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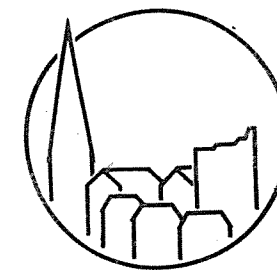
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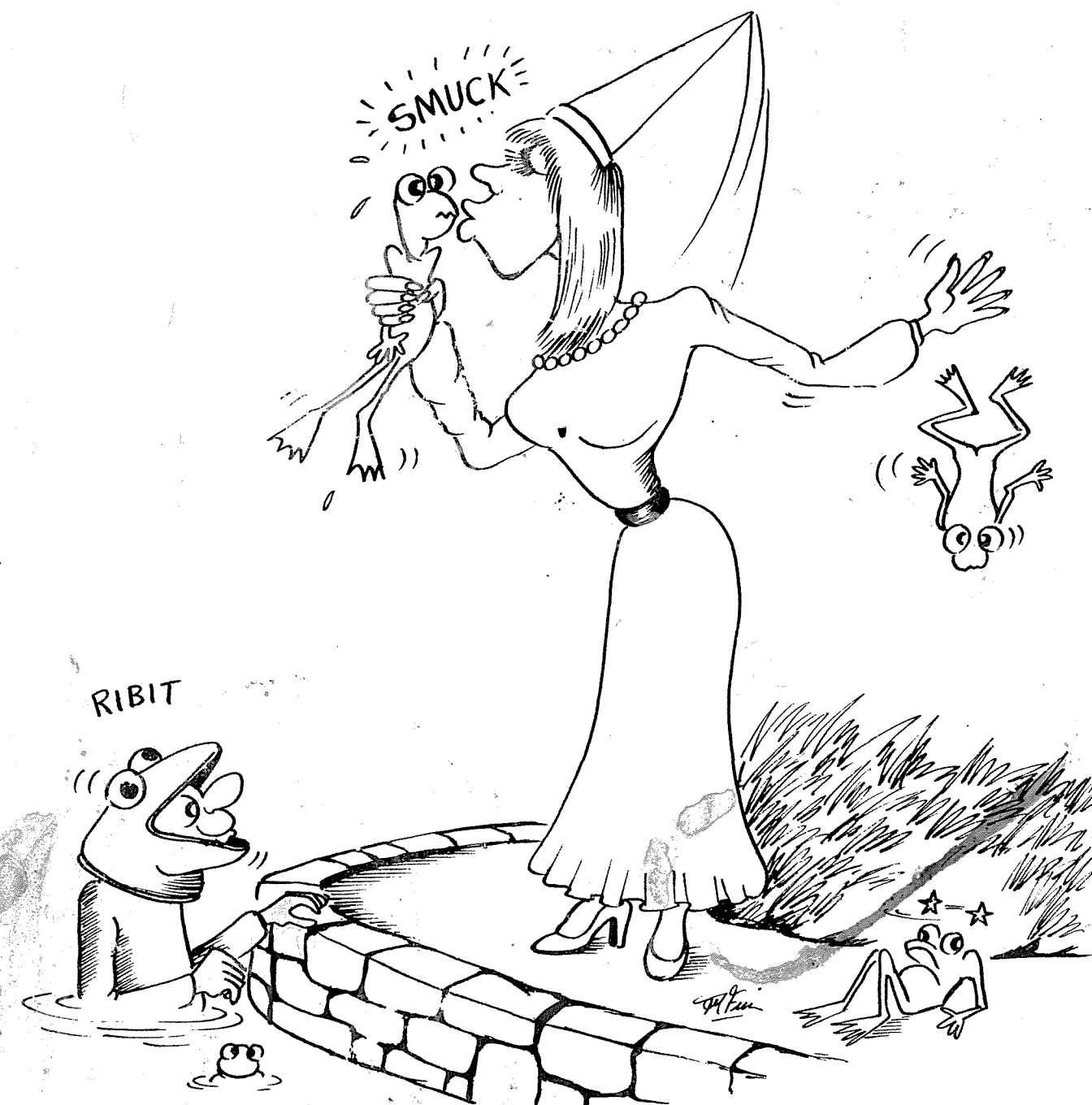
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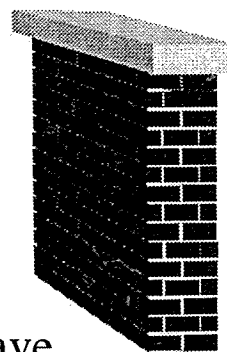
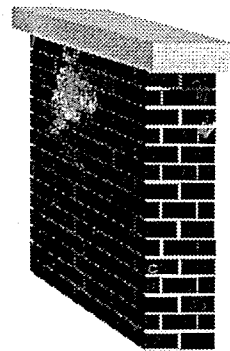
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### EDITORIAL

#### 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, 19th February

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## Community Council Notes

### 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.

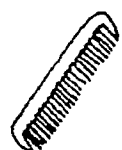
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## COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

### 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  
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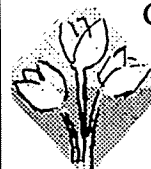
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# Community Council Notes

## 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.

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

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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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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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# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## 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  
Moirá 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.

