robinson chain has disappeared and in its place we have Boots. Quinnsworth with its over seventy five outlets is now Tesco. These companies import their own produce from England and discard the Irish supplier and producer. Promises to retain Irish products have not been honoured. This must have an effect on our trade balance but nobody complains. Where does the consumer go to buy Irish products? What outlets are there for Irish products if all our main outlets are bought out by British conglomerates who have a 'sell our own stuff' policy. Will Superquinn and Dunnes Stores be next? Is there anything money can't buy? A small hiccup saved Bank of Ireland, temporarily, from being swallowed up by a giant English bank just recently.

How do we retain our identity in the midst of all this so called progress? How does a tiny population of under four million retain its differences, its culture, the way we speak etc., against the onslaught of outside influence? Are we aware of what is happening - the plantation of our country that is silently taking place? England's fifty nine million is naturally overflowing to where the jobs are and reversing the situation that lasted for most of this century.

Did Pearse, Connolly and Company's sacrifice only delay the Anglicisation of Ireland? Will the people of this island finally submit to speaking the 'queen's English in heart and in tongue'?

Name and address with Editor.

The **Garda Band** will present an afternoon of
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EDITORIAL

Where to Park?

Newly painted double yellow lines have recently appeared around the centre of the village indicating that new parking restrictions will soon come into force. The new parking by-laws were passed by Kildare Co. Council some months ago and the local gardai have indicated that they will be fully enforced once the various street markings have been completed. The new restrictions will have an impact on parking from Parson's Street at one end of the village to the Dublin Road at the other. On a rough calculation between 35 and 45 parking spaces will be lost although this includes up to 20 spaces which, by any definition, would constitute illegal or dangerous parking at the moment.

What Maynooth does not need is a repeat of the 'parking crisis' which Leixlip seems to have suffered over the past year. Local businesses in Leixlip claim that trade has been seriously affected by the lack of parking close to the town centre and a 'Parking Task Force' has been set up to come up with solutions. Maynooth should be in a better position than Leixlip as we have more off-street parking but it may be time to consider ways of freeing up scarce parking spaces on and near the Main Street to facilitate local businesses and shoppers. Disc parking with a limit of two hours has been suggested as one way of increasing the availability of parking in the Main Street. One way or another it is certainly desirable that commercial and community interests should get together and agree an approach to this issue before the parking tickets appear.

Harbour Field Invasion

Many Maynooth residents have expressed their anger at the recent invasion of the Harbour Field by a travellers encampment. At the time of writing legal steps are being taken to ensure the area is vacated and one can only hope that this is done as speedily as possible. At a time when the Field is being used on a regular basis to host the Summer Festival Football competition it is completely unacceptable that the area is occupied by travellers who have no connection with the town and are trespassing illegally on the property. The whole incident highlights the need to put together a comprehensive plan for the Field and the Geraldine Hall and develop the facility for the community.

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Festival Report

Our 13th **Guinness** Festival and the eight one sponsored by **Guinness** was a great success. Thanks to the Leinster Arms, Caulfields, Bradys, Roost, Dowdstown Hotel and especially the G.A.A. for their help, co-operation and support. Thanks also to **Guinness** for their continued support and sponsorship over the years. A very special word of thanks to P.J. McAllister from **Guinnesses** for his support during the eight years and we wish him the very best in his retirement. It was indeed a great pleasure to deal with P.J. over the past eight years and he certainly was a great ambassador for **Guinness Ireland Group**. Whoever is organising the Festival next year will indeed miss the support and assistance of P.J. We wish P.J. many happy years of retirement from all on the Maynooth Festival Committee. The Festival was launched on Friday, 16th July in the Roost and was attended by **Guinness** representative Alan Power. A great night was had by all at the reception, courtesy of **Guinness** and thanks to the Roost for savouries. The **Guinness** Soccer Competition was organised by John McGinley and his Committee and was as exciting as ever. The Festival got underway on Wednesday night, the 21st July at 7.30 p.m. with the Catherine Maher School of Dancing performing in the G.A.A. Club. This was a very entertaining show but it was a shame that more people did not come out and support it. We extend our thanks to Catherine and long established School of Dancing and also the G.A.A. Club. In the Library we had our Poetry Reading which was very successful. Music was by Harry Flood and Patsy Tracy. Thanks to Hilda Dunne and Michael Quinn for organising same and to the Library staff for their help on the night and to Helen Foley for looking after the refreshments and to all who read poetry and prose. Also on Wednesday we had our famous **Guinness** Table Quiz. This competition is always very keenly contested as the house was full by 9.30 p.m. Thanks to Gerry Fitzpatrick for doing M.C., to Anna Marie and Bernard Livingston for doing score board, to Teresa Bennett and Maureen Dunne for doing the raffle, to Caulfields for their premises and raffle prizes, to Margaret Flood, Margaret Lennon, Cindy Ankers, Helen Reilly, Claire O'Regan and Anne Marie Ryan for collecting and correcting. The winners were: Lennie Murphy's Team. On the same night the **Guinness** Jazz Band performed in the G.A.A. but this was poorly attended but enjoyed by those who took the trouble to go and hear them. Thanks to Madeline Stynes for her help on the night. Thursday 22nd saw us in The Square at 7.30 p.m. with Maynooth Brass and Reed Band and this was greatly enjoyed by all who came out to hear them. It is great to have our very own Band in the town and once again thanks to them for participating during Festival week. The Senior Citizens had their cabaret night in Caulfields and there was a packed house. Josie and Kevin gave a great performance followed by Noel and Sandra Brady and a great night was had by all. A Teenage Disco in the G.A.A. Hall the same night had a big attendance and the Karaoke in the Leinster Arms went down a treat. All the stars of the future performed with great gusto. On Friday 23rd we had our usual group of traditional musicians. They kept the crowd going for one and a half hours. Thanks to one and all for taking part in the Festival. The **Guinness** Swing-a-Long in Caulfields was a great success with the local musicians taking part. On the same night Danny McCarthy performed in the G.A.A. and the Lyons Club ran an adult Disco in the Marquee at the G.A.A. Centre. Dowdstown Hotel had their usual Traditional Irish Music Night. Saturday evening the Fire Brigade gave a great display and this is always a great treat for the children as they

are always fascinated by water and Fire Brigades. Thanks lads, they are always available to do their bit for the Community. The Treasure Hunt was organised by Paul Croghan and was attended by one family in Maynooth, the O'Briens from College Green and they participated all on their own. Well done to all and thank to Paul for his efforts. Back in the Square on Saturday evening we had the Blue Heaven Singers. These are a very fine group of barbershop singers and gave some great renderings for an hour. Again its a great pity that more people did not come out to see them. Later in the night the G.A.A. had their Bar-B-Que and Country Night.

On Sunday the Guided Historical walk took place starting at the College. All the finals of **Guinness** Barperson, **Guinness** Soccer Competition, G.A.A. 7 Aside, Hurling and Football and the Pitch and Putt Competition took place. There was great competition over the past few weeks in all these events and thanks to all who organised an took part in them. The winners in the **Guinness** Soccer Competition were Kingsbry/Moenchengladbach and runners up were Old Greenfield. Thanks to John McGinley and his team for their efforts and work for the **Guinness** Soccer Competition and to Damien Keogh, **Guinness** rep. who came to the Roost to present the prizes. The Pitch and Putt was won by Trevor Cassidy and thanks to Tony and Mary Bean for their involvement in this competition for Festival Week. One of the best contested competitions during the Festival has to be the **Guinness** Barperson. There is absolutely great rivalry between the Pubs and Hotels for this title.

The winner this year is: Pat Howley - Roost, 667 votes
Second Clare O'Regan - Dowdstown Hotel, 616 votes
Third Jerry McNamara - Leinster Arms, 296 votes
Fourth Eamonn McCarthy - Caulfields, 212 votes.
Thanks to all contestants for their hard work in securing their votes as they play a great part in getting sponsorship for the Festival. This sponsorship helps fund the Festival and the Community Council projects. Still on Sunday we moved to The Square to see Rita DoYLES School of Dancing perform. Rita had the whole town out in The Square along with all her lovely dancers. They all gave a great performance for almost two hours. Well done and thanks to Rita for taking part in Festival Week. From The Square we moved to the Leinster Arms for the **Guinness** Talent Competition. We had fourteen contestants who sang their hearts out to a large audience. As the night progressed we could have had another twenty but time did not permit. The winners were 1st Pakie Carroll, 2nd Sinéad O'Keeffe, 3rd Richard Kelly and most entertaining prize went to Niall Farrell. Our thanks also to our musicians on the night, Gerry Fitzpatrick, Philip McDermott, Christy Dempsey and Balla Fleming and to the judges Margaret Delaney, Lily Halligan and Kathleen Cross. The closure of the Festival was a Disco in the G.A.A. This was attended by a large crowd and nicely finished off the Festival. We would like to extend our thanks to the G.A.A., Caulfields, Bradys, Leinster Arms, the Roost and Dowdstown Hotel for their support and co-operation in organising the **Guinness** Festival. Thanks also to Willie and Noreen for handling the P.A. throughout the week, to Community Council Executive and members, to Freda Kelleher, Secretary of the Festival, the office staff and students on the Summer Student Scheme for all their help and co-operation during the Festival and last but by no means least our thanks to **Guinness** for their continued sponsorship for the Festival. All in all a good Festival and it appears was enjoyed by all. If I omitted to thank or mention anyone it certainly was not intentional and I'll finish with a general thanks to one and all.

Norah McDermott, Festival Chairperson.



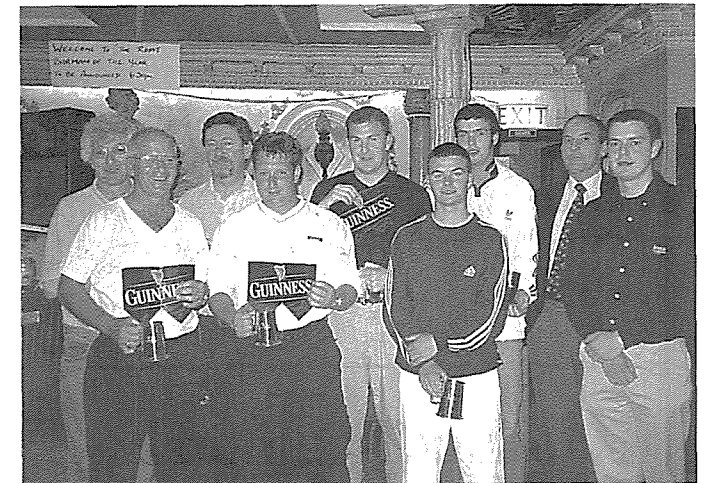
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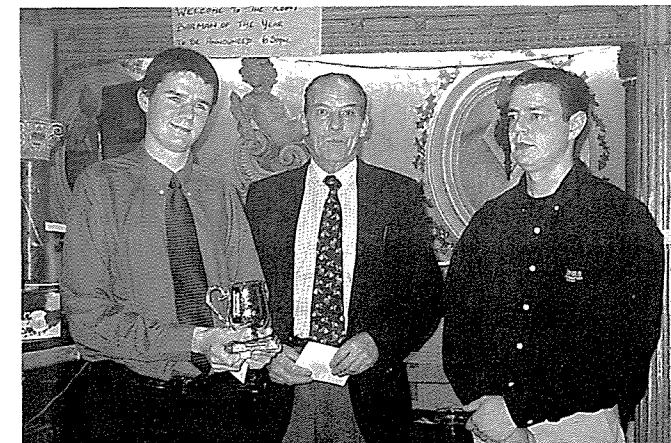
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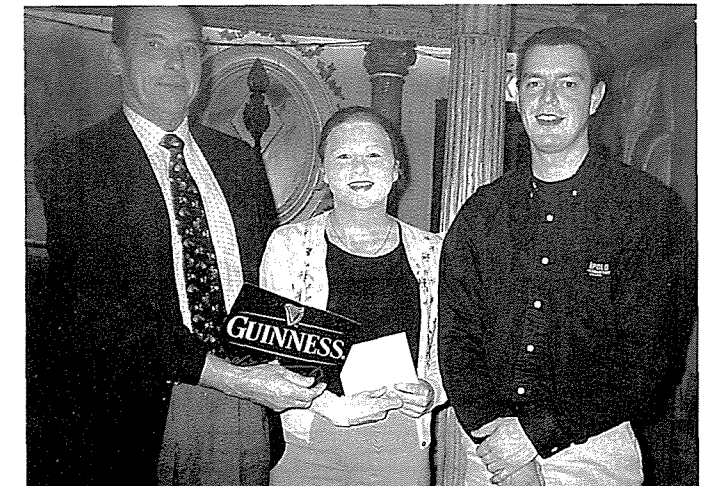
Winners of Soccer Competition Kingsbry/Noenchengladbach



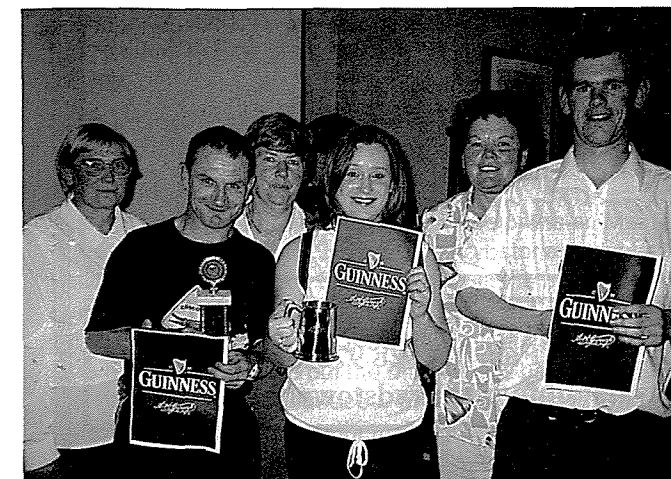
Runners up in soccer competition Old Greenfield



Winner of Guinness Barperson was Pat Howley, The Roost



Runner up in Guinness Barperson was Claire O'Regan, Dowdstown Hotel



Winners and Judges at Guinness Talent Competition in Leinster Arms
L-R: Kathleen Cross, Judge; Niall Farrell, Best Entertainer; Margaret Delaney, Judge; Sinéad O'Keeffe, 2nd Place; Lily Halligan, Judge and Pakie Carroll, 1st Place



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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Maynooth Community Council paid tribute to the late Eddie Sherry. Eddie was a well known figure in Maynooth working hard to keep the town of Maynooth tidy. He will indeed be sadly missed.

Tributes were also paid to the late Philip Burke who was also a well known figure in Maynooth. A life long supporter of the G.A.A. Philip was an Honorary President.

Festival

The Festival Launch took place in the Roost on Friday 16th July. Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council Tom McMullon welcomed everybody: guests and a great number of people representing Clubs, Organisations and Societies. Chairperson Tom McMullon introduced Alan Power, Guinness Representative. He thanked Guinness for their continued support of Maynooth Community Festival. The Festival Committee, Freda Kelleher, Norah McDermott and the office staff have put together a very fine programme of events. It was also noted that the involvement of Maynooth G.A.A. will be a great addition to the Festival said Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin.

Harbour Field - Geraldine Hall Committee

The work of this Committee has stopped for the time being owing to the serious illness of Mick Gillick the Chairperson. The Committee represents: Maynooth Community Council, Maynooth Development Association, The Trustees of the Harbour Field, Maynooth G.A.A., Maynooth Soccer Club and the Athletic Club. The Community Council wishes Mick a very speedy recovery.

Footbridge

It was noted that a new Footbridge would be erected over the canal. Its location would be a short distance from where it was situated previously. It should be ready by mid - October '99.

Community Council Office

It was noted that only 15 FÁS workers are now employed in the Community Council office. Tribute was paid to all the office staff for their commitment and to their supervisor for keeping the Newsletter and all the other office business going well.

Legal Advice

Maynooth Community Council will be getting legal advice on new measures being brought in by FÁS on the sponsors of Community employment schemes. Chairman Tom McMullon said he didn't know if this meant that FÁS expected the Community Council to be legally liable for a scheme being run by them. Pending legal advice this situation remains as it is.

Footpaths

Des Matthews said that the kerbing on the paths on Main Streets was not suitable. He said the kerbstones are already getting loose. There is a big gap between the bollards, it will not stop cars parking on the paths, said Pádraic O'Murchú. Cllr. Senan Griffin informed the meeting that the parking bye-laws have been passed but the marking will be done when the main streets are resurfaced, which will be soon, and the road lines will be put down then. The Gardai will implement bye-laws when the road is ready.

Incinerator up-date

It was stated at the meeting that we have a very hard and worrying path ahead. It would be hoped that Kildare County Council would reject the application for the incinerator at Kilcock. Maynooth Community Council are fully behind the North Kildare/South Meath Anti-Incinerator Alliance (Ltd).

Election Coverage

It was noted that Cllr. Senan Griffin expressed disappointment with the coverage he received in the Newsletter. Chairperson Tom McMullon said a letter should be sent to the Newsletter.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee

The Tidy Towns Committee are doing a fine job around the town. They are appealing for more workers to join their group. It was noted that the Glenroyal Hotel had bought a new lawnmower for the group. It was stated that all money collected was put back into the job of keeping the town of Maynooth tidy.

Council Representatives

The Community Council would like all Residents Associations and Clubs etc. to send their representative to the Community Council Meetings.

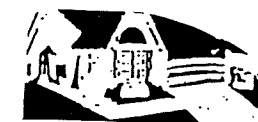
Next Community Council meeting 13th September.

Marie Gleeson, P.R.O.

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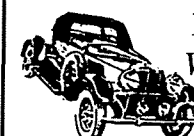
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Answer

To be eligible for the new respite care grant of £200 you must
be in receipt of Carer's Allowance in June, 1999. People in
receipt of Domiciliary Care Allowance will not be eligible for
Carer's Allowance until August, 1999.

The grant was automatically paid to those in receipt of
Carer's Allowance in June. It was also paid to carers of those
in receipt of Prescribed Relatives Allowance and Constant
Attendance Allowance.

The Carer's Allowance is a means-tested payment with a
£150 income disregard applied to a couple's joint income. A
£75 weekly income disregard will be applied to a single
person's income from August, 1999.

Furthermore, carers' social insurance records are to be
protected with the award of credited P.R.S.I. contributions to
eligible carers getting the Carer's Allowance or caring for
those getting Constant Attendance Allowance or Prescribed
Relative Allowance. Credited contributions will also apply to
carers of children getting Domiciliary Care Allowance if they
are eligible for Carer's Allowance from August, 1999.

Eligible carers are those who have been in employment or
signing for credits within the previous two years. Those who
have never worked or who have been out of the workforce
and not signing for a social welfare payment in the past two
years will not be eligible for credited contributions. However,
if you are not due 'credits', you may be entitled to have
'Homemakers Years' taken into account for Old Age
(Contributory) Pension.

For further information you should contact the Department of
Social, Community and Family Affairs, Information Service:
Tel 01-874 8444 or your local Citizens Information Centre (list
of Citizens Information Centres in Golden Pages).

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p.m.

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Monday 2.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.

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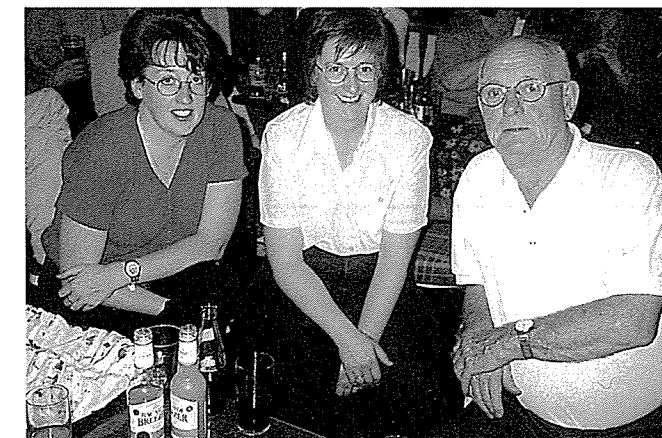
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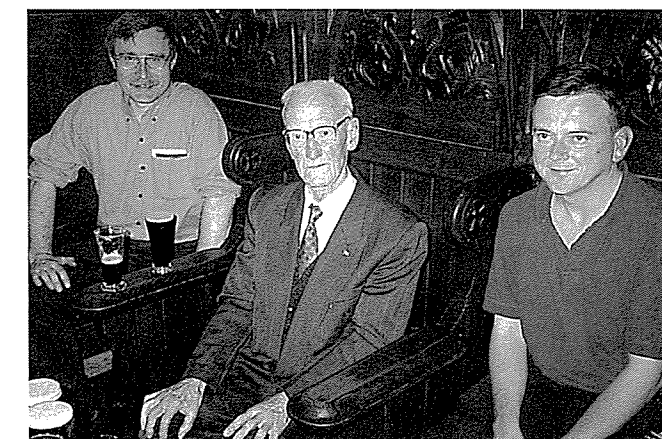
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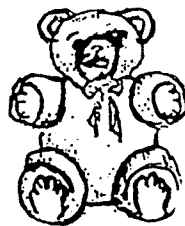
*Excited children waiting to register for the Summer
Project.*



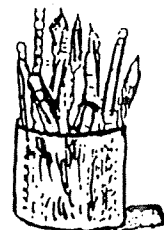
*Elaine Bean, Melanie Oliver and Leo Bean at the launch
of the Maynooth Community Festival which was held
in The Roost.*



*Pádraig O'Morchú, Gearóid McTernan and Michael
Quinn at the launch of the Festival.*



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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Our project began on 12th July and is going very well. It will not be over until after the closing date set for this issue. Unfortunately I have not been on it myself but by all accounts both children and adults are enjoying it.

We would like to thank the Parents Association in the Boys School for their kind donation to the project. It was very much appreciated.

We would also like to thank Sergeant Desmond here in Maynooth, who got us three gardai to help us on the project. They are very popular with the children and are a great help to the committee.

I hope to have some photos for the next issue and more news on the second week of the project.

Claire O'Rourke
Secretary



Ann Lyons at the Karaoke



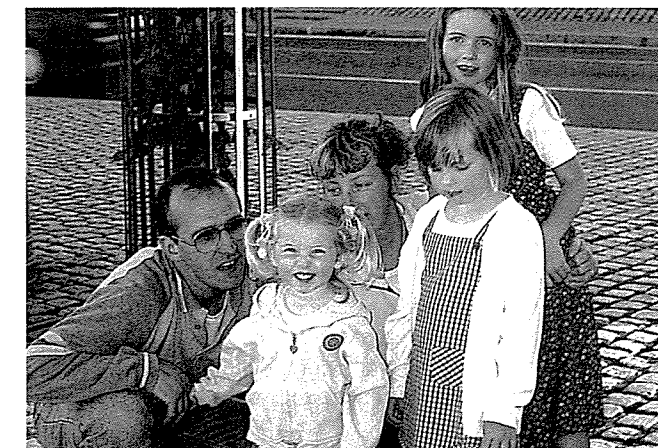
Children enjoying the Bingo at the Summer Project



l-r Ann-Marie, Margaret, Cindy, Norah, Ann-Marie, Bernard and front Claire.



Children enjoying the Bingo at the Summer Project



Family audience enjoying the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band at the Maynooth Festival.

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Maynooth Tidy Towns

Gaisce-The Presidents Award

Gaisce is the National Challenge Award from the President of Ireland to young people between 15 and 25yrs. of age. It's fun and adventurous, as well as having the opportunity to make new friends. Achievement of a Gaisce Award is well regarded by employers. There are four different areas of activity required, (1) Community Involvement (2) Personal Skills (3) Physical Recreation and (4) An Adventurous Activity. You decide the level of commitment you can give as there are three award levels, Bronze, Silver and Gold medals presented by the President.

In order to participate you need to agree a suitable challenge with an award leader. Maynooth Tidy Towns is willing to assist young people in the town to obtain a Gaisce Award by identifying suitable challenges under the Community Involvement Category. If you are interested in participating in this challenge please contact without delay by phoning 6286709.

New Rules for Best Estate and Shop Front Competitions 1999

Both of these competitions are sponsored again this year by Coonans Estate Agents and Financial Services. Judging will take place during August. The following are the general criteria under which the competitions will be independently judged:

Best Shop Front:

1. Presentation, colour and layout of the shop window.
2. Condition of painting and structure of the entire front of the building.
3. Additional effort such as hanging baskets or window baskets.
4. Presence of litter on the footpaths in front of the premises.
5. Is the condition of the premises setting the standard for the town.

First and second prizes will be awarded with an award for the most improved shop front in the last year.

Best Estate Competition:

1. Presentation, general appearance and layout of the area.
2. Condition of boundary fronting the development, i.e. presence of weeds and litter on roadsides and the amount of litter.
3. Level of care and attention in maintenance, presence of weeds on roadsides and the amount of litter.
4. Level of planting that has taken place in the area, i.e. Trees, shrubs and flowers.
5. Evidence of effort by individual householders in the maintenance of their property.

There will be two categories (1) the best residential area with less than one hundred houses including Apartment complexes and (2) the best residential area with over one hundred houses. There will also be a prize for the most improved residential area in recognition of efforts since last year. Shops and residential areas are not required to submit an application to take part in the competitions as all shops and residential areas are automatically entered in the appropriate competition.

Paul Croghan

Secretary

Maynooth Tidy Towns

P.S. Apologies to SallyAnn O'Reilly for getting her name wrong in last month's notes.

Irish Heart Foundation

Maynooth Walk

A training walk was organised by Michael Quinn and Martin Byrne in Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

It's a joint venture between Maynooth Local History Society, the Civic Forum and the Irish Heart Foundation. The Group met group will meet at the gates of Maynooth College at 3pm.

The route included a guided tour of Maynooth College, a break for tea, and a 10km walk along Carton Avenue and the perimeter walls of Carton Estate to Pike Bridge.

There was a visit to the pre-Christian burial ground of Donaghmore (the great church) and the group will return to Maynooth along the banks of the Royal Canal.

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Maynooth Community Games

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Best of luck Seán, from the Community Games Committee. Full report next month.



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LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee are taking a short break for July and August. This has been made possible because the Post Primary School, Maynooth are sharing their FÁS Scheme with us. Brian Horan commenced work with us in June and is doing tremendous work at maintaining the work the Committee had achieved over the last number of months.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Senan Griffin who has played a major part in our achievements in getting the Cemetery to the standard it is today, through his work with Kildare Co. Council and FÁS.

Thanks to Monsignor Alex Stenson, Fr. John Sinnott and Fr. Paddy O'Connor who concelebrated Mass and blessed the new Altar on Cemetery Sunday; to Frank Walsh, Willie Kiernan and the Maynooth Band for their contribution; and to parishioners of Maynooth for their financial support, co-operation and kind words.

I would like to confirm that the gates of the cemetery are not locked and I would be obliged if you could close the gates after your visit to the cemetery. Thank you.

Breda Holmes, Chairperson

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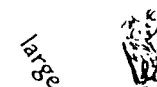


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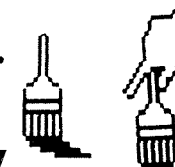
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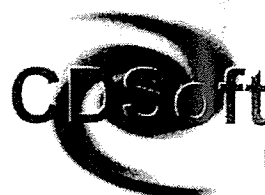


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Gerry McNamara who went down a treat at the Karokle in the Leinster Arms



Mark Kelly from Wales who sang at the Karokle in the Leinster Arms

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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Nótaí O Chómhairle Aisinteachta an Chanáil Rioga Cumann Maigh Nuadh

The 1999 Miss Royal Canal, now in it's 10th year, took place on the 17th. July at the Glenroyal Hotel, and was a fun filled night.

The following twelve contestants took part:

Nadine Foley	-	Supernac's
Laura Edgeworth	-	Pottery Barn
Catherine Smyth	-	C.P.L.
Margaret Lothian	-	CD Soft
Grainne O'Loughlin	-	Hot Heads
Lucy Finn	-	Express Cabs
Andrea Hartley	-	Quinnsworth
Sinead O'Sullivan	-	Glenroyal Hotel
Sharon Halligan	-	Super Valu
Caroline Mackey	-	Dowdstown Hotel
Grainne Durham	-	Leinster Arms
Serena Campbell	-	Roost

The new Miss Royal Canal is:

Lucy Finn (Miss Express Cabs)

First in sponsorship was:

Margaret Lothian (Miss CD Soft)

Second was:

Sinead O'Sullivan (Miss Glenroyal Hotel)

Third was:

Serena Campbell (Miss Roost)

Every Contestant was a star performer, including an unofficial entry wearing a sash entitled 'Miss Barge Pole', and each made the night so successful and enjoyable.

Our particular thanks to our judges:

Freddie Melia	Dawsons Menswear
Tony Bean	Maynooth Pitch & Putt
Ann Carey	Cameo
Deirdre Kennedy	Barrister

To our brilliant compere Paul Daly, and our escort Enda Breslin, Willie Kiernan sound, 1998 Miss Royal Canal Carol Cassidy and to the many businesses and supporters who donated prizes for the various winners. The following are the list of prizes won by the various winners.

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Margaret Lothian

Royal Canal
Glenroyal Leisure Club
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Wells Hotel

Sinead O' Sullivan

Stenna HSS
Michelangelo
Brady's "Clock House"
Intercom Technology

Third Highest Sponsorship

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Meal for Two
Champagne
Voucher

Serena Campbell

Irish Ferries
Spa Hotel
Quinnsworth
Philip Anthony's

1998 Miss Royal Canal

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Other Sponsors were:

Just Gifts, Romayos, Dawsons Menswear, Katie's Flowers, The Flower Pot, Newtown Stores.

The Royal Regatta:

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday 8th, 9th and 10th August will see lots of activity in the Harbour and Maynooth area with the arrival and launch of the participating boats for the 25th anniversary Boat Regatta. We have an Irish music night set UP on Monday night, 9th August for our visitors at the GAA club. There will be top quality music and dancing and everybody is welcome.

Conversion to a Limited Company

When you read next month's Newsletter we will have converted to a Company limited by Guarantee and having no Share Capital to give it its technical name. This is to comply with the legal requirements for sponsoring Community Employment groups on foot of an EU directive, and administered by FÁS. Each members liability will be a nominal £1. in the event of the company going insolvent. We want more members and your phone call to 6290980 will start the process.

Slán is Beannacht



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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

Wheeling and Dealing towards the Future of Maynooth

When sometime in the future someone comes to look at planning in Ireland in the late 1990s, Maynooth, Co. Kildare will be an ideal case study. One issue after another has come to the boil in this rapidly growing area over the past few years, generating acute concerns that the future development of this region is being predominantly dictated by land economics and outside forces rather than community concerns. Of course the high profile issues of the past few months have been the proposed superdump a few miles north of the town and the proposed toxic incinerator a few miles west of the town. Both are likely to be major concerns over the next few months as An Bord Pleanála considers appeals from the developers. Indeed the recent very successful public meeting on the proposed incinerator organised by **Maynooth Planning Alliance** was indicative of just how much people in the area oppose such inappropriate proposals. But lurking in the background it is important not to forget the other impositions which the community of Maynooth may be asked to bear over the next few months - namely the land rezonings which are currently being hatched by our councillors for the forthcoming Maynooth Development Plan. Of course this plan will still come before the people of Maynooth on public display in a few months time, but rest assured there will be little opportunity to exercise any real influence on what it contains. Like most Kildare towns the concerns expressed by local groups were largely ignored in the amendment debates on the recent County Development Plan which sets the tone for all the individual town plans. The deal has been done in a variety of ways which you as a resident of Maynooth and a concerned citizen should note. Here's what you should watch out for!

1. The Landowner/Councillor Agreement

Planning Maynooth, it now appears, is done on the basis of pre-arranged deals made in writing with local landowners. Two such deals have now been announced by our local councillors. In both cases land to the value of over £1m is likely to be 'donated' to private clubs. At the same time, the same landowners are being facilitated in huge rezonings for residential purposes which may, when the sale of their land to developers is completed, net them a tidy sum totalling somewhere between £10m - £20m. This is being trumpeted as an example of good planning. Another politician has described such practices as 'social bribery'. Which do you think is nearer the mark?

Of course private clubs can sell their windfall and move elsewhere. Wouldn't it be nice if someone gave you £1m in the morning? It's quite easy to see who are the beneficiaries of this approach to planning the future of Maynooth. It's also quite easy to see who are the losers. Residents using the Newtown/Rathcoffey Road and Moyglare Road are the most likely losers as these areas have been most likely targeted to receive the extra 800 houses, 2,400 people and 1,200 cars which this deal facilitates. In both cases further major developments are already proposed for the entrances of their roads onto the Main Street of Maynooth. In both cases no alternative route to and from the motorway currently exists for them. But then what's another 1,000+ cars on the roads of Maynooth? In reality the fragmented community of Maynooth in its entirety is the loser.

Of course the deal will supposedly include some grounds for a school, social housing, open spaces etc. It will be packaged and presented as a triumph. We'll be hearing about new lamp posts and footpaths in this Newsletter for years ahead. But this is small beer, as any thinking person will soon realise. The track record over the past few years does not augur well. Maynooth is still playing catch up from the last five years during which its population has increased by 40% and many of the vital amenities have never appeared. Our councillors, so concerned with ballooning the population of the town further, have not even delivered a street sweeping service different from that of a quarter of a century ago that extends beyond 5% of the town. Neither have they delivered a blade of grass maintained by the County Council for recreational amenity. But we do get the deals for houses. Of course we need amenities and sports facilities, but there are other ways of providing these.

2. The Overturning of Local Democracy

The second thing you might look out for is that of the internal dynamics among elected representatives. When one councillor doesn't get things entirely to his liking at local level he enlists his pals at full Council to really botch things up! This has happened in Maynooth where a decision at local level to rezone 100-120 acres for residential development was not to the liking of one councillor. Twice now the full County Council has been persuaded to overturn the local democratic decision and rezone an extra 30 acres for Maynooth, taking the available land bank to 234 acres, or potentially 1800 new houses in the town. The recommendations of the County Planner were of course overturned at the same time and the previously agreed population targets agreed to by the same individual's party were dumped. But this is how things are done in Maynooth.

3. Learn the Jargon

You should also be familiar with the vocabulary which came through your letterbox around the time of the election. This is unique to local politics, but needs some decoding for the lay person.

"Affordable Housing" was one of the most common slogans. A cynical view might be that it means 'let's rezone as much as we can get away with, using this noble sentiment as a smoke-screen'. Does anyone believe that new housing in Maynooth will be on sale at less than £100k as a result of adding to the 1800 houses in the pipeline already? It's almost 15 years since the last rezonings and still leftover land amounting to 86 acres was recorded at the last count by the Co. Council. The opportunity for affordable housing development was always there, but never availed of. Maynooth, and nearby towns, such as Celbridge, with huge unused landbanks, confirm the lack of relationship between supply and starter home prices in this area. Supply increases in Maynooth will not reduce prices to levels where ordinary people can afford a new house as long as exorbitant profit making is the order of the day. Similarly, another catch phrase is often thrown around which you should watch out

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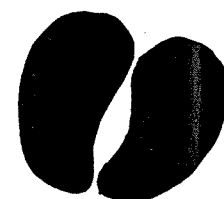
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Maynooth Planning Alliance is pro development. It wants to see Maynooth grow steadily and confidently into the new millenium. It wants to see our local councillors plan for a Maynooth which has amenities and services to match this growth and not become merely a collection of houses, a town which has sacrificed its character and sense of community on the altar of profit for a few. Experience elsewhere in Ireland has demonstrated the problems such an approach brings in its wake and we need to learn the lessons quickly.

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MAYNOOTH ARTS FORUM

The Maynooth Arts Forum is a group set up under the auspices of Maynooth Action Strategy Taskforce. The taskforce was established in 1998 and its brief covers three areas. 1) Physical - to look at how the village can be used to establish the town’s character taking account of its historic importance, university status and of its living and working character. 2) Commercial - to explore the development of the commercial potential for the benefit of the town with an emphasis on utilising natural assets. 3) Social/Amenity - to enhance the lifestyle of the community covering the areas of sport and leisure, passive amenity and development of the Arts.

In this context the Maynooth Arts Forum came about. It brings together a number of people who have interests in the fields of music, drama, dance, art and literature. The Maynooth Arts Forum aims to make clear the specific needs in this area and to establish contacts which might bring about further activities in these areas. It wishes to examine the feasibility of appropriate facilities for artistic and cultural work. In liaising with Kildare County Council Arts Officer, it hopes to maximise the benefits from the Council’s plans for the arts. It is to investigate Arts Councils funding possibilities. And finally, with the Castle Committee, the Arts Forum hopes to establish to what extent community needs may be met by the restoration of the castle.

Previous issues of the *Maynooth Newsletter* ran advertisements calling on people interested in the arts to submit their names to the relevant disciplines. There was a good response indicating that there is a wealth of local talent. Meetings so far have been well attended, representing the broad range of interests in the arts in the locality including the National University of Ireland, Maynooth. Some members of the Arts Forum took part in a Social/Amenity workshop run by Maynooth Action Strategy over a three week period. The underlying feeling that emerged from all the discussions at the workshop was the need to involve young people in the development of their locality. The Arts Forum endorses this approach.

So far the Arts Forum has established an exhibition of paintings in the window of the Allied Irish Bank. The paintings are by members of the Castle Keep Art Group who along with other local artists mounted the exhibition in support of the Arts Forum. This has generated a lot of interest both locally and abroad as shown by the sales. The display of paintings will change over the next few weeks. The bank has indicated that there may be a permanent display area in their bank in the future. Thanks are due to the A.I.B. for the use of the window area to highlight the work of the Arts Forum. There are plans being discussed in relation to the other art disciplines. Meetings for the Arts Forum will resume in September with a view to organising an arts event or events for the Autumn.

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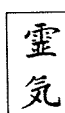
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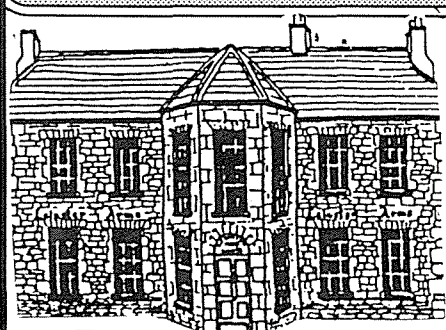
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Enter Chris Sabian (played by Kevin Spacey), also a star hostage negotiator, and the conflict is on.

The movie is well directed by F. Gary Gray and the entire cast give nothing less than their best. In fact it's a pretty slick and flawless film. However, it's all been done before and it is one of those movies where you know from the start who the villain is and all you can say at the end is 'I knew that'.

Verdict: Too predictable

The Mask of Zorro (12's)

The character of Don Diego de la Vega, alias Zorro, has always been a dashing cinematic figure. It's been played by Douglas Fairbanks and Tyrone Power, each bringing his own special flavour to the role. This time Antonio Banderas is the avenging hero in black.

However director Martin Campbell's film doesn't follow the traditional Zorro story. It begins with an ageing Zorro (brilliantly played by Anthony Hopkins) passing on his expertise and his sword to his young nephew Banderas, alias Zorro junior. Thus suitably equipped, he goes after the bad guys and still finds time to woo Catherine Zeta Jones along the way.

This is a hugely enjoyable swashbuckling adventure yarn in the traditional mould. Anthony Hopkins is superb as usual, although it would be hard to imagine a more wooden actor than Antonio Banderas (anyone who was unfortunate to see Desperado will know this).

While it's nowhere near as good as the Tyrone Power movie, it is worth a couple of hours of your time.

Verdict: Great fun!

Don't Go Breaking My Heart (P.G.)

Jenny Seagrove plays a widow who is defying her friends' attempts to find her a new partner. Charles Dance is part of her circle of friends and decides that he is the one for her. He is also in the fortunate position of being her dentist, who just happens to use hypnosis on his patients. Having no luck using conventional methods to win her affection, he resorts to using his hypnotic skills with unforeseen and amusing results. Anthony Edwards of E.R. fame is a failing sports psychologist who gets caught up in events through a series of chance meetings and unpredictable results of the aforementioned hypnosis.

This is a funny and heart-warming story of two people who overcome their emotional obstacles and realise that they can't live without each other. Of course it's soppy. Of course it's been done before. But director Will Patterson succeeds in this making a very good film nonetheless. Get out the Kleenex ladies!

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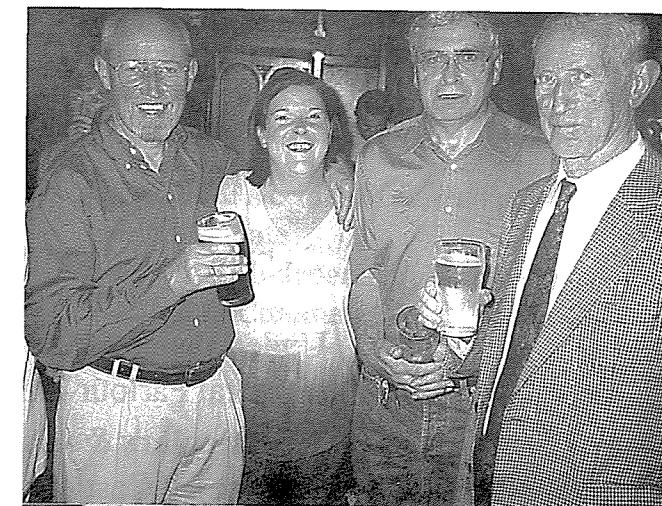


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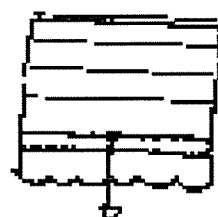
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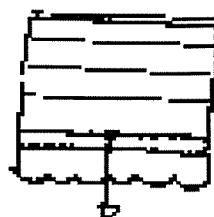
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UNSUNG HEROES

Existing for many centuries, Kilcock's location was little known nationally.

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Renowned for years for St. Coca, its monthly livestock fair, Kellys Bakery and 'Pat Dunne', deemed to be the first person to go to heaven from Kilcock in the late 1940's. Cotts Mail Order Store sponsored a weekly lunchtime radio programme on Radio Eireann, when Kilcock became a household name nationally.

In the mid 1950's it was famed for Kilcock players on the County senior team. The late Noel Moran, and Paddy Gibbons, Larry McCormack, Peter Maguire and Davy Dalton Sen., Davy junior to follow in the 90's.

However infamous the Legendary Fable or down right lies, about the 'Curse' of St. Patrick on Kilcock, when the Saint visited the settlement en route to Tara sixteen centuries ago.

The reason for this so called curse, had many and varied explanations, none credible.

But is it a fable or is the proposed incinerator, the 'Curse' about to befall Kilcock, which will make it universally famous for the wrong reasons.

Robert O'Reilly

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to **Trevor McMahon** from his granny, Pauline Dowling, his Mam, Dad, brothers and sisters.

Happy birthday to **Kenya Dempsey** who is one year old on August 31st, Love from Nana Eileen, Jimmy, Brian, Orla, Ciarán and Neal.

Birthday greetings to **Rikki McTernan** age eight on August 8th from Daddy, Mammy, Grannie, Grandad, pal Conor and friends

Happy birthday to **Keith McTernan**, Dunboyne who will be twenty one on August 9th, from Daddy, Mammie, sister Ciara, Grannie and Grandads

Happy birthday to **Aileen McTernan**, Moyglare Village age fourteen on the 22nd August from Daddy, Mammie, sister Aoife, brother Sean, Grannie and Grandad and friends.

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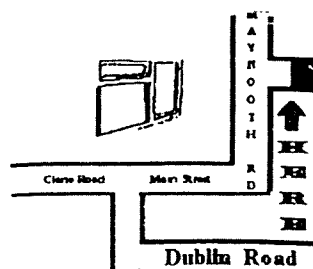
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QUEEN VICTORIA VISITS CARTON

August 9th next marks the 150th anniversary of Queen Victoria's visit to Carton Estate. The visit had originally been planned in 1846 but had been postponed due to the onset of famine conditions across the country in that year. By 1849 the country had endured three years of famine with up to one million people dying from disease and starvation and another million fleeing the country. The potato crop, which was the staple diet of two thirds of the population, partly failed in 1845 and failed completely in 1846 and 1848. In 1847 only a very small crop had been planted. Mortality remained high in the west and south west of the country in 1849 with outbreaks of cholera affecting many towns along the east coast.

The official announcement of the visit received a mixed reception. The Freeman's Journal commented that the queen would receive a more accurate impression of the state of the country by visiting 'an unroofed cabin with the miserable emaciated inhabitants cast out and perishing on the dung heap beside it' than being wined and dined in Dublin. Others hoped that a successful visit would promote trade and encourage British investment in the country. This, then, is the context of Queen Victoria's visit to Carton on August 9th 1849. Below are a series of excerpts from the Freeman's Journal of the following day describing the visit:

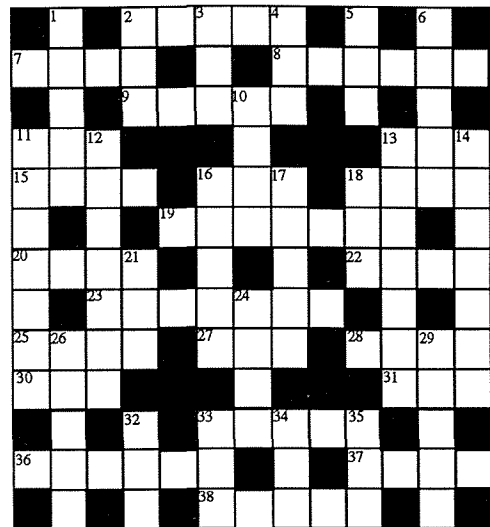
"The announcement that her Majesty and the Prince Consort would visit Carton, the seat of the Duke of Leinster, yesterday, and that his grace's noble demesne would be thrown open to the public on the occasion, induced great numbers of persons to avail themselves of a good opportunity of seeing the Queen, and at the same time enjoying a delightful excursion. To afford every facility for the purpose, the Midland Great Western Railway Company determined to run special trains, by which persons could arrive at Carton in time for the Queen's visit, and be back in Dublin at a reasonable hour in the evening. The arrangement was taken advantage of extensively; the special trains despatched from the terminus at the Broadstone for Maynooth were crowded, as were the ordinary trains to the same place, both before and after. In addition to those who travelled by the trains, large numbers who either travelled on foot or in every description of vehicle that could be pressed into service, were assembled from the surrounding town and country. All wended their way to the picturesque demesne to which they had the entrees for the day, resolved to see the Queen, if possible, and to enjoy the treat which they anticipated for themselves.

A number of the constabulary were present to assist the Duke's servants in keeping the ground, or maintaining order; but there was little or no occasion for their services, as the conduct and demeanour of those assembled were as respectful and orderly as could be wished A large number of the nobility and gentry were invited to meet her Majesty at Carton; and for a considerable time before her arrival brilliant equipages continued to drive up in quick succession to the grand entrance, from which the ladies and gentlemen set down proceeded to the magnificent apartments within, or to the pleasure ground, where they walked about, formed groups for conversation, or reposed themselves on the numerous seats provided ...

With her usual punctuality, her Majesty arrived almost at the moment she was expected - one o'clock ... The drive along the Valley of the Liffey, presenting scenery of the most picturesque and magnificent description. The royal party leaving the public road proceeded through Woodlands, the demesne of Colonel White, where a handsome triumphal arch was erected across the avenue ... At this point, and at others along the route, crowds of persons were collected, by whom her Majesty and the Prince were enthusiastically cheered. Near Leixlip a number of students had assembled and as her Majesty passed, they also gave her and the Prince a warm and hearty welcome which they acknowledged with their usual affability. When the approach of the Queen was signalled, the royal standard was hoisted on a flag-staff erected upon the roof of the house she came to honour with a visit ... Handsome flags were also displayed from the Royal College of St. Patrick's Maynooth, as a mark of respect to her Majesty ... Her Majesty and his Royal Highness were received by the Duke and Duchess of Leinster, and conducted to the state apartments where the royal party partook of a sumptuous dejeuner. Shortly afterwards her Majesty proceeded to the pleasure ground, leaning on the arm of his Grace the Duke of Leinster, Prince Albert walking on the other side. Her Majesty wore a pink silk dress and a blue silk bonnet, both covered with Limerick lace, and a light coloured shawl and parasol. It caused some disappointment that none of the royal children accompanied their parents on this occasion.

Having walked through the pleasure ground for some time a new mode of affording pleasure to her Majesty was introduced - namely, a dance by some of the peasantry. Two veritable Irish pipers having been procured, a number of the duke's labourers, with their wives and daughters, were collected, and they proceeded to dance a variety of Irish reels and jigs, to Irish tunes, a circle having been formed by the lords and ladies present. The dance over her Majesty ... was first driven to a portion of the demesne where on a rising ground stands a high tower, ascending by a winding stairs, from the top of which a fine view of the surrounding countryside can be obtained. From that the royal party proceeded over a considerable extent of the demesne to the Rye Water and (from there) to a handsome rustic cottage which the Duke wished to show her. The cottage is beautifully situated on the brow of the eminence over-hanging the river, and has a well laid out garden behind ... They first entered the 'shell house' with which her Majesty and the Prince seemed to be much pleased. They then passed through other portions of the cottage and into the garden where they remained for some time ... It now being near four o'clock and time pressing, they were driven back at rather a quick pace to prepare for departure. Crowds of well dressed persons were assembled at the several points from which a good view of her Majesty could be had in the course of her progress through the demesne and as she passed each group she was loudly cheered, every hat being taken off as soon as she made her appearance ... The royal party, after leaving the demesne, travelled by the Lucan lower road, and reached the Park at five o'clock."

Crossword No. 140



Entries before Monday 16th August
Name _____

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Across:

2. Tasty (5)
7. Runaway (4)
8. Provoke (6)
9. Astound (5)
11. Belonging to the girl (3)
13. Cushion (3)
15. Imitated (4)
16. Epoch (3)
18. Otherwise (4)
19. Blasphemous (7)
20. Expensive (4)
22. Challenge (4)
23. Fell (7)
25. Gang (4)
27. Hill (3)
28. Lake (4)
30. Goat (3)
31. Performed (3)
33. Renovate (5)
36. Part (6)
37. Absent (4)
38. Beg (5)

Down:

1. Slumber (5)
2. Ocean (3)
3. Vegetable (3)
4. Expire (3)
5. Deed (3)
6. Map-book (5)
10. Nought (4)
11. Fish (7)

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12. Told (7)
13. Happy (7)
14. Cancelled (7)
16. Burst (5)
17. Following (5)
18. Tetminate (3)
21. Line (3)
24. Learning (4)
26. Inflexible (5)
29. Adversary (5)
32. Transgress (3)
33. Salesman (3)
34. Born (3)
35. Lump (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 140

Across: 3. Panic; 9. Former; 10. Rather; 11. Trait; 12. Eden; 15. Else; 17. Reserve; 20. Did; 21. Ensnare; 23. Item; 25. Gale; 26. Roved; 28. Set; 30. Defence; 33. Eros; 35. Reed; 36. Sleep; Magpie; 39. Allege; 40. Party;

Down: 1. Offer; 2. Aries; 3. Pet; 4. Arrive; 5. Iris; 6. Cat; 7. Child; 8. Breed; 14. Newer; 16. Silence; 18. Ended; 19. Mug; 22. Eager; 24. Mob; 27. Defeat; 28. Seamy; 29. Tough; 31. Never; 32. Edged;

Winner of Crossword No.: 140
Fionan Hardiman, Dublin Road Maynooth.

Features

CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY WINS NATIONAL AWARD

This year Clane Musical Society can certainly boast a dramatic end to their very successful year. In June thirty society members headed to Killarney to the National Musical Awards (A.I.M.S.) where they won the category "Best Sets". A fabulous achievement - to have the No. 1 sets of all the musicals performed in Ireland this year. Well done to Marie Cusack whose months of hard work and dedication paid off.

Clane's show this year was 'Best Little Whorehouse in Texas'. Rehearsals began back in October 1998 with Stephen Coleman: Director, Mary Power-Cooney: Choreographer and Brian Brady: Musical Director. Stephen was a charismatic and inspirational member of the group who passed away in February and will be greatly missed.

In March the show was performed to packed houses and each night after the performance cast and audience headed to Manzor's where the Musical Festival activities continued. And the fun didn't stop there; members of C.M.S. supported other societies by attending numerous other local musicals.

The Society's A.G.M. was held at the end of June in Manzors, Clane. The outgoing committee were thanked for their hard work and dedication, while the incoming committee were welcomed with enthusiasm:

Chairperson:	Anne Noonan
Vice Chairman:	Ger Lawlor
Secretary:	Fiona Shirran
Treasurer:	Sadie O'Reilly
P.R.O.:	Gilfosa Kiernan
Members:	Leanore Maleady, Dermot McKeon, Frances Carroll, Anne Keegan, Eamonn Rogers, Aidan Gately.

The A.G.M. established an honorary membership list, the following were voted honorary members of the society: Anne Noonan, Marie Cusack, Betty Powell, Lily Kelly, Rose McLaughlin, Gilfosa Kiernan, Nellie Dillon.

The second annual H.A.I.M.S. Awards were held after the A.G.M. A fun event where it's more popular not to win than win! Two serious awards of the night were "Spirit of the Show" presented to the member of the Society that not only plays their role, on or off the stage, but who also gets involved in unacknowledged aspects of the show's preparation. It was presented to Aidan Gately and was won last year by Sadie O'Reilly. It's sponsored by Seamus Manzor of The Village Inn, Clane.



Clane Musical Society members celebrate winning the category 'Best Sets' at the National A.I.M.S. Awards in Killarney. June 1999.

The second award was the 'Stephen Coleman, You Make a Difference Award', which was presented to the person who in their performance has had an impact on both the audience and fellow cast and in an unassuming way has been inspirational to other members. It was won by Edel Marron, and sponsored by C.D. Soft, Celbridge.

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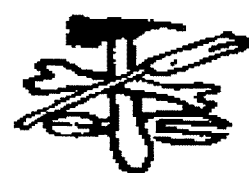
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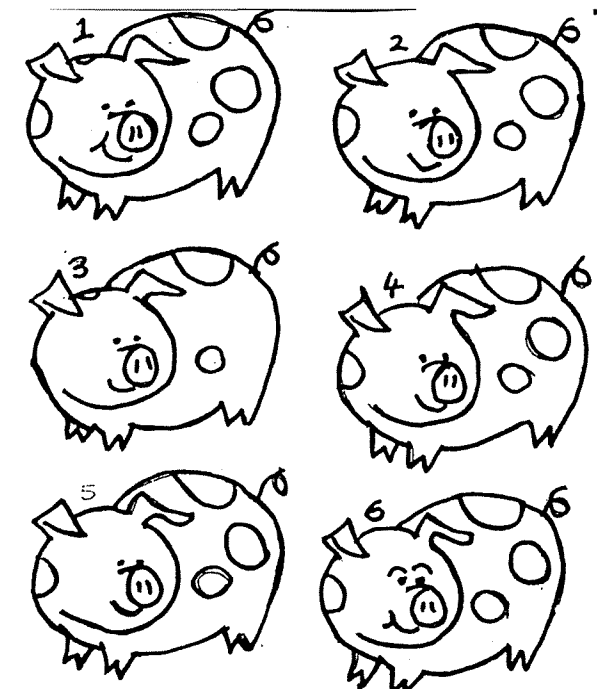
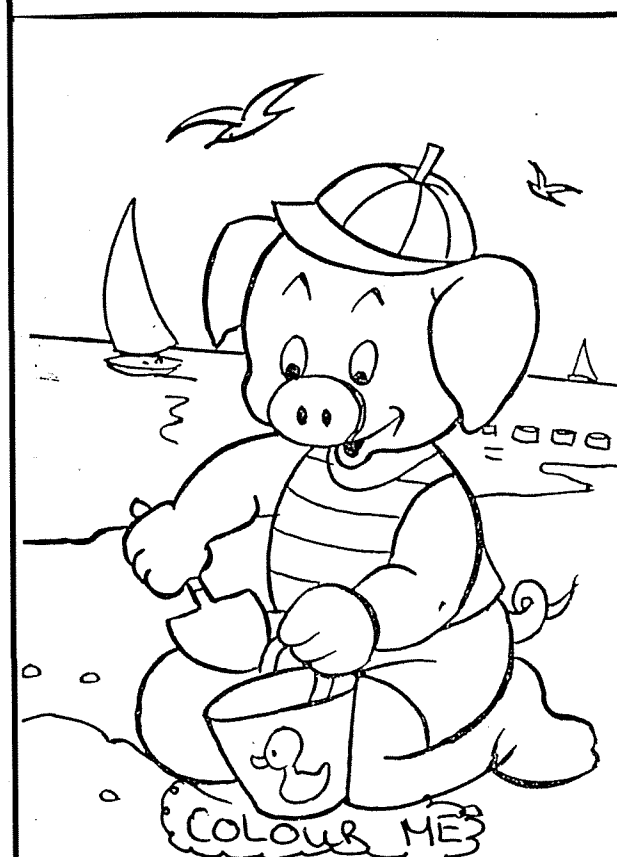


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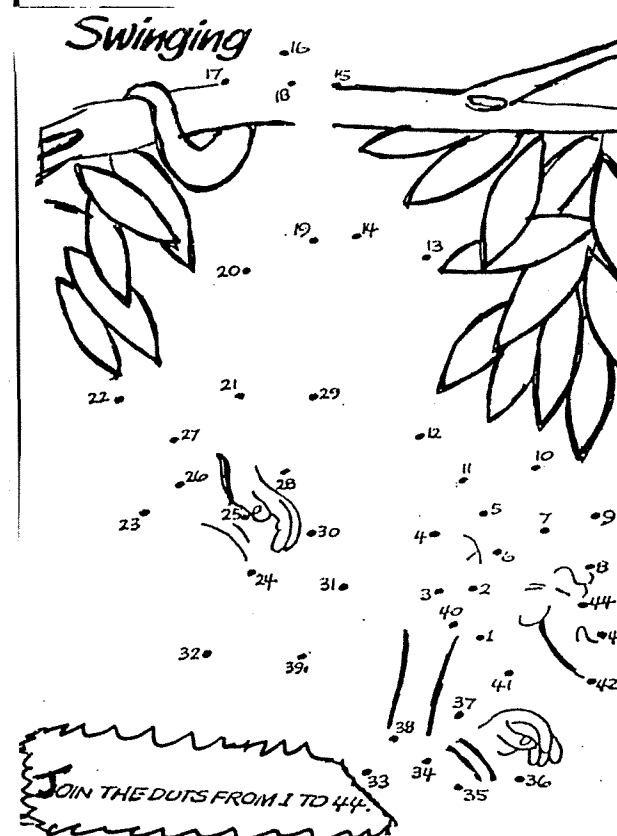
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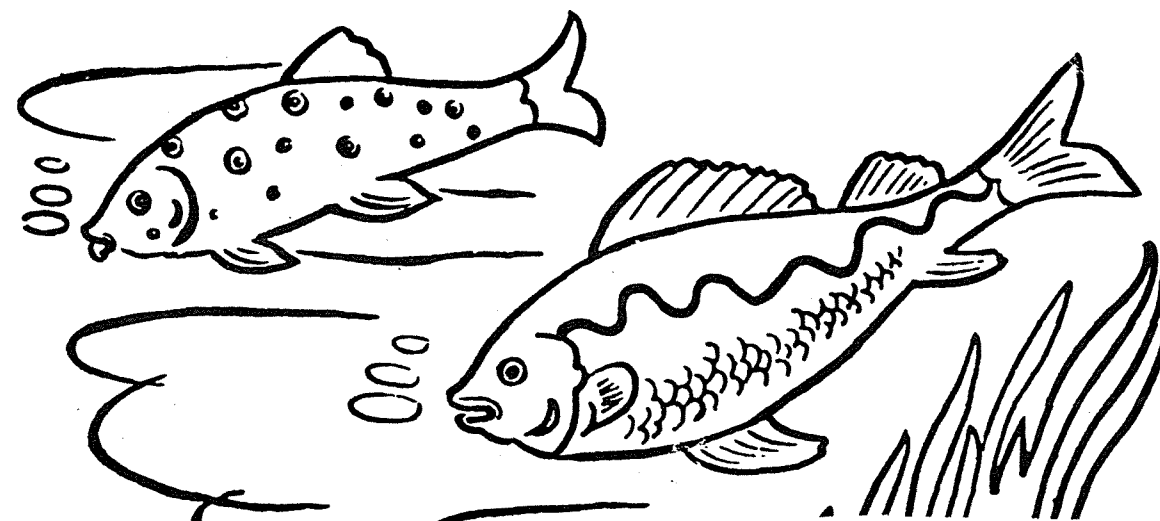
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STUDENTS UNION

Greetings from the Students' Union.

