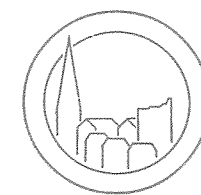


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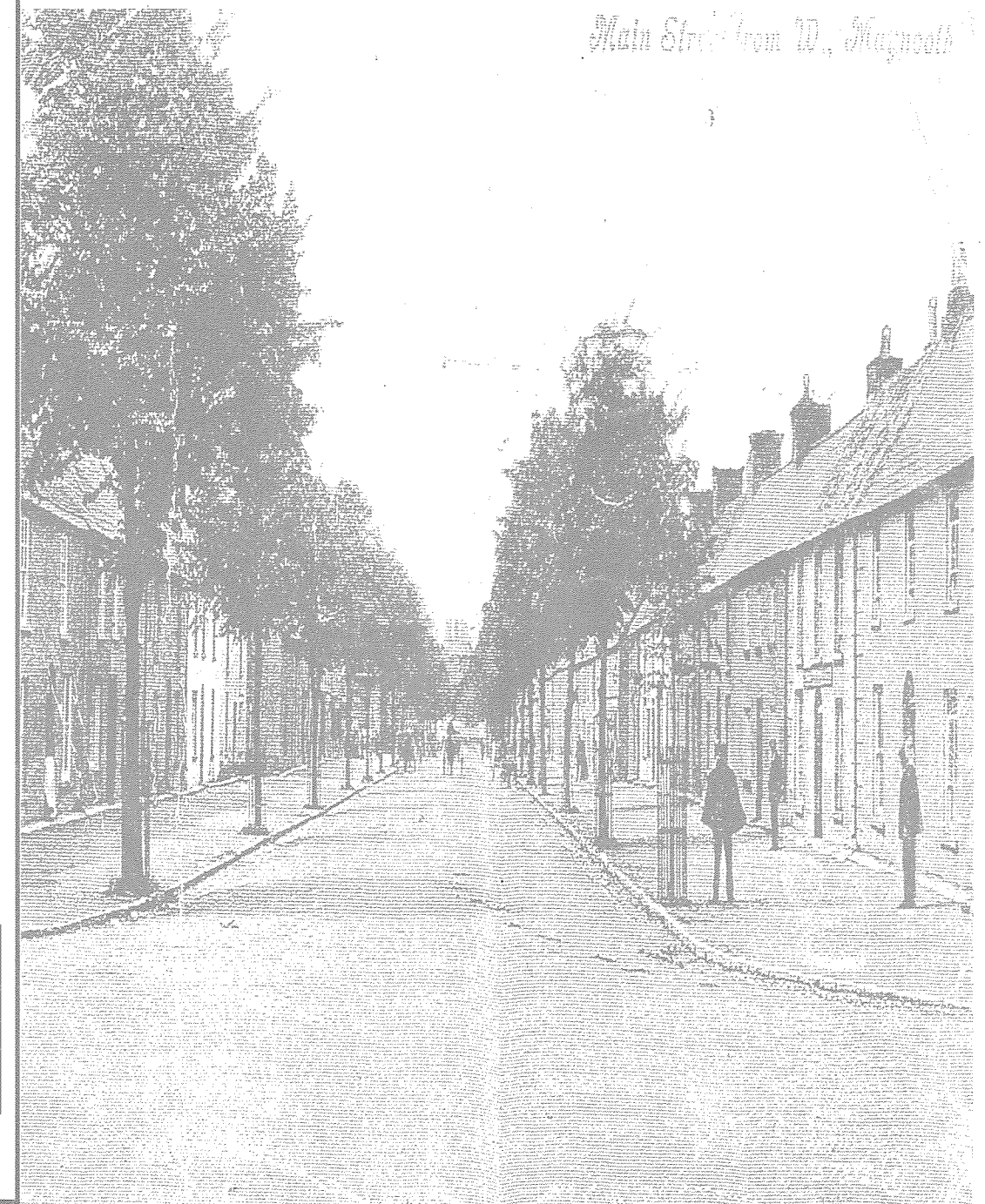
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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Community Council support Moyglare Residents for wall
The failure of Kildare County Council to keep Residents Associations informed of discussions between the Council and Developers regarding the completion of estates was criticised by Paul Croghan at the December meeting of the Community Council. His remarks follow the experience of the Moyglare Residents association in pursuing a wall as the boundary between Moyglare Village and the Moyglare Road. He warned other Residents Association that they will have similar difficulties. Maynooth Community Council is to write to Kildare County Council in support of the position adopted by the Moyglare Residents Association.

Maynooth Action Strategy - praised for lighting College for Millennium

Maynooth Community Council Chairman, Tom McMullon complimented Maynooth Action Strategy for the excellent ceremony and the lighting of the College Spire that took place on the 10th of December last. The lighting of the spire was the major Millennium project for the Town.

Maynooth Tidy Towns - urged to give estate reports to Residents Associations

Don O'Mahony the representative from Carton Court, supporting a proposal from Tom McMullon, urged the Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee to consider giving residents associations a written report on how their estates scored in the annual Best Estate competitions, sponsored by Coonans. Mr. O'Mahony felt that this information would help estates to identify areas that needed attention and would improve their chances in the competition next year.

Incineration out, but still no seven day cleaning service - Community Council told

Cllr. John McGinley advised Maynooth Community Council that the Kildare County Council Waste Management Plan no longer includes a reference to Incineration as a policy option. He also informed the Community Council that the County Council has refused to provide a seven day a week street cleaning service in Maynooth.

New Community Council - Supervisor

Ms. Sarah O'Connor has been appointed to succeed Ms. Freda Kelleher as supervisor with Maynooth Community

Council.

In thanking Ms. Kelleher for her efforts over the years, Council members also acknowledged the help of Ms. Margaret Lennon who has managed the day to day operation of the community council office since Ms. Kelleher's departure.

Concern expressed over condition of Presbytery

Community Councillors raised their concern regarding the worsening condition of the presbytery in Leinster Street. The building was last occupied by the late Fr. Cogan before his transfer to Porterstown. The house and grounds have not been maintained and it was the view of community councillors, that as a community we should not allow this property to fall into ruins.

Carton Court Residents seek Community Council support on Fires

Maynooth Community Council members were informed about the impact on residents of fires being light in a commercial premises close to Carton Court. The opinion of councillors was that these fires were likely to be illegal and are certainly causing a nuisance to residents. A letter supporting the residents position is to be sent to Kildare County Council and copied to the offending party.

Tesco criticised for lack of choice in Maynooth shop

A number of Councillors were critical of Tesco Maynooth for their failure to offer a choice of goods and keeping their shelves adequately stocked. There were a number of incidences cited by councillors about their failure to get what they wanted in the shop in recent times.

New Chess Club in Maynooth

Community Council members for Moyglare, Gerald MacCann informed councillors that he formed the Maynooth Chess Club and affiliated with the national body. He told councillors that he had already started one in the Boy's School and was now looking for Adult members. Information can be obtained from Maynooth community Council office.

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All cars that were first registered before the 1st January, 1992 are due for testing in 2000; cars first registered from 1992-1996 will be due for testing under the National Car Test in 2001; all four year old 'liable' cars will be due for test in 2002. In the relevant year car testing will be due on the anniversary of the first registration date and subsequent tests will be due every two years.

Under the National Car Test the items to be tested include suspension equipment, steering, lighting and signalling, vehicle identification (e.g. proper registration plates), wheels and tyres, transmission, bodywork, chassis and chassis components, braking, exhaust emissions. There are forty-three dedicated NCT Centres. If you want more information you should contact Customer Enquiries, National Car Testing Services (NCTS), Lakedrive 3026, Citywest Business Campus, Naas Road, Dublin 24. Tel: 1890 200 670.

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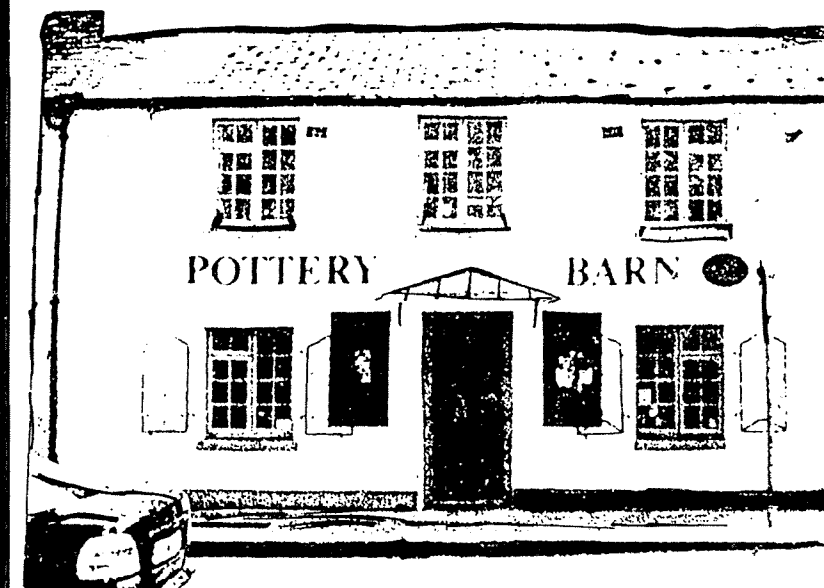
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I.C.A. Notes

Our December meeting was very well attended, Rosemary Hanley, President, extended sympathy to Teresa Brennan on the death of her brother. We hosted a very successful Kildare Federation Meeting on November 17th. We thank Sean Ashe, Senan Griffin and staff for their help and generosity in giving us the use of the Post Primary School. In February the Federation are holding a Millennium Ball in the Ambassador Hotel, Kill. They have also invited guilds to contribute one flower arrangement to a Display in the Hotel on the same day. Our guild competition for December was most unusual, it necessitated making a Christmas Decoration incorporating a plastic bottle. Our Judge had a very difficult task picking a winner from the large number of excellent entries.

Competition Winners Were:

1. Mary O'Gorman
2. Rosemary Hanley
3. Marie Breen

January Competition will be a slice of Christmas Cake. We also had a Quiz to complete the evening, various prizes were awarded for some specific questions however the overall winners were:

1. Betty Farrell & Mary McNamara
2. Irene Mathews & Marie Breen

Crafts will resume in January 17th. Badminton will recommence on January 18th.

Our next Guild Meeting will be on Thursday 13th January. We hope you all have a very Happy Christmas, Peace and Prosperity in the New Millennium.

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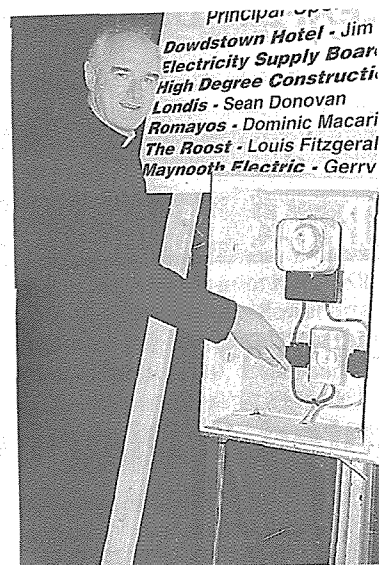
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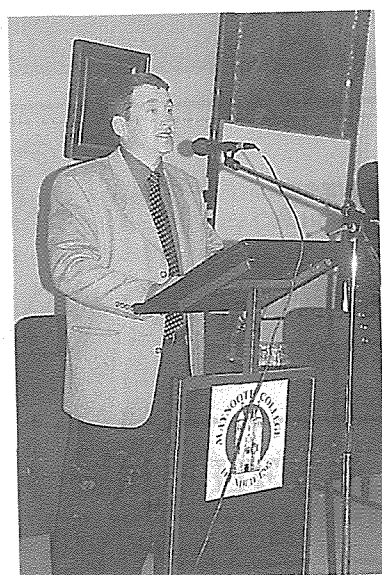


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Lighting of Church Spire



Monseignor Dermot Farrell, President, St. Patrick's College, switching on the lights



Tony Bean, Maynooth Action Strategy

An £8,000 project came to fruition on Friday, December 11th when Msgr. Dermot Farrell switched on the lights to illuminate the College spire. Maynooth Action Strategy would like to thank the following sponsors of the project: Louis Fitzgerald, Dominic Macari of Romayo's, ESB, Paddy Mooney of High Degree Construction, Jim Hoare of Dowdstown Hotel, Sean Donovan and Gerry Sullivan of Maynooth Electrical Wholesale.

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS

As we turn the corner into a new beginning it almost seems an affront to mention Nov. '99, but mention it we must as our 'Sale of Work' was too late for the Dec. deadline. This was the most successful event to date as our final figure has now reached £7,187.33. This is all down to a co-operative and dedicated committee, a loyal group of helpers and a generous community.

I thank you all for playing your part so well. We are very grateful to the new proprietors at Tesco for the continued use of their premises to sell the tickets for our "Monster Draw". This raffle alone accounts for a third of our over-all intake. So it is a very important part of the event. Many thanks to Ollie who arranges the facility and indeed supports us on many occasions during the year. We missed "Donovan's Restaurant" this year and their usual hospitality to our collectors. However, their generosity in other departments was not lacking.

Congratulations to those who won prizes on the day, especially James Byrne Old Railpark, who won our "Monster Hamper".

M. Bracken, 11 Parklands Court won £100.

Lima Higgins, 740 Old Greenfield won £50.

Sharon Fanning, Old Greenfield won a C.D.Cassette. Recorder

Angela Caffrey, Kilcock Road won a Presentation Basket

Kathleen O'Reilly, won a Soft Toy

Elizabeth Nolan won a bottle of Champagne

T. Carrigan, Rathcoole won a painting by B. Tuohy

Penny O' Callaghan won a bottle of Whiskey

Siobhain Denman, Leinster Park won a Soft toy

Edel McHugh won a bottle of Irish Mist

Many thanks to all who supported our Sale of Work, which raised £6,800

"Super Value Extravaganza", took place on Tuesday night dec. 14th. This was once again, a most enjoyable night of shopping. Its not often that we use the words shopping and enjoyable in the same sentence, but when you consider that our older people had the supermarket all to themselves, plenty to eat and drink and were serenaded by Gerry Burgess while tripping up and down the aisles what other words could you use?. It certainly gives "dancing in the aisles" a whole new meaning! Many thanks to Brian, Derek, Ann, Margorie and all the staff who were so kind and helpful throughout the evening. I take this opportunity to congratulate Brian Murphy the owner of Super Value on winning the "Hygiene Excellence" award in his store. An award well deserved in my opinion.

As I write our Annual Christmas Dinner will not have taken place, so all about that next Month.

Our Club will reopen on Jan. 11th and the Laundry Service and Day Hospital will return on the same day. Our next committee meeting will take place on Tuesday Feb. 1st at 8pm in the Health Centre.

This will be our Annual General Meeting and all are welcome.

Meanwhile I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and I shall you the best for the New Year, the New Millennium and a new beginning.

Josephine Moore

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

For the year 2000 a new competition has been announced for Maynooth Tidy Towns participants. The competition is called Green Town 2000. We have entered on the theme educational / practical project on litter control and waste management. Over the coming months you will be hearing and seeing more of our ideas on this project.

Maynooth Tidy Towns would like to thank all who helped us during 1999 and look forward to your support in 2000.

In particular we thank the Glenroyal Hotel for sponsorship of the sit-on grass mower, Gerard Mulcahy, Family Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre (St Patrick's Day Sponsorship) Coonan for sponsorship for the best shop fronts, Estates Competition, Maynooth Community Council, staff and officers, Royal Canal, Kildare County Council, Maynooth Flower Club, Sunday Morning clean up crew. The people of Maynooth for their support of our Church gate collection and our collectors. The following businesses who contribute to

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Our new Committee has been elected and they are as follows:-

Chairperson	Margaret O'Neill
Secretary	Michelle Hever
Treasurer	Grainne Kelly
P.R.O.	Claire O'Rourke

We are having tea and light refreshments after 11.30 mass on the 9th January for all children who were baptised and their parents. Do come and show off your babies.

The Committee are asking families in the area if they would like to invite a foreign student from the University for a Sunday lunch. If you are interested please contact any Committee member or leave your number with Martina in the Parish Office.

We would like to wish you all a Happy New Year.

Claire O'Rourke,
P.R.O.

CAROL SERVICE

The Choir, the Maynooth Bank, the Girls School Choir and the Folk Group all took part in the service. St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church was represented by Fr. Sinnott and the Church of Ireland was represented by Rev. Wilson.

John O'Toole read A Child's Christmas Story about Santa, a poem and a reading were also done by members of the congregation. Six altar servers said prayers in both English and Irish. All in all it was a very enjoyable evening.

Afterwards there was tea, coffee and mince pies served by the Social and Welcoming Committee. This was welcomed as it was such a cold night.

Mary Molloy.

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We would also like to thank all the boys who brought in gifts for the Parents Association to distribute to less well off children. They were much appreciated.

Our Book Fair went well as is the twinning with Leggamaddy School in Co. Down.

We would like to thank Londis (Sean Donovan) Greenfield Shopping Centre for their kind donation towards refreshments for the Leggamaddy children.

Claire O'Rourke,
Assistant Secretary

SUMMER PROJECT

Our Flag Day is coming up in January and we would hope that you will all be as generous as in previous years.

Our A.G.M. is also coming up in January, we have set no date yet but will let you know shortly. We would hope to have a lot of new parents as we need your support.

We would also like to wish all parents, children and leaders a very happy New Year.

Clare O'Rourke,
Secretary.

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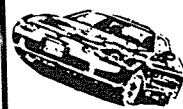
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At our Christmas Club work night on the 7th December Imelda Desmond and Sarah Angel produced some novel ideas in flower arranging for the Christmas season. A big thank you ladies. Our Annual Christmas dinner will take place in the Moyglare Manor Hotel on the 18th January 2000, tickets cost £20 each. I am looking forward to seeing you all there. I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year

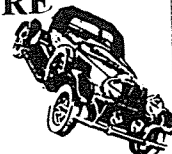
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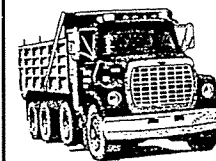
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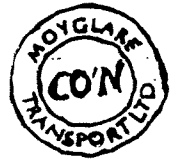
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CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY NEWS

Clane Musical Society recently held their auditions for the next year's production of **Sweet Charity**.

Numerous members of the society attended the auditions for the thirteen principle roles. The afternoon began with dance auditions and continued until 8pm, with script reading and singing auditions. In between auditions nerves were calmed by members getting involved in a number of fun activities in the Green Room!

As always the standard was very high and the show was cast successfully from within the society.

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Charity Hope Valentine	Edel Marron
Oscar Lindquist	Francesco Fusco
Vittorio Vidal	Aidan Donoghue
Lickie	Helena Reynolds
Helene	Angela Clifford
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colleagues in the Fandango Ballroom with her romantic escapades with Charlie, Vittorio and Oscar. Her friends doubt Charity will ever be lucky in love while she remains ever hopeful.

The shows big numbers include "Big Spender", "If they could see me now", and "The rhythm of life".

It's a hilarious comedy not to be missed in March 2000.



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Editorial

EDITORIAL

The turn of the year is usually a time for reflection. A time to look back over the past year and a time to consider plans for the future. This year, as we pass from one century and one millennium into another, perhaps it is appropriate that as a community we take stock by celebrating our past and marking out our future.

Recent excavations in Maynooth Castle suggest that the place we call Maynooth has been inhabited for thousands of years. Perhaps thirty generations of Maynooth people have lived here since the 12th or 13th century when the village had its humble origins. Its history from then until the 19th century is dominated by powerful families, principally the Fitzgeralds, while little is known of the ordinary lives of the local people who worked as labourers, servants, blacksmiths and cattle drovers. Some of the articles in this issue for the Newsletter attempt to throw some light on that 'hidden Maynooth' by recalling the lives of some of the local people who worked in St. Patrick's College in the early years and by recounting some of the folklore associated with the village. As we move into the 21st century the links with our own community become more tangible. An article listing out all the family names, street by street, in Maynooth in 1911 will no doubt stir some memories for our older residents. The photograph on the front cover, taken in the early years of the last century, portrays a quieter, more peaceful Maynooth than what we have become used to in more recent years. Maynooth

G.A.A. and St. Mary's Band are enduring 'institutions' in the town and a number of articles reflect the active part they have played in the life of our community.

In the last thirty years Maynooth has undergone more dramatic changes than in the previous seven hundred years - from a quiet village to a bustling university / commuter town. But the faster we grow the more important it is that we recognise and value our community's past. A community with roots and an appreciation of its heritage is much more likely to be a success. The recent enhancement of Main Street and the future development of the Castle certainly promote the physical heritage. And the recently formed local history group is also to be complimented on the various projects on which they have been engaged. On the other hand local voluntary groups in the town complain of growing apathy and falling participation. Looking to the future, without the active involvement of both long established 'locals' and newer residents in the community life of our town those bonds of neighbourhood and place which has sustained Maynooth through the centuries will fade. One hopes that in this new century the people of Maynooth can enjoy some of the qualities that characterised Maynooth in the past - good neighbours, friendship, a sense of belonging - combined with a material prosperity which many who lived here before us could only dream of.



Genevieve Fay and Miriam Nolan on Confirmation Day - April 1988



Karen Higgins, Susan Connolly, Valerie Rafferty and Aine Flood who all made their Confirmation on May 21st. (July 1987)

Features

MILLENNIUM 2000 - THE YEAR OF GREAT JUBILEE

I would like to thank the Maynooth Newsletter for their kindness in inviting me to share some thoughts at the beginning of the Third Millennium, 2000 AD - the Year of Great Jubilee.

In May 1998 there was a G8 meeting in Birmingham, England, where the leaders of the eight richest nations discussed world finances. Outside and around the building, 100,000 Christians joined hands and asked these leaders to cancel or at least seriously reduce the international debts of poorer countries. To give an example: Ethiopia spends 50% of its national income repaying its international debt. In that country 64% of the people are illiterate, 54% are without any health care, 75% without access to safe water and 600,000 babies die within their first year. And all this is still happenings in 1999! These people were making the point that the issue was not simply economical but had serious ethical implications. Indeed the Pope's recent meeting with Bono again focused on this very appeal.

What many may not realise is that such an appeal is deeply rooted in the very idea of Jubilee which had its roots in Judaism. For the Jews, the number seven was particularly significant to them. In their Creation stories, had not God created the world in six days and rested on the seventh - the Sabbath? (cf. Gn. 2:3) Every seventh year was a sabbatical year when "the land would be rested" (Lv. 25:4). Even more significantly, every seven weeks of years (i.e. 7x7 or 49 years) was followed by a 50th or Jubilee Year, when they were instructed to "let the land lie fallow, that is, you shall practice Sabbath: you shall forgive debts, letting forgiveness in; you shall free captives and proclaim liberty; you shall find out what belongs to another and give it back; you shall hold a great feast; learning to sing the canticle "Jubilate" (cf. Lev 25:8-19)". This thinking reflected their deep conviction that the land is God's and therefore given for the benefit of the whole community, for the good of all. Moreover, their Jubilee Year was a time for "tikkun olam", for making a fresh start for restoring and repairing the world. Debts were cancelled, slaves set free and those driven off the land by poverty had a chance to return home. It was a Year of Grace - a Year of God's Favour. It was ushered in by the blowing of a ram's horn - a *Jobel* - the origin of our word Jubilee.

For Christians celebrating this Jubilee Year, we recall that approximately 2000 years ago, God in Jesus Christ newly entered our world. When he first began to preach at the synagogue in Nazareth, his message was replete with Jubilee themes: "He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's Year of Favour" (Lk. 4:18). It was a message that met with opposition. Indeed it was so powerful that his hearers wished to kill him that very day! (cf. Lk. 4:29)

It is again JUBILEE time, a time for celebration, and for reflection on our past, present and future. Pope John Paul II sees the Jubilee Year 2000 as a 'SPRINGTIME' for great social change. He identified many 'seeds of hope' in the scientific, technological and medical progress being made, means whereby our world can be repaired and restored. He recognises that ecologically and environmentally there is a far greater awareness today of Creation as God's 'gift' - a gift which we must protect and nurture rather than destroy. Similarly, with the commitment and struggle for justice and peace, for reconciliation among communities, so particularly noticeable in our own land in recent years and months, he acknowledged the impulse of the Holy Spirit. And on a wider scale, the movement towards Christian Unity and towards genuine dialogue with all religions and none, give him and indeed all of us further grounds for hope and optimism. All these seeds augur well for the new Millennium and help reassure us that the Holy Spirit is powerfully active in our world.

Individually, for each one of us it is also a time for celebration and for reflection on our past, present and future. As with any Golden (50th) Anniversary, it is an occasion when past events are recalled, friends again gather, old ties restored and hopefully, old wounds healed. May it be for each one of us such a time of healing, of restoration and of repair.

My prayer for you at this time is that wonderful ancient Jewish blessing: "May the Lord bless you and keep you; may He let his face shine upon you; and may He fill you with his peace".

Alex Stenson, P.P.



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Features

ST MARY'S (CHURCH OF IRELAND) MESSAGE FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM

If you are reading this magazine you are a very privileged person indeed! It falls to very few people in the history of the world to witness the dawning of a new Christian Millennium. Reputedly the last time this happened many people were worried that it meant the end of the world and feared the day so much that some even committed suicide! We are not so pessimistic these days and many people have planned parties or special events with friends and family to welcome in 1st January 2000.

However not everyone will be celebrating this change of date. There are those for which it holds relatively little significance. Members of the other great world religions operate on different religious calendars, some of which are very ancient. This reminds us that it is a Christian Millennium we are celebrating, 2000 since we officially date the birth of Jesus Christ.

There are also those even in Christian countries that have little to celebrate. Their lives are made very difficult because they live in the developing world where massive debt repayments mean that their governments have little to spare for health care or education. They are caught in a cycle of deprivation and poverty out of which they will never break

free as long as these debts remain. Sadly those who took out these loans were often military dictators who spent the money on arms to suppress their own people. Even after the dictators are gone, their people are still oppressed by this legacy of debt. That is why all the main Christian churches have called for this calendar change to be marked as a year of Jubilee. This idea from the Old Testament calls for a time when the slate is wiped clean and debts struck off in order to give people a fresh start. The Churches have called on western governments and financial institutions to meet this challenge in a creative manner.

A newspaper article earlier in the year on the topic of Millennium babies asked an important question. Its headline read "what will their future be?" In reality it said that the real millennium baby will probably be born in a part of the world where there is no clock to record the time of its birth and it may not even live long enough to be given a name. This fact is a challenge to all people of differing religions and none to make the world a more equal place for all its citizens.

May I take this opportunity to wish all the readers of the "Maynooth Newsletter" a happy and hope filled New Year.

Rev. Adrian Wilkinson

NATURE'S WEATHER FORECASTS

We are all used to hearing at the end of each news bulletin "Here is the weather forecast". But it was not always so. In the days, before modern technology and the weather forecasts on radio or television, people looked to the sky for their weather forecasts.

Weather forecast: Men could gauge the weather forecast by seeing how high or how low the clouds hung in the sky. In the mornings when the mist hung low, fog lingered near the water and the sheep scattered out over a wide area on the commons they made their plans to go out working.

*Red sky in the morning is the shepherd's warning
Red sky at night is the shepherd's delight*

The animals could sense a change in the weather. When the farmer saw his sheep come together on the commons and look for shelter under the trees, the dew stay on the ground or a heavy coat of frost he knew that it was time for him to make sure that his shelter was secure and that he had plenty of turf in against the miserable weather that was coming. The moon and sun governed their days and seasons. If St. Swithin's Day was wet it would be wet for forty days afterwards. "The north wind doth blow and we shall have

snow" while blowing from the west was a sign of good weather. A ring around the moon or a rainbow in the sky was the sign of heavy rain. Rays in the sun were misleading as they were the sign of long periods of rain. Not only was the sky observed but behaviour of the fowl was also noted. Hens pecking themselves or going to bed early were signs of a bad night. The turkeys going in along with the hens meant it was time to take in the clothes off the line and the hawthorn hedges because a wild night was on the way.

Here are some weather signs from the birds in the air, on land and in the water.

Fine weather:	Crows and swallows flying high.
Wind:	Swans on the land.
Snow:	Birds looking for shelter.
Frost:	Geese coming in to land.
Wet weather:	Crows and swallows flying low. Curlews whistling.

The animals and birds could sense a change in the weather. We, too, could watch them and try to decide for ourselves if the old weather signs were more reliable than what the meteorologists tell us.

NEXT GENERATION - NEW MILLENNIUM

What The New Millennium Means For Me.

MILLENNIUM: a period of 1,000 years;
2: a period of great happiness for every one.

Years ago people thought that by 1999 people would live on the moon and get to work by space shuttle but as we all know this idea is totally untrue; we have a lot still to learn about our Solar System, let alone other galaxies and the rest of the Universe.

1,000 years ago (approx.) the Vikings invaded and Ireland was thrown into chaos. One millennium on are we really any better off? Our politicians are more interested in how much money is in their bank accounts rather than the welfare of Ireland! In Northern Ireland, does the new devolved government actually mean everlasting peace.

For scientists the new millennium holds a vast range of discoveries on this planet and in space. For doctors, the possibility of a cure for cancer and other life-threatening diseases.

But what does the next millennium have in store for ordinary people like us?

Will everything go smoothly or will the 'Millennium Bug' wreak havoc? Only time will tell.

For me the millennium holds the possibility of World Peace and a ban on guns and other artillery. I also hope that space exploration will help us discover new worlds and races.

The downside to this is the fact that the drastically increasing amount of pollution will make the hole in the ozone layer bigger and the 'Greenhouse Effect' might melt the Polar Ice Caps, or the huge advances in computer technology might leave us in a fully automated world!

All I can say is 'WHO KNOWS!'

Signed: *[Signature]*

WHAT THE MILLENNIUM MEANS TO ME.

To me the millennium means bringing in the next thousand years and celebrating the year two-thousand with family and friends.

I would hope to see peace in northern Ireland for good. It also means a new start for some.

I don't think many people are going away with the Y2K coming. My family and I are just going to my aunts and at 12:00 am we will let off some fireworks left over from halloween.

And then
PARTY !!!

By: Hayley Brazil.

WHAT THE MILLENNIUM MEANS TO ME

The Millennium to me seems it is going to be a new world because nearly every thing is going to be different such as the money. The pounds are going to be changed to Euro which I do not like because we will have to get used to them in school.

Then comes the decorating of houses there are going to be all different types of decorating which is what I do like. There are supposed to be all different types of millennium cars as well and I do like that.

The Millennium I hope might change some poor peoples lives. The Millennium only comes around once every thousand years and I feel very happy that I am going to be around for this millennium.

There is talk about computers that may not work because of what its called the Millennium bug. If this happens there will be a lot of problems for people in industry, business, medicine, telecommunications and so on.

This millennium bug may cause problems in the home, with the things such as personal computers and electronic equipment that have computer chips inside them.

I am looking forward to the new Millennium because it will be a very historic time.

By: Kathryn O'Hara

WHAT THE MILLENNIUM MEANS TO ME

The Millennium is a really special time of year about celebrating another 1,000 years! This is a bit about the Millennium and what it's like for me.

For most people the Millennium is a great thing going into the year 2000. But for some computers it isn't as good. Older computers which give the date only give the year with two digits so when it turns 2000 some computers will get confused and get a disease known as the MILLENNIUM BUG.

In the Church we're celebrating 2000 Jubilee in memory of Jesus being born 2000 years ago in a manger in Bethlehem.

For me I've decided not only to do my New Years resolution of trying to be kinder to my brother and helping around the house (especially in the morning). I've going to think about how happy it makes my family feel and try my very hardest to keep my resolution up.

Some people are afraid of the Millennium and turning 2000 for various reasons. But if you try to think of it as just turning any normal year but with just a bigger title, it might just help.

I think everyone should do something special for the Millennium because it's not just any year, it's not just a century it's a Millennium!

When you have the glass of champagne in your hand on New Years Eve just waiting for the second of 59 and the crackle of fireworks, just remember it's a celebration for Jesus as well. So start the New Millennium with a great start. So.....

I wish you a Merry Christmas and a

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NEXT GENERATION - NEW MILLENNIUM

What The Millennium Means to me

Hi my name is Ciana Ennis. I live with my family. News Year Eve I hope to be with my family and friends.

The Millennium means to me that I can start a new and safe way of living. People should work together for the Millennium. People should take people for what they are, for the Millennium we should be nicer. In all of this I am trying to say turn over a new leaf. We should pray more. Remember Jesus and what he did for us.

Last of all think of everyone. If I had one wish I would wish for peace in the whole world. God bless you and I wish everyone happiness in the rest of your life.

What I think about the Millennium.

The Millennium is a new year, a new generation, a new century, a new beginning. The Millennium is a once in a lifetime experience.

Some people go out and have a party or some people would prefer a family dinner. You hear a lot about it on t.v. When you pass someone on the street they are saying 'are you having a party?' But I'm just going stay at home.

I think the millennium is a new beginning. I think it's just a normal year, having dinner bringing the family together. This is a big day for a lot of people. On the news people talk about the coming of the euro.

By: Niamh Mollloy.

THE MILLENNIUM

When I think of the Millennium I think of Jesus' 2000th birthday. When other people think of the Millennium they think of celebrating and others think it is the end of the world. Others prepare for the coming of Jesus. Some people have started to prepare for what they think is the end of the world.

People who work with computers are very worried about the Millennium bug. The Millennium bug is when at midnight all the computers break. It is a threat to airplanes, trains and most offices.

In years to come I would like to tell my children and grandchildren about the Millennium and about how excited I was. I think the Millennium is so special because we will never see another time like this.

The Millennium Dome is in Greenwich, London. It was built as a memorial for the Millennium. In Ireland there are big time capsules in which poems, letters, newspapers, cd's, video's and all sorts of things are placed. Years from now people will open them and see what life was like. For the Millennium I am going to stay at home with my family and celebrate the NEW MILLENNIUM.

by Joanne Cawley

What The Millennium Means To Me:

The millennium is about celebrating a new year and celebrating Jesus Christ's birthday. I think the millennium is important because we are celebrating Jesus's 2000 birthday.

This is my first time witnessing a millennium. People are frightened that something will happen in the year 2000. I think nothing will happen. The millennium also brings people together.

A lot of people are going out to a party on New Year's Eve. I think they should stay at home and spend the last night of the millennium with their family. I was asked to go to a party on the 31st of December, but I said I was spending the 31st with my family.

Things will be changing in the millennium, example, the money will be changing in to Euro in the year 2002. Computers will not work on January the 1st.

The millennium is also about a new beginning, and also a new life. For the millennium I am going to help more around the house, that is what I feel about the millennium.

By: Meghan O'Sullivan

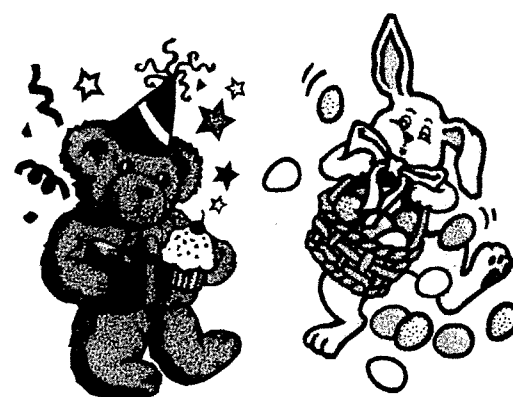
WHAT THE MILLENNIUM MEANS TO ME

To me the millennium means more than just one big party night or just a new year. It means a new 1000 years, a new start or fresh beginning, something to say to our grandchildren like 'I've lived through 2 millenniums'. Into day's news bulletins we can say that 'In our first millennium there were wars and poverty but in future years we hope to read in the news bulletin 'World Poverty Wiped Out'.

In history people have prophesied the world to end on the 1/1/2000 but to many it means a new start or fresh life to live. Instead of night clubbing or going to the pub people might stay in. More often, donate to charities or give up an extra hour on a Sunday to go to mass.

This millennium many inventions were created such as batteries, telephones, X-rays and televisions. But in the year 2085 who knows what there could be maybe even flying cars?

By: Nora Mc Glinchey.



CENTURY'S END DIARY

Year: O'Donoghue | Mr. Grundy
10-12-99

David Fagan Mr Grundy's class
6-12-99
I got up had breakfast I was very tired, I ate toast sat down and watched television and played with my little brother

At 2:00pm I had lunch and went shopping with my mam and little brother my Mum took an hour at shopping then we went home.

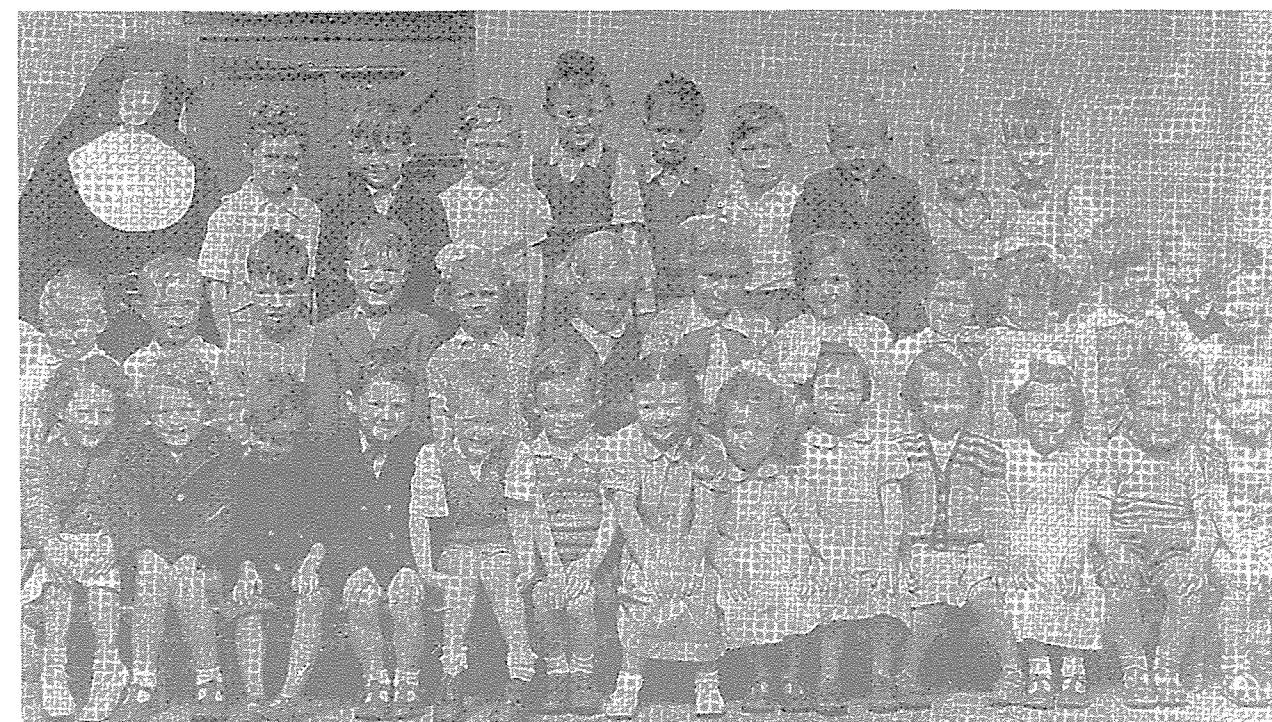
At 6:00pm we had our dinner after dinner I went in and played with my computer. When I got bored I watched TV and at 10:00 clock I then read my book and went to sleep.

Today, I got up at half seven in the morning. I had my breakfast and then I watched skiing on the T.V. At 9 o'clock, I went to school. We had assembly at 9:30 until 10 o'clock. Then we hurried up the stairs for the annual mobile competition for Christmas. Then we got swimming. For the first time the water was warm so I quite enjoyed it.

Then we got back to school at 12 o'clock and the children gave out the milk to the classes. Then we had lunch. After lunch, four of us went into the computer room to do a special project. Then I went back to class and at 3 o'clock I went home.

At home I changed out of my school uniform and into my tracksuit. I then watched T.V. and then played my Playstation.

At half five it was getting dark and at six I had my drink. I had baked beans, hash browns and fish fingers. Then after we went to Quinsboro to buy food. At eight o'clock we got back and I watched T.V. Then I went to bed.



Nursery and Junior infants

Front row L-R: Ann Reilly (Flynn), Marie Flood, Patrick Burke, Michael Sullivan, Vincent O'Donoghue, Jonny Tinkler, Rachel Flood (Cassidy), Ronnie Farrell (Cassidy), Ann Dempsey (Fahy), Maureen Fay, Ann Lettuce (Feeney), Ray Troy, James Connolly.

Second row L-R: Gerry McTiernan, Fintan Byrne, P.J. O'Neill, Mícheál Flood, Mary Murray (Casey), Sally Dunne, Mary McCarthy (Burke), Carmel Durack, ? Curran, Bridgid Delaney, Bobby Gee, Noel Redmond, ?.

Back row L-R: Sr. Bridgid, Vincent Mulready, Tommy Fay, Barry Fitzgerald, Michael Tolan, Tommy Hendrick, Barney Daly, ?, Declan Reilly, Dick Sheehan.

Features

ST. MARY'S BOYS SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

How things have changed over the years.

In the 1960s, Maynooth was a Secondary School. Mr. Frank Walsh initiated the Secondary cycle in the early sixties due to lack of secondary schools in the area. It was one of the first schools in Ireland to prepare pupils for Leaving Certificate. This came to fruition in 1965 when the first class sat their Leaving Certificate.

Mr. Walsh was ably assisted by Pearse O'Connell, Des Kearns and Pat O'Connor who joined the staff in 1966. Mr. Joe McBride joined in 1967.

Mr. Walsh taught five secondary classes with the assistance of primary teachers who helped out in Latin, Science and History. There were four main classrooms in the old wing of the present school.

The modern Physical Education hall was divided into classrooms as was the present staff room.

Free education was introduced by the Minister for Education, Donough O'Malley in 1969.

Maynooth was one of the first towns to have a secondary school. The new school was opened in 1971 with Mr. T. Ashe at the helm. Mr. Walsh retired, Mr. P. O'Connell became Principal of the primary school, now reverting to

normal primary school. Mr. Pat O'Connor became the Vice Principal.

In the early seventies infants and first class enrolled in the Boys' School. Numbers increased dramatically as new development and urbanisation took place.

The new wing was built in 1975. Mr. O'Connell became an administrative principal in 1976. The same year history was made as Ms. M. Morressy joined the staff as the first female Teacher. She later returned to her native Tipperary and Ms. Keenan and Ms. Leahy both took up their appointments in January 1977. Mr. O'Connell remained until his retirement in 1996. Mr. Peter Mullan is now Principal of the sixteen teacher school.