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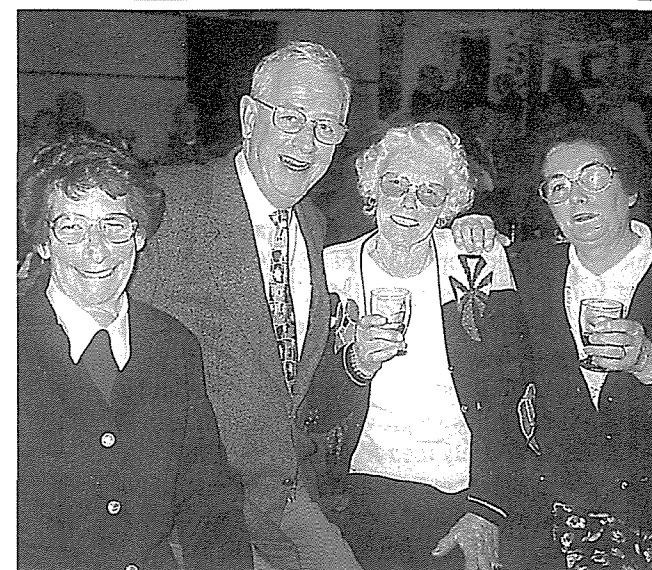
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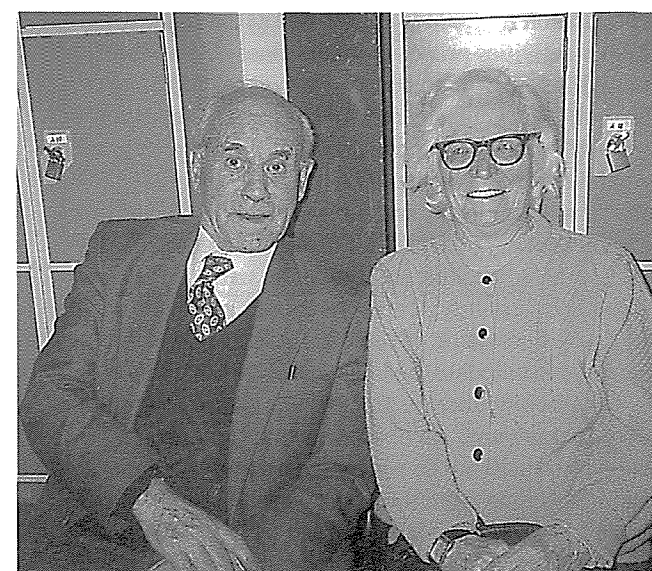
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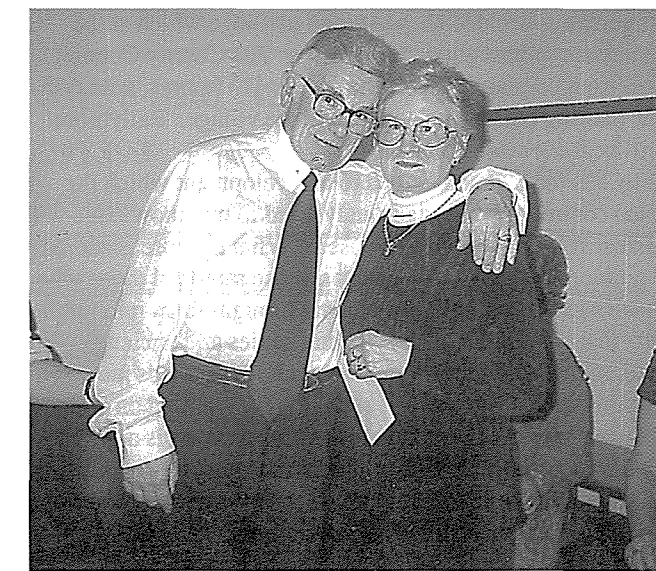
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*1st in Waltzing Competition  
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*2nd in Waltzing Competition  
Patsy Rafferty & Mary Deane*



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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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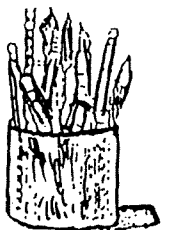
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### MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

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### MAYNOOTH PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

Our weekly sessions are up and running again at the M.A.D.E. Centre, just beside the Post-Primary School on the Moyglare Road. Our premises have been recently repainted and generally revamped, which has created a very pleasant environment for our playgroup.

So, if you're new to the area, call in to us. We meet every Thursday morning, 10.00-12.00.

Enquiries to Bronwyn @ 6289405

### MAYNOOTH ANGLING CLUB

With Christmas behind us and the evenings growing longer, it's time to get those rods back in the water! The scheme to put down proper angling pegs is well under way with approx. 18 pegs completed at the moment. Fish stocks are quite low at the moment and we are in contact with the Central Fisheries regarding re-stocking. Also the canal will be dredged in the near future to facilitate the upcoming Boat Rally. This will enable the fish to find deeper water which in turn generates more oxygen meaning healthier, bigger fish!

At the moment our membership stands at 24 including junior and senior so don't be shy and join the biggest participating sport in Europe. Results of our inaugural competition in next issue.

Michael O'Sullivan,  
Secretary.

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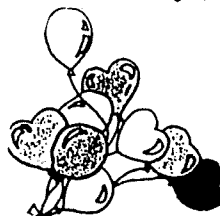
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The Newsletter are bringing new Competitions on stream over the next few months and we hope you like our Competitions this month. We would like to thank our sponsors who were so kind to donate prizes for them. At this point we would especially thank 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.

This month also sees a new Competition starting. It is aimed at 10-15 year olds and Super Valu have kindly sponsored it. So get cracking, if you're not in you can't win.

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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.

