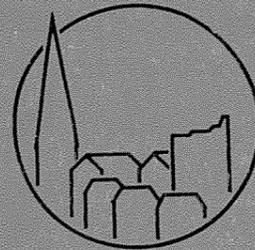


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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

It is with some admiration that I read about the efforts being made by North Kildare and South Meath Alliance to fight TWM's appeal to An Bord Pleanala for the erection of an incinerator in Kilcock. The erection of such a structure would be a nightmare for all of us in Maynooth - far worse than any dump/landfill site.

This dynamic group are moving in the right direction. They have launched a people's project - where people will learn how to manage their own waste products.

Their aims are:

Prevention of Waste, Minimisation of Waste, Re-use, Recycle, Energy Recovery, and Disposal of Waste to the Highest Environmental Standards.

Hopefully this initiative will spread countrywide.

Action with regard to waste management will obviously have to come from the people considering that the relevant legislation has not been put to work. Our government and local authorities are unable or unwilling to deal with this boil on the face of the Celtic Tiger.

Name and address with Editor.

DIARY DATES

7th November	Prayers for All Souls Laraghbryan Cemetery at 3.00 p.m.
7th - 13th Nov.	Irish Heart Week.
14th November	St. Mary's Band Maynooth Annual Mass for deceased members.
17th November	Community Games A.G.M., G.A.A. Club at 8.00 p.m.
19th November	Maynooth Arts Forum "Evening of Words and Music" - St. Mary's Church of Ireland at 8.00 p.m.
21st November	Maynooth Senior Citizens Sale of Work Boys National School at 3.00 p.m..
24th November	Maynooth Flower and Garden Club Gala Christmas Demonstration, Aula Maxima, Maynooth College at 8.00 p.m.
27th November	G.A.A. Hurlers Medal Presentation Night.
27th November	Mass for deceased G.A.A. Club Members.
2nd December	Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Meeting at 8.00 p.m. in Health Centre.
4th December	Gaelic Footballers Medal Presentation Night - G.A.A. Club.

EDITORIAL

Maynooth Marking the Millennium

Over the next couple of months the hype in the media surrounding the end of the Millennium will reach fever pitch. Stories will abound about baby sitters being paid £250 for babysitting on New Year's Eve, bar staff claiming £500 to work on that night and pubs imposing cover charges for the pleasure for having a pint in your local. Surely, though, the end of one Millennium and the start of the next should be making a different kind of headline. Its primary significance is a religious one and no doubt the Christian Churches will mark the event in the event in the appropriate way. How Maynooth as a community will mark the Millennium is something that doesn't appear to have received a great deal of consideration. The issue was discussed at a Community Council meeting earlier in the year but no real plans emerged. Kildare Co. Council are to provide oak trees for planting around the town and Maynooth Action Strategy having been working with St. Patrick's College with a view to lighting the church spire - this should take place before the end of the year. Apart from that the Newsletter is not aware of any community based activities in Maynooth to mark the Millennium. If any such are planned we would be delighted to hear about them. The Newsletter is planning to publish a special Millennium issue in January with special features on the history of Maynooth and how the town has changed over the last 100 years. Contributions from readers to this issue - reminiscences of old Maynooth or old photographs - would be very welcome.

Maynooth Newsletter is pleased to consider for publication articles and photographs of local interest. Contact Helen at Maynooth Community Council Offices - telephone: 6285922/6285053

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Community Council Notes

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

QUESTION: I am on a Community Employment Scheme which finishes next month. I would like to work part-time with the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme. Could you give me some information about this?

ANSWER: The Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme allows you to take up part-time work (under twenty-four hours a week). Participants on the scheme receive a Part-Time Job Allowance for one year and this may be extended for a second year. Your Part-Time Job Allowance is paid regardless of your earnings. While you may claim a qualified adult allowance if you have a qualified spouse/partner, you cannot claim an allowance for any children and you cannot hold on to secondary benefits. Participants on the scheme may be eligible for FIS depending on earnings.

Since August 1999, people on Community Employment Schemes are not eligible to move to Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme (before August, 1999, people on CES were eligible).

The revised qualifying conditions for the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme state that to be eligible a person must be in receipt of Long Term Unemployment Assistance immediately prior to participation in the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme.

A person who takes up full time employment may not return to the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme, irrespective of how long the full time job lasts.

For further information on the changes to the Part-Time Job Incentive Scheme you should contact the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs, UB/UA Section, Aras Mhic Dhiarmada, Dublin 1. Tel: (01) 874 8444 or your nearest Citizens Information Centre (list in Golden Pages).

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Local Matters

North East Kildare

North East Kildare was launched at the Glenroyal Hotel on Thursday 7th October. N.E.K aim to be active in promoting the business and Community of the region. It will represent the voice of people of Celbridge, Maynooth, Straffan, Ardclough and Leixlip.

This group is there to support any group or organisation that wants it.

Bond Bridge

New bridge gets the go ahead.

Cllr John McGinley informed the meeting that at long last the old bridge is to be replaced. It is the news the people on the Newtown and Rathcoffey Rd, have been waiting years to hear. It will take about 12 months to complete. It was also hoped that the Meadowbrook link will get under way as soon as possible. This will ensure that hundreds of cars will not need to take the town route to the Straffan Road.

John Doogan paid tribute to our two local Councillors Senan Griffin and John McGinley, for all their dedication to the Community.

Doctor's Lane

The Co. Fire Officer objected to the closing of Doctors Lane for safety reasons. The County Council will have to await Fire Officer's report.

Drinking Bye-Laws

It is hoped that the Garda will enforce the drinking Bye-Laws in Maynooth when they are introduced.

Carton Estate

It was noted that the work on Carton Estate and Carton House is to start soon, possibly in October.

It is hoped the Town of Maynooth will benefit greatly from this great project. It was stated that the Executive should meet with Mr Mallaghan re access by locals. It was also noted that access was agreed at previous meetings.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

It was stated that a lot of damage was done to graves and head-stones in the cemetery. Dominic Nyland said he was saddened to see such carry-on taking place in the graveyard. He hoped that the Garda would take action on the matter.

Harbour Field

When rumours reached Maynooth early one morning, about two weeks ago, that the harbour field was to be used again to accommodate travellers and their caravans, the Garda and the County Council moved very quickly to stop them. As the Harbour Field is already in a dreadful

condition the situation could not have been allowed to happen.

Tidy Towns

Tribute was paid to Bob Reilly for his continued work with the Tidy Towns Committee.

Not having a Fas scheme this year the town was kept very well. This committee works very hard to keep Maynooth looking well but litter seems to be a big problem in the town. Well done again to our Tidy Towns Committee

Community Council Offices

The community council are currently looking for new premises. With the loss of one of its schemes it is now necessary to move to smaller accommodation. The Community Council Office are currently looking for new staff, re office staff and Supervisor.

Fás Scheme

It was felt that the age limit of over 35s closed the door on a lot of people who otherwise would and could take up a place on a Fas Scheme.

Newsletter

Congratulations were paid to Peter O'Connell and staff for keeping the Newsletter going with the loss of staff gone from 30 workers to 12. More people are needed to get involved with the newsletter.

Congratulations were paid to Maynooth Soccer Club with the ladies winning the Dublin league and to Emma Kilduff who was selected to play for the Irish National Senior Squad. Congratulations were also offered to Robert Casey who was also selected to play for the Irish Senior Rugby Team in the world cup.

Summer Project.

The summer project went very well this year. While only running for two weeks it was a great success. Claire O'Rourke thanked everyone involved. She also thanked Maynooth Boys National School Parents Association who sponsored them to the value of £250.00. As Claire herself is ill at the moment we wish her well.

PRO. Marie Gleeson.

Tir Ná Nog

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BOYS SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Our Annual General Meeting took place on 25th September, with a good attendance. We had a speaker on the 'New Curriculum' which was very interesting.

A new Committee was elected which is as follows:-

Chairperson - Anne Daly
Assistant Chairperson - Jennifer Murray
Secretary - Yvonne Commerford
Assistant Secretary - Claire O'Rourke
Treasurer - Margaret O'Regan
Assistant Treasurer - Sheila Hawthorn
P.R.O. - Mark Colfer
Teachers Rep. - Mary Brosnan

We would like to thank the outgoing Committee for all their hard work during the year.

A special word of thanks to Margaret O'Neill and Mary McNamara whose children have graduated from the school. Both Margaret and Mary will be missed by us all.

Claire O'Rourke

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our last Club night on the 21st September, went extremely well. My fellow club members Mary Cleary, Jo O'Connell, Carmel Owens and myself went on stage for the first time to demonstrate. We managed to produce some beautiful exhibits. So well done ladies.

For November:-

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club presents
A Gala Christmas Demonstration

by
Rev. William McMillan
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at
Aula Maxima, Maynooth College
on
Wednesday, November 24th 1999 at 8.00 p.m.

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6289102 or 6289300

There will be a **Bumper Sales Table** and it is in aid of the National Council for the Blind. So start ringing soon and order your tickets early. It promises to be a very enjoyable evening out.

*Maureen Fagan,
P.R.O.*

TWENTY YEARS SINGING IN MAYNOOTH

Maynooth Parish Folk Group would like to invite past members and all parishioners to a special celebration of the Eucharist to commemorate our twenty years of music ministry in the Parish.

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MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY TO ILLUMINATE SPIRE

Maynooth, and much of North Kildare, has a most distinctive landmark which can be seen for miles around. The spire of St. Patrick's College is the second highest spire in the country and a distinctive symbol of the unique heritage of Maynooth as a centre of outreach known throughout the world. Construction of this neo Gothic building commenced exactly one hundred years ago in 1899 and it is appropriate that its centenary should be marked in the build up to the millennium.

Maynooth Action Strategy propose illuminating the spire as a millennium project symbolising the partnership between the College/University and community in this rapidly growing town. It is a fitting project to mark 2000 years of Christianity with a light which will be visible from several miles around and which will remind countless passing motorists that the town they are passing is a unique place with a rich heritage, two universities and a host of attractions worth visiting.

The project entails a number of high pressure narrow beam floodlights controlled by a solar time clock and carefully located to maximise their effectiveness. Work will start shortly.

Maynooth Action Strategy has now published a number of documents charting the way ahead for Maynooth and has been involved in a number of significant initiatives to benefit the town. Its Arts Forum has recently formed a new Drama Group while elsewhere a number of projects are now underway. The objective of *Maynooth Action Strategy* was expressed in its first publication "Choosing a Future" as: "Building on the town's strengths to create an environment within which the disadvantages of a rapidly growing dormitory town can be overcome and a strong sense of identity and community established." The illumination of the College Spire represents an important step in the improvement of the townscape and in the creation of a strong brand image for Maynooth.

ART EXHIBITION

The Castle Keep Art Group are calling on amateur artists from the Maynooth area. Should you wish to exhibit your paintings in our forthcoming exhibition, please phone Brian at 6285993 or Susan at 6289349 for more details.

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Mondays 1.30-3.30
Thursdays 10.00-12.00

Our sessions are held in the MADE Centre, beside the Post-Primary school.

Feel free to call in!

Enquiries to Helen at 6285865

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

Prayers for All Souls will be held in the Cemetery on Sunday 7th November at 3.00 p.m.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Welcome back after a long summer which we hope you all enjoyed and in particular we hope you enjoyed the Project which by all accounts went very well.

It is now time to start organising next year's Project and we hope the support will be just as good as last year.

Once again we would like to thank the Boys School Parents Association for their kind contribution. It was put to good use.

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up soon and we hope we will get plenty of parents to attend, particularly men as they are in short supply.

We will publish the date of our A.G.M. in next months Newsletter.