The priests of that time were Fr. O'Riordan, Fr. Duffy, Fr. O'Higgins, Fr. Walsh, Fr. Supple and Fr. Cogan, all now deceased.

From the mid sixties Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Meehan, Mr. Collins and Mr. McGrath joined as full-time secondary staff - as the school expanded.

By 1970 there were five teachers in the secondary section.

Pat O'Connor,
Vice Principal.



Class Photograph 1964

Front row: Tommy Nelson, Thomas Farrington, Joe Gorey.

2nd row: Fergal Eiffe, Michael Scanlon, Philly Burke, Brian Moran.

3rd row: Michael Kelly, Bernard Leavey, David Heslin

4th row: Kevin Kilduff, Frank Rielly, Jim Geoghan, Mick McGovern, Tommy Hopkins

5th row: Mark Cullen, Joe Brennan, John Bean, Pat Kennedy.

6th row: Tommy Tracey, Peter Tracey, Vincent Watson. Teacher - Sr. Agnes.

Features

MAYNOOTH FOLKLORE

In the late 1930s the Irish Folklore Commission undertook a huge project which involved recording local customs, history, cures and ghost stories from children in schools right across the country. The Presentation Convent in Maynooth participated in the project and the notebook used to record the folklore of Maynooth can be viewed in the Folklore Department in UCD. The children were supervised by Sister M. Borgia. In many cases the names of the adults from whom the stories originated are recorded. Below are some extracts from this notebook.

The Fairies

In Tagado, about two miles from here, and near the Maynooth - Naas road, stands an ancient building like a tower. This old ruin is supposed to have been built by the fairies. During the time of its erection a turf man who happened to be passing one night saluted the fairies, saying, "God bless the work". The fairies answered him, uttering blasphemy and so the building was never completed.

At a certain time of the year music of the fairies can be heard near Crewhill, this is also supposed to be a lucky omen. Crewhill, a favourite haunt of fairies, is situated on the Moyglare Road about three quarters of a mile from the town of Maynooth. The narrator of this, herself heard the fairy music on one occasion.

Theresa Monahan, Double Row as told by Mrs. O'Sullivan Main St.

Ghost Story

I was told that on the Doctor's Lane, Maynooth, there is to be seen a big black dog and a little woman dressed all in white. One night my mother was throwing out water and a black dog came up beside her. When she turned round to come in the dog disappeared and my mother came in and fainted. She was confined to bed for three weeks after it.

M. Lettis, Greenfield

The Big Wind

There was a big wind in the year 1903. The slates were blown off Carton House like paper. Lots of the trees were blown down and the crows that were in their nests had not time to fly out. Some of them were killed and others were going about with their wings broken.

Edward Waldron, Leinster Cottages

Cures

The cure for a sty in your eye is to pluck ten gooseberry thorns, point one to the eye each morning, throw away the tenth.

Mrs. C. Duffy, Maynooth

An old cure for the whooping cough - give an ass a piece of bread and the crumbs that fall from his mouth pick them up and give them to the person who has the cough.

Mrs. Clancy, 7 Leinster Cottages

This is a cure for the whooping cough I had myself. The cure is to get a bit of bread from a woman whose name did not change when she married.

Mrs. Reilly, Greenfield Cottage

A cure for headaches. There is a well in Ladychapel. You have to put your hand in the well three times and then rub it on your head.

Mrs. Nolan, Newtown

The cure for consumption is to boil the roots of primroses....Another cure for whooping cough is to get water from the Rye River and drink a little each morning for nine mornings.

B. Duffy, Dublin Road

A black snail is a cure for a toothache. Bog water is good for corns. To carry a raw potato in your pocket is good for rheumatism.

M. O'Neill

There are quite a lot of cures that doctors do not give. For St. Anthony's Fire get the comb or blood of the cock and rub it to it. For corns, put the poker into the fire and get a piece of washing soda and when the poker is red put it to the soda and hold it over the corn and let it drop onto the corn. This is to be done for nine nights and the corn will be cured. For whooping cough, cure by holding the child over boiling tar.

Essie Fox, Grangewilliam



L-r Derek Horan, Eileen Nolan, Peter Finnan, all from Greenfield. (August 1986)



Cllr. Emmet Stagg hands over cheque for £760 to the Chairperson of the Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee.

Mrs. Brady. The cheque was the outcome of a sponsored walk organised by Maynooth Labour Branch. The walk is to continue on an annual basis and is to be known as the Tony Smith Sponsored Walk in memory of the late Tony Smith. (July 1982)

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MAYNOOTH FAMILIES IN 1911

Main Street: Carroll, Dawson (grocery and hardware), Dawson staff, Redmond (hotel), Dawson, Bagnall, Pitts (pub), Corrigan and Hackett (grocery), McGowan (spirit grocer), Mooney, Martin, Weafer (carpenter), Cleary, Fitzgerald, Green, McMahon (tailor), Blake (grocer), Keeley, Lyons (dressmaker), Carr (painter), Farrell, Connolly (grocer), Cahill (butcher), McGuire (governess), McCarthy (dressmaker), Kennedy (cycle/motor engineer), Doran, James Coughlan (butler) & Margaret (district nurse), Glennon (boot and shoe maker), Domhnall ó Buachalla (ceannuidhe), Haughtoin (victualler), Matthews, Keely (lodging house), McDermott, Fulham, Caulfield (draper), Fagan, Keane, Mullen, Magee, Meade (confectionery shop), Bean, Murtagh (lodging house), Smith, Caulfield (post office), Keely (barber's shop), Printers, Swithwick (tailor), Matthews and curham (bootmakers), Keely (bricklayer), J.P. Keys (ex N.T.), Patrick McDonnell C.C., Fulham (carrier), Caulfield (draper), Fagan (butler), keane, Mullen (harness maker), Magee (jarvey), Meade (shopkeeper; dressmaker; A. Wilson - postman; James Murphy railway porter), Bean (carpenter), Murtagh, Caulfield (sub post master).

Doctor's Lanes: Leavy, Newman, Fleming, Broad, Lettuces, Dempsey.

Double Lane: Scully (tailor), Dunne, Mulligan, Reilly, Sullivan (fish dealer), Kirwen, Bristley, Costelloe, Murphy, Leavy (shoemaker), Fahy, Mullen, Hanlon, Bourke, Keaney, Dowling, Donnelly, Nolan, Sherry, Weafer (carpenter), Waldron.

Dillon's Row: Gorman, Brady, Dunphy, Caffrey, Mahan, Bailey (groom), Connolly, Murphy (slater), Doyle (butler), Doyle.

Dublin Road: Shaw (gate lodge), Duffy, Fulham, Kiernan (farmer), McConnell, Finnerty (watchman), Reilly (carrier), Murphy.

Fagan's Lane: Sherry (dressmaker), Keane, Kirwan, Kelly, Murphy (carpenter), Berns, Magee, Meaney.

Leinster Street: Canning, Fox, Little, Raleigh (blacksmith), Dempsey (coachbuilder), Flood (carpenter), Coyne (postman), R.I. C. barracks - sergeant and constable, Finnegan, Buckley, Fitzsimons (grocer), Maguire, Brady, AcArdle (mill manager), Carney (chemist), Kavanagh (cook), Wogan (coach bodymaker), Kavanagh (miller and corn merchant).

Daniel Mannix was President of St. Patrick's College, 767 persons in seminary, seven Sisters of Charity.

Railpark: Dixon, Grady, Kiernan, McGovern, Regan, Byrne, Kelly, Dempsey, Cassidy, Chambers.

Parson's Street: Flaherty, Farrell, Wallace, Sauls, Dunne, Hynes, Dunne, Mooney, Holbrook, D'Arcy, Kelly Doolan, Agnes Smith (housekeeper in the Rectory : the Rector and his family were in Portugal), Gallagher, Kelly, Gibson, Burke, Reilly, Reilly, Kearney, Leavy (blacksmith), Delaney (slater/plasterer), Sauls, Nolan (blacksmith), Kearns (coachmaker), Costelloe (railwayman), Murphy (tailor), Thornton, Hyland, Kenny (lodging house), Kenny.

School Lane: Newman, Rourke, Mullen, Conway, Boyde, Conway, Bennett (shepherd), Dempsey, Quinn, Farrelly (shepherd), Keaveney, Carroll, Farrelly, Dignam (butcher), Harley, Donovan, Kelly (lodging house), Horan, Thompson, Fallon, Gray, Kelly, Edward Browne N.T.

Back Lane: Murray, Hyland, Waldron, Higgins, Boyd, Finnerty, Sheridan, Fitzgerald.

Convent Lane: 22 Presentation Nuns and 3 servants. The oldest nun was Sr. Ann McNamara (92) from Co. Meath and the youngest was Sr. Bessie Cagney (20) from Co. Cork. Cogan (tailor), Moss, Shadwell (dressmaker), Mooney, Neill, Doyle (shoemaker), Conway, Fleming, Mangan, Dowling (groom), Finn (blacksmith), Doran, Kearmey, Coyne, Boyd, Bagnall (coach builder and dressmaker), John J. Martin ex N.T., Gough (engine driver).

Court House St.: Constable Michael Nolan, Perry, Keane (carpenter), Dr. Stanley Moore (surgeon and physician).

Newtown: Nolan, Fay, Thompson, Greene (farmer), Mahon (farmer), Farrell (farmer).

Mariaville: Coyne, Dempsey, Craughwell (victualler), Weafer (carpenter), James Hunt P.P., Walsh, McGrath (farmer), Ward, Treacy, Dignam.

Greenfield: Nolan, Dowling, Reilly, O'Neill, Reilly, Coughlan.

Other people who were not householders:

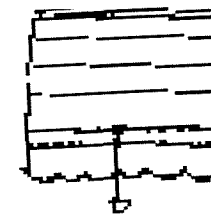
Hannah Roache (milliner), Angeal Scanlan (typist), Emma Bagnall (teacher), Lillian Fitzgerald (Queen's nurse), Peter McMahan and Elizabeth Tully (post office clerks and telegraphists), James Greene (shoemaker), John Green (insurance agent), Margaret McCaffrey (lace instructress), James Keely (hairdresser), John Boyd (postman), Annie Carr (teacher in convent).

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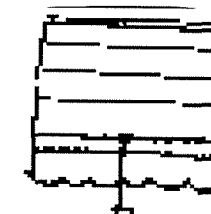
MILLENNIUM EVE MASS

At sunset on the last day of the 20th Century the Maynooth Community assembled at 4.00 p.m. in St. Mary's Church to celebrate the ending of the century. Millennium candles were lit at sundown. St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, all choirs and children from the local schools participated.

On New Years Day a yew tree was planted in the Church grounds.



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MAYNOOTH LOCAL HISTORY

Maynooth or Magh Nuadh, the plain of Nuadha is named after Nuadha of the silver arm, one of the Kings of the mythical Tuatha de Danann who led his people into Ireland, but was later disqualified from kingship because of the 'blemish' of his silver arm. In ancient times it was situated on one of the great roads to Tara, the Slighe Mor. Archaeological evidence tells us that humankind has been passing through this landscape for thousands of years. But they not only passed through, they also settled. Recent excavations which have taken place at the present Geraldine castle site have unearthed evidence of a neo-lithic [3000 - 1500 BC] house with postholes.

When Christianity came to Ireland, because of the rural nature of Irish society, a monastic way of life developed and church sites still remain at Laraghbryan, Donaghmore and Taghadoo. Laithreach Mor - where it is believed St. Patrick visited on his travels throughout the country and Taghadoo - Teach Tua or the house of the O'Tooles. Over the years the monasteries became centres of wealth and power and were taken over by the privileged classes, with offices often being passed on from father to son. However at the beginning of the second millennium the movement for reform and reorganisation came from within the Irish church.

Before the necessary reforms could take place two events came together which in turn affected not only Ireland and the Irish church but also Maynooth. The Anglo-Norman Prince, Henry II came to the throne of England and an English Pope, Adrian IV was appointed in Rome. It is said that the Pope was genuinely concerned with the condition of the Irish church and subsequently papal overlordship of Ireland was proclaimed and Henry II was authorised to enter Ireland.

Maurice Fitzgerald, who later became Lord of Maynooth arrived in Ireland in 1170 to assist King Henry in gaining a foothold in the country. And as history shows, they succeeded. The Fitzgeralds, also known as the Geraldines, originally came from Florence in Italy. There is on record a letter dated 27th May 1507, written by Gerald, eighth Earl of Kildare, to the Gherardini of Florence, acknowledging them as relations.

But of course, the invaders did not come to an empty land. The present Co. Kildare is said to have been formed out of three native territories and a portion of a fourth, with each of the areas belonging to a particular sept. Each sept would have contained a number of families and their retainers, all of whom would have had blood relationships with the head family from which the chief was chosen. During this period Maynooth was part of the Ui Faelain kingdom, belonging to the descendants of Faelain - the O'Tooles and the O'Byrnes.

It is difficult to know how people lived at the time, but according to one record, of the territory belonging to a sept, 'part was used as common tillage, meadow, forest, or grazing land, part was occupied by raths and dwellings, part was reserved for the use of the chief, and part was held temporally by the heads of families'.

With the coming of the Normans, two cultures, two ideologies and two ways of life clashed. Whereas the native Irish measured wealth in terms of cattle, the Normans measured wealth in terms of land and they were land hungry. Secondly,

while the native Irish elected their leaders from the sept, the Normans believed in the primacy of primogeniture - inheritance moving from father to eldest son. By 1210 Kildare had become one of the seven counties of Leinster created by King John of England.

From the middle ages to modern times, the political and religious history of Maynooth have been bound up with the Fitzgeralds family and the foundation in 1795 of the Royal College, present day NUI Maynooth, and both have been well documented. While political upheavals took place on a regular basis throughout the centuries, with the Fitzgeralds gradually supplanting the O'Byrne's and the O'Tooles, it was not until the Protestant Reformation took place in the early 16th century that religious upheaval took place.

The Fitzgerald family survived because they were on the whole, politically astute, and throughout the years realised, like O'Byrnes and the O'Tooles, that during times of upheaval, survival depended of the ability to adapt to changing circumstances and this they did. Secondly, the Fitzgeralds were also lucky in that in each generation they succeeded in producing a male heir.

In the long run, the Protestant Reformation was also responsible for the foundation of Maynooth College. During the penal times when parents were forbidden by law to provide a Catholic education for their children, those who could afford to do so sent them abroad. By the late 18th century however, when revolutionary Europe was questioning the divine right of kings to rule, the government of the day thought it more shrewd to educate young priests in Ireland where they were less likely to be influenced by new ideologies.

Almost a thousand years have passed since the Fitzgeralds first set foot in Ireland. To-day, Maynooth has become a busy thriving university town. On reflection at the start of the third millennium, a connection can still be found between the mythical world of Nuadha and his silver arm, the Tuatha de Danann, Gerald, the eleventh earl of Kildare and NUIM. Firstly, the Irish name 'Magh Nuadh' with its relevance to Nuadha and his silver arm has survived throughout the millennia. Also, according to tradition, the Tuatha de Dannan, who are said to have beauty and agelessness and to be proficient in every art, now reside as fairies in the various raths and mounds which surround our countryside. Secondly, according to another legend, Gerald Fitzgerald, who became known as the 'Fairy Earl' or the 'Wizard Earl', because of his interest in astronomy, medicine, alchemy and philosophy, now sleeps in the rath of Mullaghmast. It is said that he emerges every seven years riding a horse shod with silver shoes. Finally, NUIM, with its many faculties, is at present through its Science Department making a significant contribution to the exploration of outer space. The journey continues.

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Rita M. Edwards - Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum January 2000.

THE YEARS IN MAYNOOTH 1930 - 1960

In the Thirties the village and residents had some similarities with the town of 1999.

Tower, I.O.C. and G.S.R. buses served the village. Boys and girls travelled to secondary schools and men and women travelled to their employment in Dublin. Then as now the G.S.W. Railway served Maynooth en-route to and from Galway, Westport and Sligo. The Dublin terminus was Broadstone at the top of Dominic Street, a five minute walk to O'Connell Street.

Horse drawn canal barges regularly traversed the Royal Canal. Hour old morning and evening newspapers were carried on the G.S.R. buses, which in their latest news panel, usually carried the result of the 4.30 race at some track or other to be read at 5.45 on arrival at Geraghtys or Caulfield shops fresh off the Longford bus. A far cry of the evening paper of today, arriving shortly after three o'clock. Morning papers would carry a report of a boxing match in New York at 3.00 a.m. complete with radio pictures.

Education in the Convent and Boys School was top class. Alas for the scholars, particularly the girls, as the many sisters and small classes of ten or twelve pupils, meant personal and uncomfortable attention to everyone.

Despite the U.S. and British depression, there was little unemployment but wages were low. Chief employers were the College, Carton Farms, Convent Laundry, Kavanaghs Mills, Dawsons shops and many flourishing trades people.

Entertainment consisted of ceilis, dances and films in Nolans Hall, occasionally supplemented by a film show for charity in the Convent, which also operated a lending library every Sunday morning. Variety concerts organised by the band usually held on Easter and Whit Sunday nights Carricford and Daniells Travelling shows, indeed Stephen Brennan and Robert Carricford went to school in the town. Radio reception for 2RN Athlone and 2LO London plus short wave stations.

Electricity from the E.S.B. arrived in the early thirties, taking over from D.C. supplies to some houses and public lights from the College, Dawsons and Tom Carrs. Water supplies were from hand pumps on wells in The Square, Dublin, Straffan, Moyglare and Newtown Roads and other locations in the village. Some houses in the Main Street had wells and pumps in their back gardens. Many a tanner was earned by school boys pumping water into overhead tanks each day after school. Mail was delivered every morning by four postmen on their bicycles around the village and outlying areas. Mail was collected at the Moyglare cross-roads box every evening at 4.30 p.m. Fresh milk was delivered daily by three local dairies. Many residents had their own cows in the many paddocks either side of the Dublin Road.

Recreation and sports consisted of the G.A.A. long established, rugby, cricket and tennis in the North Kildare Club. Fishing on the Rye Water and Canal. Tennis was later available in Leinster Street, now the Health Centre. Snooker, billiards and table tennis later in the thirties at the C.Y.M.S. club now the Geraldine Hall. Boxing in the Old School in the late 40's. Music at the Bank Hall now the I.C.A. Swimming at the Canal sand banks, Black Lane and College, Jackson and Bond Bridges. Popular walks, Celbridge, Straffan, Rathcoffey, and Kilcock Roads. The four mile circuit Moyglare Road, Moygaddy, Dunboyne Road ever popular but more dangerous today. Carton Avenue, Lovers Lane, now known as the Mont Lane and atrocious to walk. Circuit was



Phil Brady, President, N.K.C.C. presenting Kildare Grand Prix Cup to winner B. O'Brien, N.K.C.C. (Sun. June 29th 1957)

very popular in Spring and Summer evenings. Pre war Carton Demesne was open to the public on Sundays. Greyhound racing and coursing had many followers. Breeders, trainers and competitors apart from the local farmers, most of the greyhound fans dwelt in the eastern end of the village. The Square then as now had its traffic jams. Easter Monday punters from the south enroute to Fairyhouse, Cunningham Cup Day at Puncherstown, days at Naas and the Curragh with punters from the North.

In the late thirties, early forties D.U.T.C. Dublin United Transport Company superceded the I.O.C. and with war clouds gathering over Europe, many accepted routines changed.

In September 1939 the greatest of all Carnivals was held in the Convent Grounds, now the site of the Girls School. The theme song of that carnival was, Vera Lynns rendering of "Its a lovely day tomorrow". The last night of the event a Gala

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J. Murphy, Chairman, Leinster Darts Club, presenting Mrs. M. Kelly, Secretary, Maynooth Old Peoples Committee with cheque. Also included are Mrs. B. Brady, Mrs. T. Kenny, S. Moran, L. Murphy and D. Horan. (1979)

Features

THE YEARS IN MAYNOOTH 1930 - 1960 (Cont.)

Dance was held, where many of our youth said goodbye and some were never to return, as they left for England to work and later serve in the allied forces.

The Army occupied Carton House and consequently the gates closed on the public access for the last time, never again to open on a full-time basis. Everyday life continued on a lower key. Coal became scarce, so a Parish Council was set up and plots or the bog were cut for turf. Allotments were made available to landless and Gorderlery residents at Kilcock Road, present day car park and Pebble Hill. Entertainment such as dances, ceili, concerts, film shows every Saturday and travelling shows in Nolan Hall. Band, L.D.F. and L.S.F. marches on St. Patrick's Day, plus the regular Band Parades.

Children, boys and girls alike took to the whipping top craze each spring, many becoming experts of endurance i.e. keeping the top going non stop, another pastime was wheeling hoops.

Arising from the latter, an enterprising young schoolboy obtained many used car and bus tyres and formed a make believe bus service, each tyre correctly branded with its number and destination. Every afternoon boys could be seen rolling these tyres to various points around the village, the most popular route was Aston Quay - Maynooth i.e. a stream at Manor Court to Castle View opposite the Garda Barracks. The most unpopular one was Cork route, i.e. Twomeys gate on the Crinstown Road.

All this activity amongst the coming and going of turf trucks ferrying turf to the Phoenix Park and the Tuesday cattle drives to the Market for the North Circular Road with never an accident.

For the curious yes the boys were paid a 1d a week on condition that they attend a film show at the cost of 1d every Friday night at entrepreneur home. Needless to say the film show came first. The entrepreneur, a very successful business man retired in England.

However all was not sunny as the war wore on, brown envelopes bearing the crown, revealed we regret to inform you - missing or killed in action to some homes including this scribe however many thankfully were premature with happy endings, others were not so lucky.

The hostilities ended, but the village never returned to pre war status. Right enough the men gathered at their usual corners. There were five along the Main Street, and others at a one time shop on whose big step they listened intently to the residents revelations of down country places he had visited during his travels that day.

Seven-a-side football competitions were a regular summer game. Daniels film shows ceased, and later the Convent Laundry was converted each weekend and continued until the advent of T.V.

As the Forties passed into the Fifties people became more insular. A lot of the innocence of the Thirties was gone forever. But some of the good things carried on via the wit of certain brothers. One who on boarding the double decker at the old Kiernans shop, particularly on a wet dreary Monday morning, hat on the side of his head, Woodbine smoking on his lips, would greet everybody with, "good morning master", and proceed to tell funny yarns and stories which would raise a laugh out of everyone and have the bus in uproar before reaching Leixlip.

The highlights of the twenty-five years 1930 - 1955 must be:
The Eucharistic Congress 1932
Donal U Bucalla - Governor General
Mains water supply - 1947
British Prime Minister - Clem Atbe journey through Maynooth to the West. Hundreds lined the street - 1949.
Michael Nolan winning the Irish Billiards Championship - 1953.

Characters, a very witty painter, who with a comic story and wit, brightened the gloomiest of mornings on the first bus out of time. A retired butcher, who could turn a story of a five minute walk from the College to the Main Street into an hour long saga, not missing a single action or confrontation on that stroll. Unlike the seanachí his tale was factual. Another gentleman would outshine Jimmy Magee with his revelations and expertise on every sport, world wide. Ever rich in talent in business, entertainment, trades and sport. Many local people reached the pinnacle of success world wide, Britain, Australia, U.S.A. and South Africa. Indeed five participated in the Boer War and returned and lived into the late 50's. Others had success on the stage and music.



Lr. The late Paddy McDowell, Michael Kelly, the late Michael Nevin, Frank Spring (now Br. Finbar O.S.A.) Leo McGlynn and Paddy Devaney at Maynooth College awaiting the arrival of the Bishops for their June meeting.



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ARCHBISHOP DANIEL MANNIX

A short biography of Archbishop Daniel Mannix
President of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth 1903-1912

Daniel Mannix was born on the 4th March 1864 in Charleville, Co. Cork. He studied at St. Patrick's College Maynooth where he was ordained priest in 1890. He taught Philosophy here in 1891 and Theology in 1894. From 1903-1912 he served as president of the College. He was consecrated titular archbishop of Pharsalus in 1912, arrived in Melbourne in the following year as coadjutor archbishop and became Archbishop of Melbourne in 1917.

He was the first bishop to be consecrated in the College Chapel. The ceremony was conducted by Cardinal Logue.

He was vice-president of St. Patrick's College for only one month when there was the Royal visit of Edward II and Queen Alexandra on 24 July 1903. He was the organiser of the event and saw the visit as a substantial benefit to the College. Similarly in 1911 the visit by George V and Queen Mary drew major attention to the College. Eight hundred guests were invited to join the welcoming party. The Royal party was shown the chapel where the organist played 'God save the King'. From there they went to the Library and signed the visitors' book. The Artane Band played just before the party left.

While Mannix was President he tended to adhere to the policies of the Catholic hierarchy in Ireland and tended to support the government of the day. His importance in Irish politics was greater after he left Ireland.

Mannix was one of Australia's leading political figures. From Australia he supported the 1916 rebellion. His campaign on behalf of Irish Independence caused the British Government

to prevent him from coming to Ireland. He finally visited Ireland in 1925 and publicly supported Eamon de Valera's republicanism which was a major cause of its success.

Through his educational policy he contributed to the integration of Irish Catholics in Australian society. He built schools, parishes, hospitals, convents and seminaries. He was leader of the anti-conscription movement of World War One and encouraged Catholics to support the trade union movement and the Labour Party as a means of applying Catholic social principles. After World War II Mannix sought to stop Communist infiltration of the Australian trade unions. He played a controversial part in the dissensions within the Australian Labour Party. Many Catholics left this party to form the Democratic Labour Party, a strong anti communist body and one of the many Catholic 'political' groups to emerge in the Australian political scene and one which Mannix supported.

Archbishop Mannix died on 6 November 1963 at almost 100 years of age. About 200,000 people paid their respects. He had opened 150 new schools in his Archdiocese, 24 hospitals and charitable institutions and 87 new parishes. He left little worldly wealth. His assets amounted to £155- two gold watches and a mantel clock which he left to the Archbishop of Melbourne. By the end of his life Mannix had achieved his goal - discrimination against Australian Catholics was a thing of the past.

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Susan Durack



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Front L-R: P. Garvey, J. Jordan, H. Nevin, M. Nevin, P. Flood (Capt), N. Byrne, D. Naughton, J. O'Riordan, M. Noone, P. Stynes, D. Mahoney

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SERVANTS, LABOURERS AND TRADESMEN OF ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE MAYNOOTH, 1911

This piece is the edited result of a more detailed project that was completed in 1996. It is particularly appropriate for the millennium issue of the Newsletter because it looks back to the beginning of the 20th century Maynooth and because it highlights links between the St. Patrick's College and the wider community of Maynooth.

St. Patrick's College was established by an Act of the Irish Parliament in 1795 through representations of the Irish Hierarchy. In 1869 it was established as a Pontifical University and it has been recognised as a College of the National University of Ireland since 1910. Now it comprises three institutions, the National University of Ireland, Maynooth, the pontifical University and the Seminary of St. Patrick's College.

In addition to Stoyte House, built at the end of the eighteenth century, new buildings were added over the years - St. Joseph's Square was completed on three sides by 1839. Logic House and Rhetoric House were built in the 1830s. A grant was received to permit the building of St. Mary's Square in 1845. The College Chapel and Spire were completed by 1902. The living quarters comprised seminarians' rooms, servants' rooms, kitchens, pantries, senior and junior refectories. In 1911 there were 551 seminarians present. Seven Sisters of Charity looked after the infirmary, kitchens and pantries.

The census return shows that there were game fields, ball alleys, and a swimming pool, fourteen stables, coach-house, harness room, calf-house, twelve cow-houses, eleven piggeries, boiling house, two barns, one turf house, one potato house, two workshops, three sheds, two stores and one laundry.

There were sixty-eight servants in St. Patrick's College at this time, sixty-five of whom 'lived in'. There were twenty-seven labourers and eleven tradesmen employed by the College and all except one came from Maynooth itself or within a half mile of it. Three female labourers worked in the vegetable garden on a seasonal basis. A female servant was also employed to clean the new College Chapel.

All 'live-in' college servants were male, single and Roman Catholic. Two higher servants, the cook and butler, lived in Leinster Street and Main Street respectively. The birthplace

of the college servants shows that they came mainly from Meath, Kildare and the City of Dublin. This is also the pattern for those servants who had left the College in that year. The policy of recruiting non-local labour was in keeping with the pattern of servant recruitment in general - for example 39% of country houses had no local labour and a further 35% only had one local person. Recruitment was by word of mouth mainly, but references would have been required. The majority of the servants in Maynooth College were under thirty years of age. There was a high turnover of servant staff in the College - seventeen had left the College between May and September 1911 (these were replaced along with twelve extra). The frequency of changing their job was a commonplace occurrence for servants in Ireland.

The Census Report for 1911 show a population for the town of 886 (435 males and 451 females). This was a decrease on the 1901 figure of 948. There was a reduction in the number of houses from 227 to 207. Horner (1995) states that 'the early twentieth century stimuli that sustained the town over much of the previous century were weakened'. College building work was completed. Carton Estate owned by the Duke of Leinster was in decline. Dawson's shop was expanded and became a general store but most of its staff - three assistants, two apprentices, two domestic servants did not come from Co. Kildare. The manager Thomas McGloin came from Co. Donegal. Other employment would have come from Maynooth Manor Mills, Laundry (established in 1887) and local farmers (Horner, 1995).

The occupations of servants within the College, classed in terms of 'professor's servant', '1st delfman', 5th kitchen boy' and 'corridor servant' reinforced boundaries and a hierarchical structure. The rates of pay for servants were comparable to the national average. A general servant was paid £9 - £20 per year, this range is reflected in the wage range for servants within the college, the lowest pay being £2.10.0 per quarter up to £5.4.0 per quarter. The average wage for a 'superior' cook was £30 - £40 per year between 1910-20. The College cook (non live-in) was paid £50 in 1911. The characteristics of servant employment in the college reflected those of general servants in country houses in rates of pay, frequency of change of employment, occupational hierarchy and recruitment practices.



Breda Flaherty, Kilmacredock, who was conferred with the B.A. degree in Maynooth on November 11th 19 . Breda is the daughter of Seamus and Máirín Flaherty. (Dec. 1987)



Larine Players, Carol Barton and Mary Burke, rehearsing for "Womberang"

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SERVANTS, LABOURERS AND TRADESMEN OF ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE MAYNOOTH, 1911

Outdoor work was done by twenty-eight labourers and eleven tradesmen. Almost all labourers employed by the College did agricultural work. Some worked in the garden. The Irish farm labourer might expect to earn 10s 9d weekly which was much less than in England and 'absurdly less than his relatives employed in foreign cities' (Fitzpatrick, 1980). Labourers in Maynooth College were paid 6/- to 30/- per week. The majority were paid 2/- per day for 6/7 days.

Four labourers had no children in 1911, eight had or were part of families where members were working and could supplement family income. Eight labourers had young families (averaging three children), the remainder did not appear on census entries, but oral sources confirmed that they lived in the locality. Three female labourers were paid 1/- per day for a six day working week. The female servant of the New College Chapel was paid £3.5.0 per quarter. Most labourers lived in second class housing and none lived on the Main Street.

Eleven tradesmen were employed, ten of whom lived in the town. The other, an electrical engineer came from Warwickshire in England and was resident in the College. Four tradesmen lived on the Main Street. The remainder came from Backlane, Dublin Road, Parson's Street and Moyglare.

With labourers there was confusion when defining occupations. There were 'conceptual and linguistic problems associated with separating agricultural classes in Ireland' and that one of the major problems was the 'widespread habit of returning themselves or their dependants as 'labourers' or 'servant'. An example of this is seen when John Kenny 'painter' (in College tradesmen book) is described as a 'general labourer' in the census returns. Also some tradesmen were paid at the labourer rate.

There was no evidence of turnover of staff amongst labourers and tradesmen, mainly because work was close at hand and hours were set, and the College provided the security of long-term structured employment at a time when there was a lack of employment diversity in the town.

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I would like to acknowledge the help of the late Mrs. Brigid Saults, Parson's Street and Patrick Malone of St. Patrick's College Maynooth.

Susan Durack



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Middle Row: Rita Murray, Deirdre Guinan, Padraig Hogan, Michael Meally.
Front Row: Clara Power, Stephen Noonan. (November 1986)



Maynooth Amateur Dramatics from times past. (March 1987)



Canal Crew: Paddy Doonan, Patrick Miles and Robert Bannon. (October 1998)

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THE QUESTION IS BY JOSEPHINE MOORE

As we celebrate the new Millennium
 Can we look back and say
 "International Year of Older Persons"
 Made a difference in any way.

For when the "party" is over
 Will we still be as we were
 Or will society have discovered
 The ways in which we err.

Who knows, it may not matter
 We may not even notice
 Our lives may be too busy
 For our minds on age to focus.

And what of this new Millennium
 What is the celebration
 Do we know the guest of honour
 Will He receive an invitation?

Or is it just another party
 An excuse to eat and drink
 Do we know the real occasion
 Have we time to stop and think

That just two thousand years ago
 Christ reigned upon this earth
 He came and left without the "pomp"
 His death just like His birth

We seem to have forgotten
 Perhaps blinded by the pace
 As we speed through this turbulent world
 There are no winners in this race.

So let's celebrate Christ's Jubilee
 And give simplicity a chance
 Give more time to each other
 Our lies it may enhance.

Yes, to me it means a party
 To celebrate our living
 As Christians in a troubled world
 That longs for peace and giving

To give is such a selfless act
 Not counting cost, takes "moral fibre"
 But the enrichment of a generous heart
 Will out-live that "Celtic Tiger"

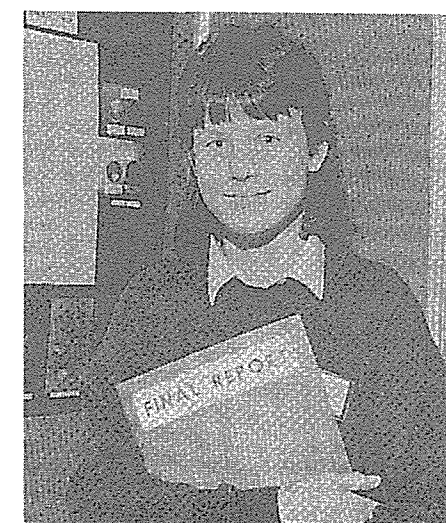
So in our celebration
 In generosity let's not lack
 For the measure we afford today
 Is what we'll be given back.



Emer McCormack, Rallpark, with her parents Mr. and Mrs. McCormack. (January 1987)



Sandra Kenny, Greenfield Maynooth. Winner of Canal Queen Title. (March 1988)



**Janet Whittaker
 Award winner - Young Scientists Exhibition.
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The 'New' Parish Hall

(from Maynooth Newsletter, November 1972, price 1p)

The new hall was officially opened and blessed last Sunday, 12th November. The heavy rain no doubt kept many people away. We are grateful to Monsignor Newman for honouring the occasion with his presence, and to all who braved the elements to come. We also thank the church choir and St. Mary's Band for taking part. However, the Bingo fans had the distinction of being the first to use the hall. They came in great numbers and enjoyed their new-found comfort. The first supper-dance on Sunday night was also very successful. The acoustics of the hall proved satisfactory. The hall committee and dance committee, both chosen for their special competence and interest, are working hard to make the new hall a real community centre where people can enjoy themselves in the way they like. These committees deserve the thanks and support of all. Some few small-minded "hurlers on the ditch" are too ready to find fault.

The dance committee in particular is determined to tolerate no rowdiness at the dances they propose to hold on Saturday nights. Trouble-makers from near or far will be kept out. We are sure that the vast majority of people agree with this policy. They want the Maynooth hall to maintain high standards and a good name. We especially thank the Garda Síochána for their help.

There will be a dinner dance in the hall on Sunday, 3rd December. In the interests of comfort it will be limited to three hundred

Maynooth Cycling Week 16th-23rd May, 1954

Committee: J. Maguire, T. Flood, S. Cleary, S. Nolan, J. Murphy, P. Brady, J. O'Brien, E. Smith, B. Macken, K. Sloane

The races attracted riders from eight counties with fifteen from the North Kildare Cycling Club including B. O'Brien, K. Sloane, J. Thompson, P. Thompson, S. Carroway, P. O'Connor, J.J. Dolan, B. Smith, P. Brady, R. Morrison, T. White, C. Heatherman, P. MacGarr, M. Lettis, M. MacAndrews

The programme for the races (price 6 old pence) contains advertisements for a range of businesses in Maynooth including:

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CHRISTMAS - TIMES PAST MAYNOOTH IN THE WAR YEARS

On reflection pre war Christmas heralded the end of a era, which was followed by a gloomy five wartime years, followed by the first changes which ushered in the hope and expectations in the post War years.

Indeed Maynooth like many other rural villages would never return to those heady years.

Some of our young and not so young men and women left the village and environs, in the hope that they would make a vital contribution, towards making the world a better place and to rid Europe of Nazi tyranny, some never returned.

My recollections of those Christmass were, of the days preceding, of the numerous pony and traps, cars and other vehicles lining the Main and Leinster Streets. Hoards on the street and in local taverns, the customers in Dawsons. The final purchases for which to celebrate the feast day.

Dawsons, was a grocery and hardware store with a garage and showrooms and were agents for motor cars, tractors etc. Hence the influx of customers not only local but from the surrounding counties. Other shops catering for all needs were Weafers, O'Neills and Haughton Butcher Shops, J.C.'s Barber Shop, a popular venue for the men.

Two shops stand out in my memory. Caulfields, owned one adjoining the Post Office, recently demolished by A.I.B. The other 'Joes' now the Irish Permanent.

The decoration and toy displays vied with larger stores in the city. In those days there was an ample supply of Japanese clockwork metal toys, cars, trucks and war vehicles, for boys. Girls had a choice of many dolls made from different materials. Golliwogs and teddy bears were in great demand. A great demand for 'Kris Kringle'. Bicycles were available from Buckleys or Dawsons.

I can still visualise the display windows of these shops, cotton buds stuck to the inside of the glass simulating snow. Frost and snow were not uncommon at Christmas time those days. Traditional fare was available in M.P. O'Briens, Dawsons, Kiernans, Buckleys and Connollys.

Christmas trees were not as popular then. Holly was the favourite and abundant in the hedgerows, now defunct just outside the village. The annual ritual of the 'divvy' from the Mortality Society swelled many a purse in those days.

Christmas Eve, businesses closed for two days, people were attracted to the village. St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band played carols in The Square, as residents walked to Midnight Mass in the Parish Church and others going to St. Mary's, Parson Street.

Christmas Day, the only movement to be observed was people going to or coming from Church services, except the annual parade of the Band after 11.30 Mass to Carton Avenue. St. Stephen's Day and the arrival of the 'Wren Boys' in multi coloured costumes, awakened the village. The day was normally quiet, culminating with the annual dance in Nolans Hall now Noonan's Mall, dancing 9.00 p.m. - 3.00 a.m.

Despite the limited conditions, the shops continued the traditions and decorative windows, snow and frost added to the atmosphere. The former imports of foreign toys were replaced by Irish made dolls for girls and a spate of wooden trucks for boys. Turf lorries were the most popular being made of timber were much larger and could carry five sod,

propulsion via a long cord fastened to the front swivelling axle and towed by a very happy boy.

The Band continued with the normal Christmas performance. Midnight Mass was discontinued.

The arrival of the new Principal of the Boys School heralded the birth of St. Mary's Parish Choir, a four part choir of boys, girls, men and women. Carol singing on the streets added much to alleviate the mid winter war time gloom.

The war over, Christmas in Maynooth moved up a gear. The advent of rural electrification, to the hinterland. The boys and girls home from the hostilities, normality returned. The shop windows carried on the traditional decorations. Sales of Christmas trees increased each year. Santa Claus brought larger and more varied gifts to the children. The most popular gift to the women were nylon stockings.

The choir continued with carol singing extending to performances in local villages and Navan, Naas, Drogheda and Edenderry, culminating in being invited by Radio Eireann to broadcast five times from 1946 to 1949 - quite a feat.

Our emigrants now domiciled abroad always came back for Christmas. On one occasion a Galway man whose family lived in Maynooth gave an hour long rendering on the number 66 bus from Dublin of "If I was in Cladda I walk on the pier". Many passengers wished he had walked off the pier, he had been imbibing in O'Meara's awaiting the bus.

The season extended to the New Year. On New Years Eve the band played in The Square, the choir sang carols and there would be a New Years Dance in Nolans Hall.

Snow was regular at Christmas in the 40's, on one occasion the canal froze solid, some skated on the ice and a dare-devil drove his Fiat 500 from the towns bridge to the harbour on the ice, "Hit the Ice" was the top film of that Yule tide.

Happy New Year.



Sub-officer Lenny Murphy directs fire fighting at the scene of Kavanagh's Mills outbreak. (November 1987)

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Local Security Force - I.C.A. Hall

Front Row L-R

Dos Caulfield, Mick Kelly Snr., Ned Smith, Mattie Weafer, Phil Brady, Sergeant Donnelly, Larry Keely.

Second Row L-R

Tom Rossiter, Mick Carey, Stephen Keane, Paddy Frayne, Sup from Naas, Davie Lawlor, Dr. Osborne, Jack Keyes.

Third Row L-R

Mick Murphy, Joe Coyne, Sean Byrne, Jim Fay, John McLaughlin, Tommy Kearns, Jack Bennett, Joe Weafer, Mick Dempsey, Micky Boyd, Christie Coyne, Mr. Matt Burke, James Tracey, Mr. Kilduff.

Front Row Standing L-R

Jim Carney, Garda Johnny McDonagh, Johnny Byrne, Ger Caulfield, Peter Farrelly, John Carey (J.C.), Ted Smyth, Paddy Carr, Dick Leavy, Tipton Waldron.

Back Row L-R

Tommy Murphy, Paddy Kennedy, Jack Murray, Peter Smith, Jimmy Horan, Scar Doolan, John Sauls, John Barnwall, Paddy Plunkett, Paddy Nolan, Jack Thompson, Tom Waldron, Garda Eugene O'Sullivan, Ned Kenny.

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MAYNOOTH IN THE EARLY TO MID NINETEEN THIRTIES

There are readers, I am sure, who will well remember the following accounts of happenings in this community in the early to mid nineteen thirties. There are no doubt stories behind all of these events which should be told, because I believe, this knowledge would enable younger generations to form a greater understanding (along with some pride), in how our town has developed up to now.

The events and information given below have been gleaned from the minutes of St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band Committee Meetings covering the period October 1933 to November 1936.

It is the onus of all organisations to fund raise in order to continue in existence and provide their services to the community and it is in this regard that we can begin to form a picture of the social side of how Maynooth people enjoyed their leisure time the nineteen thirties.

Dances in Leinster Hall were very popular which, at times, incorporated "Old Time Waltz" competitions. The entrance fee for the dance on St. Stephens Night in 1933 was one and threepence including tax with dancing from 10pm to 3am.