Mary McGinley  
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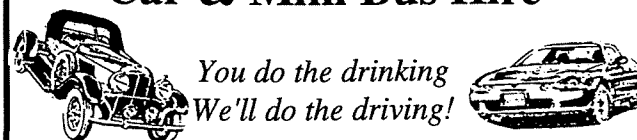
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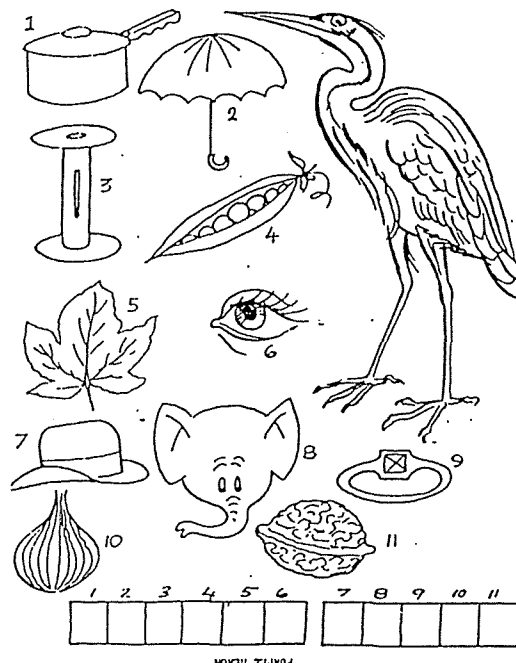
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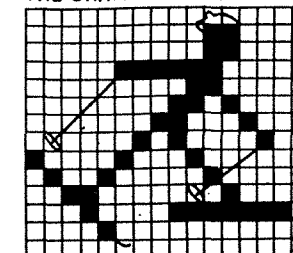
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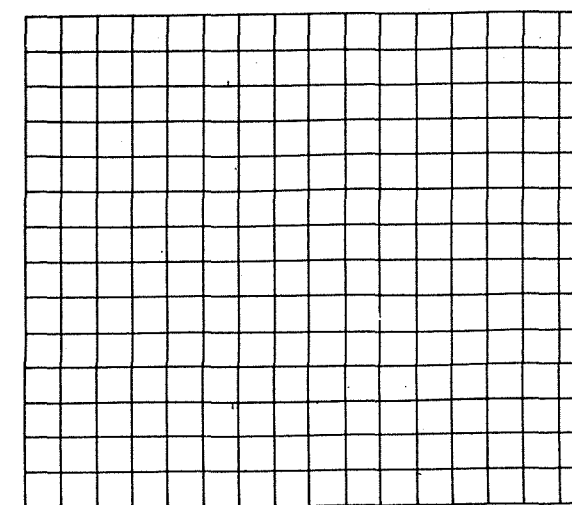
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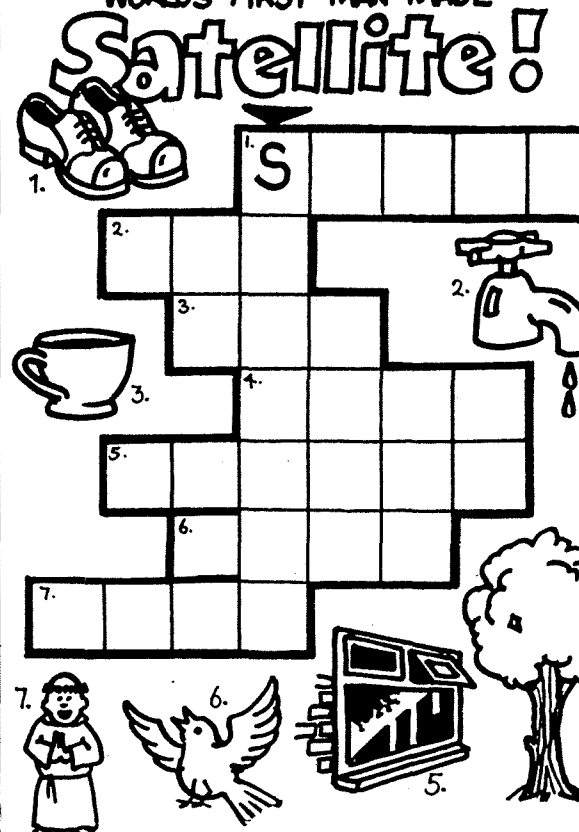


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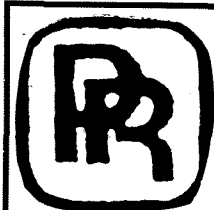
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The disposal of this waste is a real headache. The recent Thornton saga is just the tip of the iceberg. If we burn it, because of the huge volume, the smoke emitting from the incinerator would be such that if it was constantly burning near Maynooth, 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.

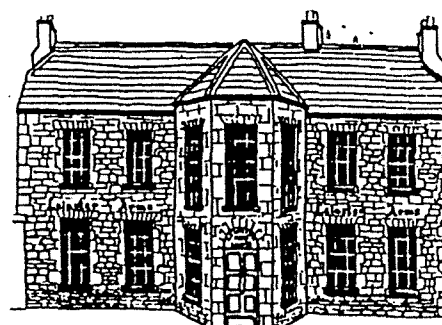
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### CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS IN MAYNOOTH.

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 3<sup>rd</sup> to Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

Both cast and staff are currently rehearsing furiously for the show, tickets for which may be bought from the school from January 25th or alternatively at the door. However advanced purchase is advised to avoid disappointment. For further information please contact Mary Murphy ph. 6286060

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# Features

## 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.

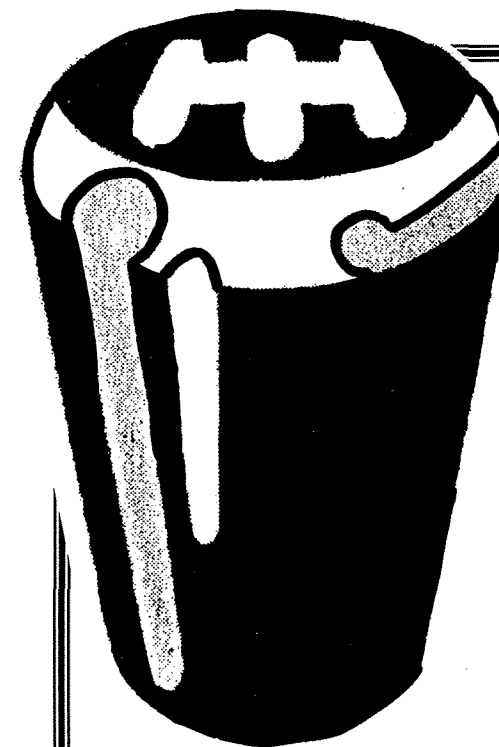
The sensorial materials also help to prepare the children for reading and writing. For instance the knobbed cylinders and design insets which are held by knobs between the child's finger and thumb, prepare the muscles of the hand for writing. Sorting the colour box tablets according to subtle differences 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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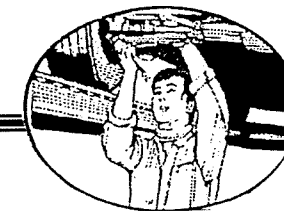
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### A TO Z MONTESSORI SCHOOL (Cont.)