Claire O'Rourke,
Secretary.

ST. MARY'S PARISH WELCOMING AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

As you may have already heard we hold a tea and coffee morning on the last Sunday in the month, this is always held in the Boys School Hall.

The idea of this is to invite new people in the Parish to come along and meet other parishioners and hopefully it may help you to make new friends and make settling into the Parish of Maynooth a little easier. We would hope to be in a position to help you out with any local information you may require.

The tea is held at 11.00 a.m. or after the 10.15 a.m. Mass. All parishioners are very welcome.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Hallowe'en party and fancy dress parade took place on Sunday October 17th. Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Sinnott and was offered for all the deceased members of our club and Committee, especially those who died in the past year. Sadly we lost thirty members of our Senior Citizens club since this time last year. We were joined on the day by our friends from the "Friday Club" in Dunboyne. It was such a lovely Autumn day that everyone turned out in force.



l.r. Nancy Moran, Joan Brannigan and Mary Coogan

After the tea, brack and grapes we lowered our stress levels with a good laugh at the various state of attire in our Fancy-Dress. "Millennium Babies", "Charvet Shirts" and "Footballers" etc, were the order of the day. Not everyone had the courage to "dress up", but we applauded those who did. The prize-winners were, David O'Connor (aged 9, our mascot) Joan Brannagan, Josie Wicks, Mary O'Reilly, Carmel Canny, Imelda Delaney and Betty Farrell. Congratulations and well done one and all. Many thanks to Fiona O'Connor and Mary Doyle who judged the whole affair.

With the madness of Hallowe'en out of the way, it's back to the business of fundraising. Yes thats right its "Sale of Work" time again. Sunday Nov. 21st is the date. As usual we will be selling tickets for our Monster draw at Tesco on the two weeks prior to the 21st. We will also be making our usual

house-calls and once again we appeal to your generosity. We have been favourably met in the past and I have no



l-r Frances Kelly, Mary Coogan and Frances Hanway

reason to think this has changed. We accept anything except **old clothes** and we're not too proud to accept money. A word of caution though there are many bogus callers at this time of year only too willing to relieve you of your property and cash. So please ensure you know the caller. Our members usually live in or near the area in which they collect and will be only too happy to show you I.D. Unless you are new in this area you will know them. So keep this in mind while you sort out the "copy" from the "genuine article". Remember our motto "if in doubt, check them out." In the mean-time please remember the date **Nov. 21st**. The success of this event determines the quality of service we provide. So do come along for an enjoyable afternoon. Its time and money well spent.

Our next committee meeting will take place on Tuesday Nov. 2nd at 8pm in the Health Centre. A full attendance would be appreciated.

Finally we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Matty Byrne and Mary Coyne both of whom died recently. May they rest in peace,
Josephine Moore

GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOODS

What are they, and are they safe?

Local Debate on this issue will take place in Maynooth

Time: 8.00 p.m.

Date: Monday, 15th November

Venue: Maynooth Library

Speakers: Professor Whitteker, Biology Department, N.U.I. Maynooth.
Sadhbh O'Neill, Genetic Concern.

Chair: Mary Cullen

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In order to participate you need to agree a suitable challenge with an award leader. Maynooth Tidy Towns is willing to assist young people in the town to obtain a Gaisce Award by identifying suitable challenges under the Community Involvement category. If you are interested in participating in this challenge please contact us without delay by phoning 6286709.

Maynooth Tidy Towns-Welcome new street cleaning machine

Early risers in the town will have noticed the new street cleaning machine in operation in the Main Street area. No doubt obstacles will emerge that will hinder the good work that this machine can do, but nonetheless the provision of this new equipment is a welcome development. The arrival of this street cleaning equipment in Maynooth, now gives Kildare County Council an opportunity to extend a daily service to other parts of the town. Maynooth Tidy Towns would like to see the service provided throughout the town on a seven days a week basis.

Maynooth-Scoring record in "National Tidy Towns Competitions"

Category	Maximum Mark	1996 Result	1997 Result	1998 Result	1999 Result
Overall Development Approach	50	30	31	31	35
The Built Environment	40	22	22	24	30
Landscaping	40	20	20	20	21
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	20	21	21	21
Litter Control	40	15	15	16	17
Tidiness	20	8	8	8	8
Residential Areas	30	22	23	23	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	18	18	17	17
General Impression	10	4	4	4	6
Total Mark	300	159	162	164	178

In the October Maynooth Newsletter the National Tidy Towns Judge's Report for 1999 was published. The actual break-up of the score was not given, so this month it was decided to show the scores in each category going back to 1996. The figures tell the story.

Paul Croghan
Secretary
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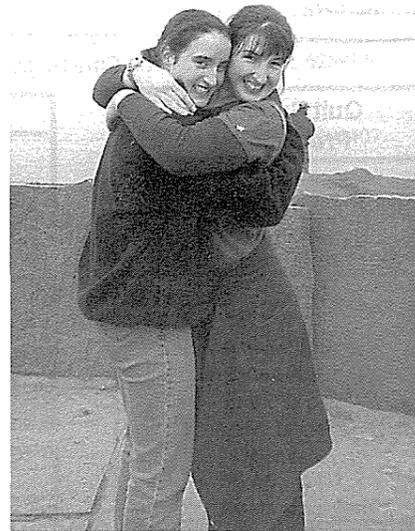
MAYNOOTH, KILCOCK, NO NAME CLUB TRIP TO SPANISH POINT

On the weekend of the 24th September 1999 all our hosts and hostesses were treated to a brilliant weekend away in the fabulous coastal area of Spanish Point in Co. Clare.

Gathering at the college gates at three o'clock we load the bus with all our bags and set off for what was an excellent weekend enjoyed by all. We arrived at about nine o'clock and we settled into our rooms and got prepared for a night full of fun and adventure together. Early on Saturday morning all 24 of us ate breakfast and headed on a tour of the West Coast of Ireland. First, we went to the Liscannor Rock Shop, followed by the breath taking heights of the Cliffs of Moher. From there, we drove through the karst area of the The Burren to the dark, interesting Aillwee Caves. Then it was back to Lahinch for us where we went to the Aquarium Splash World. After a long day, the gang returned to the Hostel where the adult leaders with the help from the host and hostesses cooked a delicious dinner.

Then the last night of our brilliant weekend began. We had a training exercise at first followed by a surprise birthday party for our Chairperson. Then came the major outdoor water fight, that everyone took part in. Only a few hours kip was caught that night with Lila awakening us with a good Irish fry which attracted us all to the kitchen then before heading on our journey back home.

On the way home we stopped in at Bunratty Castle and Folk Village. We were back in Maynooth before we knew it. Everyone got to know each other well and really enjoyed every moment of the weekend from the time we left to the second we hit the boundaries of Maynooth again. All host and hostesses who went would like to thank those leaders who came with us and allowed this weekend to take place. Thanks a million!



Rebecca Flynn and Ciara Baxter

We are currently recruiting new Host and Hostess for our club and we would like to welcome them all to the club and hope that they enjoy it as much as we do.

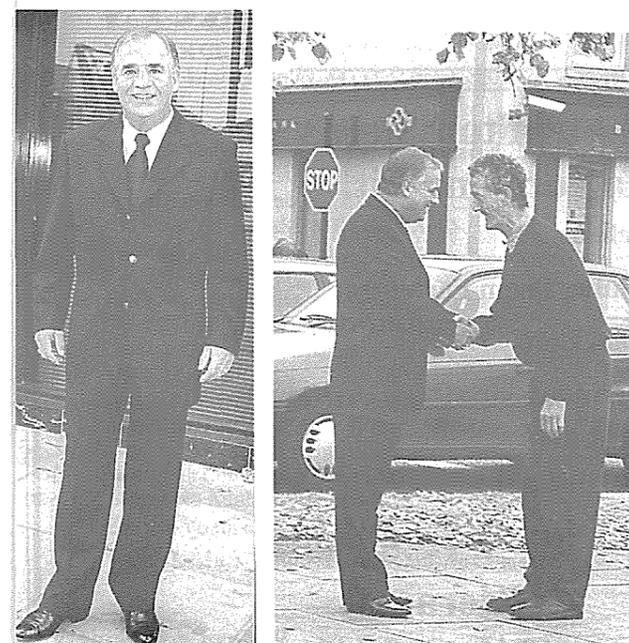
Michael Madden (PRO) Rebecca Flynn (Junior Committee)

MAYNOOTH DRAMA GROUP

The Maynooth Drama Group was set up earlier this year with help from the Maynooth Arts Forum in connection with the Maynooth Action Strategy.

A general meeting was called and a working committee was formed. The group is as yet nameless, but submissions will be taken during the Drama Workshop to be held on the 30th of October from 2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. in Education House, N.U.I. Maynooth. We are holding auditions for our first play on the 11th of November at 8.00 o'clock in the Education House, N.U.I. Maynooth. All are welcome and encouraged to come.

Queries to be directed to Roberta Carey 629-1309 and Kathleen Cunningham 628-6404.



Joe Dolan filming in Maynooth

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

5th August at Knocknally Vice-Presidents (Noel Brady) Prize

Overall Winner		John Carroll	37pts (B9)
Class 1	1st	Liam Farrelly	37pts
	2nd	Terry Moore	36pts
Class 2	1st	Derek Nicholson	33pts
	2nd	Norman Kavanagh	28pts
Class 3	1st	Pat Conway	30pts
	2nd	Mick Flynn	29pts
Front 9	-	Gerry McTernan	19pts
Back 9	-	Tom Flatley	19pts
Nearest the pin		Johnny Thompson	
Visitor	-	Niall Byrne	34pts

4th September 1999 Presidents (John Carey) Prize at Grange Castle Golf Club

Overall Winner		Noel Brady	(22) 36pts
2nd Overall		Joe Moore	(12) 38pts (nq)
Class 1	1st	Ray Delemara	(12) 35pts
	2nd	Chriss Reilly	(13) 34pts (b9)
Class 2	1st	Pat Conway	(18) 33pts (b9)
	2nd	Willie Moore	(18) 33pts
Class 3	1st	Mick Flynn	(21) 35pts (b9)
	2nd	Paddy Foy	(20) 35pts
Front 9	-	Mick Hegarty	18pts
Back 9	-	Miley Scanlon	20pts
Visitors	-	Martin Foy	36pts
Nearest the Pin		Alan Kelly	

Maynooth Arts Forum

Maynooth Arts Forum celebrates a full year of activities with the staging of an "Evening of Words and Music" in St. Mary's Church of Ireland on Friday the 19th November 1999 at 8pm. The event will feature local musicians and writers performing their own work as well as many well-known pieces. The music will reflect the wealth of talent in Maynooth of the various styles from Ballads to Classical and Jazz. While many of the performers will be very experienced, others taking part will be performing for the first time on stage. Musicians who are studying at the National University of Ireland, Maynooth will be taking part and in fact the person guiding the entire musical programme is Ms. Trini Armstrong, Manager of the NUIM Orchestra and the Kildare County Orchestra. Group and individual performances will take place on the night and who knows, we could be hearing the first performance of new upcoming stars of the 21st Century. The words for the event have been selected by John Conroy, Hilda Dunne and Stuart Lane. Both the words and Music for the evening have been selected to be complimentary, where there should be something for everybody no matter what age or musical taste.

This is the second major musical event organised by the Maynooth Arts Forum and other activities are taking place throughout the month that are supported by the forum. The level of arts activity has increased in the last year and more events are planned. The Castle Keep Local Artists Group is also very active with exhibitions of their work. The Maynooth Arts Forum Drama and Musical Society was formed in September and they will hold auditions for their first performance this month. The Arts Forum has certainly made a difference to the artistic and social outlook for the town. In fact the level of activity planned this month could well be described as the Maynooth Arts Festival for 1999.