Other forms of entertainment in the hall included the staging of concerts, plays, pantomines and sketches. The "Elequent Dempsey" was performed on the first Sunday of December 1933

Card playing was another popular feature of the times and numerous card drives were organised during the Winter months. A drive, held in the Band Hall on 1st December 1935, had 77 players in attendance at a cost of one shilling per card.

The band provided much entertainment for the people of the town through their many recitals in the square and their performances at processions. One such event was when the Band led the first Papal Nuncio to visit Maynooth College in 1933.

Among other occasions were the Bands attendance at the official openings of Maynooth Lawn Tennis seasons and the opening of the C.Y.M.S. New Hall on the last Sunday of February 1936. The Band also provided their services at various sporting occasions of the time. I wonder if anyone can remember them marching to the tunes of "The Foggy Due" and "Teddy O'Neill" in Croke Park on 19th July 1936?

How many Maynooth people would have travelled up the avenue to see the band performing at the annual Carton Fete organised by Lady Nesta Fitzgerald? After a performance on 11th June 1936 the committee received the following correspondence:

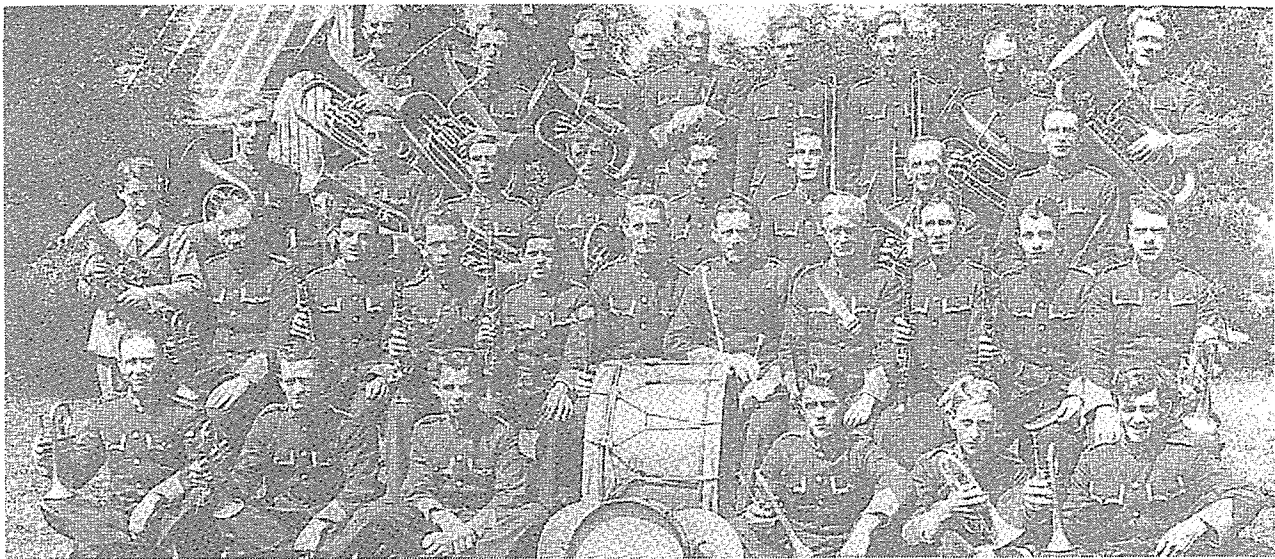
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Left to right - Back row: M. Murphy, K. Boyd, A. Kelly, P. Waldron, M. Dempsey, N. Dempsey, P. Boyd, J. Murphy. Middle row: J. Dunne, G. Flood, S. Flanagan, M. Foy, C. Dempsey, J. Nolan. Front row: D. Mullins, T. Flanagan, L. Higgins, M. Brady, C. Murphy, J. Bean, N. Byrne, S. Nevin, P. Treacy, J. Boyd.

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MAYNOOTH IN THE EARLY TO MID NINETEEN THIRTIES (Cont.)



L-r Front row: C. Melia, O. Graham, R. Burke, E. Tracey, T. Tracey, B. Farrelly. Second row: J. Troy, T. Farrelly, D. Coyne, J. Thomson, J. Coyne, J. Waldron, P.J. Weafer, J. Hanlon, M. Monaghan, M. Carey, S. Kavanagh. Third Row: P. Dunne, J. O'Neill, K. Dunne, Ned Kenny, C. Waldron, B. Grady, J. Byrne, T. Carr. Back Row: J. Nolan, E. Farrelly, J. Doyle, J. McElroy, P. Farrelly, C. Thomson, M. Nolan, ILT. Waldron.

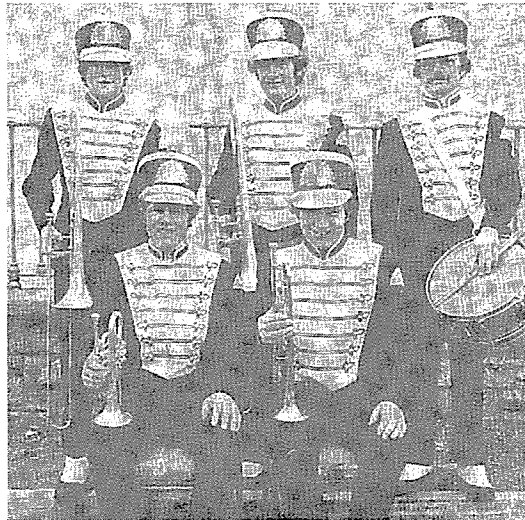
Carton Maynooth June 12th

Lady Mabel Fitzgerald is delighted to have heard and seen the band and enjoyed the music very much. She was much impressed at the way they marched around the garden keeping such good formation at the corners. They looked so smart. She encloses a cheque for £5-0-0 for the Maynooth Band Fund. They really play very well indeed.

Though there is so much more to be related on events during this period, I think the above note adequately brings this article to a conclusion. Not only can we feel pride in our band playing members but, more importantly, in the committee members who gave up so much time in sustaining a service to the community and keeping records to enable us to appreciate our past history.



Front: (l-r) P. Boyd, Cissie Demplsey, P. Dunne, Ml. Dempsey, C. Murphy, Mick Dempsey. Back (l-r) David Grant, Damlen Grant, L. Higgins, N. Kearins, P. Brazil.



The Boyd Family: Back Bian, Paddy, Willie. Front: John and Kevin.

SOME RECIPES FROM THE OLDEN DAYS

When we are tired of all the turkey and plum pudding we could try some of the recipes that were used by our grandparents and by their grandparents. How about some boxty, cally or flummery. They are all low in fat and in calories. Potato cakes and brothan are the ideal food for the cold winter evenings after a hard day at the Christmas and New Year sales.

Recipe for Flummery: Oatmeal Water

Mix oatmeal and water in a large bowl. Leave for twelve hours. Pour off the liquid. Cover with plenty of fresh water. Leave for twelve hours. Pour off the liquid. Cook until it boils and thickens. Pour into dishes. Leave to cool. When cold put on plates. Traditionally flummery was served with honey, sugar or jam as a dessert or supper dish. It was sometimes accompanied by a glass of cider or beer.

Recipe for Brothan:

500 grams winter vegetables
100 grams oatmeal
Litre water or milk and water
500 grams bacon (optional)
Knob of butter
Pinch of seasoning

Cooking time: Simmer for one hour.

Traditionally brothan was eaten with a dish of potatoes when milk was scarce. The bacon was eaten at another dinner time. Nettles were used if vegetables were scarce.

Recipe for Apple Jelly: 1.5Kg. Cooking apples (crab apples or windfalls)
Sugar 1.5L.Water 12 Cloves.

Wash and chop the apples. Low simmer until soft. Strain off liquid. Add 750 grms. sugar to each litre of liquid. Boil mixture until sugar dissolves and liquid gels when a spoonful is tested on a cold saucer. Allow the jelly to cool. Pot in clean dry jam jars and seal while still warm.

Farm House Scones: 500 grams flour baking powder
1 egg, pinch salt, sugar
250 grams butter
Milk preferably fresh home made butter milk.

Cooking time: 15-20 minutes in a pre heated hot oven. Sieve the flour, baking powder and salt. Rub in the butter. Beat the egg and milk together. Add the sugar, then the egg and milk to form a loose dough. Knead lightly. Flatten out to about half an inch thick. Cut in circles. Bake at the top of the oven. They are delicious with home made butter and apple jelly for afternoon tea.

Recipe for Boxty: 250 grams raw potato 250 grams of freshly boiled mashed potato.
Pinch of salt. 125 grams butter
125 grams flour.

Cooking time: 3 minutes a side on a pre heated frying pan until brown both sides.

Grate the raw potato. Squeeze the pulp into a piece of cloth to let the liquid ooze. Mix the pulp, mashed potato, flour, butter and salt. Roll out thinly on a floured board. Cut into shapes. Cook.

Recipe for Potato Cake: 500 grams freshly boiled mashed potato.
125 grams flour, knob of butter
Pinch of salt.

Cooking time: 3 minutes a side on a pre heated frying pan until brown on both sides.

Mix the ingredients. Knead well. Roll out into a circle. Cut into quarters. Cook. Potato cakes or farls are delicious with bacon, egg and black and white pudding.

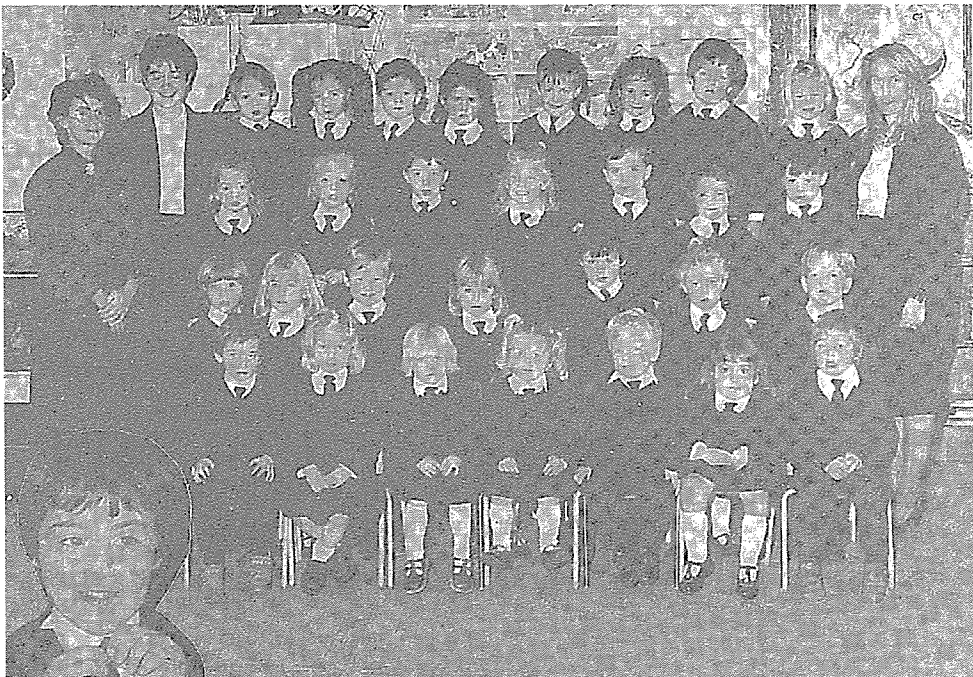
Recipe for Oaten Bread: 250 grams oatmeal. Pinch of salt. Hot water.

Cooking time: Cook on a pre heated pan or griddle until firm. Mix the ingredients. Make into a large flat cake. Cook.

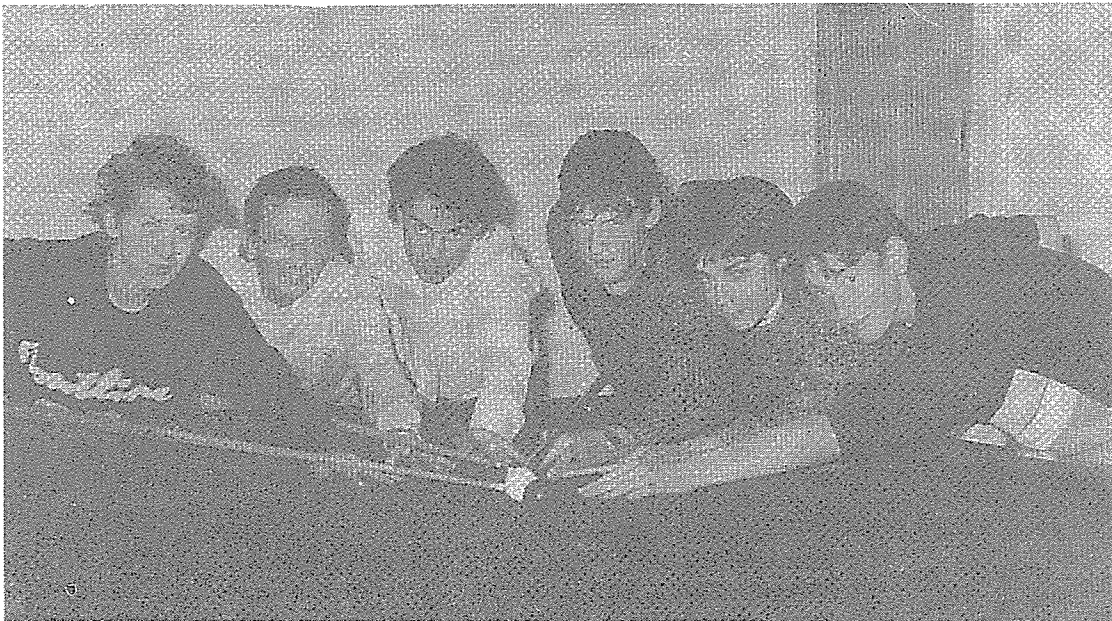
Traditionally oaten bread was made around the turf fire on cold winters nights. It was taken off the pan and let stand up against the fireplace to dry. The people brought it to the fields, to the fairs and markets and the children took it to school.

Recipe for Cally: 1 kg. potatoes scallions
300 ml. milk, seasoning

Peel, boil and mash potatoes. Chop scallions. Cook them lightly in the milk. Then mix with mashed potatoes. Serve hot with a knob of butter in the middle of each plateful. Traditionally the potatoes were cooked in a big pot over the open fire in the kitchen. Each house had a twenty inch long plank of wood called the "pounder". The potatoes were mashed with the pounder. It was a childs treat to be allowed to scrape the pounder and eat the scrapings.



Class of 1988 - 1989 from Caroline's Montessori School, Convent Grounds, Maynooth.
Front row left to right: Richard Burton, Lydia O'Connor, Antonia de Burgh, Elmeare O'Rourke, Fintan Lalor, Edel King, Patrick Robinson.
Second row left to right: Cathal Smyth, Laragh de Burgh, Mark Watson, Aldeen Dunne, James Keegan, Duireann Duignan, Damien Maloney.
Insert: Sarah Geraghty
Back row left to right: Assistant Teacher, Mrs. Margaret Payne, Teacher, Miss Marie Reilly, Jamie O'Neill, Sinéad Redmond, Daniel Murphy, Rebecca Hayden, David Robinson, Rebecca Ryan, Barry Coughlan, Roisín Lally and Principal Teacher, Mrs. Caroline S. Foran, Mont. Dip. Ed.
3rd row left to right: Amanda Lyons, Erin O'Connell, James Hoare, Katie Rearden, Ronayne O'Mahony, Fiona Ryan and Enda Holmes.



24-hour Snooker Marathon played in Geraldine Hall, which started at 12 noon, 1st November and continued throughout the night until 12 noon the next day.
left to right: Mark O'Brien, Derek Horan, Patrick Farrell, Barry Desmond, Michael Smith, Frank Desmond.
Missing from this photo are Paul Rafferty and Robert McNamee who also took part. (Dec. 1986)

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB

Founded 1876. One of the oldest clubs in the country. The club helped to found the Association in the country and have been there ever since. They captured the senior title in 1913. Since then they have made a lot of attempts to stop in senior ranks but without success. They have won the Intermediate final on five occasions. They have also shone at hurling and won their first titles at the turn of the century. Their black jerseys with white sash commemorate a great Gael! Thomas Cullen, killed while playing for them in 1889. In 1966 they officially opened their new club grounds and their new social centre in early 1995.

Most prominent players who have served our club and country well include: Josie Murphy, Peter Delaney, Jim Nolan, Tom Nolan, Tim Twomey, Dan Buckley, Eddie Dunne,

Fred Leavy, Brendan Edwards, Liam Farrelly, Joe Nevin, Eddie Kavanagh.

In 1990 a committee was set up to promote hurling in their club. This has shown to this day as they are fielding teams in all grades, and in 1992 they won an under-sixteen hurling league and in 1993 won a minor 'B' hurling championship, so the future looks good for the hurlers.

Back in 1984 when they won a junior 'B' championship and junior league. Before that back in 1976 when they won the Jack Higgins Cup. That year they beat St. Kevin's in the final.



Maynooth 1936 Leinster Leader Cup Winners

Back row: Mick Gaynor, Paddy Dunne, Barney Masterson, Joe Moore, Dick Underwood, Peter Delaney, Tim Tyrell (Captain) Joe Murrin (suit).

Front row: John Jo Cahill, Benny Farrelly, Jim Nolan, Sonny McGovern, Jack Connolly, Seamus Burke, Tom Connolly, Paddy Reilly.

Sitting: Paddy Cahill, Michael Mulreid (mascot), Josie Murphy.

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MAYNOOTH'S GREAT VICTORY

REPORT OF LEINSTER CUP FINAL 1936 SATURDAY 4TH DECEMBER 1937 SCENES OF ENTHUSIASM

"Maynooth is the last team in the world that I expected to be handing the 'Leader' Cup to." So declared Mr. T. Lawlor, Chairman of the Co. Kildare Board of the G.A.A., in Naas on Sunday after Maynooth had annexed the 'Leinster Leader' Cup of 1936 by defeating Ellistown by five points to four in the final played at the Father Brennan Memorial Park. And no wonder he made that remark, for there is a touch of romanticism attached to Maynooth's meteoric rise to fame. When the draw was being made last year for the 'Leinster Leader' Cup it was discovered that another team was necessary to complete the panel. Maynooth, who had won the junior championship that year, immediately volunteered to fill the vacancy as a kind of stop-gap. So others thought "God help Maynooth if they meet Raheens (senior champions) in the first round," remarked the Chairman at the draw. The draw was made and sure enough Maynooth was drawn against Raheens. The latter, of course were very confident of victory and agreed to play Maynooth on their own grounds. Then came the sensation. After a gruelling game Raheens had to admit defeat from the junior champions. And to prove that the win was no fluke Maynooth then went on to beat Leixlip, Newbridge and other fancied teams and defeated Ellistown on Sunday. Thus ended one of the most glorious chapters in the history of Maynooth.

Mr. Lawlor, in representing the team recalled the old days when he played against the Crom Abú and added that the team he saw playing that day was as good as any that he ever played against (cheers). He congratulated them heartily on their great victory.

The game is described in another column but suffice it to say that the Maynooth defence were the heroes of the day. They played like trojans and specially in the last quarter when Ellistown pressed desperately for the equalising point, and all but got it. Both forward lines were erratic and Maynooth especially missed enough chances to have won the game three or four times over. Ellistown also could have won the game and missed opportunities as a couple of goals went abegging. Seamus Burke, however, with his staunch henchman, held the fort with wonderful determination, and he was ably supported by Joe Murphy, Joe Moore, P. Cahill, P. Reilly, Nolan, Dunne, McGovern, Delaney and all the others, everyone of whom gave of their best. Scenes of great jubilation were witnessed at the close of the game, and 'Josie' Murphy, the hero of the day, was carried shoulder high from the field. Thus for the first time the name of Maynooth is inscribed on the "Leinster Leader" Cup.



Victorious U14 Team from the past.

Back row: I-r M. Ryan (Selector), A. Noonan, A. O'Shea, P. Hogan, E. Mitchell, D. Fleming, M. Meally, M. Donnelly, P. Garvey, A Killoran (Selector).

Front row: I-r J. Nevin (Selector), S. Noonan, C. Browne, H. Nevin, K. Killoran (Captain), P. Lacey, P. Burke, M. Halley, G. Kelly, L. Lacey (Selector).

Features

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

When Maynooth Swimming Club was founded in the early 70's, it started swimming in St. Raphaels, Celbridge. The first session was 1 hour from 4-5 on Friday's. The transport was P. Delaney coach. The club stayed there for 4/5 years, with different ages being catered for, and with an increased number of children, there were now 3 sessions. Then adult sessions started at night, and length's classes were started in Naas, and St. Vincent's on the Navan Road. Then in 1979, the club moved to Coolmine and stayed there till 1982. When the Instructor moved to Palmerstown the club followed him and we have been there ever since. Members of the club swam in competition in Athy and every year came home with medals. There were now 260 members. In 1982 there was a sponsored swim held for handicapped children and over £1,000 was made. In 1974 transport was changed to Bartons and the club is still with them today.

Every Saturday the club now has two sessions, involving 120 children and 4 instructors. The pupils are brought through all stages of the swimming programme from the beginning to advanced level. Each pupil is put through a basic course in water safety and receives a certificate and badge appropriate to their level.

The club has produced swimmers who go on to life saving classes or to swimming clubs and long may the swimming club continue.

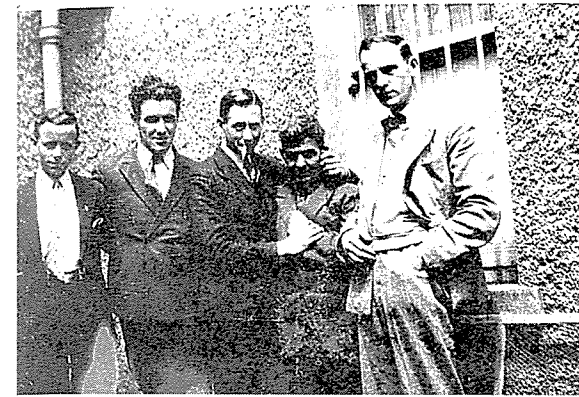
MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. 1988



**Back row: I-r Brian McCall, Sam Feeney, Lenny Murphy, Paki Doohan, Ollie Durack, Noel Dempsey
Front row: I-r Terry Moore, Willie Saults, Phillip Doyle, Dessie Farrell, Paul Gibney**



B. O'Brien holding cup, on right his father Jack, boy in front holding cup his brother John



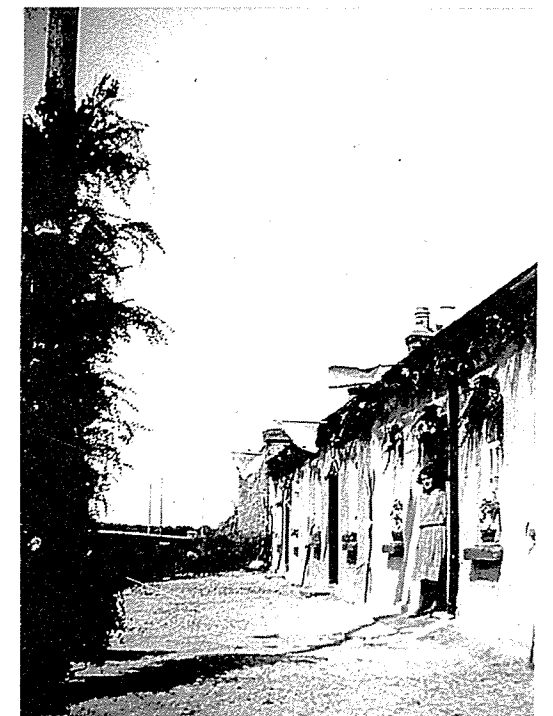
Dawson's Staff - ? Hugh, Mick Kiernan, Bob O'Reilly, David Coyne, c. 1920s



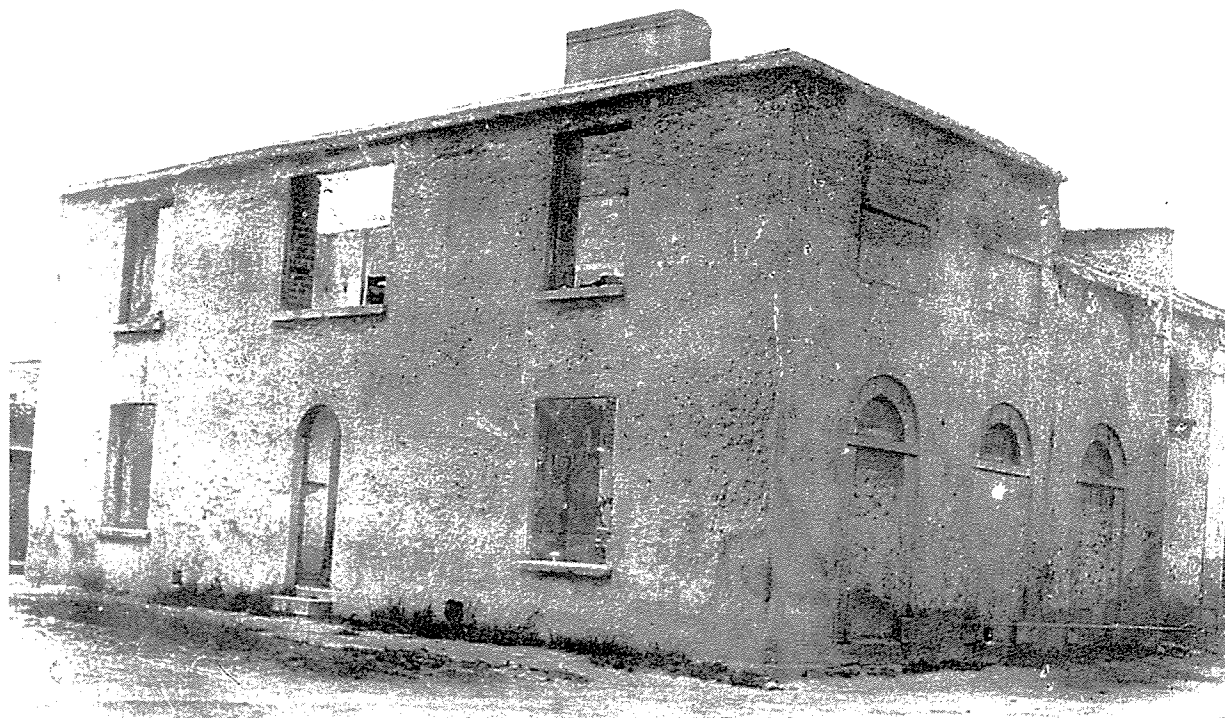
Miss Katie Whelan, Manageress, Dawsons Staff House now Community Council office with Black Bob and Darkie, two very successful greyhounds of Dawsons, trained by Jack Duffy and Jack



Peggy now (Edwards), Michael O'Reilly and the late Kay O'Reilly late of Floods by the Canal, 1929



Another view of Dillon's Row bedecked for the Eucharistic Congress of 1936, some well known residents in doorways



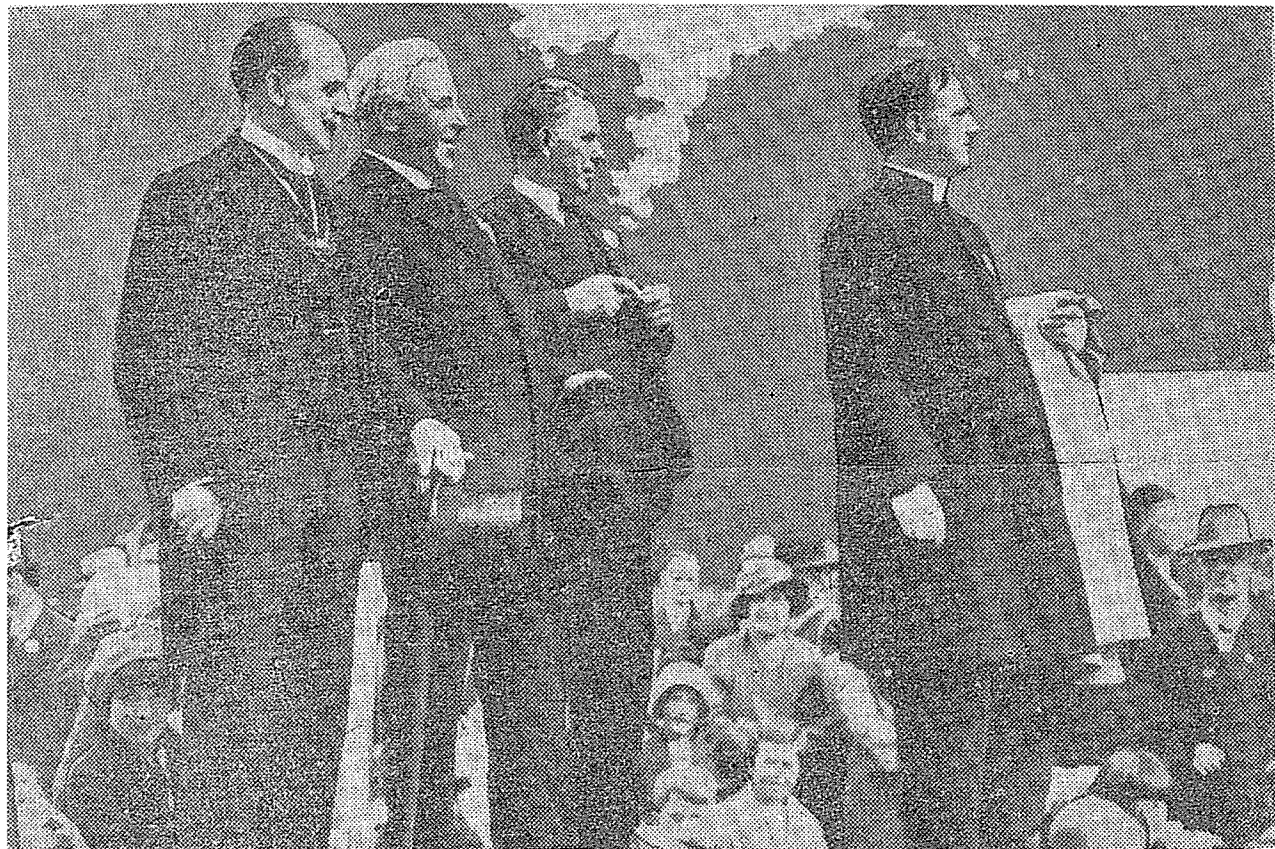
Town Hall destroyed during War of Independence



Dillon's Row, Eucharistic Congress Year - note ESB H.T. poles in background. The village had mains electricity in 1930s



Local farmer Paddy Stackpoole with some of the Dawson's staff, ladies in garden now Manor Court flats



Maynooth Fete—The Lord Mayor of Dublin, who opened the fete, which was in aid of the fund for the decoration of the Parish Church (St. Mary's), with the Rev. J. Killeen, P.P., Maynooth, and Rev. J. Grogan, C.C.
—Irish Independent Photo. (R.).

Aug. 1939 Carnival
Eve of World War II. Theme sung by Vera Lynn
“It’s a lovely day tomorrow” some locals may recognise themselves



John Carey and Ted Clarke in the extensive Dawsons garage



18 months old Michael O'Reilly,
The Square
In background, old Railway
Station building demolished 1979,
new one built 1981



left: 1989 - Best Dressed Lady at the RCAG Fashion Show,
Mary O'Melia with Philip McDermott

Right: 1987 - Celine McLoughlin B.A., with
her sisters Aine (left) and Dympna (right) with
her mother, Mrs J. McLoughlin of O'Neill
Park. Both Aine and Dympna are graduates of
the College.



Above: 1987 - Liam Farrelly (left) being
presented with the Seamus Moore Memorial
Cup by Maynooth Golfing Society Captain
Joseph Moore



Below: 1986 - Bishop Dermot Mahony with Fr. Supple
(P.P.) and Fr. Cogan during his visit to Maynooth in
December 1986



Left: 1986 - The men
behind the wire -
Nicko Farrell and
Phil Brady enjoying
the Senior County
Football Final in
September, when
Sarsfields beat Leixip

Some old photographs
in this issue were
reproduced from
older editions of
Newsletters, we
apologise for their
poorer quality,
original photos were
not available.

Features

INOUESS RELEASE

**Government has ignored unemployed people, women and low-income earners-
Budget 2000 will increase the gap between rich and poor**

Mike Allen, General Secretary, of the Irish National Organisation of the Unemployed, (INOUESS) said that Charlie McCreavy's budget has further widened the gap between the rich and the poor.

"Ireland is a deeply unequal society. This Budget was the Fianna Fáil/PP coalition's opportunity to redress the growing gap between rich and poor, and secure the future of all the citizens of Ireland. Instead of listening to what the vast majority of the public were saying, the Government have created a budget that will **cause, not resolve, poverty.**

Charlie McCreavy should have offered low paid workers a real change in their take home pay, given unemployed people a decent weekly payment, targeted training at those outside the labour market and offered incentives to women to return to work. Instead he has ignored low paid workers and the unemployed in order to give top earners a tax cut, and made a mockery of public demands for a proper childcare strategy.

Top income earners will receive at least £40 a week from today's budget, middle money earners will receive £20 a week **but people relying on social welfare will get only £4 a week and low income earners will get less than £5 a week.**

All Social Partners wanted people on the minimum wage taken out of the tax net. The Government has never had a better opportunity to increase the incentive to take up low paid employment. They didn't take it, they chose instead to penalise unemployed people by offering a derisory increase in social welfare payments.

The Government has also failed to deliver on childcare. "Child poverty remains a persistent problem in Ireland. The Minister had a golden opportunity to make a meaningful contribution to solving this problem. Instead he gave a £2 per week increase in Child Benefit.

The Government has made it harder for women who work in the home, and harder for women who work outside the home. The tax individualisation programme penalises single earner parents, as they are the only taxpayers not to benefit from the widening of the standard rate band.

By ignoring demands from the INOUESS, childcare providers, and parents for a *Parents Childcare Payment* the Government have failed women in the home, and those struggling to meet childcare costs."

This budget should have consolidated a secure groundwork for a new national agreement. Instead it has proved to the Community and Voluntary Sector that the Government has yet to commit to tackling poverty in Ireland.

"This budget has not created the equal society the Minister promised it would. We must now look to the Partnership

process to yet again explain to Government that tackling poverty is both economically viable and vital for our future growth. The INOUESS will redouble its efforts to negotiate a new national agreement of genuine social inclusion."

Total gain per year for:

Gross Income	Single Person	Married Couple One Earner	Married Couple Two Earners
£10,000	£206	£144	£0
£15,000	£526	£332	£312
£30,000	£1,221	£587	£1,052
£50,000	£1,621	£987	£2,332

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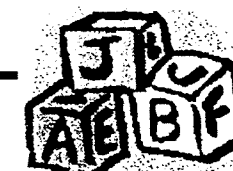
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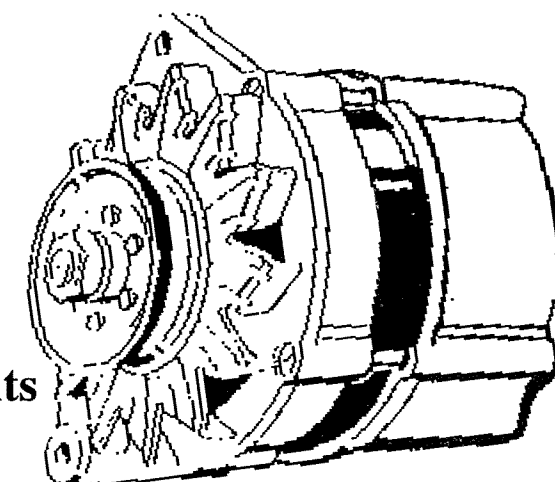
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For 1999-2000 the Language Centre is offering extra-mural courses in Irish, French, German, Arabic, Italian, Spanish and English as a Foreign Language. This year we are also offering a course in Amhránaíocht ar an tsean-nós (sean-nós singing), which provides a different and very enriching perspective on the Irish language.

As usual, classes are limited to twelve students, and take place in an informal, structured atmosphere, to ensure that each learner is given ample opportunity to practise his/her newly acquired skills.

'A new language for the new millennium' might be a suitable resolution for the year 2000. We look forward to meeting you!

Formation of Classes

Commencement of classes will depend on a minimum number of enrolments. No more than twelve students will be admitted to each group. The Language Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

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

Extra-Mural Terms

Each course lasts for nine weeks with two hours' tuition each week. Course dates for this year are:

Course 1:

Monday, 4th October 1999 - Friday, 3rd December 1999

Course 2:

Monday, 10th January 2000 - Friday, 17th March 2000

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

Enrolment

Enrolment for courses will take place on:

Course 1

Wednesday, 29th September 1999

Thursday, 30th September 1999

Course 2

Wednesday, 12th January 2000

Thursday, 13th January 2000

Late Enrolment

Course 1

Monday, 11th October 1999

Course 2

Monday, 24th January 2000

In Room T8, Language Centre, Arts Building. For EFL, please contact us directly. Enrolment will only take place at the stated times.

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

Closing dates for refund applications:

Course 1

Friday, 29th October 1999

Course 2

Friday, 4th February 2000

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Course 1					Course 2				
LANGUAGE	DAY	TIME(P.M.)	VENUE	STARTING	LANGUAGE	DAY	TIME(P.M.)	VENUE	STARTING
Arabic-B*	Monday	7.00-9.00	T7	4th October	Arabic-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T7	10th January
Irish-B	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T7	7th October	Irish-B	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T7	13th January
Irish-I*	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T7	5th October	Irish-I	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T7	11th January
Amhránaíocht ar an tsean-nós	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T8	7th October	Amhránaíocht ar an tsean-nós	Thursday	7.00-9.00	T8	13th January
French-B	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T8	5th October	French-B	Tuesday	7.00-9.00	T8	11th January
French-I	Monday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	4th October	French-I	Monday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	10th January
French-A*	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	6th October	French-A	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	A.V. Room	12th January
German-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T3	4th October	German-B	Monday	7.00-9.00	T3	10th January
German-I	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T3	6th October	German-I	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T3	12th January
Italian-B	Monday	6.00-7.30	T8	4th October	Italian-B	Monday	6.00-7.30	T8	10th January
Italian-I	Monday	7.30-9.00	T8	4th October	Italian-I	Monday	7.30-9.00	T8	10th January
Spanish-B	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T4	6th October	Spanish-B	Wednesday	7.00-9.00	T4	12th January
E.F.L.-I	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre	E.F.L.-I	Tuesday	6.00-8.00	A.V. Room	Check with Language Centre
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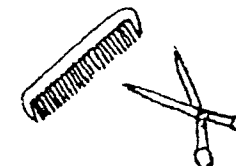
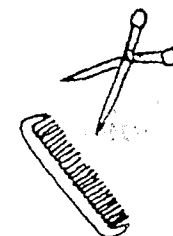
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Rathcoffey/Newtown Road:

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have got a costing from the ESB for £26,500 for Traffic Route Standard Public Lighting from the Castle to the speed limit sign over the motorway bridge. Work is scheduled to begin after Christmas. In addition the Council have agreed to treat the laying of a footpath to facilitate the residents of Parson Hall and Castle Dawson as a priority and the Council will employ a contractor to be paid from Development Levies. The Council further advised Cllr. McGinley that the Rathcoffey Road realignment was part of their proposals for the area and that the forthcoming Maynooth Development Plan would reflect that.

New Litter Bins for Bus Stops:

Council officials agreed with Cllr. John McGinley's motion to install additional litter bins in Maynooth. As a first step bins will be installed at the Bus Stops on the Straffan Road and the Leixlip Road. Cllr. McGinley will continue to pursue the provision of litter bins on all the other arterial routes.

Exit from Laurence Avenue to the Celbridge Road:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to improve safety at this junction by providing a stop sign and painting a white stop sign on the road. He has also asked for signs to be erected either side of the junction, on the Celbridge Road warning motorists of the junction.

Kildare Bridge, Dunboyne Road:

The Council have advised Cllr. McGinley that they propose improving safety in this area by widening the bridge and providing a roundabout at the junction of the Blacklion/Dunboyne Road. It is intended to do this EU Funded work next year.

Exit from Car Park to Doctors Lane:

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have installed a bollard in the middle of the exit to prevent uncaring motorists from using it.

M4 Motorway Exit to Maynooth:

The Planning Permission sought for a Business Campus in the land beside the motorway at Moneycooley proposes that the existing exit from the motorway be removed and replaced with a 33m roundabout in the field opposite Barretts. The County Engineer has advised Cllr. McGinley that if the Council agree to this proposal it will permanently solve the traffic chaos which motorists now have to tolerate coming off the motorway.

Parklands Through Road:

Following further representations from Cllr. McGinley the Council have erected 'Children' signs at both ends of the road. The Council will shortly be carrying out speed surveys to see whether or not there is a need for traffic calming. In Cllr. McGinley's view there is a need for traffic calming because of the straight through road rather than the curved road as in Rockfield.

Maynooth Street Names:

Following representations from the Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum. Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council; That funding be made available for bilingual signs indicating the names of streets and back lanes in Maynooth in line with the wishes of Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum.'

Kingsbry Estate:

The Development Control Section of the Council have advised Cllr. McGinley that they will hire a contractor to remove the slabs at the pedestrian walkway with Meadowbrook as soon as possible. They will also lay a 2m wide path here and landscape either side in line with the Residents Associations wishes during the planting season next March.

Meadowbrook:

Following requests from the Residents Association Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to do the following:

- Speed limit signage for Meadowbrook Road.
- 'Children' signs for Meadowbrook Crescent.
- Developer to do proper landscaping.
- Dead trees to be replaced.

Geraldine Hall/Harbour Field:

The Council have conveyed to the Maynooth Development Association their agreement to its proposal regarding acquisition of the property.

Convent Lane/Dunboyne:

Following the excellent work carried out by the Council at the Grls School and at Carton Avenue entrance Cllr. John McGinley asked the officials at the Area Meeting on 8th December to continue the good work by eliminating the wilderness at the side of the footpath out to Dillons Row. A cycle path would be ideal to replace the weeds or alternatively the road could be realigned. He further stated that resurfacing is very badly needed out to Lyreen Park. The officials accepted that something needed to be done here sooner rather than later.

Bad County Council Estimates (Budget) for Year 2000

The Estimates result in Domestic Service Charges increasing by £30 to £115 per year. There was very little positive apart from Cllr. McGinley's proposal that £200,000 be allocated solely for traffic calming measures. This was agreed.

Despite the best efforts of Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg the Council agreed its Estimates for 2000 on 3rd December. The Labour Councillors were the only ones to vote against.

Cllr. McGinley proposed the following:

- A seven day per week street cleaning service for all major towns.
- Door step collection of separated waste e.g. glass, paper, organic.
- Establishing a Parks Department in the Council so as to maintain our parks and green areas, to prune trees and to provide and maintain Childrens Playgrounds.