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.

Enquiries about any of the above areas are welcome.

A. to Z. Montessori School,  
162 Rockfield Walk,  
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Phone: 01-6289569.

### 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  
Nothing like Marriage bliss  
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Loneliness is a sad affair  
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Find a girl that care  
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# Features

## 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.



Enjoying the Senior Citizens Annual Dinner in the Post Primary School L- R Rev John Sinnott, Sean Ashe, Catherine Ashe, Statia Ashe, Tom Ashe

## A FRIEND

Hold on to a friend  
When companionship is true  
No matter what life pend  
A genuine friend is of few  
Someone to confide in  
In a world of sorrow and bliss  
Another ones heart to win  
For to fight loneliness

Two is better than one  
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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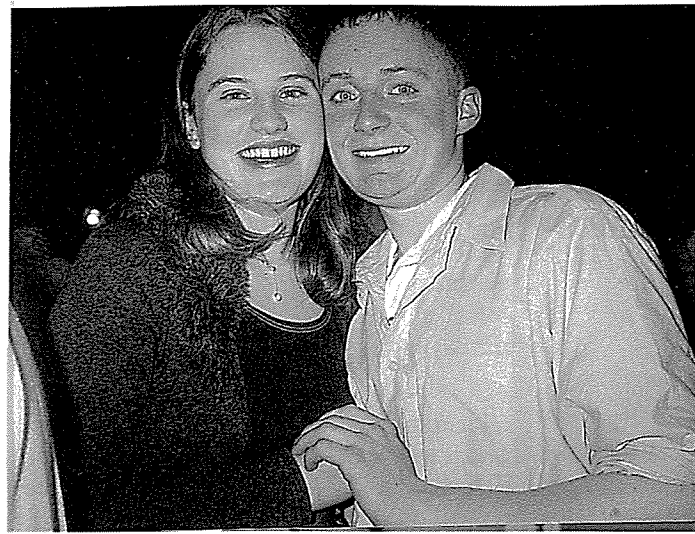
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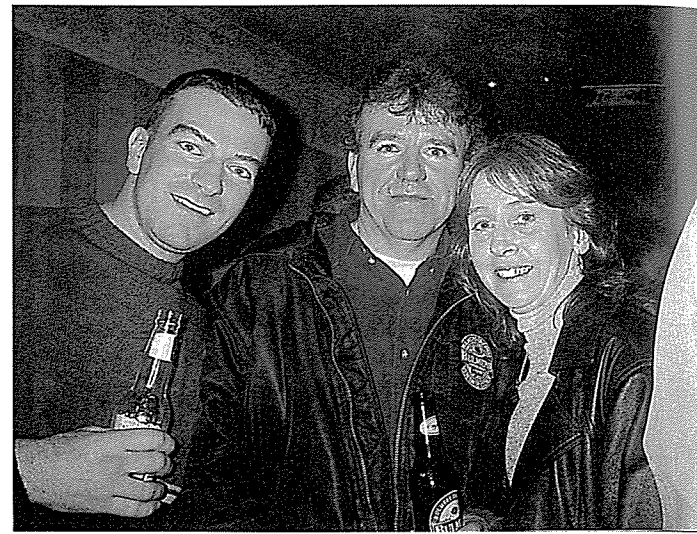
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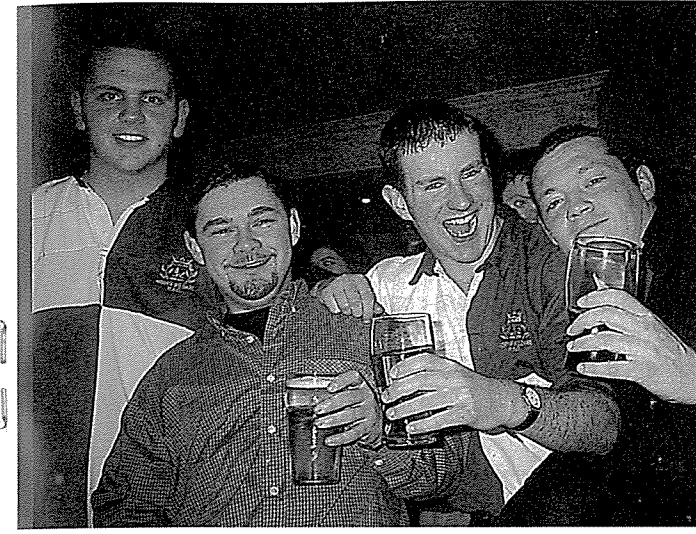
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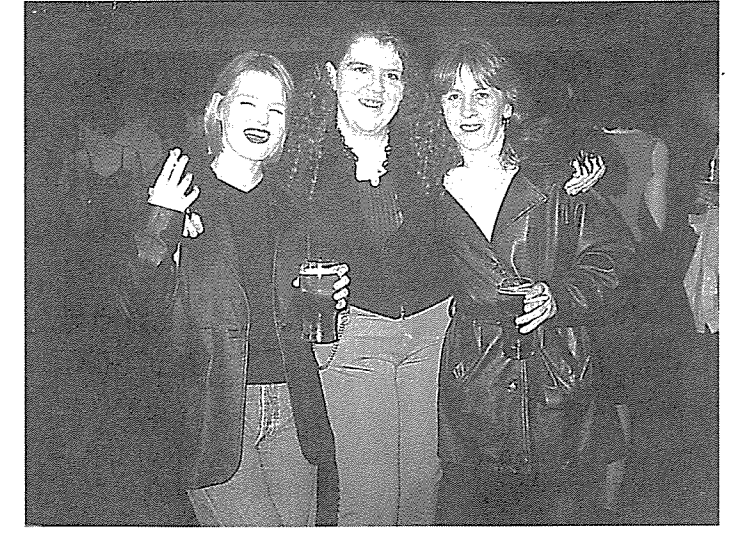
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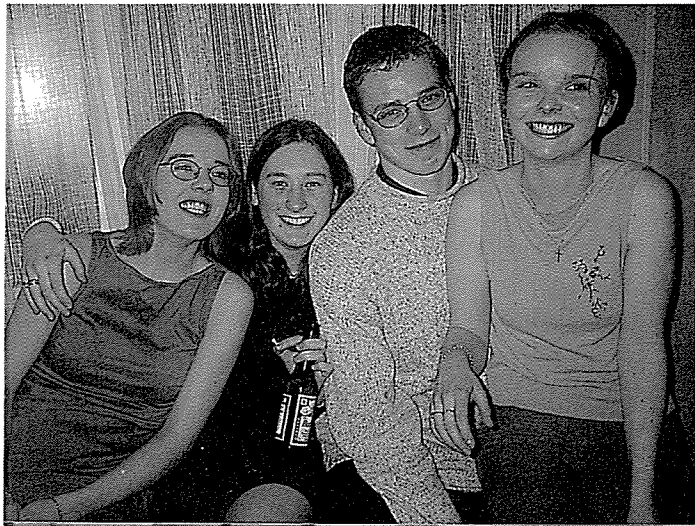