The Maynooth Arts Forum is grateful once again to St. Mary's Church of Ireland for giving us the use of this impressive, historic venue for our Words and Music Evening. While there will be significant interest in this event, the seating capacity is limited and early arrival is recommended. A cover charge of £5 is payable on the night.

Paul Croghan
Maynooth Arts Forum

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No 99/1329 Date: 3rd August 1999

Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 3 no. retail units/shops ground floor with office/storage first floor. Fagans Lane, Maynooth

No 99/1534 Date: 7th September 1999

Eastern Health Board

Erection of two storey 50 bed Residential Care Unit for older people, day care facilities and associated site works, located adjacent to the existing Health Centre off Leinster Street, Royal Canal Harbour.

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BAND BULLETIN

A surprise last minute engagement last month took us to Bodenstown Cemetery for Fianna Fáil Annual Wolfe Tone Commemoration Ceremony where we stood in as replacement for our good friends Narraghmore Pipe Band. On a wonderful sunny October morning we played to a very appreciative attendance which included Bertie Ahern, Mary O'Rourke, Michael Woods, Michael O'Kennedy among others and some lucky - sorry photogenic - members even made The News on TV3 that evening. This will prove a positive audition for future public engagements.

We would like to thank all who supported our Fund Raising Support Dance in Dowdstown Hotel last month. It was a fantastic social success. Congratulations to Route 66 who made a brilliant appearance. We hope to see more of them over the next few months.

And so to November which marks the beginning of our busiest period of the year.

Mass for Deceased Members

Our Annual Mass this year will be on Sunday 14th November at 11.30 a.m. We invite relatives and friends of all deceased Band Members to join us in remembering those who have played their part in keeping the tradition of St. Mary's Band alive and have gone to their eternal reward. The Mass will be followed by a parade up the Main Street.

Classes

We are happy to report that classes are progressing well with recorders still working with Andrew Purcell and the instrumental side now being handled by Niall O'Connor's school of music. This is a new departure but we are certain that in the long term it will prove very successful. The band committee are all working people and it has in the past been a monumental task to give two nights per week to practice, attend meetings, deal with the day to day running of the band and try to look after band classes. The new system gives the children the opportunity to learn to play instruments in a professional environment and hopefully progress more quickly to a stage when they can take their place in the Maynooth Band in the new Millennium.

That's it for this month, I will be back next month with a full list of our Christmas Programme.

Community Games Notes

The A.G.M. of Maynooth Community Games will be held on Wednesday 17th November at 8pm in the G.A.A. Clubhouse, Moyglare Rd.

All are welcome
Mary Cahill

RESIDENTS ON WATCH

Residents on Watch regrets to report that once again Beaufield estate has become the vanguard of late night to early morning noisy and rowdy students parties. No amount of representations to the offending students, landlords, student union or University authorities appears to curb these revels. Does the expression "being sent down" not apply to N.U.I. Maynooth?

Residents on Watch enquires of the K.C.C. re Picadilly Circus, the popular name for the Main, Leinster, Parson and Mill Streets crossroads. Where are the rumored traffic lights or mini roundabout?

Residents on Watch also ask where are the traffic lights promised to motorists exiting the slope from the N4 on to the Straffan Road? Promised March what March? R.O.W. enquires where are the black litter bins many sponsored by local business people, gone since being replaced. Why were they not resited on the Old Dublin Road, Straffan Road, Parson and Mill Street? R.O.W. notes Co. Councillors concern re retaining wall around Moyglare Village, but no mention of the colloqually referred to "Bull Run". The 30 m.p.h. speed limit stretch of the Moyglare Rd. from the R.C. Church past two schools, three housing estates and a nursing home, which is regularly traversed at speeds in excess of 50-60 m.p.h. by cars, buses and trucks. What about traffic calming ramps, they work elsewhere.?

Residents on Watch invites everyone to use this column to report their concerns regarding our town.
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The Royal Canal Amenity Group Limited

Since our previous Royal Canal Amenity Group meeting in September, it was voted upon unanimously to make our Group a Limited Company; this brings us in line with FAS and EU directives for the year 2000. If you would like to become a member call 6290980, remember each member's liability is a nominal £1 in the event of the company going insolvent.

The Community Employment Scheme

Our application to renew the Scheme is currently with FAS. The renewal can not be assumed automatically, the application must stand on its own merits.

The continuing project work; such as mooring bollards and fishing pegs, wall restoration and path-laying; depend on the renewal of the scheme.

New Members

It was our pleasure to welcome Breda Cunningham and Martina Murphy as new members to the group. Both have been involved with the Royal Canal for some years, and we look forward to working with Breda and Martina in the future.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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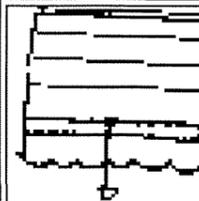
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EXCERPTS FROM OUR TOWN - MAYNOOTH

A magazine compiled by young people from the town.

MAYNOOTH LIBRARY

Maynooth Library opened seventeen years ago, in 1983. The Library is part of Kildare County Council, which has libraries all over the county. With a capacity for twenty-eight thousand books and 1,100 readaholic members, the Library is a good place to research and read.

With its adoption from old musty Blue, doggy-eared library tickets to small laminated futuristic computer cards, the system seems to be a faster way to gather information and keep a trail on member's transactions.

Maynooth Library is situated on the Main Street in Maynooth, so pop in sometime and have a look around!

Written by Declan Kavanagh age 13 years.

THE CHANGING FACE OF MAYNOOTH

A few years ago, no-one who lived in Maynooth could have foreseen how greatly the small town would change. To keep up with the ever-growing population, the small village grew into a lively, bustling town. As it grew, people began to put a lot of effort into modernising the town and keeping it clean. One effort that stands out is the new and improved Straffan Road. Gone are the overgrown fields, and with the smoother, wider road, cars glide along past the Glenroyal Shopping Centre and Hotel, new housing estate, Parklands, and an improved area around the Canal.

Main Street has also been updated, with new paths and a new road and with Supermacs, it's really humming! Plans to keep improving our town are underway, so let's keep up the good work!

Report by Sarah Corrigan age 14 years.

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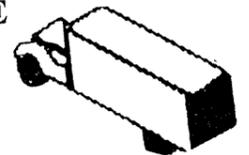
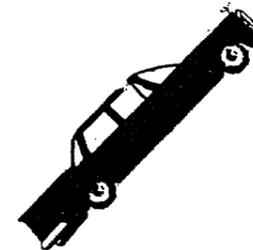
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Features

INCINERATOR UPDATE 11

The latest information on the campaign from... NORTH KILDARE & SOUTH MEATH ALLIANCE AGAINST INCINERATION (Ltd.)

Fly the Blue Flag from your home or business, and show that you want to live in a safe, pollution free environment.

Sometime before the Appeal Board holds its oral hearings, an inspector must visit the site of the proposed incinerator. That inspector must see an ocean of Blue Flags and bumper stickers, telling him how we feel!

Fly the Blue Flag!

Blue flags have been sprouting up on front lawns, on homes and on businesses all along the Kildare/Meath border, stretching from Enfield to Lucan and Celbridge.

The flags are part of a new campaign by the Alliance to make it clear to policy-makers that everyone in this area is 100% opposed to the building of Thermal Waste Management's dioxin emitting incinerator just outside the village of Kilcock.

"This is a tangible display of people's opposition to the project", says one member of the Alliance's Steering Committee. "It will act as a barometer of concern".

In the days and weeks ahead, this will become particularly important. At some point before An Board Pleanála begins its hearings, scheduled for December, an Inspector from the Bord must visit the site.

What better way to prove to the Inspector that no one wants this incinerator than to have him drive past row after row of Blue Flags, each symbolising a vote against a project that could poison the air we breathe.

What is more, the next time a general election is called, the Alliance will be fielding candidates in North Kildare and South Meath under the Blue Flag, giving the people of the area a chance to make those votes count.

Now is your chance to make your opposition public. More than ever before, we need to show how we feel.

"Just because landfill is wrong, incinerators don't have to be right. Nuclear power was presented to a past generation as inevitable... We in Ireland reject the option".

Peter Cunningham, Sunday Independent October 9, 1999.

Dr. Paul Connett Joins the Fight: We bring in one of the best...

As the prospect of the hearings before An Board Pleanála loom ever closer, it becomes clear that the final battle will be fought between teams of experts.

Martin Blake, the man behind the plan to build the Kilcock incinerator, made it clear to a delegation from the Alliance last month that he plans to win his appeal. "It will be my experts against your experts", he told the delegation.

However, he may have a nasty surprise in store. Earlier this month, the Alliance was able to announce that the people of North Kildare and South Meath had raised more than £70,000 to help fight their campaign to stop the toxic incinerator.

Now, the Alliance is bringing one of the world's leading authorities on incineration to Ireland: Dr. Paul Connett.

Paul Connett is Professor of Chemistry at St. Lawrence University, New York. Since 1985, he has been engaged on research relating to the cancer-causing dioxins produced by incineration, and the ways in which they build up in food chains. His work in the lab has led him to the firm conviction that incineration is not the right technology for disposing of waste in the twenty-first century.

This conviction has brought him to 48 states in the US, and to 42 other countries around the world, where he has delivered more than 1500 talks on waste management, and on the alternatives to incinerators. He has helped groups defeat plans to build incinerators around the world.

Now Paul Connett is coming to Ireland to contribute to the debate on incineration. On Tuesday, November 23, at 8:00, he will speak at the Glenroyal Hotel in Maynooth. A challenge has been issued to Martin Blake of TWM to appear and defend his decision to build a gigantic toxic waste incinerator. As part of Paul Connett's visit, the Alliance will be organising a series of interviews with the media. If you have media contacts who might be interested in talking to him, please contact the Alliance office at (01)-6287888.

"At the end of the day, it will be my experts against your experts. And I intend to win." Martin Blake of TWM speaking to a delegation from last month.

SALE OF WORK EARNS £1660 AS CAMPAIGN FUND TOPS £70,000

A sale of work, organised by the Alliance, earned £1660 for the campaign against the proposed Kilcock incinerator. The sale was held in Scoil Dara, on Sunday, October 10.

According to one of the event's organisers, the day was "a great success" Special thanks go out to all those who turned up to buy a bargain, as well as to Scoil Dara and those who helped particularly members of the local ICA, and the students from Scoil Dara who were so much help: Aisling, Alva, Andrew, Claire, Heather, Jenny, Mairead, and Martin. At a public meeting held in Kilcock a few days later, on Tuesday October 12, it was announced that this figure brought the total amount raised by the Alliance to over £70,000. "This is an impressive amount" claimed an Alliance spokesperson, but warned against complacency. The money is earmarked for hiring teams of experts to bring to the oral hearings before An Board Pleanála — and that could cost £150,000. Of the money raised so far, £24,000 came from door-to-door collections, £16,500 was raised by the Wolfe Tones concert, more by the two golf classics and the rest by other fund-raisers.

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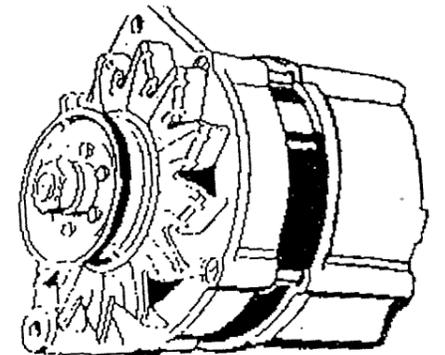
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IRISH HEART WEEK 7th - 13th November 1999

HEART HEALTH FOR LIFE

The Irish Heart Foundation is encouraging older people to look after their heart during Irish Heart Week, which takes place November 7th - 13th, with the slogan "Your Heart - the more mileage it's got, the more care it needs".