The County Manager stated that none of these could be provided as we did not have the money to do so. It is quite extraordinary that a country with a surplus of £6,500M cannot provide enough funds to Kildare Co. Co. to clean the streets at weekends, to cut the grass in Pound Park or Carton Avenue, or to provide playgrounds for our children. Such services are the norm elsewhere in the EU and indeed elsewhere in Ireland. Cllr. McGinley and his Labour Party colleagues will continue the fight to ensure that Maynooth and the rest of Kildare get services appropriate to the 21st century.

Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party would like to wish all Maynooth Residents a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Millennium

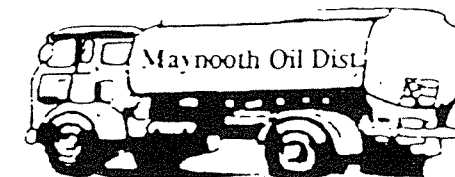


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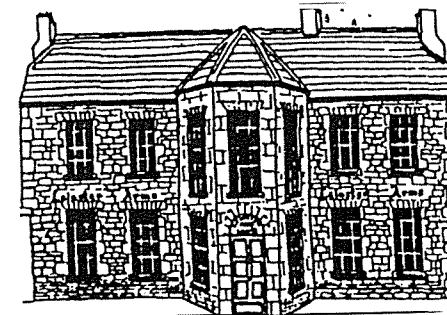
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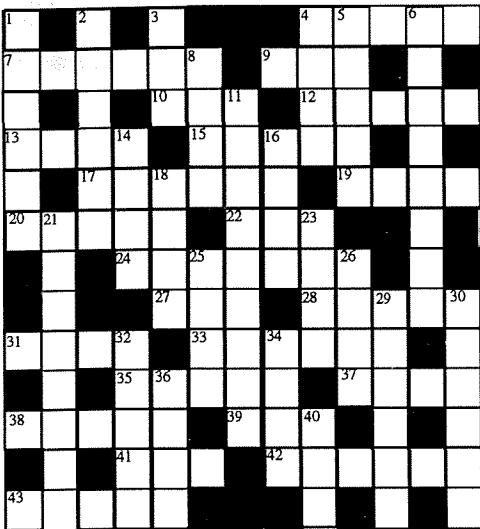
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Crossword No. 144



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Across:

- 4. Jet (5)
- 7. Bowman (6)
- 9. Pass (3)
- 10. Summit (3)
- 12. Belief (5)
- 13. Grasp (4)
- 15. Harmonium (5)
- 17. Gun (6)
- 19. Rotate (4)
- 20. Present (5)
- 22. Vehicle (3)
- 24. Scorned (7)
- 27. Wand (3)
- 28. Tired (5)
- 31. Prima-donna (4)
- 33. Improved (6)
- 35. View (5)
- 37. Ooze (4)
- 38. Lariat (5)
- 39. Sailor (3)
- 41. Stray (3)
- 42. Loll (6)
- 43. Conduction (5)

Down:

- 1. Objective (6)
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- 3. Fixed (3)
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- 5. Factory (5)
- 6. Hidden (8)
- 8. Foundation (4)
- 11. Frugal (9)
- 14. Fowl (4)
- 16. Happy (4)
- 18. Prophet (4)
- 21. Wavering (8)
- 23. Eft (4)
- 25. Gown (4)
- 26. Act (4)
- 29. Rank (6)
- 30. Barked (6)
- 32. Advantage (5)
- 34. Duck (4)
- 36. Centre (4)
- 40. Racket (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 143

Across: 1. Redden; 5. Bolero; 9. Voter; 10. Basket; 11. Gashed; 12. Regal; 14. Slot; 17. Den; 18. Jest; 20. Titan; 22. Sadly; 23. Battled; 24. Whelp; 26. Teach; 29. Here; 30. Bet; 32. Duke; 33. Moral; 35. Nearer; 36. Mother; 37. Refer; 38. Dodged; 39. Decree.

Down: 1. Robust; 2. Despot; 3. Ever; 4. Noted; 5. Began; 6. Oral; 7. Echoed; 8. Oddity; 13. Gentler; 15. Lithe; 16. Table; 18. Jaded; 19. Slack; 21. Nap; 22. Set; 24. Whined; 25. Errand; 27. Author; 28. Hearse; 30. Bored; 31. Tamed; 33. Mere; 34. Lore.

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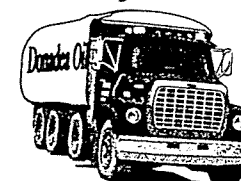
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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES

With the spell of bad weather prior to the Christmas break few of our teams managed to complete their scheduled fixtures for the first half of the season. The under 17's were the unluckiest of all managing only one game away from home in the eight weeks prior to the break. The under 15's also had a bad run of cancelled fixtures. Abandoned matches are a frustration to everybody involved with the club but are especially hard on the schoolboy teams. Unfortunately we cannot control the weather but we are doing everything possible to ensure the situation improves for the future. Could I take this opportunity to thank all our managers, players and supporters for their efforts over the last year and wish our teams good luck for the second half of the season.

Best wishes for the New Year to you all
John Doogan,
Chairman, Maynooth Town F.C.

Maynooth Town 6 Glebe North 0
Brefner NDL Under 11A
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The Under 11A bandwagon continued to roll as Maynooth ran out easy winners against Glebe North at the North Kildare Club recently. Sean Sinclair stole the show for the home side netting four as the Town carved out a clear-cut victory. David Mulhall and David Wynne formed a great partnership in mid-field. Mulhall rounded off a fine performance scoring twice to bring Maynooth's tally to six.

Maynooth from: Gary Walsh, Mick Gillick, Conor Canning and Jonathan Galvin, Owen Hannigan, David Mulhall, Sean Sinclair, David Wynne, Paul Bambury, Joseph Glynn and Craig Mooney.

Maynooth "Town 10 Esker Celtic 0
D.D.S.L. Under 8B1
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Maynooth Town's Under 8B side put on a tremendous display for new sponsor Matt Bruton Auctioneers at the Harbour Field recently. Wearing their new kit for the first time, the home side not only looked the part but also played the visitors off the park. Sean Foxe single handedly undid a gallant Esker in the

first half finding the net on five occasions. His younger brother Andy got on the score-sheet in a totally one-sided half. The second period proved just as entertaining for the home supporters as the Town found the net on four more occasions. John Comerford was released from his goalkeeping duties for the second half and added two more to Maynooth's tally. One of these was a wonderful volley from a Conor Glynn corner that will be a contestant for goal of the season. After a fine display of close control and strong running Glynn then got himself on the score-sheet with a fine strike. Glynn was again in action as his well struck free kick was deflected off a defender to round off a great display for Maynooth.

Maynooth from: John Comerford, Christopher Hobbs, David Murray, Dean McAvinue, Paul Carey, Sean Foxe, Andy Foxe, Conor Glynn, Colm O'Neill, Martin O'Connor, Kevin Gildea, Ciaran Kearney, Paul Robinson and Sean Tracey.



Maynooth Town Under 8B1's pictured wearing their new jerseys sponsored by Matt Bruton Auctioneers, Maynooth.
(back: l-r) Kevin Gildea, Colm O'Neill, James Walshe, Andy Foxe, Chris Hobbs, Martin Murray, John Comerford. (front: l-r) Ciaran Kearney, Paul Carey, David Murray, Dean McAvinue, Sean Foxe and Conor Glynn. Missing from the photo are Paul Robinson and Sean Tracey

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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES (Cont..)

St. Mary's Boys 4 Maynooth Town 4
D.D.S.L. League 8B

Maynooth Town wiped out a two-goal deficit to snatch a draw in the last five minutes with high-flying St. Mary's. The Saints got their first after just two minutes and added a second shortly afterwards. The Town could easily have conceded more but for some trojan work by their defence. Just before the break regular goal-poacher Shane Hawthorne dropped deep to win the ball in mid-field. Following a great solo run his perfectly placed shot gave the home keeper no chance and put Maynooth back into the game. St. Mary's however started the second half as they had the first to restore their two-goal advantage. The Town fought back and McDonald was unlucky to see his fine strike rebound off the crossbar. However the ball dropped perfectly for the waiting Sean Dempsey who slotted it home to make it 3-2. Maynooth then raised their game and began to dominate but as they pushed forward they got caught on the break and again found themselves two down. In the last five minutes Maynooth totally dominated and their efforts were rewarded with two fine goals from Fahy and Bradley. It was the Saints that were glad to hear the final whistle as the visitors finished by far the stronger.

Maynooth from: Eoghan McNutt, Leo Cooney, John Daly, David Bradley, Michael Fahy, David Thompson, Shane Hawthorne, Ross McDonald, Sean Dempsey, Ailbhe Flynn, Darren Reilly, Gavin Doyle and David Burgess.

Ballyfermot United 0 Maynooth Town 3
D.D.S.L. Under 10C

The 10C are sponsored by Maynooth Credit Union. The scoreline says it all - a brilliant display, away from home and in one of the nurseries of football in Dublin. A four game run of victories and only one defeat in their last seven outings sees this talented Maynooth side fighting for a top two place in their league. The sides were evenly matched for the first fifteen minutes. Good defending and a battling mid-field saw the Town keep United at bay. Just before the break their hard work was rewarded when Sean Durkan split the defence with a fine strike that gave the home keeper no chance. Maynooth were not content to sit back on such a slender lead having learned from Mick McCarthy's international side. Ten minutes into the second half a cross from the right dropped menacingly into the box and after a scramble Eimear Flynn got the final touch to put her side two up. Maynooth were now looking good for the three points and with just three minutes left it was Durkan that popped up again to put the result beyond doubt. A great all round performance to secure a valuable win away from home.

Maynooth from: Gary Dooley, Cormac O'Reilly, Harrison Silke, Thomas Donnelly, Sean Durkan, Chris Moyan, Ronan Kelly, Eimer Flynn, Alex Cash, Carl O'Sullivan, Sean Murray, Kieran Dooley, Michael McCarthy and Conor O'Rourke.

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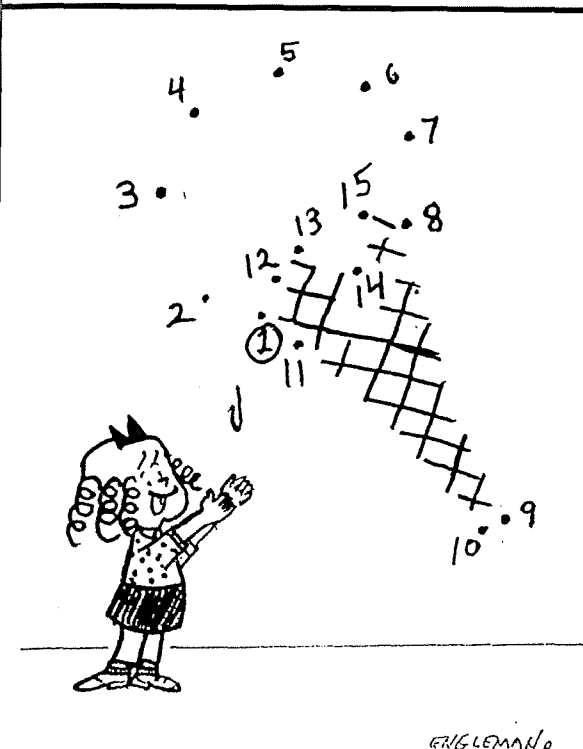
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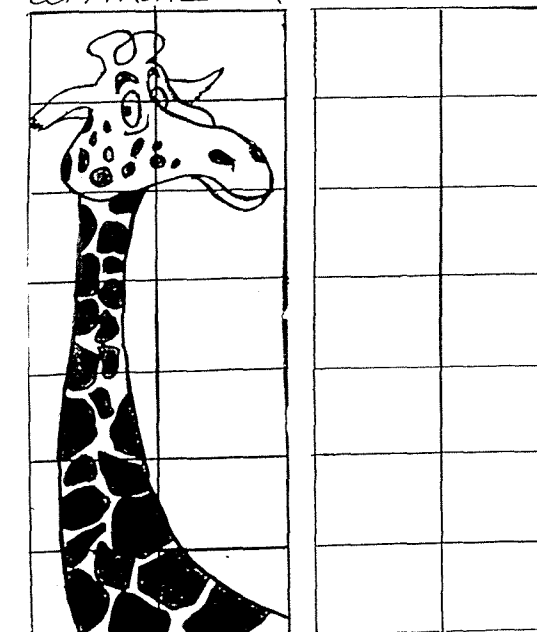
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David Kelly
12 Woodlands
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3rd
Rachel Myle
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Sally Ann O' Reilly
Mariaville
Moyglare

2nd
Fiona O'Donoghue
171 Kingsbry
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Sport

REPORT OF MAYNOOTH G.A.A. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1999

The 1999 'Club of the Year' celebrated their phenomenal success of the past year with a presentation of medals to the victorious intermediate 'A' and 'B' footballers on Saturday 4th December, by Jack Wall, T.D., outgoing Chairman of Kildare G.A.A. in his last function.

A presentation was also made to the victorious 1965 Intermediate Championship Team on the night, and to Dinny Breen and Josie Murphy surviving members of the 1935 Leader Cup Winning Team.

The Club held their Annual General Meeting in their G.A.A. Centre on Monday 6th December 1999. At a well attended meeting the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Chairman	Roddy Molloy (outgoing)
Vice Chairman	Kieran Diggins
Treasurer	Mick Gleeson
Secretary	Domnic Nugent
Assistant Secretary	Killian Fagan
Public Relations Officers	
Football	Johnny Nevin (outgoing)
Hurling	Tom Coffey (outgoing)
Registrar	Madeline Stynes (outgoing)
Grounds	
Development	Mick Gillick (outgoing)
Oifigiúil Gaelgóir	Martin Ó Congháile
Finance	Matt Doran (outgoing)
Handball	Joe Rossiter
Scór Officer	Rita Doyle
Bar Chairman	(Executive Committee to appoint a Chairman)

Co. Board Delegate	Noel Farrelly
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Chairman of Hurling	Larry Comerford (outgoing)
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This team were guests of honour at the recent Club presentation of medals to the victorious 1999 Intermediate 'A' and 'B' Championship teams on Saturday 4th December. Each member received an individual memento of the occasion, a bronze plated Gaelic footballer in Maynooth 'Crom A Bú' gear.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Under 21 Camogie Championship Final: Cappagh 2-3 Maynooth 1-1

Radley Park in Leixlip was the venue for this eagerly awaited camogie final between a youthful Cappagh and a rejuvenated Maynooth side following their impressive victories over Clane and Sarsfields. However Cappagh were favourites going into the game, having easily disposed of their previous opponents with consummate ease.

But, Maynooth were in no mood to allow Cappagh an easy passage in the final and fought bravely all through. Two rather fortuitous goals in the first half enabled Cappagh to hold a six point lead at half time. Naomi Deveraux took advantage of some sloppy defensive play to get Maynooth's only goal of the game, midway through the first half. Cappagh truly deserved their lead at half time where their midfield pairing and half-forward line were having the better of their Maynooth counterparts. Half-time score: Cappagh 2-3 Maynooth 1-0.

Cappagh got off to a better start in the second half but all the Maynooth defenders were outstanding and despite being under constant siege for most of the half, they held Cappagh scoreless for the entire twenty-five minutes.

Emma Fahy pointed a forty-metre free ten minutes in the second-half to give Maynooth some hope of recovery. However the Maynooth forward-line were starved of possession for long periods and were given few opportunities to reduce the deficit further. In the end, Cappagh were deserving of their win and the skill and teamplay which they showed was a joy to watch. Maynooth can be proud of their performance and it was very satisfying to see that they continued to hurl with determination and passion even when the game was beyond them.

Best for Maynooth were: Geraldine Fahy in goal, who made some fine saves; Cheryl Naughton, Claire McCarrick, Emma Fahy and Niamh Mulready in defence; Lyn Brennan at midfield, while in attack Ann Comerford, Ciara O'Neill and Nicola Walsh worked hard.

Team and scores:

Geraldine Fahy, Cheryl Naughton, Claire McCarrick, Catherine Duff, Niamh Mulready, Emma Fahy (0-1), Ann-Marie Farrell, Lynn Brennan, Michelle Gillick, Brid Ann

O'Shea, Ann Comerford, Ciara O'Neill, Sharon Cummins, Nicola Walsh, Naomi Deveraux (1-0)
Substitutes: Pamela Fahy, Margaret Callaghan, Gillian O'Hurlihy.

Table Quiz

A table quiz in aid of the Camogie and Ladies Football Development took place in the club-house on Sunday 12th December 1999. It was a very successful fund-raising event with thirty-one teams taking part.

Irene Kearney was an excellent quizmaster and was ably assisted by Teresa Hession. Frances Kearney and Tracey Kearney. The organising committee would like to thank all the people who supported this event including the following sponsors: Tesco, SuperValu, House Pride and Sportslocker.

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*The Dynamic Duo
Jubilant Intermediate Hurling Manager Ciaran Diggins congratulates Padraic Ward and Man of the Match Stephen Brennan on a famous victory.*

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTE (CONT.)

Maynooth Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Maynooth G.A.A. was held in the Clubhouse on Monday 6th December 1999 before a large attendance. Outgoing Chairman Rody Molloy in his address to the members congratulated the football, hurling and camogie teams on their success in winning their respective championships and consequent elevation to senior status. However he sounded a note of caution and warned against complacency among players and mentors. He stressed the importance of building on this success and ensuring that a sustained effort is made to maintain the club's senior status next year.

The following members were elected to serve on the executive for the forthcoming year:

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Midfielder Justin White sets up another Maynooth attack while Jimmy Cahill awaits developments.

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Back row: Senan Griffin, Mark Nugent, Seamus Cummins, Paul White, Hugh Nevin, Paul Daly, Karl Ennis,
Eoin Nevin, Ciaran McGuinness, Mark McCarron, Matt Carroll.
Front row: Tom Mullarkey, Rory Kelly, Justin White, Stephen Brennan, Fergal Scully, Donna Hoolan,*

Classifieds

SYMPATHIES

Cooney: Husband, sons, sisters, brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends of Ann Cooney, Lyreen Park, Maynooth and formerly Mondellihy, Drumcollagher, Co. Limerick.

Ledwith: Sisters, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, grand-nephews and friends of Sr. Philippa, Cork and Maynooth.

VINCENT SMITH

Maynooth Newsletter would like to extend their sympathy to the family of the late Vincent Smith of Maynooth better known as (Jimmy the Hoover) who passed away on the 11th December after a short illness. Vincent was a great supporter of the Newsletter and for his great sense of humour in the St. Patrick's Day Parade which always got him a prize. His most memorable appearances were as Charlie Haughey and as a Council Worker which won him the best award for these two best performances. He was also involved in the Mulhussey Drama Society. Jimmy will be sadly missed by his loving wife Jackie and his six children, his grandson Cian, his mother, brothers and sisters. Vincent will be sadly missed by all his extended family and friends.



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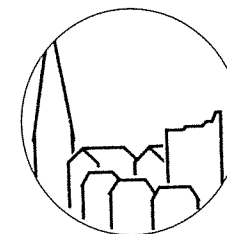
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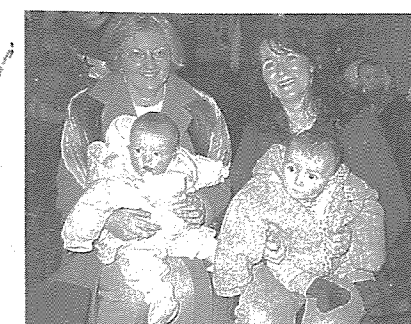
INSIDE



Local couple meet Holy Father



*Maynooth Senior Citizens
Committee news*



Social & Welcoming Committee

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON THE MOVE

After almost 15 years in Main Street, the Community Council offices are moving to the Dunboyne Road. Following the loss of one of our Community Employment Schemes last year and a drastic cut in the number of our staff, it became obvious that we needed smaller premises. The former Cardinal Press offices on the Dunboyne Road became available recently and the move is to take place in early February.

Over the years the Main Street offices have been a hive of activity and a focal point for community affairs in the town. Literally hundreds of people have worked on schemes run from the office, all gaining valuable experience, and many going on to secure well paid jobs. The monthly production of the Newsletter, the organisation of the Summer Festival and St. Patrick's Day parade, the production of local business directories and local histories, together with administrative support for the Community Council and a commercial typing service are just some of the activities that have been run from our old Main Street offices over the years.

The move to the Dunboyne Road will mark a big break with the past. We will miss our neighbours - The Community Information Centre and Royal Canal Amenity Group - and we have also had a good relationship with our landlord, Trevor Reilly, over the years. Our new offices has the advantage of being on the ground floor, which will certainly provide easier access for the public. And on that note, callers, especially newer residents in Maynooth, are more than welcome to give us a call.

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Editorial

A Note from the Staff and Supervisor of the Newsletter.

We wish to apologise to any or all of our customers if it appears that this Newsletter is not quite up to the professional standard that you have all become accustomed to over the years. This, and indeed the last two months we have been, as some of you are already aware, under an extreme amount of pressure, due to several factors. The Millenium has brought the Winds of Change to our Community Council, with the moving on to bigger and better things, of our excellent Supervisors Norah and Freda, and the starting of a new Supervisor who may already be known to some of you - Sarah O'Connor. Sarah has joined the Community Council at a time of depleted Staff, and added to the pressures of learning new systems and up-dating the old, we are finding it quite difficult to recruit new participants. Plus we produced this month's Newsletter under the added duress of moving office premises.

This is not an excuse for shoddy work, as the Newsletter is and always has been recognised as an outstanding product for and by the Community. We simply wish to apologise in advance for any possible errors or omissions in our features or advertisements in the February Issue. The intense pressure of producing a quality product by so few, when in times past there were so many to do the same amount of work, has proven a task of no small measure. I hope that our customers in the business community, and of course our dear readers, without whom the Newsletter would not be possible, will be understanding in these times of change. We are looking forward to doing increased business with you from our new premises (in the old Cardinal Press offices on the Dunboyne Road) in the very near future.

Editorial

At the time of going to press the An Bord Pleanala hearing into the proposed Kilcock incinerator is taking place in the Glenroyal Hotel.

The hearings have attracted huge public interest with standing room only on most of the days this week. Obviously local opinion is unanimously opposed to the development. Having heard both sides of the argument for the past few days it is almost inconceivable that Bord Pleanala could allow the incinerator to be built. Thermal Waste Management's fire protection plans are inadequate, Kildare County Council's emergency services could not deal with a disaster associated with the transportation of hazardous wastes to Kilcock, the water supply around Kilcock is inadequate to supply the plant, the transport network in the area could not safely handle the volumes of waste being transported to the plant, TWA's environmental impact statement is deficient, the plant would pose a threat to the valuable stud farm industry in North Kildare. All this is in addition to the question of health risks associated with emissions from the plant.

Last month An Bord Pleanala refused permission for a huge retail park on a green field site north of Naas although the development had been given the go ahead by Kildare County Council. One of the main reasons given for refusing permission was that the location of the retail park would not be consistent with sustainable development.

A huge toxic waste incinerator in Kilcock, imposed against the wishes of Kildare County Council and virtually every citizen in the area could hardly be called 'sustainable development'.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Office Report

Maynooth Community Council is moving to a new office. Múireann Ní Bhrolcháin said they expect to move over the next week. The new office will be in the Cardinal Press old premises. It was requested that Community Councillors make themselves available to help with the move. Sarah O'Connor, the new Supervisor, was introduced to Councillors at the last meeting. Sarah is settling in well. There are still places for workers in the office. People over thirty-five and who have been unemployed for over three years can apply for these places.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

John McGinley informed the meeting that the first meeting will take place in Caulfields Meeting Room on the 20th January. He asked if the office could take on the administration work for the Parade. It was agreed that it would. It is hoped that a Northern Ireland representative would take part in the Parade this year.

Tidy Towns

It was stated that a new Fás Scheme would be up and running soon. Tom McMullan felt that the report on each estate should be published and each estate would know what could be done to improve the look of their estate. It was also stated that bus turning points needed attention.

North Kildare / South Meath Alliance Against Incinerator

Representation was made to Maynooth Community Council regarding the Oral hearings before An Bora Pleanála. The hearings are taking place in the Glenroyal Hotel from the 24th of January and may continue for between five and ten days. It was agreed that two Community Councillors would attend. It was also hoped that the general public would attend on all days.

They gave a brief report on funding needed to support this campaign. It is hoped that a decision will be made by March 9th.

Moneycoole Business Park

It was noted that Ray Grehan will attend the next Community Council Meeting. He will outline the project. While it was stated that the Business Park would be very good for Maynooth. There was still some worried.

Re: Term 'Cider Party'

The Cider Industry Council have written to Maynooth Community Council objecting to the term 'Cider Party' being used to describe the goings on in Laraghbryan Cemetery. Rachel Sherry of the Cider Industry said that 'Cider Party' gave the impression that only cider is available. It was agreed that this was generally not the case.

Sporting and Social Events

Both the Summer Project and Community Games find themselves hard-up for new members. It was felt that if new people don't get involved with both of these groups they will disappear. Between both of these events each year about five hundred children take part. An appeal was generally made for more people to get involved with sporting activities in the town.

Moyglare Wall

Paul Croughan thanked Leixlip Area Committee for the funding for the Moyglare Wall.

Christmas Lights

It was generally felt that the Christmas lights were very impressive in the town and expressed thanks to the business

people of the town. A few members felt that the lights in the trees also looked well.

Festival

It is hoped to get a group of young people involved with the festival this year to bring in new ideas.

Tribute to Johnny Thompson

John Doogan paid tribute to Johnny Thompson saying he was a very active member of the Soccer Club all his life. He was a dedicated mentor to the under age and very involved with the Ladies Soccer. Johnny will be truly missed.

Harbour Field - Re: Grass Cutting

John Doogan thanked the Community Council for the cheque for £500. However he wanted to make it clear that this was not a donation to the Soccer Club. It was a contribution to the grass cutting of the Harbour Field from the Community Council for all the youth of the town.

Bond Bridge

Senan Griffin stated that the design is ready and should be on display in the Library by the end of the month. He expressed concern about proper access to the Station Road from Bond Bridge and to the parking area.

Heavy Traffic Parking Problem

It was stated that there is a lot of heavy vehicals parking in estates and while there is by-laws prohibiting this, why is it not being enforced?

Elections

There will be election of Community Councillors in March or April 2000. Would all Resident Associations, Sporting and Social Clubs and all members of the community take note.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 14th February.

Marie Gleeson, P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP (RCAG)

The Royal Canal Amenity Group (RCAG) is busy planning for the year 2000 following confirmation that the scheme has been renewed.

In a recent article in the Liffey Champion newspaper, our Chairman, Matthew Kennedy, gave a few words: "In recent years FAS has been cutting back on their schemes in the Dublin and North Kildare areas, so it was great news to get before Christmas."

The improvement plans for the Canal this year include provision of four to six fishing stands for the disabled, installing new bollards, known as 'Timberheads' for mooring in Maynooth, Kilcock and Confey.

During the course of the up-coming year the fifteen approved participants will be encouraged to participate in a variety of courses, ranging from computer courses, accountancy to horticulture.

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TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR MAYNOOTH IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM

The concept of sustainable development can be understood as a process of development which is sustainable economically, socially, and environmentally, though it is normally the latter that usually attracts most attention. But sustainable development is ultimately about striking a balance between all three aspects; it is about "development which meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs", terminology coined by Brundtland in 1987. In Ireland, two essential considerations apply when sustainable development concepts are discussed. Firstly, it is emphasised that development must not harm the natural environment. This is important because so much of the national economy is dependent on a 'clean, green' image. A large part of Irish gross national product depends on this image being maintained. Secondly, it is clear that the link between economic growth and increased stress on the environment must be de-coupled if sustainable development is to become a reality. This is not a pipedream but a necessity for all of us to realise, not least in the area of waste management. This has become quite a live issue over the last few months as the controversy over Kilcock incinerator has raged. Growth without environmental degradation is not possible but ultimately essential in the new millennium. Today, February 2000, Ireland has income levels equal to the EU average and at least in eastern parts no longer qualifies for 'Objective 1' status as one of the EU's lagging regions. These parts also fail to meet the criteria for 'cohesion funds' from the EU Regional Fund. The Structural Funds which have transformed the economic landscape of Ireland will certainly not be flowing as freely in the years ahead. Growth in this part of Ireland will however undoubtedly continue to be rapid, though hopefully not on the scale which has seen Maynooth add 800 houses to its stock in the past four years and which has placed strains on many areas of community and social infrastructure.

To plan in this context of rapid growth involves a drastic change in thinking very different from the past where development at any cost was sometimes a more common sentiment. Planning for the Celtic Tiger in the new millennium must, however, be guided by sustainable development considerations. These must be incorporated into planning procedures also. In devising the Maynooth Development Plan, now expected in late spring one hopes the following principles are being followed.

1. The Plan should focus on the needs of the future Maynooth resident as well as the present. We should not sacrifice precious amenities like open spaces, or resources such as water supply, for short term needs. Some things are limited, like the ability of the Liffey to assimilate waste, or the ability of the Main Street to handle traffic. There is no point in adding forever to their burden. Instead we have to learn to match projected growth with the capacity to absorb growth in a much more realistic manner that was evident in the earlier drafts of the Maynooth Development Plan which found such widespread rejection. Traffic is perhaps the major legacy of past mistakes. A recent survey found that approximately 700 cars travel in each direction on the Straffan Road near the motorway interchange between 5.30 and 6.30pm. With a car every 3 seconds passing, it is small wonder that the exit from the railway station or Glen Royal complex is blocked. The way the motorway traffic was routed through the town was a major error of the last decade. Who pushed for the spinal road directly into Maynooth instead of a junction at Blacklion,

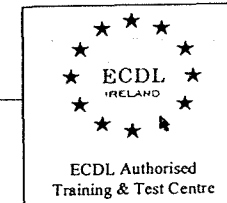
east of the town, which would have relieved horrendous traffic flows in the Main Street? Maynooth Planning Alliance knows the answer to this question. Do you? Have we learned from past mistakes? Regrettably the answer is no. It now appears the new Bond Bridge is being constructed without an entrance to the railway station. If this happens, 1000 cars will now be trying to exit onto the Straffan Road at the rush hours, trying to find that three second gap! The result can be easily imagined. It now also appears that the mistakes made on the Mill Street-Parson Street junction will be repeated on the Moyglare Road. In this area of south west Maynooth massive residential development feeding onto the Main Street was sanctioned by our Councillors despite the absence of any route to the motorway other than through the Main Street/Straffan Road. Incredibly they now seem set to propose a similar exercise on north Maynooth on the Moyglare Road-even more vulnerable to congestion because of the schools and university traffic flows. At the end of the next decade for some Maynooth residents we may be 'only an hour from Leixlip' if what seems to be our Development Plan is carried out.

2. Integrated and broad ranging objectives should be pursued by a partnership approach-not catering for narrow sectors at the expense of the entire community. Maynooth today is an increasingly sophisticated community. It will easily recognise any attempts to camouflage unnecessary residential rezonings and those responsible will not be forgiven easily. Last year demonstrated this at the local elections-this year it is not impossible national elections will provide a further test for our politicians. Whether it be a Science Park or Public Park, a Sports Centre or Social Centre objectives will only be attained if a community consensus is behind them.

3. Improved physical, recreational and social facilities in Maynooth should not be achieved at the cost of quality of life for its inhabitants. Educational facilities and passive amenity pursuits such as walking for pleasure are vital components of any town. But they must not be provided for by a short sighted rezoning exercise which leaves everyone back where they started. In the medium term, the age structure of Maynooth will tilt away from the teens and twenties towards a predominantly older population. The recreational needs of these must be provided for also. Alternatives to 'development-led' planning in this area must be devised and incorporated into the forthcoming plan.

4. The plan should be people oriented, one which builds on existing strengths, and which enables people to be comfortable with their town. A pause in the headlong rush for growth of recent years is the best way of achieving this. Fortunately the delay in the appearance of the plan provides a small breathing space before the next wave of growth accelerates. This should be used by our elected representatives to seek implementation of their goals other than by further residential rezoning.

Understanding the concept of sustainable development is one thing. Putting it into practice is another. Maynooth has so many natural advantages that, given the chance, it could be the model to which others strive. Let us hope that population target for Maynooth and other towns for the period up to 2006, as agreed by our councillors, signals a commitment not to squander this opportunity.



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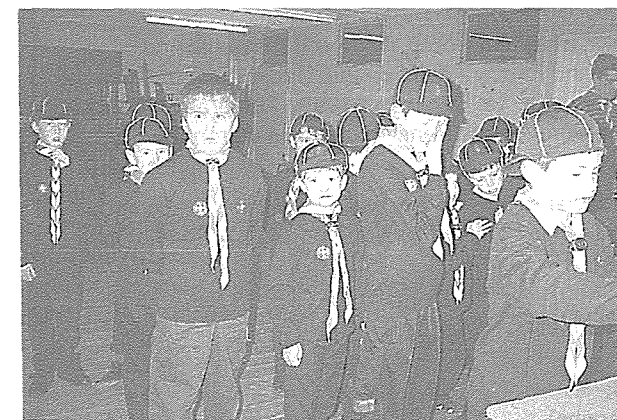
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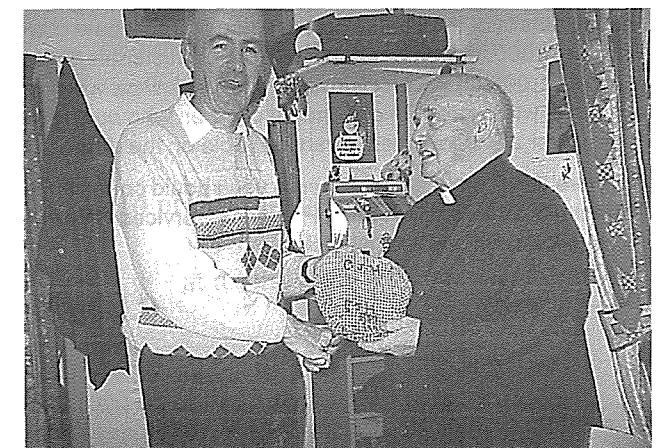
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Question:

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Answer:

A new grant of £1,000.00, to be paid to widows or widowers with dependant children was announced in Budget 2000.

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Medical Card Income Guide-lines from 1st January 2000

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Category	Age Under 66	66-69	*70-79	*80 or over
Single person living alone	£93.50	£101.50	£135.00	£142.00
Single person living with family	£83.00	£88.00	£117.00	£122.00
Married couple	£135.00	£151.00	£202.00	£212.00
Allowance for each child under 16	- £16.50			
Allowance for other dependants	- £18.00			
Allowance for (rent, mortgage) excess over £16.50 per week.				
Allowance for cost of travelling to work in excess of £15.00 per week.				

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CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY NEWS


Clane Musical members would like to say a big "THANK YOU" to everyone who supported the Auction, Carol Singing and Raffle before Christmas. They were all a great success - and it was due to your support.

Don't forget to get your copy of the new **Business Directory** for Clane and surrounding areas, which was compiled by the Society recently. It's on sale for £1.00 in most local shops.

Musical members are back to hard work and good crack at rehearsals these days! It's all systems go now until March when **SWEET CHARITY** will be staged. If you are looking for an entertaining, fun night out - then keep a night free between **Sunday 19th and Saturday 25th of March 2000.**



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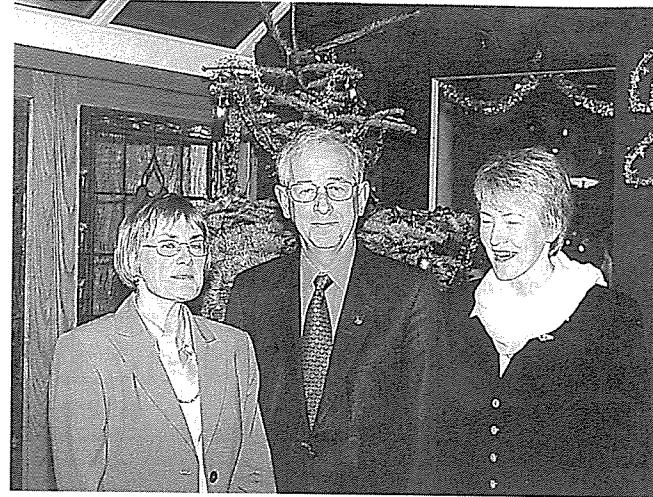
SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

We held our Annual Dinner this year on December 19th in Dowdstown Hotel. In so doing we celebrated our own new beginning as this event, for the past sixteen years, was held in the Post Primary School and sponsored by O'Brien Catering to whom we owe an immense gratitude. That said, judging by the reaction that followed the event, Dowdstown Hotel was a wise choice.

Having commenced the evening with a "wine and Santa" reception (a role well played by Vincent Mulready) we sat down to a superb meal served with an exceptional helping of speed and efficiency and followed by the personal touch of Gay and James Hoare mingling with all our guests. Many thanks to Eamon, Laura and all the staff for their courtesy and attentiveness throughout the evening.



Dr. Grogan presenting Booklet to Kitty Thompson overseen by Rita. Book Launch 99



l.r. Dr. Grogan, E.H.B., Emmet Stagg and Bernadette Larkin, E.H.B.

To celebrate the transition from "International Year of Older Persons 99" into the year 2000 we launched our new Booklet entitled "Independent Living for Older People" which is a study of the many facets of life affecting older people and their carers. The Booklet, which was compiled by "yours truly" and published by our own organisation, was formally launched by Dr. Fionnuala Grogan, Co-ordinator of Services for the Elderly in the Eastern Health Board and presented to our oldest resident Kitty Thompson who will celebrate her hundredth birthday in April. Kitty is a perfect example of independent living and she is now well cared for by Rita and all the family. And yes, there was a booklet for everyone in the audience. Many thanks to Dr. Grogan and Bernadette Larkin, Senior Nurse for Community Care E.H.B. for making the time, which is at a premium right now.

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Our Booklet is now on sale in Maynooth Bookshop, Donovan's Londis and Barry's Newsagents for the princely sum of £1. Many thanks to John Byrne, Sean Donovan and Sean Groarke for selling our Booklet without monetary gain. I also thank Joe Wall, Carol and all the staff at Cardinal Press for their patience, help and expertise.

With all the speeches and photographs out of the way, we danced off the calories to the most entertaining sound of "Bourbon Street". This was big band music at its best and enjoyed by all. This was truly a great night, in fact the only minus was the weather. It was a very cold and frosty night but thankfully it did not deter anyone, including our transport providers, Seamus Grant and Seamus Murray who epitomize dependability. Thank you to Emmet Stagg who always makes time for all our events and to Bernard Durkan who, although he could not stay for the festivities, brought along a most generous hamper of "Christmas Fare" which, with the help of Sean Ashe and the rest of the teachers and staff of the Post Primary School, raised £300. A big thank you to the young people from the "No Name Club" who presented us with a cheque for £150; to the Golfing Society whose members braved the elements once again on our behalf and raised £271; and to the management, staff and clientele of Caulfields who contributed £500, from their 'Monster Draw'.

Last but not least I wish to acknowledge the grant for £1,545 from the Department of Social, Community and Family Affairs and the National Lottery Fund, towards the cost of Socially Monitored Alarms for the elderly. We have, to date, installed fifteen alarms at a cost of £245 each. If you add up all those contributions, (with the exception of the state grant which can only be spent on security), you will see we covered our expenses for the evening very nicely. So take a bow all you generous people. You never fail us. If you wish to know in more detail how your money is being spent you may come along to our A.G.M. which will be on February 1st at 8.00 p.m. in the Health Centre.

Our Morning Club is now in full swing, with cards and bingo on Tuesdays and bingo again on Thursdays. So now all you bingo lovers you'll be spoilt for choice. Our Valentine's Party will take place on February 20th when we will be looking for the most romantic couple and the best card and verse.

Finally we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of John Thompson, Peter Lannon, Danny Fitzpatrick and Christina Aherns. May they rest in peace.

Josephine Moore.



Members of the 'No Name Club' presenting cheque for Senior Citizens to Josephine Moore at Annual Dinner and Book Launch.

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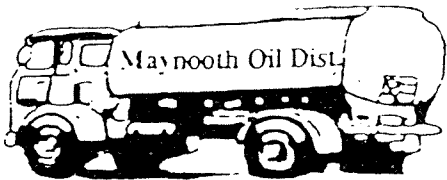


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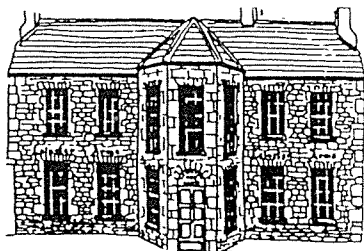
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Along with other groups that are entirely dependant on voluntary effort, the Summer Project is in danger of being unable to continue.

Last year, with great effort on the part of the Committee, a reduced Project lasting two weeks was organised. This year we are under greater pressure as a number of the present Committee are resigning for various reasons.

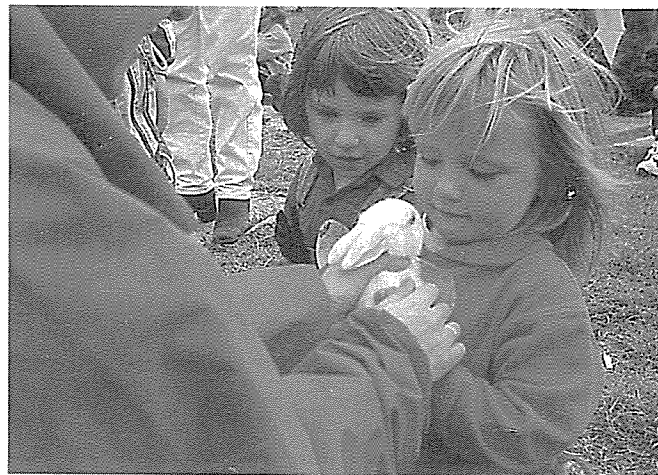
Each year approximately 300 children between the age of seven and thirteen years register for the Project. We try to organise a varied programme of activities both at home and away. For many of these children this may be the only holiday they will get.

The program of events has to be decided on in good time so that bookings can be made and transport arranged where necessary.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on the 2nd February in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.00 p.m. If you would like to join us on our Committee or would like more information please come to our meeting. We will also be looking for helpers during the two weeks in July to supervise the various activities.

Maynooth Summer Project has been going for over twenty years and it would be a great shame if it was to stop in the first year of the new Millennium.

Claire O'Rourke, Secretary.



Ciara on the Alison Farm

MAYNOOTH BOYS SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Congratulations to all the boys and their teachers who put on a very entertaining Christmas concert. The Parish Hall was filled to capacity for the very lively show which was enjoyed by all.

The Parents Association hope to run a fund raiser this term. We will let everyone know the details once they have been finalised.