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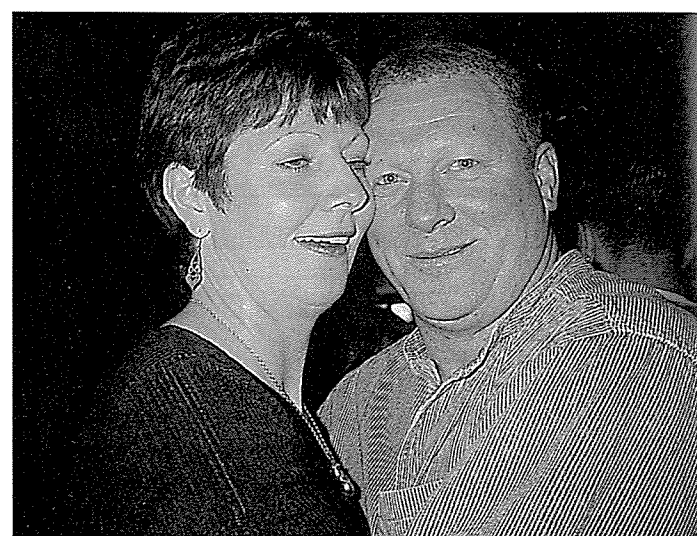
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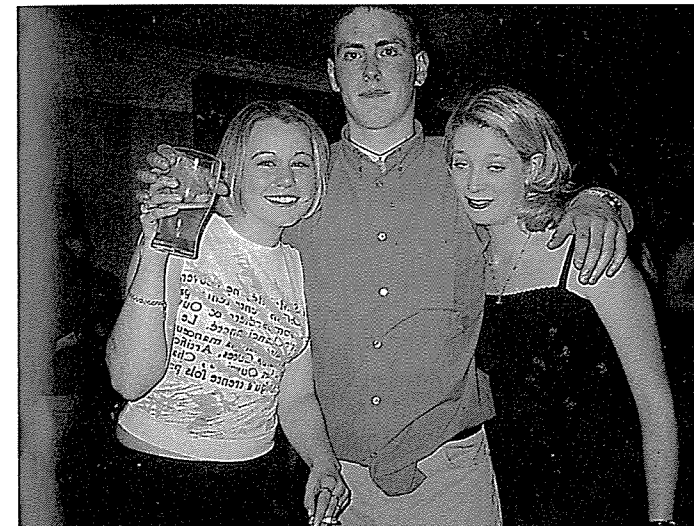
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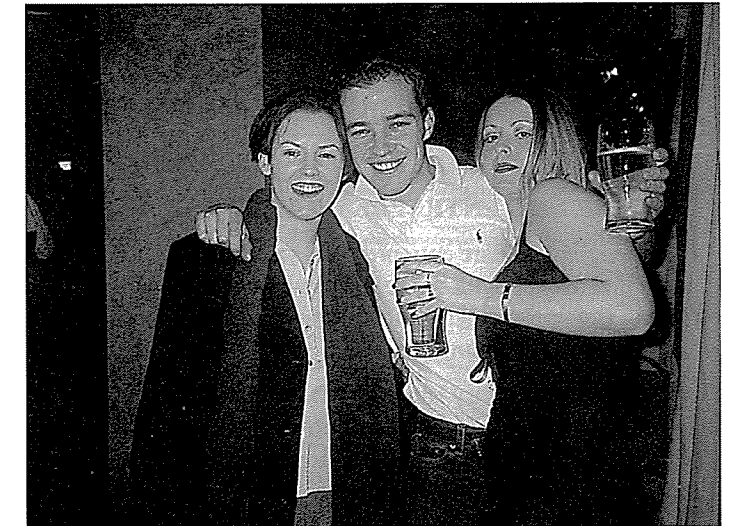
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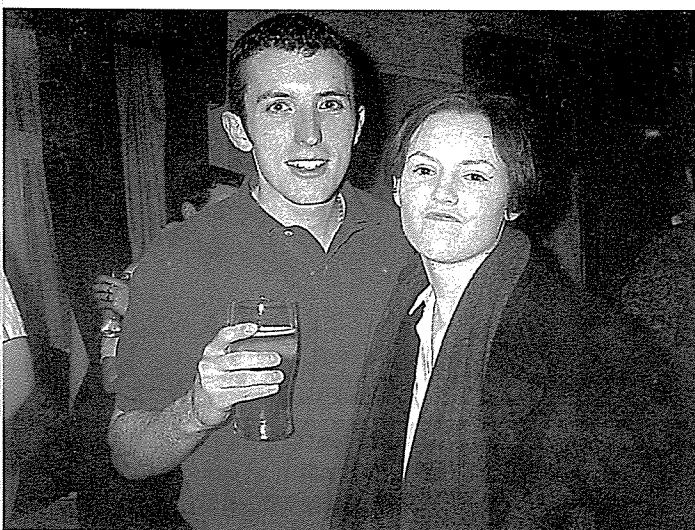
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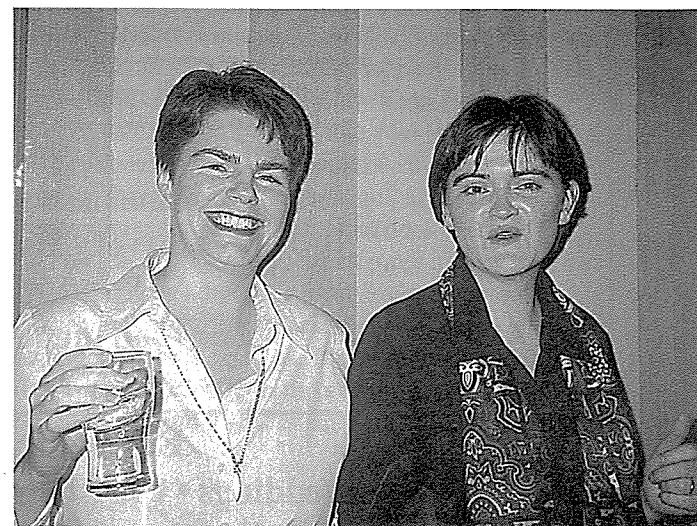
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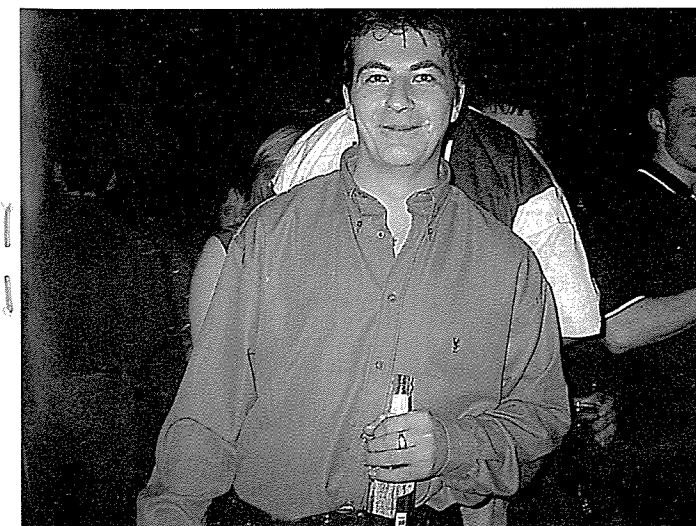
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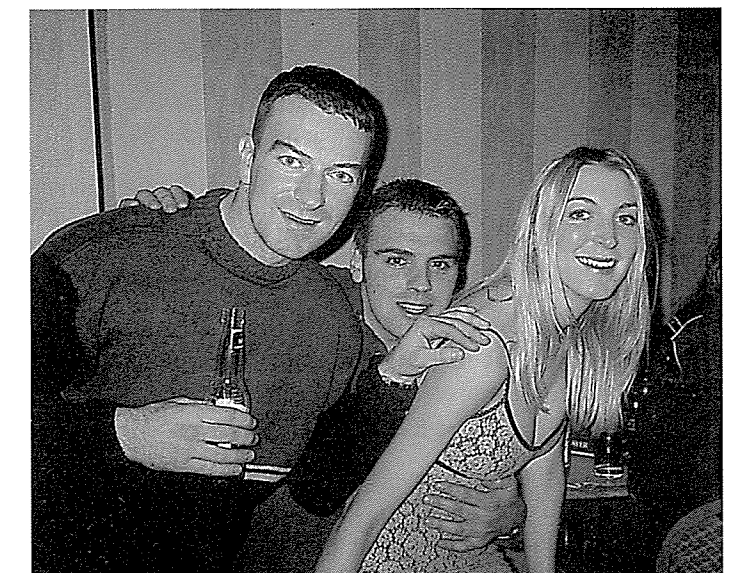
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# Features