The aim of the week is to show that heart health can still be enjoyed well past sixty and lifestyle changes even at this time will lead to improved well-being and enjoyment out of life as well as offering real health benefits.

The key messages from the Irish Heart Foundation are:

- Enjoy life and keep in touch with friends.
- Be active.
- Eat more fruit and vegetables and less fat
- Try and quit smoking and go easy on the alcohol
- Have regular blood pressure and cholesterol check ups.

The Irish Heart Foundation will work with a wide range of organisations, retirement groups, public libraries, health boards and local Happy Heart groups to reach as many people as possible. General Practitioners will also receive copies of the promotional poster and magazine.

A national publicity and advertising campaign will highlight the message and activities for the week.

Irish Heart Week is one of the events of the International Year of Older People. Irish Heart Week is supported by the Health Promotion Unit in the Department of Health and Children and 2FM.

For further information and materials, please contact the Irish Heart Foundation at 4 Clyde Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4. Telephone: 01-6685001. Fax: 01-6685896. email: gdaly@irishheartfoundation.ie

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

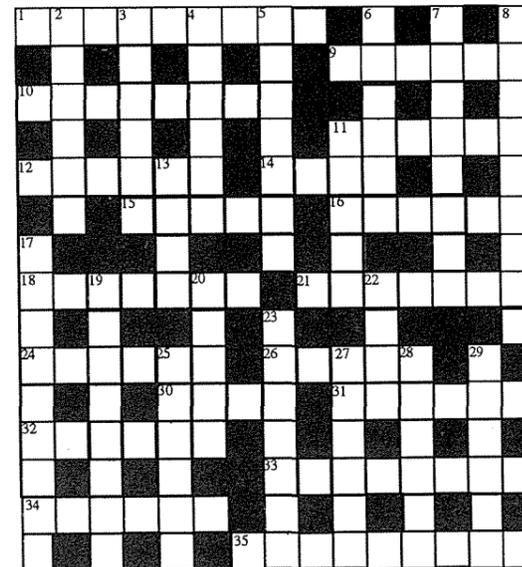
*Be a man and say halo
So soon had a chat to say
Her blossom face did glow
She really made my day
We talked about each other
In such an anxious way
For me to be no other
And I asked her would she stay*

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

*So the moral of my story is
Get your woman while you can
Nothing like Marriage bliss
To really make a man
Loneliness is a sad affair
It does not make you well
Find a girl that care
In which your heart does dwell*

Patrick Murray

Crossword No. 142



Entries before Monday 15th November

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

1. Breakfast spread (9)
9. Eat savagely (6)
10. Polite and elegant (8)
11. Servants of Gentlemen (6)
12. Tip-top point (6)
14. Terrible child? (4)
15. Basket of fish (5)
16. Deadly (6)
18. Took for granted (7)
21. Old army boy (7)
24. Blighter? (6)
26. Unclear (5)
30. Lowest female voice (4)
31. Roman Hall-of the heart? (6)
32. Awkward (6)
33. German Motorway (8)
34. Fatal (6)
35. Rudely or churlishly (9)

Down:

2. Highest points (6)
3. Short-sighted (6)
4. Hate or detest (6)
5. Lasting (7)
6. Upper House of Government (6)
7. Simultaneously (8)
8. Sport or struggling (9)
11. Device to control flow (5)
13. Old-fashioned transport (4)

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17. Dam or block (9)
19. Small oranges (8)
20. Pre-mature (5)
22. Pulled tight (4)
23. Tropical pear (7)
25. Tripods for artists (6)
27. Elastic for your stocking? (6)
28. Dark place between Earth and Hades (6)
29. Dry measure of eight gallons (6)

Solution to Crossword No. 141

Across: 4. Messy; 7. Ribbed; 9. Tax; 10. Tac; 12. Tutor; 13. Thaw; 15. Toyed; 17. Damage; 19. Erne; 20. Scene; 22. Ill; 24. Tattled; 27. Tea; 28. Erase; 31. Stop; 33. Stored; 35. Later; 37. Worm; 38. Gavel; 39. Dam; 41. Ale; 42. Latent; 43. Study.

Down: 1. Gratis; 2. Abrade; 3. Set; 4. Mate; 5. Exude; 6. Slowness; 11. Cogitated; 14. Want; 16. Yell; 18. Meat; 21. Contract; 23. Leer; 25. Test; 26. Drew; 29. Adored; 30. Enmity; 32. Plead; 34. Oral; 36. Ally; 40. Mar.

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VIDEO REVIEW

THE RUGRATS MOVIE

Cert U genre Family Cartoon Stars Dylan Pickles, Tommy Pickles
 Chuckie Finster, Angelica Pickles
 Running time 77min.

The Rugrats babies, intrepid explorers and stars of Nickelodeons' wildly - popular animated series, are off on their first feature-length adventure. With the birth of his new baby brother Dylan, Tommy Pickles knew things were about to change, but he never expected that being a big brother could be such an adventure. While attempting to return little Dil to 'hopsical' the Rugrats commandeer the Reptar Wagon and inadvertently get lost in the Forest. It's a rollicking, musical ride into a world beyond their backyard as the Rugrats encounter obstacles and some big surprises in their quest to get back home. Also features the celebrity voices of Whoopi Goldberg and Tim Curry and the chart-storming "Ooo Eee Aah Aah" song by the Cartoonies.

ARLINGTON ROAD

Cert 15 genre Thriller Stars Jeff Bridges, Tim Robbins
 Running Time 1.13 mins.

Michael Faraday (Jeff Bridges) and his 10 year son, Grant are both trying to come to terms with the loss two years earlier of Michael's wife Grant's mother. When they befriend a family from across the road, things seem to get a little better for them. However, as the families become closer, Michael starts having misgivings about Oliver and Cheryl Lang (Tim Robbins and Joan Cusack), and begins investigating them. He soon realises that the Langs are definitely not who they claim to be...

A tense political and psychological thriller, ARLINGTON ROAD is a suburban nightmare that makes you think and sweat at the same time and delivers a great twist ending.

DO YOU WANT YOUR FOOD SUPPLEMENTS TO JUST DISAPPEAR WITHOUT TRACE?

In Ireland up to now we could walk into our Natural Food Stores and the full range of natural products were available to us, which so many of us have used to good advantage. However, this is going to change - this right of ours to supplement our diet with natural food supplements is now under serious threat. The E.U. are preparing legislation with the object of 'harmonising' the differing regulations under which products are sold.

What is happening here? The Irish Medicines Board have recently issued a definition of a medicine - it states that any product that may be used to prevent cure or alleviate any disease is a medicine. What does this mean in regard to Natural Food Supplements? It means that supplements like Garlic, Evening Primrose, Fish Oils, Echinacea, Vitamin C - the list can go on and on will come under this definition. These products will be classed as drugs and under E.U. law - drugs require a medical licence - which costs thousands of pounds for each individual product. Health Supplement manufacturers say such costs will make the products prohibitive and force it off the market shelves. If the IMB insist upon implementing the terms of their new definition of a medicine followed by licensing - then it could mean you would have to go to your doctor to get a prescription every time you needed garlic capsules, oil of evening primrose etc. How stupid can it get? First most of us would object to having to pay an extra £20 to the doctor plus the price of our supplement. The doctors probably would not welcome clogging up the waiting room and taking up their precious time.

To illustrate how things are progressing - St. John's Worth which is a natural product with no side effects and a proven record with helping to alleviate depression is being taken off the market by the 1st January 2000 by the Minister for Health, Mr. Cowan. Why is this action being taken without giving the public the reason why? We as consumers, have every right to demand to know why this action is being undertaken? Whose interest is being looked after here - it does not seem to be the consumer?

One thing that is strange is why are these drugs that have been tested and licensed and with known very serious side effects still available by prescription on the market and a natural product with a proven safe record is taken off the market.

What can we do? Plenty - Write and bombard (email or fax is much quicker), the Minister for Health, your T.Ds. or your M.E.Ps., - contact radio stations write email or fax letters to the papers and, of course, tell your friends and encourage them to do likewise. **DO IT NOW** as decisions are being taken in the very near future.

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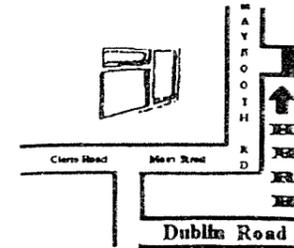
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TRANSITION YEAR IN MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL, 1999-2000

INTRODUCTION

We are pleased to present our Transition Year option for 1999-2000 and we welcome the students who will take part. The syllabus is a comprehensive one and should do much to achieve the aims as outlined:

- Give space to learn, mature and develop without exam pressure
- Expose students to areas of study not previously encountered
- Provide a solid foundation for Leaving Certificate course
- Develop students' confidence
- Enhance study skills
- Give students orientation to the world of work.

We have two classes for the coming session.

We look forward to an interesting year ahead.

Our thanks to the parents and students who had the courage to go with the Transition Year option and to all the teachers who put a lot of energy and expertise into the programme also Ms Kathleen O'Leary who is this years Year Head.

The whole thinking behind the Transition Year is to give students a chance to work in different areas, as over the time, the students are in charge of their own learning projects and responsibility.

On this years programme they have four Italian students, three girls and one boy, one Canadian boy and an American girl.

They will also do Media Studies, Personal Development and Computers etc.

They are going on a trip to Switzerland for five or six days which will be a great benefit to the people who will take up Travel as a career maybe in the future. Some of their courses also include a lot of guest speakers. In particular, a person who spent time working in a Romanian Orphanage will come in to tell the students about the life these children have out there.

EDUCATION FOR LESURE

Aims and Objectives

To include PE leisure studies as a life skill option with the potential to develop the student's education and future sports and recreation experience in and through a variety of new sporting activities.

Course Content

Students will make use of all the facilities of Leixlip Amenities Centre and will take part in three sporting disciplines. Aerobics/Step Aerobics/Line Dancing. A fully qualified aerobics teacher will teach all three activities.

Weight training/conditioning; with a wide range of high tech electronic machines available, students will also be able to avail of sports hall activities. These may include indoor soccer, unihoc, volleyball and basketball.

Day Trips

These will include:

Bowling in Palmerstown

Ice Skating in Phibsboro

Outdoor Pursuits in Carlingford Adventure Centre.

Assessment

Mostly summative on the part of the teacher. Self-evaluation is also an integral part of this course.

ART

Aims and Objectives

The wide variety of creative and expressive experiences available within art and design enable pupils to develop knowledge, skills and understanding which makes essential contributions to the whole curriculum. These experiences provide pupils with unique opportunities for observing, recording, imaging, designing, creating, communicating and appreciating.

We would envisage that this module would involve both field trips and classroom work and that a visual diary would be kept by each student on their progress throughout the project. The broad aims of the project would be to:

Enrich each students sensory experiences and develop artistic awareness.

Develop intellectual and practical capabilities, through participating creatively in a wide range of art and design activities;

To enable students to make personal, visual and tactile responses to feelings, ideas and environments in ways appropriate to their development;

Promote in students a growing appreciation and understanding of their own work and that of artists, architects, designers and craftworkers working in different contexts;

To develop students capacity to work both independently and in collaboration with others, communicating their ideas visually and verbally;

To help pupils to gain an understanding of the role, nature and significance of art, design and craft in their observation of their surroundings;

Foster a sense of achievement and self-confidence by helping pupils to develop ideas through to completion and to evaluate the effectiveness of their work.