Well done to all the boys from Mr. Grundy's class who have their pieces published in the Newsletter and also Mr. O'Connor for his informative article on the early days of the school.

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BAND BULLETIN

The first Annual General Meeting of the Millennium attracted a larger than usual attendance with every member full of good intentions and highly resolved to make Y2K a year to remember.

Following the usual doses of complaints, congratulations and advice a new Committee was elected with a number of 'new players' in new positions. The outgoing Chairman, Michael Dempsey, did not seek re-election on health grounds.

The Year 2000 Committee is:-

President:	Phil Brady
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Vice Chairman:	Cliff Murphy
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	Niall O'Connor
	Eloise Macanerchannig
	Micheál Dempsey
	Elaine Bean
	Lorraine Davey
	Kevin Boyd

This year promises to be the busiest for a long, long time. First off is our Millennium Reunion Dinner Dance in the Glenroyal Hotel on Friday 18th February. We hope to meet many of those who have passed through the Band Room doors since the Boys' Band was started in 1954. Secretly we hope that some of those past members will still feel young enough to make a fresh start by rejoining the Band. You are never too old to start (or restart), ask Paddy Maher! He's like a young lad now and he joined when he was forty something.

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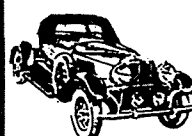
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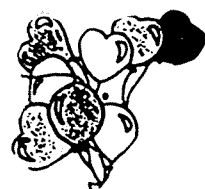
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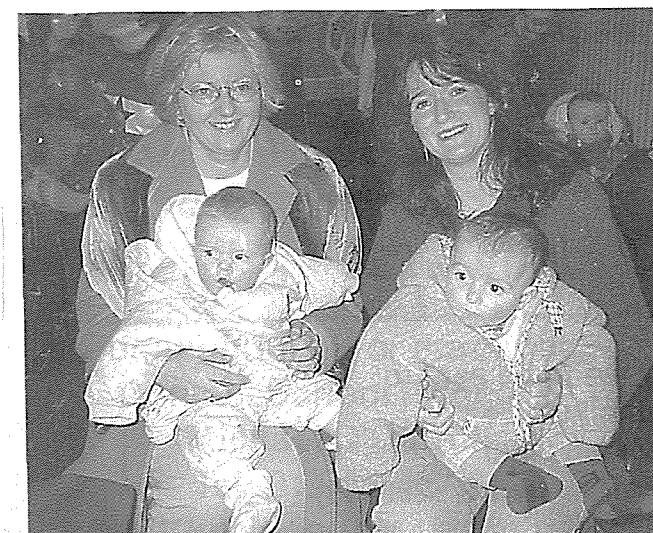
The Tidy Towns Millennium Competition is being improved and greater resources are being made available. We in Maynooth Tidy Towns will be at a meeting with groups who are interested in Maynooth and it's environs in late February to see how we can improve our town and position ourselves to continue our improving ratings in the Tidy Towns Competition.

A qualitative market research project on National Tidy Towns has been conducted and here are the main findings.

- The competition has a decidedly rural image and people in larger cities feel that it is not relevant to their lives.
- Larger areas lack the natural borders to make people feel a sense of ownership and this is complicated by through roads which are impossible to control.
- Many believe that it is to do with litter control and the promotion of tourism - an area where it has made a major contribution with an emphasis on 'beautifying' towns.
- limited awareness of how the competition actually operates.
- Stronger enforcement of litter legislation required;
- There's a view also that the competition favours smaller towns with 'picture post-card' scenery.

The Mass began with the sprinkling of baptismal water on all the congregation. Instead of the Creed everyone was invited to renew their Baptismal vows. The Homily was given by Maeve McNamara who spoke on Baptism and welcomed all the babies to the parish. At the Offertory, Symbols of Baptism were brought to the altar i.e. a white shawl, prayer book, candle and baptismal water along with the bread and wine.

All the readings were done by parents of the babies and all families were given a bottle of holy water at the end of the Mass.

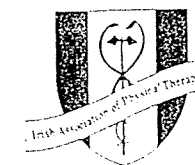


Maeve Cowhey and Mum and Dillon Hunt and Mum.

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Help! Are there any painters, carpenters or electricians who would be able to give a little of their time to help do up the basement of the parochial house. We hope to renovate the basement so as to be able to use it for our future gatherings. If you think that you could help, please leave your details with any committee member or with Martina in the Parish Office.

Family Friends: As mentioned in a previous Newsletter, we are looking for families who would be interested in taking a foreign student home for Sunday lunch. These particular students, who are living on the campus, are a long way from home in a strange environment. We are not asking anyone to adopt them fulltime, but just to show some kindness. The rest is up to you. If interested, or if you would like more details we can be contacted through the parish office.

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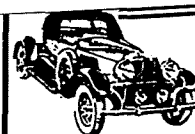
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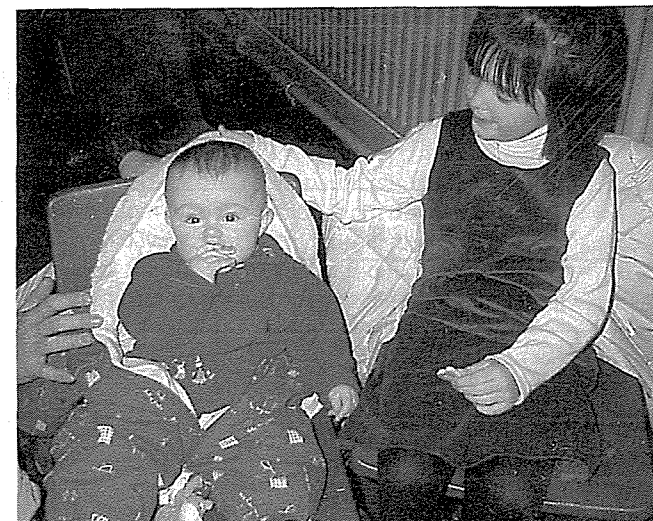
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SOCIAL AND WELCOMING COMMITTEE

A special Mass was held on Sunday 9th January for all the babies baptised during 1999. Invitations were sent to all parents and there was a good attendance of about 50 children.

There was a large banner at the top of the church with pictures of some of the babies.



Ciara Condon with big sister Sinéad.

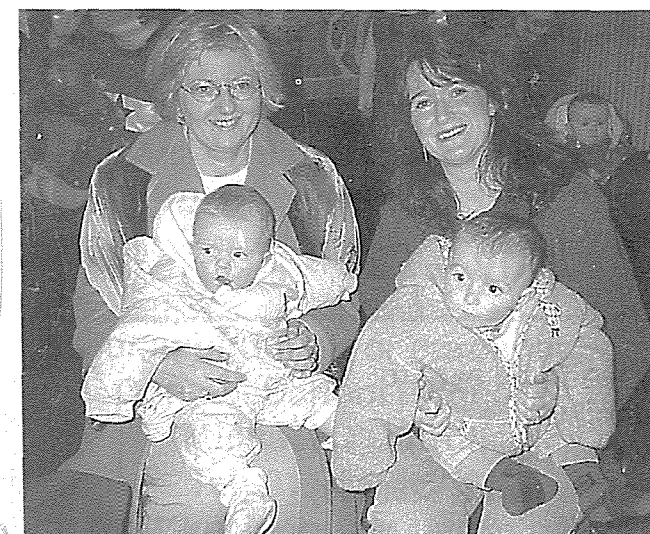


Lisa Harison.

The committee provided tea and biscuits in the boys school after Mass. Many people with no babies came over just to admire them. All the babies were in good form and enjoyed watching what was going on around them.

The Mass began with the sprinkling of baptismal water on all the congregation. Instead of the Creed everyone was invited to renew their Baptismal vows. The Homily was given by Maeve McNamara who spoke on Baptism and welcomed all the babies to the parish. At the Offertory, Symbols of Baptism were brought to the altar i.e. a white shawl, prayer book, candle and baptismal water along with the bread and wine.

All the readings were done by parents of the babies and all families were given a bottle of holy water at the end of the Mass.



Maeve Cowhey and Mum and Dillon Hunt and Mum.

Our next social event is after 10.15am. Mass on 30th January in the Boys' National School. As always, everyone is very welcome to drop in, especially newcomers to the area.

Help! Are there any painters, carpenters or electricians who would be able to give a little of their time to help do up the basement of the parochial house. We hope to renovate the basement so as to be able to use it for our future gatherings. If you think that you could help, please leave your details with any committee member or with Martina in the Parish Office.

Family Friends: As mentioned in a previous Newsletter, we are looking for families who would be interested in taking a foreign student home for Sunday lunch. These particular students, who are living on the campus, are a long way from home in a strange environment. We are not asking anyone to adopt them fulltime, but just to show some kindness. The rest is up to you. If interested, or if you would like more details we can be contacted through the parish office.

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or John McGinley (6285293 - after office hours)

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

MAYNOOTH SCOUTS NEWS

In December 1999 we had our investiture of our new Scouts and three leaders. In attendance were Tony Muldowney unit leader and Kevin Byrne Regional Commissioner and families of the Scouts. The same night we had a party and a sleepover for all the scouts, not very much sleep was got but fun was had by all.

We intend having plenty more camps and competitions and these will just be as good if not better.

We would like to welcome two new comers to our pack. They are Jeffery and Stefan I am sure they will settle in and enjoy taking part.

Our first day back this Millennium was 13th January, and we still have room for new comers both boys and girls. We meet on a Thursday night at 7pm - 9pm in the M.A.D. E centre at the back of the Post Primary School.

We wish all our past and present members and Leaders a Happy New Year.

Martina Perry,
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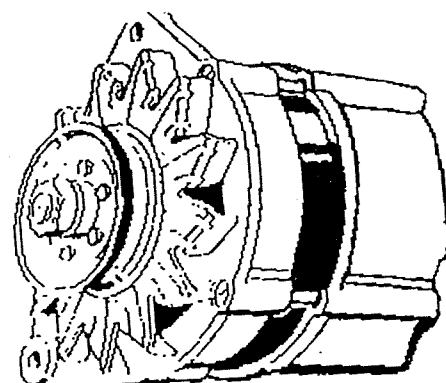
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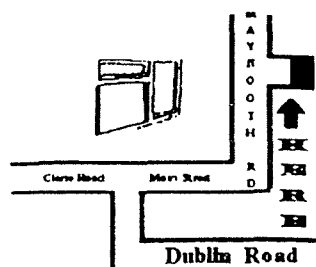
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

A very enjoyable evening was had by all at our annual dinner in the Moyglare Manor Hotel, on this special year of the new Millennium. The meal as usual was delicious and the entertainment this year was singing and drama. The singing and drama proved to be an excellent nights entertainment. A big thank you to Margaret Kenny who entertained us with her amusing piece of drama.

A.O.I.F.A. our new charity elected by all for the year 2000 is "The Arthritis Foundation of Ireland".

Our annual outing this year will be May 12th-14th to the National Festival of Flowers, Cork City Gaol, where the event will be entitled 'Spanning the Bridge of Time'. Details later in the year.

Our next club night will be on Tuesday February 15th. Our demonstrator will be Maura Murphy.

Competition: "Millennium 2000".

A modern exhibit
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Plant Competition: 3 stems of spring flower.

All meetings are held at 8pm on the third Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall, Maynooth College. (except where otherwise stated). Visitors are welcome, entrance fee £3, includes refreshments.

Maureen Fagan P.R.O.



Toni Reid with her beautiful arrangement of flowers, which she received from the Club for her great effort in raising the sum of £700 to give to "The National League of the Blind", well done Toni

THE NO NAME CLUB MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK

The Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club would like to wish all our members a very happy and peaceful New Year.

We would like to welcome all parents to the next A.G.M. which will be held on the 15th February 2000 in the Arts Block N.U.I.

The next disco for the New Year will be held on the 19th February 2000. This will be our Valentines disco, the doors will open at 8p.m. and the disco will end at 11.30p.m.

Michael Madden P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

Due to a very small turn out at our A.G.M. a small Committee was formed. This Committee has agreed to run the Community games for the year. We can only run a very limited amount of events. We would appeal to anyone who is interested in entering to get in touch with the Committee. Committee: Chair: Marie Gleeson Ph.6285246, Treasurer: Madeline Styne 6286443, Patricia Mc Auliffe, Jim Flemming, Mick Gleeson, Nicholas Fitzgerald.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Maynooth National Junior Champion David Campbell won the 800m National Junior Championship at Nenagh indoor track on Sunday 22nd January. David positioned himself well, and took the lead with 150m to go and won by 5mts, in time for 1.56.74. a minute. This was a great performance of David who is just back after an injury. Training will start back in the G.A.A. in February. Training night will be Wednesdays, at 7pm. For further information ring David Jolly or Marie Gleeson Ph.6285246.



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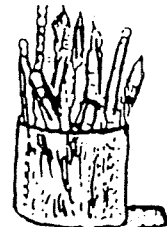
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DEVOTION TO A CAREER

Overhearing recently a retort made by a workman to his foreman, on being asked to manually dig a hole in a difficult situation. What's the J.C.B doing?

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Then I remembered the Co. Council steam roller driver of the 1940s & 50 who live in Varraghmore near Athy in the south of the county, who cycled 60-70 mile round trips daily to Ann's Bridge Maynooth, Leixlip Confey and Moyvalley in the extreme north on the Co. Meath border.

I write of Robert O'Connor (Bob) now in retirement Bob had to depart home early enough, to arrive in time to clear out the firebox of the engine and have full steam up at 8am starting time. Such diligence is a rare thing today.

Bob in retirement still very active, a staunch Tidy Towns volunteer, has received many awards from the Co. Council. And with his wife Ann he is a very active member of the Irish Vintage Society being an owner of vintage tractors and oil engines. Can be seen most Sundays at vintage rallies around south Leinster.

R. O'Reilly.

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Ann Doohan of Maynooth Flower & Craft Shop celebrated 2 years in business by organising an Art Exhibition held in the Glenroyal Hotel on December 12th. Over 20 artists participated from Maynooth and neighbouring areas. A big number of original paintings were on display to provide ideas for a unique Christmas present for family or friends. Anne has a large display of paintings at her shop at all times. A picture framing service is also provided. Anne would like to thank the Glenroyal Hotel and all the artists who participated in this successful exhibition. Special thanks to Martin Corroon who set up display stands. Art classes will begin in January.

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KILDARE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT BOARD INVITATION TO ATTEND PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS

The proposed Kildare County Development Board, which will be composed of representatives from Local Government, Local Development, Statutory Bodies and the Social Partners (Business/Employers, Trade Unions, Farmers and the Community / voluntary Sector) will be established shortly. The Board will consult on, draw up and oversee the implementation of a comprehensive *Economic, Social and Cultural Development Strategy for County Kildare*.

There is a strong commitment to ensuring that the Community and Voluntary Sector is effectively represented on the County Development Board and in its work. All those interested in securing further information are invited to attend a series of local information meetings detailing the role of the County Development Board and the proposed County Strategy. These information meetings will be held as follows:

Date	Time	Venue
Mon., 31st Jan. 2000	8.00 p.m.	Kildare County Council, St. Mary's, Naas.
Tue., 1st Feb. 2000	8.00 p.m.	Allenwood Enterprise Park, Station Road, Allenwood North
Wed., 2nd Feb. 2000	8.00 p.m.	Irish Wheelchair Association, Teach Emanuel, (Grounds of St. Vincent's Hospital), Woodstock North, Athy.
Thurs. 3rd Feb. 2000	8.00 p.m.	Liffey Valley House Hotel, St. Catherine's Park, Leixlip.
Mon., 7th Feb. 2000	8.00 p.m.	Setanta Hotel, Clane Road, Celbridge.
Tue., 8th Feb. 2000	8.00 p.m.	Aras Bhride, (Chapel Yard), Bride Street, Kildare Town.

A further meeting for those unable to attend at night time will be held on:

Date	Time	Venue
Thurs., 10th Feb. 2000	11.00 a.m.	Kildare County Council, St. Mary's, Naas.

The Information Meeting will also include a briefing on Strategic Policy Committees of Kildare County Council and possible developments thereon.

Further information on the County Development Board is available on the Kildare County Council Website www.kildare.ie or from Mr. W. Carroll, Director of Community and Enterprise, Kildare County Council, St. Mary's, Naas, Co. Kildare. Tel. (045) 873859, Fax (045) 876875, e-mail wcarroll@kildarecoco.ie.

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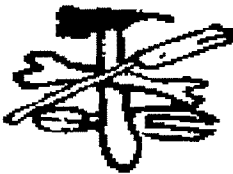
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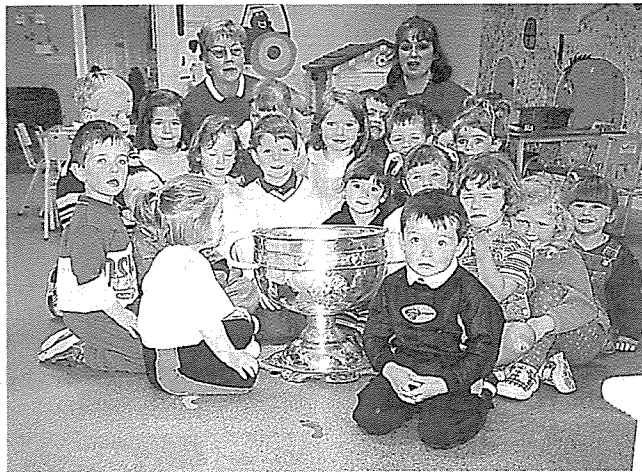
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STEPPING STONES PLAYSCHOOL - DIARY OF FIRST YEAR

Stepping Stones Playschool opened on the 18th January 1999 at Unit 8 Newtown SC Beaufield, under the guidance of Evelyn McGrath and Frances Dalton both with many years of childcare experience.

The playschool received a warm welcome from parents, children and visitor "Barney" on this open day.

Stepping Stones provides a well needed service for pre-school children and their parents in the area. As a member of the Irish Pre-school Playgroups Association, the emphasis is to provide play and play-experiences for children age 3-5 years. The playschool is fully insured, registered and inspected by the Eastern Health Board in accordance with the Child Care Pre-school Regulations 1996.



Sam Maguire visits Playschool.

The playroom is divided into different work areas and interest.

'Home Corner' (pretend play, role play, dressing up, sharing and co-operation).

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Block area (lego and blocks for construction).

Garage, Train Set, Doll's house (these floor activities encourage co-operative play).

Parents, guardians are always welcome to visit, chat or join in our play.

During this first year there were many memorable and fun occasions. The Easter party, the trip to Morelle Farm in Straffan with children and parents enjoying fun on the farm. The sports day where children and parents ran, jumped and hopped, sang and had fun.

The parent's night where parents received an opportunity to sponge paint, finger paint, play with play dough and enjoy a cup of tea and meet each other.

The July Summer Camp where the children played sports outside and enjoyed fun in the sun.

The graduation of the children who went to "Big School".

In September new children and families came to playschool and settled in to meet new friends. Christmas '99 was special with a visit from Santa and the Christmas concert performed by the children (and Santa) with parents and friends joining in with a party for all.

The playschool during the year was visited by Lorraine, Fiona and Aisling all on work experience from Maynooth Post Primary, Scoil Dara Kilcock and NUI Maynooth. Evelyn and Frances wish them the best with their future careers.

Also the Sam Maguire Cup made a welcome visit to school. Perhaps future players will have started in Stepping Stones.

It has been an eventful and fun year enjoying the children make friends, and grow, and the parents also sharing their friendship.

All enquiries to the listed phone numbers or just call up anytime during school hours.

Evelyn and Frances, Stepping Stones Playschool wish to express their deepest sympathy to Padraig O'Murchu and family on the death of Acol Bentiu. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now at these sad times.



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A LENTEN LETTER

No! this is not the regulations to be read from the pulpit by order of his Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, but a reflection of Lent in the last century. If we were remiss about the season, we were awakened at mass on the Sunday preceding Ash Wednesday. The priest unfurling this enormous sheet of paper, carefully folding it to manageable size and proceeding to read the Lenten regulations for the diocese.

I was bemused then and am still, why the first regulation was. "No catholic could study in T.C.D., without the explicit permission of his grace the Archbishop". Why at Lent? Was it alright at other times? Lent meant something very special those days.

Fasting: One full meal and two colations each day, Sunday and St. Patrick's Day excepted. Abstinence: Meat or meat products forbidden on Wednesday, Friday and on the eve of Holidays. We all knew that because the "Far East calendar had a fish imprinted on the date. Wearing of sack cloth and ashes long since discontinued from the turn of the previous century.

From Ash Wednesday all Statues and Icons shrouded in purple until holy Saturday. All cinemas had to close at 23.30, except on the feast of St. Patrick's when Ceilis could continue until 3 a.m. except when it fell on a Saturday. Holy Hour on the first Sunday of the month, rosary and benediction the other three or four. Stations of the cross, every Wednesday and Friday at 8 p.m.

Voluntary abstinence from alcoholic drink and smoking was encouraged with the promise of 100 years indulgence from purgatory for a departed relative or friend, or could be reserved for oneself for future use.

Being young I often wondered what became of these indulgences, if those you nominated were snugly upon high playing harps, or you wound up roasting chestnuts or stoking furnaces in the nether regions.

Some well intentioned 'hard chaws' exercised licence of their own making. The Lenten regs not applying to Sundays and Feast Days, had a few smokes and a tippie to alleviate the ennui.

Shrove Tuesday or Pancake Day invariably fell around St. Valentine's Day, heralding the season of whipping tops for the children.

Holy Week was quite another occasion of Lent, following the blessing of the palms, we the altar servers, were summoned each evening to attend the church, for rehearsals of the ceremonies on the following days.

These sessions normally had an interlude whilst the priests heard confessions.

To keep out of mischief, we busied ourselves with competitions. One was to see who could cast the smallest stone into either of the two now no longer existing sheep dipping ponds beyond and below the front of the church.

It was the era of Jim Bradock, Max Baer and Joe Louis, and all the servers were boxing fans, friendly bouts were arranged; accidents did happen, and many of us served on the altar on Monday, Thursday and Good Friday sporting shiners' much to the amusement of our late Parish Priest, also a boxing fan.

Robert O'Reilly.

MAYNOOTH ACTION STRATEGY

As traffic congestion in and around Maynooth grows more serious by the month, Maynooth Action Strategy is very disappointed to learn that the current proposals relating to the realignment of Bond Bridge have no provision for motor access to the Railway Station from the Rathcoffey Road. MAS originally proposed and lobbied for the extension of the Railway Station car park and Iarnrod Eireann is to be congratulated on the fine job that has been done in developing the new car park on the Rathcoffey Road side of the station. Failure to provide adequate access to this car park as part of the Bond Bridge development would be a retrograde step.

The plans for the new Bond Bridge prepared by HGL O'Connor, consultant engineers, were recently presented to Kildare Co. Council. While all our local councillors favour the provision of motor access from Bond Bridge to the Railway Station, as things stand this will not be part of the design when the project goes to tender in May of this year. Originally technical reasons were given as to why a slipway from the bridge to the station carpark could not be constructed. It now emerges that it simply a question of finance with a figure of £95,000 being quoted as the cost. This seems a very small sum given the overall cost of the project and the tremendous benefits that would flow from providing this additional point of access to the Railway Station. The engineers have also quoted issues of safety, stating that poor sight lines at the proposed junction at Bond Bridge would create a traffic hazard. Maynooth Action Strategy believes that there are technical solutions to that problem and that, in any case, the existing exit onto the Straffan Road is far from ideal.

Currently there is serious traffic congestion at the Railway Station in the evening as dozens of cars attempt to exit the station onto the Straffan Road. It can regularly take 15 minutes to negotiate the traffic jam leaving the station when passengers disembark from the 17:15 and 17:52 trains from Connolly Station. This situation will obviously disimprove when Iarnrod Eireann's plans to extend rail services to Maynooth are put into place in 2001 and the service is more heavily used. Providing access to the station from the Rathcoffey Road could relieve much of this congestion. In addition, hundreds of residents in the Newtown area would benefit from much more convenient access to the station rather than adding to traffic congestion in the village and on the Straffan Road.

With the support of our partners Maynooth Community Council, Maynooth Chamber of Commerce, NUI, Maynooth and St. Patrick's College, Maynooth Action Strategy intend to lobby Kildare Co. Council on this issue.

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HOLIDAYS ON THE WEB

Our local travel agents will always be with us and they will undoubtedly continue to provide an important service for many people when they come to arrange their annual holiday. Increasingly, however, it is becoming possible to research and book your holiday using the Internet. From personal experience holidays in Portugal and Holland have been successfully organised using the Web. In both cases it was possible to contact hotels directly by email and to view pictures of the hotels facilities. Until recently many people were cautious about using their credit cards to pay for services on the Web. But most of the security issues have now been sorted out and it is probably safer revealing your credit card number to a reputable site on the Web than it is to hand over your card to a waiter in a restaurant where you haven't dined before.

Three Irish sites have recently become available:
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www.falconholidays.ie
www.jwtholidays.ie.

Direct Holidays is a Scottish based tour operator, which sells package holidays direct to the public, rather than through the conventional route of travel agents. They were formed in November 1991 and following a successful launch of the business from Glasgow and Prestwick airports (Summer 1992 and 1993) the company expanded its departure airports to Edinburgh (Summer 1995), Liverpool (Summer 1995), Manchester (Summer 1996), Newcastle (1998), Belfast, Leeds Bradford, Humberside and Teesside (Summer 1999) and Dublin (Summer 2000). The company claims that "when you book with Direct Holidays you cut out the travel agent. More importantly you cut out all their commission. This means you save money on the cost of your holiday". The Web site is well organised and allows you search for, book and pay for a flight to a range of holiday destinations including Faro, Malaga, Tenerife, Ibiza, Malta and Gran Canaria. It also provides very comprehensive information on accommodation, prices and holiday health.

Both the Falcon Tours and JWT sites are attempts by well-established travel companies to tap into business on the Web. JWT have published their 4 holiday brochures on their Web site - 2twentys, Selection, Florida/Mexico Sun and Winter Sun. Again it is possible to search for and book a holiday having worked through the brochures online. The Falcon site has a very similar approach and their 5 brochures - Summer Sun 2000, Villa Sun 2000, Cruises Sun 2000, Ski 1999/2000 and Winter Sun - are searchable in the same way as the JWT brochures.

The other way in which the Web can be used to plan your holiday is by using it to research your destination. Let's say you are lucky enough to be heading off to the Bahamas next week. You know it's nice and sunny with blue seas and beautiful beaches but you would like to find out a little bit more about the country. By typing in 'Bahamas' into any of the search engines on the Web you will get back dozens of links to sites about the Bahamas. One of the best is www.bahamas.com, which features maps of the islands leading to a complete guide of the whole region. Fancy going to Crooked Island? This is what it has to say:

"Crooked Island (together with Long Cay) forms the northwest part of the atoll system. The deliciously sweet scent of native herbs and flowers inspired Columbus to call it "one of the fragrant islands." He christened the island "Isabella" after his queen, and it was called "Samoete" by the Arawaks, but, somehow, the more functionally descriptive Crooked Island is the name it is known by today.

Quiet and remote, the island's natural attributes are many. An abundance of bird life thrives on the cliffs and reefs around the islands, and magnificent limestone caves hide secrets from the past. Coral gardens, shelves and reefs are a treat for divers, and the deep creeks, tidal flats, and pools filled with game fish make it a sportsman's delight. Spectacular, untouched, white sand beaches stretch for miles".

WHAT'S AVAILABLE ABROAD THIS SUMMER

Now that Christmas and the New Year is over it is now time to think about your Summer Holidays and at Usit Now in Maynooth we would delight in giving you some ideas of what's available this year.

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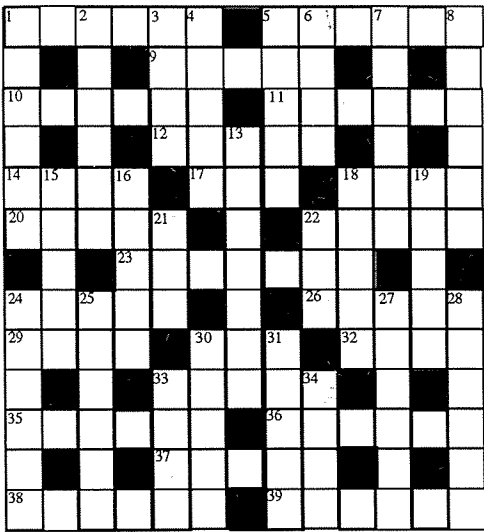
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Morocco and Tunisia always prove popular for people who like something different and want to experience some other culture and creeds.

There are such a wide range of holidays available from Ireland that any taste can be catered for. We have found this year that coach touring holidays come into the fold due to the fact that people want to see more of the countries rather than lying on a beach for two weeks.

Everybody will agree that there is no better feeling than the adrenalin rush you get when you are heading to the airport for your holiday. Want to experience this feeling? Book your place in the sun today!

Crossword No. 145



Entries before Monday 21th February

Name _____

Address _____

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Across:

- 1. Marionette (6)
- 5. Wreckage (6)
- 9. Coupled (5)
- 10. Slumbering (6)
- 11. Stopped (6)
- 12. Fiend (5)
- 14. Frozen (4)
- 17. Beam (3)
- 18. Lake (4)
- 20. Dissuade (5)
- 22. Temptress (5)
- 23. Empty (7)
- 24. Liability (5)
- 26. Decoration (5)
- 29. Hero (4)
- 30. Girl's (3)
- 32. Reign (4)
- 33. Jockey (5)
- 35. Respect (6)
- 36. Remark (6)
- 37. Stitched (5)
- 38. Staggered (6)
- 39. Jammed (6)

Down:

- 1. Calm (6)
- 2. Chicken (6)
- 3. Watched (4)
- 4. Drinker (5)

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- 5. Lure (5)
- 6. Paradise (4)
- 7. Rota (6)
- 8. Abrupt (6)
- 13. Ripened (7)
- 15. Yielded
- 16. Satan (5)
- 18. Skinflint (5)
- 19. Kingly (5)
- 21. Rodent (3)
- 22. Total (3)
- 24. Tremble (6)
- 25. Rebound (6)
- 27. Cheating (6)
- 28. Myth (6)
- 30. Leased (5)
- 31. Renovate (5)
- 33. Trick (4)
- 34. Travelled (4)

Solution to Crossword No. 144

Across: 4. Spout; 7. Archer; 9. Col; 10. Top; 12. Faith; 13. Grab; 15. Organ; 17. Pistol; 19. Turn; 20. There; 22. Van; 24. Derided; 27. Rod; 28. Weary; 31. Diva; 33. Better; 35. Scene; 37. Drip; 38. Lasso; 39. Tar; 41; Err; 42. Lounge; 43. State.

Down: 1. Target; 2. Scrape; 3. Set; 4. Sofa; 5. Plant; 6. Ulterior; 8. Root; 11. Provident; 14. Bird; 16. Glad; 18. Seer; 21. Hesitant; 23. Newt; 25. Robe; 26. Deed; 29. Arrant; 30. Yapped; 32. Asset; 34. Teal; 36. Core; 40. Row.

Features

WHAT WILL YOU BE DOING ON VALENTINE'S DAY

Micheal Hegarty

I'm going to a football match in Roscommon. Afterwards I will go for a nice romantic meal and a few pints.

Ollie Bright-Fire Station

I'll be going to Dowdstown Hotel for a nice romantic meal if I can get the night off.

Rosemary Hanley

I hope to go on a romantic weekend, to a secluded cottage in Co.Clare with my husband.

Veva Kearins

I'm off to Jury's Hotel in Sligo.

Margaret Houlihan

I'm off to Paris for the weekend.

Hugh Cash (Maynooth Jewellery Shop)

I'll be going to the nearest pub, that's giving away free beer by candlelight.

Ann Broughan: College Green

I'll be going for a candlelit dinner with my hunky husband, and hopefully getting a big bunch of red roses.

Pat & Siobhan Manon with baby Rebecca

We will celebrate Valentines with a nice romantic dinner for 2. Siobhan is hoping for a big bunch of roses with a nice parcel inside.

Angela Reilly-Londis

I'll be in Caulfields having a few drinks with Shane and afterwards a nice romantic meal in some restaurant.

Celine Galligan-Greenfield Drive

I'll be going to see a romantic film with my boyfriend David, and afterwards on to a nice expensive restaurant for a meal.

Dominic Nugent-Boys School

I'll be bringing my wife for a nice romantic meal and present her with a bunch of red roses.

LEIXLIP NO MORE

As you may be aware, the ESB area office in Leixlip has been closed for some years, in keeping with the rationalisation policy of the "New ESB".

In early January 00 the last electrical crews were transferred to Finglas depot.

The original office opened over 60 years ago, beside the present day "Rockafellas". The late James Smyth was appointed the first Area Electrician. He and his staff set up a great rapport with the consumers, knowing all of them personally from their initial connection to the network. Rural electrification was still 8 years in the offing. The original area radiated through Lucan to Palmerstown, Clondalkin, Tallaght, Brittas, Manor Kilbride to Kill, Donadea, Kilcock, Enfield, Dunshaughlin, Rathoath, Curragh, The Boleys, Dunboyne, Mulhuddart, Clonsilla, with Maynooth, Celbridge, Straffan and Rathcoffey in the centre. Quite an area in War-time and rationing; Jim reigned supreme until his death.

Three of his longest serving staff were Benny Greene, RIP, Martin Keegan, RIP, the former Lord Mayor of Lucan, and our own Gabriel Flood, O'Neill Park.

The area grew from hundreds to many thousands in the 60s and 70s. Consequently the area reduced gradually. Losing Palmerstown, Kilcock, Dunshaughlin, Clondalkin and Tallaght and finally Lucan in the late 70s. In the late 80s with the demise of Kilcock it regained Batterstown and Dunshaughlin.

On January the 6th many of the former and present staff met at a farewell party in the Springfield Hotel, to say goodbye to an institution of our time.

R. OREILLY.

Features

GAELSCOIL UI FHIAICH

NEW SITE:

Due to our rapidly expanding numbers we will have to move to a new premises this September. Following numerous meetings and conversations with the local councillors and local land owners 2 sites have been proposed for our use. As soon as a final decision has been made on the location of the site we will immediately begin to look for planning permission and hope to move into it in September.

REGISTRATIONS:

We already have a waiting list in place for this coming September and subsequent years are rapidly filling up. If you wish to enrol your child please contact the school on 6290667 and we will send you an enrolment form.

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Our Christmas party was held in the Glenroyal Hotel this year and was an enormous success. Santa arrived in the fire engine and there was great excitement. As with most of our extra-curricular activities without our parents the Christmas party would not have taken place. So, to all the parents who organised the party - Mile Buiochas libh, we would also like to thank you landlord Mr. Les McAssey for his generous donation which made our party possible.

SHCOOL CONCERT:

Our first school concert was held in Dowdstown Hotel last December and was a tremendous success. We did a Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich version of Cocaitín Dearg (Little Red Riding Hood) and all of our audience would agree that it brought the house down. Every child had a part and we all agree that it was a well worth while activity.

FIRST COMMUNION:

We will have our first First Communion this year in Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich, on Saturday 27th May. Once again, we hope it will be an inclusive ceremony with each child playing an important part.

Le Buiuchas.

Aisling Ni Bhriain.



Maynooth couple, Raymond and Noelle Topley meet Pope John Paul II in the Vatican during the recent Millennium celebrations. Mrs. Topley teaches in the local girls school and Mr. Topley teaches in the College. 25th January 2000.

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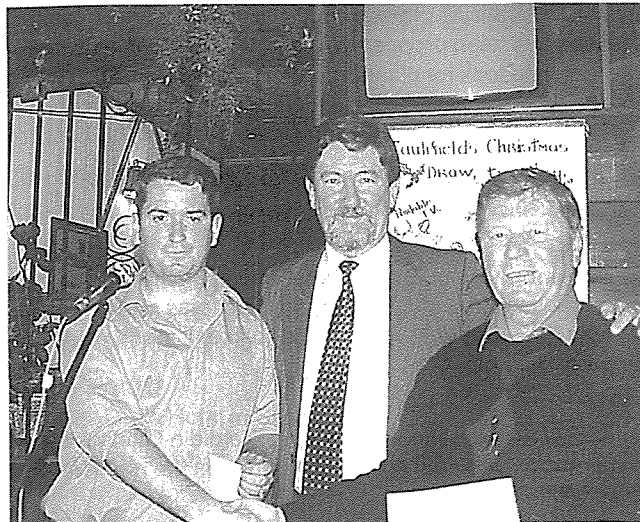
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FEATURES

CAULFIELD'S MONSTER DRAW



Sean Fitzpatrick, John McGinley and Mick Noone receiving cheque for £500 on behalf of St. Mary's Brass Band.



Sean Fitzpatrick, John McGinley and Mick Kelly receiving cheque for £500 on behalf of Senior Citizens Committee

Monster Draw winners: 1st prize Mary Mackey, 2nd prize John Nevin, 3rd prize Pat Harte

Valentine's Day Vox Pop



Siobhan and Pat Mahon and baby Rebecca



Ollie Bright



Dominic Nugent

Community Council Elections

Elections to the Community Council will be held in March / April this year. Further details in our next issue



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MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Bond Bridge Design Going on Public Display for Comments:

At the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council on 7 January the Draft Design for PART X Planning Permission was presented to the Councillors by the Consultants and Council Engineers. The design is as expected, apart from three areas which Cllr. John Mc Ginley asked to be changed.

1. There should be a vehicular entrance to the train station so that cars would not have to use Parson St. and Main St. to gain access to the Straffan Road entrance. The Consultants said that they could not recommend this for cost and safety reasons. They stated that it would cost an extra £95,000 and that the new junction at the bridge would create a traffic hazard because of poor sight lines.
2. The 1.2m walls should be stone finished and not plaster finish as proposed.
3. There should be a pedestrian entrance to the College opposite Parson Court to reduce the pedestrian traffic in Parson Street.

The basic design of the new bridge is as follows:

- * The roadway will be 21ft wide with a 6ft footpath and a 5ft path on both sides.
- * There will be a 17ft clearance over the railway to allow for future electrification. This means that the bridge will be 2ft higher than the existing bridge.
- * The Meadowbrook stream and the Joan Slade river will be culverted from Meadowbrook Lawns to Parson Lodge (This would facilitate the pedestrian entrance to the College at Parson court).
- * Newtown Grove will become a cul de sac at the Newtown Road end.

The bridge will be kept open most of the time during construction. However, it will have to close for a day or two, on two or three occasions. The County Engineer told the meeting that he expected the Meadowbrook Link to the Straffan Road to be completed by then and that it could be used as the diversion. The bridge will be open to pedestrians at all times during construction.

The Programme of Work is as follows:

- * The Council to apply for PART X Planning Permission before the end of January.
- * Go to tender in May.
- * Contractor begins work in July.
- * Construction period will be 18 to 24 months.

New Traffic Lights for Straffan road:

As a result of a motion from Cllr. John Mc Ginley the Council have agreed to install traffic lights at the Railway Station/ Parklands/Castlebridge exits. These lights will also facilitate traffic exiting from Old greenfield and Silken Vale.

Motorists are finding it increasingly difficult to exit from these locations because of the volume and speed of traffic on the Straffan Road. The new lights will mean improvements for everyone—motorists and pedestrians.

New Traffic Lights for Parson Street/Main Street Junction:

Council Officials advised Cllr. John Mc Ginley at the Area Meeting on the 7 January that funding is now in place for these traffic and pedestrian lights that were an integral part of the Main Street Improvement Works. This will make life much easier for those exiting from Parson Street and will also allow pedestrians to cross the road safely at this very busy junction. The pedestrian lights at the Bank of Ireland will be removed when the new lights are in place. These lights are a hazard for pedestrians at present because traffic keeps coming from

the Straffan Road though the pedestrian lights are green.

Moyglare Village Boundary Wall Gets Funding:

Cllr. John Mc Ginley motion 'That funding be allocated from the next Discretionary Block grant to build a boundary wall between Moyglare Village and Moyglare Road' was agreed at the Area Meeting of 7 January. This means that money will be allocated from the Discretionary Grants next March/April for this purpose and the wall will be built. It will be a great relief for the residents to know that their children can play in safety on the green.

Problems With Bus Eireann & Dublin Bus:

It was agreed at the Area Meeting on 7 January to invite Dublin Bus and Bus Eireann to our next meeting so that we can iron out two major problems:

1. Bus drivers cause serious traffic build ups on Main Street because they don't pull into the bus bays for passengers.
2. The two bus turning bays on the Straffan Road are an eyesore as a result of buses driving up on the 'green' areas. It is hoped to agree on a new design for the turning points.

Doctors Lane:

The Councils Senior Executive Engineer is to come up with traffic calming proposals for Doctors Lane for the next Meeting. It is inevitable that a serious accident will take place involving pedestrians if nothing is done.

Inclusion of Maynooth in Dublin Taximeter Area:

Councillors asked at the last Area Meeting that Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge, Kilcock and Straffan be included in the Dublin Taximeter Area. This would mean that taxis could not refuse to take individuals from Dublin to these Kildare towns as in the case at present. They would also be forbidden to charge other than the meter charge. Some Maynooth residents were charged £45 for a taxi from Dublin to Maynooth recently.

Restoration Work on Obelisk:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the Minister for Arts, Heritage, Gaeltacht and the Islands, to provide funding for essential restoration works at the Obelisk. Deputy Stagg stated that Capital funding for such works had increased by 8% in 2000 and that it was now time to proceed with the work.

Temporary Footpath Parsons Hall to Castledawson

Arising from requests from residents in Parsons Hall, Deputy Stagg contacted the developers of Castledawson concerning the provision of a temporary footpath on the reserved section of green area fronting Castledawson at the Parsons Hall end. The developers duly obliged and Deputy Stagg thanked them for their assistance.

Work on the provision of a proper footpath fronting the Castledawson boundary wall which is costed at £20,000 is due to start shortly.

Gaelscoil ui Fhiach

The Minister for education is still being pressed by Deputy Emmet Stagg to sanction permanent recognition for Maynooth Gael Scoil. The application was made in April, 1999 and the delay in sanctioning same is unacceptable.

Traffic Route Lighting - Celbridge

Cllr. John McGinley has requested Kildare Co. Council to provide Traffic Route Lighting on Celbridge Road, Maynooth, from the junction with the Straffan Road to the end of Laurences Avenue.

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FINE GALE NOTES

Proposals for Bond Bridge Construction at Maynooth
Cllr. Senan Griffin welcomed, with some reservations, the new proposals as outlined by H.G.L. O'Connor at the Leixlip Area Meeting on Friday last 7th January, regarding the realignment of the Bond Bridge in Maynooth.

The proposals allow for the construction of a 6.5 metre wide road, with a 1.9 metre wide and a 1.5 metre cycle path at both sides of the proposed new road layout.