## 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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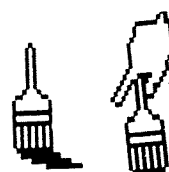
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<b>Maynooth:</b>	Boys School	<b>Thurs:</b> 6.30pm
	<b>New Opening from 13th Jan</b> I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour	<b>Wed:</b> 9.30am



# 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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### Welcome Back:

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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:

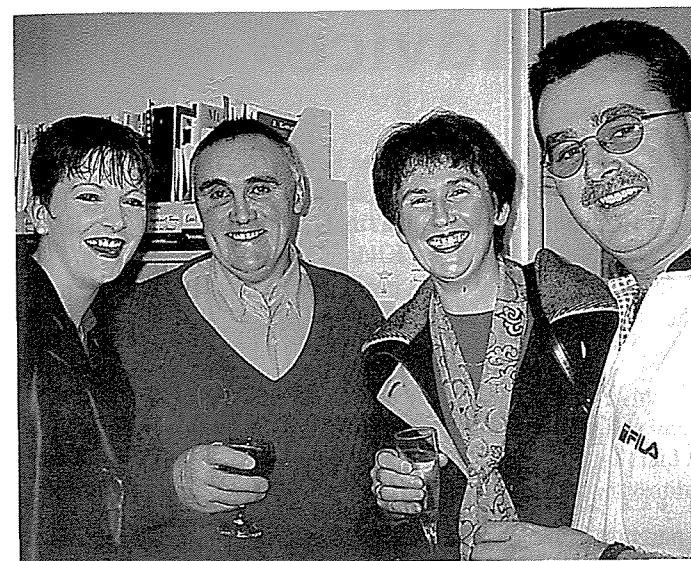
Ger Scanlon and Audrey Healy are holding a Mother and Toddler group in the school every Tuesday morning from 10 am. to 12 pm. This will give mothers and their toddlers a chance to meet and socialise and get to know the school. Please contact the school at 6290667 for further information.

### Ranganna Gaeilge:

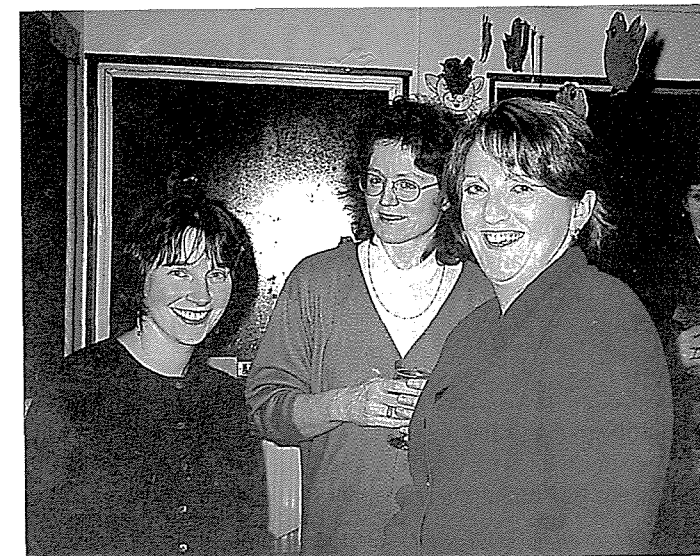
Improvers Irish Classes for parents will be held in the school this term. The classes which will be held on Tuesday nights will commence on Tuesday 2nd February at 8.00 and cost £15 for 10 lessons. If you are interested in attending these classes please contact me at 6290667

**Míle Buíochas**  
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## Scoil Uí Fhiaich's Social Night



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



Geraldine Morrisroe, Claire Donalson, Alice Brennan



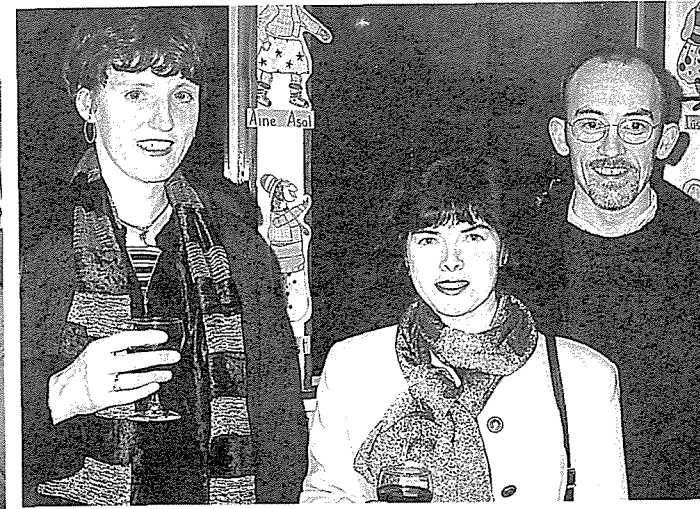
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## Kildare Money Advice

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.

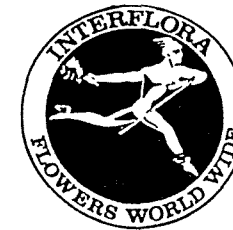
Outlining recent developments, Jim Walsh said; 'Based on our success in 1997, the Department has provided Kildare Money Advice with three-year funding to implement our 1998-2000 strategic plan. This should enable us to considerably increase the use of our service in the next few years. We are also working 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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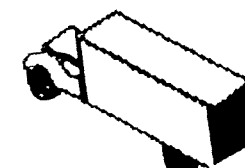
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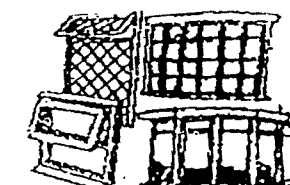
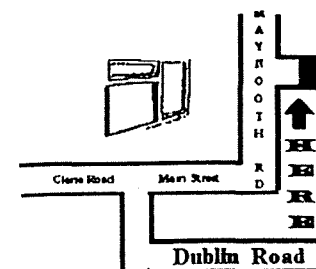
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### Creative Writing Workshop in Maynooth Library

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

Features

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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## Hobbies & Interests



### 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.

## Hobbies & Interests



ARDENING



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### 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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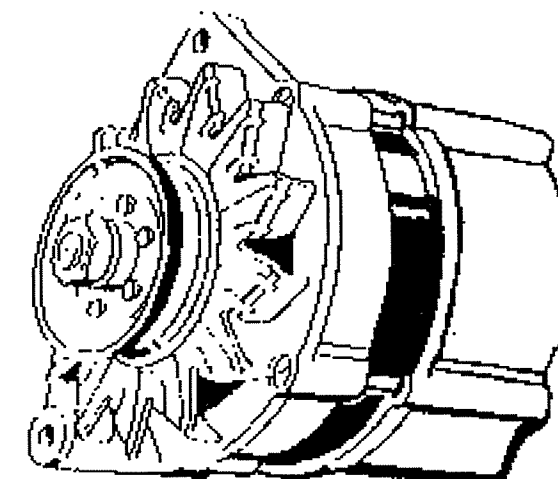
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# Party Political