On July 1st, I took the reins from Moss Garde as President. As such I'll be representing the students of N.U.I.M. for the coming academic year. We have almost 5,000 full-time students and like the town population, this figure is rising all the time. Most of these are away at present, leaving us with a few peaceful months, but I assure you, they will all be back next October.

Being a University town, the students make up a sizeable portion of the population, and as such are an integral part of it. However, as students and local community members often have different lifestyles, the two do not always cordially cohabit. In "The First Steps" (available in Community Council office), the Action Strategy partners put forward a proposal to "encourage both the students and the community to better understand their respective needs and concerns". A student-community forum was proposed for this. Over the year, I will work with the development of this, leaving a more trouble free and hopefully stress free year.

If anyone has other suggestions/proposals/comments, please give me a shout. I will gladly consider and/or work with all options towards improving the quality of life for all concerned. Moreover, if anyone has any concerns or dare I say, complaints, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01 7083669.

Hope the festival goes well and enjoy the remainder of the summer.

I look forward to working with you.

John McCormack,
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Margaret and Michael Lennon at the launch of the Maynooth Community Council Festival.

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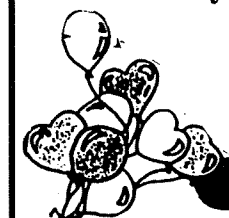
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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Incinerator Proposal

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed the comprehensive rejection by Kildare Co. Council of the planning application by T.W.M. for a Toxic Waste Incinerator at Kilcock.

Unfortunately TWM intend pursuing the application further by appealing the decision to An Bord Pleanala. This is too serious an issue to leave to An Bord Pleanala, who are an unelected body accountable to nobody.

The Government should not hand over its responsibility for Ireland's Toxic Waste disposal to any private operator, be it TWM or anyone else.

Private sector operators are there to make money and are not there to act in peoples interests.

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are calling on the Government to publish their policy on hazardous/toxic waste disposal. If it has to be incineration then it must be State run and regulated and situated in a remote location.

This will cost money, however we are a wealthy country with a £6.5 billion surplus this year. We can afford to protect our peoples health. In addition in line with the polluter pays principle, those who produce toxic/hazardous waste should pay heavily for its safe disposal.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley are calling on Ministers McCreevy and Dempsey to adopt a policy that incineration of toxic waste will only be carried out by the State and that it will be so located so as to pose no threat to the people of Ireland.

Digging Up New Footpaths

Recently we have had two incidents of the new footpaths in Maynooth Main Street being dug up without approval from the Council.

Following Cllr. John McGinley's intervention the Council instructed Bord Gais to reinstate the footpaths.

Cllr. John McGinley has requested the Council to advise utilities that they must have a licence from Kildare Co. Council before they can open footpaths or roadways.

Cllr. McGinley also had a motion passed at the full Council meeting earlier this year which asked the Council to obtain a monetary bond from utilities prior to their opening footpaths/roads, sufficient to reinstate if the utilities defaulted. This motion arose as a result of Telecom Eireann's deplorable record on reinstating roads and footpaths.

Parks Department for Kildare County Council

Councillor John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to Kildare County Council: "That this Council sets up a Parks Department".

It is Councillor McGinley's view that the inclusion of a Parks Department in Kildare County Council is long overdue. In Maynooth, for example, it could landscape and maintain Carton Lime Walk Avenue, the Harbour Field and the green areas at the entrances to our town.

In Leixlip there is now a great need for a Parks Department to landscape and maintain St. Catherine's Park and the new Linear Park.

It is also Councillor McGinley's view that the new Parks Department should take over responsibility for the

implementation of the Council's litter management plan. University towns like Maynooth need a seven day per week cleaning service and not just confined to the Main Street. Hopefully Councillor McGinley's motion will get the support of all Councillors.

Maynooth One Stop Shop

It is now over a year since the Minister awarded a grant of £200,000 for a One Stop Shop in Maynooth. Councillor McGinley has asked the Council for a progress report and to include a Maynooth Citizens Information Centre in such a facility.

Builders Rubble at Glenroyal Apartments

Following approaches from the public, Councillor John McGinley, has asked the Council to put pressure on the owners of the Glenroyal to have the unsightly mound of builders rubble removed from behind the Glenroyal apartments.

Engine of Train left running on Saturday nights

Following complaints from residents in Silken Vale concerning C.I.E. leaving the engine of a train running all night on Saturday nights, Councillor John McGinley has received assurances from the Managing Director of Iarnrod Eireann that the locomotive will be shut down from now on.

Newtown/Rathcoffey Road

Cllr. John McGinley has received the following reply from the County Secretary:

"I refer to your representations concerning the Newtown/Rathcoffey Road.

I wish to inform you that this matter is receiving attention. The E.S.B. has been asked to submit an estimate for lighting of this stretch of road. Road widening, realignment, footpath and lighting will be considered as part of the design of the Bond Bridge works which are to be at least partly funded by Planning Levies. As the boundaries of the housing estates in this area have been set back on a particular line, it might be possible to construct a footpath, and erect lighting, on this line. The possibility of using development levies for this work is being examined and if so a small works tender would be used for the work."

Councillor McGinley welcomes this progress and will keep the pressure on to ensure that the footpath and public lighting are completed soon. He will also continue to press for the inclusion of the realignment of Newtown Road as part of the work to be undertaken in conjunction with the construction of the new Bond Bridge.

Maynooth Gaelscoil

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to make representations to the Minister for Education concerning the permanent recognition of Maynooth Gaelscoil.

The Minister has advised Deputy Stagg that the report of the local Inspector is awaited and a decision cannot be made until same is to hand. The inspectors report will include details of progress for the school including future enrolments.

Deputy Stagg will continue to press the Minister on this issue.

Labour Advice Service

Deputy Emmet Stagg's Advice Service will resume on Saturday, 4th September at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields. Urgent enquiries please ring 6183013.



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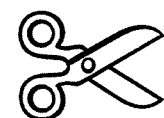
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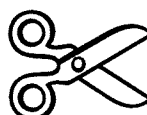
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We are now half way through the season and playing extremely well. On June 28th we travelled to Shankhill to play R.S.L.F.C. beating them 10-0. The following week July 5th St. Brendans Ltd. travelled to Maynooth to be beaten by 10-0. The team qualified for the semi finals of the L.F.A.I. National Senior Cup. We travelled to the Trinity Sports and Leisure Club in Donaghmede on Sun. 11th of July (one of the hottest days) to play Shamrock Rovers who are in the Premier division. It was a hard fought battle with many chances, but lady luck was not shining on Maynooth and we lost by 7-0. However morale was high as everyone had played an excellent game against an excellent team. The following Wednesday saw Maynooth play against TEK a premier A side in the second round of the League Cup. Maynooth were in fighting spirit beating TEK by 12-0. The team play every Monday night and train on Thursdays. The following dates are our home matches and we encourage support from the town, July 26th. Aug. 9th, Aug. 23rd. The date for the next round of the cup is Wednesday 28th July and is an away match.

The team would like to express its sincere sympathy to the Burke family on the recent death of Phil Burke. Phil was always present at all the home matches and his words of encouragement and presence were always appreciated by us. May he rest in peace.

I would like to thank Tony Kelly for his continued support by purchasing for us new socks and shorts. Also to R.J. Communications for sponsoring our player of the year. This award went to Rachel Agnew who played extremely well last year. Emma Kilduff was presented with a special award acknowledging her rise to International status. Well done Emma, we wish you every success.

Anyone who would like any more information regarding the team fixtures please contact Antoinette Mooney at 6289736 or Melanie Oliver at 6201153.

Until next month
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Maynooth settled quickly and led by four points to one, halfway through the first half with their scores coming from John O'Brien, Mark Nugent and a brace from Mick Galvin. Kilcullen equalised a few minutes later with a goal from their full forward but Eamon Toomey restored Maynooth's lead with a goal five minutes from half time. Mick Galvin increased their lead with a pointed free, but Kilcullen finished the scoring with a second goal to leave just a point between the sides at the interval leaving the score Maynooth 1- 5; Kilcullen 2-1. The second half was a real ding dong battle and the accuracy of Mick Galvin from frees was instrumental in keeping Maynooth ahead. The Maynooth defence held a tight rein on their opponents with Mick Madden and Eoin Nevin in outstanding form. Other players to impress for the winners were Ollie Gaffney, Mark Nugent, John O'Brien, Paul Daly and Ciaran McGuinness.

Teams and Scores: Matt Carroll, Peter Sheehan, Mick Madden, Colin Cushen, Alan Nugent, Eoin Nevin, Ollie Gaffney, Mark Nugent (0-1), Padraic Ward, John O'Brien (0-1), Paul Daly (0-1), Mick Galvin (0-6), Seamus Cummins, Ciaran McGuinness (0-1), Eamon Toomey (1-0).

Sub: Aidan O'Donovan for Seamus Cummins.

OBITUARIES

Maynooth G.A.A. Club would like to extend sympathy to the relatives of the late Phil Burke and Maurice Lawlor.

Phil Burke played gaelic football for Maynooth in the 1950's and was involved in the development of the G.A.A. pitch and dressing room facilities in the 1960's. He also acted as selector for the senior team for a number of years. Up to the time of his death he was vice-president of Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

Maurice Lawlor originally from Ballyheigue, Co. Kerry, played hurling for Maynooth during the 1970's and 1980's. Anyone who knew Maurice admired his passion and love for hurling. He was always full of encouragement and praise for the younger players.

May they both rest in peace.

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS 20th June 1999
This Weeks Numbers: 12 - 14 - 15 - 20
This Weeks Jackpot: £2,300
WINNER: No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot: £2,400
Winners of Weekly £10.00
1. Jean Gahan, 132 Kingsbry
2. Donna Moran, 15 The Steaple, Moyglare
3. Freddie O'Melia
4. John O'Toole, Pike Bridge
5. Ian Power, 19 Hillcrest Walk, Lucan

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS 27th June 1999
This Weeks Numbers: 1 - 4 - 21 - 24
This Weeks Jackpot: £2,400
WINNER: No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot: £2,500
Winners of Weekly £10.00
1. Les Slevin, c/o Domo
2. Amelia O'Connor, Laraghbryan
3. Maura Mac
4. Gerry Kelly, c/o May
5. Bridie Phelan, c/o May

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS 4th July 1999
This Weeks Numbers: 13 - 22 - 23 - 24
This Weeks Jackpot: £2,500
WINNER: No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot: £2,600
Winners of Weekly £10.00
1. Mick Gahan, Kingsbry
2. Breege Hannify, 200 Kingsbry
3. Jimmy Dempsey, 1190 Greenfield
4. Noel Flynn, c/o Domo
5. Declan McDonnell, c/o May

WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS 11th July 1999
This Weeks Numbers: 1 - 2 - 10 - 17
This Weeks Jackpot: £2,600
WINNER: No Winner
Next Weeks Jackpot: £2,700
Winners of Weekly £10.00
1. Bernie O'Shea, c/o Domo
2. Breda Nevin, c/o Domo
3. Fran Flood, 16 Greenfield Drive
4. Michael O'Riordan, Greenfield
5. Martin Scanlon, c/o Domo

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. (Cont.)

Junior Camogie Championship Final
Maynooth Crowned Camogie Champions for 1999
Junior Camogie Championship Final - Maynooth 5-5 : Ardclough 3-6

Maynooth took their first major honours of the year when defeating arch rivals Ardclough in a keenly contested final. Played at Rathcoffey on Sunday 11th July 1999.

Maynooth reached the final with impressive wins over St. Laurence's and Rathcoffey and were favourites going into Sundays decider. They confirmed their favouritism in the first half with some blistering play. Their defence stood solid throughout with Emma Fahy in outstanding form at centre back and her grit and determination spurred on her colleagues. In attack the dynamic duo of Teresa Hession and Maeve Herbert caused havoc in the Ardclough defence and Maeve ended up top scorer with a tally of 2-5, all from play. Her first two points came in the opening five minutes of the first half. However Ardclough had levelled matters by the tenth minute with a brace of points from frees. Following good inter play between Ciara O'Neill, Teresa Hession and Ann Comerford, Maeve Herbert weaved her way inside the Ardclough full back line and slotted home her first goal in the twelfth minute. Maynooth began to get the upper hand at midfield and went further ahead minutes later when a thirty yards strike from Michelle Gillick deceived Loretta Farrell in the Ardclough goal and ended up in the net. Ardclough, though true to form worked hard to reduce the deficit and added on a further two points to leave the half time score, Maynooth 2-3; Ardclough 0-4. Both teams exchanged points at the start of the second half but it was goals which proved the vital scores in the second half with both teams hitting their opponents net three times. A second Maeve Herbert goal in the eighth minute when a free from Teresa Hession dropped short gave Maynooth a cushion they needed. The move of Ardclough net minder Loretta Farrell to right half forward gave her team some hope of recovery and within five minutes she had scored a goal and a point. However Maynooth never relaxed and it was their resilience and spirited determination which finally killed off the opposition with further goals from Michelle Gillick and Sharon Cummins. The standard of camogie was of the highest order and congratulations to both teams for serving up a classic encounter in front of a large crowd.

Best for Maynooth were: Niamh Mulready, Naoimi Devereux and Emma Fahy in defence, Michelle Gillick and Lynn Brennan withstood the strong challenge of the Ardclough midfield while in attack Teresa Hession, Maeve Herbert, Ciara O'Neill and Sharon Commins impressed.

Teams and Scores: Roisín Lillis, Niamh Mulready, Claire McCarrick, Naoimi Devereux, Ann Marie Farrell, Emma Fahy, Sandra Gillick, Lynn Brennan, Michelle Gillick (2-0), Margaret Farrell, Teresa Hession, Sharon Cummins (1-0), Ciara O'Neill, Maeve Herbert (2-5), Ann Comerford.

Subs: (not used) Cheryl Naughton, Aileen Devanney, Pamela Fahy.

After the game, the cup was presented to jubilant Maynooth Captain, Margaret Farrell. She praised the dedication and hard work of the players during the year and thanked all the supporters who attended the final and lent their valuable encouragement to the team. She also thanked L.S. Autos for their continued sponsorship of the camogie team and their recent donation of tee shirts.

Junior Camogie Championship
Maynooth 2-2 : St. Laurence's 1-1
Sarsfields G.A.A. grounds provided the setting for this first round championship encounter played on the 27th June 1999. The low scoring is mainly attributed to the dominance of both defences, for most of the game. Maynooth created the greater number of scoring opportunities in the first half but found the St. Laurence's defence in uncompromising mood. However in the tenth minute their defence was finally breached when a long delivery from the best midfielder on view Michelle Gillick was flicked on by Margaret Farrell into the path of Maeve Herbert and her first time strike deceived the St. Laurence's keeper and ended up in the net. St. Laurence's responded a few minutes later with a point. Despite having a number of further scoring opportunities both teams failed to register any further scores in the first half leaving the half time score Maynooth 1-0 : St. Laurence's 0-1.

The winners improved their performance considerably in the second half and it was no surprise when they increased their lead after ten minutes when Teresa Hession enjoying a new lease of life at full forward took advantage of some sloppy defensive play by St. Laurence's to find the net with a ground stroke. Maeve Herbert having switched to centre forward began to come more and more into the game and had scored two fine points from play by the fifteenth minute of the second half. To their credit St. Laurence's fought bravely to get back into the game and their pressure paid off when they scored a goal in the twentieth minute. The final five minutes was played at a frantic pace but the Maynooth defence held firm and were in no mood to surrender their lead.

Best for Maynooth were: Niamh Mulready, Naomi Devereux, Emma Fahy and Ann Marie Farrell in defence, Michelle Gillick was in outstanding form at midfield while in attack Maeve Herbert, Margaret Farrell and Sharon Cummins worked tirelessly all through the game.

Teams and Scores: Roisín Lillis, Niamh Mulready, Claire McCarrick, Naomi Devereux, Lynn Brennan, Emma Fahy, A.M. Farrell, Michelle Gillick, Ciara O'Neill, Margaret Farrell, Teresa Hession, Sharon Cummins, Pam Fahy, Maeve Herbert, Aileen Devanney.

Subs: Cheryl Naughton for Pam Fahy. Caitriona Duffy (not used).

Intermediate Hurling Championship
Maynooth held by Athy
I.H.C. First Round - Maynooth 0 - 15 : Athy 3 - 6

At half time Maynooth Intermediate Hurlers led Athy by 0-10 to 0-2, played at Naas on the 10th July 1999. They were dominant in all sectors of the pitch during the first half. However the concession of two goals in as many minutes early in the second half turned the game on its head and in spite of the fact that Maynooth were denied what seemed a legitimate goal from Tom Farrell late in the game, they had to rely on centre back Fergal Scully to bring the game to a replay with virtually the last puck of the match. In the first half Killian Fagan and Justin White were in splendid form at midfield for Maynooth and ensured a plentiful supply of ball to the forward line. Justin's free taking was of the highest quality and Stephen Brennan scored some superb points from play. The transformation in the scoreline in the second half was totally unexpected and in spite of a number of

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positional and personal changes in the Maynooth team, Athy looked the more likely to emerge victors. With time almost up Maynooth trailed by one point but Fergal Scully came to the rescue with a fine point from fifty yards out to the relief of management and supporters.

Best for Maynooth were: Tom Mullarkey, Fergal Scully and Jimmy Cahill in defence, Killian Fagan and Justin White worked tirelessly in midfield while in attack Hugh Nevin, Stephen Brennan and Paul White threatened most.

Teams and Scores: Karl Ennis, Tom Mullarkey, Declan Buckley, Rory Kelly, Padraic Ward, Fergal Scully (0-1), Jimmy Cahill, Killian Fagan (0-1), Justin White (0-7), Donna Hollian, Hugh Nevin, Stephen Brennan (0-3), Tom Farrell, Paul White (0-1), Conor Diggins (0-2).

Sub: Ciaran McGuinness for Declan Buckley.

Junior Hurling League

Emphatic Victory for the Juniors

J.H. League - Maynooth 2-15 : St. Bridget's 1-5

Maynooth had their third victory in the league campaign with an emphatic victory over St. Bridget's played at St. Mary's Park on the 15th July 1999. The Maynooth team took little time to settle and opened their account with a fine long range point from midfielder Mark Nugent. By the tenth minute Maynooth had added on a further five points from John O'Brien, Sean Lennon, Mark Nugent and a couple from John O'Brien, while St. Bridget's only reply was a point from Eric Dockery. By half time Maynooth led by 0-11 to 0-2 and in control of the game. The second half followed the same pattern as the first and the Maynooth defence held firm with Mick Madden and Ollie Gaffney in excellent form. Goals by Mick Bennett and Eamon Toomey put the game beyond St. Bridget's reach and even more encouraging was the fact that 2-13 of the winners tally came from play.

Best for Maynooth were: Matt Carroll who was back to his best in goal, Mick Madden, Ollie Gaffney, and Alan Nugent were rock solid in defence, Mick Bennett and substitute Paul Daly were on top of their game at midfield, while John O'Brien, Johnny Lee and Seamus Cummins impressed in attack.

Teams and Scores: Matt Carroll, Mick Gahan, Mick Madden, Colin Cushen, Ollie Gaffney, Eoin Nevin, Alan Nugent, Mark Nugent (0-2), Mick Bennett (1-0), Sean Lennon (0-2), Johnny Lee (0-1), John O'Brien (0-5), Seamus Cummins (0-3), Robert Conlon (0-2), Eamon Toomey (1-0).

Subs: Paul Daly for Mark Nugent, Brian Nevin for Seamus Cummins.

Under 16 Hurling Championship Match Report Coffey comes up trumps to earn Maynooth a replay Maynooth 1-7 : Coill Dubh 1-7

Coill Dubh returned home from Maynooth on Wednesday 7th July 1999 having had victory snatched from grasp by Brendan Coffey. The talented Maynooth wing back struck a fourteen yards free to the net with the last puck of the game to bring the game to a replay. Not alone that he also contributed six points from frees with most of them from long range and difficult angles. Coill Dubh got off to a flying start with a goal inside the first minute from corner forward Garry Judge. The frantic pace of the game made it difficult for

either team to assert themselves in front of goal and both sets of forwards were guilty of missing good scoring opportunities. Two points from young Coffey had reduced the deficit to a single point by the tenth minute. For the remainder of the first half both defences were on top, but the goal was the difference between the sides at the interval with Coill Dubh leading by 1-4 to 0-4. The second half was very even in the early stages but as the game wore on Coill Dubh created more scoring opportunities and their defence played solidly to minimise Maynooth's scoring ability.

The game took a dramatic turn with the dismissal of Coill Dubh's Peter Sheridan midway through the second half. Try as they might Maynooth failed to make any inroads on the opponents defence, even with the extra man. Four points separated the sides with five minutes remaining, but a fine long range point from D.J. Canning offered hope of recovery. With time almost up Maynooth were awarded a fourteen yards free after a cynical foul on Fergal Molloy. Up stepped Brendan Coffey and cool as a cucumber struck an unstoppable shot to the Coill Dubh net. A thrilling end to a very exciting game. Roll on the replay.

Best for Maynooth: In addition to Brendan Coffey were, Enda Diggins, Alan Sweeney and Padraic Nevin in defence, Aidan Molloy worked hard at midfield while in attack Morgan Sweeney, Fergal Molloy and David Comerford impressed.

Teams and Scores: Fergus Devereux, Enda Diggins, Joe Brennan, Kevin Gannon, Brendan Coffey (1-6), Alan Sweeney, Padraic Nevin, Aidan Molloy, Pierre Ennis, Morgan Sweeney, Fergal Molloy, D.J. Canning, Mark Cummins, David Comerford, Kevin Comerford.

Junior Hurling League

Maynooth 1-10 : Kilcullen 2-4

Maynooth recorded their second victory of the league campaign with a convincing performance against Kilcullen played on the 24th June 1999.

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RESULTS

LEVEL	RESULT
Senior Hurling League Division I	Leixlip 2-12 : Maynooth 0-6
Senior Hurling League Division I	Ardclough 1-10 : Maynooth 0-6
Senior Hurling League Division I	Celbridge 2-9 : Maynooth 2-7
Senior Hurling League Division I	Naas 2-9 : Maynooth 2-4
Intermediate Hurling Championship	Maynooth 0-15 : Athy 3-6
Junior Hurling League	Maynooth 1-10 : Kilcullen 2-4
Junior Hurling League	Maynooth 2-15 : St. Bridget's 1-5
Junior Hurling League	Clane 3-5 : Maynooth 1-9
Junior Camogie Championship Q/Final	Maynooth 2-2 : St. Laurence's 1-1
Junior Camogie Championship S/Final	Maynooth 3-12 : Rathcoffey 0-2
Junior Camogie Championship Final	Maynooth 5-5 : Ardclough 3-6
Under 16 Hurling Championship	Maynooth 1-7 : Coill Dubh 1-7

MAYNOOTH JUNIOR CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS FOR 1999



Back row from left: Teresa Hession, Roisín Lillis, Claire McCarrick, Maeve Herbert, Naomi Devereux, Tom Coffey (Manager), Aileen Devanney, Caitriona Duffy, Niamh Mulready, Michelle Gillick, Emma Fahy.
Front row: Pamela Fahy, Margaret Farrell, Sharon Cummins, Ciara O'Neill, Ashling Farrell (mascot), Lynn Brennan, Cheryl Naughton, Ann Marie Farrell.
Not included in photograph Sandra Gillick and Ann Comerford.

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

The Maynooth Town schoolboy awards were held recently in the G.A.A. Club, Maynooth. Our thanks to the G.A.A. Club for the use of their facilities and Martin Bambrick who looked after us so well on the day. Club chairman John Doogan paid tribute to all the team managers who gave so generously of their time to look after our youngsters. Team management at times can be thankless but overall is a very enjoyable experience. The chairman also thanked the Club's sponsors for their continued support throughout the year. There are fourteen schoolboy teams entered to compete this year and without the assistance of the local community it would not be possible to support so many teams. Under 11 Player of the Year went to Damien O'Neill. Under 14 Player of the Year was presented to Ciaran McCullagh. Team manager Tony McMahon also complemented his team on finishing runners-up in their division and reaching the final of the Solar Cup competition. (A taste of things to come perhaps.) The Under 16 Player of the Year went to Noel Healy. Team trainer Michael Murphy paid tribute to his excellent form and total commitment.

In the small-sided game all players were awarded certificates of merit and any player who was not present on the day can collect their award from club secretary Gerry Folan. A special mention was made of the Under 8 and 10 sides who finished winners and runners-up respectively in their league cup sections. A surprise presentation of a mounted football boot and a bouquet of flowers was made to Cathal and Colette Murphy. Cathal and Colette looked after the Under 8 side last season. The day was rounded off with a table quiz for the youngsters. Our thanks to Lenny Murphy who set the questions and acted as quiz master for the afternoon. All players who wish to be considered for selection this season should contact the team managers for details of pre-season training.

The Dowdstown Hotel was the venue for the senior Player of the Year awards. During one of the best-supported awards ceremonies for years the senior players received their awards before a galaxy of fellow players, officials, family and friends. Club chairman John Doogan thanked the attendance for supporting the event and paid tribute to managers, players, sponsors and the behind the scene workers who do trojan work lining pitches and fundraising throughout the year. The

Saturday Team's Player of the Year went to Eamon Fagan and he was presented with his award by John Campbell. Team manager, Michael Dempsey, paid tribute to his dedication during the season when also making himself available to the Sunday Team when injury took its toll on the panel.

Manager John Campbell also presented the Sunday Team Player of the Year to Paul Byrne. Byrne was the fulcrum of mid-field during a long season that also saw the side reach the semi-final of the Dalton Cup. Ladies team manager Melanie Oliver announced the Ladies Player of the Year who was Rachel Agnew. The Club also made a special presentation to Emma Kilduff on her selection to the Irish Ladies International Team. Neither of the girls was present to collect their awards as they were on inter-county duty with the Kildare Gaelic Team.

With Maynooth Town Football Club going from strength to strength there is now an urgent need for all parents to get involved in supporting the teams. It is unfair to expect the handful of people who contribute their time to properly care for the 250 youngsters who this season will represent Maynooth playing competitive soccer.

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WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS							
Date	Nos	Jackpot	5 x £10 Winners				
27th June 1999	7, 11, 22	£1.275	May Fitz	Paddy McMahon	T. Griffin	Niall Hannify	Sean Horgan
27th June 1999	There were 2 winners who shared a jackpot of £1,275						
4th July 1999	3, 19, 21	£500	Margaret Gannon	Cam Dunne	Noel Tracey	Jack Farrell	Tony Clerkin
11th July 1999	13, 17, 19	£525	Christy Nolan	Harry Flood	Colm Cahill	Marie Kelly	Andy Graham
11th July 1999	There was one jackpot winner for £525						
18th July 1999	6, 12, 14	£500	Liam Eves	Mary Lettiuces	Kelvin Kenny	Nuala McTernan	Josephine Dempsey

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Costigan, Kingsbry, Maynooth

The daughters of the late Mary Costigan wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad bereavement, those who attended the removal, funeral mass and burial, those who called to the house, telephoned, sent mass cards, sympathy cards or floral tributes. A special word of thanks to Fr. John Sinnott, Monsignor Alex Stenson and Reilly Funeral Undertakers. Our sincere gratitude to Dr. Muris de Bhulbh, Leixlip for his help and kindness. A special word of thanks to all our neighbours and friends especially Rose McMonagle, Bridie and Jack Tracy, May, Paddy, Edwina & David Mahoney, Jim & Mary Doyle, Henry & Lila Flynn and Molly Maxwell for their support, kindness and help over the last number of years and especially over the last few months. We trust this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our sincere appreciation. The Holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all.

Sherry: The family of the late Eddie Sherry, Laurence Avenue, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal and funeral Mass, sent mass cards and floral tributes.

A special word of thanks to Beaumont Hospital, Monsignor. Stenson P.P. and Fr. Sinnott C.C. friends and neighbours for all their help and support during his short illness. Also Reillys undertakers for their help and efficiency in handling the funeral arrangements. The holy sacrifice of Mass has been offered for their intentions.

Sympathies

Burke: The wife, son, daughters, grandchildren, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, sisters-in-law, brother-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Philip Burke, Convent View, Maynooth.

Kelly: Daughters, son, brother, sisters, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sons-in-law, nieces, nephews relatives and friends of Elizabeth (Liz) Kelly, Castle View, Maynooth.

Pender: Brother, sister, brother-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends of Nancy Pender, Leixlip Park, Leixlip formerly Laraghbryan, Maynooth.

Moore: (O'Neill Crescent, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, formerly of Roscrea) July 20, 1999 (peacefully), at Hazel Hall Nursing Home, Clane. Thomas beloved husband of the late Mary Bridget; deeply regretted by his loving son Seamus, daughters Maura, Bernadette and Doreen, brother Sean, sister Una, sons-in-law. Daughter-in-law, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchild, relatives and friends. Rest in peace.

Lawlor: (Pebble Hill, Maynooth and late of Kilcloon, Co. Meath and Ballyheigue, Co. Kerry) July 17th 1999, (suddenly) Maurice, beloved husband of Áine (nee Anglin), loving father of David, Anne-Marie and Catherine, much loved brother of Maryanne (deceased), John, Alice, Kathleen, Bridie, Hannah, Tom, James, Eileen (deceased) Dennis and Dora.

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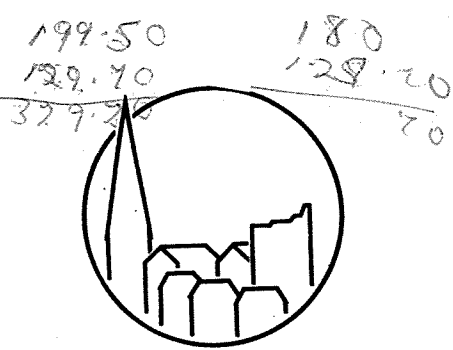
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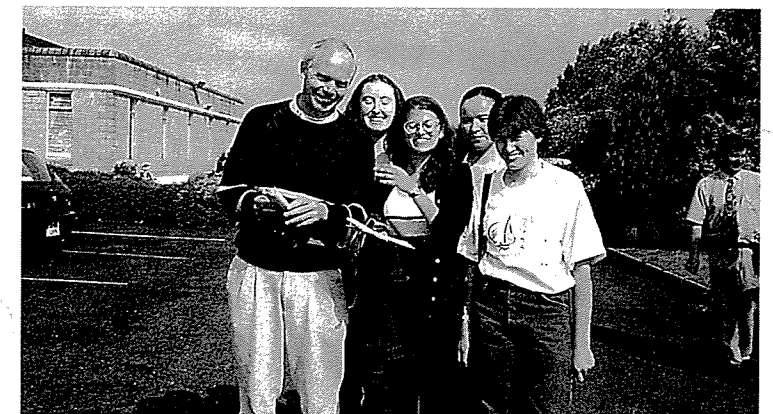
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Well Done to Post-Primary Students

Congratulations to the Leaving Cert. students in Maynooth Post Primary school who obtained their results on August 18th. The school has expressed itself as very pleased and is confident that the majority of students will obtain their first choice as College places are allocated. As with all examinations some students will be disappointed but this is always balanced by those who perform exceptionally well and exceed their own expectations. And these students are not always those who grab the headlines by getting lots of As and Bs on honours papers.



l - r Mr. McKeon, Ciara McDonnell, Shaunta Guha, Karen Connolly and Roisín O'Connor.

Students, parents and teachers are to be complimented for their joint efforts in ensuring that Maynooth Post Primary Schools' reputation as a centre of educational excellence continues. The Leaving Cert Vocational Programme also proved very successful this year with the 18 students involved being awarded 4 Distinctions and 12 Merits. Students studied 6 Leaving Cert subjects together with enterprise education, preparation for work and work experience.



l - r Mr. Sean Ashe, James Mulligan, Rory McKeivitt and Brendan Keogh.

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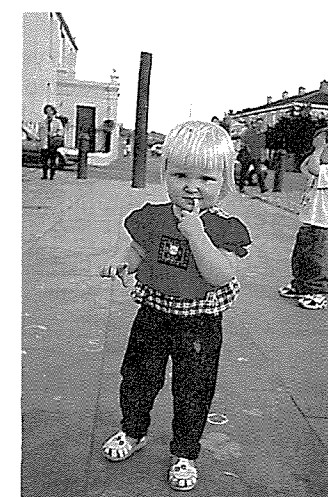
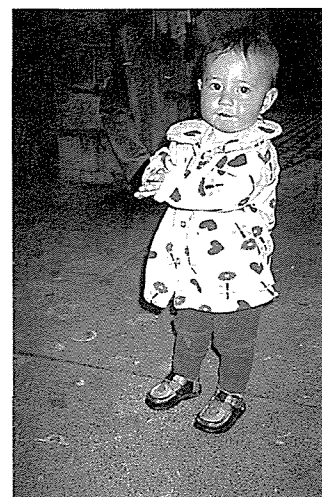
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Two little Festival spectators dancing in The Square

Diary Dates



Pádraig O Murchú and family.

- Sept. 7th** Senior Citizens Committee Meeting at 8.00 p.m. in the Health Centre.
- Sept. 11th** Vincention Pilgrimage to Knock, leaving Maynooth at 8.45 a.m.
- Sept. 21th** Maynooth Flower and Garden Club Night at 8.00 p.m. - Loftus Hall, Maynooth College.

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KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Question

I have two children, one aged three and an eighteen year old who is a college student. At present I am on a Back to Work Allowance Scheme. Would I qualify for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance?

Answer

The Back to School Clothing and Footwear Scheme provides assistance for school-going children for whom a child dependant allowance is payable. It is a means tested payment to assist with the costs of children's school uniforms and footwear at the beginning of the school year. The means test relates to income and number of children. For example the income limit for a couple with two children is £179,901. Income assessed is gross income.

You may qualify for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance because you have two school going children (one pre-school and one at college) and if you are getting a social welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement) or a health board payment. You may also qualify if you are participating in an approved employment scheme such as, Back to Work Allowance, Jobstart, Community Employment, Revenue Job Assist and Area Enterprise Allowance or if you are participating in a recognised education and training course such as, Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) or receiving Back to Education Allowance or a PESP Area Partnership Scheme. People on a non-craft full-time FAS training scheme may also qualify.

A high proportion of people who qualify for this payment in respect of their dependent children in 2-4 age bracket and the 17-22 age bracket do not take it up. The payment is £43 for each child aged 2-11 years and £58 for each child aged 12-17. The payment for a child aged 18-22 in full time education for whom a Child Dependant Allowance is payable is £58.

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Castle Dawson is, as far as we know. Maynooth's first Residents Association to publish their own Web Site. For all you Web travellers the address is w.w.kildare.ie/castledawson. Their Newsletter on the Web features up to date information on the **Kilcock Incinerator**. It is suggested that every household write to the Planning Dept in Kildare County Council giving reasons why you do not want this proposal to be approved.

Estate Clean - Up

With the recent release of the next phase of houses and the opening of the showhouse we have all seen builders. Considerable cleaning up and landscaping has taken place over the last few days - we would like residents to play their part in the upkeep of the estate and ensure that their property and especially the verge in front of each house be kept free from rubbish and litter. Still with "tidiness" the local Community Council is looking for volunteers to assist with the running and participation in the Tidy Towns contest, if interested please contact Richard Farrell (PRO for Committee on 6286044)

Security

We have been advised by the local Garda to take precautions with property unattended for a number of days. They suggest that you contact them with times of departure, giving contact telephone numbers so that any unusual activity can be investigated.

Name Plaque

One of the activities for the Association is to decide on a name plaque for the front of the estate. There were a number of suggestions put forward - at present the favoured proposal is for a small black marble/granite stone for the front wall of the estate (on the left side as you approach/enter from Maynooth direction). This should be with the wording Castle Dawson carved onto it and painted in gold. We are still keen to have further suggestions given to the Committee.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

the relaxing, balmy days of summer, make way for the sp and colourful days of Autumn, we embark on yet other hectic season of fun, entertainment, hard work and fundraising. But before we do, allow me to bring you up to te on what's been happening.

ir Summer outing took place a little later this year, on July which turned out to be one of our best events of the year, he enthusiasm of our Senior Citizens is to be our guide. iart from free coaches from Barton's, their kind and helpful vers Victor and John, and the lovely weather, our visit to e "National Stud and Japanese Gardens" was a memorable casion indeed. The new "Millenium Garden", which is dicated to St. Fiachra, the patron saint of gardeners', with natural springs and rock, the Waterford Crystal pieces and e vision of the Saint himself, combined with such an eresting display of the finest bred horses in the world, are st some of the breathtaking sights to be seen in this autiful haven of nature. This experience was made all the pre enjoyable by our guide for the day, Ann O'Sullivan, rmerly Ann O'Neill from Maynooth, who with her courtesy d expertise made the day such a splendid occasion. We so met up with Sr. Aquinas, who very generously spent the y with us. Renewing old friendships is always a delight.

hen we had exhausted all avenues of interest south of our bunt, which combines beauty and strength, we returned, hile still in keeping with the equine theme, to the 'Pavilion lite' at Dowdstown Hotel, where we celebrated the "U.N. ternational Year of Older Persons 1999", depicting the ogan, "Towards a Society for all ages". We were joined for e occasion by the Hosts and Hostesses from the laynooth/Kilcock No Name Club', who gave an outstanding

Hoare and staff for their attentiveness throughout the evening, not forgetting Alan, a most efficient and pleasant bar-man. This is a very good Hotel which serves excellent food. It has the potential to be a great Hotel and will be I'm sure in the fullness of time.



*Enjoying the show.
I - r Matti Smith - Sean and Pelg.*

Next up was the Community Festival Cabaret night which, as usual, took place in Caulfields, on July 22nd. This was, once again, a great night enjoyed by a huge crowd. This is an important night for our Committee, as it gives us the opportunity to thank the people of Maynooth who support and understand the work we do. Many thanks to Noel and Sandra Brady who shared the entertainment on the night with Kevin and myself. Watching Sandra's vitality brought me back more years than I care to remember. She has a great talent and I wish her well. It was heartening to see the young and not so young enjoying the same music. We may well indeed be moving "towards a society for all ages".

Of course the night wouldn't be the same without Emmet and John putting in an appearance - highlighted of course by the fact that they brought a nice big cheque with them. The result of the Tony Smith Memorial Walk this year was the best ever at £3,330.20. Not a sum to be sniffed at. While

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*Lord Mayor, Owen Byrne and wife Nell
enjoying the evening in Dowdstown*

erformance of their show which won second place in the lational No Name Club Variety Awards' last April. (See ctures). Also, Rebecca, Ciara, Eimer and Deirdre gave a perb display of contemporary ballet and tap. Many thanks all those young people of whom we can all be proud. hanks also to Kevin who, as usual, joined me on stage for ie music. We were all delighted that Owen Byrne, our steemed Lord Mayor, was able to be with us after his long ell in hospital. Owen is very dear to us and we wish him ery good health for the future. Thanks to Jim and Gay

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE (CONT.)

good time to start. There are also people out there who have been members of our Committee in the past and for various reasons have taken time out. Perhaps you might consider returning on a part or full-time basis. (Carol please note.) Last but not least, I welcome back and look forward to seeing our long-standing club members and our 'long-suffering' workers, but also a group of friends. That's what makes it all worthwhile.

Sadly some of our older people passed away during the summer. We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Michael Farrell, Joyce O'Neill, Agnes Gallagher, Phil Burke, Tom Moore, Elizabeth Kelly and Kathleen Peppard. May they rest in peace.

Finally, I would just like to comment on the afore mentioned 'International Year of Older Persons', which has been designated by the United Nations for 1999. Years such as this first came to prominence in 1965, the year the 'Red Cross' designated as 'Old People's Year'. We would wait twenty eight years for older people to be recognised again. 1993 was the year the E.U. deemed as 'European Year of Older People'. You will note how the word 'old' has changed through the years. In a survey in 1993 the term elderly was rejected by older people to describe themselves. (Much in the same way as young people object to the term 'children') In Europe and Australia the term 'older people' was favoured, while in Ireland 'Senior Citizens' was the preferred choice. Of course we can change all the words we like but if our attitudes don't change it is a futile exercise. While society is now aware of racism and sexism, it has yet to realize that ageism exists and is a powerful force. So let's ask ourselves, how do we view older people. As an object of charity?? A problem?? A human resource?? People in most jobs have to retire at sixty five if not sooner, why? Do we equate age with incompetence? In many eastern cultures older people are viewed through personal achievement, power, or skills, that the person has to offer. Could western society learn something from the east, do you think?

A recent study carried out on old people in the workforce called 'The Fifties revival', part of which was published in the Herald on August 14th, revealed that there were more older workers now than in the past, but fewer were actually in work. Once unemployed, they have more difficulties getting new jobs, while those in work received less training than their younger colleagues. Co-author Jenny Kodz, goes on to say, "quite aside from the experience, older workers are more committed and reliable, have better customer facing skills and understand business better, and take less short-term absence". By 2011 one third of the population will be aged fifty five and over, so employers will be forced to recognise the potential of our older persons. In the absence of Ageism,

coercion would not be necessary. What a pity our minds are not as open as our hearts. Minds, after all, are like umbrellas they only work while open, so perhaps 1999 will be the year when older people reach their full potential. Full participation and greater choice must be available, thus giving older people the normal freedom associated with full citizenship.

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event is organised by the Labour Party, with a lot of hard work from our own Committee and Senior Citizens, it is **you** the **Community** who fork out the money year after year. Don't forget that! ... We don't. Rest assured it will be well spent this year on security and £1,400 on holidays for our senior citizens, to name just two of the many projects which we undertake each year. Anyone interested in a full financial report can attend our A.G.M. which takes place each year in February.



Celebrating International Year of Older Persons - three generations of one family Eileen Kennedy, daughter Lila and grand-daughter Rebecca at Dowdstown

the date to remember. Our club and laundry service recommence and our Committee meet that night at 8.00 p.m. in the Health Centre.



Enjoying the show - International year of Older Persons l-r Chris Timmons, Betty Kelly and Dick Kearns

The Club on Tuesdays, at the moment, caters for card enthusiasts, usually 'twenty fives'. However we hope to introduce other games, including board games depending on the degree of interest. In the past, there was a great interest in 'Arts and Crafts'. We would hope to rekindle this interest. I know from our 'Bealtaine' competitions there are many talented older people out there, so why not come along and share your talent with us. Thursday is 'Bingo' day. Interest in this game never falters. Whatever the day or the game all our Senior citizens are welcome along. Older people who have just moved into the area, or perhaps you are living here for some time, but just haven't taken that first step, do come along you will be made welcome. There is no need to be alone if you don't wish to be. We may not know where you are but you now know where we are. Transport is provided for those who need it.

Many people expressed an interest, through the 'working homily', in working with our Senior Citizens. This is now a

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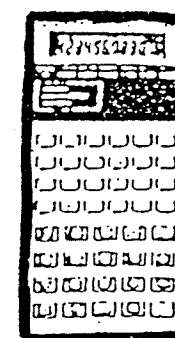
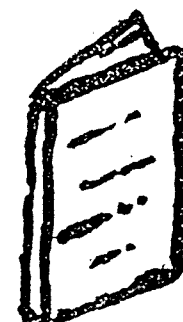
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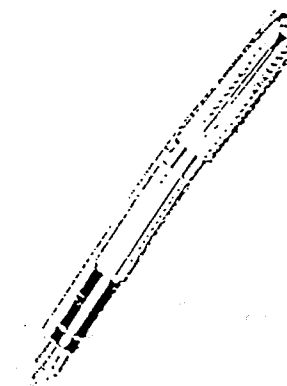
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Maynooth Post Primary School

Yes its that time of year again, September! The new school year arrives all too quickly for parents, children and indeed teachers alike. In this month's issue we look at Maynooth's only second level school, the local Post Primary which caters for the education of nearly 700 of our Community's 12-18 year olds.

Maynooth Post Primary school is a Co-Educational Post Primary School. The School was opened in 1971 under the auspices of County Kildare Vocational Educational Committee.

Since 1971 two significant extensions were added and a third is planned to deal with the expected rise in pupil numbers to 850 in the next few years. County Kildare Vocational Educational Committee employs the teaching and ancillary staff of the school and allocates an annual budget to operate the school. The day to day management of the school is the responsibility of the Principal, Mr. Séan Ashe and Deputy Principal, Mr. Senan Griffin.

Maynooth Post Primary School is a Community of students, Staff and Parents who:

- Believe that education provides opportunity for all.
- Strive for excellence in all areas.
- Make every effort to deliver a quality educational service.

M.P.P.S. aims to Provide

The right climate to foster the social, cultural, physical and spiritual development of its students.

A programme of curricular and extra-curricular activities, which develops the whole person.

A school which promotes academic excellence and enables all students realise their full potential.

The right climate to promote a healthy, clean, safe working environment.

A partnership with parents, primary schools and community.

A code of behaviour and discipline which promotes a learning environment.

A positive influence in building a sense of community in Maynooth and beyond.

M.P.P.S. Strengths

- Excellent Academic Standards.
- Established and Experienced Staff.
- Positive and Friendly Atmosphere/Ethos.
- Active Partnership with Parents.
- Strong Community Links.
- Extensive Sporting and Extra-Curricular Activities.

Class Organisation and Curriculum

There are 5/6 class groups in each of the Junior cycle years. The class groups are organised in two bands so as to best facilitate the individual pupils talents and abilities. Thus pupils are often in different classes for different subjects. About 80% of students take the higher level examinations in all subjects.

In senior cycle Irish, English and Maths classes are arranged in accordance with the pupil's competence in the subjects. To allow students the maximum flexibility in subject choice all the other classes are of mixed ability. The school does not have a repeat leaving cert class.

An optional transition year course was introduced in 1994 and has been an unqualified success since then, allowing pupils to learn new skills in an exam free setting.

The new model of Vocational Leaving Certificate (LCVP) has been on offer to students since 1996/97. This programme provides students with the opportunity to release their potential for self-directed learning, for innovation and for enterprise through participation in three link modules (preparation for work, work experience and enterprise education) over two years in senior cycle.

Extra - Curricular Activities

Since its inception Maynooth Post Primary has had a very vibrant and successful Extra-Curricular Dimension due in no small way to the efforts of both teachers and students. The past year 1998/99 was no exception with notable achievements including the following:

- * Under 14 Dublin 'B' Gaelic Football Champions.
- * Under 14 Leinster 'B' Gaelic Football Finalists.
- * Senior Dublin 'A' Gaelic Football Finalists.
- * Senior Kildare '7 a side' Gaelic Football Champions.
- * Senior Leinster Ladies Soccer League Champions.
- * Junior Dublin 'B' Camogie League Champions.
- * Intermediate Dublin Camogie Champions.
- * Leinster Finalist (James Mulligan) ESB senior public speaking.
- * 'Grease' Production.

All the staff of the school would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the parents of students (both Past and Present) and indeed the wider Community of Maynooth for all the support they have received over the past twenty eight years and look forward to working with and for you in the years to come.

Back to School Dates:

31st August

1st year's - Morning Only

Staff meeting in the afternoon

1st September

1st year's Leaving and Junior Cert - Morning Only

Staff meeting in the afternoon

2nd September

All students in the Morning

3rd September

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

National Tidy Towns Competition 1999

Regrettably, Maynooth scores badly compared to Leixlip and Celbridge and indeed much larger towns in the county usually beat us in this competition. This year there are a number of new positive things in our favour, such as the new Main Street and new Maynooth signs as you approach the town. Residential areas consistently score well for Maynooth in the competition.

Although we did not receive any calls from people telling us that they had spotted the National Tidy Towns Judge roaming around the town, scoring in the annual competition has taken place and the results are due this month. Although our results have been getting better in recent years, we hope to improve on last year's result in 1999.

Volunteers Needed

Kildare County Council does not maintain many areas in the centre of the town and this issue is being addressed in the long term. You probably know that we do not have any street cleaning service from Friday until Monday. A hardy group of volunteers do a cleanup of the Main Street area on Sunday morning to remove the litter after the weekend revellers.

However, other tasks such as weeding and grass cutting are also tasks that currently fall to us. If you are willing to give up a little of your time to assist in this work, we would greatly appreciate your help. If you want to get involved please contact Richard at 6286044 after 7.00 p.m.

Best Estates and Best Shop Fronts Competition 1999

The judging for these competitions has taken place and the results will be announced and prizes presented at our annual public meeting which will take place in late September or early October. Watch out for the notices in the shops indicating the venue and date of the meeting and all are welcome. We are pleased to report that the judges confirmed that significant improvements were noticed in both competitions since last year. The new rules, which are designed to take account of the requirements under the Litter Act, have broadened the criteria under which the competitions are judged. Many shops and residential areas received complimentary comments from the judges and in general the margins between the contestants are reducing. Coonans Estate Agents and Financial Services sponsor both competitions again this year.

Maynooth Businesses give generously to collection

Thanks to all the businesses for their generous support in our recent collection. Running the Tidy Towns effectively takes both time and money and we appreciate the assistance given to us. All donations will be acknowledged at our annual Public Meeting.

Paul Croghan,
Secretary,
Maynooth Tidy Towns.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROJECT

Maynooth Community Council
Main Street, Maynooth, Co. Kildare

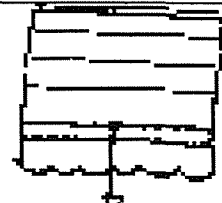
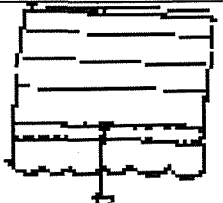
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

The County Athletic Finals took place in Newbridge Athletic Park on Saturday 26th June and Sunday 27th June 1999.

Here is a list of the children that took part in the County Finals.

AST

Boys U/8

Shane Hawthorn 60m
John Comerford 80m

Boys U/10

John Curran 100m
Kevin Doyle 100m

Boys U/12

Mark Lord 100m
Ross Cullinan 600m

Boys U/12

Michael Gillick Long Puck
Gerance Fitzgearld Long Puck

Boys U/14

Peter Bambrick 100m
Kevin Comerford 800m

Boys U/16

Donnor Devaney 1,500m

Girls U/8

Jennifer Moore 80m

Girls U/10

Timmy Flynn 100m
Niamh McAuliffe 100m
Ailbhe Flynn 100m

Girls U/12

Elaine McAuliffe 100m
Deirdre Mulcahy 100m

Girls U/14

Orla Bambrick 100m

Girls U/16

Aileen Devaney 100m

WEST

Boys U/8

Adam Talbot 60m

Boys U/10

John Daly 100m
William Reynolds 100m

Boys U/12

Eddie Power 100m
Joseph O'Riordan 600m
Brandan Cowley Long Puck

Boys U/14

Séan McNamara 100m
Mark Cooney 100m
Mark Cummins 100m

Boys U/16

Alan Sweeney 1,500m

Girls U/8

Siobhan Kelly 60m
Caoimhe Brennan 80m

Girls U/10

Aisling Farrell 100m

Girls U/12

Niamh Molloy 100m
Katie O'Neill 100m
Lora Daly 100m

Girls U/12

Cianna Ennis 600m
Arek Ní Mhurchú 600m

Girls U/14

Múire Ennis 100m
Emily Lyons 100m

Girls U/16

Awat Ní Mhurchú 100m

All the children performed very well. We didn't bring home any medals, but that is what Community Games is all about, it is the taking part.

The Girls U/16 Pitch & Putt team travelled to Bagenalstown for the Leinster Final. They were Aileen Devaney, Elizabeth Broderick, Grainne O'Rourke, Suzanne Doyle, and Emma Higgins. The girls played very well and were just pipped for a place in Mosney. Well done girls.

Thanks to Mr. Devaney for taking on the job of Manager for the day.

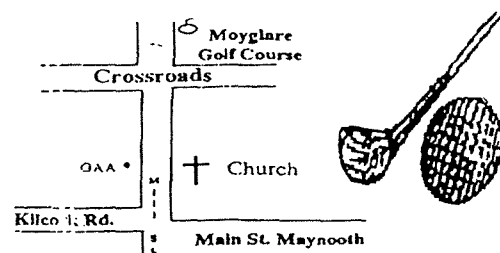
Another year in Community Games is drawing to a close. It is hoped to have our A.G.M. in October. If the Community Games is to continue it is very important that new people get involved in the Committee. The fact that Maynooth had to split into two areas has made the work load harder. Maynooth Community games had no say in Maynooth becoming two areas. It's a National decision. With a population over 6,000, you have to form a new area. Back as far as 1996 we were told we had to split. We were successful for two years in appealing this, but this year if we did not affiliate as two areas we would not be able to take part in the Community Games. The theory behind this is that more children will get to County and National Finals. This is a good plan, but it takes a lot more people to be involved to make it work. More about our A.G.M. in next months Newsletter.
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COULD YOU BE A BAPTISM FRIEND?

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Some parishes have opted for home visits before the celebration. Some parishes have opted for a meeting with parents before the Baptism day, while other parishes combine the two.

Here in St. Mary's Parish, Maynooth, a team of four people were trained last Autumn. They have done some work already, and are very eager to proceed further. They sadly feel their lack of numbers.

The parish needs men and women to participate in this ever-important ministry. Could you be a Baptism friend? The qualifications are simple - all is needed is that the Baptism friend is a practising Catholic, eager to reach out in a welcoming, supportive way to the parents in our parish.

Very simple and straight-forward training will be provided. 'Would-be' ministers are asked simply for their time, support, good-will, friendliness and prayers. Out there in Maynooth parish are many people who are more than qualified to take on this worth-while ministry.

If you are interested, come and find out more about what is involved.

Contact our Parish Secretary, Martina, at 6293018

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At Diocesan level, sixteen women - representing the Deaneries of the Diocese - meet regularly with the Archbishop, the Auxiliary Bishops, and the council of priests, to draw attention to the concerns and views of women, as expressed through their elected Parish Representatives.

Here in St. Mary's Parish, Maynooth, we have had a Parochial Women's Forum for some years now. Lately we have been meeting to discuss various aspects of parish life, and trying to tease out how we can help build up our parish. We recently submitted a proposal to the Committee in charge of the Parish Hall/ Parish Centre in Maynooth, outlining our suggestions and concerns.

Two elected representatives from our parish Forum represent us at Deanery level.

At the moment we are planning an afternoon's reflection and prayer. This will hopefully take place on Saturday October 9th, here in Maynooth, from 2.00p.m to 5.30p.m.

Anyone interested in joining our group, or taking part in the proposed Reflection afternoon, could contact our parish representatives for further information.

They are: Kim Mullahey, telephone 6289765; and Neolle Topley, telephone 6285888.

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Introduction

For 1999-2000 the Language Centre is offering extra-mural courses in Irish, French, German, Arabic, Italian, Spanish and English as a Foreign Language. This year we are also offering a course in Amhránaíocht ar an tsean-nós (sean-nós singing), which provides a different and very enriching perspective on the Irish language.

As usual, classes are limited to twelve students, and take place in an informal, structured atmosphere, to ensure that each learner is given ample opportunity to practise his/her newly acquired skills.

'A new language for the new millennium' might be a suitable resolution for the year 2000. We look forward to meeting you!

Formation of Classes

Commencement of classes will depend on a minimum number of enrolments. No more than twelve students will be admitted to each group. The Language Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

A Certificate of Attendance is awarded on request to students with 80% minimum attendance.

Extra-Mural Terms

Each course lasts for nine weeks with two hours' tuition each week. Course dates for this year are:

Course 1:

Monday, 4th October 1999 - Friday, 3rd December 1999

Course 2:

Monday, 10th January 2000 - Friday, 17th March 2000

No classes will be held on public or University holidays. In the event of a class being missed for this reason, an extra class will be added on at the end of the extra-mural term. Please note Course 2 is a continuation of Course 1.

Enrolment

Enrolment for courses will take place on:

Course 1

Wednesday, 29th September 1999

7.00 - 9.00p.m.

Thursday, 30th September 1999

7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

Course 2

Wednesday, 12th January 2000

7.00 - 9.00p.m.

Thursday, 13th January 2000

7.00 - 9.00p.m.

Late Enrolment

Course 1

Monday, 11th October 1999

7.00 - 9.00p.m.

Course 2

Monday, 24th January 2000

7.00 - 9.00p.m.

In Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building. For EFL, please contact us directly. Enrolment will only take place at the stated times.

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Courses fees must be paid in full on enrolment; admission to classes is subject to this. Receipts should be retained. Fees will be refunded, should a class not take place due to insufficient numbers.

Closing dates for refund applications:

Course 1 Friday, 29th October 1999

Course 2 Friday, 4th February 2000

Language Centre Staff

Anne Gallagher: B.A., M.es L., D.E.A., H. Dip. Ed.

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Course 1					Course 2				
LANGUAGE	DAY	TIME(P.M.)	VENUE	STARTING	LANGUAGE	DAY	TIME(P.M.)	VENUE	STARTING
Arabic-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T7	4th October	Arabic-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T7	10th January
Irish-B	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T7	7th October	Irish-B	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T7	13th January
Irish-I	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T7	5th October	Irish-I	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T7	11th January
Amhránaíocht ar an tsean-nós	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T8	7th October	Amhránaíocht ar an tsean-nós	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T8	13th January
French-B	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T8	5th October	French-B	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T8	11th January
French-I	Monday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	4th October	French-I	Monday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	10th January
French-A	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	6th October	French-A	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	12th January
German-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T3	4th October	German-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T3	10th January
German-I	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T3	6th October	German-I	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T3	12th January
Italian-B	Monday	6.00-7.30	T8	4th October	Italian-B	Monday	6.00-7.30	T8	10th January
Italian-I	Monday	7.30-9.00	T8	4th October	Italian-I	Monday	7.30-9.00	T8	10th January
Spanish-B	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T4	6th October	Spanish-B	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T4	12th January
E.F.L.-I	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre	E.F.L.-I	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre
E.F.L.-A	Thursday	6.00-8.00	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre	E.F.L.-A	Thursday	6.00-8.00	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre

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4. Who Recorded it ?

5. Who's not impressed that Much ?

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The Jubilee Boat Rally

This was to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the foundation of the Royal Canal Amenity Group.

Maynooth Harbour began to be visited by boaters from England from Friday, 6th in preparation for the official launch on Monday, 9th. Eventually twelve boats from the Wilderness Club assembled. These boats have such a shallow draught that they can operate in a depth of eighteen inches of water. The visitors expressed delight with Maynooth, and met lots of people who called to the harbour.