The construction will involve piping a section of the Joan Slade river bounding the College wall along Parson Street. The new bridge will be about 600 mm higher than the existing roadway levels so that a clearance of 5.13 metres can be accommodated for the rail line. The proposed road will be bound by a wall of approximately 12.3 meters high, which Cllr. Griffin has insisted should be of finished stonework.

The major drawback in the proposed new roadway said Cllr Griffin, is that it fails to provide for motor access to the car park at the Railway station from the Rathcoffey Road.

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested the engineer in charge to ensure that access to the car park at the Railway Station is provided, in order to alleviate traffic congestion on the Main Street by forcing motorists to drive through Parson Street, Main Street and up the Straffan Road to gain access to the station. Traffic congestion can be easily avoided by providing this simple access point, said Cllr. Griffin.

The time limit for this project is that it is likely to go to tender in May 2000 and construction should start in July 2000 which will take approximately 18 to 24 months to complete.

Cllr. Griffin hopes to circulate a map outlining the consultants proposals to all households in the Rathcoffey Road area.

Celbridge Interchange Gets Go Ahead

The County Engineer advised the Leixlip Area Committee at their meeting on January 7th that the order to proceed with the purchase of the necessary land to accommodate the interchange, has been granted by the Minister for the Environment.

The provision of this link to Intel / Hewlett Packard and Celbridge is vital for the proper management of traffic in the area and will result in a reduction of traffic hold-ups in Leixlip and Celbridge. The Minister's order also allows for the removal of the existing bridge at Leixlip Gate leading to the right of way at Castletown in Celbridge.

Cllr. Senan Griffin, in welcoming the advancement of the project, stated that the link to Celbridge is long overdue and that the residents of Main Street, Castletown, Oaklawn and Green Lane Estates in Leixlip, will be overjoyed by the elimination of the huge volume of traffic through their estates. The sooner this project is completed, the better for all concerned said Cllr. Griffin.

Private Sites:

Cllr. Senan Griffin's motion to Kildare County Council to provide forty private sites in Leixlip, has been accepted in principle by the Leixlip Area Committee at its recent meeting. As a result of the motion, the Committee is to request the full Council to formulate a transparent policy on the housing needs of the people of Kildare.

The need for local authority housing plus affordable housing

has long been advocated by Cllr. Senan Griffin, which was also announced in the Bacon Report, together with the need for private sites throughout the whole of the county.

Completion Works at Main Street, Leixlip and Main Street, Maynooth:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested Kildare County Council to draw up a snag list for the completion of the Main Streets in Maynooth and Leixlip.

In drawing up the list, Cllr. Senan Griffin has also requested that the nameplates for the various streets be put in place similar to the style provided in Kilcock.

However, Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed his concern at the poor quality of some of the completed works in both Maynooth and Leixlip and has suggested that the contractor be recalled to complete outstanding works.

Kilcock Incinerator:

Deputy Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Senan Griffin have lodged an objection to the proposed incinerator at Boycetown Kilcock with An Bord Pleanala. Bord Pleanala have accepted that the grounds for the appeal will be confined to planning matters only as set out by Deputy Durkan and Cllr. Griffin.

In objecting to the proposed incinerator Deputy Durkan and Cllr. Griffin highlighted the lack of road infrastructure, shortage of water and sewerage facilities plus the protection of the Royal Canal. Issues such as air pollution and emissions will have to be dealt with by the E.P.A.

The Fine Gael position in North Kildare has always been to oppose this application by T.W.M.I. at Boycetown Kilcock. It is of the utmost importance that Bord Pleanala reject this application and uphold the decision of Kildare County Council.

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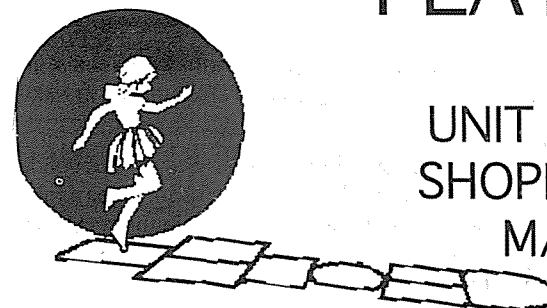
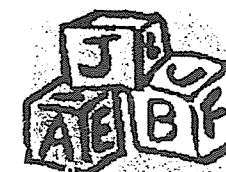
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MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

Dear Editor,

The recent closure of Maynooth Pitch & Putt has been a very difficult decision for myself and my family. Having invested in producing a course of a high standard it has been saddening to now find that our dreams of some ten years ago are not possible and reality dictates that we must take this unfortunate measure.

However I am writing this letter for reasons other than lamenting the demise of one of Maynooth's finest facilities. I want to acknowledge the people and events of ten years of Pitch & Putt in Maynooth. It has been a very enjoyable and satisfying time despite flood, pestilence and disease and we often thought that we should be doing anything other than providing Pitch & Putt. The people that we have dealt with over the life of the course have been from all parts of this country and indeed from all parts of the world and regrettable we did not keep a visitors book it would have made interesting reading. Our encounters with these people have been varied and stimulating with both good and bad aspects to them but our overall impression is one of pleasant, decent people who have been a pleasure to meet. I hope that we have left a similar impression on them.

Through the initial years of business there were several crisis mostly due to unwanted water.....!! and although it is likely that people like Ollie Bright and Melanie and Elaine and Willie and Noreen have forgotten their help I want to thank them for being there when their company and good humour was as important as their hands. Important in keeping grass affairs in order were Dermot Saunders and latterly Jim Byrne who were always available to discuss and advise on what to do and sometimes what not to do with the Greens. It's amazing how much more there is to grass than just mowing.

No matter how hard or easy the work was the most important aspect of the whole operation was to have people play on the

course and while I am not going to name them individually I want to thank them one and all for their support. I want to especially thank the Sunday Morning Clubs and indeed telling them of our demise was the hardest part of making the decision to close. We over the years shared all weathers, good and foul and indeed probably the many kinds of physical states that Sunday morning can often bring!!! The funny thing is looking back now getting up on those early mornings wasn't really so awful, with the exception of the mornings when all the flags were stolen from the course.

Without the hard work and dedication of Mary this whole project would never have been possible. Modesty will prevent her from admitting so much but in truth it was really her business which she ably managed and organised through the years and in fact became the face of Maynooth Pitch & Putt. Her energy and efficiency in dealing with the Business was limitless and always good humoured. I want to publicly thank her for that commitment to Maynooth Pitch & Putt.

In a last round up of other people who were involved over the years I want to thank Tom and Patricia for their constant support and advice, the Post Primary School and the Primary School classes and teachers who played on the course, the Community Games organisers and players, also Colm, Donal and Graham, Paddy Brennan for years of grass cutting and Winnie Brennan for allowing us take Holidays. Aisling, Brian and Conor for all the odd jobs, Bridie for vigilance and anybody else who doesn't fit in to any of the above categories.

In conclusion it has been a wonderful experience enjoyed by us all and I hope in some way we made a contribution to our community in Maynooth.

Yours sincerely
Tony Bean.

HANDBALL

Now that the Millennium fever is almost passed and the new handball season has started it is time to reflect on the clubs achievements since its reformation in 1997.

We entered several players in the County Championships that year. They were entered more for the experience than with any expectations of achieving success. And so it was that, while they equited themselves well, they did not win any trophies.

In 1998, with the experience of the previous year under their belt they hoped for greater things at County level. However, no one expected them to win Five County medals, which is exactly what they did. And if that was not enough they also added two Leinster medals. Maynooth Handball Club has arrived. Not only at County level but at National level also.

1999 came and it was not a matter of winning County medals But how many! Come the end of the year and there was a grave shortage of silverware at the club. No County Medals to show for a hard years training. However the year did have its high spots with the first All Ireland medal coming to the

club. We also forged important handball and social links with Carrickmacross in Monaghan and O'Loughlins in Kilkenny.

The New Year started with a complete new set of jerseys, which were kindly, sponsored by Mr. Sean Donovan Londis Maynooth. I don't know if this was a great inspiration to the players or what but on their first outing in them they won Six County medals. O.K. They were not winners medals but they got to the final of the very prestigious triton shield team event. The six players narrowly beaten in the final were: Sean Molloy, Mick Galvin, Niall Leavy, Anthony Fingelton, Paul Hand and Declan Quigley.

The County Championships are in full swing at the moment and our club has players entered in several grades. I will keep you up to date on their progress.

A program of juvenile coaching was set in motion before Christmas and already there are indications that the future of handball in Maynooth is bright.

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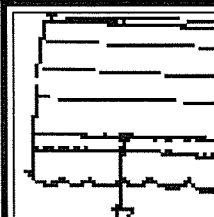
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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB NOTES

February sees the start of Maynooth Town F.C.'s new format weekly LOTTO draw. The club has also introduced our new 'AUTO LOTTO' which will allow supporters to play the LOTTO without having to purchase a ticket weekly. For further information on 'AUTO LOTTO' contact any club official or team manager. The Dublin and District Schoolboys League have launched a new web-site, which is worth a visit at www.ddsl.ie.

Portmarnock F.C. 2 Maynooth Town 2
D.D.S.L. Under 17A1

After a long lay-off following the Christmas break and cancelled matches due to bad weather Maynooth Town's under 17A1 side were slow to get started against a talented Portmarnock side. The home side was on top for long periods in the first half and led 2-0 at the interval. The Town started the second period in a more positive frame of mind and immediately took a firm grip on the game playing some

excellent football. Trevor McMahon hit the crossbar with a powerful header before Paul O'Hanlon put the visitors back into it with an unstoppable shot from the edge of the box. Maynooth continued to pile on the pressure and drew level in the 65th minute when Daniel Corbett scored from 20 yards with a superbly struck volley. The Town continued to dominate and it was Portmarnock who were happier to hear the final whistle. The Maynooth defence of Stephen Kelly, Healy, Conway, Halligan and the in form Bobby Kelly were outstanding. The mid-field of Stanley, Corbett, Leddy and Dunk totally dominated in the second half and provided some fine balls to the Maynooth forwards McMahon, Folan and goal-scoring super sub O'Hanlon.

Maynooth from: Stephen Kelly, Bobby Kelly, Keith Halligan, Noel Healy, Dean Conway, Robert Stanley, Daniel Corbett, Stephen Dunk, Jonathan Leddy, Alan Baxter, Trevor McMahon, Paul O'Hanlon, Jason Newton and Colin Daly.

John Doogan

MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

DATE	WINNING NUMBERS	JACKPOT	5 X £10 NAME ONLY DRAW WINNERS				
9th Jan 2000	3,4,29	£800	Don Foley	John Gannon	Eamon Carty	Mick Dempsey	Michael Murphy
1th 6 Jan 2000	3,11,18	£825	Imelda Dowling	Ger Horan	Anthony Maher	Rachael Cassidy	Mary Houton
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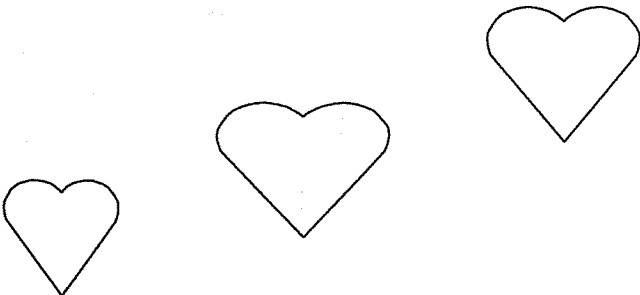
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

To honour the success of the Junior Camogie and Intermediate Hurling Teams in 1999, a special Medal Presentation Night will be held in the Clubhouse on Saturday February 12th, commencing at 9.00 p.m. It promises to be an exciting and entertaining night so please come along and enjoy the celebration.

Tom Coffey,
Joint P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS	
DATE: 19th December 1999	
This Week's Numbers 7-11-19-21	
This Week's Jackpot £3,500	
Winner: Helen Douglas	
Next Week's Jackpot £1,300	
Winners of Weekly £20.00	
1.	F. Ward, Barroestown, Maynooth.
2.	Denis Nolan, c/o Ollie.
3.	Paul Hand, c/o Domo.
4.	I. Kavanagh, c/o Domo.
5.	Kevin Galligan, 6 Maynooth Park.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS	
DATE: 9th January 2000	
This Week's Numbers 1-7-12-22	
This Week's Jackpot £1,400	
Winner: No Winner	
Next Week's Jackpot £1,500	
Winners of Weekly £10.00	
1.	Brendan Moran, 175 Barrington Court.
2.	T.J. Sullivan, c/o 6293030
3.	Anne Naughton, Mooretown, Celbridge.
4.	Brian Marlborough.
5.	Margaret Gillick, 56 Greenfield Drive.

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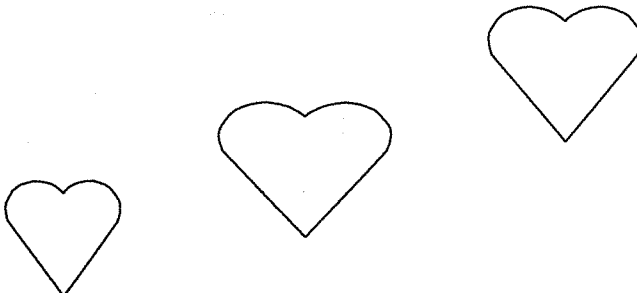
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Nuala Walsh and family, "Slíabh a Nora", Leinster Park, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all neighbours and friends in Leinster Park and the Maynooth area for their kind expressions of sympathy on the occasion of Hugh's recent death, and for their ongoing support. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all. The family would like to wish you all every good health and happiness for the Year 2000.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to **Colette McMahon**.

Happy 23rd birthday to **Niamh Holland** on the 8th February, love from Sinéad, Natasha, Darrielle, Shannon, Ronan, Mammy and Daddy.

Birthday greetings to **Sean Durack**, Kingsbry, Maynooth, age nine, love from Mammy, Daddy, Grandad, Aunties, Cousins, Connor and pal Rikki.

Birthday greetings to **Ann Marie Burke** age 9 on February 21st from Daddy, Mammy, brother Shane and Grannie.

Birthday greetings to **Gerard McTernan**, Greenfield, February 25th his brother **Larry**, Kilcock, February 27th, Larry's wife **Marie**, February 1st, their daughter **Gillian**, age 18 on January 24th and son **Paul** February 4th. Best wishes from all the Macs.

Birthday greetings to **Maeve McTernan**, Rail Park whose birthday was on January 24th from Daddy, Mammie, sister Deirdre and Grandad.

Birthday greetings to **Phil Brady**, Clock House, who celebrated his 93rd birthday on January 19th from family and friends.

ANNIVERSARY

Belated happy Anniversary to **Brian and Liz Farrell** on the 24th of January from Mrs Dowling.

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PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VERGIN

(never known to fail)

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful divine, splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God. Immaculate Virgin assist me in my necessity, O Star of the Sea, help me and show me here, you are my Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power sweet Mother. I place this cause in your hands (three times). O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse for thee (three times). Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. Amen. this prayer must be said for three days and after that the request will be granted. this prayer must be published. P.O.S.

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Thompson: Wife Rita, sons Gerard, David and John, daughters Anne Marie and Rita, his mother Catherine, brother Pat, daughter-in-law Tina, grandson Mark, sister-in-law Maura, relatives and friends of John Thompson, Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Smith: 14th January 2000. Deepest sympathy to Sheila Fleming and family, Maynooth Park, on the death of her beloved mother, Elizabeth Smith, Drumgoon, Cootehill, Co. Cavan.

Fitzpatrick: Wife May, daughters Geraldine, Martina, Catherine and Bernadette, sons Eugene and Donal, son-in-law Gerard, grandsons Mark and Philip, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of Daniel (Danny) Fitzpatrick, Maynooth Park, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

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Colgan: brothers, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, relatives and friends of Mary (Maisie) Colgan, "Ard Lorcan", Stillorgan (late of Moyglare, Maynooth).

Hearns: husband John, sons Michael, John, Gerard and Paul, daughters, Tina and Mary, grandchildren, Georgina, Janine and Ryan, Aunt Mag, relatives and friends of the late Christina Hearns (nee Larking) Greenfield Maynooth and formerly of Green Lane, Leixlip.

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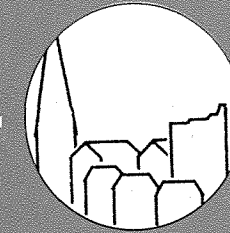
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EDITORIAL

It is almost ten years since the original plans to develop Carton were the subject of debate in Maynooth. That original project fell through but the Starwood Group, a multinational resort company, has taken up the reins and is about to start work on the two golf courses and 5 star hotel. The planning permission also allows for the building of 150 luxury houses on the estate. Back in 1990, those in Maynooth who favoured the Gleneagles Group plans to build a luxury hotel, golf courses and country lodges in Carton argued that the valuable jobs that the development would bring to the area, together with public access to Carton were good reasons for supporting the plan. Circumstances have changed quite a bit since the early 1990's. Unemployment around Maynooth is no longer the problem it was back in 1990. Indeed Intel and Hewlett-Packard have problems trying to recruit staff. It may be that many of the staff who will end up working in Carton will not come from the Maynooth area, or even from Ireland. The issue of access for the local community to this luxury facility on its doorstep remains. In discussions eight or nine years ago between the Community Council and those involved in the Carton development it was agreed, at least verbally, that local residents would have free access to the estate and that some concessions might be negotiated regarding golf club and other types of membership. Press reports in the last couple of weeks suggest that development work at Carton is immanent. It is time that the Community Council re-opened discussions with Carton's developers and clarifies Maynooth's relationship with the newly developed Carton.

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Answer

Recent changes in the Medical Card Scheme have extended dental treatment to all Medical Card holders aged 16 and over from the 1st January, 2000. Previously Medical Card holders aged 35-64 were only entitled to restricted emergency cover.

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The "Parent to Parent" Programme empowers parents in the community to get their children through their teen years "drug free". Prevention centered on parents is vital. Parents have the biggest influence in the lives of their children. When parents fail to supervise peers will take their place. Parents can easily feel helpless and not know what to do, which can result in children being in highly tempting situations. Intervention of informed parents can make a difference.

Scoil Dara have organised for a further "Parent to Parent" programme to commence Monday 28th Feb 8 - 10p.m.. The programme costs £15 and runs for 5 wks. all are welcome to attend.

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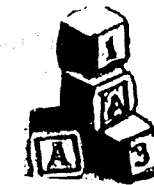
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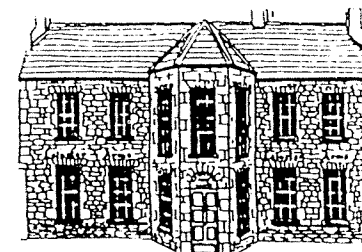


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LETTER'S TO THE EDITOR

RESIDENTS ON WATCH.

Yes we are back and on the lookout.

We ask why a large articulated truck is permitted nearly every morning at school time, to unload at the Centra shop double parking on the inner lane on the Main Street.

And, on one of these mornings, Dublin Bus occupying its site at Ua'Buachalla held up traffic for 6 minutes and 47 seconds?

Residents on Watch.

Dear Editor

I wrote before about our school exchange with Leggamaddy school in Co. Down,

They came to visit us at our school in December there were boys and girls. it took them 3 1/2 hours to get here. When they came the parents gave them orange and biscuits. They went to see the College and had a tour. After that they had lunch with us. The parents also got that. Then we played a basketball match with them, they went home at 3.00p.m. We are going to see them in Leggamaddy in March. I hope we have a good time.

Conor O Rourke
4th Class (Mr Downes).

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The Franco-Irish Exchange Programme, a Paris based non profit organisation (association a but non lucratif) is offering Free Exchange Holidays in France - A Special Millennium Visit/Summer 2000, for Irish students aged between 13 and 18. Butterfly Promotions Ltd is a local based company who are delighted to be involved in this wonderful opportunity for your child to experience life in France for three weeks. There is no charge for Irish participants. THE FLIGHT DUBLIN-PARIS-DUBLIN IS INCLUDED AND IS ALSO FREE. The only cost to Irish parents will be insurance and pocket money. In return Irish families are expected to welcome the exchange partner as a member of their family.

The director of the Franco-Irish Exchange Programme is Michael MacBride who has been living in France for 30 years. He founded an exchange programme in 1977 and has been involved with exchange and language holidays since then.

For further details please contact our Information Service in Ireland:

Franco-Irish Exchange Programme,
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Kildare Win Leinster Title After Three Replays

No. This is not a prediction as to how Kildare will fare in this years Leinster Championship. It's the story of the 1903 Championship which Kildare eventually won in June 1905. And where is this kind of information available? Well, like everything else, you can now read about it on the Internet.

For many years the GAA was regarded as being a somewhat backward organisation. It is hard to believe that 30 years ago 'the ban' was in force which meant that any GAA member playing, or even attending, a 'foreign game' could be expelled from the association. Since then things have changed dramatically and the GAA is now a far-sighted organisation as evidenced by their ambitious plans to redevelop Croke Park into the biggest and most modern sports stadium in the country. In keeping with the times the GAA has also embraced the Internet and their website at www.gaa.ie is full of the latest news and comprehensive information. All the latest team news is updated on a daily basis and the site also has a full listing of upcoming football and hurling fixtures. There is also an excellent tour of the GAA museum at Croke Park and an update on how the redevelopment of Croke Park is going on.

Of more local interest, the GAA website has links to club results and fixtures and links to GAA county sites. Among the best county sites are those for Meath at meath.gaa.ie and for Kerry at kerry.gaa.ie. At this stage it doesn't appear that the Kildare Co. Board have organised a site although some clubs - including Sarsfields at www.iol.ie/~nubridge/sarsfiel.htm and Naas at members.tripod.co.uk/Naas_GAA/ are on the Web.

A very comprehensive database of GAA information is available at

www.gaalore.com

with player profiles of most current inter-county football and hurling players. Did you know that Declan Kerrigan made his championship debut for Kildare on May 24th 1987 against Wexford and that he has scored 4-20 in 28 championship appearances?

But back to the 1903 Leinster Championship where the details are available at www.gaalore.com. For a start Kildare appear to have played their first game in the 1903 championship on September 18th 1904 when they beat Dublin by 3-11 to 1-3. Five weeks later Kildare beat Laois in the semi-final on the scoreline Kildare 4-5 Laois 0-1. Then, on December 11th at Wexford, Kildare and Kilkenny drew in the Leinster Final on the scoreline Kildare 1-2 to Kilkenny's 0-5. The first replay took place, again at Wexford, on February 26th, 1905 when Kildare won by 1-6 to 1-5. Kilkenny challenged the result and claimed that the referee had disallowed a point they had scored. The authorities ruled that a further replay should take place - there's no suggestion that video evidence was used! - and this game was played at Wexford on April 18th, 1905 when the teams drew again, 0-5 each. Finally, Kildare became Leinster champions for 1903 on June 4th, 1905 when they beat Kilkenny 0-9 to 0-1 at Croke Park. The campaign had taken 10 months and the championship finished two years behind schedule!



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COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Community Council Elections

Elections for the Community Council take place at the end of March 2000. There are 73 seats to be filled with a nominee from the Student's Union. Co-options may take place after the first meeting.

Election arrangements

The number of Council places per electoral area is based on a rough ratio of 100 voters (from the Electoral Register) per Council member. There are some additions to the number of places since the last election.

Electoral Areas

1. Town Centre (5 seats)
The area bounded by Bond Bridge, Mullen Bridge, Blacklion, Kildare Bridge (Dunboyne Road) and the Parish Church.
2. Railpark / Straffan Road including the Crescent (1 seat)
3. Castle Dawson (2 seats)
4. Lyreen Park / Nagle Court (1 seat)
5. Parson's Hall (2 seats)
6. Pebble Hill (1 seat)
7. Railpark Estate (2 seats)
8. Greenfield Estate (5 seats)
9. Carton Court (2 seats)
10. Kingsbry (5 seats)
11. Greenfield Lane / Greenfield Phase 1 (1 seat)
12. Greenfield Phase 2 (1 seat)
13. Greenfield Phase 3 / private sites (1 seat)
14. Beaufield (3 seats)
15. Meadowbrook (4 seats)
16. Cluain Aoibhinn (2 seats)
17. College Green (2 seats)
18. Moyglare Road / Moyglare Meadows / Moyglare Village (4 seats)
19. Moyglare Abbey (2 seats)
20. Newtown / Woodlands / Ashley Court (2 seats)
21. Newtown Court (2 seats)
22. Parson Street / Parson Lodge / Court (2 seats)
23. Silken Vale (2 seats)
24. Castlebridge (1 seat)
25. Parklands (5 seats)
26. Rockfield (5 places)
27. Outlying Area A (see map) (1 seat)
including Carton Demese, Old Carton, Catherinstown, Kellystown, Blakestown
28. Outlying Area B (see map) (1 seat)
including Windgates (east side of Straffan Road), Toolestown, Corbally, Griffinrath, Moneycooley, Ballygoran
29. Outlying Area C (see map) (1 seat)
including Rowanstown, Dowdstown, Taghadoe, Toolestown (west side of Straffan Road), Windgates (do), Newtownmacabe, Rooks, Smithstown, Johninstown, Graiguesallagh, Cowanstown, Kealstown, Graiguelin, Derrinstown, Donaghstown.
30. Outlying Area B (see map) (1 seat)
including Timard, Laraghbryan East/West, the Maws,

Ballycurraghan, Treadstown, Cormackstown, Crinstown, Laragh Demesne.

Election Schedule

Nominations

The Nomination Form is included in this issue of the Newsletter.

Extra forms may be obtained from the **Community Council Office, Dunboyne Road.**

All nominations should include the signature of the nominee signifying her/his acceptance of the nomination.

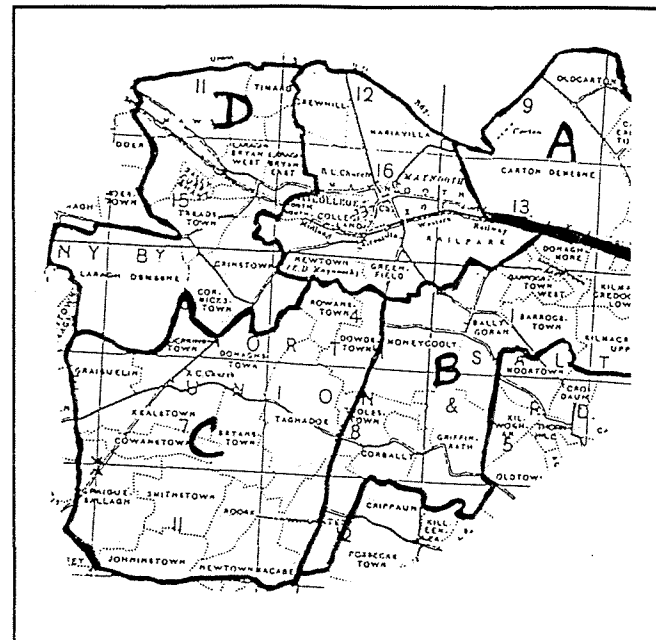
All nominations to arrive at the Community Council Office by **Monday, 27th March at 5.00 p.m.** Any resident over 18 is eligible for election and to vote.

Voting

If elections are required, voting papers will be distributed to all eligible households between **Wednesday 29th and Friday 30th March**. Votes will be collected the following week, if they are not collected they may be brought to the Community Council office. All votes must be returned by **Friday 7th April**, They will be counted on **Saturday 8th April**.

Counting will be done by neutral volunteers under the supervision of outside scrutineers. For single area election areas, the single transferable vote method of counting will be used (as in by-elections to Dáil Éireann). For multiple-seat areas, each voter will have as many votes as there are seats available, with the candidates obtaining the most votes being elected, as appropriate.

The first meeting of the new Council will take place on **Monday 17th April**. This will be an AGM including the election of new officers for the Council. Notices will be sent to all councillors.



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BOOK REVIEW

Independent Living for older people: A Study.

Josephine Moore of the Maynooth Senior Citizens committee is to be congratulated in compiling this amazing book. She has taken so much information and digested it into an easy to read and understand format. People are living longer. For the majority of them that's more time to enjoy retirement. But some may need help - just as people at all times in life may need an extra bit of care. Communication is important and particularly communication between the potential carers and the person needing care is absolutely essential. Thank you Josephine for this book. It is available locally and every home needs it - perhaps not today but certainly at some future date. Get a copy now and see our senior citizens on page 34 enjoying life to the full.

"MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE"

Our AGM took place on Tues. Feb. 1st in the Health Centre. This was an excellent meeting and well attended. It was nice to see so many senior citizens and non-committee members present. The Chairperson, J. Moore in her Annual Report thanked the community for their support both fiscal and physical throughout the year. She went on the express satisfaction at the success of "International Year of Older Persons" at a local level at least. It was disappointing that the Government when setting out their budget chose to disregard the recommendation of our National Senior Citizens Parliament, with regard to pensions. There was an opportunity here to recognise the contributions that older people make to society, but the moment was squandered. On the positive side, the report went on to welcome the £750m budget for the Health Board, £150m of which will be allocated for services for the elderly. There was a welcome for new member Marie Breen and for the return of former members, Carol Barton, Kathleen Gilton and Marie O'Toole.

The Secretary Joan Lennon in her Annual Report gave a comprehensive account of all functions held during the year.

The Treasurer, Catherine Mulready in her Annual Report gave a detailed statement of accounts to the satisfaction of all present. The chairperson took this opportunity to thank both of these officers for their competence and attention to detail. A special thanks was extended to Eugene O'Reilly F.C.A. who in his generosity audits our books annually.

Next up were the elections after which the following committee emerged:

Josephine Moore	Chairperson & PRO.
Patricia Nolan	Vice Chairperson
Joan Lennon	Secretary
Marie Breen	Assistant Secretary
Catherine Mulready	Treasurer
Patricia Casker	Assistant Treasurer

Agnes Boyd Mairead Breen Carol Barton, Imelda Delaney, Helen Doyle, Kathleen Gilton, Ita Loughlin, Kathleen McAtamney, Betty Moore, Lily O'Riordan, Marie O'Toole, Patsy O'Rafferty, Sr. Mary Ann Stafford and Bridget Tierney.

Many thanks to all these committee members for their years

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of dedication to our Senior Citizens and fellow members. Thank you also to all who attended this meeting especially our guest speakers, Msgr. Alex Stenson and Community Nurse Kathleen Campbell who enlightened us in both the spiritual and temporal welfare of the people we serve, and Tom Surliss and his fellow pastoral students from Maynooth College who assist us in visiting our less mobile and sometimes house-bound people.

I also take this opportunity to thank management, staff and customers of the "Roost" who raised £1,250 on our behalf. Your generosity is much appreciated.

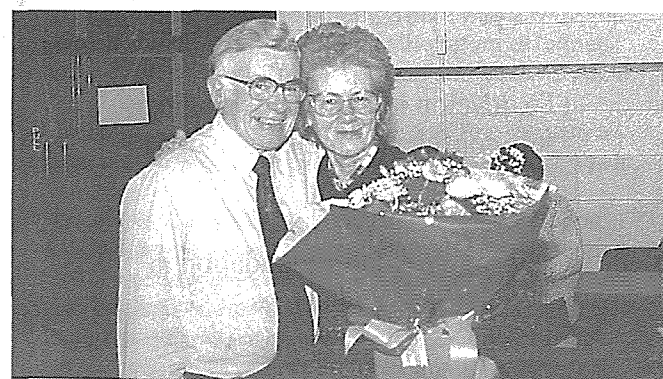
Our next event was our Valentines Party on Sunday Feb. 20th. This was preceded by a special Mass in our parish church to celebrate "World Day of the Sick", during which the Sacrament of the Sick was administered to young and old in need of spiritual healing. This was a poignant and beautiful ceremony. Many thanks to Msgr. Alex, Frs. John, Muirdeac, Gerard and Pat Joe for making this event and indeed all church events more accessible to our parishioners. Armed with all this grace everyone was invited to the Post Primary School to join our Senior Citizen's celebration of St. Valentine. It was wonderful to see all ages enjoying each others company.

We danced and sang the rest of the evening away, the highlight of which was our competition which was two-fold, the most "Romantic Couple" and the most romantic card and verse. The winning couple turned out to be P.J.Daly andNo not Christine but Cissie Dempsey. Thank goodness the priests had gone. Anyway, Christine gave her seal of approval and he gave her the champagne. All was well with the world. There were fifteen entries for the "Card" competition. The best card was made by Joan Brannagan and the best verse was by Annie Kenny. It was nice to see Annie back for the party and looking so well. Well done to all who entered into the spirit of the occasion. (See Photo).

Finally I must end on a sad note The passing away of our oldest and dearest resident Kitty Thompson was learned with great sadness by all who knew her. She would have celebrated her hundredth birthday on April 4th, but alas it was not to be. Our party on Feb. 20th was the first event, since our inception, that Kitty missed. This organisation was founded in May 1965 when Kitty had just retired. Looking back one would think it was set up with her in mind. Judging by the enjoyment she got from it, who knows? perhaps it was! Whether it was a party, a bus trip or a holiday Kitty would be there and raring to go. She took a keen interest in everything we did and availed of it to the full. Kitty was an inspiration and a joy to be with. She enjoyed a joke and had a "wicked" sense of humour. I rejoice in the fact that I knew such a great lady. I take this opportunity on behalf of all our committee and senior citizens to extend our sincere sympathy to her family, especially Rita who showed us all what caring is about, a void has been created that can not be filled.

Ar deis Dé go raibh a hanam.

by Josephine Moore.



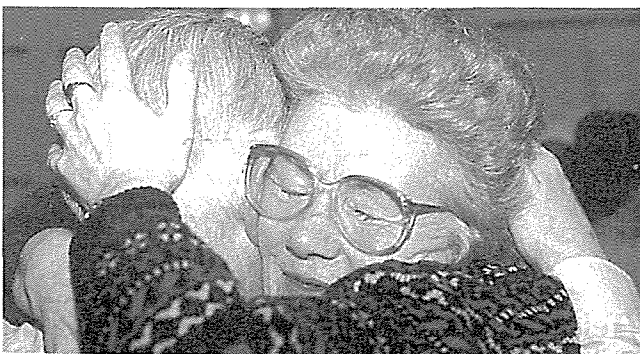
P.J. Daly and Cissie Dempsey
Winner of most Romantic couple competition



Prize winners at Sen Citizens Valentine Party
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Cast Members of Clane Musical Society Preparing for their show Sweet Charity.
Lto R Fran Styles, Olga McQuilla, Brigid Loughlin and Sadie O'Reilly.



P.J. and Cissie in a Clinch

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Anybody wishing to take part in St. Patrick's Day Parade with the club, should meet outside Londis at 10.20am. There will be no fancy dress this year, as we have decided to do something different. If you are joining us for the parade bring your goggles and swimming hats with you.
The Committee

I.C.A. NOTES

February Meeting was well attended. Preparations for A.I.B. project are under way. The Millennium Quilt has priority at the moment and now that the theme has been agreed upon, work is speeding ahead.

Competitions

Date for Birds Eye Table Quiz has not been set yet, but will most certainly be before 24th March. Calligraphy design write an invitation to the I.C.A. 90th birthday celebration to be held in R.D.S. in May 2000 closing date April 14th. Patsy Lawler set Dancing, National Final in Roscrea on 29th April. Brooch Cushion Competition.
1. Mary O'Gorman 2. Jo. O'Connell 3. Margaret Houligan.
Guild competition for next Month apple tart.

Crafts Continues every Monday night at 8.30p.m..
Decoupage classes are proceeding very well every Friday morning and evening with an excellent instructor, Evelyn Davitt.

Sport Badminton continues in Parish Hall Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30. New players are always welcome.

The meeting concluded with a wonderful demonstration of glass etching by one of our members, Nell McLoughlin.

Raffle Winners:

1. Mairead Scanlon
2. Mary McNamara
3. Irene Matthews.

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BAND BULLETIN

The highlight of last month was our Millenium Reunion Dinner Dance in the Glenroyal Hotel on Friday 18th. There was a marvellous mix of current members, past members and loyal supporters all coming together to celebrate the first Maynooth Band to enter a new millenium.

We were delighted to see Lenny and Jody Murphy, Tony Dempsey, Tony Doolan, Brian Redmond, Sean O'Neill and Cissie Dempsey among others back in the fold for the night, is there a chance that they might take it a step further and try their hand with an instrument once more?

Presentations were made to our 93 year old President Phil Brady, who attended for a short while to receive his framed citation, millenium membership certificates for all current band members and the Member of the Year Award to a gobsmacked and speechless secretary John Curran. His untiring work above and beyond the call of duty over the past three years made him the automatic choice for the award in 1999. There were a number of short speeches from old, not so old and new members in the persons of Michael Dempsey a veteran of the 1954 band, Elaine Bean from the late 70s group and the one and only Neil Cusker one of the lates recruits from 1996. All expressed the pleasure they derived from being band members and how they hope to continue their musical association for many, many years.

This year our St.Patricks Day Calendar is once again full to overflowing with our Maynooth Parade kicking off a busy day at 11am quickly followed by the Kilcock Parade at 1.30pm. and winding up with the Enfield Parade at 3 p.m. We are praying for a repeat of last years summerlike weather to make the day enjoyable for all concerned.

We hope to have further news of coming events in our March Bulletin.

MATHEMATICAL RESEARCH AT NUI, MAYNOOTH

The Mathematics Department at the University has grown substantially in the past decade. This is largely because of the growth in students numbers. With over 1.300 students, Mathematics is the by far the largest single subject in Maynooth, taken by over one - quarter of all students. Expertise in the Department covers the full range of Mathematics includes many applied areas and there are active research groups in analysis, cryptography, mathematical modelling, statistical graphics and coding theory.

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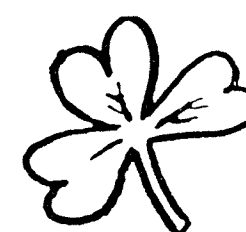
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

A delightful and amusing evening was had by all, at our recent club night on the 15th February. Maura Murphy gave us an exquisite demonstration of flower arranging.

The club are delighted to inform members and the public that we raised the grand total of **£5,400** for "The National Council of the Blind". A big thank you to everyone who helped in raising such a large amount of money. It is hoped that this money will go a long way to help the blind community in Kildare and elsewhere. The results of The February competition, Millennium 2000 are as follows.

A: 1st Mary Cleary 2nd Noleen O'Brian 3rd Felicity Satchwell Elsa Lawlor V.H.C.

B: 1st Rosemary Smyth 2nd Pat Dalton 3rd Maureen Fagan

Janet Mc Cann V.H.C. Moira Baxter H.C. Tony Reid C.

C: Amanda Harris 1st

The results of the plant competition 3 stems of any spring flower

Mary Cleary 1st Ann Walker 2nd Moira Baxter 3rd Pam Acton H.C. Sarah Angel C.

On March 7th is our Intermediate Day School with Anne O'Hara. The theme of the day is "New Trends". The class will start on Tuesday at 10 O' Clock and finish at 3.30p.m. The class costs £20 per student and £20 for observers. Venue: Maynooth College.

Our Annual Outing this year will be on May 12th - 14th to the National Festival of flowers, Cork City gaol, where the event will be entitled "Spanning the Bridge of Time". Anyone interested in attending this event will be required to put a deposit of £25 which is non refundable by 7th March. The remaining amount of money must be paid by 15th April. More details at next club night.

Our spring show will be held on 15th - 16th April. The Judge is Candy Holten. The heats for "The Flower Arranger of the year" and the "Inter Club Competitions" will also take place at this event. There will be a great hive of flower arranging activities for these few days. We hope there will be lots of entries at the spring show

Our next club night is 21st March. Our demonstrator is Lucy Brennan.

Competition : A . Dinner Table Exhibit Space: A 75 cms B&C 60cms.

Plant Competition: 3 daffodils (same or mixed)

All meetings are held at 8pm on the third Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall, Maynooth (College except where otherwise stated). Visitors are welcome, entrance fee £3.00 includes refreshments.

Maureen Fagan P.R.O.

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the above residents Association will be held in the Boys School in Maynooth on Tuesday 7th March at 8.30 everyone is welcome to attend.

The Committee

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

At last we have managed to get enough people together to form a committee to keep the summer project going. I know there are also some of you out there who have offered to help us out in July which will be a great help. The committee is as follows: Chairperson- Lorraine Butler, Secretary- Claire O'Rourke, Ass. Secretary - Paula Tracey, Treasurer - Madeline Stynes, P.R.O. - Margaret Loane.

Other members - Mary Farrell, Eilish Cushen, David Lucan, Sheila Hawthorn and Eileen O'Brien.

Unfortunately we are very short of money, so we will have to have a fund-raiser at some time before the project. It is now time to start booking our trips, anybody who has any new ideas please let us know, all new ideas are welcome even though they may not always be used. This year will be catering for Boys and Girls between the ages of 7-13 years. There will be trips both at home and away.

Secretary Claire O'Rourke.

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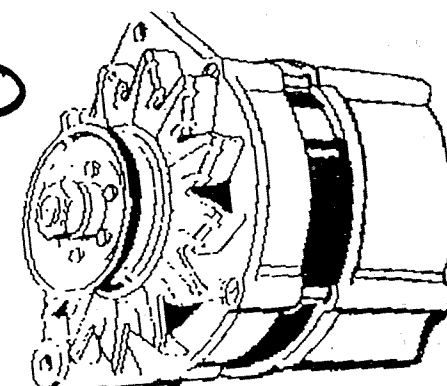
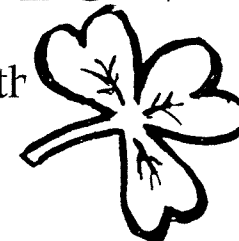
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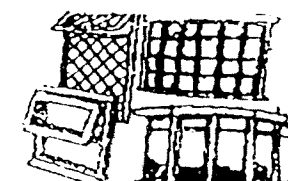
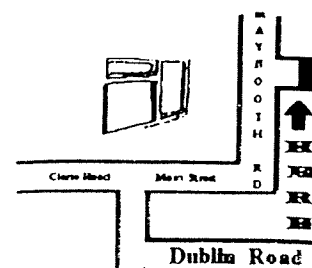
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The tradition of an annual Musical has been maintained at Maynooth Post-Primary by the fifth year transition year students. Many of these students were first years in 1995 when "Oliver" was our first production, followed in 1996 by "Calamity Jane", "Oklahoma" in 1997, "Fiddler on the Roof" in 1998, "Grease" in 1999 and our astounding success of 2000 with "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat".

"Joseph" was made possible by 100 students. They are very talented at music and acting, but also in different areas such as P.R, set design, set construction and costume making. All the students were very committed to making their Musical a very memorable one. It provided them with an opportunity to highlight and share their talents. They showed wonderful enthusiasm and commitment. There is no doubt that they have gained confidence, increased self-esteem and formed friendships, which will be lasting. Personal development is one of the main aims of the Musical. The school is immensely proud of their achievements, five nights of top class sell out performances.