At the end of the year we would hope that each student would possess a portfolio to include:

- Preliminary sketches and finished work in various media, based on the student's own observations of his/her surroundings;
- A visual diary recording the students personal work throughout the year with an emphasis on progress; (Some students would have taken art as a subject previously and others will not.)
- A personalised written project on either a painter / sculptor / architect or an era in art history of interest to the student.

HOME ECONOMICS

Aims and Objectives

To compile a cookery book/booklet suitable for the needs of students.

Course Content

1. Survival - basic low income daily meals-nutrition - 'light a fire'.
2. Seasonal - products/goods in season.
3. A visit to the supermarket/foodmarket; imported/Irish goods.
4. Cross curricular e.g.
 - Art > Illustrations
 - Business > Costings/Marketing
 - Geography etc.
5. International Cuisine.
6. When Mum/Dad visit your 'Pad'.

Assessment

Depth of content/interest/presentation.

Cont./



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NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK OF ENTRANTS.

This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds.
Closing date for receipt of entries is **Monday 22nd November** by 5 pm.

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TRANSITION YEAR IN MAYMOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL, 1999-2000 (Cont.)

COMPUTER STUDIES

Aims and Objectives

To prepare students for the use of computers in study and work. To develop confidence in the pupils so that they will look upon computers as a useful tool and a valuable learning aid.

Course Content

Keyboard use, word processor, printer procedures and layout, the use of spreadsheets, introduction to the internet and PC's.

Assessment

Assessment by regular 'hands on' testing and minor projects, also by the production of homework assignments/projects on computers.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Aims and Objectives

To achieve an ease and acceptance of self and others within an environment which encourages personal growth.

Course Content

This will examine areas such as self-esteem, assertiveness, feelings/emotions; decision-making, responsibilities, conflict resolution, communicating.

Other aspects of this course will include an examination of some of the dominant ideologies of the age - materialism, as well as a module on Disability Awareness which will involve working with people with special needs in the community.

A European Studies Module will be included to enable students to become familiar with diversities and similarities of Europe's languages, customs, culture and economic, political and social systems.

Group building work and strategies within each of the above areas are done through role-play, in groups and individually. Visiting speakers will enhance the student's experiences and on an on-going basis some students will help in Aisling House.

There will be a variety of activities, outings and visits throughout the year.

Assessment

This will be summative and on-going. It is envisaged that an integral part of this course will be self-assessment.

GUIDANCE

Aims And Objectives

To enable students to become aware of all of the options open to them on leaving school. To focus on an area of interest to each individual student. Job seeking skills will also be covered.

Course Content

C.V preparation. Form filling. Interview skills.

Third level options for all levels of ability.

Training/Apprenticeship opportunities.

Visiting speakers/seminars where relevant.

College/Workplace visits envisaged. Subject choice for Leaving Certificate. Occupational testing to help with career choice.

MEDIA STUDIES

Aims and Objectives

To encourage the student to explore the media in all its forms - Newspapers, Magazines, Radio, Television and Internet. This will create an awareness of media objectives, manipulation and prejudice.

Course Content

1. Group/individual project on a particular issue of the day. In 1998/99 this was 'deaths on our roads due to accidents and causes of same'. Creating a keen awareness of road safety issues.
2. Creation of an 'Image Folder'. This is a collection of pictures and photographs of the students choice. It can be on a particular theme, e.g., Happiness, Peace, War, Animals - or it may be a miscellaneous collection of the students favourite visual images.
3. Production of a Transition Year magazine. Contents to include reviews, hobbies, poems, surveys, news and activities during the year etc.
4. Examination of the film-making world - the making of a film - direction, production, marketing and distribution. A video may be produced by the students themselves.
5. Any issues selected by the students themselves.

Assessment

Based on project work throughout the year. Certificate at end of year if progress is satisfactory.

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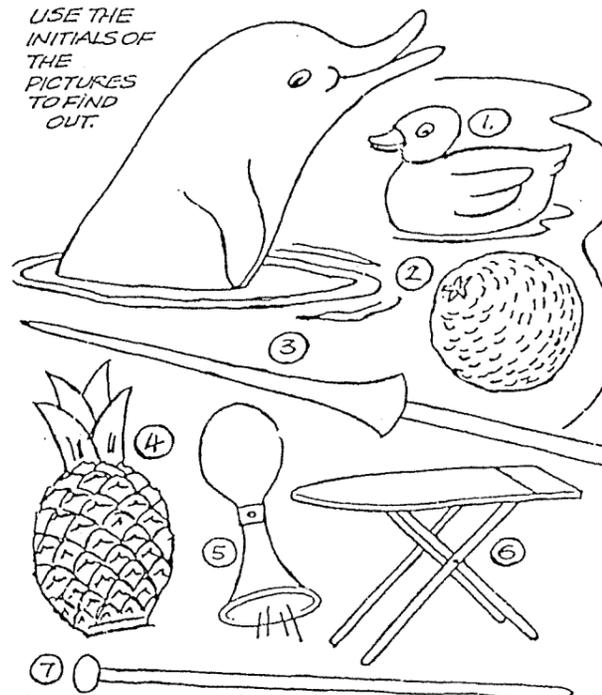
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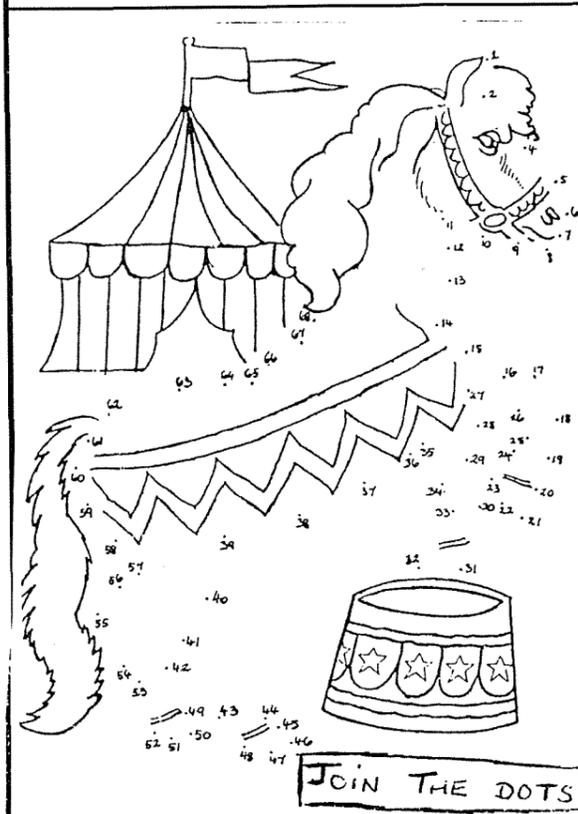
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THE MEDIA AND THE PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Dublin man's day was the accepted title of the Saturday of the now defunct R.D.S. Spring Show, when most of the prize exhibits of animals, were back home in their stalls. The day when the public were admitted at half price to view the residue of the week.

The N.P.A. ploughing exhibition has no such entry concessions, as all stations are go from 9 am. on day 'one to the final announcements at 6 pm. on the third day. The advance alert of ground and traffic conditions, by the Media, Newspaper and T.V. pictures, did not deter the rural and urban enthusiasts, many having no connection with farming, from attending.

An estimated 140,000 rural, urban and overseas visitors mingled at the Castletownroche venue. Despite four mile traffic tailbacks on approach to the car parks, and the long trek to the site, the humour amid the various accents and dialects was upbeat, and no complaints of impatience, road rage or underfoot conditions were discerned. To quote a Kerry farmer who with his family left home at 5.30am to arrive early, "Yarrah tis a day out for us all, pure muck and magic. We have come to enjoy ourselves, no matter the conditions or whatever time we get home". Such was the consensus of all that I spoke to. Clad in waterproof slicks, wax jackets and pull-ups, all from 2 to 92 had on their wellies. Thus clad all set forth on the 75 acre 900 stand trek, plodding along the steel tracked midways and then to view the basis of the show The Ploughing Competitions. T.V. pictures did not depict the many who daily plodded to the distant ploughing plots, watching with intense interest, the various classes. World class, Senior, Junior, Farmerette, Vintage tractor, Horses and Lay.

Congratulations to our own Noel Cummins, Ovidstown, winner of the Single furrow Vintage class. On the final day an urban visitor declared "I have no farm, garden or even a window box, but I go home knowing a furrow from an Aris.

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KILCOCK LAUNCHES INTEGRATED WASTE INITIATIVES

In August 1999, a Project Group was set up to explore methods of establishing a programme of community waste management projects in Kilcock, under the guidance of the Alliance. This group, known as KIWI (Kilcock Integrated Waste Initiatives), is in the process of setting up a series of projects which will be in keeping with the six principles of waste management (in order of priority):

- Prevention of Waste
- Minimisation of Waste
- Re-use
- Recycle
- Energy Recovery
- Disposal of Waste to the Highest Environmental Standards

KIWI aims to introduce schemes in the Kilcock community which will enable local householders, businesses and associations to manage their own waste products. KIWI hopes to provide both the facilities and information to assist everyone to help with the overall goal of waste prevention. The KIWI group are currently exploring the following schemes for the Kilcock area:

- Home composting of waste products such as the peelings of potatoes, vegetables and fruit.
- Introduction of reusable carry bags for shopping to facilitate the elimination of plastic disposable carry bags from shops.
- Various recycling schemes such as the use of bottle banks etc.

The members of the KIWI group are currently drawing up a plan of activities. The group is also seeking professional advice and support on the most effective ways of achieving

our aims. We have been talking to Kildare County Council and the Department of the Environment, as well as to other project groups similar to ourselves. The planning stages are being carefully thought out so that the targets will be achievable with a little effort from everybody.

The major basis of TWM's appeal to An Bord Pleanála is that Ireland needs an incinerator. If one small community can take responsibility for its waste, we will provide a living proof that they are wrong.

BLUE FLAG CANDIDATES IN THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION

The North Kildare and South Meath Alliance have decided to field two candidates in the next General Election, subject to Government Policy.

One will stand in South Meath and the other in North Kildare. They will stand under the symbol of a **BLUE FLAG** which is a flag associated throughout the European Union with pollution free beaches, coastal areas, etc.

The Alliance wants a pollution free environment around the lands, towns and villages of North Kildare and South Meath. The Alliance wants a National Debate and a National Policy with regard to the disposal of waste, particularly hazardous and toxic waste.

Your willingness to fly the **BLUE FLAG** will signify your wish to live and work in a pollution free environment and also your willingness to vote for the **BLUE FLAG** candidates when selected in the next general election. Blue flags are available from the Esso Garage, the Candy Store and Londis in Kilcock. They should be available in Maynooth by the time this Newsletter is in the shops.



Where are they now?

Features

HALLOWEEN CUSTOMS IN CO. KILDARE

Extracts taken from *Journal of the County Kildare Archaeological Society* Vol. V. 1906-08 'Customs peculiar to certain days, formerly observed in County Kildare' written by 'OMURETHI'.

All Saints' Day 1st November

'Samhain' or 'Sowin' as this day is called by Irish speakers, was reckoned as the first day of winter. It was one of the great pagan festivals, to which the games and rites practised on All Holland Eve, or All Hallows Eve, are traceable.

"Among ... the most popular diversions were:-

(a) A half-barrel was placed on the floor, and nearly filled with water; silver coins were thrown in, and large apples set floating on it; boys, stripped to the waist, with their hands tied behind their backs, then endeavoured to take up the former with their lips, and the latter with their teeth; and what they landed they were allowed to keep.