The music night in the G.A.A. Clubhouse was a great success. St. Patrick's College arranged a tour for the visitors on the following morning.

The boats then departed to Enfield where the first half of the Festival centered on the rally.

The following night the boats returned in an illuminated convoy to Kilcock Harbour.

The comments of the visitors brought it home to us that Maynooth has great potential to become the starting point and the terminus of boating recreation on the Royal Canal.

We wish to thank our local County Councillors who attended at Maynooth at very short notice to get the views of the visitors and their suggestions about the minimum facilities needed in the harbour to attract more boats.

Some useful telephone numbers:

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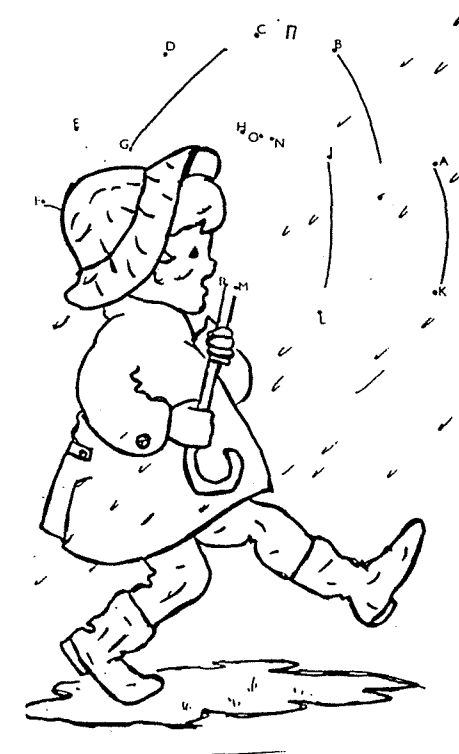
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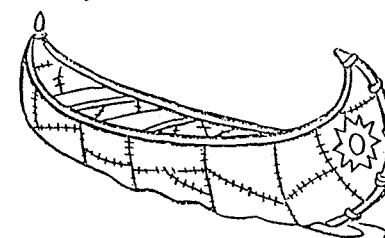
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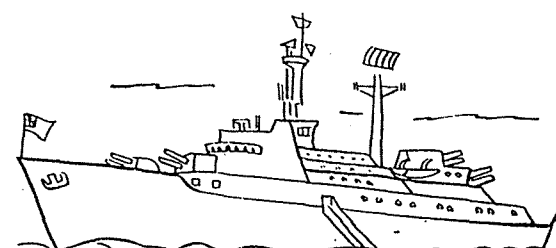
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DISTANCE EDUCATION

This is the time of year when one thinks about taking up a new hobby, interest or course. Have you ever thought about taking up studying for a diploma or degree? Distance education offers the opportunity to obtain a BA/BSc/Diploma regardless of your place of residence, employment, domestic or personal circumstances. The two main institutions that provide this facility in Ireland are **The National Distance Education Centre** at Dublin City University, and **The Open University**. There are broad similarities between the two. The courses offered are modular based, there is a foundation course, essays are submitted at regular intervals, tutorials are provided and there is continuous assessment with an examination at the end of each year.

National Distance Education Centre at Dublin City University offers a Bachelor of Arts/Diploma in Arts. The programme was designed by a Course Team which included representatives from Dublin City University; National University of Ireland, Maynooth; Trinity College Dublin; University College Cork; National University of Ireland, Galway; University of Limerick and OSCAL - The National Distance Education Centre. Students can register at one of the universities mentioned.

History, Literature, Philosophy, Psychology and Sociology were presented in 1998. It is hoped that Politics and Economics will be introduced to the programme in the future. Some of the course titles include:
Europe and the wider world
Social organisation and Psychology
Contemporary Philosophy
Literatures of the 20th century
Women in Irish and European Society, 1780-1914.

The study time for four modules is approximately equivalent to one year of full-time study. A student can undertake between one and four modules per year depending on their personal circumstances. A diploma can be awarded in a minimum of 2 years and a degree in a minimum of 3 years. Each module is awarded 15 credit points that are accumulated towards the award of degree or diploma.

There is an eight-week non-credit introductory module. This gives the student an insight into the nature and content of the programme and allows the student to decide if the programme matches their needs and abilities.

The cost per module for 1998 was £314 and £95 for the Introductory Module. The year runs from March to November.

The Open University has been in existence in Ireland for a number of years. It was started in England 29 years ago and has many centres throughout Europe. It opened its Irish office in Dublin about three years ago. It offers a good support system for the students following a distance education programme.

There is an extensive range of modules in Humanities,

Science and Technology. The humanities' courses are interdisciplinary in content. A sample of course titles include:
Culture and belief in Europe 1450-1600
Understanding music: elements, techniques and styles
Understanding economic behaviour
Cognitive psychology
Number theory and mathematical logic
Biology: brain and behaviour
Manufacturing technology.

A total of six modules amounting to 360 points constitute a degree (BA/BSc). The Open University's foundation course is for one year and counts towards the degree earning 60 points. Flexibility is offered in half-credit modules (30 points). One should allow a commitment of 12-14 hours per week per module. Irish students are sent all the material they will need including videos and audio-cassettes. For some modules additional books may have to be purchased. Every student is assigned a tutor counsellor in the first year. Each module has its own tutor. Tutorials are mostly held in Dublin. There are tutor marked assignments to be completed at regular intervals. There is an examination at the end of each year. With the foundation year there is a compulsory summer school which is held in England. This might sound daunting to a potential student but the experience is very enjoyable and is a tremendous aid to first year students.

The cost of each module is about £500 stg. A summer school costs £200 stg which includes a week of tutorials/lectures, accommodation and meals. The O.U. study year runs from February to October. It should also be borne in mind that there is tax relief on fees paid for distance education.

As a person who has come through the Open University system I would strongly recommend distance education not only as a means to gain a recognised qualification but also for the benefits as mentioned by other distance education students 'greater self confidence', 'enormous satisfaction', 'the excitement of discovering new interests', 'making new friends' and 'a strong sense of achievement'.

Further information may be obtained from:

Dublin City University,
National Distance Education Centre,
Glasnevin,
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Telephone: 01-7045481
<http://www.dcu.ie/ndec/baguide.html>

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40 University Road,
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<http://www3.open.ac.uk/courses/information/advice/text.html>

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Pilgrimage To knock

The annual Vincentian Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday September 11th, leaving Maynooth at 8.45a.m. The bus will pick up at the entrance to Kingsbry at 8.30a.m. the entrance to Old Greenfield at 8.35a.m. and finally at St. Marys Church at 8.40a.m. Fare £22.00 which will include tea/coffee and sandwiches on the outward journey and a 4 course dinner on the return journey (optional). To book please phone 6285476 or leave your name, address and telephone number in the St. Vincent De Pauls Box in the Church. Please mark your envelope (Knock). Last date for booking will be Sunday September 5th.

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THE PEELO SCHOOL OF DANCE PERFORMERS IN CORK

A trip to the beautiful city of Cork, accommodation organised, and dancing in 'The Firkin Crane Centre' as special guests, how could the senior pupils of 'The Peelo School of Dance' resist?



The senior pupils of 'The Peelo School of Dance' performing in "Les Sylphides" in Cork with the Cork Dance Company

The generous invitation was on behalf of the Cork Dance Company and their teacher and director Ms. Aruba Coughlan, a fellow teacher and examiner with "The International Dance Teachers Association". Rehearsals for the show commenced at the beginning of April and when the time came for the performance we were ready to go.

On the 14th May eight of the senior pupils and teacher Ms. Deirdre Brennan arrived in the sunny south, welcomed warmly by our hosts, Ms. Coughlan and her husband. Almost immediately it was all go! Our programme for the performances on the three nights consisted of three various pieces from the world of dance. They ranged from Modern Dance to Contemporary and Classical Ballet. The Modern

The buzz and adrenalin that aroused every night back stage not only enhanced every dancers' performance but aided to the sheer enthusiasm from both the performers and the audience. It could not be denied that 'Dance Spectacular' was a great success. For us, the pupils of 'The Peelo School of Dance' it was a magical weekend, treated like royalty from the moment we arrived to the moment we received our beautiful bouquets after each performance. Taking part in 'Dance Spectacular' was a great honour and opportunity to talk to fellow students like 'Westley Mackey' eighteen years, now studying in 'Italia Conti', London, who was the principal dancer in 'Les Sylphides'.

As beautiful Cork melted into the background it was decided by each of us, that indeed there is "no business like show business".

Clara Baxter,
Senior Pupil with 'The Peelo School of Dance'.
For Further information contact Deirdre at 6272594



Deirdre Brennan of 'The Peelo School of Dance' with Westley Mackey of 'Italia Conti' dancing the Pas de Deux in "Les Sylphides"



Two of 'The Peelo School of Dance' senior pupils, Rebecca Flynn and Meadhbh McManus performing in Cork

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GENESIS COMES TO MAYNOOTH LIBRARY

GENESIS, Kildare County Library's computerised Library Management System, has gone "Live" at Maynooth Community Library on **Wednesday 18th August**. From that date, all of the library's routines have been automated, enabling us to give you more information more quickly about the library's holdings and your own transactions.

All of the library's holdings are now on a computer database, which can be searched using author, title, subject, keyword or class number. This database also includes the complete stock of our other computerised branch libraries at Athy, Delbridge, Naas and Newbridge, in addition to a substantial quantity of material located at other branches.

The computerisation of services at Maynooth is part of a project which will give access to the complete catalogues of our six major branch libraries to readers right across the county.

All new and existing readers will be issued with a bar-coded library card. This card will replace your existing library tickets, and will be used to record all your transactions. The efficient operation of the system requires that the reader's bar-code is scanned into the computer each time an item is borrowed; therefore you are asked to note that **your library card must be produced each time you wish to borrow an item**. You should keep your card in a safe place, as you will be responsible for all items borrowed with it. **Please notify the library immediately if you lose your card**. A charge of €1.00 will be levied for a replacement card.

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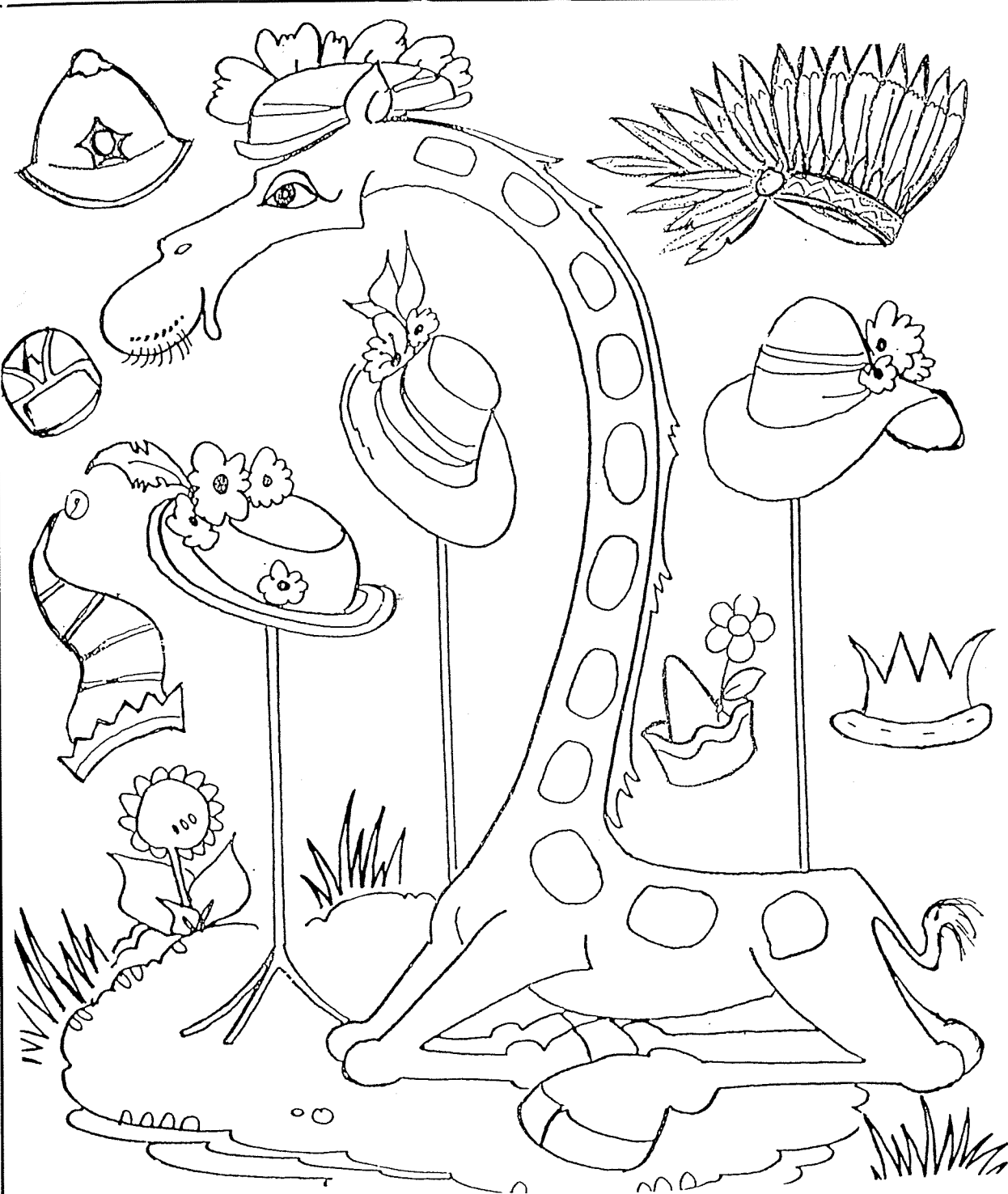
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VIDEO REVIEW

You've Got Mail (PG)

This is what most would call a 'cute' movie. A remake of the Ernst Lubitsch classic The Shop Around the Corner, You've Got Mail is one of the classic romantic comedies of recent times. Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan take on the roles previously played by James Stewart and Maureen O'Sullivan.

In the original film the leads were work colleagues who disliked each other but were actually carrying out a lonely-hearts correspondence. In this version Hanks is a major bookstore owner who threatens to put small-time bookstore owner Ryan out of business. This being a modern tale, their correspondence occurs over the internet.

Though we know from an early stage that our two heroes are bound to meet and fall in love, the script is so engaging and the performances from Hanks and Ryan so good that we don't mind being taken along for the ride.

Even though it's been done so many times before in one form or another, this is still a worthwhile effort and destined to become a classic of its type.

Verdict **Excellent**

Soldier (18's)

Kurt Russell plays the part of sergeant Todd, 3465, one amongst a line of soldiers who have been selected at birth and trained since to be brutal and efficient killing machines (yawn!) in this so-so action movie.

Enter Colonel Mekum, and he introduces a new line of soldiers to replace the old ones. These latest lads have been genetically enhanced (like the new-fangled veggies) and are superior in intellect(?), stamina and strength. To prove his point, Mekum sets one of the new boys against three of the old ones, including our hero, resulting in their deaths. Or so the colonel thinks.

As the bodies are deposited on planet Arcadia 234, an interstellar garbage dump, Todd regains consciousness and stumbles into a lost human colony. The colonists heal his injuries and he begins to form a bond with them. However, his training and violent nature makes him unfit to live in the colony and he's banished, until the new soldiers arrive on the planet and go about exterminating everyone on it as a training exercise. Todd wages war on the nasty new guys, led by Mekum, to protect the people he cares about.

This is pure dross, aimed specifically at young people whose IQ matches their shoe-size. Don't bother.

Verdict: **To be avoided at all cost!**

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As they all line up at the whistle wall
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With curious eyes and a working hand
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But when school is over it is grand
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Will benefit them in future years
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Patrick Murray

MAYNOOTH GARDEN CLUB

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On 24th - 26th AOIFA Social Weekend, Malahide. Details will be given out on our club night.

All club meetings to be held at 8.00p.m on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall, Maynooth College. All visitors welcome, entry fee £3, which includes refreshments.

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Editor confirms, "Treasures by The Poets of Ireland" is a bold millennium project, with the book to be launched in time for St. Patrick's Day 2000, and printed in Ireland. We have received some beautiful poetry from Ireland and from Poets of Irish descent all over the world. This publication will be one to be treasured world wide!

We are looking for poems which have not been previously published, poems from the heart of Ireland. Participants are asked to send their work (not much more than 160 words please) to:

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Further details for this article are listed below, or contact Irishpoets@aol.com - Fax +44 1244 316202

In the heart of Ireland, on the Hill of Tara, just above the upright pillar of the Stone of Destiny, there stood for 100 years, a concrete statue of St. Patrick, who led a path of light away from the cruelty of the old beliefs. No longer does he stand, the statue fell into disrepair and was carried away by The Office of Public Works. This well meaning organisation hopes to create another image of St. Patrick, in bronze now, clad in a loin cloth, with a shaven head and carrying a deer antler, a version although well researched, hardly replaces the country's lost heritage! This bronze in pagan dress, if

commissioned, will be placed in the shelter of the churchyard, which is now part of the Visitors' Centre, leaving the Hill of Tara without its symbol of hope.

With help of the Poets of Ireland, we wish to commission a replica of the original St. Patrick's statue, once again in full bishop's regalia, at it's initial site, to stand proud amid the wind and rain of the hauntingly beautiful emerald green mounds and ditches of Tara.

We intend to publish a compilation of works from talented, previously unpublished individuals, a powerful volume fired by the love of poetry, and from the sale of these books we are to pledge 20% of the company's net profits in this venture towards the restoration of the statue.

Hence we offer a path of recognition to some of the sadly wasted talent of today's poets, and a chance to restore a piece of Irish heritage. Let us together put St. Patrick back on the hill where he confronted the High King Laoghaire.

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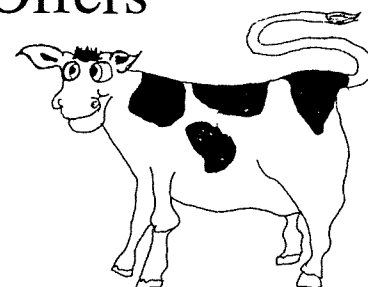
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GUINNESS 7-A-SIDE SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Twelve teams took part in the tournament over the two weeks leading up to the Community Festival. The teams were split into three Sections and played on a league basis with the winners and best second placed team going through to the semi-finals.

In Section 1, we had Caulfields, Greenfield Grasshoppers, Dowdstown Hotel and Moyglare Village. Caulfields, after a 10-0 hammering by Greenfield Grasshoppers on the first night, played very well in their remaining games. However, the same cannot be said for the Grasshoppers as they only scored a further two goals in their remaining games — so the red-hot favourites went out. Dowdstown Hotel, under the shrewd guidance of Sean Cunningham, caused a major surprise by topping the Section undefeated. Moyglare Village were very unfortunate losing out on goal difference (by one goal) for the best second placed team.

In Section 2, we had Old Greenfield, Moyglare Meadows, Newtown Court and Mill Race Manor. It looked as if we were going to have a major constitutional problem here as the first four games ended up 0-0. Fortunately, Old Greenfield beat Mill Race Manor 3-0 and Moyglare Meadows came through 2-0 against Newtown Court in the pouring rain. So Old Greenfield went through on goal difference (by one goal) to the semi-finals. All the teams showed too much respect for each other and this is what resulted in Moyglare Meadows not qualifying for the semi-finals even though they did not lose a game.

In Section 3, we had Brady's Clockhouse, Newtown, Parson Street and Kingsbry Monchengladbach. In their opening game Newtown slotted home nine goals to Brady's Clockhouse one. They should have kept some of the goals for their next game as they were beaten 4-0 by Kingsbry Monchengladbach. Thankfully the Kingsbry supporters did not start "give us a K". Bradys overcame their poor start to complete their remaining games undefeated. Parson Street

showed great promise but did not deliver. Nevertheless, Newtown won the Section and Kingsbry also went through as best second placed team.

In two very disappointing semi-finals Old Greenfield beat a tired Dowdstown Hotel 4-0 and Kingsbry easily beat Newtown also 4-0. Newtown dropped their heads when they were only 1-0 down and went out very tamely. The excitement of reaching the semi-finals seemed to give Dowdstown over confidence, or maybe it was having to rush back to the wedding reception.

So to the Final between Old Greenfield and Kingsbry Monchengladbach. Kingsbry were the clear favourites but Old Greenfield had the more experienced coach in Tom Dempsey.

Two very evenly matched teams played a very enjoyable and clean game. Kingsbry scored with a volley from 20 yards after the Greenfield defence made a mistake. It was very close until then and after Kingsbry scored 3 minutes into the second half it became difficult for Greenfield. However, the Kingsbry keeper had to make 4 great saves to stop Old Greenfield from scoring and they also hit the post. But it was not to be Old Greenfields day and Kingsbry ran out deserving winners by 2 goals to 0.

I would like to thank the Committee members, Willie Saults, Tom Dempsey, John Doogan, Christina Saults and Lenny Murphy. Without their help and attendance every evening the Tournament could not have been run. Also thanks is due to our referee, Brendan Lawless from Leixlip. Brendan has been our Ref. for many years and he has never let us down. Finally, many thanks to our sponsors Guinness Ireland for the magnificent trophies that they provide every year and to our 12 teams for participating.

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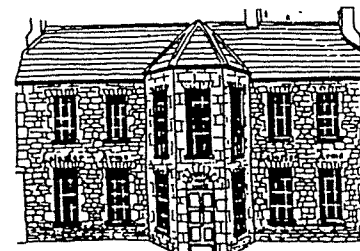
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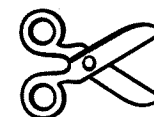
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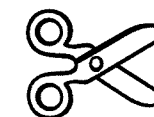
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Niall would be familiar to many of you through his conducting of St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band in Maynooth, this past two years. It has been during this time that Niall has seen the necessity for a school of music for the Maynooth area which would provide a centre of musical education for its residents.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Friday, 23rd of July ended yet another successful summer project. It ended with a big splash at Clara Lara and by all accounts leaders ended up in the lake with the children! Approx. 200 registered for the two weeks and away trips included Malahide Castle, Bowling in Bray and Coolock, Viking Centre in Dublin and a film. Despite the fact that it was for two weeks we managed to have as many away trips as usual. At home we had Pitch and Putt, film, bingo and a quiz.

This year thanks to the co-operation of Sgt. Jim Desmond of Maynooth Garda Station we managed to have three Garda recruits helping every day during the project. Clodagh, D.J. and Sinead were a great hit with the children. We wish them every success in the future.

The response from parents to our appeal for help on the away trips was overwhelming and this ensured that there was a leader for every eight children on the outings. Our thanks also must go to students Jacqui Kinsella, Ann-Marie Ryan and Clare O' Regan from the Community Council for helping out. Thanks also to Norah Mc Dermot, Johnny Dowling and Madeline Stynes for their help. Claire O'Rourke couldn't attend this year due to illness and she was greatly missed. We wish her a speedy recovery.

On a final note the committee wish to send condolences to Madeline and Micheal Stynes on the death of Micheal's mother.



Garda Recruits, Sinead, D.J. and Clodagh enjoying the film.



Garda Recruits, Clodagh and D.J. calling out bingo numbers



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Development of Carton Estate Announced

Having received planning permission back in 1991, the Mallaghan, owners of Carton Estate, recently announced ambitious plans for the development of the estate. Over the years there has been heated debate about the future of the estate. Some have argued that it should be acquired by the State and developed as a National Park while others have favoured its commercial development along the lines proposed by the Mallaghans. Below, we reproduce a statement issued by the owners of Carton indicating how they see Carton being developed in the coming years.



I - r Conor Mallaghan, Mark O'Meara and Lee Mallaghan

and Montgomerie designed courses. The first tranche of shares will be sold for £10,000 each and members who purchase a preference share in the company operating the scheme will be able to transfer their shares within their immediate family or offer them back to the company for the original amount paid.

The Mallaghan family has owned Carton for twenty-two years and have worked hard on finding the best way to preserve the house and estate for generations to come and truly believe that this is the way forward.

Conor Mallaghan, Estate Manager, said the family are "delighted the project is underway and that Carton will be restored and opened up to the public. Carton has a unique heritage, which lends itself to sympathetic further modification and expansion to allow many more people to enjoy its graciousness and beauty. The response so far has been very positive with inquiries for membership especially the local interest."



I - r Mark O'Meara and Lee Mallaghan

*Carton House and Estate, the ancestral home of the Fitzgerald's, Earls of Kildare, who then became the Dukes of Leinster is soon to be opened to the public by the Mallaghan family. As part of a carefully phased sensitively designed resort development the house will be completely restored along with the construction of a five star hotel and conference centre. The hotel is to be operated by Starwood Hotels, under its Westin brand. In addition it has just been announced that it will be the location for two new golf courses to be designed by two of the leading players in the world.

Mark O'Meara, the 1998 Masters and British Open Champion is to design the first of the two golf courses. Colin Mongomerie, Europe's leading golfer for the last six years is to design the second course. This will put Maynooth on the map as one of the foremost golfing venues in the world.

"Carton presents me with a challenge and an opportunity to design a course which will allow the rich heritage of this exceptional estate to be merged with a sport which continues to grow in popularity in Ireland, Europe and throughout the world" announced Montgomerie, who was at Carton House on Wednesday 28th July 1999 to announce his involvement.

The two designers, neither have designed in Europe before, will work closely with their design team European Golf Design and are excited about the opportunity of creating world class courses.

Mark O'Meara who also visited Carton recently said "the estate offered a host of options and is absolutely perfect for the development of a world class golf course".

A golf membership share scheme is to be introduced at Carton and members will be entitled to play both the O'Meara

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Litter Management Policy for Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Area Meeting of the Council

"That this Council adopts the following Litter Management Policy for Maynooth:-

1. *That mechanised street cleaning be introduced without any further delay.*
2. *That the street cleaning service be extended to cover arterial roads (Straffan Road, Old Dublin Road, Mill Street, Leinster Street, Back Lanes, Parson Street and Dunboyne Road) and car parks.*
3. *That bins be provided on arterial roads, especially at bus stops and that they be emptied on a daily basis.*
4. *That a seven day per week service be provided.*
5. *That strict enforcement of the Litter Laws be introduced.*

Removal of Grass Verge at Convent Lane

Cllr. John McGinley has received the following reply from the Council Secretary

"I refer to your representations in regard to the above and wish to inform you that this matter will be examined with a view to having some realignment of the path/road/verge costed and included in the works programme, if not in 1999 then hopefully in 2000"

Cllr McGinley is totally unhappy with this response and will be pressing the Council to have this work carried out this year.

Bus Bay for Girls School

The Council officials gave an undertaking at the Area Meeting on the 20th July to have the much needed bus bay in place at the Girls School before the school re-opens in September.

Parson Street Traffic Calming

Traffic calming at the houses side of Parson Street has been held up for the past two years because the Civil Engineers could not agree on a solution to the problem. Following pressure from Cllr. McGinley at the Council Area Meeting on the 20th July the Engineers gave an undertaking that they would have a definite agreement for our meeting on 3rd September. The money is already in place for this badly needed traffic calming.

Bollards at Doctors Lane

The Council have now decided to implement the decision reached over two years ago to close off Doctors Lane at the Dublin Road end. A drawing showing the proposed location of these bollards is presently on display in Maynooth Library. Representations or objections should be made in writing to the County Secretary before 17th September.

Traffic Lights at Maynooth Exit on Motorway

Cllr. McGinley has been assured by the County Engineers that provision of the traffic lights is being pursued with the National Roads Authority by the Council. In addition Cllr. McGinley has received the following written reply from the County Secretary:

"I wish to refer to your representation of 2nd June 1999. I have had the matter investigated and wish to inform you that Roads Design Section have recommended:

- *Channelisation of the roadway crossing the Straffan Road Bridge.*
- *Signalisation of the motorway ramp exit.*
- *Employment of consultant to progress design.*
- *Identification of source funding."*

Cllr. McGinley had made it very clear to the County Engineer that this work must be prioritised and that any further delay in the provision of the traffic lights will not be tolerated.

Footpaths at Carton Court and Maynooth Park

Cllr. McGinley has received the following reply in relation to the above from the County Secretary:

"I wish to inform you that although it is acknowledged that the footpaths in these areas are in need of renewal, it will not be possible to have remedial work undertaken for some time due to previous work commitments"

Cllr. McGinley will continue to press for an early completion of this necessary work.

Wheelchair Access Greenfield Estate

Cllr. McGinley has received the following reply from the County Secretary:

"I refer to your representation in regard to the above and wish to inform you that this work will be carried out when work already committed has been undertaken."

As the works involved can be done in a couple of days Cllr. McGinley has asked that it be done sooner rather than later.

Footpath from Doctors Lane towards Tesco's

Cllr. McGinley has received the following reply from the County Secretary:

"I refer to your representations in regard to the above and wish to inform you that there are no plans to construct a path at this location at this time. However, it is hoped that the work can be carried out as soon as possible upon completion of this years work programme."

This is a very dangerous location for pedestrians as there is no footpath and there are cars coming in all directions. Cllr. McGinley will press for this footpath to be constructed without any further delay.

Thornton Dump

The Labour Party welcome the fact that An Bord Pleanala has turned down Thornton's appeal. Great credit is due to the Anti-Dump Committee. Hopefully, this is the end of the story.

Kilcock Incinerator

As anticipated the promoters of the Toxic Incinerator have appealed Kildare County Council's refusal to An Bord Pleanala. Every effort possible has to be made to stop this monstrosity from going ahead. The Labour Party in Kildare will be lodging an appeal as an observer to An Bord Pleanala.

New Public Lights

Cllr. John McGinley welcomes the fact that the E.S.B. have implemented his proposal to install six lights on the Back Lane, Old Greenfield, one light at Maynooth Park and one light at the entrance to Rockfield Estate. Cllr. McGinley has asked the E.S.B. to move the Rockfield light ten meters to the Celbridge Road where it would be of more benefit.

Laurence Avenue Fence

The Greenfield Estate Residents Association got a quotation of £6,800 for a new fence. Following representations from Emmet Stagg T.D. and Cllr. John McGinley Bórd Gáis have agreed to pay half the cost. Cllr. McGinley has submitted a motion to the Council asking them to find the other half of the cost.

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G.A.A. NOTES

Senior Football League Division II Round 13
Maynooth 0-9 - Suncroft 1-5

Maynooth gained promotion to division 1 of the Senior Football League with a hard earned but deserved win over Suncroft in St. Mary's Park on July 21st last.

This win leaves Maynooth on 21 points from a possible 26 from their 13 League Games with 10 wins, 1 draw and 2 losses.

Maynooth finish in second place behind Raheens and will play off with Ellistown and Eadestown for the division 2 title over the coming weeks.

This narrow victory over Suncroft could not have been achieved without Killian Fagan, William Farrelly, Mick Nevin, David Mahoney, Karl Ennis, Hugh Nevin. The winners led at the interval by four points to two. In a keenly contested second half Maynooth kept their noses in front and despite a late Denis King goal for Suncroft they held out for two valuable points.

Team: Paul Flood(C), Mickey Noone, Pascal Ennis, John Jordan, Niall Byrne, Paul Styne, Eamon Gallagher, Stephen Noonan, Eamon Dunne, Johnny Nevin, Niall Naughton, Peter Burke, Paul Garvey, Joey O' Riordan, Darren Naughton.
Sub: Thomas Farrell for Eamon Gallagher (50mins)
Scorers: Paul Garvey 0-5, Peter Burke 0-2, Niall Naughton 0-1, Joey O' Riordan 0-1.

Best for Maynooth: Paul Flood, John Jordan, Niall Byrne and Peter Burke.

Maynooth's Senior Footballers named Co. Kildare Team of the Month

Maynooth's Senior Football Team were named as the July Team of the Month following some excellent performances in the League which saw them gain promotion and their achievement in reaching the Intermediate Football Final. After defeating Kill and Castledermot in earlier rounds Maynooth defeated a strongly fancied Castlemitchell team in the semi-final on 17th July to reach this decider for the first time since 1965. The final is arranged for Sunday 22nd August in St. Conleth's Park, Newbridge at 7.00p.m. versus St. Kevins.

St. Kevins have been in the final on a number of occasions over the past few years without success, so Maynooth can expect a very tough game. Details of this final will be in the next issue.

All Maynooth Footballers would like to take this opportunity to wish the Club's Intermediate Hurlers the best of luck in their final and also congratulate the Club's Junior Camogie Players on winning both their League and Championship, well done to all concerned

Young Maynooth Players give hope for the Future

Maynooth Under 9 Gaelic Football Team have just completed some fine performances in the North Kildare League.

Of the five games played the team lost only once, their first game against a strong Sarsfield Team, this was followed by victories over Clane, Sallins, Naas and Cappagh.

Training continues on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7pm to 8.15pm, and children from 2nd class onwards are welcome. The club would like to thank Mr. Mullan and Staff in the local Primary School who continue to promote Gaelic Games in the School.

Finally thanks to the parents of the boys and girls who attended the games.

The under 9 panel is: Kevin Byrne, John Comerford, Barry Connellan, Phillip Corbally, Brian Cowley, Eoin Curran, Ciaran Dooley, Joe Dempsey, Michael Fahy, Aisling Farrell, Ben Finnegan, Sean Fox, Damien Creevy, Seamus Mac Ghiollabhride, Dean Mc Avinue, Francis Mc Donald, Eoghan Mc Nait, Sean Moore, Conor O'Brien, David O' Grady, Cormac O'Reilly, Christopher O' Reilly, Dennis Ryan, Stephen Shearan, Eoin Synnott, Daragh Walsh.

North Kildare Under 13 Football League 1999: Fixtures

Monday 6th Sept.	Maynooth v Balya
Saturday 18th Sept.	Naas v Maynooth
Saturday 2nd Oct.	Cappagh v Maynooth
Saturday 16th Oct.	Maynooth v Carbury
Saturday 23rd Oct.	Straffan v Maynooth

Training for the u/13 panel resumes on Friday 3rd September from 7pm to 8.15pm in the G.A.A. grounds. Full panel please attend.

Johnny Nevin

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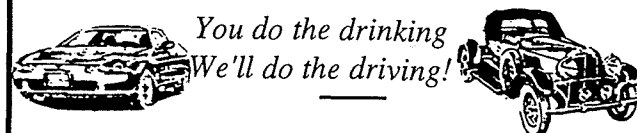
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G.A.A. RESULTS

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Junior Camogie League Final
Junior Hurling League

G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)

Result
Maynooth 3-12 : Athy 1-8
Maynooth 2-14 : Confey 1-6
Maynooth 4-3 : Celbridge 1-4
Maynooth 1-6 : Broadford 1-3

Maynooth Junior Camogie League Champions for 1999



Back row from left: Tom Coffey (Manager), Michelle Gillick, Claire McCarrick, Theresa Hession, Naomi Devereux, Maeve Herbert, Niamh Mulready, Roisin Lillis, Lynn Brennan, Aileen Devanney, Cheryl Naughton, Margaret Farrell (Captain).
Front row: Clara O'Neill, Anne Comerford, Emma Fahy, Sharon Cummins, with cup, Oisín Hession, Ann Marie Farrell, Pamela Fahy, Sandra Gillick.

MAYNOOTH COMPLETE DOUBLE

Junior Camogie League Final
Maynooth 4-3 : Celbridge 1-4

Maynooth finished their season in style by defeating Celbridge in the League Final having beaten Ardclough in the Championship two weeks ago.

Maynooth started well with Margaret Farrell getting a point after four minutes. Celbridge matched that with a free a minute later. It remained nip 'n' tuck for the rest of the half and neither team registered another score until the 20th minute when Ann Comerford found the Celbridge net with a super shot worthy of any game. Theresa Hession followed up that score with another goal to give Maynooth a five point lead at the break.

Half-time score: Maynooth 2-1 : Celbridge 0-2
Celbridge came out fired up for the second half and started in style with two points in quick succession. But not for the first time this season, Maynooth showed their resilience and wasted no time in getting their first score of the half. With Celbridge having reduced their deficit to three points, Maynooth hit back in emphatic style when Theresa Hession once again found the Celbridge net. The game was over as a contest five minutes later when Christine Flannery got

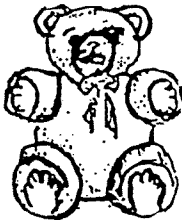
Maynooth's fourth goal. Celbridge got a consolation goal five minutes from time.

Maynooth finished the game in style with points from Maeve Herbert and Theresa Hession (free). A sweet victory for Maynooth which completed a league and championship double. Maynooth now move up to the senior ranks and are the first team in the club to do so.

A great achievement for the girls who gave great commitment throughout the year.

Team and Scores:
Player of the Match: Ann Marie Farrell.
Scorers: T. Hession 2-1, C. Flannery 1-0, A. Comerford 1-0, M. Farrell 0-1, M. Herbert 0-1;
Team: R. Lillis; N. Mulready, C. McCarrick, N. Devereaux, A.M. Farrell, E. Fahy, S. Gillick, M Gillick, C. Flannery, M. Farrell, T. Hession, S. Cummins, C. O'Neill, M. Herbert, A. Comerford.
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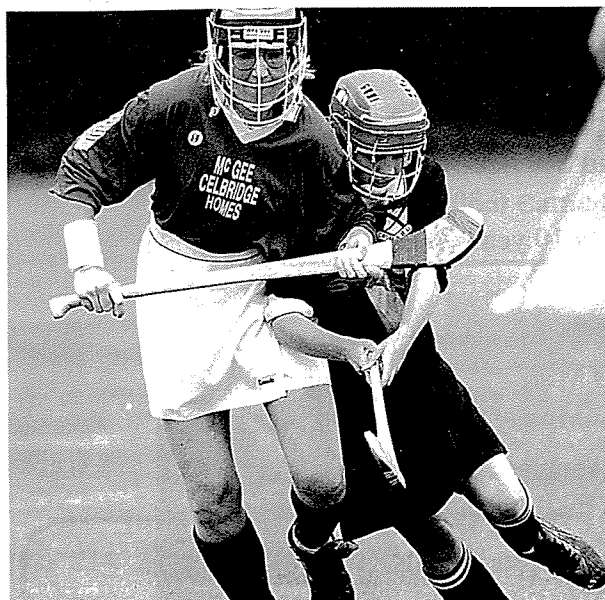
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G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)



Action from Junior Camogie League Final
Clara O'Neill on right from Maynooth battles
for possession with Fiona Farrell
from Celbridge

Maynooth Hurlers make sure on the rebound.

I.H. Championship - 1st Round Replay Maynooth 3-12 : Athy 1-8

Maynooth ran out convincing winners in the end but it was a nervous performance from the North Kildare Club. Athy having almost won the last day started the better with Mick Doyle pointing a free after two minutes. Fergal Scully and Stephen Brennan replied with points for Maynooth and the winners gradually got control and were never headed on the score-board for the remainder of the game. By the twentieth minute Maynooth led by five points to three and they further increased that lead with an opportunist goal from Donna Hollain. Paul Daly further increased that lead with a point from play in the twenty-third minute. A blistering goal from Ciaran McGuinness gave Maynooth a ten point cushion but Athy to their credit did not throw in the towel and finished the first half with three points from Mick Doyle and a brace from Eamon Byrne to leave the half time score Maynooth 2-7: Athy 0-6. Maynooth learning from their disastrous second half performance in the drawn match compounded Athy's worries with a couple of pointed frees from Fergal Scully and Justin White. A lapse in concentration from Stephen Brennan led to the concession of a goal for Athy. However this only served to motivate the winners further and their defence began to dominate and withstand any incursions from the Athy attack. The game was over as a contest by the midway point of the second half when Donna Hollain taking advantage of some sloppy defensive play struck an unstoppable shot to the Athy net. Tom Farrell and Conor Diggins had further points before full time. Maynooth now go on to play Confey and a mouth-watering contest is in prospect.

Best for Maynooth were: Hugh Nevin, Fergal Scully,

Ruairi Kelly, Stephen Brennan, Donna Hollain, Paul Daly.
Athy's best were: Ciaran Kelly, Michael Donovan, Eamon Byrne and Mick Doyle.

Teams and Scores - Athy

Paul Kelly, Eddie Lawlor, Tom Kelleher, Peadar Davis, Pat Maher, Ciaran Kelly, Mark Redmond, Michael Donovan, Tommy Owens, John Kelly, Chris Lawlor (0-1), Eamon Byrne (0-3), Ken Brophy, Mick Doyle (0-4), Sean Candy.

Subs: Timmy Doyle for Redmond, Declan Day for Candy (Stephen Brennan own goal for Athy).

Teams and Scores - Maynooth

Karl Ennis, Tom Mullarkey, Hugh Nevin, Ruairi Kelly, Padraic Ward, Fergal Scully (0-2), Jimmy Cahill, Justin White (0-1), Stephen Brennan (0-3); Mark Nugent, Paul White, Donna Hollain (2-1), Conor Diggins (0-2), Ciaran McGuinness (1-0), Paul Daly (0-2).

Subs: Tom Farrell (0-1), for Nugent, Declan Buckley for F. Scully, Eoin Nevin for Tom Mullarkey.

Intermediate Hurling Championship Semi-Final Maynooth 2-14 : Confey 1-6

Maynooth intermediate hurlers reached the final of the championship with an impressive win over neighbours Confey played at Leixlip on the 30th July 1999. By the tenth minute of the first half Maynooth had opened up a five point lead and Confey were struggling to make any impression against a Maynooth side who were dominant in all sectors. The first goalscoring opportunity fell to Maynooth's Mark Nugent who broke free of the Confey defence but his goal bound shot was brilliantly saved by Confey net minder Brian McGann. Two minutes later, Conor Diggins weaved his way through the Confey defence but again his shot was deflected by the goalie into the path of Mark Nugent who promptly found the net. However surprisingly the referee disallowed the goal for a square infringement.

Confey reduced the deficit with points from Mick O'Carroll and a Martin Bermingham free. Donna Hollain finished the first half scoring with a point from play to leave the half time score Maynooth 0-7: Confey 0-3. Roger Quinn opened Confey's account with a fine long range point from play in the 2nd minute. Ciaran McGuinness restored Maynooth's four point advantage with a point from play. Weaknesses began to appear in the Confey defence and it was no surprise when Maynooth got their first legitimate goal ten minutes into the second half when Mark Nugent outpaced the Confey defence passed to Conor Diggins whose first time shot crept into the corner of the net. Confey however responded immediately to the set back and when the Maynooth defence failed to clear their lines Ciaran Divally was on hand to raise a green flag. The turning point of the game came in the fifteenth minute when Tom Farrell who was a constant thorn to the Confey defence scored a splendid goal following good work by Paul Daly and Justin White and this time there was no way back for Confey. Justin White had two further points in as many minutes and while Confey never stopped trying to get back into the game, the Maynooth rearguard held firm and added on a further four points by full time. Maynooth will now play Clane in the final who have impressed in their previous outings and will provide much sterner opposition for the Crom Abu Side.

Best for Maynooth were: Hugh Nevin, Ruairi Kelly, Jimmy Cahill, Justin White, Tom Farrell, Ciaran McGuinness and

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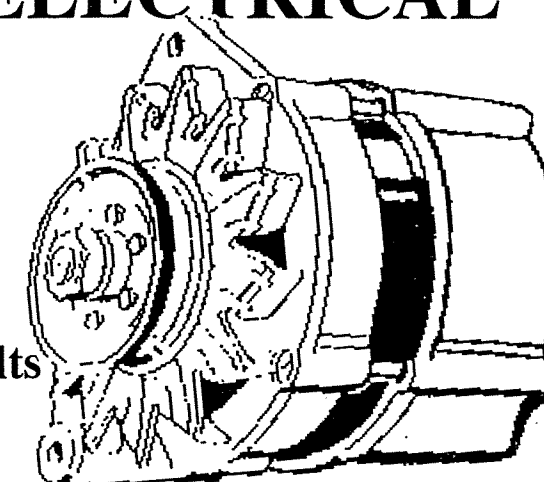
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Mark Nugent.

Best for Confey were: Sean Flynn, Roger Quinn, Mick O'Connell and Martin Bermingham tried hardest.

Teams and Scores - Maynooth

Karl Ennis, Eoin Nevin, Hugh Nevin, Ruairi Kelly, Padraic Ward, Fergal Scully, Jimmy Cahill (0-1), Justin White (0-3); Stephen Brennan (0-3), Conor Diggins (1-0), Paul Daly, Tom Farrell (1-1), Donna Hollain (0-1), Ciaran McGuinness (0-3), Mark Nugent(0-2)

Teams and Scores - Confey

Brian McGann, Adrian Kinsella, Andy Mason, Mark Ryan, John O'Neill, Richie Murphy, Sean Flynn, Dave McDonald, Roger Quinn (0-1), Ciaran Divilly (1-0), Mick O'Connell (0-1), Martin Bermingham (0-4), Stephen Murphy, Dara Nolan, Joe Fitzpatrick.

Subs: Eric Quinn for J. Fitzpatrick.

Junior Hurling League

Maynooth 1-6 : Broadford 1-3

In spite of fielding an under strength team Maynooth showed great resilience and determination to withstand the challenge of Broadford played at St. Mary's Park on the 29th July 1999. Both defences were on top in the early stages with the first score of the game coming as late as the fifteenth minute when Broadford raised a white flag. Maynooth full forward Eamon Toomey who gave his marker a torrid time equalised matters two minutes later. Maynooth began to get the upper hand for the remainder of the first half with two pointed frees from Seamus Cummins and John O'Brien. Following good work by Mick Madden, John O'Brien struck an unstoppable shot to the Broadford net. Against the run of play Broadford got right back into the match with a goal two minutes from half time. The first half scoring was completed with a delightful point from Mick Bennett to leave the half time score Maynooth 1-4: Broadford 1-2.

The second half is best remembered for stout defending by Maynooth restricting Broadford to just one point from a free five minutes from full-time and the sheer excellence of Stephen Kelly in goal who brought off a number of excellent saves. Mick Madden and Mick Bennett added further points for the winners in the second half.

Best for Maynooth were: Stephen Kelly, Colin Cushen, Mick Madden, Mick Bennett, Johnny Lee, Eamon Toomey and Sean Lennon.

Teams and Scores:

Stephen Kelly, Matt Callaghan, Mick Gahan, Colin Cushen, Ollie Gaffney, Mick Madden (0-1), Aidan McCarron, Mick Bennett (0-2), Padraic Daly, Sean Lennon, Johnny Lee, John O'Brien (1-1), Seamus Cummins (0-1), Eamon Toomey (0-1), Adrian O'Donovan.

Maynooth G.A.A. Club Festival

The Maynooth G.A.A. Club Festival which ran from the 19th July to the 25th July was a great success and great credit is due to the Festival Committee of Martin Bambrick, Matt Doran, Larry Comerford, Pat Nevin and Noel Farrelly who worked so hard to ensure the smooth running of the various events.

On Tuesday 20th July the G.A.A. Golf Classic took place in Lucan Golf Club with over thirty teams participating. The eventual winners were Dublin Bus comprising Martin

Armstrong, Mark Kelly and Mick Matthews. The 2000 Golf Classic has already been planned and it will take place at the same venue on the 17th July 2000.

On Thursday 22nd July, a Teenage Disco took place in the G.A.A. Marquee with over 150 teenagers attending. Danny Carthy ex Fiddlers Green provided the live entertainment in G.A.A. Clubhouse on Friday 23rd and his high quality performance attracted a very large crowd.

A Bar-B-Que was held in the G.A.A. grounds on Saturday 24th July and again was hugely successful with a large crowd attending, in excess of 300. Richie Kavanagh was the highlight of the Festival on the Sunday, 25th July, and his unique brand of humour, wit and singing ditties was a hit with all the families who attended, particularly the children. There were other side shows like face painting, bouncing castles, balloon modelling and understandably these activities were a big hit with the younger children.

The Festival closed with an adult disco in Festival Marquee on Sunday night. Right through the week the Seven A-Side Football and Hurling took place. On the football side eight teams took part with Kilcock and Leixlip contesting the final. In a titanic struggle Kilcock emerged winners. As regards Hurling, six teams took part with Confey and Maynooth qualifying for the final. Again the final was a very tight affair with Confey taking the honours. It must be said that the 7 A-Side ran very smoothly during the Festival Week and special thanks must be given to Pat Nevin and Larry Comerford who were responsible for organising the 7 A-Side. The Festival Committee would like to thank all the sponsors involved, without whose support it would not be possible to stage such a festival.

We were also blessed in the fact that for most of the Festival Week the weather was benign. There is no doubt that the Festival was an unqualified success and the intention at this stage is to hold a similar range of events for 2000.

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Sean Wins Captains Prize

Kilkea Castle was the venue for Captain Tom O'Haire's Prize. This fine parkland course was a tough test and a stiff southerly breeze added an extra degree of difficulty. Left - hander Sean Tracey with a score of 36 points came through to win the prize. Somewhat fortunately as Ray Delemere had 37 points but unfortunately for Ray he was not qualified. Congrats to Sean. Hard Luck Ray.

Captain Tom congratulated all the players who turned out and indeed all the sponsors for making it a memorable day.

Next Outing

President John Carey's Prize, Grange Castle - September 4th.



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Captain's (T. O'Haire) Prize Kilkea Castle July 3rd 1999

Overall Winner	Sean Tracey	36 points
2nd Overall	Ray Delemere	37 points (N.Q.)
Class 1 1st	Chriss O'Reilly	33 points
2nd	Joe Moore	31 points (B.Q.)
3rd	Terry Moore	31 points
Class 2 1st	Tom Flatley	30 points
2nd	Alan Kelly	26 points
3rd	Tom O'Haire	24 points
Class 3 1st	Paddy Foy	34 points
2nd	Noel Brady	31 points
3rd	Miley Scanlon	29 points
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Sport

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL NOTES

As the start of the new season draws close all schoolboy and senior teams are now back in training. The senior panel trains on the Dublin Road pitch on Tuesday and Thursday nights. A list of contacts for the schoolboy teams is included in the **Newsletter**. This year Maynooth Town will field 14 schoolboy teams ranging from 7 to 17 years. Girls between 7 and 10 years of age who wish to play are welcome to join the junior game. The number of teams competing reflects the growth the town has seen over the past number of years. The soccer club like other community-based organisations in the town has to be assisted to expand to cater for the demand that has been placed on them or they will fold. Despite the view that some have expressed Maynooth Town F.C. is not a 'Private Club' and welcomes all, playing or non-playing who wish to partake in a community based club to work for the advancement of the youth of the town through the medium of competitive soccer. Any person who wishes to get involved at a committee level will be welcomed at the next A.G.M. which will be held in early September. All members of the committee, some of whom have given unselfishly of their time for the last 30 years, have always worked unpaid for the good of the club and the town. Let's hope we see no more of the uninformed scaremongering nonsense that has recently made print. Maynooth Town F.C. would be delighted to hear from any business interests in the area that might wish to sponsor any of our teams. Good luck to all sides as they prepare for the new season and they can improve on the success they enjoyed last season.

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Solar Super Sevens Sunday League

Teams	Contact	Phone
Under 8's 2 Teams	Fergal Flynn	6286169
Under 9's 2 Teams	Gerry Folan	6286994
Under 10's 2 Teams	Pat Moynan	6286865

11 A-Side Saturday and Sunday

Under 11's 2 Teams	Ciaran Glynn Stephen Corbally	6290918 6285742
Under 12's 2 Teams	Eddie Power	6289039
Under 13's 2 Teams	Joe Walsh	6285871
Under 15's 1 Team	Tony McMahon	086 8405179
Under 17's	Alan Cahill	6286235

New players are welcome on all teams.

Should you require any further information about the teams or the Club contact the Team Manager or Club Secretary Gerry Folan (6286994) or John Doogan (6289720).

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DATE	NOS	JACKPOT	5 X £10 WINNERS				
25 July 99	4,5,29	£525	Maura McMullon	Elaine Flanagan	Joe Mulligan	Imelda Dowling	Greg Kirwan
1 Aug 99	8,12,24	£550	The Fay Girls	'Nodger'	Taylor Corcoran	Michael Murphy	Kay and Eddie
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Sandra Thompson, Greenfield
Twenty-six on the 14th August

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy Birthday to **Rikki M^c Ternan**, Laurence Ave.
age eight on September 8th, from Mammie, Daddy, Grannie,
Grand d, Pat Connor and friends and to Rikki's cousins Keith
M^c Ternan, Dunboyne, twenty-one, September 9th from
Daddy, Mammie, sister Ciara, Grannie and Grandads.

Happy Birthday to **Aileen M^c Ternan**, Moyglare Village, age
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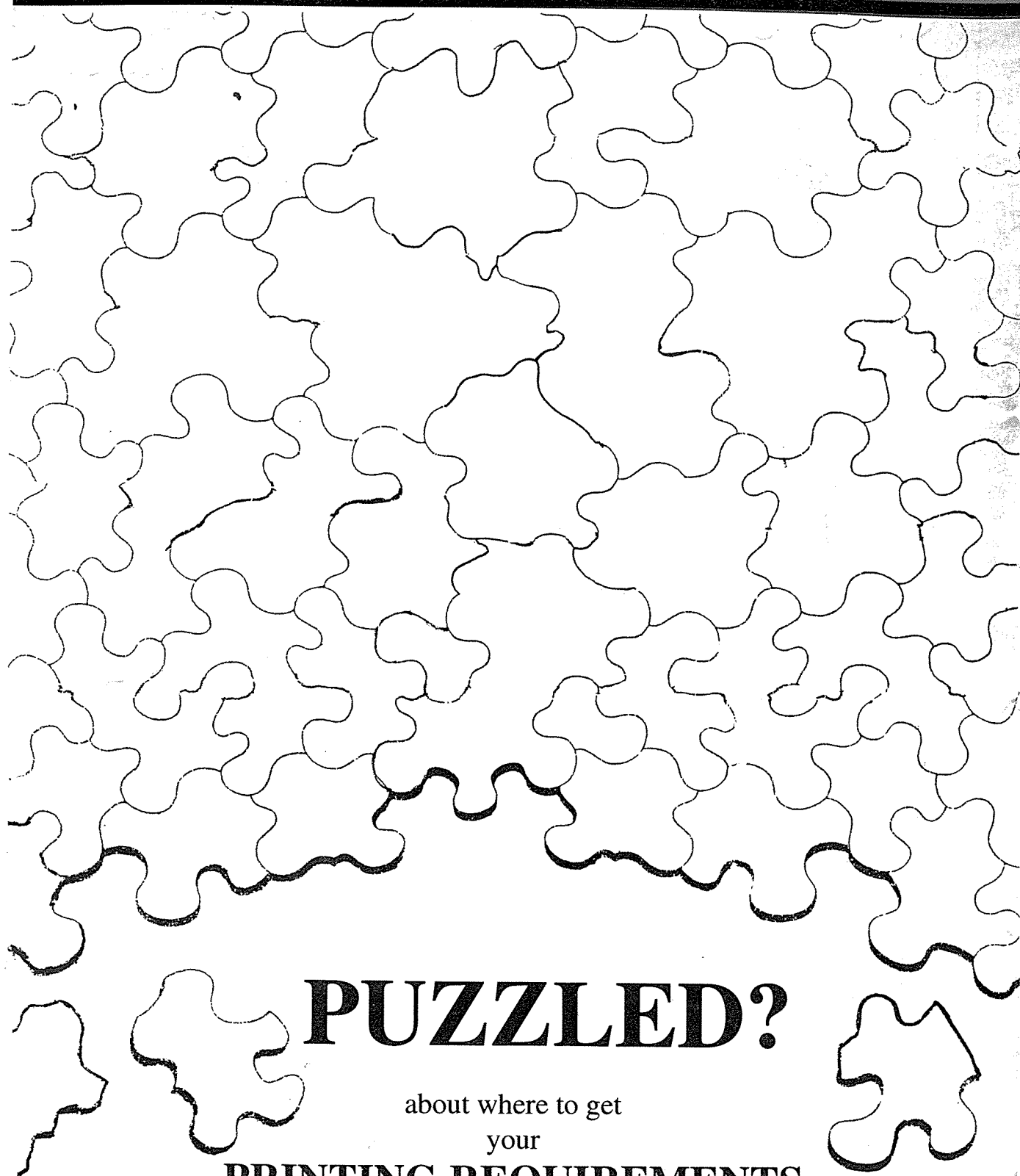
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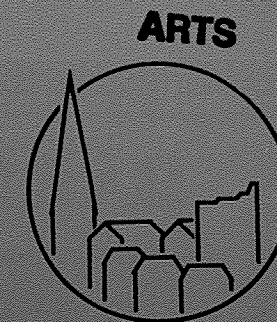
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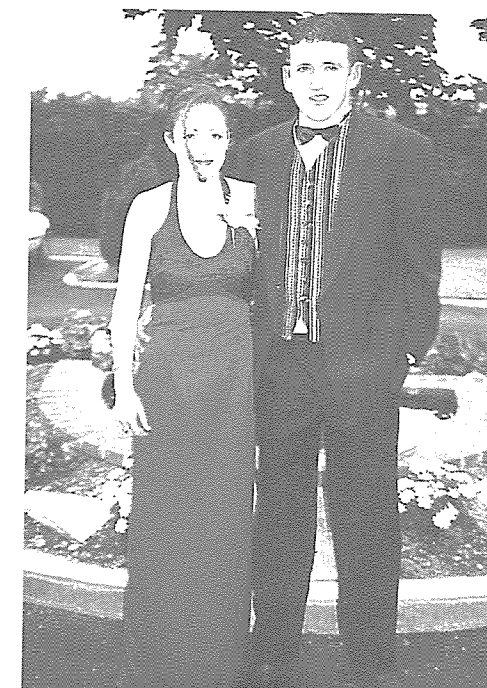
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Senior Citizens Committee Meeting -
Maynooth Health Centre (beside Fire Station).

Thursday, 7th October

7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.

Maynooth Scouts resume - beside Maynooth
Post Primary School

Tuesday, 12th October at 8.00 p.m.

Annual General Meeting - Maynooth Post
Primary School Parent/Teacher Association.

Sunday, 17th October at 3.30 p.m.

Senior Citizens Hallowe'en Party - Post
Primary School

Tuesday, 19th October at 8.00 p.m.

Annual General Meeting, Maynooth Flower
and Garden Club - Loftus Hall, Maynooth
College.

Monday Nights - 8.30 p.m. -

10.00 p.m.

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National School.

Thursday Nights - 8.30 p.m. -

9.45 p.m.

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EDITORIAL

Well Done Tidy Towns.....Not So Well Done Kildare Co.Council

In this month's issue we publish the National Tidy Towns adjudicators report for Maynooth. This year Maynooth's score has gone up by fourteen marks to 178, the largest increase we have gained in any one year. Much of this is due to the Town Improvements Scheme which has resulted in a complete revamp of Main Street and credit must be given to Kildare Co. Council for completing this project in the last year. When handing out plaudits, however, most credit for the town's improved appearance must go to the hard working Tidy Towns Committee. Their voluntary efforts in fund-raising, maintaining and enhancing open spaces around the town and cleaning up the Main Street, back lanes and Straffan Road every Sunday morning make a real difference as far as the town's image is concerned. Voluntary effort in this area, however, can only take us so far and what is really needed is a much more proactive approach on the part of the Co. Council. A seven day week street cleaning service with emptying of litter bins over the weekend is the least we should expect for a town with a population of close to 10,000. Towns half the size of Maynooth in other counties benefit from much higher levels of service from their county councils. The other side of the coin is that we, the public, need to make a far greater effort in banishing litter from our streets. The crisp bags, tin cans and sweet papers strewn around the town are discarded by Maynooth residents. We don't have anyone else to blame and Maynooth's score under this heading of litter control remains well below the national average according to the Tidy Towns adjudicators report.