## 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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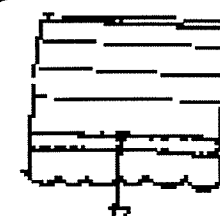
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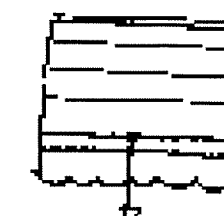
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# Party Political

## 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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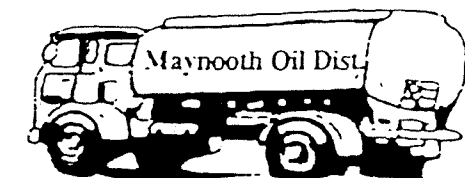


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## FINE GAEL NOTES

### 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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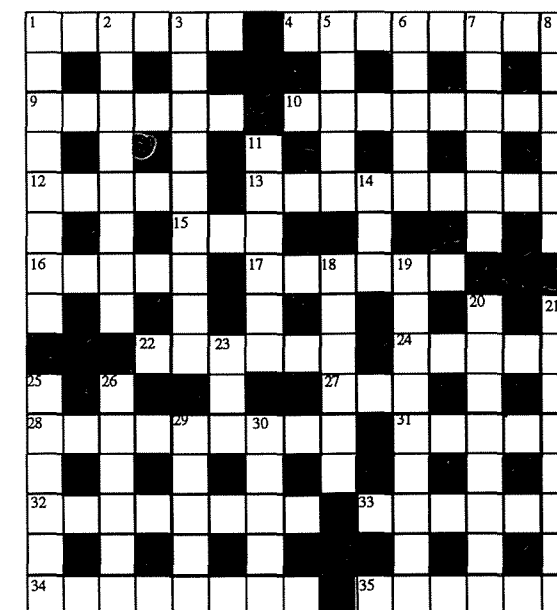
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## Crossword No. 135



Entries before Monday 15th February

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### 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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No. 133 is

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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.

This month's Weekly Lotto Results

			Turkey	Ham	Bt. Whiskey		
13.12.98	13,25,27	£600	Ann Marie Lyons	Rosemary McManus	Tom Flatley		
20.12.98	18,22,25	£625	G. Greally	Jeff c/o Pat Craig	Noel Dempsey		
27.12.98	No Draw		5 x £10 Winners				
3.1.99	3,26,30	£650	Tom McMullon	John Mills	Mary Cahill	Kathleen Gilton	Dave Mulready
10.1.99	3,4,25	£675	James Penney	Carol Conway	Mark Thompson	Nellie Finan	Tony Bean
17.1.99	3,7,15	£700	Rachel Cassidy	Lilly O'Riordan	Emma McCullagh	Ann Lovely	Lily Murphy

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Music each Saturday night at 10.00 p.m. commencing 20th February 1999.

Remember the Club House is available for christenings / birthday parties / wedding anniversaries and other functions.

RACE NIGHT

Maynooth G.A.A. Club are organising a "Race Night" on the 5th March as part of its fund-raising activities for 1999. As always we are looking to all our friends and supporters to assist in this venture.

Accordingly 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:	£20

We will also be producing a race programme for the night which will offer an opportunity for advertising.

We look forward to seeing you on the 5th March.

<b>MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS</b> 20th December 1998
<b>This Weeks Numbers</b> 7 - 9 - 19 - 24
<b>This Weeks Jackpot - £1,400</b>
<b>Winner: Ann Folan</b> c/o Domo
<b>Next Weeks Jackpot - £500</b>

<b>MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS</b> 3rd January 1999
<b>This Weeks Numbers</b> 5 - 18 - 20 - 11
<b>This Weeks Jackpot - £500</b>
<b>Winner: No Winner</b>
<b>Next Weeks Jackpot - £550</b>
<b>WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00</b>  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

VALENTINE WISHES

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),  
We would love to run our fingers through your hair.  
From nine desperate women??

To Colin the man in the Red Fun Bus. From Anne Marie.

To Kell ( Maynooth Park). From Guess Who?

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Belated Birthday greetings to Andrew Keating (Celbridge) who was 7 on the 12th of January, love from Mammy, Daddy, brother Sean and all your Aunties and Uncles.

Belated Birthday greetings to Rebecca O Sullivan (Greenfield) who was 8 on the 8th of January, love from Mammy, Daddy, Stephen, Michelle and all your Aunties and Uncles.

Belated Birthday greetings to Catriona Crowe (Greenfield) who was 6 on the 18th of January, love from Mammy, Daddy and all your Aunties and Uncles.

Happy Birthday to Catriona Crowe, love and kisses from Helena and Simon.

Belated Birthday greetings to Sarah Brady (Greenfield) who was 21 on the 26th of January, best wishes from Mammy, Daddy, Kieran, Paul and all the family and friends. Sarah had a party in Maynooth G.A.A. and it was enjoyed by all.

Birthday greetings to Ciara Murphy (Lucan) who was 21 on the 9th of January, love Mam, Dad, Nanna and all the family.

Birthday greetings to Calvin Comerford (Greenfield) who was 1 on 14th. January, love from Mammy, Daddy, Grannie, Aunts, Uncles and friends.

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

Birthday greetings to Ann Marie Burke, Newtown, who will be 18 on the (21st. February) from Daddy, Mammy, brother Shane and Grannie.

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.

Sean Durack, Kingsbry, age 8 in February, love from Mammy, Daddy, Grandad, aunts, cousin Connor and pal Rikki.

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

**McTernan:** With deepest sympathy to husband Gearóid, sons Gerard, Larry, Tony, Ray, Peter and Martin, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of Ita who died on 22nd January.

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