None of this would have been achieved without the vision and optimism of Ms. Mary Murphy, Producer and Ms. Annemarie O' Farrell, Musical Director. They both worked tirelessly with the students to produce a show which was thoroughly professional in every aspect.

We would like to thank the parents of the cast for their support: the teachers who helped out in many different ways: our Patrons and Sponsors and the Parent Teacher Association; also the Businesses in Maynooth who advertised in our programme. Many kind parents donated gifts for our raffle. A special mention to Mrs Lila Flynn who spent a good deal of time making costumes and doing other jobs behind the scenes. A significant financial donation was given by our main sponsor Sean Donovan of LONDIS. This enabled us finance the initial stages of our Musical and we are very grateful for this support.

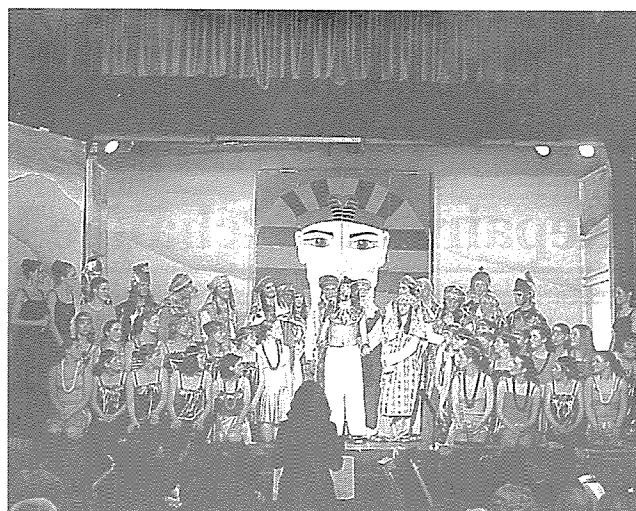
"Joseph" was a fantastic show and its success hinged on the boundless energy created by the choir, chorus, dancers and the wonderful cast. However, some of the cast have to be highlighted. The narrators displayed beautiful harmony whilst telling us the main story. They were Tara Walsh, Emma O Cinneide, Rachel Cunningham and Pamela Lucas. Ronan O' Brien was electric as Pharoah and exceptional at imitating Elvis. Sam O' Mahony-Adams as Reuben, mesmerized the audience with his fantastic singing voice and there is little doubt that he will make it in the acting world. Jonathan Hanlon as "Joseph" was our star of the show. He immersed himself totally in the part. His acting was superb and his voice was magnificent. He was the perfect person for the part and he endeared himself to the audience. Well done.

We would like to thank everyone who supported our show and we look forward to next years production.

Celine Mc Loughlin
On behalf of Maynooth Post -Primary School.



Jonathan Hanlon as Joseph



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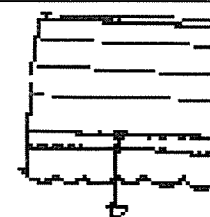
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Remember the tiny Shamrock on the ground
An historic Trinity all can share

While the trumpets blow, the drums beat
To the sound of marching display
All the floats looking so neat
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Plenty of colour to be seen
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So let the sun shine and shine
To view massive floats story to tell
All the swerving and dancing in perfect time
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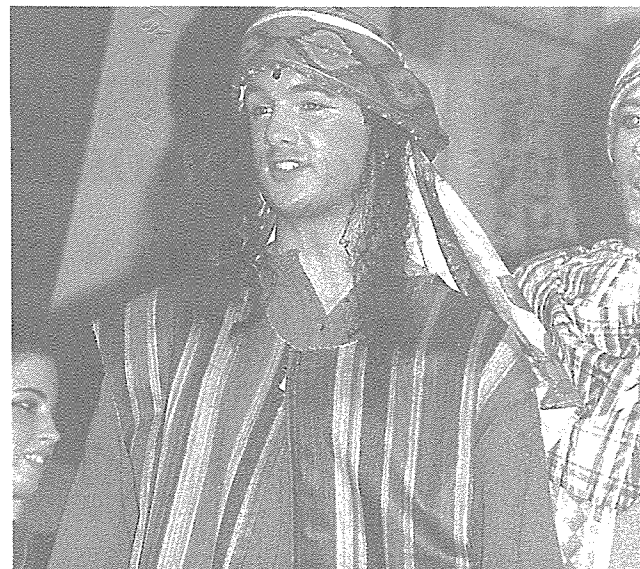
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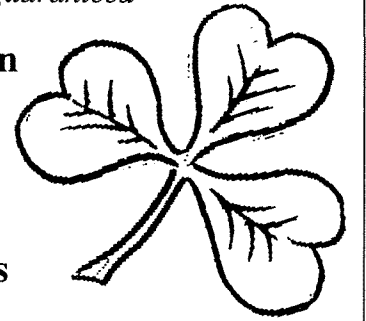
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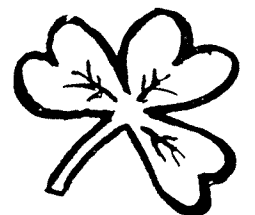
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VINTAGE NEWS

The Kildare season opened last Saturday in Richardstown Clane, where the Kildare County National Ploughing Association were held. Many J.V.S. members competed. The weather dry and sunny, the stubble site dry. Excellent ploughing from all competitors.

Results	Line Up	
3 Furrow	W. Connolly	1st.
3 Furrow Std.	Keith Worrell	1st.
Vintage Trailer	V.Wray & Ralph Foster	joint 1st.
Vintage Mounted	L.P.Hand	1st.

Congratulations to Nicholas Higgins, Meath, 4th in his first ever contest. Single furrow - Noel Cummins avidstown 1st.

Watch out for our entries on St. Patricks Day.

PRO - JVS.

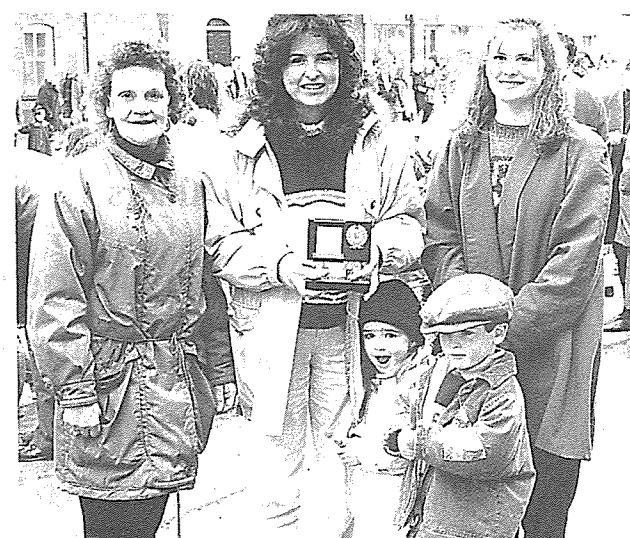


Noel Cummins Winner Single Furrion Vintage
Ovidstown Straffan



Nicholas Higgins Rathmolyon 2 Furrion Mounted

St. Patrick's Day Parade Pictures from the Past



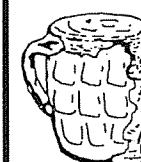
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ST. PATRICKS DAY.

Wearing the green shamrock, rosettes, badges, drowning the shamrock, parades, the image of celebrating the National feastday.

The day Patrick turned the sod, i.e. the first day of spring.

Gardeners traditionally planted their first early potatoes, weather permitting, it was not unusual to have snowfalls on the feast day, indeed our parade was cancelled once in the late 70s because of snow.

Traditionally the band paraded after 11.30am mass and afterwards people went to Croke Park to watch the Railway Cup football and hurling finals, or to Baldoyle races for the opening of the flat season. Others regularly visited the Hills of Tara and Slane and for some unknown reason Allen?

In the war years there were military parades composed of the Band, L.D.F and L.S.F and a detachment from the army.

On the cessation of hostilities, the parade resorted to the band again.

The instigation of Dublin's Industrial Parade drew many spectators from Maynooth, until some enterprising locals inaugurated our own parade, which in a few years grew into the largest outside of Dublin, and is still growing attracting entries from the hinterland and further afield. Indeed our parade was the vanguard for which other local towns and villages followed in latter years.

One event of our celebration sadly missed, the annual Ceili and Old Time dances, on St. Patricks night, which ceased when the Nolan family sold their hall in the mid 1950s.

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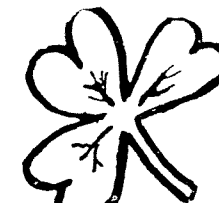
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CLANE MUSICAL SOCIETY

Sweet Charity - The story

Charity Hope Valentine is a woman employed as a hostess at a New York dance hall in the 1960's. Inside the Fandango Ballroom Charity is companioned by streetwise hostesses who often share their cynical advice about love and occasionally their long abandoned dreams. However, Herman (the dance hall manager whom the girls refer to as 'Der Fuhrer') makes sure the customers get what they paid for.

Outside the dance hall Charity's innocent vulnerability is repeatedly taken advantage of, starting with a boyfriend pushing her into a lake while stealing her life savings. Our heroine later has to spend the night in the closet of Italian screen idol Vittorio Vidal - while he reconciles with his beautiful girlfriend Ursula!!

Charity's 'real' chance for happiness comes when the fickle finger of fate traps her in an elevator with a claustrophobic tax accountant, Oscar Lindquist - who also seems to be in search of..... 'something'. Charity joins Oscar at a service at the Rhythm of Life Church led by Reverend Daddy Brubeck, the spiritual leader was a former San Francisco Jazz Group turned Religious Cult.

Romance ensues only to falter when Oscar sees Charity in her place of employment. Can Charity stay wide-eyed and hopeful in her search for love through all her trials and tribulations?

Why not find out at The Abby, Clane. Sunday 19th - Saturday 25th March 2000

The Cast (Principals only):

Charity Hope Valentine	Edel Marron
Oscar Lindquist	Francesco Fusco
Vittorio Vidal	Aidan Donoghue
Nickie	Helena Reynolds
Helene	Angela Clifford
Daddy Brubeck	Alan Maleady
Ursula March	Marie Reynolds
Carman	Fiona White
Rosie	Amanda Lister
Betsy	Nickki Devine
Herman	Eamonn Rogers
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Sweet Charity was written by Bob Fosse and composed by Cy Coleman, with lyrics by Dorothy Field.

The shows big numbers include "Big Spender", "If they could see me now", and "The rhythm of life".

It's a hilarious comedy - **Book early one visit wont be enough!!**

Clane Musical Society

C.M.S. was founded in 1983 Marie Hickey and Maureen McCormack. Every year since then they have performed a show (exception 1987).

Anne Noonan - Chairperson, was a founder member. Sadie O'Reilly was the first Stage Manager, has been a cast

member for numerous years - is Treasurer this year.

The Boyfriend, the societies first show was rehearsed and staged in six week's Showboat in 1988 - there were 76 on stage! This year there are 55 members approx.

Mary Power-Cooney: Director/Choreographer
Involved since 1996, Choreography 1996/97/98. Director 1999/2000

Brian Brady: Musical Director
This is his eight show with Clane.

Trish Fusco: Wardrobe Mistress
Involved since 1988.

Marie Cusack: Stage Manager
Involved in stage management, design and construction since 1986.

Musical Society cast and crew have been involved in other productions recently:

- **'The King and I'** - The National Concert Hall, August 1999, January 2000.
- **'Aisling'** an original production by Seán Purcell, local writer, July 1999.
- **A.I.M.S. Concert** - National Concert Hall, November 1999.

Clane Musical Society prides itself on being a friendly society always open to craic, new experience and challenges. Working hard at rehearsals and enjoyable unwinding in the pub after equally is portant! Rehearsals are from October to March each year. The society keeps ticking over the summer with Bar-b-ques, trips away and of course our post show HAIMS Awards ceremony that leaves the Oscar in the shadows!!

C.M.S. is affiliated to **A.I.M.S.** (Association of Irish Musical Societies)
A.I.M.S. was founded with the objective of assisting individual member societies to stage musical shows and operettas. Also to promote the improvement in the standard of such productions. Each year the association has an Awards Ceremony.

Clane has been nominated for and won award categories:

- 1989 - Best chorus - South Pacific
- 1990 - Best Male Singer - Tom Kenny, Oklahoma
- 1992 - Best Sets - Paul Morris, The Mikado
- 1993 - Best chorus - Finians Rainbow
- 1994 - Best chorus - Seven Brides for Seven Brothers
- 1997 - **Award for Unsung Hero - Mary Kelly Trophy - Anne Noonan**
- 1998 - Best Supporting Actor - Stephen Coleman, Oklahoma
- 1998 - Best Supporting Actress - Angela Clifford, Oklahoma
- 1999 - **Award for Best Sets - Marie Cusack, Best Little Whorehouse in Texas**

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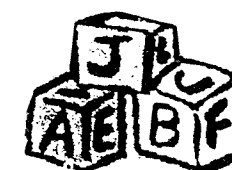
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A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS

William Farrelly, a young Maynooth man, at the tender age of eighteen, has already achieved what most young boys/girls can only dream of.

To date William has received four caps representing his country playing soccer at various levels. A son to Liam and Christina, he was born on the 24th October 1981 and is living at 856 Greenfield along with his sister Tanya and brother Paul.

As in many cases, William's first introduction to the game was participating in the general melee of pursuing a very elusive round plastic object up and down his estate. His father "smoker" one of the best centre forwards Maynooth has ever produced, recognised, from an early stage, William's flair and enthusiasm for the sport and became very involved and supportive of him.

William joined Rangers F.C. in the E.B.S. South Dublin schoolboy's league under seven section. Here he remained for seven seasons, playing centre forward for the team enjoying moderate success, as when Rangers won the under tens League and cup.

William then signed up with Belvedere F.C. again assuming the centre forward role in the team. This move proved to be a great success. In his first year with Belvedere, he had a trial with Crew Alexandria when he was just fifteen years of age.

A further testament to his ability and talent was proven when Belvedere was beaten in the all Ireland under seventeen cup final, but, nonetheless, William was chosen as **"MAN OF THE MATCH"**. It is a rare occasion for a player of a defeated team to receive this honour.

His other achievements during this period were playing for Dublin and Leinster schoolboys in inter provincial competitions.

During this period also, William's prowess in front of goal did not go unnoticed and he was offered further trials with English clubs under age teams. Recounting his experience and impressions of these trials William recalls how, when trying out in England, with Crew Alexandria for one week, he felt homesick, missing his family and friends.

While on trial with Sunderland, he toured with them in France at under sixteen level and played in three games. He was brought on in the first two and scored the winning goals and was chosen to start for the third game. Again playing under seventeen he played for Wimbledon against Everton.

William also had trials with Millwall during this period but he was disappointed with his time there as he felt their programme for trials was inadequate.

However, his trial with Coventry proved more rewarding and during the summer of '99 he played for the club in an under nineteens tournament.

In February of '99, while studying after school in Maynooth Post Primary, William's father arrived to tell him that he had been chosen for the Irish schools under eighteen squad, and would have to leave immediately. After frantic preparations they met up with the rest of the squad in Dublin Airport, and from there he departed to take part in the first fixture of the Celtic cup, a tournament comprised of teams from England,

Northern Ireland, Wales and of course Ireland.

The first match was against the "Old enemy" England, at Portman road (Ipswich Town), and William can still recall the emotion he felt coming out of the tunnel onto the pitch in front of a crowd of over three thousand spectators and how proud he felt when he stood to attention with the rest of the Irish squad for the playing of our national anthem. It was in this match that William obtained his first cap, brought on with ten minutes to go, assisting Ireland in its two nil victory.

The next game saw Ireland travelling north to Dungannon where William secured his second cap by coming on in the last twenty minutes and scoring the winner, leaving the final score, Northern Ireland one, Ireland two.

Playing at home against Wales, at Waterford R.S.C. grounds, William was selected to play from the start. Earning his third cap, he found the back of the net once again, with Ireland victorious, by four goals to nil and winning the Celtic cup in the process.

In January of this year, he was selected by Brian Kerr to play against a Northern Ireland under eighteen selection in a friendly in Newry. Introduced to the game in the second half, William gained his fourth cap.

On reading the above account of William's sporting achievements one could be forgiven for thinking that there was not enough spare time left for anything else. Not so!

William has been playing Gaelic football with Maynooth since he was nine years of age. Here again he has showed his commitment and involvement to his sport.

As recently as last year, William was playing at wing forward position when Maynooth beat St. Kevins in the Kildare Intermediate Championship final in Newbridge. In being both a committed Gaelic and soccer player, William is following in a family tradition.

At the moment, William's is serving his apprenticeship as a brick layer under the guidance of "BERSO'S" skilful and experienced eyes, and though quite coy about his future plans, he did confess his ambition to play with one of the Dublin teams in the national league and who knows thereafter.

THIS WRITER THINKS THAT HIS TRYING TIMES IN ENGLAND COULD BE REWARDED YET.

by Willie Saults

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MAYNOOTH SOCIAL AND WELCOMING COMMITTEE

Our committee is busy doing up the basement of the Parochial House to use for our tea mornings after Mass. There are also a couple of other groups who are going to use it. We are still looking for tradesmen to help out. Just an hour or two of your time would help. Our cake-sale and tea after Mass on 27th went well, thanks to all who attended and supported us. Next tea morning last Sunday in March after 10.15 am Mass.

Claire O'Rourke P.R.O.

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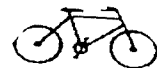
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Most visitors to this country don't leave enough time to trace their ancestors. Having spent a very short time on a work exchange programme in the Genealogy Office in Kildare Street, I found that visitors usually left their ancestor tracing until the last two days of their holiday.

In order to gain any headway in the search for ones ancestors it is necessary to try and have certain basic information - names, place of birth (townland, parish or county), idea of dates and religion. The Genealogy Office as part of the National Library offer a searching service for a fee. They can be contacted on the Internet at www.heanet.ie/natlib/familyresearch.html. For Americans it is especially easy for them to get a lot of information before they come to Ireland through Family Search: Internet Genealogy Service. This is a resource compiled by the Church of the Latter Day Saints in Utah for tracing ones ancestors. Their website is <http://www.familysearch.org/>.

For those who have more time on their hands and who may not have connection to the web, tracing your Irish Ancestors by John Grenham (Gill and Macmillan, 1992) is an excellent guide for the visitor and Irish person alike. It gives information on and where major sources are available e.g. civil records, wills, emigration records, registry of deeds, newspapers and directories. It also has sections on occupations, a county source list and research services to mention some.

We have all heard at some stage of the relative who emigrated to America and who lost contact with the family, not an uncommon situation. The website Ancestry.com (which charges a small quarterly or annual fee) provides access to a large number of American searchable databases such as social security death index, vital, church, military, census records, court, land and probate records, immigration and naturalisation records, directories, shipping lists, periodicals and newspapers. It also provides a notice board facility where one can post messages and receive answers about relative(s). A newsletter will be sent via your e-mail on a regular basis, but it is the databases that are the strength of this website. Well worth using even for a quarter session. Other websites which may be of interest are:
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Maynooth Boys' National School

The last few months have been very busy ones for all in Maynooth Boys' School. The dust had hardly settled on Santa, decorations and the Christmas Concert when the new year began with more activities.

Top of the pops for the pupils was the visit of the circus to the Parish Hall. Bananas in Pyjamas entertained the Junior Infants, First Class loved the clowns. Third Classes enjoyed the magician while the bigger boys were charmed by the snake charmer.

Preparations are in top gear for Confirmation in the Sixth Classes and the choir is working hard to get ready for the ceremony on 1 March 2000. The boys who are making their confirmaion have agreed to donate some of their "earnings" to Bothar and buy a goat to send to an African family. They also get to name the goat so there will be some explaining to do when a goat called Grundy, Mc Bride or Mullan lands in Africa.

The Chess Club meets every Thursday in the school and has started playing other schools under guidance of Gerry Mc Cann. Rehearsals are under way for the production of Oliver which will take to the boards in June. Indoor Football is going well for First and Second Classes every Thursday afternoon while Speech and Drama and Irish Dancing Classes are in full swing.

Junior infant's parents had their first parent teacher meetings in February and some of the boys had great fun showing parents the new fish tank, photographs and art in the school and even how to use the school computers in the computer room.

The Parents' Association have also been very busy and are planning their Annual Function. It takes place in the GAA Club on Friday 10 March. Tickets are available from the school and all are welcome to come along.

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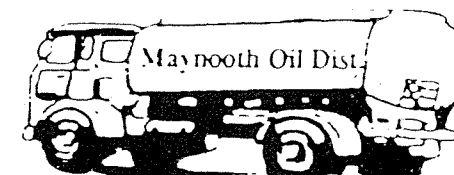


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FINE GAEIL NOTES

Meadowbrook Link
The Leixlip Area Committee, at its recent meeting on February 4th last, viewed the proposed alignment of the new Meadowbrook Road link.

The road will be 7.3 meters wide with a cycle lane and footpath. Residents of Kingsbry, whose property bounds the proposed road link will be pleased that the Council has agreed to include a two metre high wall along the line of the road as a security measure. A map outlining the proposed alignment will be on public display during the coming week, said Cllr. Griffin.

Cllr. Senan Griffin welcomed the Council's decision to accept his proposal for the erection of a proposed wall, which he said, was a matter of grave concern for the residents adjacent to the proposed Meadowbrook link: Kingsbry, Meadowbrook and the estates of Rathcoffey Road. Work is expected to commence about September 2000.

Doctor's Lane
Cllr. Senan Griffin, said that the closure of Doctor's Lane was discussed at the recent Leixlip Area Meeting, where a further report highlighted the difficulties in placing traffic calming measures along the Lane.

The engineer in charge made suggestions for the continuation of the Main Street footpath along the Dublin Road, so as to prevent traffic entering the Lane from the Dublin Road end, but he accepted that this solution could have complications for three or four houses on the Dunboyne Road. A detailed plan for the area is to be prepared and Cllr. Senan Griffin insisted that this plan should include in its design, proposals for the elimination of surface water in this area.

Provision of Wall at Moyglare Village
The provision of a front boundary wall at Moyglare Village was discussed at length at the recent Leixlip Area Committee, when Councillors were informed that the cost would be in the region of £35,000.

The cost factor came as a surprise to the Area Councillors and it was agreed that all applications for grants will be discussed at the Discretionary Grant meeting in early March.

Traffic Calming Measures
The County Manager has agreed, said Cllr. Senan Griffin, to provide adequate funds to pay for the construction of a pilot traffic calming measure scheme at River Forest, Leixlip.

Kildare County Council engineers have prepared a design which, if successful, will be used throughout the County. Monies to provide such measures will be made available in the Estimates and it is hoped to construct as many traffic calming schemes as possible.

Toll Bridge - Liffey Bridge, Leixlip
The Department of the Environment, following a motion from Cllr. Senan Griffin, has agreed to provide a sum of £20,000 to carry out a survey on the condition of the toll bridge at Leixlip.

Flooding in Dun Carrig, Leixlip
Kildare County Council engineers, in response to a motion from Cllr. Senan Griffin, have provided a costing of £100,000 to correct the problem of flooding at Dun Carrig Estate, Leixlip.

Cllr. Griffin, in refusing to accept the costing, stated that he

could visualise how the Council could be held responsible if the flooding continues to occur at a number of houses in the estate.

Flooding is caused during periods of heavy rainfall, cascading from the Captain's Hill, down the retaining wall into the rear of a number of houses in Dun Carrig.

Cllr. Senan Griffin has expressed the view that the situation is totally unacceptable to the residents concerned and should be corrected by laying a surface water pipe along Captain's Hill.

Main Street, Maynooth and Main Street, Leixlip
The County Secretary, Mr. Tommy Skehan, has informed Cllr. Senan Griffin that a snag list has been prepared for the Main Streets of Maynooth and Leixlip and that this list has been handed to the contractors. The quality of some of the finished work leaves a lot to be desired said Cllr. Griffin and requested that urgent correction is required before further deterioration takes place.

Street names from the Map of Historical Towns 1750 should be used when street nameplates are being erected in the towns, said Cllr. Senan Griffin.

Sports and Recreational Facilities for 2000
Capital Expenditure has been increased by 475% from £8.5m in 1997 to £49m in the Estimates for 2000. Deputy Bernard Durkan was told in a recent reply from the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation in response to his continued representations for additional facilities at both local and national level.

The breakdown is as follows:

- Sports Capital Programme from the National Lottery 15.2m
- Swimming Pools £15m
- 50 metre Swimming Pool - almost £6m.
- Croke Park ; final £6m of £20m support.

Applications are open to local community based projects, national and regional projects. Latest date for receipt of applications is 5.00 p.m on February 11th 2000.

Location of sporting facilities at national and regional level, is done on a consultative basis with national organisations and with the Irish Sports Council.

Ireland's Water Quality
Water, Water everywhere and still the Minister of the Environment does not believe that the EU is taking Ireland to court on the poor quality of its water. Deputy Bernard Durkan has made numerous representations to the Minister for the Environment regarding this issue but the Minister's only defence is to refer to the report on Water Quality in Ireland 1995-1997 for further information.

The report clearly identifies localised problems due, for example, to bacteriological contamination and elevated nitrate values. Local Authorities, Deputy Durkan was told have overall responsibility for their own areas and the E.P.A. is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of information databases.

Housing Needs
46,000 houses, both public and private were completed in 1999. The National Development Plan provides the

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framework to facilitate the provision of 500,000 houses over the next ten years. £7bn investment for social and affordable housing will ensure that the social housing needs of over 90,000 households will be met with Government assistance over the period of the Plan (10 years?).

Deputy Bernard Durkan in commenting on the Minister's reply said that if this plan is as effective over the next ten years as in the past year, it will take twenty years to stabilise the shortage of houses and another twenty to meet the housing needs - this is totally unacceptable to the many people on housing lists throughout the country and who are now urgently in need of a home, he said.

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That according to the 1991 Census, there were 81,424 private rented dwellings in 1991 compared with 90,315 ten years earlier. These represent 8% and 10% respectively of the total number of households.

The 1997 Labour Force Survey indicated that there were 131,600 private rented dwellings representing 11% of the total. Corresponding information has been collected in the Quarterly National Household Survey in quarter three of 1998 and 1999, which the CSO hopes to be in a position to publish shortly.

"I am totally astounded by this reply", said Deputy Durkan. "It is clear to me that apart from the Minister and his Department not being able to resolve the housing crisis, they don't seem to think it worthwhile to offer a comprehensive and informative reply to serious questions" he said.

Widespread Flooding

The Planning and Development Bill 1999, will allow local authorities to make it an objective of development plans to regulate, restrict and control development in areas at risk of flooding (whether inland or coastal), the Minister recently informed Deputy Bernard Durkan following his continued representations regarding areas of the country constantly under flooding during 1999.

Maynooth Castle

Commencement on the site at Maynooth Castle is scheduled to begin in February 2000 with a view to completion by year end, Deputy Bernard Durkan has recently been informed by the Minister.

The first stage is a stand-alone scheme, which involved the development of the ground floor vaulted areas for exhibition purposes together with access to the first floor and provision of small-scale guide and visitor facilities.

Estimates cost of Phase I has risen to £1.3m based on tenders received. £110,000 was spend at end of 1999 and the total expenditure in the current year is expected to reach £1.1 million.

Deputy Bernard Durkan in welcoming the commencement of works at the Castle, said it was imperative that both phases be completed and urged the Minister to ensure that the necessary funding would be made available.

Donadea Castle

Donadea Castle is not in State ownership and Duchas, the Heritage Service has no plans for its restoration.

The Castle is a recorded National Monument and therefore is afforded legal protection under the National Monument

(amendment) Act, 1994. Under Section 12(3) of this Act, the owner or occupier must give two months written notice of any proposals to carry out works at the site.

Deputy Durkan in commenting on the Minister's reply said he was disappointed that such an amenity could not be developed and the Castle restored to its former glory. It would benefit the local area and surrounding environs and would attract many tourists to that area of Kildare.

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Council Secures An Additional £360,000 for Maynooth Main Street Improvement Works

Council officials advised Councillors at Leixlip Area Meeting on 4th February that the Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) had agreed to give a further £360,000 for Maynooth Main Street Improvement works. When this is added to the Special Development Levies on Kavanaghs Mills (£225,000) and the Maynooth Shopping Centre (£68,000) there should be enough money to complete the improvement works on Mill Street/Kilcock Road and Carton Avenue entrance/Dublin Road.

A plan will now be drawn up for this work for the approval of the Area Committee. In line with Cllr. John McGinley's motion, signage for all streets and back lanes will be part of this plan and it is hoped to have proposals for the next area meeting.

Parson Street

Cllr. John McGinley asked the engineers at the Area Meeting to implement the agreed traffic calming measures for Parson Street without any further delay. This was agreed and as the County Manager was present it should happen. Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration of the Area Meeting: "that the damaged wall in Parson Street be rebuilt without any further delay"

Iarnrod Eireann Planning Application in Silken Vale:

Cllr. John McGinley has objected to this Planning Application for "Access Maintenance gate" by Iarnrod Eireann, from Silken Vale (adjacent to No.27). There is no need for such a gate and Iarnrod Eireann should be told to use their own property to gain access. Cllr. McGinley has asked that this Planning Application be included on the Agenda for the Area Meeting on 3rd March.

Meadowbrook Link With Straffan Road on Public Display:

Plans for the Meadowbrook Link with the Straffan road went on Public Display in Maynooth Library on 11 February. They will be on display until 10 March and the public have until 24 March to make submissions to the County Secretary. Cllr. John McGinley has already asked that his proposals for piping the stream at Meadowbrook, joining up the back garden walls and creating two new green areas be included and this has been agreed by the Design Engineer. Cllr. McGinley has also asked that the green area triangle, between the new road and Kingsbry (at the Straffan Road) be hard core and dome shaped, instead of landscaping. The plan includes for a 2m wall to be built adjacent to the Kingsbry hedge. Cllr. McGinley would appreciate if residents sent him copies of any submissions that they are making to the council and if they want any clarifications please ring him at 6285293H or 7026536W.

Bond Bridge Plans Goes on Public Display

The Plans for Bond Bridge went on Public Display in

Maynooth Library on 9 February. They will be on display until 8 March and the public have until 22 March to make submissions to the County Secretary. The objections already made by Cllr. McGinley will be taken into account i.e. vehicular access to the station, stone finish on walls, pedestrian entrance to the College.

Parking of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs) in Housing Estates

As a follow on from Deputy Emmet Stagg's successful initiative in Celbridge Cllr. John McGinley has written to all Residents Associations in Maynooth asking them if they have a problem with HGV's parking in their Estates. The Council are now preparing a scheme to ban the parking of HGV's in a number of housing estates in Celbridge as a result of Deputy Stagg motion. When Residents Associations identify a problem with HGV's Cllr. McGinley will ask the Leixlip Area Committee to adopt a similar policy for Maynooth.

Rockfield/Parklands/Railpark Green Triangle

Following requests from Residents Cllr. McGinley has asked the Leixlip area Committee of the Council to agree to fund the installation of additional Public Lighting in this location. The improved lighting is required in the interests of public safety and to help discourage young people congregating in the area. Cllr. McGinley has asked for three double lights to be installed.

Area at Bottom of Kingsbry Adjoining Meadowbrook

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council agreed to remove the slabs from this area, to lay a 2m wide path and to landscape either side. The work has not been carried out so far because the Councillor cannot get a contractor to do it. The Celtic Tiger has them all too busy for such a small job. Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to combine this job with other small jobs to make it more attractive for contractors. If there are any contractors willing to do such work please contact the Area Engineer, Elish Murray, at the council Office in Maynooth.

Traffic Route Public Lighting on Rathcoffey road:

Despite the fact that the E.S.B. submitted an estimate for this work ten weeks ago the Council have still not issued the E.S.B. with an order to do the work. These lights have been paid for by the residents of Parsons Hall and Castledawson through development levies on their houses.

The lives of people are being put at risk through the inaction of the Council. All it takes is a letter to the E.S.B. instructing them to proceed with the work. Cllr. McGinley has demanded that the Council do so immediately.

Doctors Lane

The Road Design Engineer advised the Area Committee there were two options to make Doctors Lane safer:

A. The construction of the works agreed in the Maynooth town Improvement Plan in 1996 with the omission of the bollards at the end of the lane. Emergency vehicles could

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gain access by mounting the footpath and other vehicles would be deterred from using the lane. The estimated cost is £25,000 to £30,000

B. The provision of ramps on the lane at a cost of £15,000.

Seeing that the money is now in place to complete town Improvement Works it is likely that Option A will be the one agreed.

£776,000 for Barberstown to Maynooth Road

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the recent announcement by the Department of the Environment of a further allocation of £776,000 for improvement works on the Barberstown to Maynooth Road.

A sum of £200,000 was provided in 1999 for works at Dowdstown and Windgates and the funding of £776,000 will allow for 1.4km of improvement works in 2000. The work to be undertaken this year will be the section from Windgates to Barberstown Cross.

Obelisk left high and dry

The Minister for Arts has advised Deputy Stagg that restoration works to the Obelisk will not start in 2000 and that the Department are concentrating on the restoration of Castletown House.

Deputy Stagg has indicated that this is not acceptable given the 8% increase in the Minister's Capital Budget in 2000. He further indicated that the restoration of the Obelisk should be treated as a stand alone project and not linked to Castletown House Restoration Works. Deputy Stagg will pursue the matter further with Minister de Valera.

One Stop Shop on Hold

In 1998 Minister Dempsey approved funding of £200,000 for the provision of a Council One Stop Shop in Maynooth. Since then nothing has happened.

Deputy Emmet Stagg raised this matter with the Minister and he has advised that the Council are at present in negotiations in relation to the purchase of a site in Naas for a new Headquarters for the Council. The provision of one stop shop will be looked at following the completion of this process.

Deputy Stagg has indicated that the provision of the one stop shop in Maynooth will make the Council more accessible for residents of the area and that he would raise the issue with the Co. Manager.

Maynooth Castle Restoration

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the Minister for Arts that a contractor has been appointed for Phase 1 of the restoration works to Maynooth Castle and that work will commence in February.

Over £1 Million will be spent on the works which include the development of the ground floor vaulted areas for exhibition purposes together with access to the 1st Floor. Small scale guide and visitor facilities will also be provided.

Deputy Stagg will press the Minister to provide funding in 2001 for Phase 2 of the restoration works which include the provision of an auditorium and roof on the Castle Keep.

£20 Refuse Waiver Application Fee abolished

The attempt by the Kildare Co. Council Manager to impose a £20 Refuse Waiver application fee has been rescinded by Kildare Co. Council.

Deputy Emmet Stagg forced the abolition of the fee at the Council meeting held on Monday 14th February.

Pensioners and people on Social Welfare should now apply for their waiver.

Permanent Recognition granted for Maynooth Gaelscoil

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the Minister for Education that he has granted permanent recognition to Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich, Maynooth.

The recognition is effective from 1st September 1999 and will have an immediate benefit of increasing the grant aid for rent to the Gaelscoil from 75% to 95%. The school at present pay £300 towards the rent of their premises and this will now reduce to £60 per month.

The principal benefit of the move from Temporary Recognition to Permanent Recognition is that the Department will now grant aid the site purchase and building of a new school for Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich.

Deputy Stagg congratulates the staff and parents of the Gaelscoil on the successful conclusion of this campaign and assured them of his support and that of Cllr. John McGinley's in their campaign to find a suitable site for a new school.



Tom & Mary Deane

Sport

MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES SOCCER

Calling all budding Soccer Players. The Ladies soccer team have commenced training after their winter break. The team are looking for new players to join them for the new season. If you are 15 years or over (no upper age limit applies) and are interested in playing ladies soccer, the team train in the Post Primary school gym on Monday nights 8-9.30pm. (entrance by the back door). Further details are available from Melanie Oliver 6291153.

FACULTY OF HEALTH AND OF SCIENCE DEGREE

Congratulations. To Miss Dymphna Murtagh, who recently graduated from the Napier University of Edinburgh. Dymphna is the youngest daughter of Albert and Stasia Murtagh of 88 Crinstown, Maynooth. She received her degree at the Festival Theatre in Edinburgh and her family travelled to Edinburgh for the graduation. We wish her all the best in her future career in Nursing. She is now nursing in Beaumont Hospital in Dublin.



Miss Dymphna Murtagh



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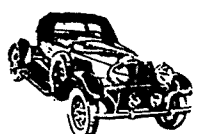
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Features

VALENTINE JOURNEY OF LOVE

I stood there for an hour, maybe more. The slanting rain mingled with the tears on my face, tears of humiliation and rejection. That was it he was gone for good. I stood alone at the bus stop oblivious to the crowd waiting with me. Several buses had come and gone but I remained, still hoping against hope that he would show up with that cheeky grin of his and laughingly beg for forgiveness, as he had done so often in the past. We weren't really going out. It was more that whenever he was in town he would call me and fool that I am I would drop everything and run. I was at his beck and call and he knew it which was why I was constantly being stood up, left paying the bill or left waiting by the phone night after night, I don't know why—he never called. Why did I do all this? I don't know, maybe I fancied myself to be in love, but no more from now on I would be aloof and unneedy. Oh yes I would be a whole new woman!!!

"Hello", a cheery voice assailed me and my heart leapt as I saw John, tall, blond, good-looking John, approaching me. And instantly sank again---- I couldn't let him know that I had been stood up.

John and I had first met several months through mutual friends at a party and I had felt instantly attracted to him. His piercing blue eyes had sparkled with warmth and humour, and his generous mouth had creased into a large smile to display even rows of perfect white teeth. I'd had a great night at that party. We'd talked and laughed together all evening but although we'd met several times since our conversation had been limited to a quick hello and a few brief pleasantries.

I inwardly groaned as I realised how terrible I must look. My makeup, so carefully applied, had run, my hair hung limply around my face and my eyes were swollen from crying. John however looked as immaculate as ever, his muscular body was encased in light blue jeans and a new suede jacket. "Are you alright?" he asked and the concern in his eyes made me start crying again. I looked away, embarrassed to be crying in front of him. "Are you getting on the bus" he queried, the kindness and worry were unmistakable in his voice. In my misery I hadn't noticed a bus pulling up and the throng of people embarking. What could I say, I mean there I was standing at a bus stop in the rain, what else could I have been doing but waiting for a bus? Pride would not allow me to admit that I was waiting for someone who hadn't respected me enough to show up. "Well"? he repeated the question. "Oh, mm, yes I am", I stuttered, "Are you?" He paused and then answered, "Of course"

The bus was packed. We sat side by side squashed into the little seats, without saying a word. I can't tell you what took place on that wet Valentines Day on a crowded bus bringing us into town. I can't tell you how every time our arms brushed against each other sparks flew. I can't let you know how we shot furtive glances at each other at precisely the same moment and both smiled secret little smiles. I can't tell you how he took my hand in his and a wave of pure happiness surged through me. And I can't possibly tell you we simultaneously reached over and kissed, going past Heuston station, along the Quays, again passing McDonalds on O Connell St. and how we were still kissing when the bus stopped for a final time on Middle Abbey St.

Later as we sat hands entwined, eyes locked over steaming cups of coffee I told him the entire saga of how I had been stood up but couldn't admit it and when I was finished I turned to him and asked "Why did you come into town?" He laughed sheepishly and then coughed and said "because you did and I knew I wanted to be with you. I'd follow you anywhere, if you'll let me!" "Oh you are silly, why didn't you tell me you didn't need to go to town" I exclaimed as I threw my arms around him.

I suppose Shakespeare was right when he said ' If thou remember'st not the slightest folly that ever loved did make thee run into, Thou has not loved"

Three years later we are still together and still very much in love. I will never forget the journey that brought us together, like the love fools that we are.

VALENTINE STORY

In the early morning I walked alone, along the river bed totally immersed in feelings of the heart. I felt myself a great guy sending several Valentine Cards to all the girls I knew. I wrote all those Valentine rhymes on expensive cards just looking for notice or a way to comfort my loneliness. All those Valentine cards just with appealing words that I posted away and got no reply. And I wonder to myself whats is wrong, nobody gives me an answer to my plea.

I sat down against a giant oak tree reminising and with awery heart that lingered. I feltso hopeless about it all. But then I heard a girls voice that was familiar to me. In my desperation, and soon to re- awaking surprize I knew it was Sally "Thanks for for the Valentine card" she said "and I am sure you have posted many more. I want to tell you Patrick" she replied "Can you not see that all you need to say are three words better than all the Valentine's Card's Companies have made." I looked into her precious face noticing that both of us had a want of love in our eyes. We both looked at each other in eagerness. "I love you Sally" I said and "I also love you too Patrick" Then all was well.

Both of us uplifted, we became Cupid for all time. As we walked slowly down the river Glen holding hands firmly. The sunshine shone on both of us . A king I felt by her side with love, chatter and plans for a new future together from these three most important words, "I love you" dwelled within us forever more.

Patrick Murray

Winners of the most Romantic Valentine Story

First prize Rachel Watson,
Second Prize Anthony Cleary
Third Prize Patrick Murry

As Time goes By.....14th February 2000

I
It's been four months and twelve days,
Though it seems more like four years,
We've had good times and smiles,
And once or twice tears.

II
It began in October,
Just a quiet Friday night,
I thought, this could maybe happen,
Thank God I was right.

III
We went on through November,
And my birthday as well,
I thought, too good to be true,
Only time would tell.