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Community Council Notes

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I wish to thank all my kind neighbours and friends who sent cards, flowers and said prayers during my illness. As many know I was out of action for some months but I am fit and well again and on the road to recovery.

To all who visited and a special thanks to Jim O' Rourke and my late friend Phil Burke who never failed to visit, also to my wife and family for all your support. May God give you all the strength he has given me.

I thank you all again

Yours Sincerely,

Owen Byrne, 14 Parklands Lawns, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Dear Editor,

Close your eyes and picture this -

The Irish wearing ENGLISH football jerseys, buying their clothes and food in English shops, watching English television channels, reading English newspapers and speaking in the English accent.

Now open them - anything look familiar? This is reality in the Ireland of the 90's. People all over the country are embracing English culture with a zest unlike any other time in the turbulent relationship between our two countries. Would Michael Collins or Wolfe Tone have believed it all those years ago - that in no less than seventy-five years after getting our freedom the Irish would be doing everything but wrapping themselves in the English flag? Some may consider this over the top but all you have to do is take a look around you. Walk down a street in any town in Ireland and see young people wearing Manchester United football jerseys, reading English tabloids such as The Sun, The News of the World and carrying bags with names like Boots, Tesco and Marks and Spencer. Listen to people discuss what happened last night on 'Corrie' or 'Eastenders' and then say thank you with a "Cheers Mate". What distinguishes this from any town in Britain? Not much is what I think. The aspect of this that I find hardest to swallow is when an English club football team comes to Ireland to play one of our National League sides and is supported by Irish people. Irish people cheer on foreigners as opposed to their own team. There is something seriously wrong here.

What causes this? Why does it not happen in other European countries? Is it still something in the Irish psyche originating from colonial days that IMAGINES that everything British has to be better? Some call it Grovelling Paddy Syndrome, some call it the Post Colonial Inferiority Complex, I call it a crying shame.

Name and address with Editor.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Newsletter. Re: Elections

The issue of Local Elections was raised briefly.

The Editor, Peter Connell, replied to Senan Griffin, that he felt that all was done to give a fair review to all and that all had received fair coverage. Senan Griffin in reply said he still maintained that he did not get a fair showing in the **Newsletter**. He said that three Community Councillors had agreed with him. He will not withdraw his statement.

Harbour Field - Re. Grass Cutting:

John Doogan, Soccer Club, asked for a donation to help with the cost of grass cutting.

A short discussion took place. It was stated it was not possible to get an Amenity Grant for private lands.

Pádraig O'Murchú said that we owe it to the Community as Key-Keeper of the Harbour Field.

It was agreed to pay for grass cutting for the off-season period.

Harbour Field Re-Development:

It was stated that it was hoped to have a meeting with the Development Committee and Trustees soon, but it was also felt that it was more important that the Development Committee meet with the County Council.

John McGinley said that Mick Gillick was now home. The Community Council wished him and his family the very best and that Mick would soon be back to his old-self.

It was also noted that the Harbour Field is in a very bad state at the moment. It was stated that the Litter Laws are being blatantly disregarded. It is hoped that something will be done very soon.

Canal Festival:

It was noted that the Royal Canal Amenity Group, had a Boat Festival on the canal.

Maynooth Community Festival:

It was felt that overall the Festival went well. The events in The Square were not well attended. It was felt that the Festival would need to be reviewed. It was noted that Nora and Freda and the Committee had done a great job. It was felt that the G.A.A. Festival went very well and that it was a great addition to Community Week.

Project for the Millennium:

Tony Bean of the Task Force stated that with the co-operation of Monsignor Dermot Farrell, President, St. Patrick's College, it was proposed to light the spire on the College Chapel as the spire can be seen for miles around and it would remain lit for all time. It was felt that this was a wonderful idea. John McGinley stated that 1001 Oak trees will be planted in Kildare by Kildare County Council, 100 for each electoral area.

Rockfield / Railpark Estates:

It was stated that gangs gathering drinking etc are causing dreadful problems for the residents, the Community Council to write to the Gardaí and Superintendent.

Elections - Re: Community Council:

It was agreed to have elections in March-April 2000.

Community Council Meetings:

Meetings to be held on 2nd Monday of the Month.

Senan Griffin paid tribute to the G.A.A. for gaining Senior Level and their over-all showing this year.

Maynooth Tidy Towns:

Maynooth did very well in this year's competition and gained more points. Congratulations to the Tidy Towns Committee.

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BAND BULLETIN

Could we have a roll on the drums and a fanfare of trumpets please. THE BULLETIN IS BACK. Despite the intervention of the Labour Court the replacement reporter declined to take up the position because there weren't enough 'notes' in it for him so your old scribe is back - at 1950 rates.

I will try over the next couple of issues to bring you up to date on past happenings while keeping you informed of upcoming events and the progress of the Band in general.

Winding the tape back to last April the Band took part in the National Band Championships in Rathfarnham. In 1998, having won the Junior section the previous year, we stepped up to the much more competitive Intermediate level and came second last of eight bands. This year we had a better idea of the standards, practised hard and came a very creditable third against tough competition from all over Ireland. Can 2000 be our year for Gold?

There was a reasonably wide variety of engagements during the year. Kicking off with our trip on St. Patrick's week-end to Manchester (U.K.) to march in their "St. Patrick's Day" Parade closely followed by the REAL Paddy's Day Parades in Maynooth, Kilcock and Enfield. Dublin Corporation engagements this year included recitals in Fairview and Ballyfermot.

Financially speaking we once again were forced to whisper "sweet nothings" in our Bank Managers ear when we found it necessary to spend almost £12,000 replacing a number of our larger instruments which were over twenty years old. Seems a great deal of money but we actually availed of a 2 for the price of 1 offer and it was indeed an offer we couldn't refuse.

Once again we take our hats off to the hundreds of locals who supported our Annual Flag Weekend in August and generously gave over £2,000 to help reduce the outlay on the instruments. Many of you gave not once but twice or three times over the three days of the collection. We thank you most sincerely for your generosity which will help in no small way to reduce our debt.

So much for the past, what about the future. Well, we have a hectic three months ahead with a Fund Raising Supper Dance in Dowdstown Hotel on Saturday 2nd October; in November we have our Mass for Deceased Members as well as our yearly Race Night in the G.A.A. Club and to finish the Millennium we hope to take part in the two Church Carol Services, give our Christmas Carol Recitals and put on our main event of the year, our Annual concert. Somewhere in the middle of all that activity we plan to record the Bands very first CD which we hope to have on sale for Christmas. Doesn't leave much time for sleep, does it?

Our Supper Dance on Saturday 2nd October in Dowdstown Hotel runs from 10pm til 1am, music is by Bourbon Street and tickets are only £8. Accommodation is very limited so please come early. Special Guest on the night are Route 66, a recently formed Big Band mainly made up from musicians from our own Band. They have a Big Brassy sound and hope to whet your appetite for further appearances during the year. Don't forget tickets are limited and are available from Michéal Dempsey (6286948) and Paddy Boyd (6286468)

Thats enough ool guff for this month, see you here in November with a further update.



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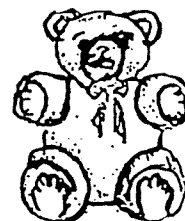


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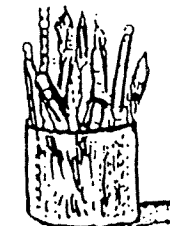
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NKNSP is the one of the growing number of *Educate Together* national schools (currently 20). *Educate Together* schools are based on four core principles:

- multi-denominational;
- co-educational;
- child-centred;
- democratically-run;

NKNSP is only in operation for five years, but already has an enrolment of over 200 children and employs six teaching staff. The school is based in temporary accommodation in Ballymakealy Lower, on the Clane road out of Celbridge (adjacent to the Setanta Hotel). However, we recently received approval for the building of a permanent school beside the new St. Wolstan's Community School. It is hoped that the new building will be open by September 2001.

NKNSP follows the standard national school curriculum. However, its multi-denomination ethos is reflected in its unique treatment of religious education in the core school curriculum. This has four components: personal development, family/group/community, the world, and world religions and belief systems. The school does not favour any one religion above another or as between belief and non-belief. Religious instruction, which fosters a child's commitment to a single belief system, is provided outside of the school curriculum by parent-led faith groups.

Another distinctive feature of NKNSP is the key role allocated to parents in its school management and administration. Parents are involved at a number of levels:

- membership of NKNSP Limited, the legal structure which acts as the patron of the school through the auspices of a democratically - elected executive committee;
- representation on the board of management (four seats in all);
- involvement in school activities, e.g. sharing a hobby, helping out on outings;
- participation in out-of-school activities, including information meetings and social events;
- frequent consultation on the development of school policies and initiatives;
- involvement in *Educate Together*, the umbrella body for multi-denomination schools.

Also, the school has agreed a one class per year policy. This ceiling on pupil numbers is designed to ensure the maximum attention to the needs of children and to maintain a strong sense of community between teachers, children and parents.

The catchment area for the school is north Kildare, with children attending from Leixlip, Maynooth, Clane, Straffan, Celbridge and even Lucan. Currently, there are children from eight Maynooth families at the school. A free bus is provided in the morning and afternoon. A Maynooth person, Gerry Folan, is the chairperson of the board of management. Last year the school participated in the Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade.

This is the first of a series of periodic features on NKNSP. Contact Rita Galvin, principal, or Gerry Folan, chairperson, for further information on the school at 01-6274388 or email at nknsplias@eircom.net or visit our web site at <http://homepage.eircom.net/nknspl>.

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CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY

Clane Musical's show for the Millennium is "Sweet Charity" by Bob Fosse. The show is a hilarious comedy set in the 1960's. Its main character Charity Hope Valentine is unlucky in love - to say the least, her relationships provide plenty of entertainment for the audience along with hit songs such as "Big Spender", "If They Could See Me Now" and "Rhythm of Life". You won't want to miss this show, so pencil in March 2/000 for your show of the year.

1999 was a very successful year for Clane - they performed to packed houses each night, but the icing on the cake was when the sets were nominated and won "Best Sets" category at the National Musical Society Awards in Killarney this summer. Next years good news is that the production team is continuing for 2.000 with Mary Power - Cooney: Director/Choreographer, Brian Brady: Musical Director along with Marie Cusack: Set Design & Construction and Trish Fusco: Wardrobe Mistress.

If you'd like to know more about the show or society please feel welcome to drop in. Rehearsal nights are Wednesday, at 8.30pm in The Old School. If you'd like more information please contact Anne Noonan at 045 868735.

A number of society members were busy over the summer at the production of the "King and I" which took place in the National Concert Hall. Well done to the group.

Cast: Helena Reynolds, Marie Reynolds, Fiona Shirran, Ann Clifford, Sarah Flynn, Marion O'Keeffe, Aaron Donnelly.

Stage Crew: Marie Cusack, Tom Donnelly & Colin O'Reilly.

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SCOUTS NEWS

It is that time of the year again, the Scouts are starting back after a good Summer Camp in Lough Key Forest Park in Roscommon, a good time was had by all. We also qualified to compete for the Melvin Trophy in Larch Hill from the 19th of August to the 22nd. We would like to congratulate our Maynooth Scouts for doing so well. They came thirty-second out of sixty-four in the All Ireland. We had a young team. Watch this space next year.

Maynooth Scouts names are John Perry P.L., Paul Reilly A.P.L., Jessica Perry, Sharon Flynn, Nora McGlinchy, John O'Toole, John Flood, and Mark Dotherty. Well done, we are proud of you.

We are starting back on the 7th of October from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. All new members are welcome between the ages of 10 1/2 up to 16 years old.

We are situated beside Maynooth Post Primary in at the back of the school. I would like to thank all who supported us with drinks, snacks, and transport.

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NATIONAL TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1999 MAYNOOTH GAINS FOURTEEN POINTS BUT THERE IS STILL MUCH TO DO!

On Tuesday the 14th September last, Clonakilty (257 points), County Cork was declared the tidiest town in Ireland for 1999! Up seven points on last year, this gave them a two point margin over last year's winner Ardagh (255 points) Co. Longford. One of the features of Clonakilty's win is the fact that it competes in category D, which is for towns with a population of greater than 2,500 and less than 5,000. The overall prize in recent years has usually gone to small villages. Maynooth competes in Category E (less than 10,000 population) and the National winner in this category was Carrickmacross (246). Co. Monaghan. Category F (over 10,000 population) was won this year by Ennis (244) Co. Clare. In Co. Kildare, marks were up for some competitors, but generally little change. Except for Kill (239) and Johnstown (232), most Kildare towns did not feature. North Kildare's top competitor this year was Clane (206) with Celbridge (200) coming next, although in a different category.

For the majority of Tidy Towns Committees, the real competition is within their own counties in efforts to continue to increase the marks over the previous years results. Maynooth (178 points), increased by fourteen marks this year. This is an excellent improvement in one year and it is mainly due to the new Main Street. Other work contributed to our result, but regrettably in Litter Control and Tidiness we are still scoring well below what we are capable of achieving. Residential Areas are holding their score and it is hoped that this could be improved on next year.

Without the small band of volunteers there would not have been any improvement in our marks. Special thanks must go to the the Glenroyal Hotel for the sponsorship of our new ride-on-lawnmower. Special recognition for effort must go to our Chairman, Robert O'Reilly for giving at least twenty hours a week to the work of Tidy Towns. This level of commitment should not be needed from any one person. It is ironic that we were judged on a Sunday this year, bearing in mind the fact that our Sunday Voluntary crew are out each week doing a clean up of the Main Street, back lanes and the Straffan Road. Much appreciation for their help must go to Richard Farrell and Don O'Mahony for their work in cleaning the weeds along the Straffan Road.

Without funds we could not undertake the tasks that we do and in this regard we gratefully acknowledge the contributions made by the public at our Church Gate collection and the generous support of the business community. These will be acknowledged at our annual "best shop front" and "best estate" competitions prize-giving evening later this month. Finally, this year we were extremely grateful for the assistance of the Maynooth Flower Club members who planted and took care of the flower beds at the Church. The way forward for Maynooth Tidy Towns is to continue partnership arrangements like this and to develop new ones with other groups in the community. Maynooth doing well in the National Tidy Towns competition is to all our benefit.

In keeping with other years we publish the adjudicators report on Maynooth without comment at this stage. During, October we will call a meeting to discuss the points raised in the

report and on the same occasion announce the winners of the "Best Shopfront" and "Best Estate Competitions", which are sponsored again this year by Coonans, the local Auctioneers and Financial Services Company.

OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Thank you very much for the completed entry form and the submission of your document entitled the First Steps. This really is a very well presented journal and highlights many of the contemporary issues impacting on the town. Though its production is to a very high quality it should be seen that the three to five year plan is a live document and that this publication must be updated each year to assist in adjudication of the most recent events.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Shops in the main street look very well and the new street improvements really add to the town setting. Perhaps the advertising sign at the entry to the main street from Leixlip is overpowering and should be rescaled. The back lanes are presentable. However, there is a need to tidy up the junctions between private property and public road.

LANDSCAPING

It should be considered that the potted plants on top of the town square arches should be removed as these are a danger. The canal walk is very well maintained with the mown grass along the edge of the paths and though the space looks well, it could do with more amenity planting, as the canal is no longer an industrial feature but more an amenity space. The graveyard is very well presented but do not lose the charm and character associated with the old part. In the area of new graves, structural planting should be considered to give a sense of enclosure for these areas.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

This category is not well covered in either the entry form or First Steps and really is something that must be discussed in the three to five year development plan. It is noted that new wildlife habitats will be created along Carton Avenue but more detail should be given as to what direction this is taking. The natural setting along the road verges into the town is very effective and produces significant colour and this too should be described more from a management point of view.

LITTER CONTROL

This aspect is varied. The bins in general were cleared on the day of adjudication but there were quite a number of areas with large pieces of litter. However, it is perhaps the small pieces of paper that get wedged onto surfaces that are visually most unattractive. In general though there are

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NATIONAL TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1999 MAYNOOTH GAINS FOURTEEN POINTS BUT THERE IS STILL MUCH TO DO! (Cont)

improvements about the town.

TIDINESS

The main street is still under construction but the signs of improvements of an urban setting have been very effective. One needs to wait for the completion of the scheme to properly adjudicate these set of works and how they marry with the efforts of the Tidy Town.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Pebble Hill is very new but it should look well in future years. Glenroyal landscaping is very good and Rail Park has a very mature setting and where there are no walls between the roads and private gardens, there is a very effective landscape character produced. Parsons Lodge is very neat and the Green Field Estate has good setting however, the shops do provide a very hard impact at the entry into this area and perhaps could do with better integration of mature plants and trees. Carton Court has a similar character to Rail Park while at Kingsbry there is very effective screening along the main road but management of kerbs where weeds grow should be more effective. There is a need for more street trees in this estate. Beaufield has a very good entry with very good enclosure created by the mature trees. The cut grass at the base of the trees is well maintained and provides a strong statement. Cluain Aobhinn has good planting arrangements at the entry which provide very effective colour but they are inclined to hide the name of the estate.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

Parsons Road is very mixed, given the variety of special opportunities however, it should be noted that the weed killing of plants around the bridge area is quite unattractive as the weeds are not removed after they have died. The main new road leading from the by-pass into the town square needs future planting to soften up the rather hard setting with the very wide road, pedestrian areas and cycle paths. The new work on the Main Street was in progress and very much defines the Main Street as a central space to this town. There is need for better management of kerbs.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Maynooth is consolidating many of the public spaces associated with the main street and around the campus areas. Many of the residential areas are maturing very well and at present perhaps the Tidy Towns Committee should seek ideas to find better integration between the residential areas and the more commercial areas. The document entitled First Steps is an excellent example of the standard that is being put forward to seek a future strategy plan and the committee must be congratulated.

Paul Croghan
Secretary
Maynooth Tidy Towns

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

"Best Shop Fronts" and "Best Estate" Competitions 1999
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The 19th of October is our Annual General Meeting so I hope we have a large attendance. There will be some members stepping down from the Committee. If there are members thinking of going on the Committee be sure and put your name forward.

There will be an imposed class on the 19th of October with six competitors:

Judge: Nuala Hegarty.
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Anyone wishing to buy tickets, contact members selling tickets, on the following numbers 6289102 or 6289300.

All meetings to be held at 8.00 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall, Maynooth College. Visitors are very welcome. Entry Fee £3.00 and includes refreshments.

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The first Committee meeting of the new School year took place on Tuesday, 14th September last.

Among the items discussed was parental representation on Vocational Education Committees. P.A.V.S.C.C. (Parents Associations for Vocational Schools and Community Colleges) held a meeting in Naas on the 19th of May at which two parents were elected for nomination to Kildare VEC.

Draft legislation on an amendment to the V.E.C Acts is currently being prepared which is intended to update aspects of the law in relation to the VEC Committees. One of the central elements of the Bill will be an amendment to the composition of VECs. to give parents a statutory role. When the Bill is enacted by the Oireachtas, the current VECs. will be dissolved and new VECs. established which will include parental representation.

We will be having a Social Evening in Dowdstown House Hotel on Saturday, 16th October with music by "The Millionaires". Tickets will be sold by members of the Parent/Teacher Association in the coming weeks.

We wish to congratulate the Leaving and Junior Certificate students on their excellent exam results and of course, their teachers and parents.

All parents are cordially invited to the A.G.M. of the Parent/Teacher Association which will take place in the school on Tuesday, 12th October next at 8.00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Ann Hughes from A.C.L.D. (The Association for Children with Learning Difficulties). The theme of Ann's talk will be recognising dyslexia and its effects on children.

The draw for £1,000 worth of prizes for those who contributed to the Bond Scheme will take place at the A.G.M. also.

Membership of the Parent/Teacher Association involves just one meeting per month. It is an excellent way to get involved in the school (particularly for parents of first-year students who have not had a child in the school previously), meet teachers and others parents.

We organise some fund-raising activities each year which, apart from being enjoyable, social events raise valuable funds for the school. Over the past three years such funds have assisted in the purchase of lockers, a photocopying machine, funded sports activities the School Debating Society and a new piano.

So, we look forward to a great attendance on Tuesday, 12th October!

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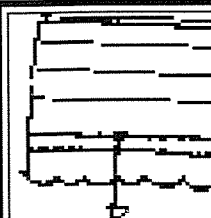
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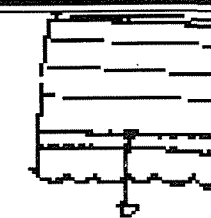
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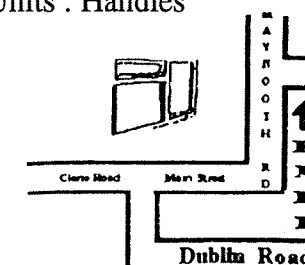
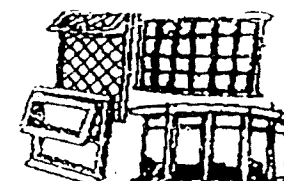
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Speaking of Halloween, may I remind those of you living alone that this is also a great time of excitement for our younger folk. It can be very noisy with "Bangers" and "Bon-fires". If you have pets keep them indoors as they can get very frightened and run away. Now a word to our young people. Do let older neighbours know what's happening, as the unknown can be very frightening. If you are calling to houses of older people living alone just keep your Grand-parents in mind. Somebody like you somewhere is calling to **their door**. Would you like **them** to be frightened?? Have fun, but please temper it with consideration for others.

And while I'm at it may I remind our older people and their Carers once again about safety and security in the house. We continue each Summer to put smoke and personal alarms in place as the need arises. However the system will only work with care and co-operation. So please ensure that all open fires are protected, chimneys are kept clean and newspapers and clothes are kept well away. Avoid smoking in bed. Test smoke alarms and make sure they work. If they are ringing occasionally, the battery needs changing. Safety chains should be on doors before they are opened to callers, but should not be left on in case someone needs to gain entry in an emergency.

Never admit anyone to your house unless you know them. If you are unsure phone someone. Remember the motto, "if in doubt, check them out". Avoid climbing, as bones are easier broken than mended. Keep your larder well stocked with imperishable foods, as our Winters can be unpredictable. Stay warm, room temperature should not drop below sixty five degrees (65°) which is clearly marked on your "room temperature guide". Hypothermia is a real danger at this time of year. This advice is intended to instil caution, not fear. Safety and security is just common sense. With a little forethought, many incidents and accidents could be avoided.

Our "Sale of Work" takes place this year on Sunday November 21st. More about that next month. Just remember the date, our survival depends on it.

A reminder to our Committee members, including our new members, that our monthly meeting takes place on Tuesday October 5th at 8pm in the Health Centre. [Beside fire station].

Finally may I wish Agnes Murphy and Ted Connolly, both of whom are in Hospital at the moment, a very speedy recovery and hope too see them both back with us very soon.

Josephine Moore.
Chairperson & P.R.O.
Tel. 6285206

CÉILÍ AND SET-DANCING NEWS IN MAYNOOTH

The "floor is hopping" every Monday night down in the Boys National School. What is happening?? I hear you ask. Between toes tapping, hands clapping and mouths yapping, all to the sounds of the diddley-dee music, the place is buzzing. We have the Céilí and Set-dancing bug...

From 8.30pm-10pm every Monday night, it's time for the adults to take to the floor. We come in all shapes and sizes and from a variety of different backgrounds and cultures. Even if you think you have two left feet that won't stop you! We grab a partner put on the music and sure there's no stopping us. You think you would like to 'dance around the house and mind the dresser,'? well come along to the Adult Céilí and Set-dancing classes on a Monday night in the Boys National School Hall and book your spot on the floor. What a better way to keep fit than swinging your partner around the floor and learning a few steps as well. We certainly have a bit of fun. So come along any Monday night and see for yourself. We even stop for a cup of tea and a few biscuits. Make new friends, and have a bit of Craic!!! You have nothing to lose by coming down on a Monday night and trying it out. You don't need a partner. And who knows before long you might have that "dancing - bug"!!

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GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH

Fáilte ar ais:

We would like to welcome you all back to a new school year at Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich. We would especially like to welcome our new parents. No doubt you will get to meet each other at our various fundraising and social events during the year.

Múinteoirí Nua:

Due to our growing numbers we have two new teachers at our school. Niall Ó Torráin will be teaching Naíonáin Shinsir and Rang a hAon and our second new teacher Máire Nic Amhlaoibh is our remedial and special needs teacher. A very warm welcome to you both Niall and Máire agus go n-éirí go geall libh!

Rangana Ceoil:

Feadóg classes for Rang a hAon and Rang a Dó will start back at the end of the month. These classes will be held after school on Mondays and Wednesdays. We also hope to employ a violin teacher during school hours for Rang a hAon and Rang a Dó. Watch this space for more details.

Swimming Classes:

We are very grateful to Colm Nelson of N.U.I. Maynooth for once again providing us with the use of the College Swimming Pool. Rang a Dó will be attending lessons for the first half of the year followed by Rang a hAon in the second half.

Fundraising Events:

The Cairde Committee are holding their first fundraising event on Sunday, 3rd October. We hope to hold a Sponsored Walk in the College Grounds to raise much-needed funds for the development of our school. Please be generous!

We also intend holding our Annual Fashion show in November.

Ranganna Gaelige:

Beginners Irish classes for parents will be held in the school for 10 weeks commencing on Wednesday 29th September at 8pm. A minimum of 12 people are needed and the cost is £15. Further details are available at the school. Phone 6290667.

Rince Gaelach:

Rita will be joining us again this year and the Irish Dancing Classes will be held in the I.C.A. Hall on Wednesdays.

French Classes:

All children will recommence French classes during school hours this term. We are very grateful to the Cairde Committee who meet the cost of these lessons.

Thanks to Local Councillors:

We would like to thank the following Councillors who promised their support in allocating a permanent site for our school in the New Maynooth Development Plan:- Cllr. Catherine Murphy, Cllr. Senan Griffin, Cllr. John McGinley and Cllr. Colm Purcell. All were extremely co-operative and sympathetic to our dilemma and offered their full support now and in the future. Míle Buíochas libh!

New School Secretary:

We are very grateful (once again) to the Cairde Committee for providing the funding for our new school secretary. This eases the administrative burden on us all at Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich.

Annual School Mass:

We hope to hold our School Mass in the Parish Church this term. Thanks to Fr. John Sinnott for his co-operation on this matter.

This will be our first year preparing a class for their First Holy Communion. As soon as a date has been finalised with the Parish, parents will be informed.

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The dream of L.S.G. was to win a medal at the National Finals. Up to this year the medal has alluded the school. Sunday 29th August was a proud day for young Ciaran Ryan, a member of Leonards School of Gymnastics who became National Champion in the boys under 8 at the National Finals of the Community Games in Mosney. Also competing in Mosney representing Kildare were Denise Goff, Anthony Davidson and Donal Finnerty who competed with distinction in their first ever National Finals.

All four competitors have been members of the school for the past 3 years. Displaying talent and determination for this demanding sport they won through their respective counties to win gold medal and qualify for the National Finals. During the month of August these children trained 4 days a week to prepare themselves for the finals. Their training went extremely well as did their competition. Ciaran Ryan has the honour of being the first National Champion for Leonard's School of Gymnastics. He performed his very technical routine and with a magnificent score of 9.3 was declared National Champion to the huge applause from his family, coach Leonard Bhattachayra, and his supporters. Many congratulations to the above competitors whom the school are very proud of. We wish you great success in the future.



Back row: Grace Fox, Elaine Pollard
Front: Claire McNamara, Elaine Houlihan

The above gymnasts are members of Leonard's School of Gymnastics which holds classes in Newbridge, Maynooth, and Clane as well as other areas.

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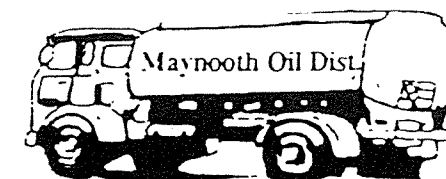
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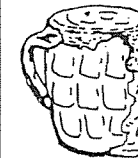
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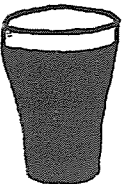
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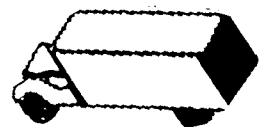
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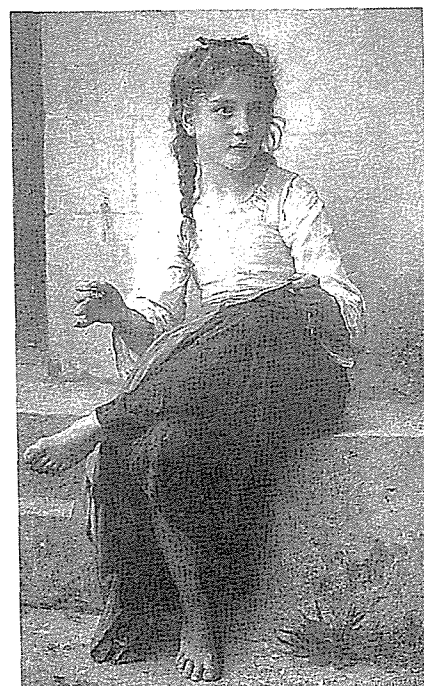
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2 oz grated cheese

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Cook Lasagne for five minutes in a large pan of salted, boiling water. Drain and keep hot. Empty meat into a saucepan with tomato purée, salt and black pepper to taste. Cook for 5 minutes, stirring well. Arrange the lasagne and meat in layers in a shallow, ovenproof dish, finishing with a layer of meat. Cover and cook in oven for fifteen minutes at 200°C, / 400°F, gas mark 5. Uncover and pour cream over top. Sprinkle with cheese and return to oven for a further ten minutes. Serve immediately.

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THE PAPAL VISIT TO MAYNOOTH SEPTEMBER 1979

When asked to relate my memories of the Papal visit I mused what a pity that the Holy Father did not postpone his visit until July 1999.

Why? Because of the attention to detail of the facade of Maynooth and its environs by the Kildare Co Council in September 1979, the involvement of all the community of all creeds to play their part to honour this visit. Carried out in the true spirit of the late Canon Hayes of Muintir na Tire.

For 10 days prior to the event, the roads, streets and lanes were swept daily, by the almost resident motorised sweeper. The grasses on all approach roads were cut, gutters and kerb-sides cleaned, signposts given an "Autumn Clean", additional street lighting erected. Any litter or weeds were immediately removed. All this action would have been worth 10 extra points in the Tidy Towns Competition.

The combined efforts of residents, traders, I.C.A. and all other associations contributed to enhance the environs with flower arrangements, wreaths and garlands. Many Eucharistic Congress flags circa 1932, were unfurled in day light for the first time since the cessation of the Corpus Christi processions from the Parish church to the convent in the late 60's. These would have contributed another 10 points.

Some days prior to the event the Media descended on the Village and College, helicopters in the skies, V.I.P. cars on the roads to and from the College, security checks and re-checks, people rushing about, flowers in their arms seeking vases or glassware to fill with water to insert their blooms, pressmen with glasses slightly filled with water hoping to find a bottle of amber liquid, with which to top up.

An autumnal mist descended on the town, mid morning on the eve of the visit, remaining until the Pope departed. At midnight we began to assemble at our posts. It was then, whilst on a security patrol around "the graf," that we realised of the importance of this occasion to this long established bastille of the R.C. church in Ireland. What joy beyond the dreams and aspirations of former clerics Dr. Callan, Daniel Morris, Dr Mac Rory, John Dalton, Kissane, MacBrien, Hourihan, Cardinals, Bishops and former presidents all too numerous to mention, who devotedly served God and the church. We were so fortunate to have Christs Vicar on earth to walk in our midst. Alarm just before 8am, visit delayed, possible cancellation, fog too dense, rumours, counter rumours. The Pope's security. Dr. Marcincus concerned, delay would cause late arrival in the U.S.A.

This would be a mortal sin.

Mist rises, minutes later sound of helicopter, then sight and touchdown, cheers, the arrival of the Popemobile; shadowy at first in the morning gloom.

The realisation, He is here, it is not a dream. Some senior citizens unashamedly wept, they were witnessing the unbelievable, the culmination of their lives, they could die happy.

THE POPE IN MAYNOOTH

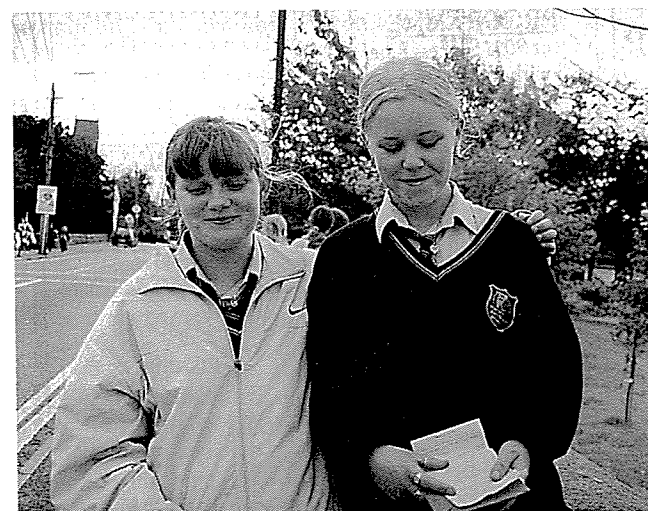
The atmosphere of that cold misty morning warmed every one, a once in a lifetime experience. After addressing clerics and students, blessing the foundation stone for the new library, the great man appeared on the platform erected at the rear of St. Marys, to prolonged applause and cheers, eventually addressing the multitude corraled on the "graf". Then finally the drive through the people, along roads where for over a century walked Cardinals, Bishops, Priests and Students during their time in the seminary.

Truly an emotional few moments for all present. Finally the moment of sorrow as the helicopter ascended to the sky and disappeared in the morning fog, all stood and stared upwards, reminiscent of Christs Ascension.

Maynooth greatest's moment in the 20th century was over. Surpassing the visits of King Edward and Alexandria 1903, and of King George and Queen Mary 1911, or so said octogenarians who remembered the Royal visits. It is sad that recent revelations of a few errant clerics have somewhat blighted the memories of such a momentous ecumenical visit. On exiting the College, a very active man in our community stated, perhaps we shall receive a miracle from the Pope's visit. I asked him what? He replied "In the 60's we started a fund for a Public Swimming Pool, in the 70's, 1974 to be exact, we were promised it by the then Minister for Local Government, the 80's, maybe the Papal visit will provide it" He died some years ago in the 90's. He never got the miracle.

Perhaps his wish will belatedly be given by the Celtic Tiger in the next century, the new millenium.

Robert O'Reilly



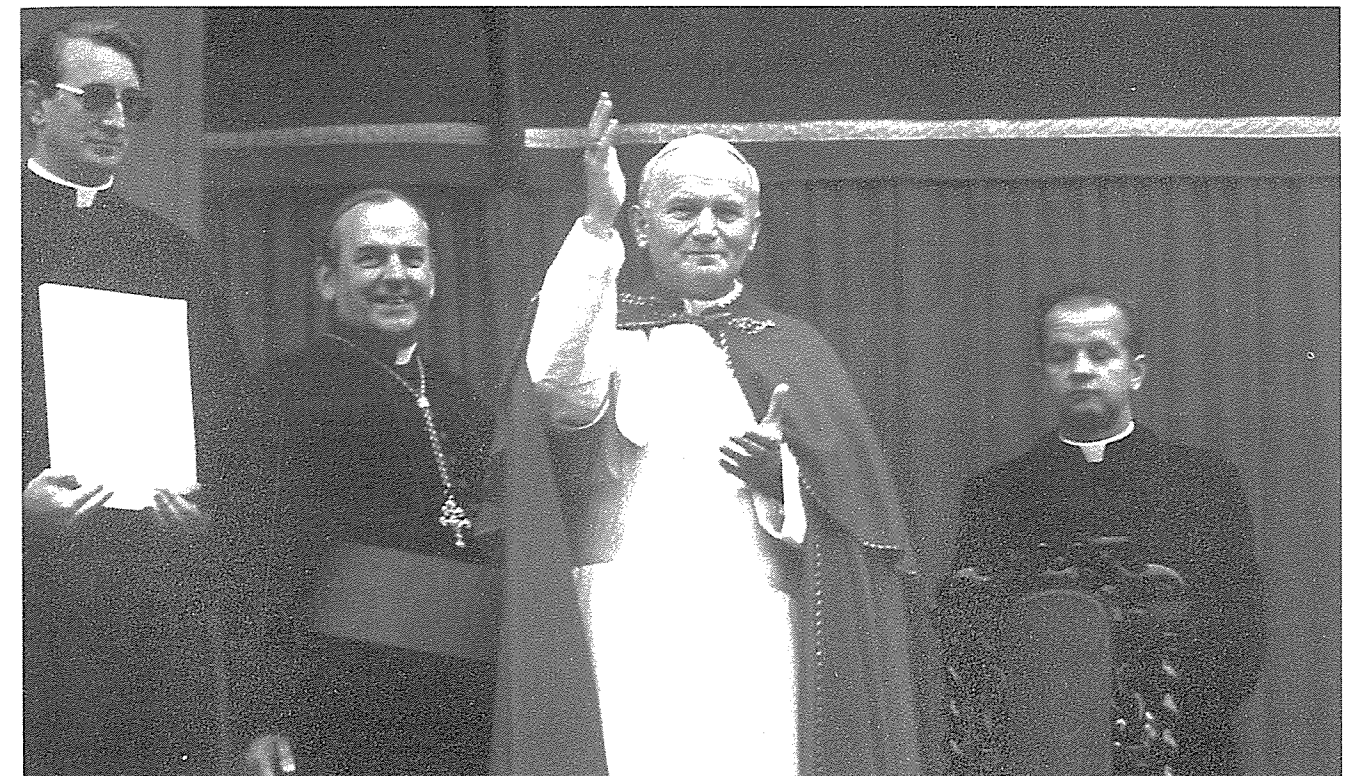
**Marie Burke & Lisa Finnan
with their Junior Cert Results**

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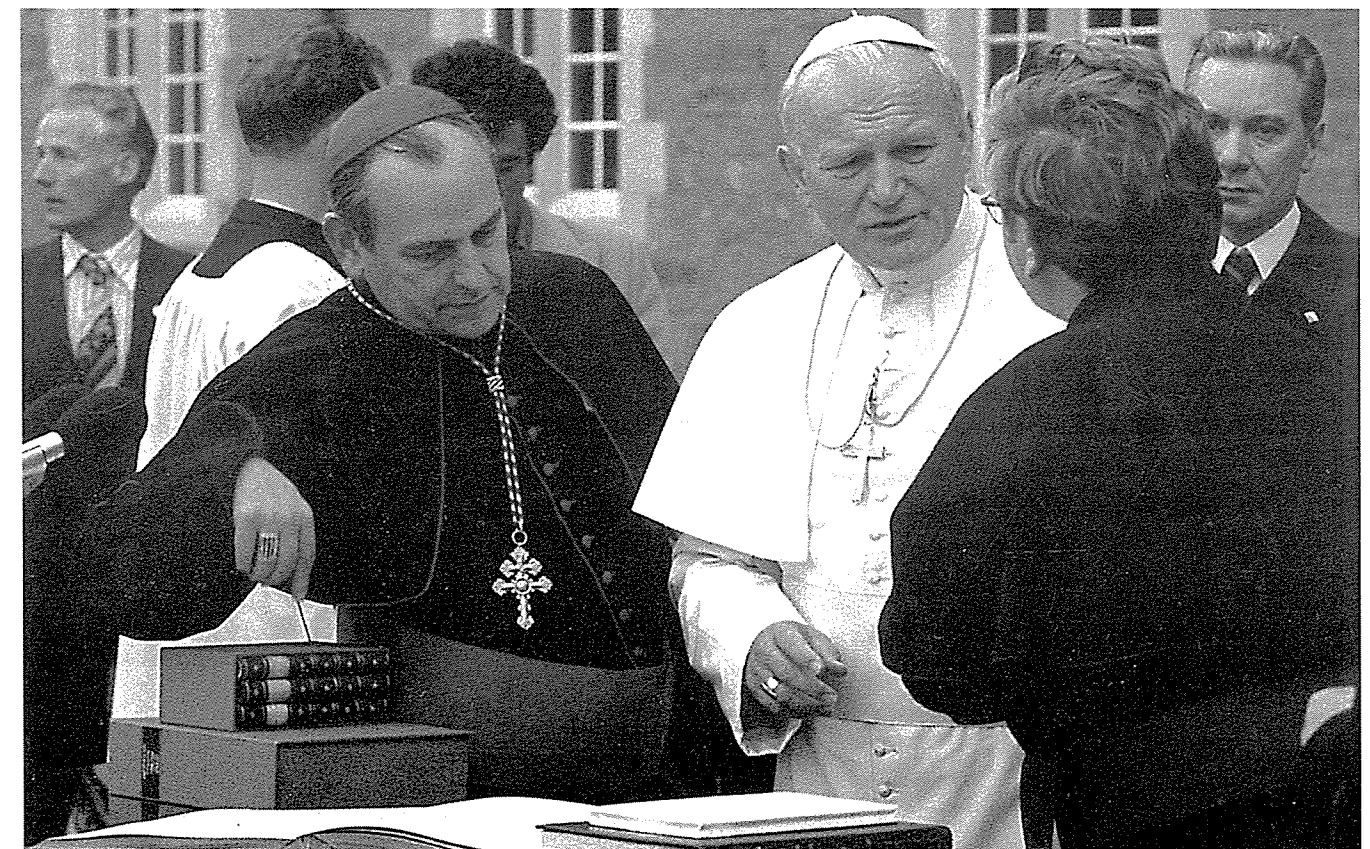
PAPAL VISIT TO MAYNOOTH

Gearóid McTernan recalls the Pontiff's visit to Maynooth College with such fond memories as he was one of the many stewards there on the day. He remembers the whole town being decorated with bunting and banners to mark the occasion.

One of the most treasured memories that Gearóid holds dear is of the Pope mobile passing by, the Pontiff waving and smiling at him. He also remembers the many hundreds of people in the town and says that he had never seen the town looking so well.



Dr. B. Devlin, Cardinal O'Fiaich, Pope John Paul II, Cardinal Casaroli, Secretary of State



At 'The President's Arch' the Holy Father signs the College Vistors' Book for distinguished guests and receives gifts

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POPE JOHN PAUL'S VISIT TO MAYNOOTH

1st October 1979 was a long awaited day in Maynooth. Preparations started months in advance, and for several weeks we had gardai, telephone engineers and platform erectors, as well as several church agencies co-ordinating and planning. The Pope's visit was to be a two-stage event, he would first visit the College Chapel, where he would address the seminarians of Ireland, and then he would address the people of Maynooth and the clergy and religious from a podium overlooking the College Park.

The seminarians held a prayer vigil from 11.00 p.m., and from long before dawn, people made their way to the College Park behind St. Mary's building, trying to stake out the best locations to see the Pope. There was a sense of pilgrimage, of prayer and of quiet. Many had got up in the middle of the night, and brought flasks to keep the chill at bay. They brought babies in pushchairs and many bought special fold-up chairs for the occasion. The fog that enshrouded the town added to the occasion. This was to be the Pope's last day in Ireland and he was to start his day at 7.45 a.m. in Maynooth. We had all seen the wonderful images of the young people in Galway and the million people in the Phoenix Park, and now he was coming to us.

As we gathered, we did not realise the consternation that was taking place elsewhere. The Pope had spent the night with the Papal Nuncio on the Navan Road in Dublin, and the helicopter that was to bring him to Maynooth could not take off in the fog. The schedule was very tight, Maynooth, Limerick, Shannon and then on to Boston for the first day of the Pope's first visit to the United States. The decision was made to delay a while, in the hope that the fog would lift. However, the fog did not oblige and Archbishop Marcinkos advised that Maynooth be dropped from the schedule, as they had to get to Limerick so that they could leave Shannon on time. After all, the first U.S. event was to take place that evening on Boston Common, and Archbishop Marcinkos was an American!

Meanwhile in the College Chapel, the 454 stalls were full to double capacity with students alternately standing and sitting. All the seminarians from Wexford and Waterford, Carlow and Kilkenny, Thurles, Clonliffe and All Hallows were there. In addition, seminarians from all the religious orders had squeezed in to the chapel. While they waited, James Galway and the New Irish Chamber Orchestra, who had come to play for the Pope, entertained them.

Out on the grounds, thousands had gathered. Everyone living within miles of the College seemed to be there. There were hundreds of stewards and gardai. In the various sections there were sisters, priests and brothers from every order in Ireland who had been issued with garda passes. Both inside the Chapel and outside in the grounds the feeling of expectancy was intense. The dawn broke slowly revealing the fog. However, the Pope still did not come. 7.45 a.m. came ... and went.

The word from the Papal Nuncio was that the Pope would be driven down to Maynooth. He was to have landed in a hurling field known as High Field, so the alternate plan was put in place, gardai were deployed on the road to Dublin, the President of the College, Monsignor Michael Olden and the College officials moved their reception committee to the front of the College ... and then the fog lifted. Back to Plan A! About an hour behind schedule, the helicopter could be

heard in the sky and this vast throng broke in to rapturous applause, waving of flags and tears.

Whatever about the anxiety of Archbishop Marcinkos, if the Pope was anxious, it did not show on his face. Once again, Archbishop Marcinkos tried to shorten the programme by having only the one, outdoor ceremony. However, Cardinal Ó Fiaich was heard to say *ná bac leis*, and the party moved to the College Chapel, and the seminarians had their visit. The Pope's one concession to the schedule was that he did not deliver his speech to the seminarians. Those who were in that chapel however, did not need the speech. They were overwhelmed by his presence, and their prayerful demeanour prior to his arrival was abandoned by many seeking to touch his outreached arms. He eventually silenced their cheers and enthusiastic applause with his blessing.

*Father, in your plan for our salvation,
you provide shepherds for your people.
Bring to fulfilment the good work you have begun in these
young men.
Raise them up as worthy ministers for your altar,
and gentle servants of your Gospel.
Through them, may the compassion of your Son, Jesus
Christ,
heal the wounds of sin and division.
AMEN.*

With the pressure of time, unfortunately he did not get to hear the beautiful music of James Galway.

The Pope then headed to the President's Arch where he signed the Visitor's Book, and accepted gifts from the College. They included leather bound volumes of Healy's *"Maynooth College, its Centenary History"*, and a Polish translation of Walter Macken's historical trilogy *The Scorching Wind, Seek the Fair Land* and *A Silent People*.

Accompanied by Cardinal Ó Fiaich and Monsignor Olden the large entourage now included the Administrative Council of the College, Archbishop Marcinkos, Fr. John Magee, the Pope's secretary (later to become Bishop of Cloyne), and Cardinal Casaroli, Secretary of State. The group arrived at the podium to a rapturous welcome from the crowd. The words that were said have faded from my memory, but the sense of occasion, the warmth of the welcome, the wonder at being in the presence of this awesome man will never leave me.

The Pope-mobile toured the various paths of the park bringing him really close to all who attended in Maynooth. He continually waved and smiled, but in a few minutes we once again heard the engines roar as the helicopter took off for Limerick. We had been there. We had done it. Now Monsignor Olden led a concelebrated Mass on the podium in thanksgiving for the wonderful occasion.

It was a defining moment in my life. Could it ever be the same if the Pope visited again? I doubt it. In twenty years we have changed. Our society has changed. Our expectations have changed. We have gained so much, and lost so much too.

Dominic McNamara

1st October 1999

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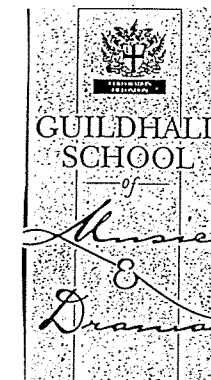
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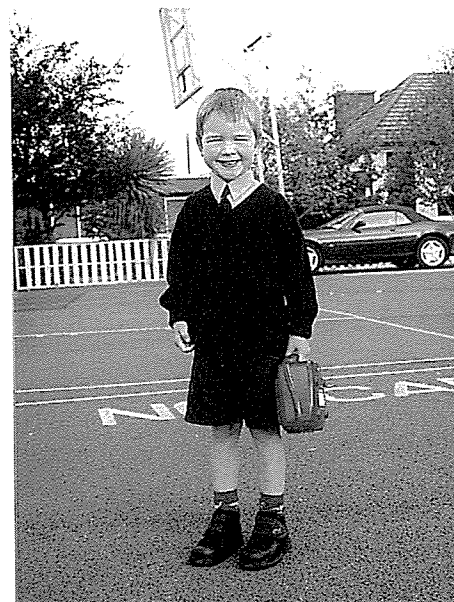
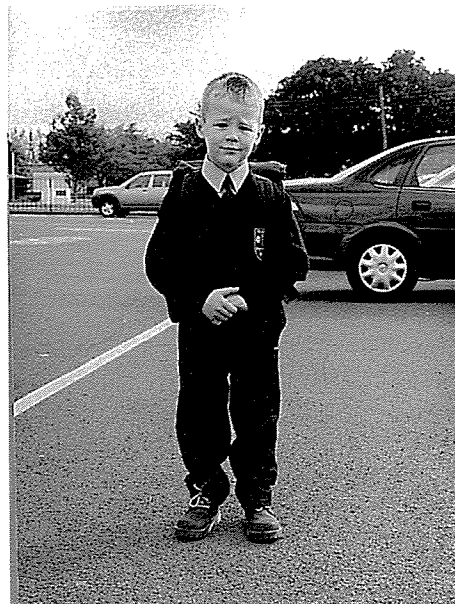
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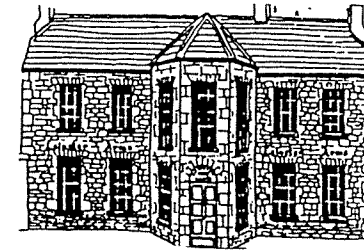
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PHILIP AND SINEAD IN A MATCH FOR ALL TIME

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For Philip Farrelly and Sinead O'Keeffe there was no pitch in sight either. And the man in the middle was Fr. Paul O'Boyle.



This was not a cup final but there was a chalice, an altar and a wedding, the wedding of a Maynooth man and a beautiful young woman from neighbouring Kilcock.

Sinead, from Highfield Park, is the sister of Kilcock footballer of note, Barry O'Keeffe

Philip's father Noel is the club secretary at Maynooth. The Farrelly's live in the Old Rail Estate.

"Both Kilcock and Maynooth were winners today" said Mary O'Keeffe, the mother of the bride.

After the official ceremony in St. Coca's Church, Kilcock, the wedding party repaired to Harry's Hotel in Kinnegad.

Sinead and Philip, along with their parents Mary and Séan O'Keeffe and Mary and Noel Farrelly, family and many friends had themselves a night to remember.

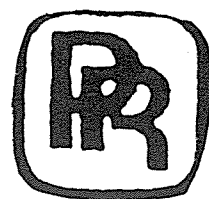
Bridesmaids Helen Bright (Sinead's best friend), Denise (Sinead's sister), and Emer (Philip's sister), were only matched for style by the groom's men.

Philip's best friends and identical twins Seamus and Christopher O'Reilly played the part of best man and groomsman respectively, causing much confusion. Sinead's brother Barry also took on the role of groomsman.

And it was not long before the happy couple were jetting off to Lanzarote for their two week honeymoon.

They both managed to get sunburnt but true love provided plenty of compensations.

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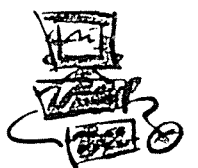
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TUTORS:

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Following a request from Cllr. Senan Griffin, Kildare County Council has accepted a proposal to resurface the back streets of Maynooth. The Senior Engineer will cost the project and Cllr. Griffin has asked that the work be given priority. The Area Engineer has also accepted a request from Cllr. Griffin that the mechanical sweeper be used to sweep the back streets.

Kildare County Council have purchased three new 'Green' machines for street cleaning and expect delivery of same shortly. It is expected that one of these machines will be allocated to Maynooth.

Greenfield Estate:

Kildare County Council has arranged for an upgrading of sections of Greenfield Estate and are about to put the project out to tender. The completed work, which includes the building of two new houses and extra tree planting, should serve to enhance the estate.

Oak Trees:

Kildare County Council will be planting 100 oak trees in the Maynooth area. Residents wishing to have some of these trees planted in their estate should apply to the Secretary, St. Mary's, Naas, Co. Kildare.

School Safety:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed his disappointment to Kildare County Council at their failure to provide the bus bay at the Convent school, prior to the return of the students. It is now anticipated that the bus bay will be put in place in the next few weeks.

Meadowbrook Link:

Kildare County Council engineering staff have accepted a motion from Cllr. Senan Griffin "that a two metre stone wall be constructed along the proposed link from Meadowbrook to the Straffan Road, in order that the privacy and security of the Kingsbry residents backing on to the proposed new road is maintained." The engineering staff will recommend that the wall be constructed.

The link road is an important development in easing traffic congestion in Maynooth. Despite some previous statements, the Dunne family have never objected or refused to make their land available for this project.

And Finally...

Cllr. Senan Griffin would like to thank all those who voted for him in the local election. A special word of thanks to those who gave of their time in canvassing and to those who gave moral support. I hope to continue giving of my very best efforts for the next five years. My priorities, as I promised during the June elections, will be amenities (passive/active), affordable housing, ring road and better educational facilities.

Senan Griffin

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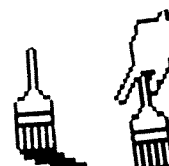


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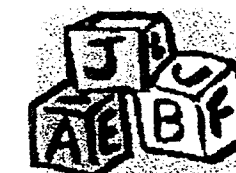
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

GIRL'S SCHOOL - BUS BAYS

At the Council's Area Meeting of the 3rd September, it was agreed to provide parking for one coach and two minibuses by removing the grass verge in front of the school between Charter House and Carton Avenue. The estimated cost is £9,700 and this will come from Development Levies in the area. Cllr. John McGinley has asked that these improvements be carried out as a matter of urgency.

PARSON STREET TRAFFIC CALMING

Cllr. McGinley has been pressing the Engineers to carry out these long overdue safety measures. At the September Area Meeting, the Area Engineer expressed concern about safety to cyclists and difficulties with drainage if they proceed with the kerb buildouts. The Engineers wish to proceed with the designed Scheme, excluding the kerb buildouts, and monitor its calming effect.

BOND BRIDGE/MEADOWBROOK LINK TO STRAFFAN ROAD

Council officials have advised Cllr. John McGinley that they expect to go to tender stage for the new bridge before Christmas. Consultants submitted a report with two options at the beginning of September. The Council Engineers will put their proposals to the Area Committee at its meeting on the 1st October for approval.

Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to make one project out of Bond Bridge and the Meadowbrook Link Road. Giving the project to the same contractor would mean that the Meadowbrook Link could be in place before work starts on the Bridge. This would minimise the disruption. Construction of the Meadowbrook Link could be completed within a couple of months as it is a trouble free run. The County Engineer has advised Cllr. McGinley that the landowner has now indicated that he is willing to sell the land to the Council for the roadway. This is good news as a Compulsory Purchase Order would have taken up valuable time.

FOOTPATHS AND GRASS VERGES IN NEWTOWN

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have agreed to lay a footpath between Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn. They will also trim back the hedges.

BUS BAYS IN MAYNOOTH

It was agreed at the September Area Meeting that the two bus bays on Main Street should have "Bus Only" written in the bay. This should help deter those drivers who presently park there illegally.

LITTER CONTROL IN MAYNOOTH

A lengthy debate took place at the September Area Meeting on Councillor John McGinley's Motion. According to the County Secretary the biggest problem in extending the street cleaning services is the shortage of staff. The Council are trying to rectify this at present. A "Green Machine" costing £35,000 is due for delivery in September. When an operator has been trained on its use, it will be put into service straight away. It was confirmed to Cllr. McGinley that it will also be

used to clean the car park behind Caulfields/The Elite. As residents will know the car park is in a terrible state with litter. Cllr. McGinley has asked the County Secretary to provide costings for extending the cleaning service to seven days per week for the next Area Meeting.

LAURENCE AVENUE FENCE

As a result of Cllr. McGinley's Motion, the County Secretary has asked the Roads Engineer to identify funding for the new fence.

RESURFACING SIDE LANES

At the September Area Meeting, Councillors Griffin and McGinley asked that these lanes be resurfaced as a matter of urgency. A lot of damage has been caused by contractors working on Super Macs and other buildings. These contractors should be responsible for the proper reinstatement of the lanes. In addition, there are Development Levies available for such work.

1,001 OAK TREES FOR MAYNOOTH

In August, Kildare County Council advertised that as part of their Millennium celebrations they were going to plant 1,001 oak trees in the County. The only recommendation from Maynooth was from Woodlands Residents Association. They asked for 10 trees for their Estate.

Councillor John McGinley proposed at the September Area Meeting that 10 trees be planted in Woodlands and 90 in Pound Park. The allocation will be approved at the full Council Meeting on the 27th of September.

OLD GREENFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The draft plan was agreed at the Area Meeting on the 3rd of September and it will go on Public Display in the Library for one month from the middle of September. Following that, funding will be sought from the Department of the Environment (Such schemes are 100% funded by the Department) and then tenders will be sought for the work.

NOISE FROM THE MOTORWAY OPPOSITE GREENFIELD DRIVE AND CARTON COURT

The increase in night traffic on the M4 is causing sleepless nights for residents because of the increased noise level. Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to provide banking or proper screening on this section of the motorway to overcome the problem.

FLOODING AT LAURENCES AVENUE

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to take immediate action to overcome the serious flooding problem in this location.

HEDGES AT BACK OF HOUSES NUMBERED 740 TO 750, OLD GREENFIELD

Following complaints from residents, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to trim these hedges as they are fairly overgrown making it difficult for drivers.

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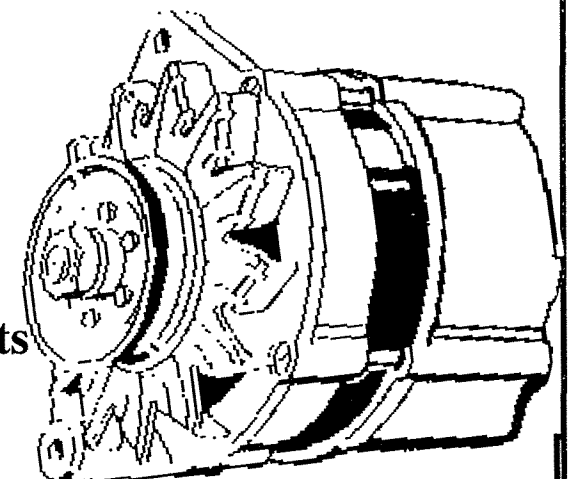
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Dalton's Devils Deny St. Kevin's

Maynooth 0-11 - St. Kevin's 1-6

Davy Dalton capped his first year in charge of Maynooth by guiding them to victory in the Kildare Intermediate Football Championship on August 29th last.

This victory comes just a couple of weeks after Maynooth gained promotion to Division 1 of the Kildare Senior League. However it took Maynooth two games to claim the Intermediate title. Played in dreadful conditions, the first game was something of a non-event with Eamon Gallagher's last-minute point earning Maynooth a draw. The replay was of a much higher standard and after a hard fought battle, the Crom Abú prevailed to claim their first Intermediate Crown since 1965.