(b) Two sticks fastened together, cross-fashion, with their ends pointed, were slung by a cord from a rafter or beam. An apple and a lighted candle, alternately, were stuck on the ends of the sticks, and they were sent spinning around. The game was now for a boy to bite a piece out of the apple, without getting a mouthful of the candle.

(c) Two hazel-nuts, walnuts, or chestnuts, or even two grains of wheat, were selected and named after some boy and girl who were supposed to be courting. They were then placed side by side on a bar of the grate, or in the turf-ashes, and according as to whether they burned quietly, or jumped apart from one another, so would be the future before them.

(d) Four plates having been set down on a table, water was poured into one, a ring placed on another, some clay in the third, and in the fourth was placed either some straw, salt or meal. A person would then be blind-folded and led up to the table and into whichever plate he or she placed their hand, so would their future turn out. The water signified migration, the ring marriage, the clay death and the fourth plate prosperity. On re-arranging the order of the plates, others would be blind-folded and let up in like manner."

HALLOWEEN NOW AND THEN

What has happened to Halloween?

November's Eve, of All Saints and Feast of All Souls. For the last 30 years it has dwindled, from the age old traditions of ghosts, witches, fairies and hob goblins, when in the afternoon children dressed up and went from house to house collecting nuts, fruit, sweets for their parties later in the evening. At which, roasting horse chestnuts, dipping for apples and many other games would be played, rounded off with the cutting of the brack and the finding of the ring.

Most homes would host one of many local story tellers or professional liars, who proceeded to alarm and frighten their audiences with hair-raising yarns, many of which I think they believed themselves.

Being a day of abstinence the main meal consisted of mashed potatoes and kale in which, money, sticks and pieces of cloth would have been concealed.

Perhaps radio and television began the demise, particularly for the story tellers.

Somewhere along the years, the cross channel Guy Fakes, November 5th, traditions were imported, bonfires and fireworks, which soon degenerated into rowdiness and an excuse for drinking, with resultant danger to children and animals.

Time marches on, and lifestyles change, but it is sad that children today will never know the safe enjoyment of the old traditional celebrations of feasts like St. John's Eve in Summer and Halloween in Autumn.

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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE Learning the Lessons of the 1980s

Looking back from the perspective of today's Celtic Tiger it is quite hard to remember the difficult times of the 1980s. For several years, economic stagnation and high unemployment were the order of the day, accompanied by massive flows of talented young people to the cities of Europe and North America. We now know that these times, when we were continually being urged to 'tighten our belt', came at the same time that illicit fortunes were being amassed by a few in the inner sanctums of power. We now know also that while farms and businesses were going to the wall, kindly banks were writing off huge debts for some favoured politicians.

It was fairly natural that in these economic circumstances, the crop of county councillors elected in the 1985 local elections saw their role as advocates for development. For almost all of Ireland outside the Dublin area, a housing estate, an advance factory or a FAS scheme offered a chance to rejuvenate their electoral areas. Simultaneously, by the stroke of a pen in the Council Chamber, agricultural land values could be transformed to residential land values, making some lucky landowners millionaires overnight.

When councillors adopt a County Development Plan it is supposed to last five years. In the case of Kildare it was not to be reviewed for fourteen years. In 1998 after thirteen years of the 1985 County Kildare Development Plan, there was still enough unused residential land available to accommodate a further 63,000 people - over three times the actual increase that had occurred in the intervening period. In their rezoning frenzy, Kildare county councillors provided enough residential land in their 1985 Plan to have accommodated the entire population increase of the Republic of Ireland over the following decade! A slight miscalculation which cost you the tax-payer heavily in services and infrastructure! But it also had wider consequences. A simple sum would suggest that a land provision to accommodate 100,000 people generates a net asset increase in value of approximately £200M at today's prices. Many parts of Ireland could have done with a cash injection of this size in the 1980s and, had they received it, we might have had more balanced regional growth as a consequence. Instead we have the monstrous growth of the Dublin metropolitan area with all the problems that has brought, and seems destined to bring in the immediate future.

The growth of people power in the 1990s, most evident in the springing up and co-ordination of the various planning alliances has highlighted the problems caused by bad planning. Nowhere has this been more obvious than in Co. Kildare where, following suspension of their planning functions three times by two Ministers for the Environment, councillors engaged a consultant to advise them on population growth projections for the successor to their 1985 Plan. This suggested that they should provide for a population increase of 20,000 for 1996-2001, 8,000 in the fast growing towns of Maynooth, Celbridge and Leixlip. Councillors voted unanimously to adopt this strategy. When it appeared in the draft plan however it was worded as follows:

"It is the policy of the Council to promote the southward move of development within the county to redirect pressures from the north-east and to encourage the spread of development

through the towns of the centre to the west and south of the county. The substantial zoning of lands in Maynooth and the additional zoning of lands in Celbridge would be contrary to this policy".

This was much too explicit for councillors to swallow and their first step was to delete the last sentence. Then it became apparent that many towns had plenty of development land available which would allow them to reach their target populations without any new rezoning. This posed a problem for some councillors committed to new rezonings in their towns. A way of outflanking the planners was needed.

The first tactic involved the 'overzoning factor'. For example 150 acres of new zoning was deemed necessary to ensure 100 acres was developed for Maynooth. Maybe this would be fine in the middle of a recession, but it is doubtful if it is necessary to over-provide in this way in the middle of a housing boom. A second tactic was to move the population target goalposts from 2001 to 2003 and then to 2006, increasing them each time. For Maynooth a target population of 10,500 for 2003 slipped to 11,840 by 2006. Maynooth is currently likely to have a land provision for 14,200 in the forthcoming Development Plan.

1999 sees a national exchequer which can't spend all the money it has collected, despite a crying need for infrastructure and amenities throughout the country. But the Celtic Tiger offers a golden opportunity to plan on the basis of need rather than levies. What we don't want in Maynooth is a repeat of past mistakes. Playing fields and ring roads which have to be paid for by several hundred new houses merely leave infrastructural needs where they are at the moment. Imagination is required to overcome Maynooth's problems of excessive congestion and over rapid growth, not a repeat of the 1980s approach of development-led planning. Do our councillors have what it takes to bite the bullet?

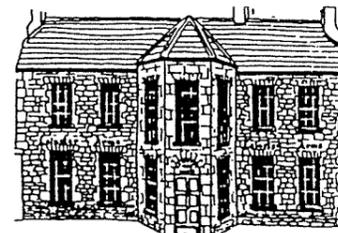
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. - A SHORT HISTORY

The Early Years

Maynooth is one of the oldest Clubs in the Country. Hurling was played in Maynooth in 1875, nine years before the founding of the G.A.A. in 1884. Maynooth 'Crom-Abu' won their first Kildare Championship in 1896 and represented Kildare in the Leinster Championship that year. The team captain was Domhnall Ua Buachalla who subsequently took part in the 1916 Easter Rising and afterwards was sent to Knitsford Jail and Frangoch Camp. He was elected to the first Dail in 1918 and he was the last Governor General of Ireland. He died in 1963 at ninety-eight years of age.

The playing of Gaelic Football in the town can be traced back to the same year that hurling started in the town. A number of challenge games within the parish have been recorded before the foundation of the G.A.A. and since the start of official games within the county the club has never failed to affiliate a team. Our club has achieved success in every official competition sponsored by the County Board.

The footballers achieved their first success in winning the County Junior Football Championship in 1913, with a replay win over Castledermot. This team went on to win the club's only Senior Football Championship in 1914, beating old rivals Kilcock 2-1 to 1-1. When Domhnall Ua Buachalla marched to the G.P.O. in 1916 he took a lot of Maynooth 'Crom a Bu' with him, so the club had difficulty in building on this win. Further success was denied to the club until they won the Minor Football Championship in 1927.

Team Colours

The Club Jersey (black with a white sash) originated from a tragic accident in 1889. A young Maynooth player Thomas Cullen was fatally injured in a game against the 'Blunts' of Monasterevan on 21st May. A monument was erected to his memory over his grave and the club jersey was changed from it's original green, orange and black to commemorate this great Gael.

The Geraldines

In 1958 Maynooth G.A.A. Club set up a separate club - the Geraldine Schoolboys Club - to cater for boys aged 10 - 16 years in Football and 10 - 18 years in Hurling. The Geraldines won the County Minor Football Championship in 1960; the County Juvenile Hurling Championship in 1963 and the County Minor Hurling Championship in 1965.

Intermediate Champions 1965

Many of the players involved in the 1960 Minor success were on the victorious 1965 Intermediate Football Championship winning team.

The team that beat Castlemitchel 2-8 to 1-2 was as follows:
Maynooth: N. Farrelly, T. Hendrick, E. Dunne, F. Malone, M. McDonagh, J. Nevin (capt.), P. Boyd, J. Browne, B. Redmond, M. Nevin, C. Murphy (1-3), E. Kavanagh (0-3), T. Fay (0-1), F. Leavy (1-1), B. Dempsey.

Recent Successes

In 1976 the club won the Junior Hurling League and the Junior 'B' Football Championship. The footballers went on to defeat St. Kevins in the Jack Higgins Cup Final, taking this trophy to Maynooth for the first time.

The next major success came in the G.A.A. Centenary Year, 1984, when the club again won the Junior 'B' Football Championship and the Junior Football League.

The early 1990s saw a resurgence of Hurling in the Club, with both the Minor and Under 16 Hurlers winning their leagues in 1991, 1992 and 1993. The Minors also added the Championship and the Junior Footballers also won the Junior Football League.

In 1994 the Junior Hurlers won the Championship and the Minors won their League.

Undoubtedly 1995 was a proud year in the club's long history with the club being named Co. Kildare Club of the Year. Maynooth gained both the Junior 'A' and Junior 'B' Football Championships and opened their new Clubhouse.

The Ladies Footballers came to the fore in 1996 in winning the County Championship and the All-Ireland 'seven-a-side' competition.

1997 was also a very successful year for the club. In this year Maynooth won their first U21 Football Championship when they defeated St. Laurences in the Final after a replay. The Clubs hurlers also won the U16 and Minor Championship and League.

The most successful team of 1998 was the Intermediate 'B' team who did the League and Championship double. This was the second time they had won both cups in the same year, having won both the Junior Championship and League in 1995.

1999 The Year To Date

The club's Camogie team brought the first silverware back to the town with their unique Junior League and Championship double.

The Intermediate Hurling team have won their Championship when they defeated Clane.

The Intermediate 'B' Football team won their respective League and Championship.

The Intermediate 'A' Football team have been promoted to Division 1 of the Senior Football League after winning ten and drawing one of their thirteen league games in Division 2.

The undoubted highlight of the year was the winning of the Championship by this team managed by former County player Davy Dalton. In the Final they defeated a very good St. Kevin's team after a replay.

This past year has seen much success on the playing fields and put Maynooth 'Crom-Abu' back, where they began all those years ago, in Senior Football and Senior Hurling. Well done to all concerned!!!

Club Facilities

The Club now boasts a fine clubhouse with purpose-built changing rooms, office, a committee meeting room, a large function area with full bar/lounge facilities. These were all added during the Chairmanship of Mick Gillick over his ten years in that position and are a testament to both his dedication and the foresight of those who went before him. With a fine playing pitch, a training pitch and recently built indoor handball court at St. Mary's Park on the Moyglare Road the club seems well equipped to deal with the challenges of the new Millennium.

The priority for the club in the coming years is the acquisition of pitches to cater for up to twenty five teams in football, hurling, camogie and ladies football.