Youth was a key factor in Maynooth's win with six of the starting fifteen under twenty years of age but having experienced players like Paul Flood, Mick Nevin, Pascal Ennis in key positions, the Maynooth men looked to have the perfect combination. But it was St. Kevin's, who dominated the first half and were well worth their one goal lead at half-time.

Kevin's went out all guns blazing in the first fifteen minutes and had Maynooth on the back foot for long periods. They isolated Mark Fitzharris and John Casey in the full-forward line who caused a lot of problems in the Maynooth full-back line. After four minutes of play, the tactic paid off when Casey laid the ball off to Brian O'Keefe who shot to the back of the net. That really shook Maynooth but they didn't need a second warning and the defence tightened up for the rest of the game. And after weathering the St. Kevin's onslaught, they eased their way back in to the game with points from Eamon Gallagher, Paul Garvey and Darren Naughton. Midway through Maynooth started to dictate the game and played the game at their own pace.

Penalty The game took a dramatic twist on twenty-four minutes when referee Bernard Duff awarded St. Kevin's a penalty after Fitzharris was fouled in the parallelogram. Fitzharris took it himself, but, to his dismay, sent the ball agonisingly wide. Maynooth were let off the hook but still trailed by 1-5 to 5 points at the break.

Second-half A different Maynooth side took to the field in the second-half and played some much better football. It was the turn of the Maynooth forwards to cause problems in the opposing defence and the full-forward line, in particular started to put some nice moves together. Paul Garvey was the pick of the forwards, contributing four points from play in that second period.

But by no means was the second half a one sided affair, and St. Kevin's gave as good as they got, to keep their noses in front. It was the last ten minutes of the game which were most significant and the game really lit up. Both teams produced performances that epitomised what Championship Football is all about, it was end to end stuff.

With about ten minutes remaining, Paul Garvey got the equaliser with a point from ten yards when a goal looked the most likely outcome. Within seconds though, Kevin's were straight back up the field and had a goal chance of their own. Geoffrey Murphy, goal-scorer in the drawn game, found himself twelve yards out but from a tight angle, he shot narrowly wide. Seconds later, Kevin's missed another

chance to take the lead when a thirty-five yard free fell short. Three minutes remained when Maynooth broke menacingly up the field and Joey O'Riordan was presented with a glorious opportunity to wrap it up for Maynooth. William Farrelly's goalbound shot was blocked out as far as O'Riordan but his shot was brilliantly saved by Colin Ward in the Kevin's goal. However, Maynooth had a third stab at it when the ball broke out to Paul Garvey who coolly slotted it between the posts.

Kevin's then went attacking in droves searching for an equaliser but it was a score they couldn't find and Maynooth broke away once again where Joey O'Riordan was on hand to put Maynooth two points ahead.

The deafening roars of sheer delight and joy that followed signalled the end and Maynooth took the Intermediate crown.

For the winners the blend of youth and experience paid dividends and from Paul Flood in goal right to the three subs and all twenty-seven players on the panel, it was a well deserved victory and with the prospect of playing in the Senior ranks next year, an exciting season lies in wait for the Crom Abú!

Brendan Coffey.

Maynooth Add 'B' Title to 'A' Success

Maynooth captured the Kildare Intermediate Football Championship for a third consecutive year, defeating Monasterevin at Carbury on 5th September last, on a scoreline Maynooth 1-9 Monasterevin 0-10.

Trevor Naughton's goal midway through the first half proved vital and was the difference between two well matched teams.

Maynooth now go on to the Jack Higgins Cup Semi-Final against the winners of the Senior 'B' Championship. The team has also reached the final of the Junior Football League.

Maynooth Team and Scorers: Martin McTernan, Derek Fleming, James Gallagher, Stephen King, Pauric O'Sullivan, Mick Faherty, Marty Byrne, Aidan Burke, Hugh Purcell, John O'Toole, Aidan O'Dea (0-1), Joey Edwards (0-3), Trevor Naughton (1-4), Sean Molloy, Liam O'Toole (0-1)

Subs: Declan Buckley for Mick Faherty, Danny Casey for Pauric O'Sullivan, Peter Kinsella for Liam O'Toole

Many thanks to Supermac's Maynooth for providing an after match meal for the panel.

Under 13's Start Autumn Campaign With A Win

Maynooth's Under 13 football team defeated a strong Balyna team in the North Kildare Autumn League on 6th September last with a fine 3-5 to 2-7 win.

Played in heavy rain the Maynooth team showed great determination and no little heart to beat a Balyna Team they had lost to in the Spring League earlier this year. A last gasp point from man of the match Stephen Kane gave Maynooth a deserved win.

Maynooth Team and Scorers: Aidan Corkery, David Gahan, Robert Leonard, Adam Gunne, Martin Hoare, Sean Kennedy (Captain), Kevin Comerford, Niall Corcoran, **Cont./**



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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)

Stephen Kane, Declan Bambick, Brian O'Malley, Andrew Higgins, Damien O'Neill, Mark Cummins, David O'Hare.

Subs: Edmund Cooney, Martin Furey, Paddy Broghan, Morgan McInerney, Peter Lawlor, Tadug Dunne, Danny Walsh, Paul Curran.

Scorers: Mark Cummins 1-1, Niall Corcoran 1-0, Stephen Kane 1-2, Stephen O'Malley 0-1, Declan Bambrick 0-1.

Best for Maynooth: Aidan Corkery in goal, Kevin Comerford at left half back, Andrew Higgins and David O'Hare in the forwards.

Upcoming Fixtures:

2nd October 1999	-	Cappagh	v	Maynooth
16th October 1999	-	Maynooth	v	Carbury
23rd October 1999	-	Straffan	v	Maynooth

All matches are at 3.15 p.m.

Many thanks for on-going parental support and lifts to matches for the team.

Johnny Nevin.

Maynooth shine on centre stage to claim Intermediate Title
Intermediate Hurling Championship Final
Maynooth 1-13 Clane 1-11

Maynooth's hurling stars came up trumps on Friday 20th August in Raheens to earn their second major hurling title in five years by defeating Clane by two points, writes Brendan Coffey.

In 1994 the Crom Abú claimed the Junior Championship, defeating Clane in the final and only five years on from that success, claimed the Intermediate crown with Clane once again suffering defeat in the final.

Three of the starting fifteen were retained from 1994 but the additions to the team were vital in Maynooth claiming victory. Local boy Stephen Brennan shone brightest on the night, contributing six points with a man-of-the-match performance to pave the way for Maynooth's victory.

However, Maynooth were a bag of nerves in the first few minutes of the game and Clane had two points on the scoreboard, courtesy of David Harney, before Maynooth had a proper scoring opportunity. Stephen Brennan steadied the rocking Maynooth ship, when he matched Harney's two points to level the scores after seven minutes of play. Harney and Brennan were to dominate the game for either team, scoring-wise, from then on, with Harney scoring all bar four points of Clane's total and Brennan contributing six points.

Inspirational Scores

There wasn't much to pick between the teams but as the game wore on, Maynooth seemed more likely to win after some inspirational scores from Ciarán McGuinness and Donagh Hollan. First, Hollan received the ball in midfield, set off on a solo-run and seemingly running himself into a cul-de-sac hit a super shot off his weak side from all of forty yards. If that wasn't enough to inspire a Maynooth victory, Ciarán McGuinness shot an even better point close to the endline, seconds later.

That left Maynooth seven points to five ahead after twenty-five minutes of play, and when Mark Nugent shot over another point two minutes from the end of the half, the Crom Abú looked in a strong position heading in to the break.

Penalty

Dramatically, seconds from half-time, Clane were awarded a penalty after a foul on Pat White in the square. David Harney stepped up to take the penalty but he sliced his shot high and wide. The disappointment was no more evident than in Harney himself, as referee Jack O'Connell drew the half to a close.

Second Half

Clane soon had the penalty miss put behind them and a couple of minutes after the restart, reduced their deficit to a point with points from Paudie Reidy and Ritchie Cribbon. Conor Diggins and Harney then exchanged points before Maynooth got the vital score of the half.

Broken Ball

Mark Nugent set off on one of his trademark solo runs but his shot was blocked down and found the waiting Conor Diggins on the fourteen yard line. He instinctively pulled first time and found the Clane net with a blistering shot.



That Winning Feeling - Maynooth Intermediate Hurling Captain Fergal Scully savours the moment after leading his team to a famous victory.

Clane didn't let Maynooth celebrate that score and hit back straight away with another point from David Harney. Centre-back Brian Murphy then hit a boomer from way out the field to edge Clane even closer.

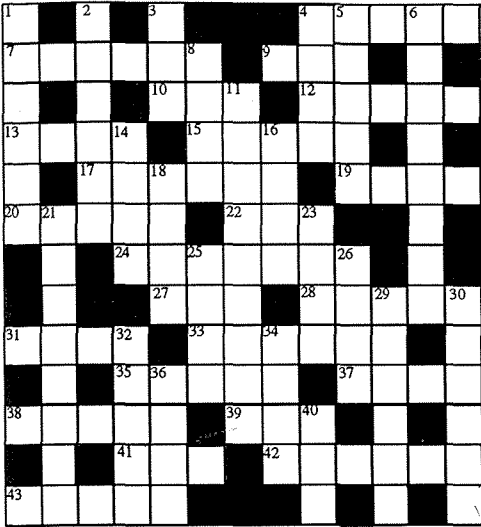
Clane's fightback, however, didn't seem to unsettle Maynooth and they pulled away again with three points in succession from the excellent Stephen Brennan.

Now with a five point advantage, the Maynooth men seemed destined to take up the cup and started to defend their lead rather than attack.

Clane laid siege to Maynooth's goal as the game went on into the final five minutes. Their defence was holding strong but Clane's most potent attacker, Harney, threw them a lifeline when he hit a hard, low shot from twenty yards past the despairing dive of Karl Ennis in the Maynooth goal.

Cont./

Crossword No. 141



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Across:

- 4. Untidy (5)
- 7. Pleated (6)
- 9. Levy (3)
- 10. Resin (3)
- 12. Teacher (5)
- 13. Melt (4)
- 15. Played (5)
- 17. Injury (6)
- 19. Seabird (4)
- 20. View (5)
- 22. Unwell (3)
- 24. Told (7)
- 27. Drink (3)
- 28. Cancel (5)
- 31. Yield (4)
- 33. Conserved (6)
- 35. Anon (5)
- 37. Grub (4)
- 38. Hammer (5)
- 39. Barrier (3)
- 41. Beer (3)
- 42. Hidden (6)
- 43. Scan (5)

Down:

- 1. Free (6)
- 2. Scratch (6)
- 3. Solidity (3)
- 4. Partner (4)
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- 6. Sluggishness (8)
- 11. Ruminated (9)

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- 14. Desire (4)
- 16. Scream (4)
- 18. Flesh (4)
- 21. Pact (8)
- 23. Ohle (4)
- 25. Trial (4)
- 26. Sketched (4)
- 29. Loved (6)
- 30. Hatred (6)
- 32. Entreat (5)
- 34. Uttered (4)
- 36. Pal (4)
- 40. Spoil (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 140

Across: 2.Sapid; 7. Flee; 8. Incite; 9. Amaze; 11. Her; 13. Pad; 15. Aped; 16. Era; 18. Else; 19. Profane; 20. Dear; 22. Dare; 23. Toppled; 25. Crew; 27. Tor; 28. Mere; 30. Kid; 31. Did; 33 Renew; 36. Divide; 37. Away; 38. Plead.

Down: 1. Sleep; 2. Sea; 3. Pea; 4. Die; 5. Act; 6. Atlas; 10. Zero; 11. Haddock; 12. Related; 13. Pleased; 14. Deleted; 16.Erupt; 17.After; 18. End; 21.Row; 24. Lore; 26. Rigid; 29. Rival; 32. Sin; 33. Rep; 34. New; 35. Wad.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)

Battling Qualities

But try as they might to avenge their two point deficit, they found themselves behind by three points again when a break-away from Maynooth ended with a Stephen Brennan point. The Crom Abú battling qualities were much apparent in that move, when a tremendous block by Hugh Nevin started the move.

With nearly every player engrossed in the Maynooth half, the Crom Abú spirit withstood everything thrown at it and ensured Maynooth would claim the victory on a scoreline of 1-13 to 1-11.

Man-of-the-match: Stephen Brennan (Maynooth).
Scorers: Maynooth: S. Brennan 0-6, D. Hollan (0-2), J. White, M. Nugent, C. McGuinness and P. Daly (0-1 each).
Clane: D. Harney 1-7, B. Murphy, D. Cafferty, P. Reidy and R. Cribbon 0-1 each.

Maynooth Team: K. Ennis, E. Nevin, H. Nevin, P. Ward, R. Kelly, F. Scully (C), J. Cahill, J. White, S. Brennan, M. Nugent, P. White, C. Diggins, D. Hollan, C. McGuinness, P. Daly.
Subs: Tom Farrell for Diggins
Clane Team: R. Maloney, B. Gleeson, J. Reidy, J. Curley, E. Curley, B. Murphy, G. Sullivan, D. Cafferty, D. Fitzpatrick, J. Gleeson, S. Lyons, D. Harney, P. Reidy, R. Cribbon, P. White.
Subs: Fergus Smith for J. Curley, Brian Cahill for E. Curley, Seán O'Dee for Cribbon.
Referee: Jack O'Connell (Coill Dubh).

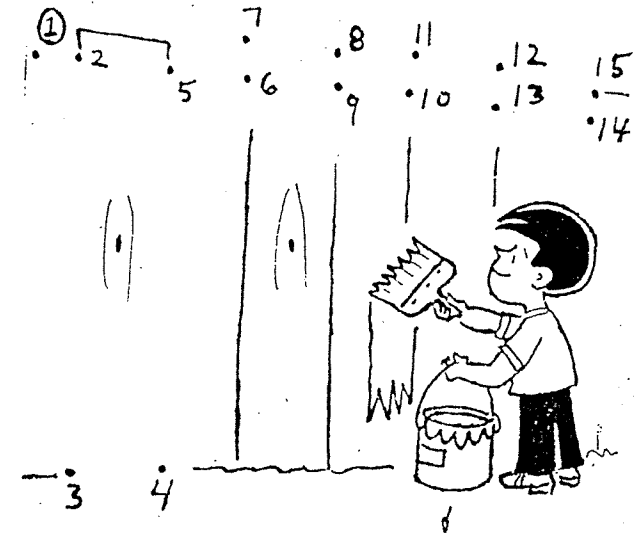
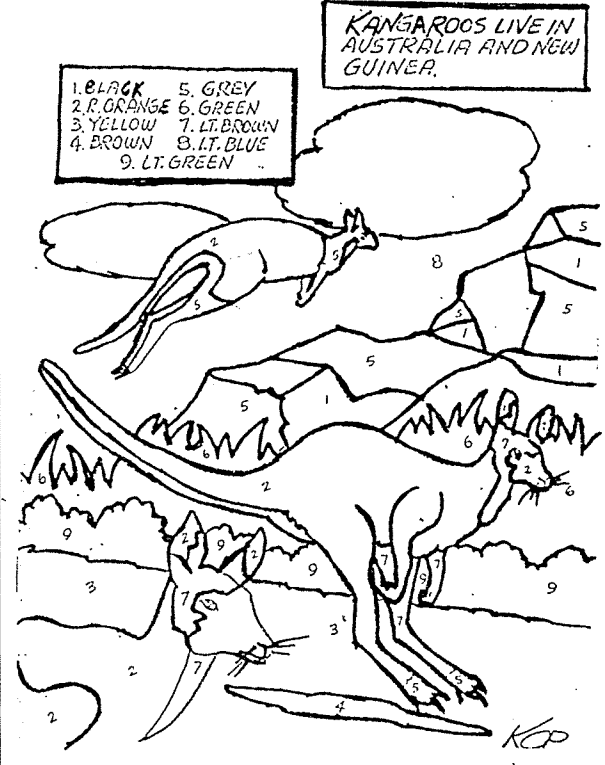
Maynooth Captain Fergal Scully in accepting the cup praised all members of the Intermediate Hurling panel for all their hard work and dedication during the year, selectors Mick Gleeson and Larry Comerford and Team Manager Ciaran Diggins who prepared the team so well.



Maynooth Intermediate Hurling Champions for 1999. Front row from left: Tom Mullarkey, Rory Kelly, Justin White, Stephen Brennan, Fergal Scully, Donagh Hollan, Jimmy White, Padraic Ward, Conor Diggins, Declan Buckley, John O'Brien. Back row: Senan Griffin, Mark Nugent, Seamus Cummins, Paul White, Hugh Nevin, Paul Daly, Karl Ennis, Eoin Nevin, Ciaran McGuinness, Aidan McCarron, Matt Carroll.



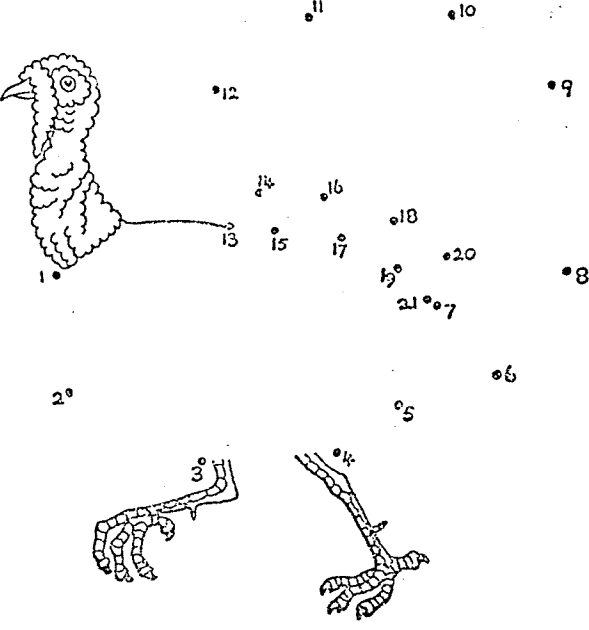
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THE HANDBALL YEAR

Having a really good year in sport can have its disadvantages. Expectations can become too high, circumstances beyond ones control can come into play and the result is usually disappointment. This is what happened to Maynooth handball club in the season just finished. The season had its high points. Declan Quigley won Leinster and All Ireland titles. The alley had the first inter county match played here in which none other than Ducksie Walsh and D J Carey participated, Mick O'Donnell transferred in from the Boyle Club in Roscommon and the club ran two internal competitions. Visits were made to Carrickmacross and Kilkenny for friendly inter-club matches and arrangements are in hand to invite both clubs to Maynooth in the near future. However, having won five county medals in the previous season it was very disappointing not to win any this season.

The will to win is still strong within the club and there is no better example of this than Niall Leavy and Tony Fingelton. After losing in the first round of the county championships last year both players were back in the alley within days, training and looking for coaching. This season both players, much improved, went into the championships with higher expectations. Tony was unfortunate to meet one of the seeded players in the first round. Niall, on the other hand, had an easy victory over clubman Ger Loughrey. He travelled to Leixlip for his second round match and had another win under his belt. In the third round he was pitted against David Jordan my favourite to win out the championship, whom he defeated well in the first game. While leading the second game he got injured and had to concede the game to Jordan. Most players would feel that the god's were not on their side. Not Niall. As soon as his injury was better he was back in the alley winning his section of the club league. No less than six players were forced to pull out of the county championship this season because of injuries, Paul Ruane: shoulder, Paul Hand: elbow, Martin Bambrick: hip, Joe Rossiter: knee and Christy Stokes: arm. This was before the championships started and then there was the aforementioned Niall.

A Christmas turkey tournament was ran on a handicap basis. Most of the players in the club took part. Joe Rossiter was the eventual winner with Des Lyons the other finalist. Three

club leagues were ran, with six players in each one, were also run during the year. Mick O'Donnell won the 'A' League defeating Joe Rossiter in the final. The 'B' League was won by Niall Leavy with Christy Stokes a very close second. Seamus Boylan and Mark Quigley contested the final of the 'C' League. Mark won by a short head. (or should that be a short hand).

Of those who played in the county championships Mick Duffey gave the best value for money. He won his first round game against Leixlip's Pat Hilliard by a single point in the third game after a two hour marathon struggle. Alas he was defeated by Damien Carthy, Leixlip, in the second round. A similar fate befell Mark Quigley at the hands of Damien's brother Shane. Mark had previously knocked Moon's, Phil Morrissey out of the competition in the first round. Mick Galvin, playing at the novice one level for the first time, put in a very good performance and was defeated by two points in the third game by Leixlip's Seamus Brennan.

October 17th has been nominated as National Handball Day for this the final year of this century. Watch out for the posters re same.

Mark Ball



Break-time on our first day in school



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MAYNOOTH LADIES SOCCER

The ladies team have secured promotion to Premier A in an undefeated season this year in the Dublin Women's Soccer League. The team scored 65 goals, 1 lost count after 50 and conceded 3 goals. It was a great season with excellent soccer being played at each match. Our only disappointment was being beaten by Shamrock Rovers (a class team) in a cup match. There's always next year!

A lot of hard work and brilliant commitment was given by the girls who were unselfish in the time given to training and all the travelling that they had to do over the summer. Without their dedication Maynooth would not be able to boast about this achievement.

Congratulations women on your success.

At this point for those of you unaware of our other success Emma Kilduff was selected to play for the Irish National Senior Squad as well as the under 18's for the European Championship in Hungary and Poland. I am thrilled with Emma's success and wish her every good fortune along the way. So watch out world!!

Congratulations also to the members of the team who were successful in their college exams and also the Leaving Cert. I wish you all the best of luck in your future careers and study at home and abroad.

The team are taking a well earned winter break but we hope to resume our training programme in January under the watchful eye of Anto Mooney.

At this point I would like to take this opportunity to thank those people whose help, support and guidance I would have been lost without:

Tony Mooney, who always had the pitch marked for the team and shouted support from the sidelines, John Doogan and Michael Dempsey for listening to my tales of woe, Frances Kearney for keeping the team going, our sponsors Tony Kelly, Heating and Plumbing for our kit and RJ Communications for the player of the Year Trophy. And Noel Brady (Brady's Pub) who allowed and endured us sing our hearts out on the night we won the League. To everyone who came and watched the matches, thank you and we hope to see everyone again next year.

And finally to the team. Without you I would have nothing to write about. Without your dedication I would have nothing to do on a Monday night. And more to the point we would not be celebrating your promotion to Premier A on the 14th of October next.

The Team: Defending the back line honour: Rachel Watson and Aideen Mc Cann both sharing the responsibility of the goal mouth, Ginny Breslin, Brid-Ann O'Shea, Paula O'Shea, Joanne Smith, Eimeir Coughlan a wall of strength at the back.

The centre field gang: Skinny Kelly, Anto Mooney, Rachel Agnew, Emma Kilduff, and Rachel Alcorn.
The rocket team to the front: Maedbh Flood, Simone Gilabert, Aine Coughlan, Leanne Hughes, and Ger Breslin popping the goals in like there was no tomorrow.

We are always on the lookout for more players so if you are interested in playing soccer even if it is a while since you kicked a ball around please contact either myself on 086 24 67 357 or Anto Mooney 6289736 for further information.

Looking forward to a great season next year,
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Emma Kilduff

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK EMMA

Letter from your proud Aunt

Last Saturday, September 4th, 1999 the Irish International Women's Soccer Team played the American World Champion Soccer Team in Foxborough Stadium, Boston, MA. I travelled from Maine to Boston to see the game and am so glad I did. I just want to express how proud I was of my niece Emma and her team mates. Emma you did a great job! I was so proud of you. Actually we all should be - after all, it's not every town that can boast of an International Soccer player!

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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES

As the new season got under way last month there has been a need to find an extra playing surface to facilitate the growing number of teams that Maynooth Town Football Club now supports. The Club is deeply grateful to Doyle's Mart Maynooth for the continuing use of the Dublin Road pitch. Without their support Maynooth Town F.C. would not support the amount of teams we do today. Pressure of fixtures in the Dublin Road and a lack of progress in acquiring a permanent home for soccer in Maynooth saw the Club approach the North Kildare Club for assistance.

A deal was finalised and there will be six schoolboy teams using the new pitch on Saturdays and Sundays when the cricket season has finished. Unfortunately the strain of maintaining three pitches in different locations takes away valuable resources both in man-hours and funds. We look forward to the day that all seventeen teams can come together to play within the one ground and we can focus all our efforts into making that ground the envy of all visiting teams. We will require the support of the whole community including all our elected representatives to achieve this goal. If our efforts save only one of our youngsters from the deadly evil of drugs or a life of crime it will have been well worth it. The choice is in the hands of our elected representatives, sufficient active amenity space now or possible a drug treatment centre or a prison later.

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB SCHOOLBOY MATCH REPORTS

Mountview Boys 1 : Maynooth Town 2
D.D.S.L. Under 12C
Home Team Sponsor: Mooney and Co. Solicitors, Maynooth.
Maynooth Town's Under 12C side got a flying start to the new season at Mountview Park recently. Goals from Danny Walsh in the first half and Sean Geoghegan in the second secured the points in their first game. Walsh got his just before the interval and Geoghegan shortly after it. Good defending by Maynooth and a number of excellent saves from the Town's keeper Anthony Doyle kept the home team at bay until five minutes from time when they pulled one back.
Maynooth from: A. Doyle, N. Hanlon, M. Cooney, M. Doyle, E. McDermott, M. Doyle, B. Bean, P. McGreal, S. Geoghegan, D. Walsh, D. Fagan, T. Franklin and Eddie Power.

Maynooth Town 2 : Lakelands 0
D.D.S.L. Under 12C
Home Team Sponsor: Mooney and Co. Solicitors, Maynooth.
Maynooth Town's Under 12C side made it six points from two games with a home win over Lakelands at the Dublin Road recently. The two sides appeared evenly matched for the first twenty minutes but in the twenty-third minute the game turned in the home sides favour. Danny Walsh picked up the ball and fired a superb high lob from twenty yards out. The visiting keeper had no chance as he back peddled only to see the ball drop beneath the crossbar. The Town began to up the tempo and were unlucky not to have increased their lead before the break. The second period saw more of the same from Maynooth as they began to grow in confidence. * The Lakelands defence was by far the busier but it was not until the last minute of the contest that the home side got their second, courtesy of Johann O'Donoghue.

Maynooth from: A. Doyle, P. Clerkin, T. Dunne, M. Cooney, M. Doyle, E. McDermott, D. Walsh, T. Franklin, D. Harkness, J. O'Donoghue, P. Kennedy and M. O'Murchú.

Maynooth Town 1 : St. Columbans Boys 2
D.D.S.L. Under 13A
Home Team Sponsor: Coonans Auctioneers, Maynooth.
Maynooth Town's newly promoted Under 13A side faced a tough challenge for the first home tie of the new season. The visitors had finished third in this division last season and showed the type of stylish football necessary to compete at this level of schoolboy football. Although the Town were under pressure of periods in the first half they coped well with all the Saints threw at them. It was a hotly contested offside decision that gave the visitors the lead after twenty minutes. As the home defence pushed forward the Saints attacker appeared to be in a offside position as he fired hard and low to give the home keeper no chance. Despite this set-back Maynooth kept their composure and five minutes into the second half got their just regard as Niall Doogan rounded two defenders and let fly with a cracker to bring the sides level. The visitors continued to push forward and despite several brilliant saves from man of the match Sean Kennedy it was the Saints that struck to take the three points. Maynooth could have shared the spoils but failed to convert good chances from both Shaun Doogan and Brian O'Malley.
Maynooth from: S. Kennedy, C. Walsh, G. O'Connor, S. McAllister, M. Cummins, D. Canny, N. Doogan, L. Daly, D. Bambrick, S. Doogan, N. Doogan, D. O'Haire, B. O'Malley and J. Moen.

Maynooth Town 8 : Dunboyne 3
Brenfer N.D.L. Under U11 League Cup
Home Team Sponsor: Iarnroad Eireann
Dunboyne were the first visitors to play in the new venue of the North Kildare Club on a damp Sunday morning. It was a visit they will probably want to forget, as Maynooth Town's talented Under 11's ran riot. The Town started strongly and were 4-0 up after just twenty-two minutes with Ciaran Kilduff (2). Joey Glynn and Fiachra Moriarty all finding the target early. Dunboyne then started to play some nice football on an excellent surface. Maynooth started to sit back on their lead but the visitors were not done with yet. Dunboyne pulled two back to make it 4-2 at the interval. The half-time team talk reminded the home side that they only get one chance in a knockout competition and they started the second period as they began the first. Kilduff struck home following a perfect through ball from Fergal Divilly a minute after the re-start to clinch his hat trick. Dunboyne got their third shortly afterwards but Maynooth sealed the tie when Glynn side-footed in from close range with twenty minutes remaining. Glynn notched up two more to finish with a tally of four.
Maynooth from: G. Walsh, M. Gillick, J. Galvin, C. Canning, O. Hannigan, S. Sinclair, F. Divilly, D. Mulhall, F. Moriarty, J. Glynn, C. Kilduff and P. Robinson.

Maynooth Town 4 : Artane/Beau 4
Brenfer N.D.L. Under 13E
Home Team Sponsor: Value Tile, Maynooth.
The new home ground of the North Kildare Club was the venue for this Under 13's Brenfer League tie between two evenly matched sides. The earlier under 11's cup-tie had produced eleven goals and the large crowd of spectators that watched this clash were to see almost as many. It was the

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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES (Cont.)

visitors who struck first as the Town took time to settle. The Maynooth defence was caught cold after only two minutes when they failed to clear from Artane's first attack. The home side wasted no time in getting back into the game and two goals from Laurence Hutchinson and one apiece from Paddy Broughan and Tadgh Moriarity saw them leading 4-2 half-way through the second half. Artane refused to lie down and having pulled back to within a single goal the visitors were awarded a penalty in the dying minutes. The well-struck spot kick gave the Town's Aidan Corkery no chance and the points were shared in this highly entertaining contest. A good all round performance from Maynooth with Kevin Farrell at centre-half at the top of his game.
Maynooth from: A Corkery, A. Higgins, P. Nelson, K. Farrell, P. Leavy, P. Broughan, L. Breheny, M. Coneely, T. Moriarty, L. Hutchinson, A. Tighe, M. Murphy, P. Lawlor, M. Dunworth and B. Harney.

Maynooth Town 5 : Firhouse 0
D.D.S.L. Under 17A1
Home Town Sponsor: The Leinster Arms, Maynooth.
The Dublin Road ground was the venue for this Under 17 clash that saw a talented Maynooth side run out easy winners and Firhouse going home lucky not to have conceded into

double figures. The Town started well and dominated the first half with a flowing type of football that was admired by all. Paul O'Hanlon struck twice in the thirteenth and thirty-fifth minutes to give the home side the advantage at the break. Maynooth could have had three or four more had they finished as well as they moved forward. A heavy downpour made conditions trickier in the second half and it was sixty-five minutes before Maynooth got their third. A tremendous solo run from Bobby Kelly, that began well inside his own half and finished with him being hacked down inside the Firhouse area, resulted in a well struck spot kick from Robert Stanley. It was Stanley who struck again to put the Town 4-0 up after some determined work in the middle of the park by Shane Folan. Although Firhouse did get some chances the rear guard of Noel Healy, Dean Conway, David O'Brien, Bobby Kelly and in-form Maynooth keeper Stephen Kelly always looked like keeping a clean sheet. O'Hanlon finally got his third in the seventy-fifth minute when the luckless Trevor McMahon's shot was parried into his path by the visiting keeper. An excellent display by Maynooth and well worth the soaking received by those brave enough to stay on through the downpour.
Maynooth from: S. Kelly, D. O'Brien, D. Conway, N. Healy, B. Kelly, J. Leddy, S. Folan, R. Stanley, S. Dunk, P. O'Hanlon, T. McMahon, K. Halligan and C. Daly.

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CONGRATULATIONS - to Darren Moen who graduates from Dublin City University on the 29th October with an Honours B.A. Degree in Computer Applications. Well done Darren from your family at 292A Greenfield. Best of luck in the future.

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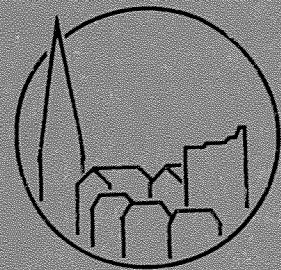
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

It is with some admiration that I read about the efforts being made by North Kildare and South Meath Alliance to fight TWM's appeal to An Bord Pleanala for the erection of an incinerator in Kilcock. The erection of such a structure would be a nightmare for all of us in Maynooth - far worse than any dump/landfill site.

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Hopefully this initiative will spread countrywide.

Action with regard to waste management will obviously have to come from the people considering that the relevant legislation has not been put to work. Our government and local authorities are unable or unwilling to deal with this boil on the face of the Celtic Tiger.

Name and address with Editor.

EDITORIAL

Maynooth Marking the Millennium

Over the next couple of months the hype in the media surrounding the end of the Millennium will reach fever pitch. Stories will abound about baby sitters being paid £250 for babysitting on New Year's Eve, bar staff claiming £500 to work on that night and pubs imposing cover charges for the pleasure for having a pint in your local. Surely, though, the end of one Millennium and the start of the next should be making a different kind of headline. Its primary significance is a religious one and no doubt the Christian Churches will mark the event in the event in the appropriate way. How Maynooth as a community will mark the Millennium is something that doesn't appear to have received a great deal of consideration. The issue was discussed at a Community Council meeting earlier in the year but no real plans emerged. Kildare Co. Council are to provide oak trees for planting around the town and Maynooth Action Strategy having been working with St. Patrick's College with a view to lighting the church spire - this should take place before the end of the year. Apart from that the **Newsletter** is not aware of any community based activities in Maynooth to mark the Millennium. If any such are planned we would be delighted to hear about them. The **Newsletter** is planning to publish a special Millennium issue in January with special features on the history of Maynooth and how the town has changed over the last 100 years. Contributions from readers to this issue - reminiscences of old Maynooth or old photographs - would be very welcome.

DIARY DATES

7th November	Prayers for All Souls Laraghbryan Cemetery at 3.00 p.m.
7th - 13th Nov.	Irish Heart Week.
14th November	St. Mary's Band Maynooth Annual Mass for deceased members.
17th November	Community Games A.G.M., G.A.A. Club at 8.00 p.m.
19th November	Maynooth Arts Forum "Evening of Words and Music" - St. Mary's Church of Ireland at 8.00 p.m.
21st November	Maynooth Senior Citizens Sale of Work Boys National School at 3.00 p.m..
24th November	Maynooth Flower and Garden Club Gala Christmas Demonstration, Aula Maxima, Maynooth College at 8.00 p.m.
27th November	G.A.A. Hurlers Medal Presentation Night.
27th November	Mass for deceased G.A.A. Club Members.
2nd December	Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Meeting at 8.00 p.m. in Health Centre.
4th December	Gaelic Footballers Medal Presentation Night - G.A.A. Club.

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The revised qualifying conditions for the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme state that to be eligible a person must be in receipt of Long Term Unemployment Assistance immediately prior to participation in the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Local Matters

North East Kildare

North East Kildare was launched at the Glenroyal Hotel on Thursday 7th October. N.E.K aim to be active in promoting the business and Community of the region. It will represent the voice of people of Celbridge, Maynooth, Straffan, Ardclough and Leixlip.

This group is there to support any group or organisation that wants it.

Bond Bridge

New bridge gets the go ahead.

Cllr John McGinley informed the meeting that at long last the old bridge is to be replaced. It is the news the people on the Newtown and Rathcoffey Rd, have been waiting years to hear. It will take about 12 months to complete. It was also hoped that the Meadowbrook link will get under way as soon as possible. This will ensure that hundreds of cars will not need to take the town route to the Straffan Road.

John Doogan paid tribute to our two local Councillors Senan Griffin and John McGinley, for all their dedication to the Community.

Doctor's Lane

The Co. Fire Officer objected to the closing of Doctors Lane for safety reasons. The County Council will have to await Fire Officer's report.

Drinking Bye-Laws

It is hoped that the Garda will enforce the drinking Bye-Laws in Maynooth when they are introduced.

Carton Estate

It was noted that the work on Carton Estate and Carton House is to start soon, possibly in October.

It is hoped the Town of Maynooth will benefit greatly from this great project. It was stated that the Executive should meet with Mr. Mallaghan re access by locals. It was also noted that access was agreed at previous meetings.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

It was stated that a lot of damage was done to graves and head-stones in the cemetery. Dominic Nyland said he was saddened to see such carry-on taking place in the graveyard. He hoped that the Garda would take action on the matter.

Harbour Field

When rumours reached Maynooth early one morning, about two weeks ago, that the harbour field was to be used again to accommodate travellers and their caravans, the Garda and the County Council moved very quickly to stop them. As the Harbour Field is already in a dreadful

condition the situation could not have been allowed to happen.

Tidy Towns

Tribute was paid to Bob Reilly for his continued work with the Tidy Towns Committee.

Not having a Fas scheme this year the town was kept very well. This committee works very hard to keep Maynooth looking well but litter seems to be a big problem in the town. Well done again to our Tidy Towns Committee

Community Council Offices

The community council are currently looking for new premises. With the loss of one of its schemes it is now necessary to move to smaller accommodation. The Community Council Office are currently looking for new staff, re office staff and Supervisor.

Fás Scheme

It was felt that the age limit of over 35s closed the door on a lot of people who otherwise would and could take up a place on a Fas Scheme.

Newsletter

Congratulations were paid to Peter O'Connell and staff for keeping the Newsletter going with the loss of staff gone from 30 workers to 12. More people are needed to get involved with the newsletter.

Congratulations were paid to Maynooth Soccer Club with the ladies winning the Dublin league and to Emma Kilduff who was selected to play for the Irish National Senior Squad. Congratulations were also offered to Robert Casey who was also selected to play for the Irish Senior Rugby Team in the world cup.

Summer Project.

The summer project went very well this year. While only running for two weeks it was a great success. Claire O'Rourke thanked everyone involved. She also thanked Maynooth Boys National School Parents Association who sponsored them to the value of £250.00. As Claire herself is ill at the moment we wish her well.

PRO. Marie Gleeson.

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BOYS SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Our Annual General Meeting took place on 25th September, with a good attendance. We had a speaker on the 'New Curriculum' which was very interesting.

A new Committee was elected which is as follows:-

Chairperson - Anne Daly
Assistant Chairperson - Jennifer Murray
Secretary - Yvonne Commerford
Assistant Secretary - Claire O'Rourke
Treasurer - Margaret O'Regan
Assistant Treasurer - Sheila Hawthorn
P.R.O. - Mark Colfer
Teachers Rep. - Mary Brosnan

We would like to thank the outgoing Committee for all their hard work during the year.

A special word of thanks to Margaret O'Neill and Mary McNamara whose children have graduated from the school. Both Margaret and Mary will be missed by us all.

Claire O'Rourke

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our last Club night on the 21st September, went extremely well. My fellow club members Mary Cleary, Jo O'Connell, Carmel Owens and myself went on stage for the first time to demonstrate. We managed to produce some beautiful exhibits. So well done ladies.

For November:-

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club presents
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*Maureen Fagan,
P.R.O.*

TWENTY YEARS SINGING IN MAYNOOTH

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MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY TO ILLUMINATE SPIRE

Maynooth, and much of North Kildare, has a most distinctive landmark which can be seen for miles around. The spire of St. Patrick's College is the second highest spire in the country and a distinctive symbol of the unique heritage of Maynooth as a centre of outreach known throughout the world. Construction of this neo Gothic building commenced exactly one hundred years ago in 1899 and it is appropriate that its centenary should be marked in the build up to the millennium.

Maynooth Action Strategy propose illuminating the spire as a millennium project symbolising the partnership between the College/University and community in this rapidly growing town. It is a fitting project to mark 2000 years of Christianity with a light which will be visible from several miles around and which will remind countless passing motorists that the town they are passing is a unique place with a rich heritage, two universities and a host of attractions worth visiting.

The project entails a number of high pressure narrow beam floodlights controlled by a solar time clock and carefully located to maximise their effectiveness. Work will start shortly.

Maynooth Action Strategy has now published a number of documents charting the way ahead for Maynooth and has been involved in a number of significant initiatives to benefit the town. Its Arts Forum has recently formed a new Drama Group while elsewhere a number of projects are now underway. The objective of *Maynooth Action Strategy* was expressed in its first publication "Choosing a Future" as: "Building on the town's strengths to create an environment within which the disadvantages of a rapidly growing dormitory town can be overcome and a strong sense of identity and community established." The illumination of the College Spire represents an important step in the improvement of the townscape and in the creation of a strong brand image for Maynooth.

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LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

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Welcome back after a long summer which we hope you all enjoyed and in particular we hope you enjoyed the Project which by all accounts went very well.

It is now time to start organising next year's Project and we hope the support will be just as good as last year.

Once again we would like to thank the Boys School Parents Association for their kind contribution. It was put to good use.

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up soon and we hope we will get plenty of parents to attend, particularly men as they are in short supply.

We will publish the date of our A.G.M. in next months Newsletter.

Claire O'Rourke,
Secretary.

ST. MARY'S PARISH WELCOMING AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

As you may have already heard we hold a tea and coffee morning on the last Sunday in the month, this is always held in the Boys School Hall.

The idea of this is to invite new people in the Parish to come along and meet other parishioners and hopefully it may help you to make new friends and make settling into the Parish of Maynooth a little easier. We would hope to be in a position to help you out with any local information you may require.

The tea is held at 11.00 a.m. or after the 10.15 a.m. Mass. All parishioners are very welcome.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Hallowe'en party and fancy dress parade took place on Sunday October 17th. Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Sinnott and was offered for all the deceased members of our club and Committee, especially those who died in the past year. Sadly we lost thirty members of our Senior Citizens club since this time last year. We were joined on the day by our friends from the "Friday Club" in Dunboyne. It was such a lovely Autumn day that everyone turned out in force.

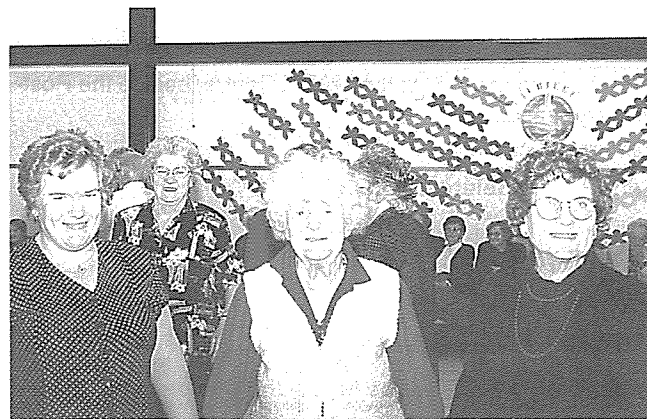


Lr. Nancy Moran, Joan Brannigan and Mary Coogan

After the tea, brack and grapes we lowered our stress levels with a good laugh at the various state of attire in our Fancy-Dress. "Millennium Babies", "Charvet Shirts" and "Footballers" etc, were the order of the day. Not everyone had the courage to "dress up", but we applauded those who did. The prize-winners were, David O'Connor (aged 9, our mascot) Joan Brannigan, Josie Wicks, Mary O'Reilly, Carmel Canny, Imelda Delaney and Betty Farrell. Congratulations and well done one and all. Many thanks to Fiona O'Connor and Mary Doyle who judged the whole affair.

With the madness of Hallowe'en out of the way, it's back to the business of fundraising. Yes that's right its "Sale of Work" time again. Sunday Nov. 21st is the date. As usual we will be selling tickets for our Monster draw at Tesco on the two weeks prior to the 21st. We will also be making our usual

house-calls and once again we appeal to your generosity. We have been favourably met in the past and I have no



L-r Frances Kelly, Mary Coogan and Frances Hanway

reason to think this has changed. We accept anything except **old clothes** and we're not too proud to accept money. A word of caution though there are many bogus callers at this time of year only too willing to relieve you of your property and cash. So please ensure you know the caller. Our members usually live in or near the area in which they collect and will be only too happy to show you I.D. Unless you are new in this area you will know them. So keep this in mind while you sort out the "copy" from the "genuine article". Remember our motto "if in doubt, check them out." In the mean-time please remember the date **Nov. 21st**. The success of this event determines the quality of service we provide. So do come along for an enjoyable afternoon. Its time and money well spent.

Our next committee meeting will take place on Tuesday Nov. 2nd at 8pm in the Health Centre. A full attendance would be appreciated.

Finally we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Matty Byrne and Mary Coyne both of whom died recently. May they rest in peace,
Josephine Moore

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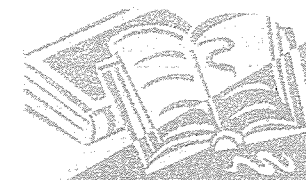
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Maynooth Tidy Towns-Welcome new street cleaning machine

Early risers in the town will have noticed the new street cleaning machine in operation in the Main Street area. No doubt obstacles will emerge that will hinder the good work that this machine can do, but nonetheless the provision of this new equipment is a welcome development. The arrival of this street cleaning equipment in Maynooth, now gives Kildare County Council an opportunity to extend a daily service to other parts of the town. Maynooth Tidy Towns would like to see the service provided throughout the town on a seven days a week basis.

Maynooth-Scoring record in "National Tidy Towns Competitions"

Category	Maximum Mark	1996 Result	1997 Result	1998 Result	1999 Result
Overall Development Approach	50	30	31	31	35
The Built Environment	40	22	22	24	30
Landscaping	40	20	20	20	21
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	20	21	21	21
Litter Control	40	15	15	16	17
Tidiness	20	8	8	8	8
Residential Areas	30	22	23	23	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	18	18	17	17
General Impression	10	4	4	4	6
Total Mark	300	159	162	164	178

In the October Maynooth Newsletter the National Tidy Towns Judge's Report for 1999 was published. The actual break-up of the score was not given, so this month it was decided to show the scores in each category going back to 1996. The figures tell the story.

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Maynooth Tidy Towns

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MAYNOOTH, KILCOCK, NO NAME CLUB TRIP TO SPANISH POINT

On the weekend of the 24th September 1999 all our hosts and hostesses were treated to a brilliant weekend away in the fabulous coastal area of Spanish Point in Co. Clare. Gathering at the college gates at three o'clock we load the bus with all our bags and set off for what was an excellent weekend enjoyed by all. We arrived at about nine o'clock and we settled into our rooms and got prepared for a night full of fun and adventure together. Early on Saturday morning all 24 of us ate breakfast and headed on a tour of the West Coast of Ireland. First, we went to the Liscannor Rock Shop, followed by the breath taking heights of the Cliffs of Moher. From there, we drove through the karst area of the The Burren to the dark, interesting Aillwee Caves. Then it was back to Lahinch for us where we went to the Aquarium Splash World. After a long day, the gang returned to the Hostel where the adult leaders with the help from the host and hostesses cooked a delicious dinner.

Then the last night of our brilliant weekend began. We had a training exercise at first followed by a surprise birthday party for our Chairperson. Then came the major outdoor water fight, that everyone took part in. Only a few hours kip was caught that night with Lila awakening us with a good Irish fry which attracted us all to the kitchen then before heading on our journey back home.

On the way home we stopped in at Bunratty Castle and Folk Village. We were back in Maynooth before we knew it. Everyone got to know each other well and really enjoyed every moment of the weekend from the time we left to the second we hit the boundaries of Maynooth again. All host and hostesses who went would like to thank those leaders who came with us and allowed this weekend to take place. Thanks a million!



Rebecca Flynn and Ciara Baxter

We are currently recruiting new Host and Hostess for our club and we would like to welcome them all to the club and hope that they enjoy it as much as we do.

Michael Madden (PRO) Rebecca Flynn (Junior Committee)



Joe Dolan filming in Maynooth

MAYNOOTH DRAMA GROUP

The Maynooth Drama Group was set up earlier this year with help from the Maynooth Arts Forum in connection with the Maynooth Action Strategy.

A general meeting was called and a working committee was formed. The group is as yet nameless, but submissions will be taken during the Drama Workshop to be held on the 30th of October from 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. in Education House, N.U.I. Maynooth. We are holding auditions for our first play on the 11th of November at 8.00 o'clock in the Education House, N.U.I. Maynooth. All are welcome and encouraged to come.

Queries to be directed to Roberta Carey 629-1309 and Kathleen Cunningham 628-6404.

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

5th August at Knocknally Vice-Presidents (Noel Brady) Prize

Overall Winner		John Carroll	37pts (B9)
Class 1	1st	Liam Farrelly	37pts
	2nd	Terry Moore	36pts
Class 2	1st	Derek Nicholson	33pts
	2nd	Norman Kavanagh	28pts
Class 3	1st	Pat Conway	30pts
	2nd	Mick Flynn	29pts
Front 9	-	Gerry McTernan	19pts
Back 9	-	Tom Flatley	19pts
Nearest the pin		Johnny Thompson	
Visitor	-	Niall Byrne	34pts

4th September 1999 Presidents (John Carey) Prize at Grange Castle Golf Club

Overall Winner		Noel Brady	(22) 36pts
2nd Overall		Joe Moore	(12) 38pts (nq)
Class 1	1st	Ray Delemara	(12) 35pts
	2nd	Chriss Reilly	(13) 34pts (b9)
Class 2	1st	Pat Conway	(18) 33pts (b9)
	2nd	Willie Moore	(18) 33pts
Class 3	1st	Mick Flynn	(21) 35pts (b9)
	2nd	Paddy Foy	(20) 35pts
Front 9	-	Mick Hegarty	18pts
Back 9	-	Miley Scanlon	20pts
Visitors	-	Martin Foy	36pts
Nearest the Pin		Alan Kelly	

Maynooth Arts Forum

Maynooth Arts Forum celebrates a full year of activities with the staging of an "Evening of Words and Music" in St. Mary's Church of Ireland on Friday the 19th November 1999 at 8pm. The event will feature local musicians and writers performing their own work as well as many well-known pieces. The music will reflect the wealth of talent in Maynooth of the various styles from Ballads to Classical and Jazz. While many of the performers will be very experienced, others taking part will be performing for the first time on stage. Musicians who are studying at the National University of Ireland, Maynooth will be taking part and in fact the person guiding the entire musical programme is Ms. Trini Armstrong, Manager of the NUIM Orchestra and the Kildare County Orchestra. Group and individual performances will take place on the night and who knows , we could be hearing the first performance of new upcoming stars of the 21st Century. The words for the event have been selected by John Conroy, Hilda Dunne and Stuart Lane. Both the words and Music for the evening have been selected to be complimentary, where there should be something for everybody no matter what age or musical taste.

This is the second major musical event organised by the Maynooth Arts Forum and other activities are taking place throughout the month that are supported by the forum. The level of arts activity has increased in the last year and more events are planned. The Castle Keep Local Artists Group is also very active with exhibitions of their work. The Maynooth Arts Forum Drama and Musical Society was formed in September and they will hold auditions for their first performance this month. The Arts Forum has certainly made a difference to the artistic and social outlook for the town. In fact the level of activity planned this month could well be described as the Maynooth Arts Festival for 1999.

The Maynooth Arts Forum is grateful once again to St. Mary's Church of Ireland for giving us the use of this impressive, historic venue for our Words and Music Evening. While there will be significant interest in this event, the seating capacity is limited and early arrival is recommended. A cover charge of £5 is payable on the night.

Paul Croghan
Maynooth Arts Forum

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No 99/1329 Date: 3rd August 1999
Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 3 no. retail units/shops ground floor with office/storage first floor.
Fagans Lane, Maynooth

No 99/1534 Date: 7th September 1999
Eastern Health Board
Erection of two storey 50 bed Residential Care Unit for older people, day care facilities and associated site works, located adjacent to the existing Health Centre off Leinster Street, Royal Canal Harbour.

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BAND BULLETIN

A surprise last minute engagement last month took us to Bodinstown Cemetery for Fianna Fáil Annual Wolfe Tone Commemoration Ceremony where we stood in as replacement for our good friends Narraghmore Pipe Band. On a wonderful sunny October morning we played to a very appreciative attendance which included Bertie Ahern, Mary O'Rourke, Michael Woods, Michael O'Kennedy among others and some lucky - sorry photogenic - members even made The News on TV3 that evening. This will prove a positive audition for future public engagements.

We would like to thank all who supported our Fund Raising Support Dance in Dowdstown Hotel last month. It was a fantastic social success. Congratulations to Route 66 who made a brilliant appearance. We hope to see more of them over the next few months.

And so to November which marks the beginning of our busiest period of the year.

Mass for Deceased Members

Our Annual Mass this year will be on Sunday 14th November at 11.30 a.m. We invite relatives and friends of all deceased Band Members to join us in remembering those who have played their part in keeping the tradition of St. Mary's Band alive and have gone to their eternal reward. The Mass will be followed by a parade up the Main Street.

Classes

We are happy to report that classes are progressing well with recorders still working with Andrew Purcell and the instrumental side now being handled by Niall O'Connor's school of music. This is a new departure but we are certain that in the long term it will prove very successful. The band committee are all working people and it has in the past been a monumental task to give two nights per week to practice, attend meetings, deal with the day to day running of the band and try to look after band classes. The new system gives the children the opportunity to learn to play instruments in a professional environment and hopefully progress more quickly to a stage when they can take their place in the Maynooth Band in the new Millennium.

That's it for this month, I will be back next month with a full list of our Christmas Programme.

Community Games Notes

The A.G.M. of Maynooth Community Games will be held on Wednesday 17th November at 8pm in the G.A.A. Clubhouse, Moyglare Rd.

All are welcome
Mary Cahill

RESIDENTS ON WATCH

Residents on Watch regrets to report that once again Beaufield estate has become the vanguard of late night to early morning noisy and rowdy students parties. No amount of representations to the offending students, landlords, student union or University authorities appears to curb these revels. Does the expression "being sent down" not apply to N.U.I. Maynooth?

Residents on Watch enquires of the K.C.C. re Picadilly Circus, the popular name for the Main, Leinster, Parson and Mill Streets crossroads. Where are the rumored traffic lights or mini roundabout?

Residents on Watch also ask where are the traffic lights promised to motorists exiting the slope from the N4 on to the Straffan Road? Promised March what March? R.O.W. enquires where are the black litter bins many sponsored by local business people, gone since being replaced. Why were they not resited on the Old Dublin Road, Straffan Road, Parson and Mill Street? R.O.W. notes Co. Councillors concern re retaining wall around Moyglare Village, but no mention of the colloquially referred to "Bull Run". The 30 m.p.h. speed limit stretch of the Moyglare Rd. from the R.C. Church past two schools, three housing estates and a nursing home, which is regularly traversed at speeds in excess of 50-60 m.p.h. by cars, buses and trucks. What about traffic calming ramps, they work elsewhere.?

Residents on Watch invites everyone to use this column to report their concerns regarding our town.

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The Community Employment Scheme

Our application to renew the Scheme is currently with FAS. The renewal can not be assumed automatically, the application must stand on its own merits.

The continuing project work; such as mooring bollards and fishing pegs, wall restoration and path-laying; depend on the renewal of the scheme.

New Members

It was our pleasure to welcome Breda Cunningham and Martina Murphy as new members to the group. Both have been involved with the Royal Canal for some years, and we look forward to working with Breda and Martina in the future.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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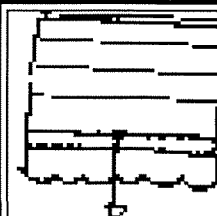
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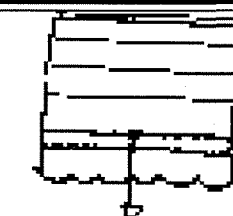
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EXCERPTS FROM OUR TOWN - MAYNOOTH

A magazine compiled by young people from the town.

MAYNOOTH LIBRARY

Maynooth Library opened seventeen years ago, in 1983. The Library is part of Kildare County Council, which has libraries all over the county. With a capacity for twenty-eight thousand books and 1,100 readaholic members, the Library is a good place to research and read.

With its adoption from old musty Blue, doggy-eared library tickets to small laminated futuristic computer cards, the system seems to be a faster way to gather information and keep a trail on member's transactions.

Maynooth Library is situated on the Main Street in Maynooth, so pop in sometime and have a look around!

Written by Declan Kavanagh age 13 years.

THE CHANGING FACE OF MAYNOOTH

A few years ago, no-one who lived in Maynooth could have foreseen how greatly the small town would change. To keep up with the ever-growing population, the small village grew into a lively, bustling town. As it grew, people began to put a lot of effort into modernising the town and keeping it clean. One effort that stands out is the new and improved Straffan Road. Gone are the overgrown fields, and with the smoother, wider road, cars glide along past the Glenroyal Shopping Centre and Hotel, new housing estate, Parklands, and an improved area around the Canal.

Main Street has also been updated, with new paths and a new road and with Supermacs, it's really humming! Plans to keep improving our town are underway, so let's keep up the good work!

Report by Sarah Corrigan age 14 years.

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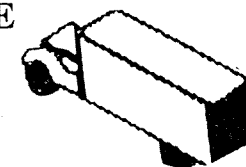
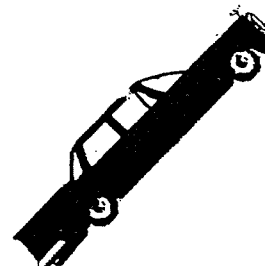
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INCINERATOR UPDATE 11

The latest information on the campaign from... NORTH KILDARE & SOUTH MEATH ALLIANCE AGAINST INCINERATION (Ltd.)

Fly the Blue Flag from your home or business, and show that you want to live in a safe, pollution free environment.

Sometime before the Appeal Board holds its oral hearings, an inspector must visit the site of the proposed incinerator. That inspector must see an ocean of Blue Flags and bumper stickers, telling him how we feel!

Fly the Blue Flag!

Blue flags have been sprouting up on front lawns, on homes and on businesses all along the Kildare/Meath border, stretching from Enfield to Lucan and Celbridge.

The flags are part of a new campaign by the Alliance to make it clear to policy-makers that everyone in this area is 100% opposed to the building of Thermal Waste Management's dioxin emitting incinerator just outside the village of Kilcock.

"This is a tangible display of people's opposition to the project", says one member of the Alliance's Steering Committee. "It will act as a barometer of concern".

In the days and weeks ahead, this will become particularly important. At some point before An Board Pleanála begins its hearings, scheduled for December, an Inspector from the Bord must visit the site.

What better way to prove to the Inspector that no one wants this incinerator than to have him drive past row after row of Blue Flags, each symbolising a vote against a project that could poison the air we breathe.

What is more, the next time a general election is called, the Alliance will be fielding candidates in North Kildare and South Meath under the Blue Flag, giving the people of the area a chance to make those votes count.

Now is your chance to make your opposition public. More than ever before, we need to show how we feel.

"Just because landfill is wrong, incinerators don't have to be right. Nuclear power was presented to a past generation as inevitable... We in Ireland reject the option".

Peter Cunningham, Sunday Independent October 9, 1999.

Dr. Paul Connett Joins the Fight: We bring in one of the best...

As the prospect of the hearings before An Board Pleanála loom ever closer, it becomes clear that the final battle will be fought between teams of experts.

Martin Blake, the man behind the plan to build the Kilcock incinerator, made it clear to a delegation from the Alliance last month that he plans to win his appeal. "It will be my experts against your experts", he told the delegation.

However, he may have a nasty surprise in store. Earlier this month, the Alliance was able to announce that the people of North Kildare and South Meath had raised more than £70,000 to help fight their campaign to stop the toxic incinerator.

Now, the Alliance is bringing one of the world's leading authorities on incineration to Ireland: Dr. Paul Connett.

Paul Connett is Professor of Chemistry at St. Lawrence University, New York. Since 1985, he has been engaged on research relating to the cancer-causing dioxins produced by incineration, and the ways in which they build up in food chains. His work in the lab has led him to the firm conviction that incineration is not the right technology for disposing of waste in the twenty-first century.

This conviction has brought him to 48 states in the US, and to 42 other countries around the world, where he has delivered more than 1500 talks on waste management, and on the alternatives to incinerators. He has helped groups defeat plans to build incinerators around the world.

Now Paul Connett is coming to Ireland to contribute to the debate on incineration. On Tuesday, November 23, at 8:00, he will speak at the Glenroyal Hotel in Maynooth. A challenge has been issued to Martin Blake of TWM to appear and defend his decision to build a gigantic toxic waste incinerator. As part of Paul Connett's visit, the Alliance will be organising a series of interviews with the media. If you have media contacts who might be interested in talking to him, please contact the Alliance office at (01)-6287888.

"At the end of the day, it will be my experts against your experts. And I intend to win." Martin Blake of TWM speaking to a delegation from last month.

SALE OF WORK EARNS £1660 AS CAMPAIGN FUND TOPS £70,000

A sale of work, organised by the Alliance, earned £1660 for the campaign against the proposed Kilcock incinerator. The sale was held in Scoil Dara, on Sunday, October 10.

According to one of the event's organisers, the day was "a great success". Special thanks go out to all those who turned up to buy a bargain, as well as to Scoil Dara and those who helped particularly members of the local ICA, and the students from Scoil Dara who were so much help: Aisling, Alva, Andrew, Claire, Heather, Jenny, Mairead, and Martin. At a public meeting held in Kilcock a few days later, on Tuesday October 12, it was announced that this figure brought the total amount raised by the Alliance to over £70,000. "This is an impressive amount" claimed an Alliance spokesperson, but warned against complacency. The money is earmarked for hiring teams of experts to bring to the oral hearings before An Board Pleanála — and that could cost £150,000. Of the money raised so far, £24,000 came from door-to-door collections, £16,500 was raised by the Wolfe Tones concert, more by the two golf classics and the rest by other fund-raisers.

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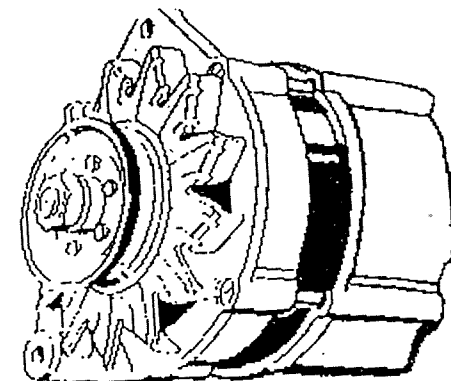
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IRISH HEART WEEK 7th - 13th November 1999

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The Irish Heart Foundation is encouraging older people to look after their heart during Irish Heart Week, which takes place November 7th - 13th, with the slogan "Your Heart - the more mileage it's got, the more care it needs".

The aim of the week is to show that heart health can still be enjoyed well past sixty and lifestyle changes even at this time will lead to improved well-being and enjoyment out of life as well as offering real health benefits.

The key messages from the Irish Heart Foundation are:

- Enjoy life and keep in touch with friends.
- Be active.
- Eat more fruit and vegetables and less fat
- Try and quit smoking and go easy on the alcohol
- Have regular blood pressure and cholesterol check ups.

The Irish Heart Foundation will work with a wide range of organisations, retirement groups, public libraries, health boards and local Happy Heart groups to reach as many people as possible. General Practitioners will also receive copies of the promotional poster and magazine.

A national publicity and advertising campaign will highlight the message and activities for the week.

Irish Heart Week is one of the events of the International Year of Older People. Irish Heart Week is supported by the Health Promotion Unit in the Department of Health and Children and 2FM.

For further information and materials, please contact the Irish Heart Foundation at 4 Clyde Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4. Telephone: 01-6685001. Fax: 01-6685896. email: gdaly@irishheartfoundation.ie

REFLEXOLOGY

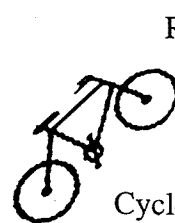
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*There you were standing there
With a twinkle in your eye
I wanted your company to share
But I felt oh so shy
A blossom rose to see
Sure she opened up my heart
If only she would care for me
And never would we part*

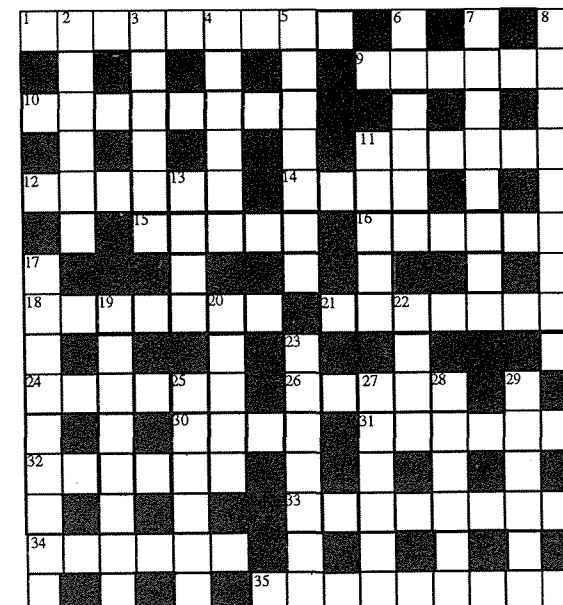
*Be a man and say halo
So soon had a chat to say
Her blossom face did glow
She really made my day
We talked about each other
In such an anxious way
For me to be no other
And I asked her would she stay*

*Jennifer was this Ladies name
She really made my heart sing
We both agreed the same
And I gave her a diamond ring
We soon got married in time
With three kids to call our own
Everything just went fine
in our comfy little home*

*So the moral of my story is
Get your woman while you can
Nothing like Marriage bliss
To really make a man
Loneliness is a sad affair
It does not make you well
Find a girl that care
In which your heart does dwell*

Patrick Murray

Crossword No. 142



Entries before Monday 15th November

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

1. Breakfast spread (9)
9. Eat savagely (6)
10. Polite and elegant (8)
11. Servants of Gentlemen (6)
12. Tip-top point (6)
14. Terrible child? (4)
15. Basket of fish (5)
16. Deadly (6)
18. Took for granted (7)
21. Old army boy (7)
24. Blighter? (6)
26. Unclear (5)
30. Lowest female voice (4)
31. Roman Hall-of the heart? (6)
32. Awkward (6)
33. German Motorway (8)
34. Fatal (6)
35. Rudely or churlishly (9)

Down:

2. Highest points (6)
3. Short-sighted (6)
4. Hate or detest (6)
5. Lasting (7)
6. Upper House of Government (6)
7. Simultaneously (8)
8. Sport or struggling (9)
11. Device to control flow (5)
13. Old-fashioned transport (4)

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17. Dam or block (9)
19. Small oranges (8)
20. Pre-mature (5)
22. Pulled tight (4)
23. Tropical pear (7)
25. Tripods for artists (6)
27. Elastic for your stocking? (6)
28. Dark place between Earth and Hades (6)
29. Dry measure of eight gallons (6)

Solution to Crossword No. 141

Across: 4. Messy; 7. Ribbed; 9. Tax; 10. Tac; 12. Tutor; 13. Thaw; 15. Toyed; 17. Damage; 19. Erne; 20. Scene; 22. Ill; 24. Tattled; 27. Tea; 28. Erase; 31. Stop; 33. Stored; 35. Later; 37. Worm; 38. Gavel; 39. Dam; 41. Ale; 42. Latent; 43. Study.

Down: 1. Gratis; 2. Abrade; 3. Set; 4. Mate; 5. Exude; 6. Slowness; 11. Cogitated; 14. Want; 16. Yell; 18. Meat; 21. Contract; 23. Leer; 25. Test; 26. Drew; 29. Adored; 30. Enmity; 32. Plead; 34. Oral; 36. Ally; 40. Mar.

Features

VIDEO REVIEW

THE RUGRATS MOVIE

Cert U genre Family Cartoon Stars Dylan Pickles, Tommy Pickles
Chuckie Finster, Angelica Pickles
Running time 77min.

The Rugrats babies, intrepid explorers and stars of Nickelodeons' wildly - popular animated series, are off on their first feature-length adventure. With the birth of his new baby brother Dylan, Tommy Pickles knew things were about to change, but he never expected that being a big brother could be such an adventure. While attempting to return little Dil to 'hopsical' the Rugrats commandeer the Reptar Wagon and inadvertently get lost in the Forest. It's a rollicking, musical ride into a world beyond their backyard as the Rugrats encounter obstacles and some big surprises in their quest to get back home. Also features the celebrity voices of Whoopi Goldberg and Tim Curry and the chart-storming "Ooo Eee Aah Aah" song by the Cartoonies.

ARLINGTON ROAD

Cert 15 genre Thriller Stars Jeff Bridges, Tim Robbins
Running Time 1.13 mins.

Michael Faraday (Jeff Bridges) and his 10 year son, Grant are both trying to come to terms with the loss two years earlier of Michael's wife Grant's mother. When they befriend a family from across the road, things seem to get a little better for them. However, as the families become closer, Michael starts having misgivings about Oliver and Cheryl Lang (Tim Robbins and Joan Cusack), and begins investigating them. He soon realises that the Langs are definately not who they claim to be...

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What is happening here? The Irish Medicines Board have recently issued a definition of a medicine - it states that any product that may be used to prevent cure or alleviate any disease is a medicine. What does this mean in regard to Natural Food Supplements? It means that supplements like Garlic, Evening Primrose, Fish Oils, Echinea, Vitamin C - the list can go on and on will come under this definition. These products will be classed as drugs and under E.U. law - drugs require a medical licence - which costs thousands of pounds for each individual product. Health Supplement manufacturers say such costs will make the products prohibitive and force it off the market shelves. If the IMB insist upon implementing the terms of their new definition of a medicine followed by licensing - then it could mean you would have to go to your doctor to get a prescription every time you needed garlic capsules, oil of evening primrose etc. How stupid can it get? First most of us would object to having to pay an extra £20 to the doctor plus the price of our supplement. The doctors probably would not welcome clogging up the waiting room and taking up their precious time.

To illustrate how things are progressing - St. John's Worth which is a natural product with no side effects and a proven record with helping to alleviate depression is being taken off the market by the 1st January 2000 by the Minister for Health, Mr. Cowan. Why is this action being taken without giving the public the reason why? We as consumers, have every right to demand to know why this action is being undertaken? Whose interest is being looked after here - it does not seem to be the consumer?

One thing that is strange is why are these drugs that have been tested and licensed and with known very serious side effects still available by prescription on the market and a natural product with a proven safe record is taken off the market.

What can we do? Plenty - Write and bombard (email or fax is much quicker), the Minister for Health, your T.Ds. or your M.E.Ps., - contact radio stations write email or fax letters to the papers and, of course, tell your friends and encourage them to do likewise. **DO IT NOW** as decisions are being taken in the very near future.

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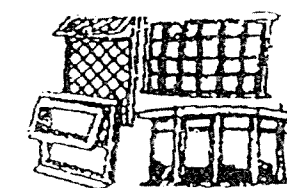
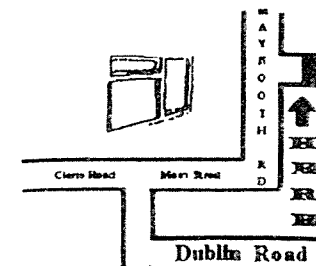
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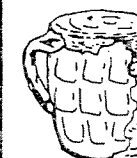
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TRANSITION YEAR IN MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL, 1999-2000

INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to present our Transition Year option for 1999-2000 and we welcome the students who will take part. The syllabus is a comprehensive one and should do much to achieve the aims as outlined:

- Give space to learn, mature and develop without exam pressure
- Expose students to areas of study not previously encountered
- Provide a solid foundation for Leaving Certificate course
- Develop students' confidence
- Enhance study skills
- Give students orientation to the world of work.

We have two classes for the coming session.

We look forward to an interesting year ahead.

Our thanks to the parents and students who had the courage to go with the Transition Year option and to all the teachers who put a lot of energy and expertise into the programme also Ms Kathleen O'Leary who is this years Year Head.

The whole thinking behind the Transition Year is to give students a chance to work in different areas, as over the time, the students are in charge of their own learning projects and responsibility.

On this years programme they have four Italian students, three girls and one boy, one Canadian boy and an American girl.

They will also do Media Studies, Personal Development and Computers etc.

They are going on a trip to Switzerland for five or six days which will be a great benefit to the people who will take up Travel as a career maybe in the future. Some of their courses also include a lot of guest speakers. In particular, a person who spent time working in a Romanian Orphanage will come in to tell the students about the life these children have out there.

EDUCATION FOR LESURE

Aims and Objectives

To include PE leisure studies as a life skill option with the potential to develop the student's education and future sports and recreation experience in and through a variety of new sporting activities.

Course Content

Students will make use of all the facilities of Leixlip Amenities Centre and will take part in three sporting disciplines. Aerobics/Step Aerobics/Line Dancing. A fully qualified aerobics teacher will teach all three activities.

Weight training/conditioning; with a wide range of high tech electronic machines available, students will also be able to avail of sports hall activities. These may include indoor soccer, unihoc, volleyball and basketball.

Day Trips

These will include:

Bowling in Palmerstown

Ice Skating in Phibsboro

Outdoor Pursuits in Carlingford Adventure Centre.

Assessment

Mostly summative on the part of the teacher. Self-evaluation is also an integral part of this course.

ART

Aims and Objectives

The wide variety of creative and expressive experiences available within art and design enable pupils to develop knowledge, skills and understanding which makes essential contributions to the whole curriculum. These experiences provide pupils with unique opportunities for observing, recording, imaging, designing, creating, communicating and appreciating.

We would envisage that this module would involve both field trips and classroom work and that a visual diary would be kept by each student on their progress throughout the project. The broad aims of the project would be to:

Enrich each students sensory experiences and develop artistic awareness.

Develop intellectual and practical capabilities, through participating creatively in a wide range of art and design activities;

To enable students to make personal, visual and tactile responses to feelings, ideas and environments in ways appropriate to their development;

Promote in students a growing appreciation and understanding of their own work and that of artists, architects, designers and craftworkers working in different contexts;

To develop students capacity to work both independently and in collaboration with others, communicating their ideas visually and verbally;

To help pupils to gain an understanding of the role, nature and significance of art, design and craft in their observation of their surroundings;

Foster a sense of achievement and self-confidence by helping pupils to develop ideas through to completion and to evaluate the effectiveness of their work.

At the end of the year we would hope that each student would possess a portfolio to include:

- Preliminary sketches and finished work in various media, based on the student's own observations of his/her surroundings;
- A visual diary recording the students personal work throughout the year with an emphasis on progress; (Some students would have taken art as a subject previously and others will not.)
- A personalised written project on either a painter / sculptor / architect or an era in art history of interest to the student.

HOME ECONOMICS

Aims and Objectives

To compile a cookery book/booklet suitable for the needs of students.

Course Content

1. Survival - basic low income daily meals-nutrition - 'light a fire'.
2. Seasonal - products/goods in season.
3. A visit to the supermarket/foodmarket; imported/Irish goods.
4. Cross curricular e.g.
Art > Illustrations
Business > Costings/Marketing
Geography etc.
5. International Cuisine.
6. When Mum/Dad visit your 'Pad'.

Assessment

Depth of content/interest/presentation.



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ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK OF ENTRANTS.

This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds.
Closing date for receipt of entries is **Monday 22nd November** by 5 pm.

Features

TRANSITION YEAR IN MAYMOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL, 1999-2000 (Cont.)

COMPUTER STUDIES

Aims and Objectives

To prepare students for the use of computers in study and work. To develop confidence in the pupils so that they will look upon computers as a useful tool and a valuable learning aid.

Course Content

Keyboard use, word processor, printer procedures and layout, the use of spreadsheets, introduction to the internet and PC's.

Assessment

Assessment by regular 'hands on' testing and minor projects, also by the production of homework assignments/projects on computers.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Aims and Objectives

To achieve an ease and acceptance of self and others within an environment which encourages personal growth.

Course Content

This will examine areas such as self-esteem, assertiveness, feelings/emotions; decision-making, responsibilities, conflict resolution, communicating.

Other aspects of this course will include an examination of some of the dominant ideologies of the age - materialism, as well as a module on Disability Awareness which will involve working with people with special needs in the community.

A European Studies Module will be included to enable students to become familiar with diversities and similarities of Europe's languages, customs, culture and economic, political and social systems.

Group building work and strategies within each of the above areas are done through role-play, in groups and individually. Visiting speakers will enhance the student's experiences and on an on-going basis some students will help in Aisling House.

There will be a variety of activities, outings and visits throughout the year.

Assessment

This will be summative and on-going. It is envisaged that an integral part of this course will be self-assessment.

GUIDANCE

Aims And Objectives

To enable students to become aware of all of the options open to them on leaving school. To focus on an area of interest to each individual student. Job seeking skills will also be covered.

Course Content

C.V preparation. Form filling. Interview skills.

Third level options for all levels of ability.

Training/Apprenticeship opportunities.

Visiting speakers/seminars where relevant.

College/Workplace visits envisaged. Subject choice for Leaving Certificate. Occupational testing to help with career choice.

MEDIA STUDIES

Aims and Objectives

To encourage the student to explore the media in all its forms - Newspapers, Magazines, Radio, Television and Internet. This will create an awareness of media objectives, manipulation and prejudice.

Course Content

1. Group/individual project on a particular issue of the day. In 1998/99 this was 'deaths on our roads due to accidents and causes of same'. Creating a keen awareness of road safety issues.
2. Creation of an 'Image Folder'. This is a collection of pictures and photographs of the students choice. It can be on a particular theme, e.g., Happiness, Peace, War, Animals - or it may be a miscellaneous collection of the students favourite visual images.
3. Production of a Transition Year magazine. Contents to include reviews, hobbies, poems, surveys, news and activities during the year etc.
4. Examination of the film-making world - the making of a film - direction, production, marketing and distribution. A video may be produced by the students themselves.
5. Any issues selected by the students themselves.

Assessment

Based on project work throughout the year. Certificate at end of year if progress is satisfactory.

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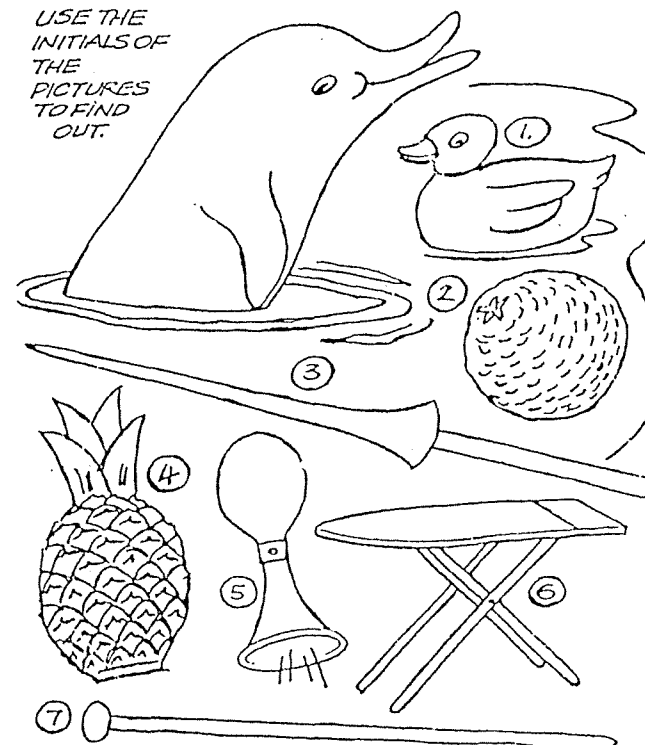
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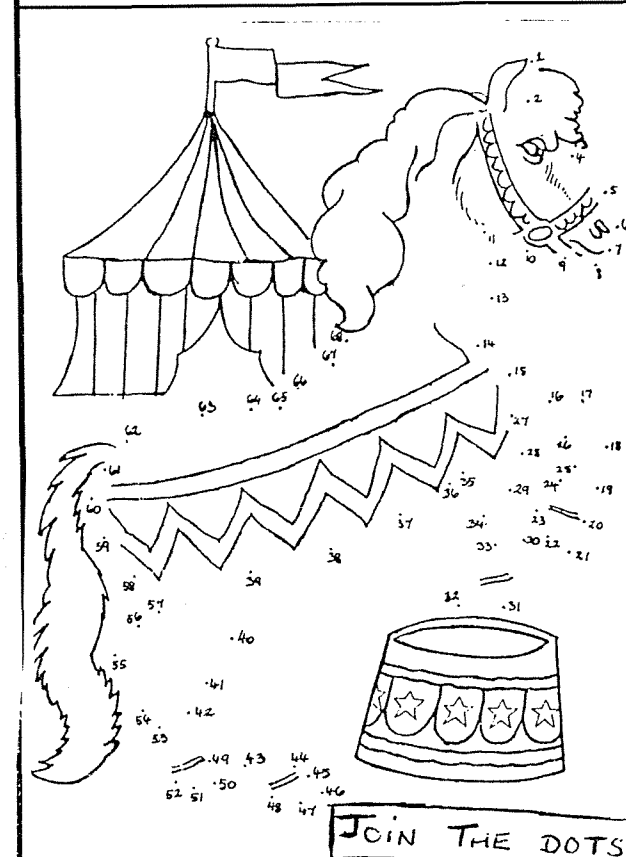
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12 The Walk
Louisa Valley
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2nd
Marie E.J. McAuliffe
562 O'Neill Park
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3rd
Elaine Houlihan
Cowanstown
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THE MEDIA AND THE PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Dublin man's day was the accepted title of the Saturday of the now defunct R.D.S. Spring Show, when most of the prize exhibits of animals, were back home in their stalls. The day when the public were admitted at half price to view the residue of the week.

The N.P.A. ploughing exhibition has no such entry concessions, as all stations are go from 9 am. on day 'one to the final announcements at 6 pm. on the third day. The advance alert of ground and traffic conditions, by the Media, Newspaper and T.V. pictures, did not deter the rural and urban enthusiasts, many having no connection with farming, from attending.

An estimated 140,000 rural, urban and overseas visitors mingled at the Castletownroche venue. Despite four mile traffic tailbacks on approach to the car parks, and the long trek to the site, the humour amid the various accents and dialects was upbeat, and no complaints of impatience, road rage or underfoot conditions were discerned. To quote a Kerry farmer who with his family left home at 5.30am to arrive early, "Yarrah tis a day out for us all, pure muck and magic. We have come to enjoy ourselves, no matter the conditions or whatever time we get home". Such was the consensus of all that I spoke to. Clad in waterproof slicks, wax jackets and pull-ups, all from 2 to 92 had on their wellies. Thus clad all set forth on the 75 acre 900 stand trek, plodding along the steel tracked midways and then to view the basis of the show The Ploughing Competitions. T.V. pictures did not depict the many who daily plodded to the distant ploughing plots, watching with intense interest, the various classes. World class, Senior, Junior, Farmerette, Vintage tractor, Horses and Lay.

Congratulations to our own Noel Cummins, Ovidstown, winner of the Single furrow Vintage class. On the final day an urban visitor declared "I have no farm, garden or even a window box, but I go home knowing a furrow from an Aris.

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KILCOCK LAUNCHES INTEGRATED WASTE INITIATIVES

In August 1999, a Project Group was set up to explore methods of establishing a programme of community waste management projects in Kilcock, under the guidance of the Alliance. This group, known as KIWI (Kilcock Integrated Waste Initiatives), is in the process of setting up a series of projects which will be in keeping with the six principles of waste management (in order of priority):

- Prevention of Waste
- Minimisation of Waste
- Re-use
- Recycle
- Energy Recovery
- Disposal of Waste to the Highest Environmental Standards

KIWI aims to introduce schemes in the Kilcock community which will enable local householders, businesses and associations to manage their own waste products. KIWI hopes to provide both the facilities and information to assist everyone to help with the overall goal of waste prevention. The KIWI group are currently exploring the following schemes for the Kilcock area:

- Home composting of waste products such as the peelings of potatoes, vegetables and fruit.
- Introduction of reusable carry bags for shopping to facilitate the elimination of plastic disposable carry bags from shops.
- Various recycling schemes such as the use of bottle banks etc.

The members of the KIWI group are currently drawing up a plan of activities. The group is also seeking professional advice and support on the most effective ways of achieving

our aims. We have been talking to Kildare County Council and the Department of the Environment, as well as to other project groups similar to ourselves. The planning stages are being carefully thought out so that the targets will be achievable with a little effort from everybody. The major basis of TWM's appeal to An Bord Pleanála is that Ireland needs an incinerator. If one small community can take responsibility for its waste, we will provide a living proof that they are wrong.

BLUE FLAG CANDIDATES IN THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION

The North Kildare and South Meath Alliance have decided to field two candidates in the next General Election, subject to Government Policy.

One will stand in South Meath and the other in North Kildare. They will stand under the symbol of a **BLUE FLAG** which is a flag associated throughout the European Union with pollution free beaches, coastal areas, etc.

The Alliance wants a pollution free environment around the lands, towns and villages of North Kildare and South Meath. The Alliance wants a National Debate and a National Policy with regard to the disposal of waste, particularly hazardous and toxic waste.

Your willingness to fly the **BLUE FLAG** will signify your wish to live and work in a pollution free environment and also your willingness to vote for the **BLUE FLAG** candidates when selected in the next general election. Blue flags are available from the Esso Garage, the Candy Store and Londis in Kilcock. They should be available in Maynooth by the time this Newsletter is in the shops.



Where are they now?

Features

HALLOWEEN CUSTOMS IN CO. KILDARE

Extracts taken from *Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society* Vol. V. 1906-08 'Customs peculiar to certain days, formerly observed in County Kildare' written by 'OMURETHI'.

All Saints' Day 1st November

'Samhain' or 'Sowin' as this day is called by Irish speakers, was reckoned as the first day of winter. It was one of the great pagan festivals, to which the games and rites practised on All Holland Eve, or All Hallows Eve, are traceable.

"Among ... the most popular diversions were:-

(a) A half-barrel was placed on the floor, and nearly filled with water; silver coins were thrown in, and large apples set floating on it; boys, stripped to the waist, with their hands tied behind their backs, then endeavoured to take up the former with their lips, and the latter with their teeth; and what they landed they were allowed to keep.

(b) Two sticks fastened together, cross-fashion, with their ends pointed, were slung by a cord from a rafter or beam. An apple and a lighted candle, alternately, were stuck on the ends of the sticks, and they were sent spinning around. The game was now for a boy to bite a piece out of the apple, without getting a mouthful of the candle.

(c) Two hazel-nuts, walnuts, or chestnuts, or even two grains of wheat, were selected and named after some boy and girl who were supposed to be courting. They were then placed side by side on a bar of the grate, or in the turf-ashes, and according as to whether they burned quietly, or jumped apart from one another, so would be the future before them.

(d) Four plates having been set down on a table, water was poured into one, a ring placed on another, some clay in the third, and in the fourth was placed either some straw, salt or meal. A person would then be blind-folded and led up to the table and into whichever plate he or she placed their hand, so would their future turn out. The water signified migration, the ring marriage, the clay death and the fourth plate prosperity. On re-arranging the order of the plates, others would be blind-folded and let up in like manner."

HALLOWEEN NOW AND THEN

What has happened to Halloween?

November's Eve, of All Saints and Feast of All Souls. For the last 30 years it has dwindled, from the age old traditions of ghosts, witches, fairies and hob goblins, when in the afternoon children dressed up and went from house to house collecting nuts, fruit, sweets for their parties later in the evening. At which, roasting horse chestnuts, dipping for apples and many other games would be played, rounded off with the cutting of the brack and the finding of the ring.

Most homes would host one of many local story tellers or professional liars, who proceeded to alarm and frighten their audiences with hair-raising yarns, many of which I think they believed themselves.

Being a day of abstinence the main meal consisted of mashed potatoes and kale in which, money, sticks and pieces of cloth would have been concealed.

Perhaps radio and television began the demise, particularly for the story tellers.

Somewhere along the years, the cross channel Guy Fakes, November 5th, traditions were imported, bonfires and fireworks, which soon degenerated into rowdiness and an excuse for drinking, with resultant danger to children and animals.

Time marches on, and lifestyles change, but it is sad that children today will never know the safe enjoyment of the old traditional celebrations of feasts like St. John's Eve in Summer and Halloween in Autumn.

The Druid



Siobhán Kelly, Alison Williams, Clara Brennan, Emer Wall and Maebh Durcan

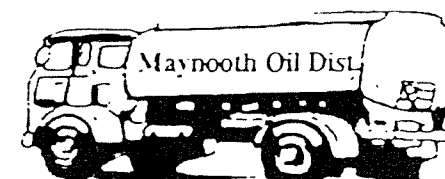


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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE Learning the Lessons of the 1980s

Looking back from the perspective of today's Celtic Tiger it is quite hard to remember the difficult times of the 1980s. For several years, economic stagnation and high unemployment were the order of the day, accompanied by massive flows of talented young people to the cities of Europe and North America. We now know that these times, when we were continually being urged to 'tighten our belt', came at the same time that illicit fortunes were being amassed by a few in the inner sanctums of power. We now know also that while farms and businesses were going to the wall, kindly banks were writing off huge debts for some favoured politicians.

It was fairly natural that in these economic circumstances, the crop of county councillors elected in the 1985 local elections saw their role as advocates for development. For almost all of Ireland outside the Dublin area, a housing estate, an advance factory or a FAS scheme offered a chance to rejuvenate their electoral areas. Simultaneously, by the stroke of a pen in the Council Chamber, agricultural land values could be transformed to residential land values, making some lucky landowners millionaires overnight.

When councillors adopt a County Development Plan it is supposed to last five years. In the case of Kildare it was not to be reviewed for fourteen years. In 1998 after thirteen years of the 1985 County Kildare Development Plan, there was still enough unused residential land available to accommodate a further 63,000 people - over three times the actual increase that had occurred in the intervening period. In their rezoning frenzy, Kildare county councillors provided enough residential land in their 1985 Plan to have accommodated the entire population increase of the Republic of Ireland over the following decade! A slight miscalculation which cost you the tax-payer heavily in services and infrastructure! But it also had wider consequences. A simple sum would suggest that a land provision to accommodate 100,000 people generates a net asset increase in value of approximately £200M at today's prices. Many parts of Ireland could have done with a cash injection of this size in the 1980s and, had they received it, we might have had more balanced regional growth as a consequence. Instead we have the monstrous growth of the Dublin metropolitan area with all the problems that has brought, and seems destined to bring in the immediate future.

The growth of people power in the 1990s, most evident in the springing up and co-ordination of the various planning alliances has highlighted the problems caused by bad planning. Nowhere has this been more obvious than in Co. Kildare where, following suspension of their planning functions three times by two Ministers for the Environment, councillors engaged a consultant to advise them on population growth projections for the successor to their 1985 Plan. This suggested that they should provide for a population increase of 20,000 for 1996-2001, 8,000 in the fast growing towns of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip. Councillors voted unanimously to adopt this strategy. When it appeared in the draft plan however it was worded as follows:

"It is the policy of the Council to promote the southward move of development within the county to redirect pressures from the north-east and to encourage the spread of development

through the towns of the centre to the west and south of the county. The substantial zoning of lands in Maynooth and the additional zoning of lands in Celbridge would be contrary to this policy".

This was much too explicit for councillors to swallow and their first step was to delete the last sentence. Then it became apparent that many towns had plenty of development land available which would allow them to reach their target populations without any new rezoning. This posed a problem for some councillors committed to new rezonings in their towns. A way of outflanking the planners was needed.

The first tactic involved the 'overzoning factor'. For example 150 acres of new zoning was deemed necessary to ensure 100 acres was developed for Maynooth. Maybe this would be fine in the middle of a recession, but it is doubtful if it is necessary to over-provide in this way in the middle of a housing boom. A second tactic was to move the population target goalposts from 2001 to 2003 and then to 2006, increasing them each time. For Maynooth a target population of 10,500 for 2003 slipped to 11,840 by 2006. Maynooth is currently likely to have a land provision for 14,200 in the forthcoming Development Plan.

1999 sees a national exchequer which can't spend all the money it has collected, despite a crying need for infrastructure and amenities throughout the country. But the Celtic Tiger offers a golden opportunity to plan on the basis of need rather than levies. What we don't want in Maynooth is a repeat of past mistakes. Playing fields and ring roads which have to be paid for by several hundred new houses merely leave infrastructural needs where they are at the moment. Imagination is required to overcome Maynooth's problems of excessive congestion and over rapid growth, not a repeat of the 1980s approach of development-led planning. Do our councillors have what it takes to bite the bullet?

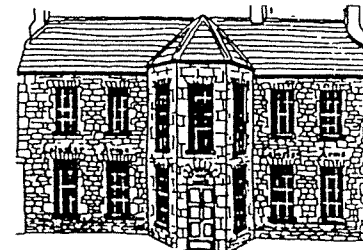
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. - A SHORT HISTORY

The Early Years

Maynooth is one of the oldest Clubs in the Country. Hurling was played in Maynooth in 1875, nine years before the founding of the G.A.A. in 1884. Maynooth 'Crom-Abu' won their first Kildare Championship in 1896 and represented Kildare in the Leinster Championship that year. The team captain was Domhnall Ua Buachalla who subsequently took part in the 1916 Easter Rising and afterwards was sent to Knitsford Jail and Frangoch Camp. He was elected to the first Dail in 1918 and he was the last Governor General of Ireland. He died in 1963 at ninety-eight years of age. The playing of Gaelic Football in the town can be traced back to the same year that hurling started in the town. A number of challenge games within the parish have been recorded before the foundation of the G.A.A. and since the start of official games within the county the club has never failed to affiliate a team. Our club has achieved success in every official competition sponsored by the County Board. The footballers achieved their first success in winning the County Junior Football Championship in 1913, with a replay win over Castledermot. This team went on to win the club's only Senior Football Championship in 1914, beating old rivals Kilcock 2-1 to 1-1. When Domhnall Ua Buachalla marched to the G.P.O. in 1916 he took a lot of Maynooth 'Crom a Bu' with him, so the club had difficulty in building on this win. Further success was denied to the club until they won the Minor Football Championship in 1927.

Team Colours

The Club Jersey (black with a white sash) originated from a tragic accident in 1889. A young Maynooth player Thomas Cullen was fatally injured in a game against the 'Blunts' of Monasterevan on 21st May. A monument was erected to his memory over his grave and the club jersey was changed from it's original green, orange and black to commemorate this great Gael.

The Geraldines

In 1958 Maynooth G.A.A. Club set up a separate club - the Geraldine Schoolboys Club - to cater for boys aged 10 - 16 years in Football and 10 - 18 years in Hurling. The Geraldines won the County Minor Football Championship in 1960; the County Juvenile Hurling Championship in 1963 and the County Minor Hurling Championship in 1965.

Intermediate Champions 1965

Many of the players involved in the 1960 Minor success were on the victorious 1965 Intermediate Football Championship winning team.

The team that beat Castlemitchel 2-8 to 1-2 was as follows:
Maynooth: N. Farrelly, T. Hendrick, E. Dunne, F. Malone, M. McDonagh, J. Nevin (capt.), P. Boyd, J. Browne, B. Redmond, M. Nevin, C. Murphy (1-3), E. Kavanagh (0-3), T. Fay (0-1), F. Leavy (1-1), B. Dempsey.

Recent Successes

In 1976 the club won the Junior Hurling League and the Junior 'B' Football Championship. The footballers went on to defeat St. Kevins in the Jack Higgins Cup Final, taking this trophy to Maynooth for the first time.

The next major success came in the G.A.A. Centenary Year, 1984, when the club again won the Junior 'B' Football Championship and the Junior Football League.

The early 1990s saw a resurgence of Hurling in the Club, with both the Minor and Under 16 Hurlers winning their leagues in 1991, 1992 and 1993. The Minors also added the Championship and the Junior Footballers also won the Junior Football League.

In 1994 the Junior Hurlers won the Championship and the Minors won their League. Undoubtedly 1995 was a proud year in the club's long history with the club being named Co. Kildare Club of the Year. Maynooth gained both the Junior 'A' and Junior 'B' Football Championships and opened their new Clubhouse. The Ladies Footballers came to the fore in 1996 in winning the County Championship and the All-Ireland 'seven-a-side' competition.

1997 was also a very successful year for the club. In this year Maynooth won their first U21 Football Championship when they defeated St. Laurences in the Final after a replay. The Clubs hurlers also won the U16 and Minor Championship and League.

The most successful team of 1998 was the Intermediate 'B' team who did the League and Championship double. This was the second time they had won both cups in the same year, having won both the Junior Championship and League in 1995.

1999 The Year To Date

The club's Camogie team brought the first silverware back to the town with their unique Junior League and Championship double.

The Intermediate Hurling team have won their Championship when they defeated Clane.

The Intermediate 'B' Football team won their respective League and Championship.

The Intermediate 'A' Football team have been promoted to Division 1 of the Senior Football League after winning ten and drawing one of their thirteen league games in Division 2.

The undoubted highlight of the year was the winning of the Championship by this team managed by former County player Davy Dalton. In the Final they defeated a very good St. Kevin's team after a replay.

This past year has seen much success on the playing fields and put Maynooth 'Crom-Abu' back, where they began all those years ago, in Senior Football and Senior Hurling. Well done to all concerned!!!

Club Facilities

The Club now boasts a fine clubhouse with purpose-built changing rooms, office, a committee meeting room, a large function area with full bar/lounge facilities. These were all added during the Chairmanship of Mick Gillick over his ten years in that position and are a testament to both his dedication and the foresight of those who went before him. With a fine playing pitch, a training pitch and recently built indoor handball court at St. Mary's Park on the Moyglare Road the club seems well equipped to deal with the challenges of the new Millennium.

The priority for the club in the coming years is the acquisition of pitches to cater for up to twenty five teams in football, hurling, camogie and ladies football.

The Club is anxious to play its role in integrating newly arrived residents to Maynooth and welcomes new members of all ages.

Sponsors

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

DESIGN OF £2M BOND BRIDGE APPROVED

Two options for the design of the new bridge went before the Area Committee on the 4th of October.

(a) This proposal requires the demolition of the existing bridge and will thus require a road closure for at least nine months and the provision of a footbridge to cater for the large volume of pedestrians and cyclists using this road.

(b) This proposal allows the construction of the new bridge without closing the existing bridge.

Cllr. John McGinley proposed Option B and this was agreed by the other members. This proposal will now go before the full Council on the 18th of October for approval. The planning process and tender document stage is expected by the end of the year. Work is scheduled to start early Spring and the construction will take 12 months.

Cllr. McGinley also asked that two changes be made to the design:

1. That the new car park at the Railway Station be accessible from the new bridge in order for 100 cars to avoid the Main Street and to make it easier exiting the station.

2. That cycle paths be incorporated into the new bridge. The present design is for a 7.3 metre carriageway with a 2 metre footpath on either side so it should not be too difficult to facilitate cyclists.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked that the Meadowbrook Link remain a priority and that every effort be made to have it completed before the work on Bond Bridge begins.

CLOSURE OF DOCTORS LANE VERY UNLIKELY

There were four objections to the closure of Doctors Lane at the Leixlip Road end. One of these was from the Council's Chief Fire Officer and because of this the Senior Executive Engineer has recommended to the Area Committee that the closure should not proceed. The Area Committee will make its decision at its next meeting on the 5th of November.

RESURFACING BACK LANES IN MAYNOOTH

Fagan's Lane, Coate's Lane, Buckley's Lane and Geoghan's Lane have all been badly damaged by construction work. The Council have stated that it would cost £6,000 to provide drainage and surface each lane. Cllr. McGinley had advised them to use the development levies collected from the new businesses in order to carry out this essential work.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Secretary to write to the Group advising them that the Council's Navigation Officer is available to help them in whatever way possible. All of the Councillors recognised the tremendous work being carried out by the Group in Maynooth and asked the County Secretary to provide all help possible.

PROVISIONS OF LITTER BINS AT BUS STOPS AND AT THE HARBOUR AREA, MAYNOOTH

Cllr. John McGinley has again highlighted the need for an improved Litter Control Service in Maynooth. He has asked that street cleaning and emptying of bins be carried out seven days per week. Kildare County Council seem to think that people don't discard litter at the weekends. There is now no shortage of money in the Country with this years surplus likely to be £6.5 Billion. That is as much as we got from the

European Union over five years. Surely it is not too much to ask that some of this money be used to provide a modern seven day cleaning service in our towns. The new mechanised street cleaner began work on the 11th of October. This improvement's long awaited arrival, which was originally proposed by Cllr. John McGinley, is very welcome.

TREES DAMAGING FOOTPATHS

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by the County Secretary that a contractor will be employed in the Autumn/Winter to carry out extensive pruning and maintenance to trees throughout the County and in particular in the Maynooth/Leixlip area. Cllr. McGinley has a Motion before the full Council asking that a Parks Department be set up in the Council. If the Councillors agree to this it will mean that maintenance of trees can be carried out in an organised and planned way in addition to maintaining the public parks and green areas.

NEW LIGHTS ON FAGAN'S LANE

Cllr. John McGinley's proposal to install two new public lights on Fagan's Lane has been acted on by the E.S.B. Their installation will make life much easier for residents and users of the Lane.

NATURAL GAS FOR OLD GREENFIELD HOUSES

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion for consideration by the Area Committee of the Council.

"That Natural Gas be installed in the rented houses in Old Greenfield similar to the pilot scheme in Avondale in Leixlip"

OLD GREENFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Following Cllr. John McGinley's Motion, the Council have now sought Planning Permission (Part 10) for the two new houses and the improvements in the area. The proposals can be examined in the Library and observations or submission must be with the County Secretary before the 19th November.

INCREASED FUNDING FOR LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the County Secretary has advised that increased funding for the Cemetery Development will be included in the forthcoming Estimates for consideration by the full Council.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AT THE BOTTOM OF MAIN STREET, MAYNOOTH

Residents will be aware that these traffic lights and pedestrian crossings were an integral part of the Main Street Improvement Works. It therefore came as a shock to Councillors when they were told that there was no money left for this work. Accordingly, Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to the Area Meeting;

"That the County Manager provides the £25,000 necessary to install new traffic lights and pedestrian crossings at the bottom of Main Street, Maynooth."

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to the Council:

"That the proposed link road from Meadowbrook to the

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES (CONT.)

Straffan Road incorporates the requirements of Kingsbry Residents Association."

MAYNOOTH PARK

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to erect "Children at Play" signs in Maynooth following a request from the Residents Association.

MOYGLARE VILLAGE BOUNDARY WALL

A boundary wall between Moyglare Village and the main road is needed very badly. Numerous approaches to achieve this have been unsuccessful to date. Cllr. John McGinley has therefore submitted the following Motion for consideration by the Area Committee:

"That funding be allocated from the next Discretionary Block Grant to build a boundary wall between Moyglare Village and Moyglare Road."

If the other three Councillors agree to the motion, the wall will finally be built.

THE MOTORWAY EXIT LIGHTS

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to the Council:

"That traffic lights be installed at the Motorway Bridge on the Straffan Road, Maynooth to accommodate traffic exiting the Motorway from Dublin, without any further delay."

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT OLD GREENFIELD, SILKEN VALE, PARKLANDS/CASTLEBRIDGE AND THE RAILWAY STATION

Residents will recall that Cllr. John McGinley submitted a Motion calling for traffic lights here nine months ago. The Council's Engineer stated that they would have to carry out traffic counts first. In view of the inordinate delay Cllr.

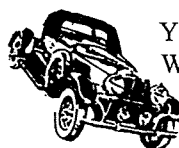
McGinley has submitted the following Motion:

"That traffic lights be erected at an appropriate location to accommodate traffic exiting from Old Greenfield, Silken Vale, Parklands/Castlebridge and the Railway Station without any further delay."

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. CLUB NOTES

Maynooth Town (A1) 0 Home Farm (Premier)11 Under 12's SFAI CUP

Maynooth Town's under 12 A1 side got the toughest of draws in the first round of the all Ireland SFAI Cup. A talented Home Farm side had things much their own way on a windy Saturday morning at the North Kildare Club. The Farm struck three times in the first 10 minutes and but for the Maynooth keeper Owen Delaney their half-time score of 0-5 could have been a lot worse. The Town continued to battle in the second half and for the first 10 minutes managed to keep the visitors at bay. A minute later Home Farm struck again and as Maynooth heads began to drop the Farm started to dominate again. The final score of 0-11 did not do the Town's battling qualities justice but the experience of playing a top-flight team will stand them in their league campaign.

Maynooth from: Owen Delaney, Damien O'Neill, Niall Hanlon, David Gahan, Neil Cooney, Eddie Power, Brian Behan, Mark Lord, Daniel O' Hare, Sean Geoghan, David Fagan, Paul McGreal and Tim Franklin.

Maynooth Town (A) 0 Portmarnock F.C.(A) 4 Under 13's SFAI Home Team Sponsor: Coonan Auctioneers, Maynooth.

A strong wind and driving rain made condition tough for both teams in this under 13's All Ireland SFAI Cup -tie. Maynooth were missing two key players in goalkeeper Sean Kennedy and mid - fielder Brian O' Malley. Substitute keeper Niall Doogan was well up to the task and in the 13 minute was quick off his line at smother the ball at the feet of the advancing attacker when a through ball caught the Town's defence napping. Portmarnock continued to push forward and just a minute later poor marking seen them take the lead. It was another defensive error that allowed the visitors a 0-2 lead at the break. The Town started the second half with the wind at their backs and needed an early goal to get back into the contest. An unlucky break seen the game put beyond them when a deflection off a defender seen Portmarnock go 0-3 up. Maynooth began to feel the cold and the wet and were caught in possession to allow the visitors their fourth. Not the best of displays from the home side and with the teams to meet twice again in the league Maynooth will have to raise their game if they are to get anything out of those encounters.

Maynooth From: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Gavin O' Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Shaun Doogan, David Canny, Jason Moen, Conor O'Regan and Dara Sweeney.

Ballyouster Utd 0 Maynooth Town 0 DDSL Under 13A

Maynooth Town's under 13 A side were at full strength for the first time this season as they travelled to Celbridge for this local derby. In what was an evenly balanced contest in which both sides had their chances to take the points but neither managed to find the target. What was probably the best chance of the game fell to Maynooth when Shaun Doogan gained possession inside the area and turned to shoot low into the left corner on his less favoured left foot. The Ballyoulster keeper did well to get down quickly and avert what would have been a certain goal. The Town's keeper Sean Kennedy also had to be at the top of his game to keep the home side at bay. Kennedy dominated his area and was always vocal when marshalling his defence. Earlier

Maynooth's injury jinx struck again as their kingpin in defence Sean McAllister had to be replayed after 20 minutes with a calf strain. Despite the reshuffle Maynooth quickly regained their shape as team captain Declan Bambrick dropped back from mid-field to perform a capable job as sweeper. Both teams might have felt they had done enough to gain the points but at the final whistle a draw was a fair result in what was an enjoyable spectacle played in great spirit.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Niall Doogan, Jason Moen, Ronan Phelan, Mark Sidney, Conor O'Regan, Martin O'Neill and Ciaran McDermott.

Maynooth Town 9 Lusk Utd 0 Brenfer NDL Under 11C

Maynooth had things much their own way in this Brenfer under 11C against Lusk United at the North Kildare Club. From the start the home team looked in charge and Lusk were lucky not to have conceded more than the three that separated the sides at the break. The Town continued to punish some poor defending in the second period and doubled their first half tally with another six in the second. Goals from Paddy Comerford (2) Fiachra Moriarty (2) Ross Cullinane (2) and a hat trick from Brendan Doogan made up Maynooth's final score of nine.

Maynooth from: Michael Fox, James Molloy, Martin McCabe, Shane Travers, Paddy Comerford, David Corbett, Fiachra Moriarty, Sean McTernan, Brendan Doogan, Kenneth Corbally, Anthony Murphy, Sean Gerathy, Damien Rooney and Ross Cullinane.

Maynooth Town 5 St Anthony's Boys 5 DDSL Under 12B

Maynooth were slow to start and found themselves three goals down after only 15 minutes in this under 12B clash at the North Kildare Club. Despite the deficit the home side regained their composure and settled down to play some attractive football. As Maynooth began to dominate the Saints were forced to concede a corner. Sean Geoghan floated in a perfect ball for Eddie Power to flick on to the waiting boot of Daniel O'Hare to put the home side back into the contest. After the break Maynooth continued to push men forward but paid the price as they were caught on the break and the visitors restored their 3-goal advantage. The Town were awarded a penalty for a handball inside the area and Eddie Power made no mistake from the spot. Shortly afterwards Maynooth were again caught pushing forward and allowed the Saints once again to restore their 3-goal cushion. That set back only seemed to strengthen the Town's resolve and in a frantic final 10 minutes goals from Eddie Power, David Fagan, and with just 2 minutes left on the watch, the equaliser from Brian Bean gave Maynooth a share of the points.

Maynooth from: Eoghan Delaney, Mark Lord, Niall Hanlon, Neil Cooney, Laurence Hutchinson, Sean Geoghan, David Canny, Brian Bean, Eddie Power, David Fagan and Daniel O'Hare.

Maynooth Town 4 Grange Abbey 2 Brenfer NDL Under 13 League Cup Home Team sponsored by Value Tile Maynooth

It was a case of the Subs that sunk Grange Abbey in this

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Maynooth Town FC Club Notes (cont)

under 13 cup-tie at the North Kildare Club. It was 25 minutes into the first half before Maynooth managed to break down a stubborn Abbey defence. The Town's first came after some determined work by Mickey Coneely in beating two defenders and struck hard and low to give the visiting keeper no chance. Two minutes after the break Maynooth failed to properly clear what looked like a harmless cross and allowed Grange Abbey to equalise. On 40 minutes an inch perfect through ball from Lorcan Brehney seen Austin Tighe round the keeper to restore Maynooth's lead. It was again a defensive error, 18 minutes into the second half that allowed the Abbey to draw level for the second time. Maynooth continued to push forward and halfway through the second half were awarded a free kick. Lorcan Brehney let fly from 30 yards only to see his effort rebound off the crossbar but substitute Barry Harney was on hand to finish off in style. It was another Maynooth substitute that sealed the tie when Peter Lawlor got on the end of a through ball from Austin Tighe to leave the final score 4-2 in the Town's favour. A good all round performance with Austin Tighe just shading Mickey Coneely for the Man of the Match award.

Maynooth from: Chris Byrne, Andy Higgins, Laurence Hutchinson, Donal Durcan, Kevin Farrell, Paddy Broughan, Lorcan Brehney, Mickey Coneely, Austin Tighe, Tadgh Moriarty, Paul Nelson, Barry Harney, Peter Lawlor and Daryl Murphy.

Maynooth Town 0 Leicester Celtic 2 DDSL Under 17 A Home team sponsored by Brady's Clockhouse Maynooth

Leicester Celtic were the opposition for this under 17's clash in the Dublin Road. The teams had met twice in the league last season and Celtic came out on top on both occasions. There was only 9 minutes on the clock when an unsettled Maynooth defence allowed the visitors their first when a looping header gave the exposed home keeper Stephen Kelly no chance. The Town were unlucky not to draw level just a minute later when Trevor McMahon had his effort cleared off the line having beaten the keeper. Maynooth seen another good chance missed on 25 minutes when Paul O'Hanlon rounded the keeper only to blast his left footed effort wide of the open goal. Leicester continued to play the more attractive football and although Maynooth had their chances they were lucky to be only one behind at the break. The second half was much the same as the first with the Town's poor passing allowing Celtic to dominate. The home side's best chance of the second period fell to Trevor McMahon after a superb cross from Stephen Dunk but it was a capable Celtic keeper who foiled his effort once again. The visitors wrapped it up with a second just before the final whistle and Maynooth know they will have to raise their game if they are to prevent Celtic doing the double over them again this season.

Maynooth from: Stephen Kelly, Keith Halligan, Alan Baxter, Noel Healy, Dean Conway, Shane Folan, Robert Stanley, Jonathon Leddy, Trevor McMahon, Paul O'Hanlon, Stephen Dunk, Martin Conway, Bobby Kelly and Jason Newton.

Manortown Utd 1 Maynooth Town 0 DDSL Under 13A

A missed second half penalty cost Maynooth a share of the points at Greentrees Park recently. The visitors had been awarded the spot kick after a determined run by David Canny was ended when he was brought down inside the area. Shaun Doogan placed his shot high and to the right and the

United keeper got across well to pull off a fine save. Earlier in the 25 minute Manortown had gained the lead when poor defending allowed them in to give the Town's keeper Sean Kennedy no chance. Only 5 minutes later Kennedy kept Maynooth in the contest when he dived at the feet of the advancing attacker to avert what would have been a certain goal. The Town's mid-field, with the exception of Declan Bambrick, never really got into the game and allowed Manortown to dominate the centre of the park. Maynooth will need to start winning the mid-field battles if they are to improve on their current form of one point from five games. **Maynooth from:** Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Jason Moen, Ronan Phelan, Mark Sidney, Martin O'Neill and David Canny.

Maynooth Town 1 Artane Beaumont 4 DDSL Under 15A Home team sponsored by Moyglare Manor Hotel Maynooth

The writing was on the wall as early as the 7 minute for Maynooth's under 15 side at the Dublin Road. The home defence could only look on as a superb 25 yard volley gave Artane an early lead. The Town could have equalised just 3 minutes later when the visiting keeper got a finger tip to Alan Brennan's fine strike after an inch perfect cross for Alex Dempsey. That was one of the few times an out of sorts Maynooth team looked like threatening an otherwise strong Artane defence. The visitors added 2 more before the break and made it 0-4 before a well struck direct free kick from Gary McMahon gave the home side a consolation.

Maynooth from: David Staunton, Padraic Doherty, Ciaran McCullagh, Paddy Behan, Lorcan Fagan, Gary McMahon, Brian Shields, Alex Dempsey, Mark O'Mahony, Alan Brennan, Jamie O'Neill, Mark Newton, James Keegan, David Comerford and Alan Sweeney.

Maynooth Town A.F.C. held our A.G.M. in the I.C.A. hall recently. Items on the agenda included election of Executive Officers, election of Committee Members, adoption of our new constitution, appointment of three pitch co-ordinators and the setting up of two working groups. In his report to the meeting the Chairman John Doogan commented on the previous seasons successes paying special tribute to the Ladies team who won their league with an unbeaten record and also congratulated Emma Kilduff on her selection for the full international ladies team. It is a great honour for a town the size of Maynooth to be represented at such a high level of the game. The Chairman also mentioned the success achieved by several of our schoolboy team who had gained promotion and the very successful Liverpool trip that had taken place last April. He also thanked the team managers for their efforts during the year and wished them all luck in their current campaigns. The Secretary Gerry Folan in his report had commented on the Ministers guidelines for children in sport and an Ethics working group was set up to roll out these guidelines to all members of the Club. Club treasurer Alan Cahill in his report to the meeting commented on the financial pressure the Club was under due to the amount of teams we now support. The average cost of running each of the 17 teams was £1000 per year and that level of funds coming into the Club had not kept pace with the growth in membership. As we still have no movement in finding a permanent home for soccer in Maynooth we are still

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Maynooth Town FC Club Notes (CONT)

largely dependant on the good will of the community to support the massive growth we have experienced over the last number of years. A second working group was set up to look into more effective fundraising and will report back to the committee in the near future. The meeting also adopted Maynooth Town's first constitution. The constitution will give the Club the formal guidelines under which it will work in the future and covers a wide range of topics from the official club colours to the disciplinary procedures for the membership.

The elections of the officers was as follows:
President-Michael Dempsey, Chairperson-John Doogan, Vice Chairperson-Melanie Oliver, Hon. Secretary-Gerry Folan, Treasurer-Alan Cahill.

Committee members elected were:
Pat Moynan, Eddie Power, Lenny Murphy, Johnny Thompson and Tom Dempsey (Co-opted)

The pitch co-ordinators appointed were:
Mick Dempsey-Dublin Road, Kerion Glynn-North Kildare Club, Pat Moynan-Harbour Field

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WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS							
DATE	NO'S	JACKPOT	5 X £10 WINNERS				
26 Sept. 99	3,7,10	£750	Angela Leavy	Marie Kelly	Michael Murphy	Paul Daly	Isobel Walsh
26 Sept. 99	There was one Jackpot Winner for £750						
3 Oct. 99	4,18,24	£500	Dermot O'Sullivan	Sharon O'Sullivan	J. Thompson Snr.	Nichola Corr	Rose Hayes
10 Oct. 99	10,17,19	£525	Lorraine Dunne	Martin Walsh	John Dolan	John Ternan	Mary Cahill
17 Oct. 99	2,16,18	£550	Ger Lavelle	Cha'	Pamela Fahey	Marie Stanley	Eddie Tracey



Maynooth Town Football Club newly promoted U13A side sponsored by Coonans Auctioneers, Maynooth

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

The G.A.A. Club has procured the use of the Parish Hall over the Winter period for indoor hurling coaching each Friday evening from 8.00 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. Children between the age of eight to twelve years are welcome to attend. Please note that coaching for this same age group continues at the G.A.A. Club grounds on Saturdays from 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. and on Sunday mornings from 11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

The Camogie girls are on the Championship trail. Under 21 Camogie Championship (First Round) Maynooth versus Clane at Rathcoffey on Sunday 31st October 1999 (time to be confirmed). Please support the Crom Abu.

It's that time of the year again and the Annual General Meeting of Maynooth G.A.A. is only a few weeks away. The A.G.M. of the Club will be held at the Clubhouse on Monday 6th December 1999 commencing at 7.00 p.m. sharp. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated.

To honour the success of Maynooth Gaelic Footballers in 1999 a special Medal Presentation Night will take place in the Clubhouse on Saturday 4th December 1999. In addition the football team of 1965 who won the Intermediate Championship, having defeated Castlemitchell in the Final will be honoured.

1999 has also been a very successful year for the hurlers and camogie players and to acknowledge this a Medal Presentation Night will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday 27th November 1999. The 1994 Hurling Team will also be honoured as they captured the Championship defeating Clane in the Final.

A special Mass for deceased Club members will take place on Saturday ,27th November 1999.

Thomas Coffey,
Joint P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

19th September 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 6, 7, 12, 22	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	John Nevin, 54 Kingsbry
2.	Nora O'Kane, Pagetown, Maynooth
3.	Tom Donnely, 76 Moyglare Villas
4.	Billy McCrory, Kingsbry, Maynooth
5.	Carmel Kelly, c/o Domo

26th September 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 15, 16, 17, 19	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Rose Comerford, c/o Domo
2.	Kieran Ganley, Coolgath House, Kilcock
3.	Michael Buckley, 241 Kingsbry, Maynooth
4.	Ted Walsh, 243 Kingsbry, Maynooth
5.	Patsy Dunne, Old Greenfield

3rd October 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 8, 11 13, 14	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	P. Conroy, Chemist, Maynooth
2.	Ann Leavy, 166 Kingsbry, Maynooth
3.	Marie Ryan, 12 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth
4.	Grainne Feely, c/o Ollie
5.	Denis Nolan, c/o Ollie

10th October 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 1, 10, 17, 24	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Les Slevin, c/o Domo
2.	Patsy Walsh, c/o Domo
3.	Betty Wilson, Kingsbry, Maynooth
4.	Patricia Kavanagh, Grangewilliam
5.	J. Keane, Maynooth Homecare

16th October 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 3, 8, 11, 23	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Barbara Tracey
2.	Matt Carroll, c/o Domo
3.	Bridget Wardren, c/o McCormacks
4.	Maura Goulding
5.	Donal Downes, Maynooth B.N.S.