The Club is anxious to play its role in integrating newly arrived residents to Maynooth and welcomes new members of all ages.

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

DESIGN OF £2M BOND BRIDGE APPROVED

Two options for the design of the new bridge went before the Area Committee on the 4th of October.

(a) This proposal requires the demolition of the existing bridge and will thus require a road closure for at least nine months and the provision of a footbridge to cater for the large volume of pedestrians and cyclists using this road.

(b) This proposal allows the construction of the new bridge without closing the existing bridge.

Cllr. John McGinley proposed Option B and this was agreed by the other members. This proposal will now go before the full Council on the 18th of October for approval. The planning process and tender document stage is expected by the end of the year. Work is scheduled to start early Spring and the construction will take 12 months.

Cllr. McGinley also asked that two changes be made to the design:

1. That the new car park at the Railway Station be accessible from the new bridge in order for 100 cars to avoid the Main Street and to make it easier exiting the station.

2. That cycle paths be incorporated into the new bridge. The present design is for a 7.3 metre carriageway with a 2 metre footpath on either side so it should not be too difficult to facilitate cyclists.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked that the Meadowbrook Link remain a priority and that every effort be made to have it completed before the work on Bond Bridge begins.

CLOSURE OF DOCTORS LANE VERY UNLIKELY

There were four objections to the closure of Doctors Lane at the Leixlip Road end. One of these was from the Council's Chief Fire Officer and because of this the Senior Executive Engineer has recommended to the Area Committee that the closure should not proceed. The Area Committee will make its decision at its next meeting on the 5th of November.

RESURFACING BACK LANES IN MAYNOOTH

Fagan's Lane, Coate's Lane, Buckley's Lane and Geoghan's Lane have all been badly damaged by construction work. The Council have stated that it would cost £6,000 to provide drainage and surface each lane. Cllr. McGinley had advised them to use the development levies collected from the new businesses in order to carry out this essential work.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the County Secretary to write to the Group advising them that the Council's Navigation Officer is available to help them in whatever way possible. All of the Councillors recognised the tremendous work being carried out by the Group in Maynooth and asked the County Secretary to provide all help possible.

PROVISIONS OF LITTER BINS AT BUS STOPS AND AT THE HARBOUR AREA, MAYNOOTH

Cllr. John McGinley has again highlighted the need for an improved Litter Control Service in Maynooth. He has asked that street cleaning and emptying of bins be carried out seven days per week. Kildare County Council seem to think that people don't discard litter at the weekends. There is now no shortage of money in the Country with this years surplus likely to be £6.5 Billion. That is as much as we got from the

European Union over five years. Surely it is not too much to ask that some of this money be used to provide a modern seven day cleaning service in our towns. The new mechanised street cleaner began work on the 11th of October. This improvement's long awaited arrival, which was originally proposed by Cllr. John McGinley, is very welcome.

TREES DAMAGING FOOTPATHS

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by the County Secretary that a contractor will be employed in the Autumn/Winter to carry out extensive pruning and maintenance to trees throughout the County and in particular in the Maynooth/Leixlip area. Cllr. McGinley has a Motion before the full Council asking that a Parks Department be set up in the Council. If the Councillors agree to this it will mean that maintenance of trees can be carried out in an organised and planned way in addition to maintaining the public parks and green areas.

NEW LIGHTS ON FAGAN'S LANE

Cllr. John McGinley's proposal to install two new public lights on Fagan's Lane has been acted on by the E.S.B. Their installation will make life much easier for residents and users of the Lane.

NATURAL GAS FOR OLD GREENFIELD HOUSES

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion for consideration by the Area Committee of the Council.
"That Natural Gas be installed in the rented houses in Old Greenfield similar to the pilot scheme in Avondale in Leixlip"

OLD GREENFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Following Cllr. John McGinley's Motion, the Council have now sought Planning Permission (Part 10) for the two new houses and the improvements in the area. The proposals can be examined in the Library and observations or submission must be with the County Secretary before the 19th November.

INCREASED FUNDING FOR LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the County Secretary has advised that increased funding for the Cemetery Development will be included in the forthcoming Estimates for consideration by the full Council.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AT THE BOTTOM OF MAIN STREET, MAYNOOTH

Residents will be aware that these traffic lights and pedestrian crossings were an integral part of the Main Street Improvement Works. It therefore came as a shock to Councillors when they were told that there was no money left for this work. Accordingly, Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to the Area Meeting;
"That the County Manager provides the £25,000 necessary to install new traffic lights and pedestrian crossings at the bottom of Main Street, Maynooth."

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to the Council:
"That the proposed link road from Meadowbrook to the

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES (CONT.)

Straffan Road incorporates the requirements of Kingsbry Residents Association."

MAYNOOTH PARK

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to erect "Children at Play" signs in Maynooth following a request from the Residents Association.

MOYGLARE VILLAGE BOUNDARY WALL

A boundary wall between Moyglare Village and the main road is needed very badly. Numerous approaches to achieve this have been unsuccessful to date. Cllr. John McGinley has therefore submitted the following Motion for consideration by the Area Committee:

"That funding be allocated from the next Discretionary Block Grant to build a boundary wall between Moyglare Village and Moyglare Road."

If the other three Councillors agree to the motion, the wall will finally be built.

THE MOTORWAY EXIT LIGHTS

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following Motion to the Council:

"That traffic lights be installed at the Motorway Bridge on the Straffan Road, Maynooth to accommodate traffic exiting the Motorway from Dublin, without any further delay."

TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT OLD GREENFIELD, SILKEN VALE, PARKLANDS/CASTLEBRIDGE AND THE RAILWAY STATION

Residents will recall that Cllr. John McGinley submitted a Motion calling for traffic lights here nine months ago. The Council's Engineer stated that they would have to carry out traffic counts first. In view of the inordinate delay Cllr.

McGinley has submitted the following Motion:

"That traffic lights be erected at an appropriate location to accommodate traffic exiting from Old Greenfield, Silken Vale, Parklands/Castlebridge and the Railway Station without any further delay."

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. CLUB NOTES

Maynooth Town (A1) 0 Home Farm (Premier)11 Under 12's SFAI CUP

Maynooth Town's under 12 A1 side got the toughest of draws in the first round of the all Ireland SFAI Cup. A talented Home Farm side had things much their own way on a windy Saturday morning at the North Kildare Club. The Farm struck three times in the first 10 minutes and but for the Maynooth keeper Owen Delaney their half-time score of 0-5 could have been a lot worse. The Town continued to battle in the second half and for the first 10 minutes managed to keep the visitors at bay. A minute later Home Farm struck again and as Maynooth heads began to drop the Farm started to dominate again. The final score of 0-11 did not do the Town's battling qualities justice but the experience of playing a top-flight team will stand them in their league campaign.

Maynooth from: Owen Delaney, Damien O'Neill, Niall Hanlon, David Gahan, Neil Cooney, Eddie Power, Brian Behan, Mark Lord, Daniel O'Hare, Sean Geoghan, David Fagan, Paul McGreal and Tim Franklin.

Maynooth Town (A) 0 Portmarnock F.C.(A) 4 Under 13's SFAI

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A strong wind and driving rain made condition tough for both teams in this under 13's All Ireland SFAI Cup -tie. Maynooth were missing two key players in goalkeeper Sean Kennedy and mid - fielder Brian O'Malley. Substitute keeper Niall Doogan was well up to the task and in the 13 minute was quick off his line at smother the ball at the feet of the advancing attacker when a through ball caught the Town's defence napping. Portmarnock continued to push forward and just a minute later poor marking seen them take the lead. It was another defensive error that allowed the visitors a 0-2 lead at the break. The Town started the second half with the wind at their backs and needed an early goal to get back into the contest. An unlucky break seen the game put beyond them when a deflection off a defender seen Portmarnock go 0-3 up. Maynooth began to feel the cold and the wet and were caught in possession to allow the visitors their fourth. Not the best of displays from the home side and with the teams to meet twice again in the league Maynooth will have to raise their game if they are to get anything out of those encounters.

Maynooth From: Niall Doogan, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, David Baxter, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Shaun Doogan, David Canny, Jason Moen, Conor O'Regan and Dara Sweeney.

Ballyouster Utd 0 Maynooth Town 0 DDSL Under 13A

Maynooth Town's under 13 A side were at full strength for the first time this season as they travelled to Celbridge for this local derby. In what was an evenly balanced contest in which both sides had their chances to take the points but neither managed to find the target. What was probably the best chance of the game fell to Maynooth when Shaun Doogan gained possession inside the area and turned to shoot low into the left corner on his less favoured left foot. The Ballyouster keeper did well to get down quickly and avert what would have been a certain goal. The Town's keeper Sean Kennedy also had to be at the top of his game to keep the home side at bay. Kennedy dominated his area and was always vocal when marshalling his defence. Earlier

Maynooth's injury jinx struck again as their kingpin in defence Sean McAllister had to be replayed after 20 minutes with a calf strain. Despite the reshuffle Maynooth quickly regained their shape as team captain Declan Bambrick dropped back from mid-field to perform a capable job as sweeper. Both teams might have felt they had done enough to gain the points but at the final whistle a draw was a fair result in what was an enjoyable spectacle played in great spirit.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Niall Doogan, Jason Moen, Ronan Phelan, Mark Sidney, Conor O'Regan, Martin O'Neill and Ciaran McDermott.

Maynooth Town 9 Lusk Utd 0 Brenfer NDL Under 11C

Maynooth had things much their own way in this Brenfer under 11C against Lusk United at the North Kildare Club. From the start the home team looked in charge and Lusk were lucky not to have conceded more than the three that separated the sides at the break. The Town continued to punish some poor defending in the second period and doubled their first half tally with another six in the second. Goals from Paddy Comerford (2) Fiachra Moriarty (2) Ross Cullinane (2) and a hat trick from Brendan Doogan made up Maynooth's final score of nine.

Maynooth from: Michael Fox, James Molloy, Martin McCabe, Shane Travers, Paddy Comerford, David Corbett, Fiachra Moriarty, Sean McTernan, Brendan Doogan, Kenneth Corbally, Anthony Murphy, Sean Gerathy, Damien Rooney and Ross Cullinane.

Maynooth Town 5 St Anthony's Boys 5 DDSL Under 12B

Maynooth were slow to start and found themselves three goals down after only 15 minutes in this under 12B clash at the North Kildare Club. Despite the deficit the home side regained their composure and settled down to play some attractive football. As Maynooth began to dominate the Saints were forced to concede a corner. Sean Geoghan floated in a perfect ball for Eddie Power to flick on to the waiting boot of Daniel O'Hare to put the home side back into the contest. After the break Maynooth continued to push men forward but paid the price as they were caught on the break and the visitors restored their 3-goal advantage. The Town were awarded a penalty for a handball inside the area and Eddie Power made no mistake from the spot. Shortly afterwards Maynooth were again caught pushing forward and allowed the Saints once again to restore their 3-goal cushion. That set back only seemed to strengthen the Town's resolve and in a frantic final 10 minutes goals from Eddie Power, David Fagan, and with just 2 minutes left on the watch, the equaliser from Brian Bean gave Maynooth a share of the points.

Maynooth from: Eoghan Delaney, Mark Lord, Niall Hanlon, Neil Cooney, Laurence Hutchinson, Sean Geoghan, David Canny, Brian Bean, Eddie Power, David Fagan and Daniel O'Hare.