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Byrne: (Smithstown, Maynooth, Co. Kildare) Oct 3rd. 1999 (suddenly) at his residence, Martin (Mattie), beloved husband of the late Katie, deeply regretted by his loving family Sr. Columba (Holy Faith), Sr Eileen (F.M.D.M.), Pádraic and Mary, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Birthdays:

Happy birthday to **Declan Kavanagh** who will be 13 on the 4th November, from Mam, Ian, Neil, Karen, Mark, Jennifer, Niamh and Baby Séan.

Happy birthday to **Séan Kavanagh** who will be 1 on the 23rd November, hugs & Kisses from Nanna, Neil, Karen, Mark, Declan and Jennifer.

Birthday greetings to **Cindy**, from the Office Staff.

Happy birthday to **Andrew Jolley**, love from Mammy, Grandad, Granny and Auntie Rachel.

Happy belated birthday to **Margaret**, from the Office Staff.

Happy belated 14th birthday to **John Kelleher**, from Mammy Ann, Siobhán, Pat and Aisling.

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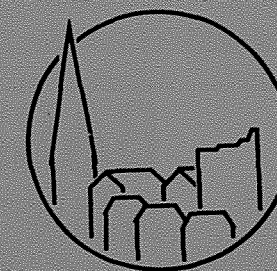
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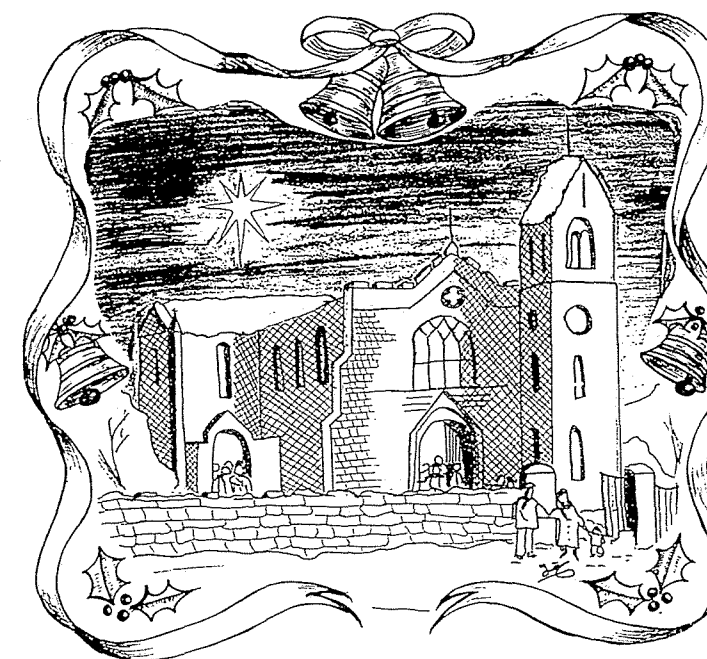
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Dear Editor,

We the family of Michael Gillick wish to thank most sincerely all our neighbours and friends who were so kind and thoughtful with phone calls, cards and most of all prayer during his recent illness. Thank God Michael is now returning to good health and on the road to recovery.

Many thanks again

Margaret Gillick & Family
Greenfield Drive.

EDITORIAL

The message of Christmas Day has remained unchanged this century

December 1899 - Christmas day passed very quietly. The men had a holiday from work and the children from school and the churchgoers attended special Christmas services. Mothers who had young children bought them an orange each and a handful of nuts; but, except at the inn there was no hanging up of stockings, and those who had no kind elder sister or aunt in service to send them parcels got no Christmas presents. Still, they did manage to make a little festival of it. The farmer killed an ox and gave each of his men a joint of beef, which duly appeared on the Christmas table together with plum pudding, not Christmas pudding, but suet duff with a good sprinkling of raisins. Ivy and other evergreens were hung from the ceiling and over the pictures; a bottle of home made wine was uncorked, a good fire was made up, and, with the doors and windows closed against the keen, wintry weather, they all settled down by their own firesides for a kind of super-Sunday.

Christmas remains a time for
caring and sharing.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

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6th December	Blood Transfusion Clinic Glenroyal Hotel - afternoon
6th December	Introduction to Reflexology - Maynooth Public Library at 8.00pm.
4th December	G.A.A. Club Presentation Night for Maynooth Gaelic Footballers.
6th December	AGM G.A.A. Clubhouse, Moyglare Rd. at 7.00pm sharp.
7th December	Maynooth Flower and Garden Club Night at 8.00 p.m. Loftos Hall, Maynooth College.
10th December	Recital during official switch on of Millennium lights on College spire.
11th December	Annual Christmas Concert in the Aula Maxima, N.U.I., Maynooth.
12th December	Annual Recital in Blanchardstown Shopping Centre.
12th December	Christmas Carol Service in St. Mary's Catholic Church at 7.30 p.m.
12th December	Art Exhibition in Glenroyal Hotel, 2.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Contact Anne Doohan 6291376
14th December	Shopping night for Senior Citizens in Super Valu at 8.00 p.m.
15th December	I.C.A. Christmas Party in Dowdstown Hotel.
17th December	Maynooth College Annual Dinner.
19th December	Christmas Carol Service in St. Mary's Church of Ireland.
19th December	Senior Citizens Annual Dinner Dance at 5.00 p.m. in Dowdstown Hotel.
21st/22nd Dec.	Christmas Carol Recital, Pearse Stadium, Westland Row.
31st December	New Years Eve, The Square, Maynooth Maynooth Brass and Reed Band.
1st January	Tina Williams Mini Millennium Marathon Glenroyal Hotel 12.00 noon - 2.00 p.m.

Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Local Matters

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin has resigned from her position as Sponsor and Development Officer. Muireann has been doing both jobs for the past 13 years, and felt it was time to call it a day. She has put a lot of her time into the job and this was when there was a much bigger work force. Tom McMullon paid great tribute to Muireann for her dedication to the FAS Scheme and the Community Council. A replacement for Muireann will have to be found. Paul Croghan offered his services until a new replacement is found.

Bond Bridge Meadowbrook Link

Cllr. John McGinley told the meeting that he hoped Kildare County Council would be building a cycle path from Bond Bridge to the town. The road will have to be realigned to make way for these improvements. The old bridge will be left in place until the new bridge is ready. The link from Meadowbrook will come out on to the Straffan Road and to a new roundabout.

Castle

Exploration work has started in the Castles vaulted areas and a well has been discovered, Pádraig Ó Murchú stated.

Laurence Avenue - New Fence

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin thanked Cllr. John McGinley for his work on the project and also Bord Gais. Mattie Callaghan felt the exit was still dangerous, cars needed to slow down.

Doctors Lane

It was felt that traffic calming methods should be put in place to slow down traffic. Fire officers have refused permission to close the Lane off.

Maynooth Local History Group

This group are organising walks around the town. They will be putting up start signs for the walkers.

Tidy Towns

It was noted that the street-cleaning machine is making a big difference around the town. Rubbish is again a big problem. People are still leaving household rubbish in ditches outside the town. Richard Farrell appealed for more help for the Sunday morning clean-up. We meet at the Council yard at 9.00a.m. The awards night will be held on 24th November in the Glenroyal Hotel. He also told the meeting that the Tidy Towns Committee have entered Maynooth into Greentown 2000, a Recycling Project.

Community Games

It was genuinely felt that more people were needed to get involved in sport in the town. There are a lot of clubs in the town but they need the support of parents.

St Patrick's Day Parade

Cllr. John McGinley reminded all that the St Patrick's Day parade Committee will soon be meeting again.

Newsletter

Peter Connell asked that anybody with old photos of school, social events etc. to please hand them into the office. Photos will be returned.

Maynooth Action Strategy (M.A.S.)

Ms Dorothy Guina-Doran gave a brief outline of what Maynooth Action Strategy is about. M.A.S. is a gathering of groups from the Community Council the Chamber of Commerce and St. Patrick's College and N.U.I. Maynooth. She said that at this stage it was necessary to define a role and destination for itself and to put aims and goals into place. The Task Force which merged from M.A.S. have received a £10,000 grant. One of its projects is to light the College Spire for the Millennium in conjunction with St. Patrick's College. They are also building a web-site for Maynooth Local Groups.

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Community Employment Schemes

There has been some controversy recently about the numbers who can avail of the Community Employment Schemes (CES) and there have been changes announced in the eligibility for taking part in the schemes.

The numbers

A consultancy report on the CES was published last year - see Relate, November 1998. Among other things, this report recommended a greater focus on training, a reduction in the numbers and a re-examination of the position of lone parents on the scheme. This report showed that the average number of people on the scheme was 39,000 and the maximum number was 41,000.

It is the government's intention to reduce the numbers on the scheme. However, when exactly those reductions will occur is not at all clear. The Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment has said that

"There will be no change in the numbers on the programme this year nobody currently on the programme will lose out. Because of the reduction in unemployment, it is inevitable that there will be a reduction over time (5 years) in the number of places (since the start of Partnership 2000 unemployment has been halved and long-term unemployment reduced by 60%. Long-term unemployment has fallen from 103,000 (6.8%) to 44,000 (2.6%)). It is expected that the number of places will be reduced to 28,000. This reduction will be gradual, phased in over a period of years with decisions made each year in the context of continued improvements in unemployment."

Social Economy Programme

A new Social Economy Programme is being introduced. This is seen partly as a means of compensating the voluntary and community sector for the loss of CES places. A report on a social economy programme was published last year - see Relate, November 1998.

The Social Economy Programme will focus on the economic and social development of disadvantaged communities by supporting imaginative locally-based initiatives.

Eligibility for CES

New rules for CES will be introduced from September 1999. These are:

- Widows and widowers over age 25 are eligible to participate in the CES.
- Adult dependants of long-term unemployed people are eligible to participate in the CES.

New rules on eligibility for CES will be introduced from January 2000. These are currently under discussion by government but are likely to include:

- The age of eligibility to be raised from 21 to 25 (except for those people referred under the Employment Action plan).
- Individuals who have completed a term on CES will have to wait at least a year for another term and no individual may spend more than a total of 3 years on the scheme.

It was originally announced that all of these changes would take place from July 1999.

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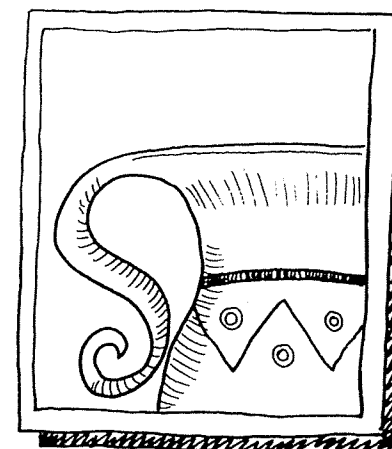
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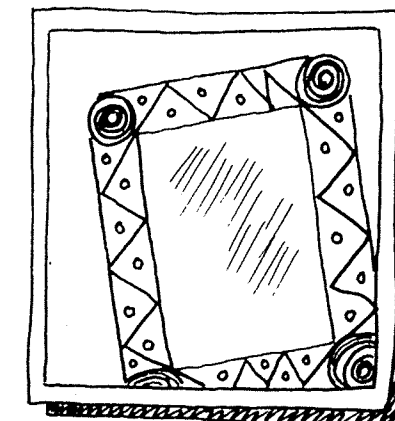
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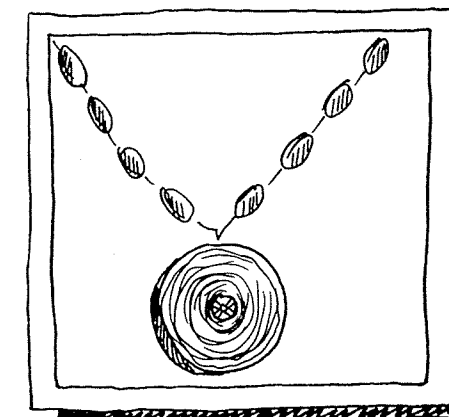
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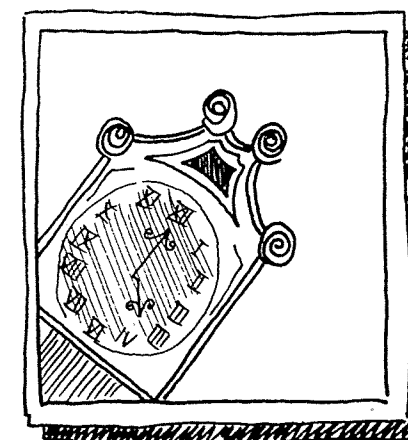
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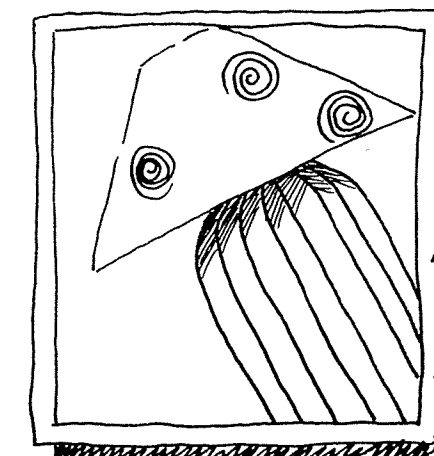
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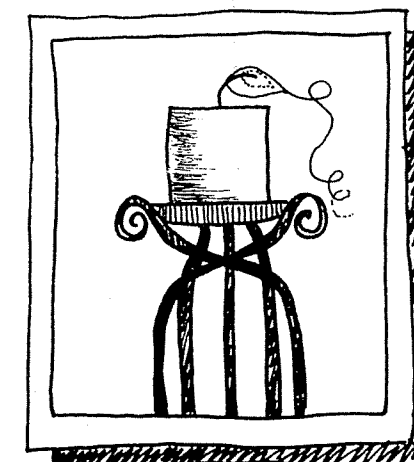
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I.C.A. Notes

President, Rosemary Hanley welcomed members to the meeting. Sympathy was extended to Betty Moore and her family on the death of her husband. A minutes silence was observed. Rosemary thanked the members who took part in the fun drama and poetry reading in Kiltel on October 13th. During the month members travelled to the Gaiety and enjoyed a great performance of "Oklahoma". Our next trip is to the Knitting and Stitching Show in R.D.S. on November 14th. Christmas party will be in Dowdstown Hotel on December 15th.

Kildare Federation Meeting will be hosted by Maynooth guild in Post Primary School on Wednesday November 17th. **Craft** Monday nights at 8.00pm. Once again the A.I.B. guild project has surfaced. The competition this year contains four sections:

- (a) Poetry
- (b) Millenium Quilt
- (c) Vegetarian Cookery
- (d) Photography

So very busy times ahead for members between now and April.

Our annual Remembrance Service for deceased members was held this month and we thank Ellis O'Malley for arranging the liturgy.

Badminton continues in Parish Hall Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30. We would welcome players and beginners any time.

Competition Results:

- 1. Rosemary Hanley
- 2. Irene Matthews
- 3. Ann Broughan & Mary O'Gorman

Scouts News

Halloween has come and gone once more. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the local businesses who supported us for the Hallowe'en party. All new members are welcome between the age of 10½ upwards and fifth and sixth class upwards. We would like to welcome our four new members Alice Cunningham, Luke Telli, Brendan Cawley and John Stewart. So you see we are a mixed group. All are welcome. We are situated beside Maynooth Post Primary in at the back of the school. We have our meeting on Thursday night between 7-9pm. We all wish you a happy Christmas and a safe one. Next scout news in Millennium 2000.

We would like to thank the local firebrigade for the talk and display on Thursday 18th of November enjoyed by all.

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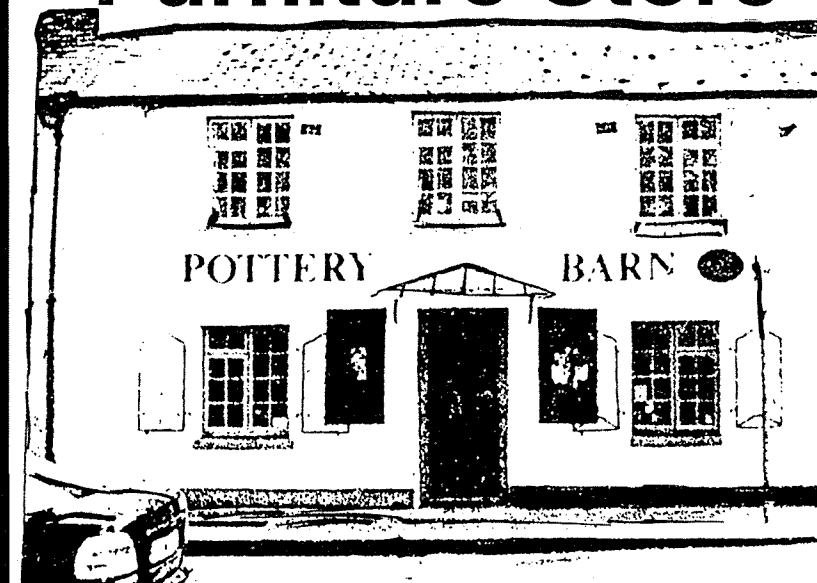
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BAND BULLETIN

Here we are again at the end of another year, another century and another Millennium, how time flies. It seems no length since 1755 when the sounds of Maynooth Band first wafted across the fields around the tiny village as it was then. How things have changed in a couple of hundred years.

Band Mass

This appropriately leads us to the Annual Mass for all deceased members of St. Mary's Band celebrated last month. It was a wonderful occasion with the Band perhaps sounding its best ever with some really nice Church music. We would like to thank the congregation for their appreciation and in particular Monsgr. Stenson for his very natural and interesting way of relating the history of St. Mary's Band and its importance to the town of Maynooth. The 21st Century will see further changes in the town but we in the Band have a small core of carers who will work hard to ensure that one of the oldest Maynooth traditions will survive for at least another century.

December - The Busiest Month of the Year

Just a brief glance at the following programme will give an indication of how much we look forward to our after Christmas break.

- Dec. 10th.** Recital during official switch on of Millennium lights on College Spire.
- Dec. 11th.** Annual Christmas Concert in the Aula Maxima, NUI Maynooth
- Dec. 12th** 12.00 noon - 2pm Annual Recital in Blanchardstown Shopping Centre.
- Dec. 12th.** Christmas Carol Service in St. Mary's Catholic Church 7.30.
- Dec. 17th.** Maynooth College Annual Dinner
- Dec. 19th.** Christmas Carol Service in St. Mary's Church of Ireland
- Dec. 21st/ 22nd** Christmas Carol Recital, Pearse Station, Westland Row
- Dec. 31st.** New Years Eve, The Square

In between all of this we will have our own Traditional Christmas Carol Recitals around the town, probably on Saturday 18th in the square and as always on Christmas Eve in the main street. You may of course bump into us at some stage when we add a little Christmas **Spirit** to your shopping at the main Shopping Centres.

Christmas Concert

Of all the aforementioned engagements our Annual Christmas Concert has become our most important and established date in the year. It is a showpiece of our progress from year to year and also gives us a chance to show how the members of the Band of the future are progressing.

Last year we introduced more fun and variety into our programme and this year we hope to continue in that vein. We also hope to include a few numbers from the Route 66 Big Band which is composed mainly of our own Band members. Those who came to last years Concert begged for more, more, more so don't be disappointed this year, be early doors open at 8 o'clock show starts 8.30, have a terrific night.

January 1st will be a very special occasion for the Committee and members of St. Mary's Band. We are indeed fortunate that we have maintained the tradition of the Band and can proudly take it into the next Millennium. We feel sure we can rely on our successors to keep up that proud tradition for many many years to come.

Finally we thank all of our friends and supporters for their wonderful help during the year and we hope you all have a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful and Prosperous New Year.

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ST. MARYS PARISH WELCOMING AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Our tea & coffee after Mass on Hallowe'en was a great success. A large number of children turned up which was nice, they all got minerals, goodies and masks.

Our next get together is on 28th November after 10.15am Mass, all are welcome.

We hope that we are helping new people in Maynooth to settle in and meet people already living here.

Our co-ordinators are Tony & Lise O'Farrell and our treasurer is Grainne Kelly.

Anybody who would like to join us is very welcome.

Claire O'Rourke

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

We would like to wish all our children and their parents a very Happy Christmas.

The date for our A.G.M. has not been set but it will be in January.

Our flag day is also in January, please be generous.

Anybody interested in helping us out, contact any committee members, you will be more than welcome.

Claire O'Rourke

Secretary.

CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY

Clane musical society are rehearsing away for their March 2000 performance of **Sweet Charity** but they are ready, willing and able to take a break for a few social events in December. So why not join them for the **C.M.S. Auction** on Sunday 12th December, in the Abbey in Clane. You wouldn't know what bargains you might get and you could buy your Christmas presents!

Also on Saturday, 18th December keep an eye and an ear out for the **C.M.S. Carol Singers**. They will be outside Londis on the main street in Clane singing in aid of The Evergreens Senior Citizen's Group and C.M.S. So stop a while because you might get a lollipop as well as entertainment!

Clane Musical Society wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

INTRODUCTION TO REFLEXOLOGY

On Monday, 6th December there will be a talk on Reflexology in Maynooth Public Library on the main street. Georgina Finnegan, practising reflexologist, at 8pm. will give the talk. For further details contact the Library.

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RESIDENTS ON WATCH

Residents on watch are delighted with your response to our first article. Thank you to the residents of Beaufield for your comments, we appreciate your concern. Beaufield was the first students party to be reported. Others were in Cluain Aoibhinn with one particularly extended Saturday night and Sunday morning in Moyglare Village. If any other areas have complaints, please contact the Community Council Offices and we will include them in our column. We feel that the parents of these errant students would not appreciate such shenanigans in their part of Ireland and are ignorant of the conduct of their sons and daughters.

An appeal from a none too agile lady asks, could the faithful attending Masses etc. please refrain from parking their cars on the footpath alongside the Parochial House and Church as those in wheelchairs and walking frames take to the road to enter the church or pass by.

Perhaps the appropriate authorities would make some comment?

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Following our A.G.M. held in the G.A.A. club house on the 17th November, we were unable to form a committee, due to the lack of interest and public support. We have now decided to hold another A.G.M. in the G.A.A. Club House on January 17th hopefully this will be better attended. If not Community Games in Maynooth are looking grim for the year 2000.

Mary Cahill.



Paul Howard - Williams with his bride Máire Tarpey after their recent wedding in Galway, surrounded by the groom's family. Máire is from Athenry Co. Galway and after the reception in the great Southern Hotel, Eyre Square. They left for their honeymoon in Bali.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

As the Newsletter went to print about the same time as we held our "Sale of Work", we will have to wait another month for a report on that event.

In the meantime may I remind you of our forthcoming activities. Our Senior Citizens shopping night will take place on Tuesday Dec. 14th at 8pm, courtesy of SuperValu. This is a very enjoyable night where our older people can shop in comfort without the usual supermarket "hassle" and in a party atmosphere. This has become an annual event to which we all look forward.

We will have just about recovered in time for our Annual Dinner which will take place this year on Sunday Dec. 19th at 5pm in Dowdstown. As you know for the past sixteen years this event took place in January and was sponsored by Peter O'Brien Catering. Well, like all good things this facility has come to an end, as his company has now amalgamated with "Masterchefs" and are not in a position to continue this service. However we thank Peter O'Brien for his generosity in the past and wish him well in his new venture. So now, there is an opportunity here for anyone seeking an outlet for their generosity.....! In the meantime we will celebrate our Annual Dinner in Dowdstown Hotel at an affordable price. Just remember the date Dec. 19th, and please have your names in by Dec. 7th, as we will need to have accurate numbers for the Hotel. This event will be our final celebration of "International Year of Older Persons". As we embark on the year 2000 we will mark the transition with a booklet on "Independent Living for Older People" which is a study compiled by "yours truly" and published by our own Committee. The music for the evening will be provided by "Bourbon Street" as we trip the light fantastic into a new beginning.

Our club will close for the Christmas break from Dec. 16th until Jan. 11th. Christmas can be a bitter sweet occasion. What can be enjoyable for some may be a lonely time for others. Some will be surrounded by family, others by memories, the longer we live the more people we lose. If you live near an older person living alone, why not give them a call. A good neighbour is a priceless asset.

This month we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Bridget Cotter and Bridget Dunleavy (nursing home). Hugh Walsh and Jim Moore who died recently. May they rest in peace.

Finally, may I, once again, remind all our older people and their carers to "Keep your Safety and Security Check List where you can see it." This could be the difference between joy and tragedy. In the meantime may I wish you all a happy, peaceful and safe Christmas as we look forward with hope and anticipation to the dawning of a New Millennium.

NOTICE

Books sold for Senior Citizens may have errors on the first fifty copies, they will be replaced if they are brought back to Josie Moore.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

At our Annual General Meeting on the 19th October, 1999 the following members were elected onto the Committee:-

Margaret Howe	:	Chairwoman
Moir Baxter	:	Vice Chairman
Felicity Satchwell	:	Secretary
Rosemary Smyth	:	Assistant Secretary
Mary McInerney	:	Treasurer
Elsa Lawlor	:	Assistant Treasurer
Amanda Harris	:	A.O.I.F.A. Rep.
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Maureen Fagan	:	P.R.O.
Janet McCann	:	Assistant P.R.O.
Carmel Owens	:	Competition Secretary
Ann Walker	:	Assistant Competition Secretary
Imelda Desmond	}	
Jo O'Connell	}	Sales Table
Ann Lynch	}	
Mary Cleary	:	Charity Table
Mary Doyle	:	Raffle
Sarah Angel	:	Tea Hostess

The results of the Imposed Class on the 19th October were as follows:-

1st	:	Jo O'Connell
2nd	:	Mary Cleary
3rd	:	Mary Doyle

A big thank you to Imelda Desmond who organised the beautiful flowers and containers that we used on the night. Her colour combination and choice of flowers were exquisite as usual.

Many thanks to Mary Doyle for producing a delicious Christmas cake for the Clubs Happy 19th Birthday.

On behalf of the Club I wish to thank Noleen O'Brien and Toni Reid for all their efforts working with the Committee over the years. I hope they enjoy the break off the Committee and the best of luck in all their future endeavours.

The charity chosen for next year is 'Research into Cancer'. I am sure you will all agree that it is a most worthy charity. There are very few of us whose family and friends have not been affected over the years by this disease.

Details as regards our Christmas Party in the Moyglare Manor will be issued at our next Club Night.

Our next Club Night on the 7th December is:

- Christmas Work Night.
- Competition: 'Pantomime'.
- An exhibit to be titled.
- Artificial material allowed.
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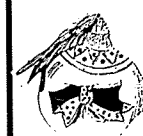
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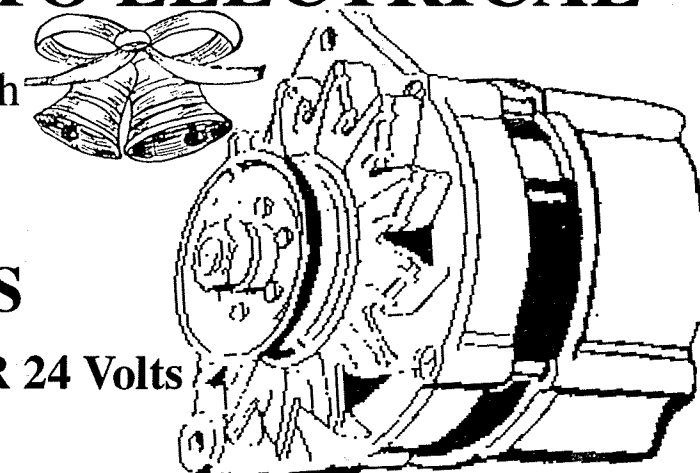
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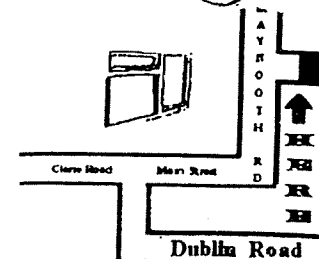
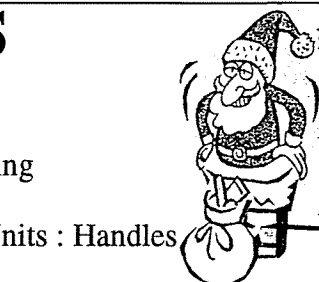
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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the Association was held on 12th October last. The guest speaker for the evening was Ann Hughes from A.C.L.D. (Association for Children with Learning Difficulties). The theme of Ann's talk was dyslexia and its effects on children.

Ann explained that sometimes students who have dyslexic difficulties are not identified until they are in secondary school or even in third level. She listed a number of points assembled by Wyn McCormack for those who may wonder if an older child has a specific learning difficulty. Wyn is a Guidance Counsellor, a parent and a long-time member of A.C.L.D. She has written a book called 'Lost for Words: Dyslexia at Second Level and Beyond - A Practical Guide for Parents and Teachers'.

Some signs of possible dyslexia in second level students

- Bizarre spelling, phonetic spelling of common words.
- Omission of word endings.
- Confusion about the shape of letters e.g. 'b' and 'd'.
- An uneven profile of abilities, for example, very strong maths and very poor verbal skills.
- A mismatch between verbal and written performance.
- A large difference between verbal and written performance.
- Confusion about left and right.
- Transposition of parts of words, or letters inside a word, or in a sequence of numbers.
- Badly formed handwriting.
- Confusion about simple sequences such as the months of the year.

Ann also left some posters outlining ways in which the student with dyslexia can be helped in class, e.g.

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The A.C.L.D. can be contacted at 1 Suffolk Street, Dublin 2 or 01 (6790276).

The first meeting of the new committee for 1999/2000 took place in the school on Tuesday, 9th November last and we were delighted to welcome a number of new members to the Committee.

The following officers were elected:

Deputy Chairperson: Brid Keenan
Vice Chairperson: Geraldine Tobin
Treasurer: Mercedes O'Rourke
Secretary/P.R.O.: Mary Oliver

A very successful Social Night was held in Dowdstown House Hotel on 16th October last which was very well sponsored. Funds raised will go to various projects in the School.

A one day Study Skills course for both Junior and Leaving Certificate students was conducted by Student Enrichment Services in November. The Parent/Teacher Association arranged for the company to speak to all parents on 'Study Skills and Your Child' on Thursday, 18th November.

This term, the Association will be examining the possibility of establishing a Board of Management for the School which would comprise of parents, teachers, V.E.C. nominees and other representatives. We hope to arrange for Liam Roche of Confey College Board of Management to speak to parents on the subject in the near future. In May last Liam was elected to represent parents on Kildare V.E.C. He is also Vice President of PAVSCC - Parents Associations of Vocational Schools and Community Colleges.

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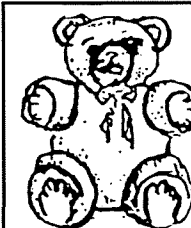
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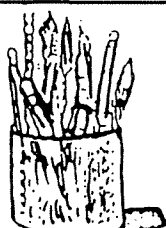


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LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee held it's Annual General Meeting on the 11th November, 1999. The following committee was elected:-

Chairperson: Breda Holmes
Vice Chairperson: Larry O'Brien
Secretary: Helen Johnson
Treasurer: Owen Donovan
Committee Members: Breda Ward, Mary Kenny, Lil O'Rourke, Ann Nugent, Jacinta Grouke, Michael Kelly, John Saults, Pat McDonald, Lenny Murphy, Dominic Nyland.

We are very pleased with the progress we have made during 1999, which of course would not have been possible without financial support from Kildare County Council and parishioners. We recently sought sponsorship for seating at the cemetery and were delighted with the response. Our thanks to:- Dowdstown Hotel, Coonan Auctioneers, Tesco, Noone Motors, Ulster Bank, Maynooth Hire, Brady's Pub, Barretts, Owen Donovan, Super Valu, Kelly Family, Londis and Glenroyal Hotel for their sponsorship. The seating will be in place in the next few weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the above committee and Brian Horan for their help and support: also Monsignor Alex Stenson and Fr. John Sinnott; Willie Kiernan; Frank Walsh; Greg McCluskey; Maynooth College; Westside Skips; John O'Brien and Matt Farrell (who designed and erected the Altar); Senan Griffin and John McGinley who continually work on our behalf with Kildare County Council.

If you have any questions, advice or request regarding the cemetery please get in touch with any committee member or contact myself at 6289757.

Thank you,
Breda Holmes.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

When did you last fill a glass of water direct from the tap and enjoy an invigorating, refreshing drink? Chances are you seldom do this any more. Maybe you've joined the legion of Maynooth people who feel obliged to filter or boil the water before you drink it? Maybe you are reassured that chemically it is OK; but does it taste as if it has come from the clean green isle of the Bord Failte brochures? Elsewhere in Kildare, of course, water problems have for long been part and parcel of everyday existence. It's not so long since contaminated water caused major health problems in Naas, and almost every summer, communities in the county are disconnected from the mains supply because of shortages. *Maynooth Planning Alliance* believes such problems will come much nearer home in the future as resources we take for granted are sacrificed to make a minority richer and a community poorer.

Maynooth's water supply comes from the reservoir in Leixlip, via the local Ballygoran reservoir. But this source, and indeed the water supply for Co. Kildare as a whole, is almost exclusively dependent on the goodwill of Dublin Corporation who manage the main water works at Ballymore Eustace. 43.5 million litres per day comes from the Liffey catchment. A lot of this is used in agriculture and industry, but every Kildare person uses on average 39 litres of water per day. As a consequence, water extraction from the River Liffey has now reached a stage where its continued viability as a fishing river is in serious doubt. Any angler who uses the river is only too familiar with how it has deteriorated over recent years. Its hydro function is all but gone. Its amenity value for sports and recreation of all kinds has been compromised by County Kildare's insatiable demand for water and for sewage treatment facilities.

The response of Kildare County Council to these problems is to propose a 50% increase in population over the next 7 years in the County Development Plan! This means that a lot more water has to be obtained from somewhere; most of it is earmarked to come from the River Liffey. Grandiose schemes do exist to start taking water from the River Barrow, but in the absence of such new sources coming on stream over the next decade, it is planned to increase the abstraction of water from the Liffey from the current 43.5MLD to 58MLD. At the same time it is likely that Dublin will also be looking to increase its abstraction substantially. How much abstraction can the river yield with particular population loadings? This doesn't seem to have been researched - or would the answer be embarrassing? As one councillor has claimed, the actions being taken today will result in the destruction of the River Liffey as an amenity for future generations.

As well as water extraction, waste water treatment facilities are seriously limited. Upstream of Maynooth's drinking water intake, the sewage treatment facilities at Osberstown near Sallins are seriously overloaded and sewage spills occur at irregular intervals. In wet weather recently raw sewage bubbled up in the streets in Clane, and hosed directly into the Liffey. The assimilative capacity of the river to cope with effluent is finite, and close to its maximum in some localities. 50% more sewage effluent, much of it in the Naas - Newbridge - Kilcullen triangle means that Maynooth's drinking water will have much higher dissolved (and probably suspended) matter present. The basic right of people to a reliable supply of fresh water seems today to be taking

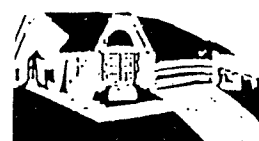
second place to feeding a frenzy for residential expansion, encouraged vigorously by a majority of Kildare councillors.

Maynooth Planning Alliance calls on our local councillors to call a halt to this unsustainable madness and to explicitly show their intentions to do so in the forthcoming Maynooth Development Plan. Why, we ask our councillors, are you foisting an extra 5,000 people (and 7,500 cars) on this hard pressed community?

In their latest submission to the Department of the Environment, Kildare County Councillors are requesting you the taxpayer to pay £123,114,800 to fund water services in the county. That's equivalent to about £1,000 a head for Co. Kildare!). As a country it would seem we can't plan for future population growth for areas rich in water supplies and crying out for development. Instead we spend huge sums on encouraging the depletion of precious multi purpose resources in already highly congested areas. So remember the next time the water tastes funny, ask yourself why it tastes funny!

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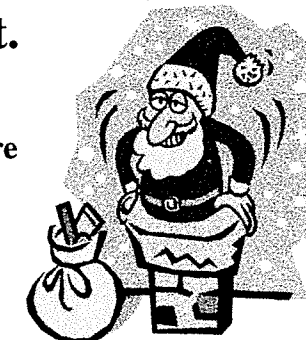
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A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FOR THE NEWSLETTER

I am most grateful to the **Maynooth Newsletter** for kindly providing me with an opportunity of including a Christmas Message.

Christmas is a wonderful time for so many of us. Children understandably love it and parents, despite the demands it makes on pockets and nerves with its rush and panic, by and large enjoy it also. For us Christians it is that time of year when we remember the historical coming among us of Jesus, the Son of God: *"The Word became flesh and dwelt among us" "God loved the world so much that in the fullness of time he gave his only Son so that all who believe in him might have eternal life". (cf Jn. Chs 1,3.)*

Is it not interesting that the Church has never got too bothered about discovering the precise date of Our Saviour's birth? The exact historical date of the Nativity remains unknown although various Scripture experts tell us that it may have been anytime between 8 and 4 BC!! The Church however, is satisfied to choose a symbolic date, that of the winter solstice, so as to show from the outset that her intention has not been to over-indulge in focusing on the Divine infancy, but rather to look forward in faith and "joyful hope for the second coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ".

This Christmas, on the eve of this third Millennium, the Church continues to look forward with longing for the promised return of our Saviour in glory. This is a central belief of our Faith as we journey into the future repeating the prayer of the early Christian Church: *"Come Lord Jesus"*.

It is my prayer that our celebration of Christmas this year, will be a time of peace and joy as we reflect on the fact that He who once came to us in history, and Who lives today in mystery through signs and symbols in his Body, the Church, will come again in victory at the end of time.

May the Prince of Peace bring abundant blessings to you and yours as together we journey in hope into the new Millennium.

*Alex Stenson, P.P.,
Christmas 1999.*

**MAYNOOTH
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AND ADVERTISERS
A VERY
HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

DEATH OF REV. DENIS COGAN

The parishioners of Maynooth were saddened to hear of the death of Rev. Denis Cogan on the 17th November 1999.

Fr. Cogan is remembered as a very caring curate at Maynooth. He was appointed Parish Priest at St. Mochta's Church at Porterstown a few years ago.

We offer our sympathy to his sister Deirdre Clancy, and to all members of Fr. Cogan's family. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

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A CHRISTMAS WISH

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With special times of fun
Happiness be in our call
In which our hearts be won
Bless children of this time
Light of christmas on them bestow
Let the festive bells chime
And blessings upon them grow

All we can do is pray
When mankind be as one
We soon see a better day
No more this world go wrong
Our baby Jesus was born
In a stable at Bethlehem
Our saviour to adorn
Bring freedom to all men

Let the spirit of Christmas shine
Within our hearts and our soul
Mankind see a better time
In a new lifes role
As for now good will within
In unity live our time
Where a new world begin
And all will work out fine

Patrick Murray

CONGRATULATIONS TO JIM FLEMING

"Congratulations to Jim Fleming who was the recent recipient of the Irish Security Industry Association's award for his work as Community Liaison Garda in Tallaght. Jim was presented with "The Garda Community Excellence Award" sponsored by the I.S.I.A. for his support of senior citizens, school children, sporting organisations and community groups. Based in Tallaght Garda Station, Jim lives in Maynooth and he has quietly toiled away in the background of several of Maynooth's Community Games sporting disciplines. Over the years he has prepared many of the local youngsters for local and national competitions in basketball and swimming and his award is well deserved not only for his official work but also for his spare time commitments in his local community.

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EATING OUT IN MAYNOOTH OVER CHRISTMAS

Featured here are just some of the restaurants in the town if you want to go out and celebrate or just have a night out in style and comfort.

Glenroyal Hotel:

As well as their party nights which are running through December which consist of a Mulled Wine Reception, a course meal with choices and entertainment, you can relax and have an intimate meal in their restaurant. A full A La Carté menu is on offer with an extensive wine list. All food is prepared under the watchful eye of Head Chef, Gerard Nolan and the restaurant is looked after by Manager Richard Nolan.

Opening Times are:

**6.00pm-9.45pm Mon.-Sat.
6.00pm-8.45pm Sunday**

Donatello's Ristorante:

This Italian restaurant is now open six years and is situated in the Town Centre Mall. There is a full A La Carté menu on offer with specials at the weekends. The menu consists of choices of chicken, pork, pasta, steak and pizza dishes. Its a perfect location for that special booking, especially birthdays, as they have their own Michael "Pavarotti" Chapman to sing Happy Birthday. The food is prepared by Head Chef Eddie "Murphy" Liscombe and his team and the restaurant is run by Manager Eileen who is on hand to deal with any queries. Booking is advisable on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays as it is quite often booked out.

Opening Times are:

**6.00pm-11.30pm Mon-Thursday
6.00pm-12.00pm Friday-Saturday
5.00pm-11.00pm Sunday**

The Leinster Arms:

This long established restaurant is open 7 days a week. Bernie Fitzpatrick is the Head Chef here and is ably assisted by Audrey and Sinéad. Carvery is from 12.00 each day and finishes at 3.00pm. Then its on to Barfood Menu which runs 'till 9.00pm. Barfood can be eaten in the bar or restaurant. On Sunday carvery is on all day, so why not give yourself a break from the kitchen and try out some of their lunch specials.

Dowdstown Hotel:

Celebrating its first anniversary in December, Dowdstown is now well and truly on the map. It boasts a very attractive package for its Christmas parties which includes, 5 course meal, entertainment, accommodation and bus hire. At the time of printing there were still some date's free so why not contact the ever helpful front office Manager, Elaine. The restaurant offers an A La Carté menu and is run by Manager Eamonn. Anthony Lee is the Head Chef who makes sure everything is perfect for you. If you have any queries or want to make a booking

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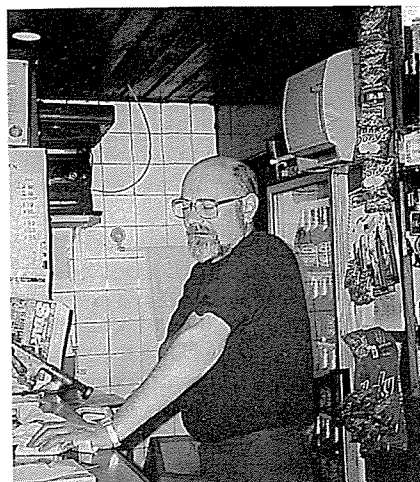


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AN IDEAL CHRISTMAS

The **Newsletter** took to the streets again this year in search of 'The Ideal Christmas' and the following is the response we got when the idea was put to the people of Maynooth.



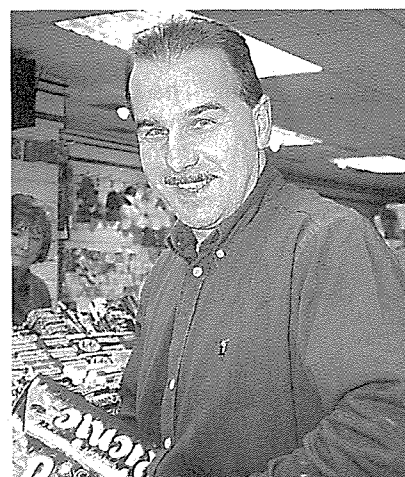
Pius Kelly of Beaufield.
Go find someone nice to help him pull his Christmas crackers but she must go home on St. Stephen's Day.



Kay McEvoy of Old Greenfield
She would love someone to come in to her home and do all the cooking and cleaning and hand her her dinner and then relax with a couple of large brandies for the rest of the evening.



Sean Fitzpatrick of Caulfields
To sit in front of a log fire, toasting marsh-mallows and drinking wine with the woman he loves.



Owen Donovan of Maynooth Post Office
He will enjoy his time off just doing NOTHING.

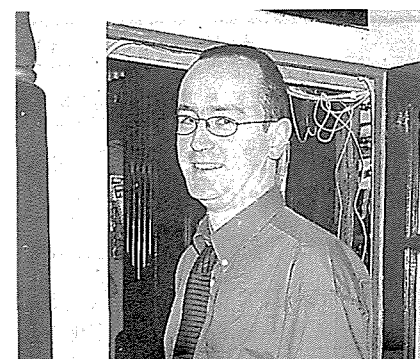


Fiona Murphy of Old Greenfield
She will enjoy staying at home and spending time with friends and family.



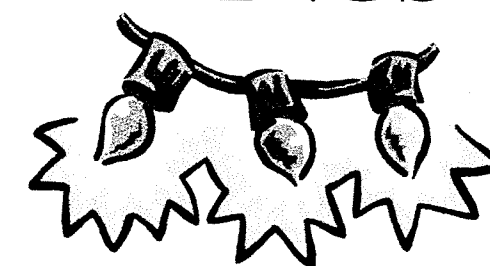
Margaret Byrne of Hula Bou
Wants to spend Christmas in the snow sitting in front of a log fire, drinking a glass of sherry with the man in her life.

John O'Connor of the Roost



He wants to spend Christmas in the Bahamas with Claudia Schiffer or failing that at home with his family and friends.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



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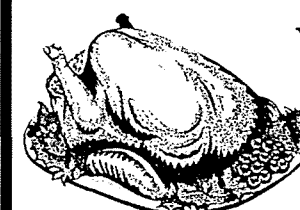
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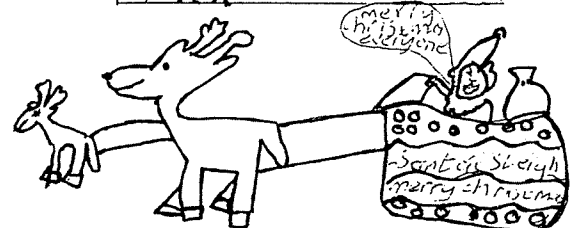
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Dear Santa
I would love if
you could bring
me a song
play station
and a surprise
lots of love
from
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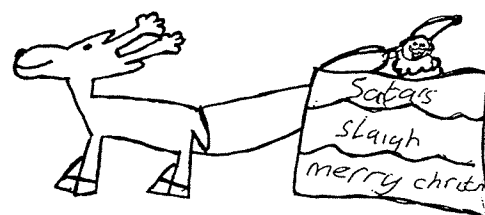
Dear Santa I want a Barbie bike
and a Furbie hope you are well
Thank you for the
lovely presents last year
ROOM 4

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Senior Infants

For Danielle Capner



Dear Santa
I would love if
you could bring
me a bike and
a surprise
lots of love
from
Darrielle Conlan
XXX
000



Dear Santa I would
like Matthew
1 Monopoly
2 WWF Wrestling Ring
3 WWF Wrestling belt
WWF Mayhem play station
Game and The F.A
Premier League Stars
and FIFA 2000
goosebumps
Stereo and a tape
called blue
and a surprise
Andrew
crawling Mickey
Clown Playmat and gym
play along Barney
and a surprise

MATTHEW and Andrew
Course Moore Straffan
Co Kildare



to Santa
I have been a very good
girl all year and my brother
Cormac has been a very good
boy.

Could you please bring me
a bike and an Animal Hospital
and a sleeping beauty
dormie.

Could you please bring my
brother a tractor and a
scoop the digger and a surprise.
we love you

Sarah + Cormac

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Emma

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents
last year I really enjoyed them
this year could I please have
Pokemon for the colour gameboy
and spading portable basketball
system. I've left some pudding
and drinks on the table and some
carrots for the reindeer. Please
wipe your feet before you walk
on the carpet because I just
hovered. I'll write to you next
year.

From John Devine

Dear Santa,
I would like the gun for
the Playstation and point blank gun
and I will give you some beer and
carrots for the reindeers.

Happy Christmas
Love Christopher

Litir do Santa

A Santa

Conas atá

Rudolf Bhí mé go

maith le haghaidh

Mama agus Daidí

Ba mhaith liom

Baby Anabelle don



Litir do SANTA.

A santa.

ba mhaith liom Stretch
Armstrong don Nollag.

Bhí mé go maith ar
scoil agus
sa bhaile.

Is mise do chara.

GARY

Dear Santa
 May I have a playstation and a game. Can you get Super truck city and a Surprise.

from Rikki McTernan

Dear Santa
 I have been a very good girl. Thank you for my presents last year. I enjoyed them. This year I would like a FURBIE and a Barbie and a surprise. Bring Baby Sean lots of Baby toys.

Lot of Love & Kisses
 Jennifer Kavanagh

Dear Santa,
 How are you. How is Mrs Claus I hope you're well. I would like a play station and a game to share with my brother.

Thank you.
 Leo Cooney

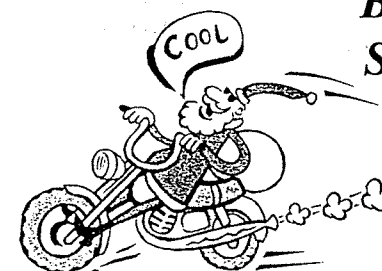
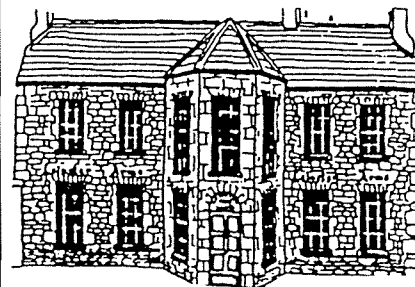
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Dear Santa
 My name is Katie Cooke
 I love you
 Please bring me a dalmation dog
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From Aisling

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CRIME PREVENTION - GENERAL SECURITY GUIDELINES OVER CHRISTMAS PERIOD

Due to the increased amount of cash in circulation, purchases being made etc., hereunder are a number of General Security Guidelines for the General Public for the period approaching Christmas and afterwards.

A. WHEN SHOPPING

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

B. SECURITY OF YOUR HOMES

- Be security conscious with regard to your home, in particular, when you will be absent, try and make it appear as if your home is occupied and have someone look after it. Contact the local Gardai and let them know when your home will be vacant over the Christmas period and be vigilant with regard to your neighbour's security, also the elderly and those living alone.
- Check out callers to your home fully and ask for identification. Do not admit strangers to your home.
- Be alert and report any suspicious activity, persons or vehicles to your local Garda immediately.
- Careful consideration should be given to the use of audible or silent alarms. A silent alarm system is favoured in high risk situations as local bells/sirens may cause panic and injury to staff/customers.
- The alarm should be installed to a current Irish standard 199 and ideally have a connection to a Central Monitoring Station. Consideration should also be given to having a radio link back up on the alarm system.
- Consider, where possible, that vulnerable rear door and windows be alarmed on a 24 hour basis with built in access/egress facilities if desired and that risk areas are adequately protected by a combination of good physical and electronic security.
- For further information/advice contact your local Garda Station.

MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY AWARDED £10,000 GRANT

Maynooth Action Strategy were recently awarded £10,000 by *eircom* to assist the group develop internet services in the town. Back in 1997 MAS entered Telecom's Information Age Town competition which was subsequently won by Ennis. Since then Telecom have invested £15 million in Ennis with hundreds of computers installed in the town's schools and PCs and internet connections available to all households at a much reduced cost.

All the runners-up in the original competition, including Maynooth, were invited to submit proposals for developing community internet services. The submission made by MAS was successful and with the grant of £10,000 the group is planning to develop a new web site for the town. The outline of the new site is currently at the design stage but over the next couple of months MAS plan to work closely with the Community Council and other voluntary groups in the community with a view to launching a site which is both informative and interesting and which promotes Maynooth commercially and as a community. One of the aims of the site will be to promote the town and its environs as a tourist location and a Tourism Working Group, under the auspices of MAS, is currently collating material for the site. Increasingly visitors from abroad are planning their holidays on the basis of what they find on the Web and MAS is convinced that, with the many attractions in the area, Maynooth can draw significantly more visitors. MAS has also been liaising with Kildare County Council library services and very much welcomes the new internet services which are planned for the new year in Maynooth library.

THE ROYAL CAN AMENITY GROUP Cómhaíre Aisinteachta An Chanáil Ríoga Cumann Maigh Nuadh

It's that time of year again, when the Community Employment Scheme is due for renewal with FAS. A new application for renewal must be submitted. The Royal Canal Amenity Group Ltd. is due to be renewed on the 17th December 1999.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Sponsors, Supporters, Participants, Committee Members and all of those people who make the Royal Canal a valuable amenity to the town of Maynooth a joyous Christmas and prosperous Millennium. We look forward to your patronage and support in the future.

With regards,
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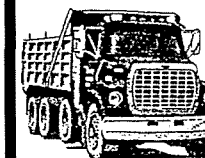


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How to mull

A traditional recipe for mulled wine is as follows: Heat to a syrup a cupful of water and one of sugar. Add the wine and bring to near-boiling point. Remove from heat, sprinkle a little grated nutmeg or cinnamon on top and serve immediately.

Witches' Brew

Witches' Brew is a less usual recipe for mulled wine, but it goes down very well. To each bottle of wine add two tablespoons brandy, a bay leaf, a stick of cinnamon, six cloves, two slices of lemon, a tangerine (peeled, quartered and popped in complete), and brown sugar to taste. To soften the impact of the brew, or for economy, you can add up to a third of hot water - about half a pint - to each bottle of wine.

Keep it hot

Put all ingredients except the brandy in a big preserving pan. Make as hot as possible *without boiling*, just before it is needed. Add the brandy last. Transfer the pan to an electric hot plate, waiting ready in the room where the party is to be held. Or an electric boiling ring covered with a simmering mat can be used, or, failing that, a trivet near the fire.

Glasses

Beware of using thin or precious glasses that might crack for mulled wine. Or, if you must, put a teaspoon in each glass before filling. Cheap-and-cheerful, slightly thicker glasses, with stems for comfortable holding, are more sensible. Fill the glasses with a ladle direct from the pan. If it's a big party, decant some of the hot wine into a warmed vacuum jug, to be circulated for recharging glasses. For a small party, use a vacuum jug, which can be refilled from the kitchen when required.

Port Wine Punch

Excellent Christmas Eve drink, serve with hot meat pasties for supper, follow with fresh fruit or a pineapple, sliced and served with stem ginger. Cut assorted fruits into a bowl (1 apple, pear, banana, orange, etc.), add bottle of port, then a tumbler of lemon juice and tumbler of plain water. Serve with fruit in glass. Can be mulled easily by standing beside a fire.

Ginger Wine

Buy by the bottle and serve in liqueur glasses with fruit cake to Christmas callers. Or dilute with soda or plain water.

Blackcurrant Toddy

This is extremely nourishing and served hot is marvellous for colds. 2 tablespoons blackcurrant juice (bottled, tinned or from bottled or stewed fruit) to a tumbler and a squeeze of fresh lemon. Fill up with boiling water for winter nights. (Add crushed ice and fill up with water for summer drinking.)

Irish Coffee

Has a classic routine best not meddled with. A jigger of Irish whiskey is poured into a tall heavy warmed glass. Two lumps of sugar and strong hot black coffee are stirred in. Whipped cream is spooned on top but not stirred. The coffee and whiskey are sipped through the cream.

Coffee Caribbean

Mix equal measures of strong black coffee and chocolate made with milk. Sweeten to taste with brown sugar. Float on top of each steaming cup a teaspoon of whipped cream flavoured with nutmeg and drop on this a marshmallow first sprinkled with rum.

Continental Chocolate

Melt over hot water about 4 oz plain chocolate, or more to taste. Stir in about 2 pints hot milk. Sweeten with vanilla flavoured sugar to taste and top each cup with a spoonful of whipped cream. A spoonful of brandy may be added to each cup. For 4 to 6.

Santa's Egg Punch

Heat a bottle of claret, a jigger or two of rum or brandy, juice of 2 lemons, 1/2 lb. sugar, 6 eggs whisked with 1 pint water, 1 tablespoon angostura bitters. This is best done over boiling water for the mixture must not boil. Serve hot. For 4 to 6.

Old English Loving Cup

Mix 1 quart ale, 1 pint sherry, juice of 3 lemons, sugar to taste. Add water to taste. Serve hot with a spoonful of toast cubes in each glass and a grating of nutmeg on top. For 6 to 8.

Sack Posset

Heat together 1 pint sherry, 4 oz. sugar, good grating of nutmeg. Warm 1 quart milk or white wine and add 8 whisked eggs. Warm but do not allow to become too hot or the mixture will curdle. (This may spoil its look but not its taste and if preferred the curds can be strained off and eaten separately.) Stir in the sherry and add a good dash of brandy.



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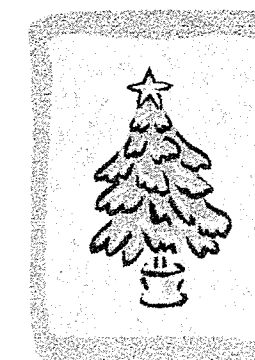
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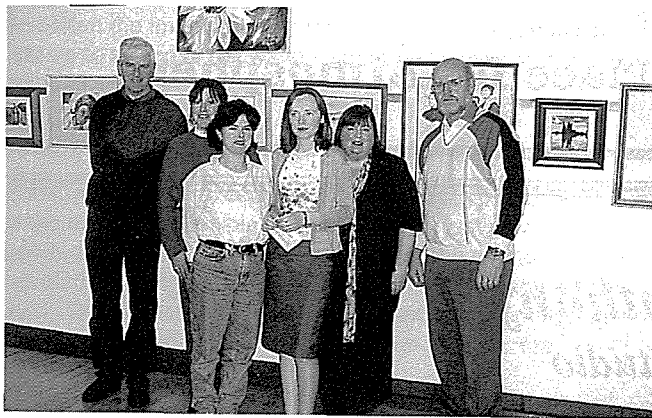
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CASTLE KEEP ART EXHIBITION

The Castle Keep Art Exhibition took place on Saturday and Sunday afternoon on the 13th and 14th November in the Post Primary School.

The exhibition proved a great success with nineteen artists providing a total of seventy-three paintings, sixty of which were for sale. Over one hundred people visited the exhibition during the two afternoons which resulted in 40% of the paintings being sold along with some commissions. The exhibits illustrated the diversity of interests and talent within the group in their depictions of landscapes, seascapes, still life, and figure drawings and portraits, through the medium of oils, acrylics, pastels, watercolours and pen and ink.

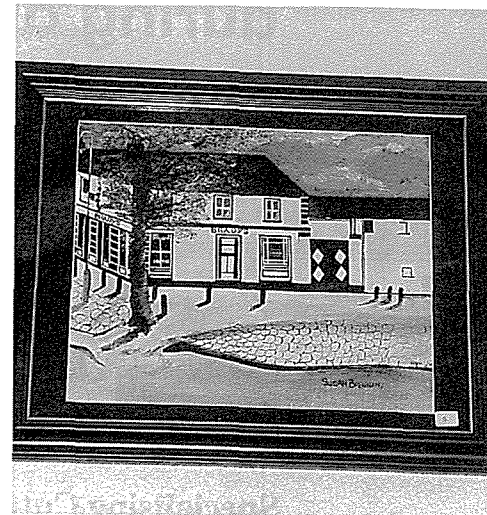
We would like to thank Maynooth Post Primary School for the use of their hall which was an ideal venue for the exhibition. Also our thanks to Maynooth Action Strategy for their support. Any person in the Maynooth area who wishes to find out about the group should contact Brian (6285993) or Susan (6289349).