Maynooth Town 4 Grange Abbey 2 Brenfer NDL Under 13 League Cup Home Team sponsored by Value Tile Maynooth

It was a case of the Subs that sunk Grange Abbey in this

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under 13 cup-tie at the North Kildare Club. It was 25 minutes into the first half before Maynooth managed to break down a stubborn Abbey defence. The Town's first came after some determined work by Mickey Coneely in beating two defenders and struck hard and low to give the visiting keeper no chance. Two minutes after the break Maynooth failed to properly clear what looked like a harmless cross and allowed Grange Abbey to equalise. On 40 minutes an inch perfect through ball from Lorcan Brehney seen Austin Tighe round the keeper to restore Maynooth's lead. It was again a defensive error, 18 minutes into the second half that allowed the Abbey to draw level for the second time. Maynooth continued to push forward and halfway through the second half were awarded a free kick. Lorcan Brehney let fly from 30 yards only to see his effort rebound off the crossbar but substitute Barry Harney was on hand to finish off in style. It was another Maynooth substitute that sealed the tie when Peter Lawlor got on the end of a through ball from Austin Tighe to leave the final score 4-2 in the Town's favour. A good all round performance with Austin Tighe just shading Mickey Coneely for the Man of the Match award.

Maynooth from: Chris Byrne, Andy Higgins, Laurence Hutchinson, Donal Durcan, Kevin Farrell, Paddy Broughan, Lorcan Brehney, Mickey Coneely, Austin Tighe, Tadgh Moriarty, Paul Nelson, Barry Harney, Peter Lawlor and Daryl Murphy.

Maynooth Town 0 Leicester Celtic 2 DDSL Under 17 A

Home team sponsored by Brady's Clockhouse Maynooth

Leicester Celtic were the opposition for this under 17's clash in the Dublin Road. The teams had met twice in the league last season and Celtic came out on top on both occasions. There was only 9 minutes on the clock when an unsettled Maynooth defence allowed the visitors their first when a looping header gave the exposed home keeper Stephen Kelly no chance. The Town were unlucky not to draw level just a minute later when Trevor McMahon had his effort cleared off the line having beaten the keeper. Maynooth seen another good chance missed on 25 minutes when Paul O'Hanlon rounded the keeper only to blast his left footed effort wide of the open goal. Leicester continued to play the more attractive football and although Maynooth had their chances they were lucky to be only one behind at the break. The second half was much the same as the first with the Town's poor passing allowing Celtic to dominate. The home side's best chance of the second period fell to Trevor McMahon after a superb cross from Stephen Dunk but it was a capable Celtic keeper who foiled his effort once again. The visitors wrapped it up with a second just before the final whistle and Maynooth know they will have to raise their game if they are to prevent Celtic doing the double over them again this season.

Maynooth from: Stephen Kelly, Keith Halligan, Alan Baxter, Noel Healy, Dean Conway, Shane Folan, Robert Stanley, Jonathon Leddy, Trevor McMahon, Paul O'Hanlon, Stephen Dunk, Martin Conway, Bobby Kelly and Jason Newton.

Manortown Utd 1 Maynooth Town 0 DDSL Under 13A

A missed second half penalty cost Maynooth a share of the points at Greentrees Park recently. The visitors had been awarded the spot kick after a determined run by David Canny was ended when he was brought down inside the area. Shaun Doogan placed his shot high and to the right and the

United keeper got across well to pull off a fine save. Earlier in the 25 minute Manortown had gained the lead when poor defending allowed them in to give the Town's keeper Sean Kennedy no chance. Only 5 minutes later Kennedy kept Maynooth in the contest when he dived at the feet of the advancing attacker to avert what would have been a certain goal. The Town's mid-field, with the exception of Declan Bambrick, never really got into the game and allowed Manortown to dominate the centre of the park. Maynooth will need to start winning the mid-field battles if they are to improve on their current form of one point from five games.

Maynooth from: Sean Kennedy, Cian Walsh, Gavin O'Connor, Mark Cummins, Sean McAllister, Kevin Comerford, Declan Bambrick, Luke Daly, Brian O'Malley, Shaun Doogan, Jason Moen, Ronan Phelan, Mark Sidney, Martin O'Neill and David Canny.

Maynooth Town 1 Artane Beaumont 4 DDSL Under 15A Home team sponsored by Moyglare Manor Hotel Maynooth

The writing was on the wall as early as the 7 minute for Maynooth's under 15 side at the Dublin Road. The home defence could only look on as a superb 25 yard volley gave Artane an early lead. The Town could have equalised just 3 minutes later when the visiting keeper got a finger tip to Alan Brennan's fine strike after an inch perfect cross for Alex Dempsey. That was one of the few times an out of sorts Maynooth team looked like threatening an otherwise strong Artane defence. The visitors added 2 more before the break and made it 0-4 before a well struck direct free kick from Gary McMahon gave the home side a consolation.

Maynooth from: David Staunton, Padraic Doherty, Ciaran McCullagh, Paddy Behan, Lorcan Fagan, Gary McMahon, Brian Shields, Alex Dempsey, Mark O'Mahony, Alan Brennan, Jamie O'Neill, Mark Newton, James Keegan, David Comerford and Alan Sweeney.

Maynooth Town A.F.C. held our A.G.M. in the I.C.A. hall recently. Items on the agenda included election of Executive Officers, election of Committee Members, adoption of our new constitution, appointment of three pitch co-ordinators and the setting up of two working groups. In his report to the meeting the Chairman John Doogan commented on the previous seasons successes paying special tribute to the Ladies team who won their league with an unbeaten record and also congratulated Emma Kilduff on her selection for the full international ladies team. It is a great honour for a town the size of Maynooth to be represented at such a high level of the game. The Chairman also mentioned the success achieved by several of our schoolboy team who had gained promotion and the very successful Liverpool trip that had taken place last April. He also thanked the team managers for their efforts during the year and wished them all luck in their current campaigns. The Secretary Gerry Folan in his report had commented on the Ministers guidelines for children in sport and an Ethics working group was set up to roll out these guidelines to all members of the Club. Club treasurer Alan Cahill in his report to the meeting commented on the financial pressure the Club was under due to the amount of teams we now support. The average cost of running each of the 17 teams was £1000 per year and that level of funds coming into the Club had not kept pace with the growth in membership. As we still have no movement in finding a permanent home for soccer in Maynooth we are still

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largely dependant on the good will of the community to support the massive growth we have experienced over the last number of years. A second working group was set up to look into more effective fundraising and will report back to the committee in the near future. The meeting also adopted Maynooth Town's first constitution. The constitution will give the Club the formal guidelines under which it will work in the future and covers a wide range of topics from the official club colours to the disciplinary procedures for the membership.

The elections of the officers was as follows:

President-Michael Dempsey, Chairperson-John Doogan, Vice Chairperson-Melanie Oliver, Hon. Secretary-Gerry Folan, Treasurer-Alan Cahill.

Committee members elected were:

Pat Moynan, Eddie Power, Lenny Murphy, Johnny Thompson and Tom Dempsey (Co-opted)

The pitch co-ordinators appointed were:

Mick Dempsey-Dublin Road, Kerion Glynn-North Kildare Club, Pat Moynan-Harbour Field

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WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

DATE	NO'S	JACKPOT	5 X £10 WINNERS				
26 Sept. 99	3,7,10	£750	Angela Leavy	Marie Kelly	Michael Murphy	Paul Daly	Isobel Walsh
26 Sept. 99	There was one Jackpot Winner for £750						
3 Oct. 99	4,18,24	£500	Dermot O'Sullivan	Sharon O'Sullivan	J. Thompson Snr.	Nichola Corr	Rose Hayes
10 Oct. 99	10,17,19	£525	Lorraine Dunne	Martin Walsh	John Dolan	John Ternan	Mary Cahill
17 Oct. 99	2,16,18	£550	Ger Lavelle	Cha'	Pamela Fahey	Marie Stanley	Eddie Tracey



Maynooth Town Football Club newly promoted U13A side sponsored by Coonans Auctioneers, Maynooth

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

The G.A.A. Club has procured the use of the Parish Hall over the Winter period for indoor hurling coaching each Friday evening from 8.00 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. Children between the age of eight to twelve years are welcome to attend. Please note that coaching for this same age group continues at the G.A.A. Club grounds on Saturdays from 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. and on Sunday mornings from 11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

The Camogie girls are on the Championship trail. Under 21 Camogie Championship (First Round) Maynooth versus Clane at Rathcoffey on Sunday 31st October 1999 (time to be confirmed). Please support the Crom Abu.

It's that time of the year again and the Annual General Meeting of Maynooth G.A.A. is only a few weeks away. The A.G.M. of the Club will be held at the Clubhouse on Monday 6th December 1999 commencing at 7.00 p.m. sharp. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated.

To honour the success of Maynooth Gaelic Footballers in 1999 a special Medal Presentation Night will take place in the Clubhouse on Saturday 4th December 1999. In addition the football team of 1965 who won the Intermediate Championship, having defeated Castlemitchell in the Final will be honoured.

1999 has also been a very successful year for the hurlers and camogie players and to acknowledge this a Medal Presentation Night will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday 27th November 1999. The 1994 Hurling Team will also be honoured as they captured the Championship defeating Clane in the Final.

A special Mass for deceased Club members will take place on Saturday ,27th November 1999.

**Thomas Coffey,
Joint P.R.O.**

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

19th September 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 6, 7, 12, 22	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	John Nevin, 54 Kingsbry
2.	Nora O'Kane, Pagetown, Maynooth
3.	Tom Donnely, 76 Moyglare Villas
4.	Billy McCrory, Kingsbry, Maynooth
5.	Carmel Kelly, c/o Domo

26th September 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 15, 16, 17, 19	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Rose Comerford, c/o Domo
2.	Kieran Ganley, Coolgath House, Kilcock
3.	Michael Buckley, 241 Kingsbry, Maynooth
4.	Ted Walsh, 243 Kingsbry, Maynooth
5.	Patsy Dunne, Old Greenfield

3rd October 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 8, 11 13, 14	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	P. Conroy, Chemist, Maynooth
2.	Ann Leavy, 166 Kingsbry, Maynooth
3.	Marie Ryan, 12 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth
4.	Grainne Feely, c/o Ollie
5.	Denis Nolan, c/o Ollie

10th October 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 1, 10, 17, 24	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Les Slevin, c/o Domo
2.	Patsy Walsh, c/o Domo
3.	Betty Wilson, Kingsbry, Maynooth
4.	Patricia Kavanagh, Grangewilliam
5.	J. Keane, Maynooth Homecare

16th October 1999	
This Week's Numbers: 3, 8, 11, 23	
This Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot: £3,000	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Barbara Tracey
2.	Matt Carroll, c/o Domo
3.	Bridget Wardren, c/o McCormacks
4.	Maura Goulding
5.	Donal Downes, Maynooth B.N.S.

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Byrne: (Smithstown, Maynooth, Co. Kildare) Oct 3rd. 1999 (suddenly) at his residence, Martin (Mattie), beloved husband of the late Katie, deeply regretted by his loving family Sr. Columba (Holy Faith), Sr Eileen (F.M.D.M.), Pádraic and Mary, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Birthdays:

Happy birthday to **Declan Kavanagh** who will be 13 on the 4th November, from Mam, Ian, Neil, Karen, Mark, Jennifer, Niamh and Baby Séan.

Happy birthday to **Séan Kavanagh** who will be 1 on the 23rd November, hugs & Kisses from Nanna, Neil, Karen, Mark, Declan and Jennifer.

Birthday greetings to **Cindy**, from the Office Staff.

Happy birthday to **Andrew Jolley**, love from Mammy, Grandad, Granny and Auntie Rachel.

Happy belated birthday to **Margaret**, from the Office Staff.

Happy belated 14th birthday to **John Kelleher**, from Mammy Ann, Siobhán, Pat and Aisling.

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