Brian Tuohy, Susan Brennan, Betty O'Hare, Margaret Burke, Susan Durack and Paul Byrne



*Portrait of Agnes Bernelle
by Billy McAndrew*



*Painting of Brady's Public House by
Susan Brennan*

GREENFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Clean up day Saturday 12th December, if everybody does a little it leaves it a lot easier. The Committee would like to thank everybody for supporting the lotto draw every week and we would also like to wish all the Residents a happy Christmas and a happy New Year.

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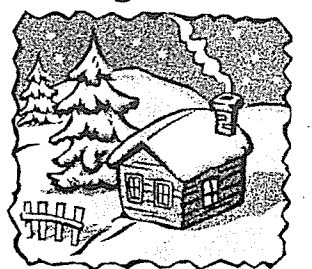
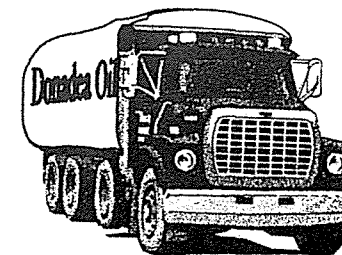
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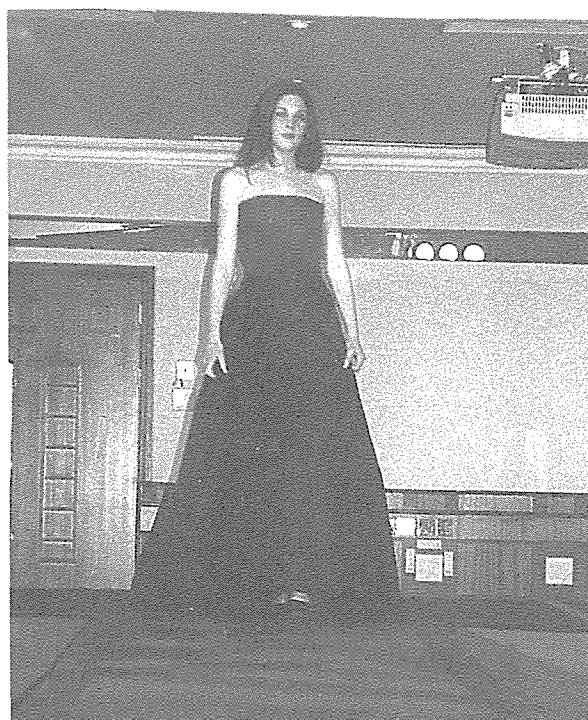


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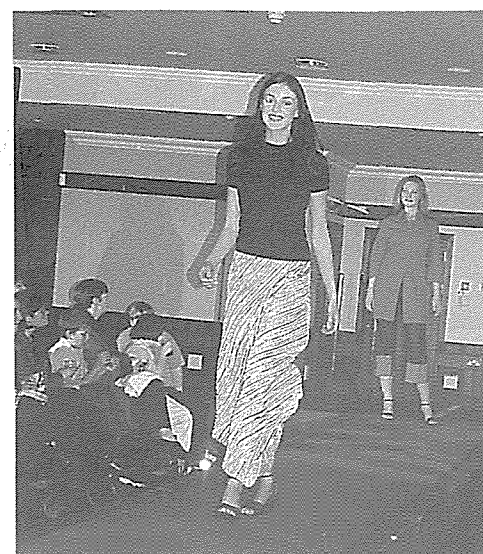
GAELSCOIL UÍ FHIAICH FASHION SHOW

Popular TV3 weather man Martin King presented the Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich's fashion Show on Thursday 18th November.

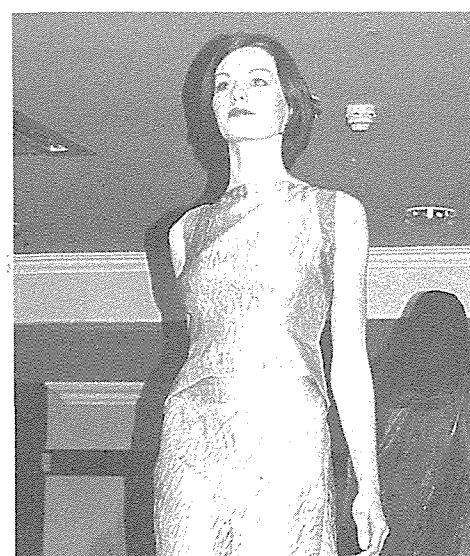
Martin's colleague, Bob Hughes, Deputy Director of News at TV3, asked Martin to officiate at the opening ceremony of this year's Fashion Show. Bob's wife Bríd Dooley is a member of the Parents Association who were responsible for organising the glamorous extravaganza.



Fashion Show



At the Glenroyal Hotel



Fashion for 1999



Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich Fashion Show

Apart from the popular weather forecasters, professional models were there to strut their stuff on the cat-walks, leading Irish models such as Liz Tucker along with her brothers Ben and Dan Redmond were joined by thirteen other stunners from the First Option Fashion Agency.

Sunday Business Post journalist Dara O'Brien was fashion compere on the night.

The show was followed by an auction and raffle. Willie Coonan was the auctioneer and got the best prices for an array of stunning items from designer clothes to paintings and wine.

The Parents Associations headed by Eileen Fitzpatrick were full of praise for all their loyal supporters and sponsors.



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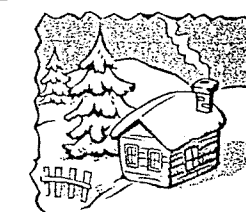


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NORTH KILDARE SCHOOL PROJECT 'an Educate together national school'

Let's dance!!

Recently, NKNSP had the opportunity to host Cathy O'Kennedy, dance artist in residence with Kildare County Council. Cathy provided a four-week creative dance programme for the children entitled *Time and Motion*. The fruits of the programme were demonstrated by the children during a morning performance for parents and teachers (see pictures). 4th, 5th and 6th classes performed a dance involving a wonderful and imaginative adventure, taking them through a swamp, over a river, across a field and through a forest. For 3rd class, their dance conveyed a telephone encounter based on the yellow pages. The dance presentation of 1st class had as its theme the changing face of nature in autumn. Altogether, a unique and creative experience for the children through the medium of dance. (Other recent special school events include attendance at the ENFO energy show and the National Concert Hall, swimming classes, speech and drama and an anti-smoking 'smoke-busters' initiative.)



Twenty-five years a growing

This month, NKNSP joined with almost 20 other multi-denominational schools in celebrating 25 years of the *Educate Together* movement. The first *Educate Together* school was founded in Dalkey in 1974, based on the vision of a co-educational, multi-dimensional and democratically-run national school. NKNSP is only five years in operation as an *Educate Together* school, but already has established a niche for itself in north Kildare as an alternative to traditional church-controlled national schools. We have been joined in the last few years by Lucan, Ennis, Sligo, Galway and Castleknock. With the emergence of a pluralist and multi-cultural Ireland, *Educate Together* is set to expand as an integrated model of educational provision. This expansion will be greatly helped by the recent government decision to enhance financial support for the establishment of *Educate Together* schools. More information on *Educate Together* can be got by phoning 4730309 or by email info@educatetogether.ie.

New school update

Plans for our new school building, to be located adjacent to the new St. Wolstan's Community School on the Clane Road,

continue to make progress. Architects have been appointed and are drawing up a design for the new school, which should shortly be presented to the school community for discussion.

Who is the school patron in the NKNSP?

A unique feature of the management structure of multi-denominational schools is its patron. Unlike denominational schools, the patron of the NKNSP is a secular and democratically controlled body called NKNSP Limited, whose membership is open to parents and others interested in furthering the aims of the school. The AGM of NKNSP Ltd. elects an executive committee to represent the interests of members in the running of the school. As well as setting out the ethos for the school and formulating policy on other strategic issues, the executive committee nominates members onto the school board of management, which is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the school along with the principal. (There are also directly elected parent representatives on the board of management.) Contact Dave Finnegan (6270492) or Karen Duffy (6273087) if you would like to find out more about NKNSP Ltd.

The social scene at NKNSP

Finally, providing social opportunities for parents is an important part of the NKNSP philosophy. The school communications group held a number of well-attended social nights during the term. These included a talk by Mary Manning on homeopathy and natural healing, a presentation on flower-arranging by Lorcan Burke from AF Flowers and a workshop on glass cutting with Breda Foley. There are also, of course, the usual fundraisers, including a successful fashion show in early November.

Contact 6274388 or email nknsp.ias@eircom.net for more information on the NKNSP.

Jim Walsh,
Executive Committee,
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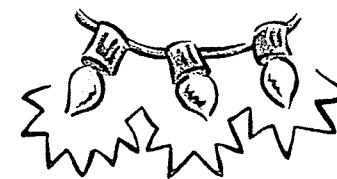
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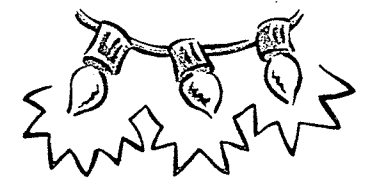


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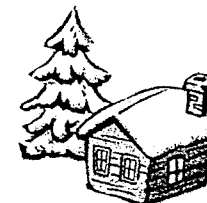


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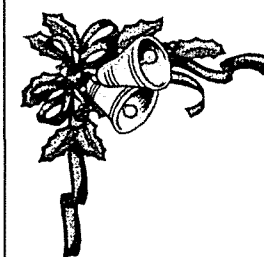


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MAYNOOTH CASTLE CO. KILDARE ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS

Archaeological excavations have been undertaken at Maynooth Castle Co. Kildare for the past two months and are scheduled to finish up in early December 1999. The excavation is being directed by Alan Hayden of Archaeological Projects Ltd. and is being undertaken on behalf of Duchas: The Heritage Service. The whole interior of the keep of the castle is being excavated in advance of its development as an exhibition area.

The excavations have revealed much about the history of the site over the last three thousand years, from its beginnings as a prehistoric farmstead, through the early medieval period when it was simply farmland. In the 1170s it was seized upon by the Normans as the site for an earth and timber castle which was enlarged and rebuilt in stone in the 1180s.

The remains of a number of round houses of prehistoric or early medieval date, have been uncovered under the keep. Flint flakes, a stone macehead and stone axehead were found associated with the houses. The buildings are the remains of a small farm.

Remnants of early medieval cultivation furrows overlay the buildings, showing the continued use of the area as farmland.

Part of an early Anglo-Norman ringwork - a defended site - including a number of buildings as well as a defensive palisade, dating from the 1170s was the final structure uncovered that predated the castle. This was an earth and timber castle built by the Normans when they first arrived in Maynooth and would have provided a defended base for the men and horses of the invading force.

The keep of the castle was probably built by the FitzGeralds, when they had full control of the area. Initially the keep was two stories in height and had wooden floors supported at ground level on three square stone piers, which were uncovered in the excavations. Shards of late twelfth century pottery made in Bristol and Dublin were uncovered on the early floors of the keep.

During the thirteenth century the keep was twice built to a greater height and in the fifteenth century the ground floor of the castle was subdivided into two rooms and was re-roofed with stone vaults.

Two wells, each 4m in depth were built inside the castle. One was probably the original well of the castle and was infilled in the fifteenth century, when a second was dug. The later one remained in use until the eighteenth or nineteenth century. When recently excavated both still contained water and the anaerobic conditions meant that rare wooden objects survived to be retrieved by the archaeologists.



Excavation at the Castle

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Christmas Services

By the time this "Newsletter" is being distributed for sale, the headlong rush towards Christmas will be well under way. The familiar Christmas jingles will be playing in every shopping centre and the count down of shopping days will have begun. Amidst all this activity readers may wish to note our Christmas Services. As always these services are open to everyone who wishes to attend at this or at any other time of the year.

On Sunday 19th December at 7.30pm our Annual Ecumenical Carol Service takes place. This year we are again delighted to be joined by the choir from St. Mary's (R.C.) Church and the St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band who will lead us in our congregational singing. As usual refreshments of mulled wine and mince pies will be served after this service.

On Christmas Eve there will be a service in Dunboyne Church of Ireland at 11.30pm. On Christmas morning there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in Maynooth at 10.00am. There will also be a 10.00am service in Maynooth on Sunday 26th which is St. Stephen's Day. For information on other services in our union of parishes over the Christmas period please contact 8250020.

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FASHION WEAR FOR CHRISTMAS

Why not take the hassle out of shopping for fashion by trying out our local shops this Christmas. Here is just a sample of what's on offer this festive season.

Moulin Rouge, Dunboyne Road.

This outlet specialises in ladies clothing and has been doing so successfully for the last 23 years.

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Hula Bou, Main Street.

This is the oldest fashion establishment we have. They have been trading here for about 27 years and cater for all occasions in sizes 8-20.

Hula-Bou ladies boutique situated on Main Street, is 27 years in Maynooth and specialises in designer wear for all occasions from size 8 to 20. There is something for everyone in Hula-Bou, from tights and scarves, handbags and jewellery suitable for presents, to exquisite outfits for the festive season. Stock from Arriori, Bianca, Gerry Weber, Eugen Klein, etc.

Long black stretch evening dress £205.00 - exclusive to Hula-Bou.

Cashmere mix knits from £40.00 - very suitable for Christmas gifts.

Hula-Bou also stock a wide selection of trouser suits available with option of matching skirt. A very chic black trouser suit with satin trim from Bianca at £199.95 is available with option of matching skirt.

Full length winter coats from Gil Bret start at £124.95 together with a wide selection of jackets from £125.00. Some selected styles of jackets and coats now reduced by 20%.

Mix and match ensembles are always available in Hula-Bou and a visit to this boutique is most definitely recommended.

The Attic Swop Shop.

Situated at Mill Street, this very successful business is run by Marion and Breda. It specialises in next to new Designer wear.

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Black Suede Leather Shoes (Cost £190.00)	£50.00
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Dawson's Menswear.

Something here for the Gentlemen of the area. Freddie Melia is the Proprietor and is on hand to help with any queries.

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		Pullover	£59.95
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As we said at the beginning this is just a sample of whats on offer. So pop in and have a browse, and we are sure you will be able to find something to suit you.

AND THEY SAW A STAR IN THE EAST

Maynooth scientist Prof. Susan McKenna-Lawlor has been credited with the discovery of a new comet. Back in 1985 Prof. McKenna-Lawlor was involved in the launch of the European Space Agency craft called Giotto whose mission was to pass close to Halley's comet as it flew close to the sun in 1986. Later in 1992, the Giotto craft passed close to another comet called Grigg-Skellerup and a data capture device designed by Prof. McKenna-Lawlor sent back a stream of information about this comet.

In the last few months this data has been analysed in detail by the Maynooth professor and she has now come to the conclusion that the Grigg-Skellerup comet is accompanied by another comet. According to the professor it is not uncommon for lumps of material to break off comets and that is the most likely explanation for this new comet which may be three to four times smaller than Grigg-Skellerup. Astronomers will have an opportunity to view the new comet when it passes through our part of the solar system in March 2008.



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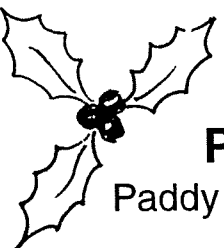
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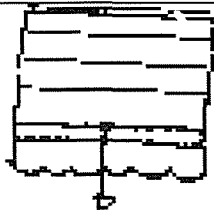
5. Blur got the award for best video - what was the name of the song?

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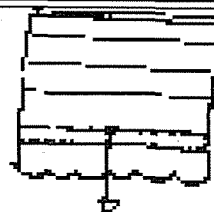
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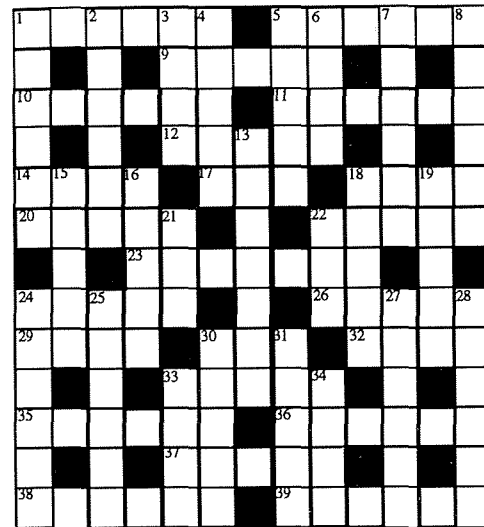




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Crossword No. 143



Entries before Monday 13th December

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

1. Blush (6)
5. Dance (6)
9. Elector (5)
10. Hamper (6)
11. Cut (6)
12. Kingly (5)
14. Aperture (4)
17. Lair (3)
18. Joke (4)
20. Giant (5)
22. Unfortunately (5)
23. Fought (7)
24. Pup (5)
26. Instruct (5)
29. Present (4)
30. Wager (3)
32. Nobleman (4)
33. Ethical (5)
35. Closer (6)
36. Parent (6)
37. Allude (5)
38. Evaded (5)
39. Ordain (6)

Down:

1. Sturdy (6)
2. Tyrant (6)
3. Always (4)
4. Famous (5)

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| 5. Started (5) | 30. Drilled (5) |
| 6. Spoken (4) | 31. Domesticated (5) |
| 7. Resounded (6) | 33. Lake (4) |
| 8. Strangeness (6) | 34. Learning (4) |
| 13. Milder (7) | |
| 15. Supple (5) | |
| 16. List (5) | |
| 18. Exhausted (5) | |
| 19. Loose (5) | |
| 21. Sleep (3) | |
| 22. Fixed (3) | |
| 24. Cried (6) | |
| 25. Mission (6) | |
| 27. Writer (6) | |
| 28. Funeral-car (6) | |

Solution to Crossword No. 142

Across: 1. Marmalade; 9. Devour; 10. Debonair; 11. Valets; 12. Zenith; 14. Brat; 15. Creel; 16. Lethal; 18. Assumed; 21. Veteran; 24. Rotter; 26. Vague; 30. Alto; 31. Atrium; 32. Clumsy; 33. Autobahn; 34. Deadly; 35. Boorishly.

Down: 2. Apexes; 3. Myopic; 4. Loathe; 5. Durable; 6. Senate; 7. Together; 8. Wrestling; 11. Valve; 13. Tram; 17. Barricade; 19. Satsumas; 20. Early; 22. Taut; 23. Avocado; 25. Easels; 27. Garter; 28. Erebus; 29. Bushel.

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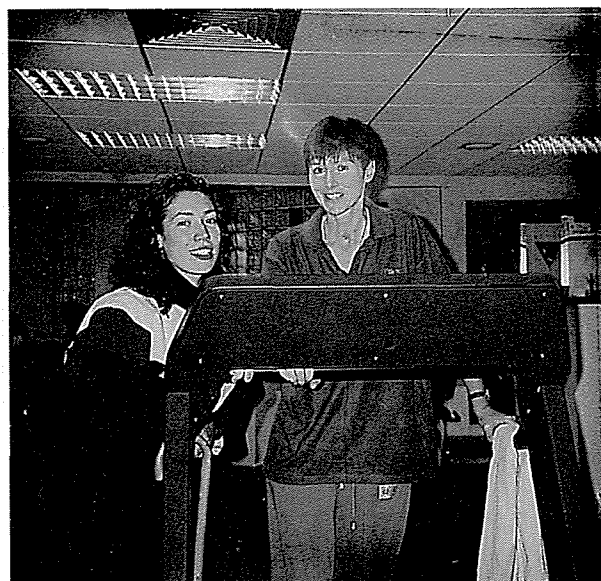
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MIRACLE MILLENNIUM MINI-MARATHON

Young Maynooth woman, Tina Williams, has had an interesting Summer, to say the least!

Tina, who was struck down by an auto-immune disorder leaving her completely care dependant and terminally ill, spent the Summer in St. James's Hospital. She was transferred to Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross because of the hopelessness of her case but miraculously, a gradual return of function occurred. This has motivated Tina and friend Mairéad ó Riordan, chartered Physiotherapist to attempt a 10km walk in aid of the Hospice on New Years Day 2000.



Tina says that the care she received all over was second to none, but that the Hospice was something exceptional. "I was initially frightened at the prospect of being in the Hospice, but their ethos and caring gave my family, friends and self an amazing strength. Although many people die in the Hospice, they are helped to enjoy what remains of their lives with utmost dignity".

Tina is being supported in her training efforts by Tyrone, her husband of fifteen years and four and a half year old daughter Alison. Most of her training is being guided by Mairéad, and Louise Cassidy, Instructor at the Glenroyal Leisure Club. "I'll probably be scooped up off the ground in this attempt but I will give the walk my all - it's a small price to pay for the gift I've been given."

The walk takes place between 12pm and 2pm (ish) on New Year's Day in the Glenroyal Leisure Club. Why don't you come along and support the ladies efforts or pledges can be made at the Glenroyal Leisure Club.



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All competitions were judged under new rules to comply with the terms of the Litter Act 1997. Best Estate competitions were open to all residential areas. The standard was very high with little separating the winners. In fact all the competitions were very difficult to judge this year and much credit is due to the judging panel on their professional approach to this task.

Best Shop Front

1. Langan's Pharmacy
2. Dawsons Menswear

Most Improved Shop Front

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Best Small Estate

1. Parsons Lodge / Woodlands (joint winners)
2. Lyreen Park

Best Large Estate

1. Parklands
2. Rockfield

Most Improved Estate

Carton Court

Many thanks again to our sponsors for these competitions Coonan's Auctioneers and Financial Services and we look forward to working with them next year.

Tidy Towns wish list for 2000

1. More volunteers for practical work and committee work.
2. A low loader to carry our equipment.
3. Community Employment workers to develop our projects.
4. Seven day street cleaning by Kildare County Council.
5. More co-operation projects like the arrangements with the Maynooth Flower and Garden Club and the Schools.
6. More effort by everyone to enhance and maintain their areas.
7. Assistance in our project for the Green Town 2000 Competition.
8. More co-operation with Kildare County Council and local Councillors.
9. Work with other interests in Maynooth to ensure that sufficient resources are secured for maintaining open spaces and parks as well as dealing with the increasing problem of weeds on the approach roads.
10. Raise funds to carry on our work.

Happy Christmas,
Paul Croghan,
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I am in 4th Class and we all got pen pals. Some of us got girls and some got boys. I got a boy called David Starkey. The 6th Class boys are doing the same thing.

Some of us are going to meet in Tara, Co. Meath at the end of November. That should be good fun, we are all looking forward to it.

We will also go to Legamaddy next year and the Legamaddy classes will come to Maynooth. The teachers are going to organise basketball matches and football matches between us.

I will let you know how we get on.

Conor O'Rourke 4th Class

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Maynooth on-line is an interactive Web site for Maynooth. Maynooth on-line was set up to allow the people of Maynooth Access to the Web; the Web site has three sections and more on the way.

- Home Page
- Community Page
- Interactive History Pages

The Home page of www.kildare.ie/maynooth is the start of the experience, this page contains information, about local Business and interesting things about Maynooth. Also the useful links section is handy for going to information about the country and local community.

The Community page is a special page made up for the community of Maynooth. The community page has a Maynooth On-Line message board, Maynooth on-line Chat page, Maynooth on-line Intranet (Username Guest Password Guest). Also with Maynooth On-Line you can log in and check mail with username@maynooth.zzn.com, you can set up as many mail addresses as you want, and log onto them when ever you want.

The Interactive History Page, this is a History page dedicated to the Maynooth Area, with special interest in Carton House, Maynooth Castle, Laraghbryan, Taghadoo etc. Also included is a Timeline section that is link to show you information that you need, not mountains of stuff that you do not need.

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PAPAL MEDAL FOR TOM CORCORAN

On Saturday evening 6th November 1999 Tom Corcoran, who has spent the past 47 years at Maynooth College, was presented with the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* medal for his service to the Church here over many years. Bishop Ray Field led 18 priests in a concelebrated Mass at Maynooth Parish Church. He was assisted by the Parish Priest of Maynooth Monsignor Alex Stenson, the President of St. Patrick's College Monsignor Dermot Farrell, the Parish Priest of Kilskyre and Ballinlough Co. Meath V. Rev. Andy Doyle, the Administrator of Mullingar V. Rev. Sean Henry. Fr. Henry and Tom Corcoran are both natives of Kilskyre. Tom was accompanied at the Mass by Maggie and Terry and by his nephews, nieces and friends.

Tom thanks Bishop Ray Field; Monsignor Stenson and Fr. John Sinnott C.C. Maynooth who organised the beautiful liturgy; the many clergy and people who attended the Mass; Sean Scanlon, Sacristan; the Choir and Folk Group; the Readers and the Altar Servers. He thanks Monsignor Dermot Farrell and those connected with the after Mass reception at the College. The reception was attended by Archbishop Michael Neary of Tuam.

We congratulate Tom and wish him well for the future.



Monsignor Alex Stenson, Tom Corcoran and Bishop Ray Field.

A CHRISTMAS LOGJAM

Get out of town, get out fast
Don't look back until Kilcock is passed
Take a light bearing load
Over the bridge and down the road
Run apace the wild spirits calling,
Away from the tumult of deep darkness falling,
Head to the wastelands, rise up the hills.
Away from the empty spirit that kills.

The jingle bells now have started,
All your riches soon will be parted
You will be fodder to the machine,
Your soul frozen in your being,
Too afraid to give, terrified to receive,
Wishing away the hour, hoping for reprieve,
Yet you will trample the same old streets,
Numbed and cold pale as sheets

Over and over, its jingle bells,
You're torn and tossed in the knells
Jingle off to the bank with haste.
If you don't have this, you are a waste,
Coloured boxes with magnified allure,
Queuing up, feeling weak,
Too worn out to even speak.
Just another Dodo to be shaken down,
Wearing your languid christmas frown,

Drawn into the psychological maze,
The insecurities of childhood to erase,
Looking for perfection, seeking a dream
Stop, Stop, I hear you scream,
No one seems to be in control,
Its not the heart that writes this scroll,
No potion or drink can e'er redeem,
The dulled spirit's listrous beam,

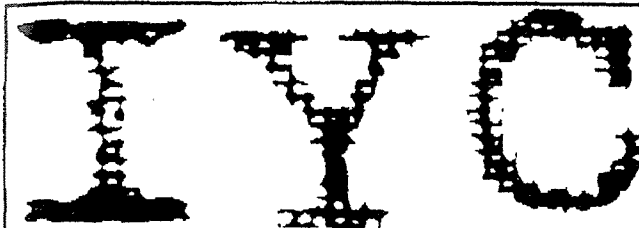
So get away, keep moving fast,
Escape this morbid earthy cast,
Over the ditches and through the fields,
Seek out what the heart appeals,
Coming to a wild lake shore,
You will hear the Great God snore,
Your brow caressed by his breath so soft,
As you gaze up into his starry loft,

You will be led to where you are going
The freedom to the wind, you knowing
Walking across white marbled ice,
On bright plains you can rejoice,
Raised above all earthly feeling,
Your heart in high extacy reeling,
To rest upon a sheltered stone,
Feeling flesh and feeling bone.

Where did we all go wrong
Away from Bethlehem so long,
Even the sea cannot protect
The worst of the world we select,
We must have a celebration, comfort niches,
You'll hear all the usual cliches,
The golden tiger they adore,
They blare its praises from shore to shore.

The rush goes on 'til the highway is empty,
A silence descends, mystical and tempty,
The shelves are laden, the presses full,
The excitement simmers, tiredly you mull,
For what and why all this mayhem,
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We have no time to think or pray,
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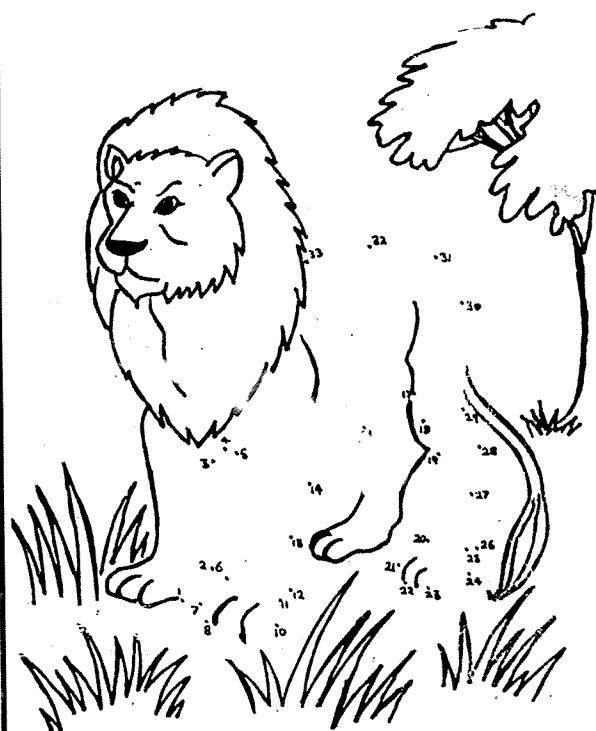
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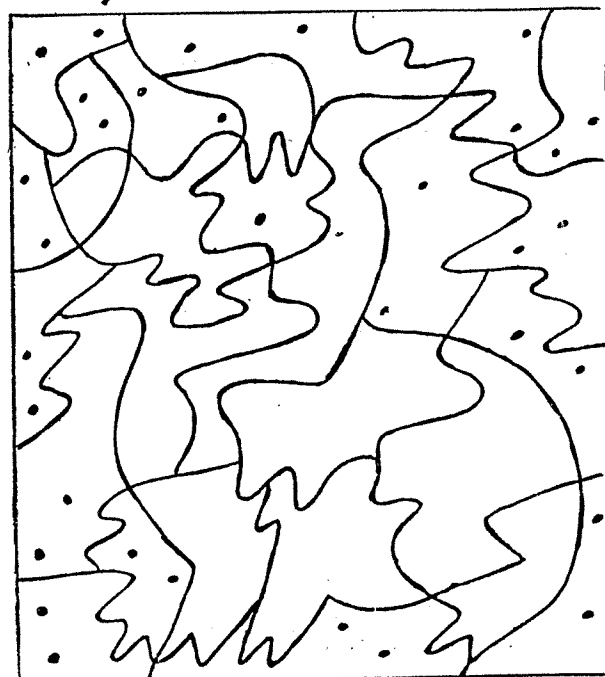


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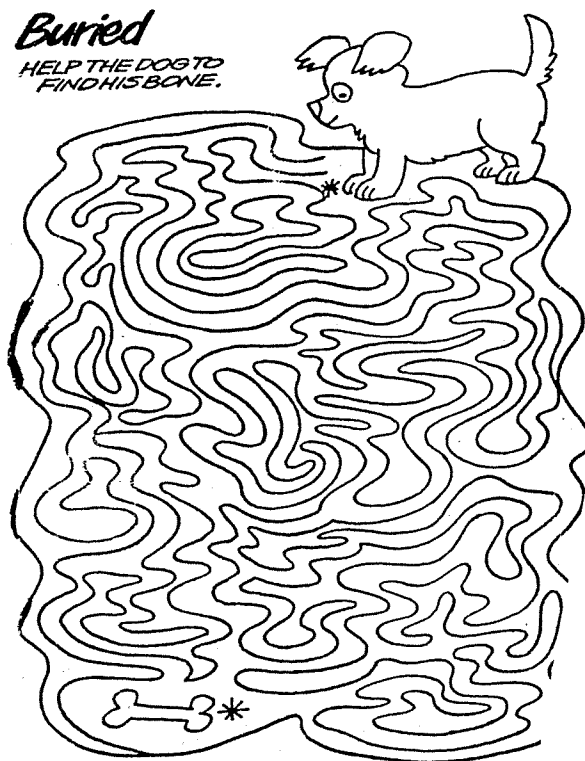
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2nd
Robert Moore
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3rd
Katie Lynam
142 Kingsbry
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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Laurence Avenue Fence:

The new fence has been erected as a result of deputy Emmett Stagg's success in securing half the funding from Bord Gais and Cllr. John McGinley getting agreement from Kildare County Council to cover the other half of the cost. Apart from the safety aspect the new fence greatly enhances the area and much credit is due to the Residents Association for their determination in pursuing the completion of the project.

Footpath Improvements:

As a result of Cllr. McGinley's motion the footpaths in the 700's in Old Greenfield have been refurbished. The Area Engineer has advised Cllr. McGinley that the following footpaths will be done before the end of the year.

- O'Neill Park
- Bond Bridge to Parson Street
- Bottom of Greenfield Lane
- Kilcock Road

Bond-Bridge/Meadowbrook Link:

At the Council Meeting on the 18th October Cllr. John McGinley proposed that the design for the new bridge should allow the construction of the bridge without closing the existing bridge. This was agreed. The Consultants are presently examining the possibility of providing a cycle link from Parson Street/Main Street to Meadowbrook Lawns. (It has already been agreed that there would be cycle paths on the new Bond Bridge). The Consultants have advised that this will mean widening Parson Street on the west side, at least for a distance of 60m from the entrance to Parsons Court. They are considering two options (a) to fully or partially culvert the stream or to reduce the width of the stream (depending on Hydraulics). The widening of the road at this location would provide improved facilities for pedestrians/cyclists and improve sight visibility at the exit from Parsons Court. If a culvert was provided the possibility of providing a pedestrian and cyclist access to the College grounds could be considered at this location. As the bulk of the cyclist/pedestrian traffic in this area is generated by the College, this would result in a substantial reduction in the demand for improved cycle facilities over the remainder of Parson Street. The Consultants will investigate this proposal and provide an estimate of construction costs. Cllr. McGinley has also asked the Council to engage the same Consultant for the Meadowbrook Link and to include the Link as part of the Bond Bridge Project.

Newtown/Rathcoffey Road:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to speed up the erection of public lighting and the laying of footpaths from the motorway bridge inwards. Residents have already paid for this work through development levies when they bought their houses. Cllr. McGinley has also asked that the realignment of this road be undertaken as early as possible.

Geraldine Hall/Harbour Field:

Council Officials gave a progress report to the Area Meeting of the Council on November 5th. There has been very

positive meetings with the Maynooth Development Association and all of the Councillors gave their full support and recommended to the County Manager that he should act on the proposals.

Estates Taken in Charge:

Following a three months display period of their intentions the Council agreed at its meeting on 18th October to take Kingsbry, Rockfield and Newtown Court in charge. Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to appoint a contractor to carry out the outstanding work in the case of Kingsbry.

Traffic Lights at Motorway exit on Straffan Road:

Cllr. McGinley got the following reply to his motion to install these traffic lights without any further delay: 'The Council has engaged consultants to investigate the provision of temporary traffic signals at the above location. Surveys have been undertaken in order to establish traffic flows. It is expected that the consultants will provide a preliminary report shortly. This will enable the council to establish if a warrant has been established for provision of signals and will form the basis of an application to the National Roads Authority for funding in 2000'.

Blocked Shore at Entrance to Woodlands Estate:

Cllr. John McGinley has again asked the Area Engineer to unblock this shore as it is causing flooding every time it rains.

Blocked Shore opposite the Mill:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Area Engineer to unblock this shore as it is causing serious flooding and is resulting in pedestrians being soaked by uncaring motorists.

Damaged Footpath at No. 30 Maynooth Park:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to carry out repairs to the footpath here as it is a hazard for pedestrians.

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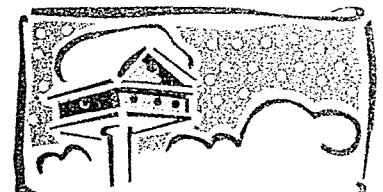


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REVIEW OF MAYNOOTH G.A.A. YEAR 1999

As yet another year slowly but surely fades into the horizon, Brendan Coffey reflects on the year that was 1999.

January: As the New Year is heralded in, Maynooth has its own quiet celebration with the announcement that Davy Dalton is to take charge of the Senior Football team.

February: Training begins in earnest for the Hurling and Football teams as John Campbell is drafted in to shed the points gained over the Christmas period.

March: The League Competition commences for both codes, with the footballers in Division 2 and the hurlers in Division 1. While the footballers get off to a flying start, the hurlers find the going tough as they mix it with the big boys of Division 1.

April: As Kildare's renaissance comes to an end with a first round defeat by Offaly, the days lengthen and finally the hard running is over. Fixtures are found out for the Club Championship and immediately Diggins and Dalton set about plotting the downfall of first round opponents Castlemitchell and Athy.

May: Behind the shadows of the hurling and football teams Championship preparations the Clubs Junior Camogie team start out in the League with a hundred percent record in the first three matches which sets the tone for the rest of the season to come.

June: A major scare from Athy in the first round of the Championship brings the hurlers back to earth with a bump, but they make amends in the replay. Meanwhile the footballers easily dispose of a very poor Castlemitchell side in their opening game.

July: The month of July belongs to the Camogie Team as Tom Coffey guides his charges to a League and Championship double. Elsewhere both the Under 16 Hurlers and Footballers suffer narrow Championship defeats to Coill Dubh and Celbridge.

August: Both the hurlers and footballers book Final dates with convincing Semi-Final victories. As the month draws to a close the Hurling Final takes place with a Stephen Brennan inspired win to seal the first part of a possible double.

September: The Intermediate footballers take to St. Conleth's Park in Newbridge not once but twice as St. Kevin's force a draw in the first encounter. However the replay seals the second part of the double as Maynooth improve their performance and win by a two point margin. Meanwhile at the Minor grade both codes suffer disappointing defeats to Clane (Hurling) and Naas (Football).

October: Tom Coffey and his Camogie team are back on the scene again as the Under 21 team come through two tough matches (Clane and Sarsfields) to reach the

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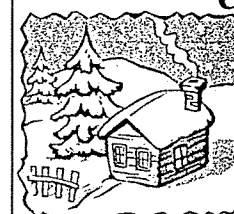


Maynooth Junior Camogie Team League and Championship Winners for 1999.

Back row from left: Teresa Hession, Roisin Lillis, Christine Flannery, Michelle Gillick, Sandra Gillick, Clare McCarrick, Naomi Devereux, Niamh Mulready, Margaret Farrell, Lynn Brennan, Tom Coffey, Pauline Barrett.
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REVIEW OF MAYNOOTH G.A.A. YEAR 1999 (Cont.)

Championship Final. This month also marks a proud moment for the Club as Emma Fahy is named Camogie Player of the Year by the County Board. In the Under 21 Football Championship Maynooth reach the semi-final where they are pitted against Rheban.

November: The only blemish on the Camogie calendar comes in the Under 21 Final when Cappagh dispose of Maynooth in a thrilling contest. The Under 21 footballers put up a brave fight against Rheban to force a replay. However that game proves to be one too far for this team and suffer defeat on a scoreline of 0-10 to 0-9.

December: A tremendous season for the Crom Abu ended on a high note when the Club is named 'Club of the Year' for Kildare. An award richly deserved by the Club after the last year of the Millenium marks a historic moment in the Club's history.



Maynooth Camogie Player of the Year, Emma Fahy.

1999 was a year in which success permeated Maynooth in three codes, Football, Hurling and the Junior Camogie team who achieved dual success in capturing both the League and Championship. One of the players to play a pivotal role in this success was Emma Fahy. Her consistent high quality performances during the year were recognised by the Camogie County Board and she was selected as Camogie Player of the Year in Kildare. Truly a great honour for the Club but richly deserved by the lass from Kilcloon whose skill, temperament, tenacity and determination marked her out as a player of true quality.

To honour the success of Maynooth Gaelic footballers in 1999 a special presentation will take place in the Clubhouse on Saturday 4th December. In addition the Football Team of 1965 who won the Intermediate Championship, having defeated Castlemitchell will be honoured.

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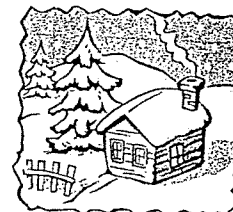
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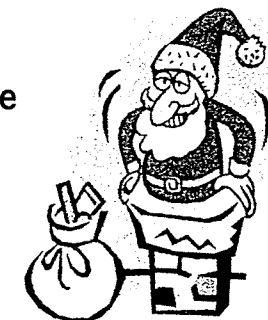
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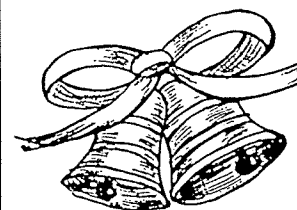
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G.A.A. NOTES

Under 21 Camogie Championship Maynooth 3-1 Clane 1-1

Maynooth advanced to the semi-final of the Under 21 Camogie Championship with a hard earned victory over Clane, played at Rathcoffey on Sunday, 31st October 1999. The gale force wind, which blew across the pitch made conditions very difficult, but to their credit both teams served up a very entertaining contest for their respective supporters. Both defences dominated in the early stages, but gradually, Maynooth began to assert supremacy with midfielders Rachel Agnew and Michelle Gillick ensuring a plentiful supply of the sliothar to their forward line. The first score fell to Maynooth in the tenth minute when full forward Nicola Walsh struck the ball to the net after fine team-work involving Anne Comerford and Naoimi Devereux. Clane tried hard to reduce the deficit but the Maynooth defence especially the half back line of Niamh Mulready, Emma Fahy and Ann Marie Farrell were in uncompromising mood and thwarted attack after attack. Emma Fahy increased the winners lead in the seventeenth minute with a superb point from a forty-five metre free. Clane finished the first half the stronger but were unable to raise a white or green flag, leaving the half time score: Maynooth 1-1; Clane 0-0.

The second half was barely two minutes old when a delivery from Rachel Agnew fell to Bríd Ann O'Shea who passed inside to Naoimi Devereux and her first time ground stroke beat the Clane goalkeeper and ended up in the net. Clane opened their account six minutes later with a point from play. Maynooth conceded a goal in the thirteenth minute when the Clane right corner forward got inside the Maynooth full back line and struck an unstoppable shot to the net to leave just a goal between the sides. The game was fought at a frantic pace for the remainder of the game and the Maynooth rearguard were put under intense pressure but they held firm and not with a little help from netminder Geraldine Fahy who brought off a number of fine saves. Two minutes from full time Michelle Gillick won possession in midfield soloed to the thirty and struck a shot which looked to be going over the bar but to the delight of the Maynooth followers it crept into the net to clinch victory. This was a stern test for Maynooth and Clane are to be complimented on their fine performance.

Best for Maynooth were: Ger Fahy, Catherine Duff, Emma Fahy, Ann Marie Farrell, Rachel Agnew, Michelle Gillick, Anne Comerford, Bríd Ann O'Shea and Naoimi Devereux.
Teams and Scores: Geraldine Fahy, Cheryl Naughton, Claire McCarrick, Catherine Duff, Niamh Mulready, Emma Fahy (0-1), Ann Marie Farrell, Rachel Agnew, Michelle Gillick (1-0), Ciara O'Neill, Ann Comerford, Sharon Cummins. Bríd Ann O'Shea, Nicola Walsh (1-0), Niamh Devereux (1-0).
Subs: Margaret Callaghan for Bríd Ann O'Shea, Gillian O'Hurley for Sharon Cummins, Pamela Fahy (not used).

Under 21 Camogie Championship Semi-Final Maynooth 3-1 Sarsfields 2-2

In one of their most impressive displays to date, Maynooth defeated pre-match favourites Sarsfields, played at Moorefield on the 7th November 1999. This was a match that had everything in terms of five superb goals, striking of the highest quality and tremendous ground hurling from two highly motivated teams. Sarsfields were the more skilful, but the winners never allowed their opponents to dictate matters and gave them little or no room to express their camogie prowess. The foundation for Maynooth's victory was laid at midfield where Michelle Gillick controlled matters for most of the game and was ably assisted by Rachel Agnew until injury forced her retirement in the second half. Sarsfields had the greater attacking flair in the first half and yet entered the first half interlude with a slender one point lead on a scoreline of 1-1: to 1-0, with Maynooth's goal coming from a rejuvenated Naoimi Devereux who gave her marker a torrid time for the entire game.

The second half surpassed the first as regards excitement and entertainment value. Naoimi Devereux levelled matters five minutes into the second half and the same player took advantage of some sloppy defensive play to score her second goal a few minutes later after some good approach work by Nicola Walsh and Ann Comerford. The teams were on level terms again midway through the second half when Sarsfields were awarded a free some fifty yards from the Maynooth goal. The sliotar dropped short but the Sarsfields full forward was the quickest to react and found the net with a superb shot. The decisive score of the game came in the

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G.A.A. NOTES (Cont.)

sixteenth minute when Maynooth substitutes Bríd Ann O'Shea won possession on the half way line and split the Sarsfield defence with a diagonal pass to Nicola Walsh. The impressive full forward got inside her marker and flicked the sliotar into the path of Naoimi Devereux and her sheer persistence and strength forced the ball over the goal line. Sarsfield laid siege to the Maynooth goal for the remaining minutes but their only reward was a point from play three minutes from full time. Maynooth truly deserved victory and their resilience in defence was a marked feature of their second half performance.

Team and Scores: Geraldine Fahy, Cheryl Naughton, Catherine Duff, Lynn Brennan, Niamh Mulready, Emma Fahy, Ann Marie Farrell, Rachel Agnew, Michelle Gillick, Sharon Cummins, Ann Comerford, Ciara O'Neill, Margaret Callaghan, Nicola Walsh, Naoimi Devereux (3-1)
Subs: Bríd Ann O'Shea for Rachel Agnew (injured), Pamela Fahy and Claire McCarrick (not used).

Tom Coffey,, Joint P.R.O.

Under 15 League, North Division Kildare Maynooth 1-8 Confey 2-5

A last minute free earned Confey a draw at Cope Bridge on Saturday (13th) last, as Brendan Coffey Reports.

Maynooth came away from Confey knowing Victory had been squandered when they were five points ahead with ten minutes remaining. It was a game not for the faint hearted as both sides produced a contest, always on the verge of boiling point. In the midst of a constant drizzle, they played some lovely attacking football and both sets of forwards showed a keen eye for goal. The first half took a few minutes to kick-start itself but once in gear the football was played at a steady pace with Maynooth going into a two point lead midway through the half. The wet conditions did nothing to enhance the standard of football and handling was a major problem for both teams. Maynooth were the dominant team in this half and Confey could count themselves lucky to be only a point in arrears at the interval after they scored a scrambled goal against the run of play.

The second half was played at a much higher tempo and both teams matched each other in every department. Maynooth were the team to take a tight rein on the match when David Redmond found the net midway through the second half. This put a spring in the step of Maynooth and

added two further points from the boot of Alan Sweeney, both frees. A five point advantage seemed to have Maynooth out of sight, but a fortuitous goal put Confey right back in it with eight minutes left on the clock. Both teams looked weary at this stage, but the second ? Confey goal seemed to give the home team a new lease of life and two points in quick succession brought them level. Once again however Maynooth took the lead with a Gary McMahon point. Into injury time Confey levelled the match with a pointed free from Robbie McMahon after a foul on himself.

Maynooth Team and Scores: Padraig Brady, Brian Downes, Fergus Devereux, Stephen Curran, David Comerford, Colin O'Neill, Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney (0-2), Tadhg O'Corcaire, Fintan O'Donoghue (0-1), Ciaran McCullagh (0-1), D.J. Canning (0-1), Brian Downey (0-1), Gary McMahon (0-2), David Redmond (1-0).

Under 13's Finish Season on Winning Note

Maynooth's Under 13 Footballers finished joint top of their Autumn League when they defeated Straffan and Naas respectively over the past few weeks.

November 7th - Maynooth 11-13 Straffan 9-3

Team and Scorers: A. Corkery, D. Gahan (0-1), N. Corcoran, R. Leonard, A. Gunne, D. Baxter, M. Hoare, L. Daly, S. Kane (1-4), D. Bambrick (2-1), M. Cummins (4-2), B. O'Malley (1-1), D. O'Neill, S. McAllister (5-4), B. Cosgrove.
Subs: D. O'Hare, E. Cooney, P. Lawlor, M. Sydney, M. Furey.

November 14th - Maynooth 9-7 Naas 5-5

Team and Scorers: D. Baxter, D. Gahan, S. Kennedy, R. Leonard, A. Gunne, K. Comerford, M. Hoare, S. Kane (1-2), L. Daly, D. Bambrick (0-1), M. Cummins (2-1), B. O'Malley (1-1), D. O'Neill (2-0), S. McAllister (3-2), A. Higgins.
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The Club wishes the panel well next year in the Under 14 League.

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D.D.S.L. Under 13A

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Shelbourne F.C. were the visitors to the North Kildare Club on a wet Saturday afternoon. A heavy pitch made it tough going for both sides and it was the fitter Shels side that came out on top. Maynooth started brightly enough and took the lead in the 23rd minute when David Canny's cross was blasted home by Luke Daly. The home side could have been two up at the break but Sean McAllister's free kick shaved off the upright. Maynooth had not allowed the visitors to settle and were good value for their half-time lead. Shels started the second half well and after only four minutes a beautifully flighted cross was met with a powerful header that gave home keeper Sean Kennedy no chance. As the Town began to tire on the sticky surface the visitors added two more before the end to keep their unbeaten record intact.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Niall Doogan, Jason Moen, Mark Sidney and David Canny.

Maynooth Town 6 Whitestown United 1

D.D.S.L. Under 17A

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A strong crosswind made conditions far from ideal for this Under 17's clash at the Dublin Road. The home side struck first after five minutes when Trevor McMahon slotted home a Stephen Dunk cross. Maynooth totally dominated the first half and should have put the game beyond the visitors but poor finishing saw the single goal separate the sides at the break. Whitestown started the second period the stronger and levelled the match just three minutes after the restart as Maynooth failed to clear from a corner. This seemed to inspire the visitors and the Town's rear guard of Kelly, O'Brien, Healy and Conway had to be at their best to keep them at bay. In the sixtieth minute a through ball from McMahon was finished off by Robert Stanley to put Maynooth back on top. Goals from Keith Halligan, Martin Conway (penalty) and a brace from Jonathan Leddy saw Maynooth run out easy winners in the end.

Maynooth from: Stephen Kelly, Keith Halligan, Colin Daly, Noel Healy, Dean Conway, Shane Folan, Robert Stanley, Jonathon Leddy, Trevor McMahon, Daniel Corbett, Stephen Dunk, Martin Conway, Bobby Kelly and David O'Brien.

Manortown United 3 Maynooth Town 4

D.D.S.L. Under 15A

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Maynooth were all but dead and buried in the Under 15's clash away to Manortown. With just seven minutes left on the watch the Town were 3-1 down and reduced to ten men following the earlier departure of Paddy Behan. In a frantic last few minutes Garry McMahon added three more to his earlier strike to make for an amazing turnaround to see Maynooth steal the three points. The home leg of this highly entertaining and at times ill-tempered clash will be one worth seeing.

Maynooth Town 6 Crumlin United 0

D.D.S.L. Under 8B

Some of Maynooth's youngest talent took to the Harbour Field for this home tie against Crumlin United. The home side managed to score just one in the first half courtesy of Shane Hawthorne but the floodgates opened in the second period. Michael Fahy added four more before Gavin Doyle rounded it off to the even half dozen before the final whistle. A good all round performance by Maynooth who always dominated and ran out easy winners in the end.

Maynooth from: Eoghan McNutt, David Thompson, Gavin Doyle, Ross McDonnell, Leo Cooney, John Daly, David Bradley, Ailbhe Flynn, Darren Reilly, Michael Fahy, Shane Hawthorne, Sean Dempsey and David Burgess.

St. Francis 7 Maynooth Town 2

D.D.S.L. Under 8B1

Despite an evenly balanced first half Maynooth found themselves trailing 3-0 at the interval against this talented Clondalkin side. The half-time honours could well have been even but the woodwork denied the visitors on several occasions. Maynooth stuck to their task with great determination throughout the second period and goals from Conor Glynn and Andrew Foxe were but consolations against the stronger home side.

Maynooth from: David Murray, Christopher Hobbs, Paul Carey, Sean Foxe, Dean McAvinue, Conor Glynn, Andrew Foxe, Paul Robinson, Sean Tracey, Colm O'Neill, Kevin Gildea, Ciaran Kearney and Martin O'Connor.

Maynooth Town 3 Manortown United 1

D.D.S.L. Under 13A

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Maynooth Town's under 13A side got their first victory of the season in one of the few games to survive the mid-week downpour at the North Kildare Club. The home side have struggled to find their form to date but Manortown were to learn just how capable this side are when they start to compete in the middle of the park. Maynooth were in front as early as the fifth minute when Brian O'Malley blasted home from close range following a superb through ball from Sean McAllister. O'Malley added a second before the break when he nearly side-footed past the advancing Manortown goalkeeper after some good individual skill to make his own opening. The Town sat back on their lead after the restart and paid the price as United got one back half way through the second period. This only seemed to re-awaken the home side who began to dominate again and the rear guard of Cian Walsh, Sean McAllister, Mark Cummins and Gavin O'Connor firmly shut the door on any further come-back. The Town wrapped it up with what will be a contender for goal of the season when Declan Bambrick struck a power packed half volley from twenty yards to give the visiting keeper no chance.

Best for Maynooth were: Brian O'Malley, Declan Bambrick and Kevin Comerford who dominated the mid-field for most of the match and never really allowed Manortown to mount a serious threat.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Niall Doogan, David Canny, Shaun Doogan, David Baxter, Jason Moen, Ronan Phelan and Conor O'Regan.

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**Kilnamanagh 2 Maynooth Town 7
D.D.S.L. Under 8B1**

Maynooth's youngest lions overwhelmed Kilnamanagh at the Ring Road in the Under 8B1 clash. A performance of great skill and determination saw the Town totally dominate the first half. Goals from Conor Glynn, John Comerford, Dean McAvinue and a brace from Sean Foxe saw the visitors with a healthy 5-0 lead at the break. Maynooth continued to dominate in the second half with further goals from Andy Foxe and a second from Conor Glynn completed Maynooth's tally. A slightly one sided affair but a gallant home side never dropped their heads and got two consolation goals before the final whistle. An excellent display from Maynooth's youngest stars some of who have yet to celebrate their seventh birthday.

Maynooth from: James Walsh, David Murray, Christopher Hobbs, John Comerford, Paul Carey, Sean Foxe, Dean McAvinue, Conor Glynn, Andy Foxe, Sean Tracey, Colm O'Neill, Kevin Gildea, Ciaran Kearney and Martin O'Connor.

D.D.S.L. Under 10C**Maynooth Town 3 Mount Merrion 2**

Following a good recent run including victories over Crumlin and Raheny, Maynooth took the game to Mount Merrion from the start. Maynooth took an early lead and deservedly went two up just before half-time with both goals coming from Sean Durcan. Garret Dooley was superb in goals and the defence of Harrison Silke, Cormac O'Reilly and Thomas Donnelly worked hard and closed Mount Merrion down whenever they tried to attack. Christopher Moynan and Sean Durcan in midfield got forward at every opportunity and Ronan Kelly was very effective up front and unlucky not to score.

The second half was more even but a superb third goal from the edge of the box by Sean Durcan put Maynooth three up and the game was effectively over. By this stage Carl O'Sullivan was up-front and Eimear Flynn was working hard in midfield with Michael McCarthy and Connor O'Rourke. Ciaran Dooley came into defence for Maynooth and covered well. Slightly against the run of play Mount Merrion scored twice in the last eight minutes but the result was never in any real doubt and Maynooth held on for a deserved victory against a team in contention for the divisional title. Squad members missing on the day were Alex Cash and Sean Murray who had both played very well in the victory the previous week against Raheny.

Finance Working Group

The finance working group set up at this years A.G.M. has reported back to the Committee of Maynooth Town Football Club. The group's first task was to look at the Club's weekly Lotto which provides the finances for the day to day running costs of our 17 teams. Although the Lotto has served the Club well in the past, with the growth we have experienced in recent years, there was an urgent need to expand the sales base to meet the needs of the twenty plus teams we expect to have to support in the next two to three years. The following recommendations were adopted and will be put in place early in the New Year.

- The jackpot will be a minimum of £500 and increase to a maximum of £3000.
- The weekly add-on will increase from £25 to £50 if there is no jackpot winner.
- The weekly 5 x £10 name only draw will increase to 3 x £25 prizes.
- In order to finance the increase in prize money the format will change to 4 from 28 numbers.
- The Club will also introduce 'AUTO-LOTTO' which will allow supporters to pay by direct debit from their bank account.

'AUTO LOTTO' is designed to give people who wish to support the Club, but are not currently getting the chance to buy tickets on a regular basis, the chance to play our lotto regularly. The club will continue to sell tickets over the weekend and the draw will continue to take place as usual on Sunday nights. Anyone requiring any further information on 'AUTO-LOTTO' should contact any of our team managers, any member of the committee or phone John Doogan on 6289720. The club would like to take this opportunity to thank all our supporters over the past year and wish a Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year to one and all.

**TEAM MANAGERS WHO WISH
TO HAVE MATCH REPORTS
INCLUDED IN THE
NEWSLETTER SHOULD
CONTACT: JOHN DOOGAN.**

MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB WEEKLY LOTTO DRAW RESULTS

24th Oct. 99	2, 22, 26	£575	Imelda Farrelly	Michelle Lynam	Eddie Tracey	Chloe Conway	Pixie Leavy
31st Oct. 99	5,6,9	£600	Chris Gallagher	Ollie Geoghegan	Seamus Ryan	Shot Flanagan	Kevin McGuinness
7th Nov. 99	1,28,29	£625	Mick Hyland	Noleen Byrne	John Daly	Siobhan O'Neill	Berso'
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS DRAW STARTS THIS WEEK				TURKEY	HAM	BT. WHISKEY	
15th Nov. 99	1,7,30	£650		Mick Fanning	Isobel Walsh	Johnny Thompson	

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I wish to thank the Blessed Virgin for favours received over the years.

T.M. Maynooth.

Birthday Wishes

Happy 5th Birthday to Darrielle Conlan on the 13th December. Lot's of love from Mammy, Natasha, Niamh, Shannon, Ronan, Nanny and Grandad.

Happy 3rd Birthday to Shannon Holland on the 22nd December.

Lots of love from Mammy, Sinead, Natasha, Darrielle, Ronan, Nanny and Grandad.

Happy Belated Birthday to Lauren Edwards whose birthday was on the 19th November. Lots of love from Nanny, Grandad, Sandra, Darren and Elaine.

Vacancies

Required - Mature person to do light housework in the Moyglare area.
Please contact Cathleen after 7p.m. at 01-6291613.

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Mon.-Fri.: 4-5 hours daily
Phone: 01-6289022

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Telephone: 6212959

Sympathy

Walsh: (Sliabh a Nóra, Leinster Park, Maynooth and late of Sligo) Oct. 27th 1999 unexpectedly at James Connolly Memorial Hospital, Blanchardstown, Hugh, beloved husband of Nuaia and dear father of Nuala, Michael, Patricia, Regina, Paul, Gemma the late Mary C. and the late Geraldine (Doyle), deeply regretted by his loving family, brother, sisters, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nephews, nieces relatives and many friends.

Moore: (Three Oaks, Cormickstown, Maynooth and formerly of Walkinstown) Oct 25th 1999 (suddenly) at his residence, James, beloved husband of Elizabeth and dear father of Geraldine, Aidan and Niall, deeply regretted by his loving family, brothers, sisters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law grandchildren, relatives and friends.

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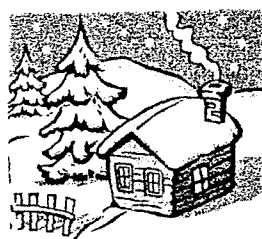
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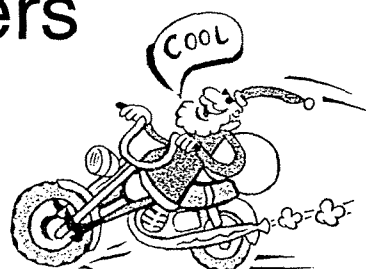


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