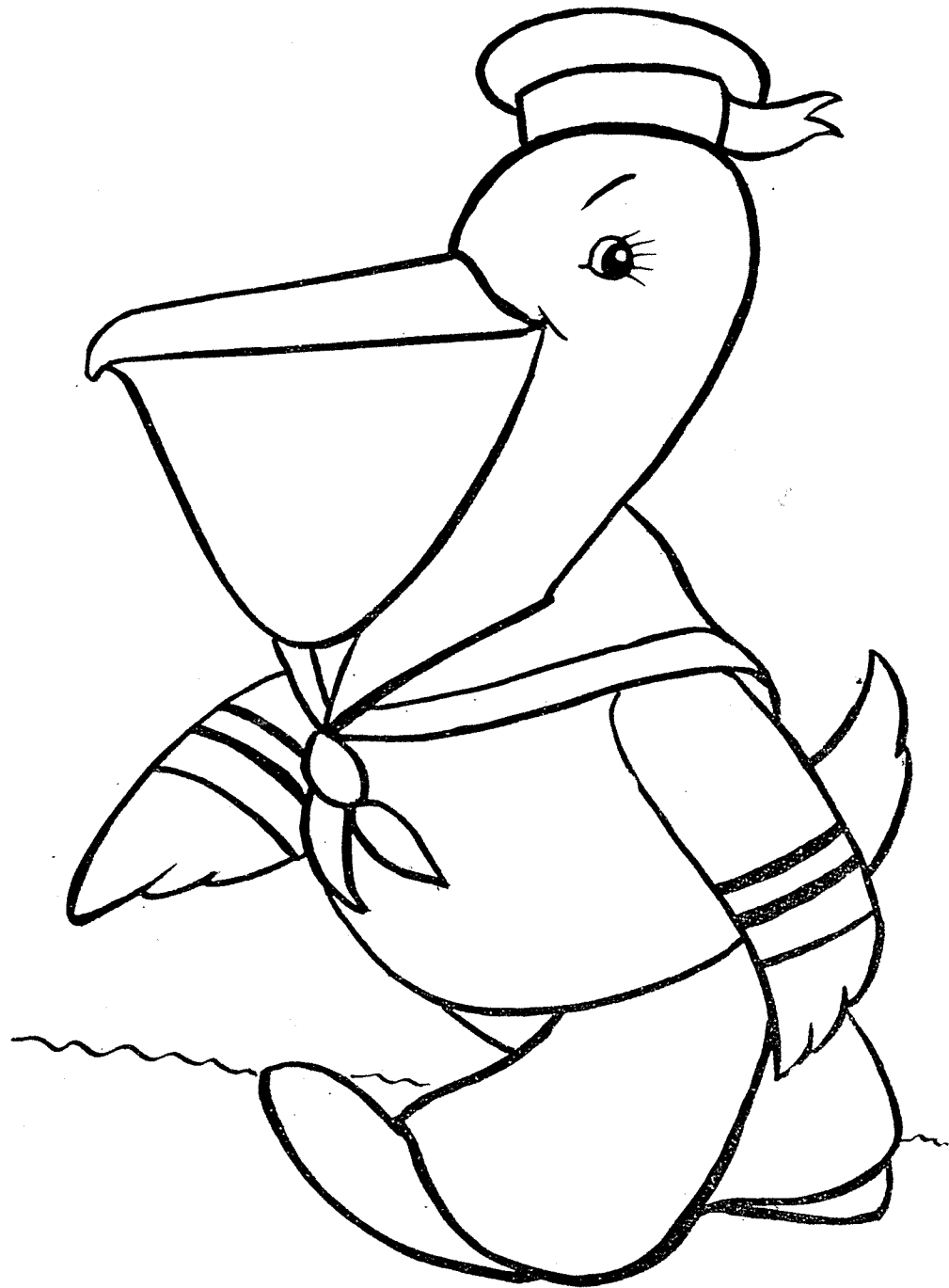
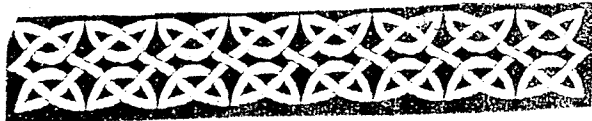
IV
December had come around,
Christmas had passed,
I think, I believe,
This really can last.

V
The last month of dark Winter,
Was cold, wet and long,
But we're still here together,
We're still going strong.

VI
February's half over,
Spring's on the way,
A smile upon your face,
Can light up my day.

VII
So love me forever, like you did at the start,
I'll write a verse every month, straight from my heart,
It could seem wrong, it might not always rhyme,
It might seem stupid, or make no sense at the time,
But each word is a kiss, there's a hug on each line,
I'll write for nobody else, you're my last Valentine.

Anthony Cleary



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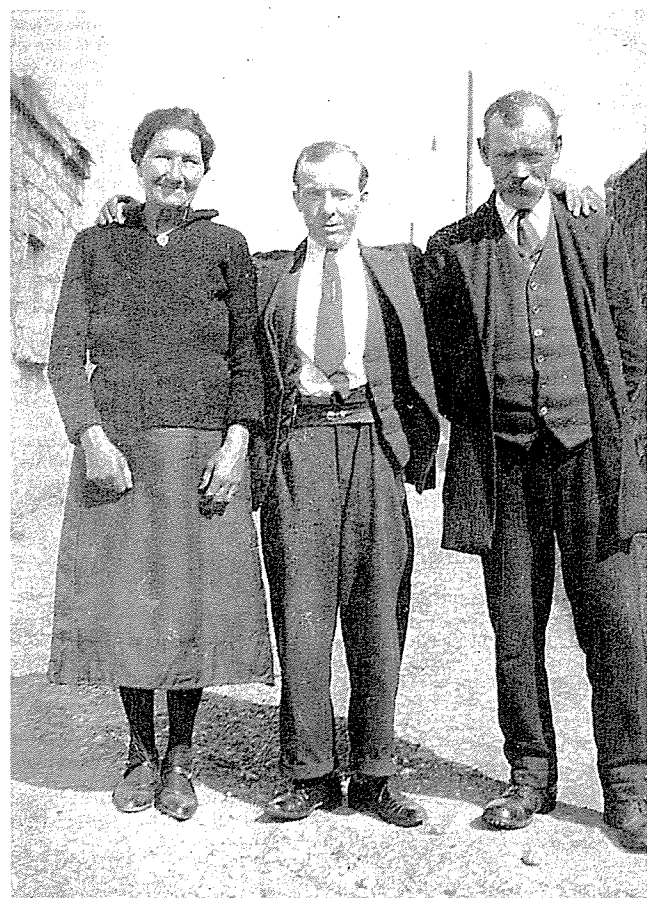
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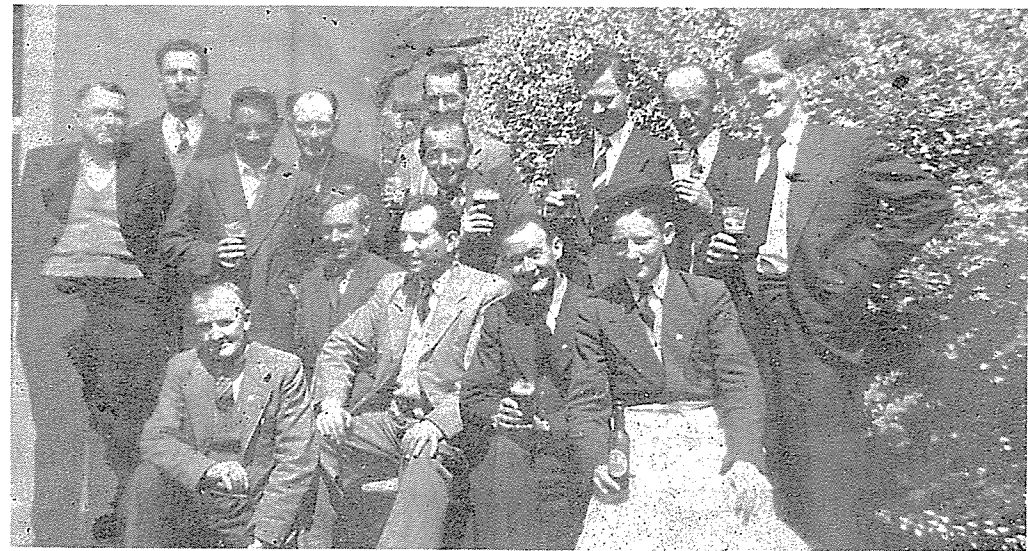
Elizabeth, Joseph and Tom Corway




Ann Monaghan and Gretta Corway




Gretta Corway, Old Greenfield, Aged 16



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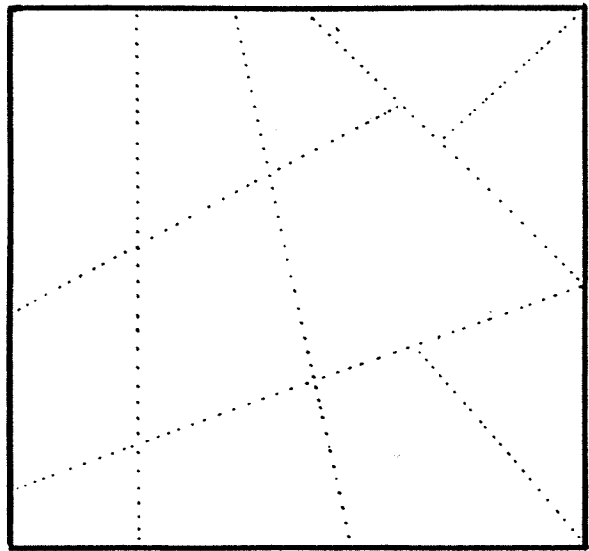


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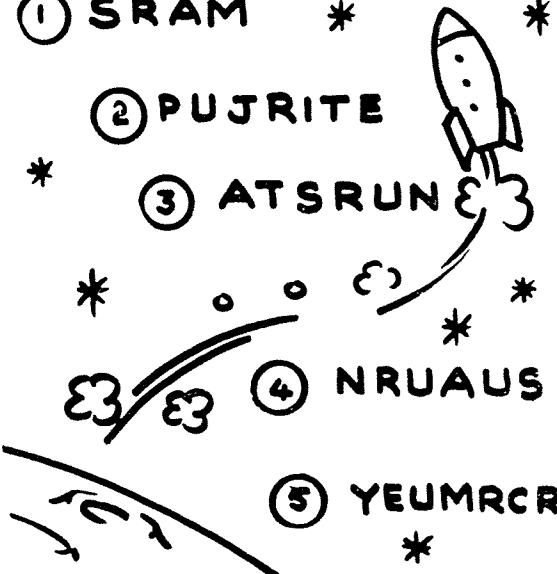
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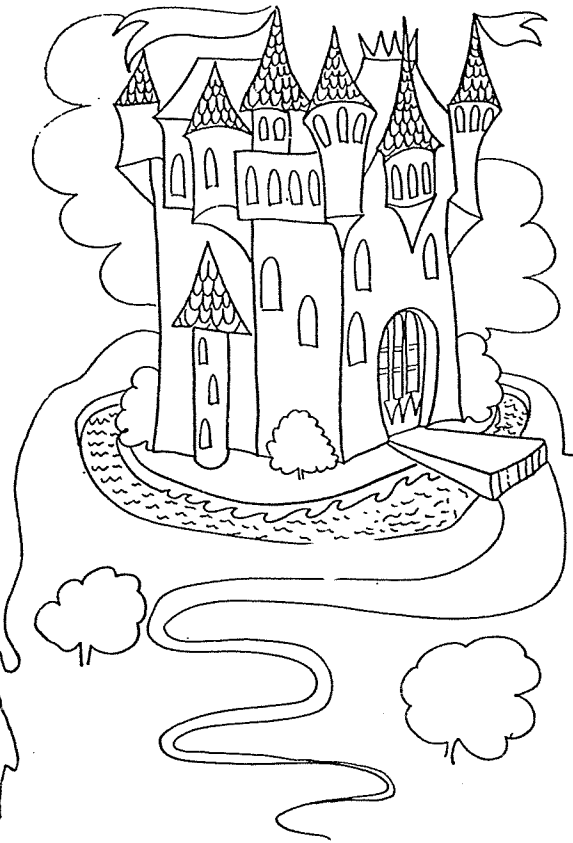
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4 - 7 years	8 - 12 years
1st Shane Hawthorne 19 Parklands Lawns Maynooth	1st Niamh O'Donovan c/o Denaes Moyglare, Maynooth
2nd Eilís Ní Chorchora 28 Lyreen Park Maynooth	2nd Fiona o' Donoghue 171 Kingsbry Maynooth
3rd Lee Cairns 243 Kingsbry Maynooth	3rd Elaine Houlihan Cowanstown Maynooth



POP QUIZ

10 - 15 Years Olds
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1. What is the name of Shaina Twain's latest single

2.

What is the name of the group who sings Love on the Northern line

3. What is the name of Aqua's new single

4. Who sings go let it out

5. What is the name of Fierce new single

Name: _____

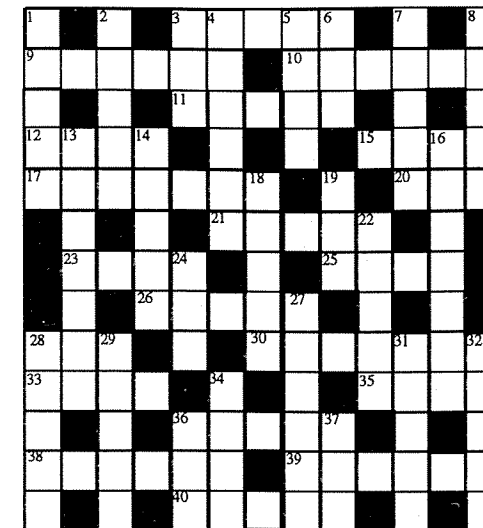
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CLOSING DATE: 21st March 2000

Winner of last months pop quiz is Niamh Cullen.

Crossword No. 146



Entries before Monday 20th March

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across:

- 3. Foul (5)
- 9. Sore (6)
- 10. Fall (6)
- 11. Relaxed (5)
- 12. Imitated (4)
- 15. Colour (4)
- 17. Wed (7)
- 20. Sailor (3)
- 21. Reappear (5)
- 23. Absent (4)
- 25. Present (4)
- 26. Manufacture (5)
- 28. Lettuce (3)
- 30. Turned (7)
- 33. Singer (4)
- 35. Thoroughfare (4)
- 36. Custom (5)
- 38. Really (6)
- 39. freshest (6)
- 40. Combined (5)

Down:

- 1. Vapour (5)
- 2. Deduce (5)
- 3. Charge (3)
- 4. Rubber (6)
- 5. Detail (4)
- 6. Defective (3)
- 7. Concerning (5)
- 8. Bar (5)

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- 13. Sunshade (7)
- 14. Vision (5)
- 16. Dining-Room (7)
- 18. Postpone (5)
- 19. Beaker (3)
- 22. Emulate (5)
- 24. Yelp (3)
- 27. Wandering (6)
- 28. Hut (5)
- 29. Read (5)
- 31. Domesticated (5)
- 32. God (5)
- 34. Paddle (4)
- 36. Border (3)
- 37. Golf-peg (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 145

Across: 1. Puppet; 5 Debris; 9. Yoked; 10. Asleep; 11. Ceased; 12. Demon; 14. Iced; 17. Ray; 18. Mere; 20. Deter; 22. Siren; 23. Vacuous; 24. Debit; 26. Medal; 29. Idol; 30. Her; 32. Rule; 33. Rider; 35. Honour; 36. Notice; 37. Sewed; 38. Reeled; 39. Wedged.

Down: 1. Placid; 2. Pullet; 3. Eyed; 4. Topper; 5. Decoy; 6. Eden; 7. Roster; 8. Sudden; 13. Matured; 18. Miser; 19. Regal; 21. Rat; 22. Sum; 24. Dither; 25. Bounce; 27. Duping; 28. Legend; 30. Hired; 31. Renew; 33. Ruse; 34. Rode.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

NORTH KILDARE NATIONAL SCHOOL PROJECT

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Let's dance!!

Recently, NKNSP had the opportunity to host Cathy O'Kennedy, dance artist in residence with Kildare County Council. Cathy provided a four-week creative dance programme for the children entitled **Time and Motion**. The fruits of the programme were demonstrated by the children during a morning performance for parents and teachers (see pictures). Fourth, fifth and sixth classes performed a dance involving a wonderful and imaginative adventure, taking them through a swamp, over a river, across a field and through a forest. For third class their dance conveyed a telephone encounter based on the yellow pages. The dance presentation of first class had as its theme the changing face of nature in autumn. Altogether, an unique and creative experience for the children through the medium of dance. (other recent special school events include attendance at the ENFO energy show and the National Concert Hall, swimming classes, speech and drama, and an anti-smoking 'smoke-busters' initiative.)

Twenty-five years a growing

This month, NKNSP joined with almost twenty other multi-denominational schools in celebrating twenty-five years of the *Educate Together* movement. The first *Educate Together* school was founded in Dalkey in 1974, based on the vision of a co-educational, multidimensional and democratically-run national school. NKNSP is only five years in operation as an **Educate Together** school, but already has established a niche for itself in north Kildare as an alternative to traditional church-controlled national schools. We have been joined in the last few years by Lucan, Ennis, Sligo, Galway and Castleknock. With the emergence of a pluralist and multi-cultural Ireland, *Educate Together* is set to expand as an integrated model of educational provision. This expansion will be greatly helped by the recent government decision to enhance financial support for the establishment of *Educate Together* schools. More information on *Educate Together* can be got by phoning 4730309 or by email info@educatetogether.ie

New school update

Plans for our new school building, to be located adjacent to the new St. Wolstan's Community School on the Clane Road, continue to make progress. Architects have been appointed and are drawing up a design for the new school, which should shortly be presented to the school community for discussion.

Who is the school patron in the NKNSP?

A unique feature of the management structure of multi-denominational schools is its patron. Unlike denominational schools, the patron of the NKNSP is a secular and democratically controlled body called NKNSP Limited, whose membership is open to parents and others interested in furthering the aims of the school. The AGM of NKNSP Ltd elects an executive committee to represent the interests of members in the running of the school. As well as setting out the ethos for the school and formulating policy on other strategic issues, the executive committee nominates members onto the school board of management, which is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the school along

with the principal. (There are also directly elected parent representatives on the board of management.) Contact Dave Finnegan (6270492) or Karen Duffy (6273087) if you would like to find out more about NKNSP Ltd.

The social scene at NKNSP

Finally, providing social opportunities for parents is an important part of the NKNSP philosophy. The school communications group held a number of well-attended social nights during the term. These included a talk by Mary Manning on homeopathy and natural healing, a presentation on flower-arranging by Lorcan Burke from AF Flowers and a workshop on glass cutting with Breda Foley. There are also, of course, the usual fundraisers, including a successful fashion show in early November.

Contact 6274388 or email nknsplias@eircom.net for more information on the NKNSP.

Jim Walsh,
Executive Committee, NKNSP.

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St. Patrick's Day Parade - A Huge Success



No Incinerator - But Lessons to be Learned

The Newsletter congratulates the people of Kilcock on their magnificent campaign against the proposed incinerator for their area. Good sense prevailed when An Bord Pleanála upheld Kildare Co. Council's decision to refuse planning permission for the development. But, as was pointed out at the last meeting of Maynooth Community Council, we cannot afford to be complacent following this decision. On planning grounds the siting of a hazardous waste incinerator in Kilcock made no sense. But the door was left slightly ajar when the Co. Council passed a material contravention of its own development plan to zone the land from agricultural to light industry without, apparently, having concrete plans for the rezoned land. Later, the Council had the good sense to reject the incinerator plans but it could be argued that the whole episode could have been avoided in the first place.

On the wider issue of waste disposal, the government, local authorities and us, as citizens, are going to have to reverse recent trends which has seen the amount of household waste increase by 23% in the three years 1995-98. Non-agricultural waste was a staggering 15.4 million tonnes in 1998. The Minister for the Environment called a recent Environmental Protection Agency report a 'wake up call' when it outlined the scale of the problem and showed that we are still dumping 90% of our waste in landfill sites. The demand for landfill and even incineration will increase unless recycling is actively promoted by our local authorities and becomes part of how we, as householders, deal with domestic waste. The statistics are depressing, 95% of metal, 85% of paper and 70% of glass end up in landfill sites. The amount of paper recycled has actually fallen in recent years. Locally Kildare Co. Council, in co-operation with Rehab, provides a collection point for glass, cans and textiles in the Maynooth Shopping Centre car park. While this is laudable it is not enough. All householders availing of the Council's refuse collection service should be actively encouraged to sort their domestic refuse so that recycling becomes an integral part of waste management. Instead we are provided with a large wheelie bin which is almost an incentive to maximize dumping. The real answer to 'No Incinerator' or 'No Landfill' is to recycle. It is up to us to do it. And up to the Co. Council to provide the facilities to make it happen.

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Editorial

This month a new Community Council will be elected and the Council enters its fifteenth year of existence since it was reconstituted in 1986. Like all similar organisations it has gone through a life cycle – high levels of activity at the beginning, various crises – financial and otherwise – and then settling down to play an important, if unobtrusive, role in the life of the town. Back in 1986 Maynooth was a very different place. For a start it was about half the size it is now. The country was in recession and unemployment was very high. Over the years the Council has run a series of Social Employment and Community Employment Schemes and has played no small part, in co-operation with FAS, in training hundreds of local people for the jobs market. At one point there were over 50 people employed by the Council in various schemes. We now live in very different circumstances. The Maynooth area is experiencing labour shortages, the Community

Council is sponsoring just one Community Employment Scheme and is finding it difficult to fill the available places on the scheme. All this has important implications both for the Council and for the range of services it provides for the community. The production of the Newsletter, administrative and secretarial backup for the range of activities of the Council and the provision of commercial bureau services for the public can not be sustained by eight or ten part time staff where once there were over thirty. Redefining its aims and objectives and refocusing its resources will be an important task for the incoming Council.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Muireann Ní Bhroilcháin on behalf of the Community Council offered condolences to Padraic O'Murchú and his family on the very sad and tragic death of his wife.

Business Park

Ray Grahen presented a very fine brochure and outlined plans for the proposed new Business Park at Moneycooley, Maynooth. Tom McMullan, Chairman said that he felt there was 99% support for the project. It was also raised that the two families that live close to the proposed Business Park had genuine fears about flooding.

Senan Griffin stated that the Bennett Family had experienced serious flooding when the motor-way was built.

Ray Grahen said he has talked to the residents and felt he had reassured them that this would not be a problem. John McGinley raised concern about the flow of the water. It was stated that it is intended to have several ponds on the complex and this will make a huge difference to controlling the flow of water.

Paul Croghan stated he was worried about the flow of traffic out of the Park. It was stated that with the introduction of a roundabout, it would make a huge difference to traffic coming into the town and out as well. Also there are to be filter-lights and this should help the flow of traffic.

It was generally felt that this was a very fine project and to be welcomed.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

John McGinley thanked all involved with the organising of the Parade. He thanked Freda Kelleher, the office staff who are under-staffed at the moment and Committee members.

It was stated that they failed to get a Northern band but hoped for better luck next year.

Summer Project

Claire O'Rourke stated that the Summer Project would go ahead this year. It would run for two weeks again.

Kilcock Incinerator

Tom McMullan congratulated the people of Kilcock on their great victory on having An Bord Pleanála refuse planning permission for the incinerator. Senan Griffin paid tribute to Kildare County Council for rejecting the plan in the first place. He also voiced a note of warning; he felt that the use of the word premature in An Bord Pleanála's reasons for rejecting the incinerator could mean that a new application could succeed.

He also felt that if proper access roads had been in place the plan might have been in trouble.

John McGinley sounded a note of warning about planning permission being given to such projects as the one in Kilcock without knowing what is the final plan. It was also felt that we should look at our own recycling needs.

Paul Croghan felt that a town the size of Maynooth should have a waste recycling plan.

Office

The office is nearly finished and looks well. It was felt that a proper reception area should be available. Muireann Ní Bhroilcháin thanked all who helped with moving furniture to the new office and who helped in any way.

Newsletter

Peter Connell stated that better co-operation between the Editorial Board and the Treasurer should be put in place. It was also felt that a three year funding plan should also be set-up.

Bond Bridge

The plan is on display now. Paul Croghan asked was it not possible to retain the facade of the old bridge 'Canal'. A submission to be sent to Kildare County Council.

New Drama Group

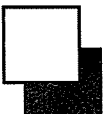
Paul Croghan congratulated the new Drama Group 'An Nuadha Players' in Maynooth.

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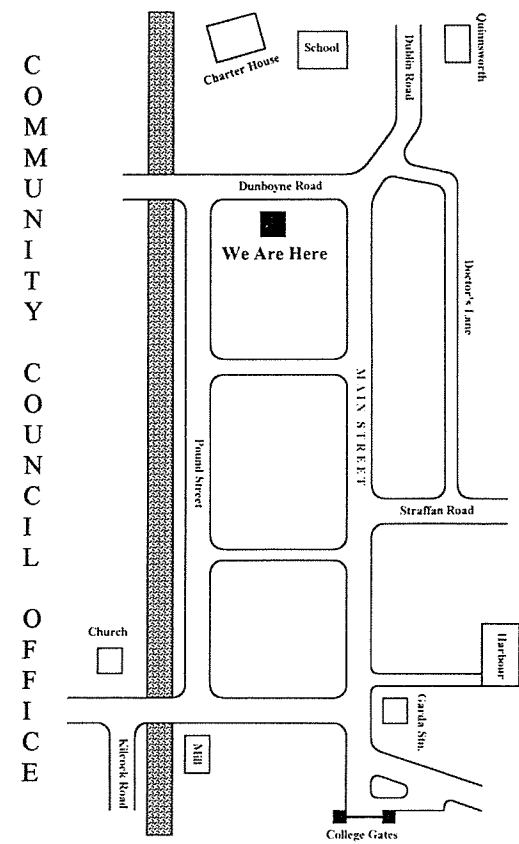
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WOODLANDS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of Woodlands Residents Association was held in the I.C.A. hall in Maynooth on 8/3/2000 at which the committee for coming year was elected as follows:

Michael Durkin
Hugh Franklin
Maeve Moloney
Patrick MacNamara
Kieran McManamon
Seamus O'Connell
Padraig O' Murchu
Les Wilcox

The residents at the A.G.M. wholeheartedly welcomed the proposed Meadowbrook link road as well as the associated work on improving safety at Bond Bridge. The residents association also passed a motion strongly urging Kildare County Council to include vehicular access to the railway station from the New Bond Bridge as well as retention of the east face of the Old Bond Bridge.

The Residents Association has been active for approx. 10 years and last year Woodlands estate achieved joint 1st in the "Best Small estate" category in Maynooth.

To commemorate the new Millennium, it is intended this year to plant Woodlands estate with 10 Oak trees which have been donated by Kildare County Council.

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Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Community Council Elections

Elections for the Community Council take place at the end of March 2000. There are 73 seats to be filled with a nominee from the Student's Union. Co-options may take place after the first meeting.

Election arrangements

The number of Council places per electoral area is based on a rough ratio of 100 voters (from the Electoral Register) per Council member. There are some additions to the number of places since the last election.

Electoral Areas

1. Town Centre (5 seats)
The area bounded by Bond Bridge, Mullen Bridge, Blacklion, Kildare Bridge (Dunboyne Road) and the Parish Church.
2. Railpark / Straffan Road including the Crescent (1 seat)
3. Castle Dawson (2 seats)
4. Lyreen Park / Nagle Court (1 seat)
5. Parson's Hall (2 seats)
6. Pebble Hill (1 seat)
7. Railpark Estate (2 seats)
8. Greenfield Estate (5 seats)
9. Carton Court (2 seats)
10. Kingsbry (5 seats)
11. Greenfield Lane / Greenfield Phase 1 (1 seat)
12. Greenfield Phase 2 (1 seat)
13. Greenfield Phase 3 / private sites (1 seat)
14. Beaufield (3 seats)
15. Meadowbrook (4 seats)
16. Cluain Aoibhinn (2 seats)
17. College Green (2 seats)
18. Moyglare Road / Moyglare Meadows / Moyglare Village (4 seats)
19. Moyglare Abbey (2 seats)
20. Newtown / Woodlands / Ashley Court (2 seats)
21. Newtown Court (2 seats)
22. Parson Street / Parson Lodge / Court (2 seats)
23. Silken Vale (2 seats)
24. Castlebridge (1 seat)
25. Parklands (5 seats)
26. Rockfield (5 places)
27. Outlying Area A (see map) (1 seat)
including Carton Demese, Old Carton, Catherinstown, Kellystown, Blakestown
28. Outlying Area B (see map) (1 seat)
including Windgates (east side of Straffan Road), Toolestown, Corbally, Griffinrath, Moneycooley, Ballygoran
29. Outlying Area C (see map) (1 seat)
including Rowanstown, Dowdstown, Taghadoo, Toolestown (west side of Straffan Road), Windgates (do), Newtownmacabe, Rooks, Smithstown, Johninstown, Graiguesallagh, Cowanstown, Kealstown, Graiguelin, Derrinstown, Donaghstown.
30. Outlying Area B (see map) (1 seat)
including Timard, Laraghbryan East/West, the Maws,

Ballycurraghan, Treadstown, Cormackstown, Crinstown, Laragh Demesne.

Election Schedule Nominations

The Nomination Form is included in this issue of the Newsletter.

Extra forms may be obtained from the **Community Council Office, Dunboyne Road.**

All nominations should include the signature of the nominee signifying her/his acceptance of the nomination.

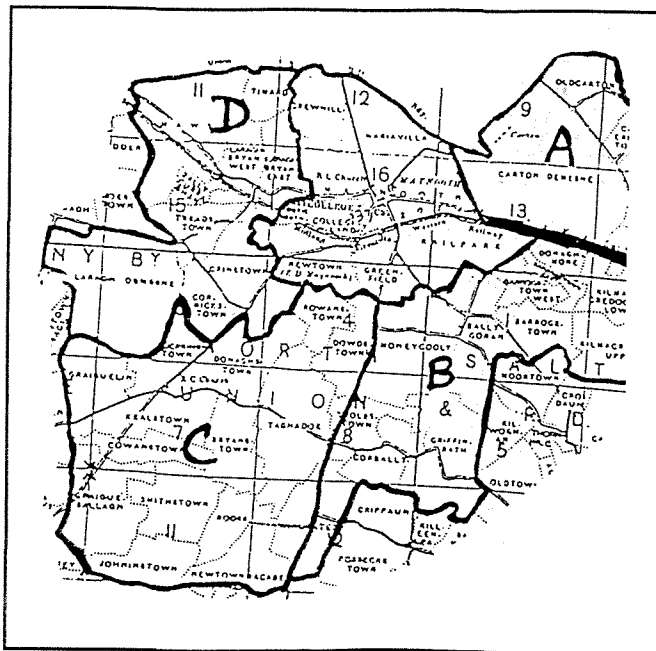
All nominations to arrive at the Community Council Office by **Monday, 27th March at 5.00 p.m.** Any resident over 18 is eligible for election and to vote.

Voting

If elections are required, voting papers will be distributed to all eligible households between **Wednesday 29th and Friday 30th March**. Votes will be collected the following week, if they are not collected they may be brought to the Community Council office. All votes must be returned by **Friday 7th April**. They will be counted on **Saturday 8th April**.

Counting will be done by neutral volunteers under the supervision of outside scrutineers. For single area election areas, the single transferable vote method of counting will be used (as in by-elections to Dáil Éireann). For multiple-seat areas, each voter will have as many votes as there are seats available, with the candidates obtaining the most votes being elected, as appropriate.

The first meeting of the new Council will take place on Monday 17th April. This will be an AGM including the election of new officers for the Council. Notices will be sent to all councillors.



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I.C.A. NOTES

The Meeting began with an expression of sympathy to Marion Suchan and family on the death of her husband Ollie, to Nora McDermott and family on the death of her brother Larry, and also to the Green family on the death of Liam.

The **Federation Ball** in the Ambasssador Hotel was a great success and most enjoyable. It is hoped that it may become an annual event.

The **Badminton Tournament** in Rathmane had to be postponed due to bad weather. **Indoor Bowls** will take place at this venue on March 20th.

Decoupage Classes concluded on March 3rd and we were all really thrilled with our pictures. We are hoping to continue with more classes in October.

Kildare Week in June at An Grianan will feature cookery, health and fitness, also calligraphy.

Birds Eye Quiz will take place in Kill on March 20th, two teams will take part.

Monthly Guild Competition - Apple Tart:

- 1st Vera Kearins
- 2nd Margaret Houlihan
- 3rd Mairead Scanlon.

Next months competition will be 'On The Spot'.

Crafts continue every Monday at 8 o'clock.

Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday at 10.30 a.m. in Parish Hall.

New members always welcome.

Raffle Results

- 1st. Margaret Houlihan
- 2nd Mayse Killian
- 3rd Rosemary Hanley

Quiz

- 1st Betty Farrell and Mary McNamara.

SCOUTS NEWS

We would like to congratulate John Perry of Old Greenfield who was awarded the National Scout Award. He was the first person to receive this award in over twenty years.

We would like to thank Jonny Dowling for his service to the Maynooth Scouts, who is left since last October due to other commitments.

On the 11th of March we went on a day of training which we started of with a hike, and finished with a barbecue. Fun was had by all. We would like to welcome our new members which we hope they will stay with us for a long time.

We are situated in the M.A.D.E. Centre at the back of the Post-Primary School on Thursday nights from 7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.

Yours In Scouting
Tony Muldowney
Martina Perry

MAYNOOTH PARISH SOCIAL AND WELCOMING COMMITTEE

We had a Cake Sale in the Boy's School in aid of the restoration of the basement of the Parochial House, this turned out to be a great success.

Don't forget on the last Sunday of every month we provide tea and biscuits at 11.00 a.m. in the Boy's School. This is to enable new people of the area to meet and make new friends.

Claire O'Rourke, P.R.O.

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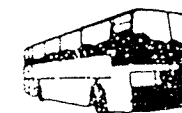
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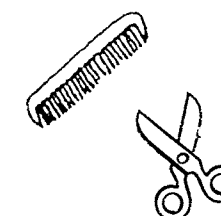
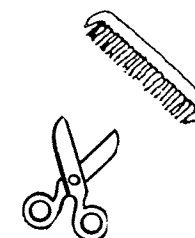
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The Day School with Anne O'Hara on the 7th March entitled "New Trends" was a great success. All who attended learned a great deal about horizontal and vertical designs and the art of weaving phormium leaves.

Our annual outing is the 12th - 14th May to the National Festival of Flowers at Cork City Jail. The hotel chosen is Blarney Park Hotel. The total cost of the trip is £135 which includes two nights bed and breakfast and two evening meals. Also included in the package are two garden visits and entrance fee into the National festival of Flowers at Cork City Jail. A non-refundable deposit of £25 is required if interested. The remaining amount of money must be paid by 15th-16th April. Contact any of the committee members for more details.

As you are all aware we have a charity table and the proceeds to this year to the Arthritis Foundation. The club would like to ask members to contribute plants or bric-a-brac to raise funds for this worthy charity.

SHOW SCHEDULE

Spring Show and Aoifa Interclub and Flower of the Year Heats

15th - 16th April 2000

Arts Building, North Campus, National University of Ireland, Maynooth, Kilcock Road, Maynooth.

Presentation of Prizes: Sunday 5.15 p.m.

Judge: Eve Kennedy

Show open to all: Saturday 7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.
Sunday 11.00 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.

- Only one entry per exhibitor per class
- The committee will in no way be responsible for any loss or damage sustained to exhibits either at Show or in transit.
- Competition will be judged in accordance with the NAFAS Schedule of Definitions - Ninth Edition.
- Judge's decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Enquiries / Entries to: Felicity Satchwell, 6286240

Staging: Friday 8.00 p.m. - 10.00 p.m.
Saturday 9.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Theme: New Trends

Class 1 - "Spring Basket" Space 60 cms. Confined to those who have not won a 1st prize in any show.

Class 2 - "New Trend" Pot et Fleur Exhibit. Space 60 cms. Confined to those who have not won three 1st prizes in any show.

Class 3 - "Sculpture" A modern exhibit to include driftwood. Space 60 cms.

Class 4 - "Artist's Palette" An exhibit. Space 75 cms.

Class 5 - "Easter 2000" An horizontal exhibit to be viewed all round. Space 90 cms.

Class 6 - "The Web" A miniature exhibit. Not exceeding 10 cms. in width, depth and height.

Class 7 - "Trendy Touch" A petite exhibit - not exceeding 25 cms. in width, depth and width.

Entry Fee: 50p per entry. Prizes: £10, £7, £5. Prizes Class 4: £25, £10, £5.

Class 4 - 1st Prize sponsored by Kairos Communications Ltd.

Class 8 - "My Favourite Container" Confined to those under 16 (age to be stated). Entry Fee: 20p per entry. Prizes £5, £3 and £2.

PLANT SELECTION

Class 9 - "One stem of flowering shrub" (trees excluded).

Class 10 - "One Daffodil or Narcissus".

Class 11 - "Three Daffodils or Narcissi" (same or mixed).

Class 12 - "Collection of cut flowers from the garden," excluding Daffodils, Narcissi or shrubs.

Class 13 - 3 Tulips.

Class 14 - 3 stems of spring flowers (some or mixed), excluding daffodils, narcissi or shrubs.

Class 15 - A collection of culinary herbs in a jamjar.

All entries in Classes 9 to 15 must have been grown by the exhibitor.

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

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Maynooth University Perpetual Cup and RHSI Spoon - Best Exhibit in show

Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup and RHSI Spoon - Most points in show.

Bradsaw Perpetual Cup and RHSI Spoon - Best exhibit in plant section.

Satchwell Perpetual Cup - Best exhibit in classes 1 and 2.

Flower Pot Perpetual Cup - Winners in Class 3.

Aoifa Perpetual Cup - Winner in Class 6.



On behalf of the Flower and Garden Club Margaret Howe, Chairperson), Felicity Satchwell (Secretary) and Mary Cleary (Charity Table) presenting a cheque for £5,400 to Pat Conroy, Chairperson of the National League of the Blind and Louis O'Modhrain (Secretary of N.C.B. Kildare District) at the Moyglare Manor Hotel on the 24th February 2000.

Meetings held on the third Tuesday of every month (except where otherwise stated) in the Loftus Hall, Maynooth College. Entry fee £3 which includes supper.

Margaret Fagan, P.R.O.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

SUMMER PROJECT GOES AHEAD

Since we have eventually been able to form a new Committee our fund raising has been a success. We got a very generous response. We will thank our sponsors in next month's issue.

So it's full steam ahead for next July.

Claire O'Rourke,
Secretary.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION ST. MARY'S BOYS SCHOOL

We would like to thank all those people who supported our recent fund raising night in the G.A.A. Club. Also those who bought tickets and were unable to attend. A special word of thanks to Dominic Nugent who was on the door all night, also thank you to the G.A.A. Club itself for all their help. A good night was had by all. The proceeds of which will go towards equipment for the school.

We would like to congratulate all the boys who were confirmed and also the teachers involved.

There was light refreshments served in the School Hall after the ceremony. Thanks to all who helped out.

Claire O'Rourke.

RESIDENTS ON WATCH

I'm sure it came to your attention that Rag Week took place in the College from Monday 14th February. (If you lived in an estate you couldn't have missed it.) As residents of Kingsbry for the past sixteen years, this had to be by far the worst Rag Week we have encountered. On waking up on the morning of Thursday 17th February after a beer promotion we were met by a sorry sight, Kingsbry was littered with beer cans, broken bottles and chip papers. The worst sight of all was, trees had been destroyed and peoples pillars pulled out of the walls. The debris from these pillars was left strewn across our pathways and roads which could have led to a serious injury. While we do understand that these are only young people and like to have a bit of fun, surely this cannot be acceptable behaviour. It has been suggested to us that maybe the College as a gesture of good will, to the residents of Maynooth, could sent out a number of students after Rag Week to clean up and be responsible for the estate in which they live. We don't think this is a very big request, considering the number of students residing in Maynooth.

Complaints to Residents on Watch. Draw attention once again to the time of year. Yes, continual habit of occupancy of half of the footpath. 8.00 a.m., 10.00 a.m. or 8.00 p.m. outside St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. By Christians attending services with no regard to pedestrians, wheelchair bound people, or blind, a large jeep is a notable addition. Registration numbers have been recorded by the continuous offenders. If they are concerned about obstructing, why not use the large car park.

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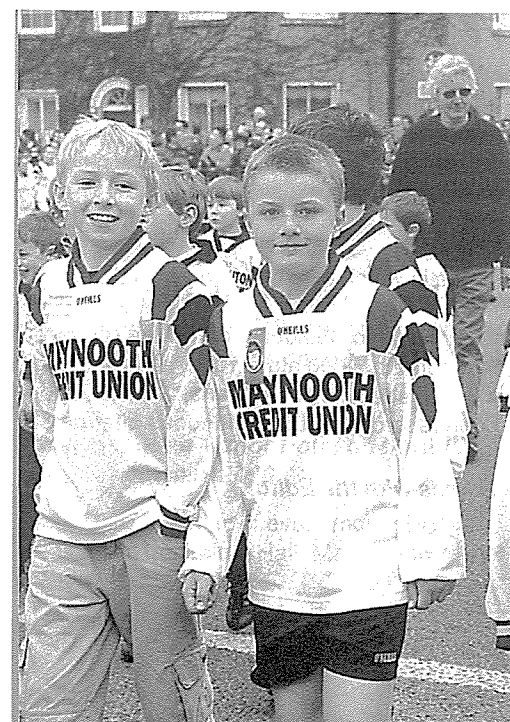
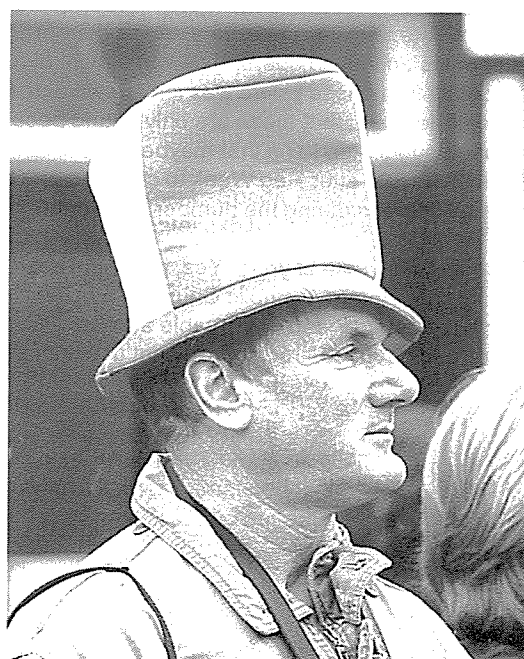
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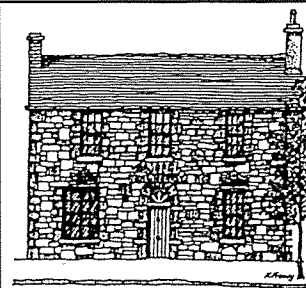
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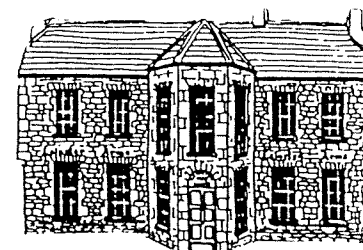
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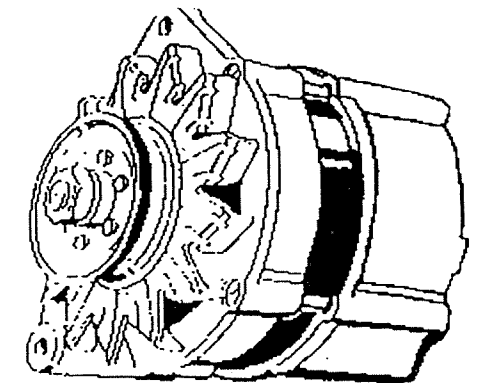
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The teachers involved are delighted to be participating in the show as we see it as a wonderful opportunity for the dancers to perform on one of Ireland's leading theatre stages. For many of the dancers it will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Taking part will be many local dancers from Maynooth, Kilcloon, Mulhussey, Kilcock and Celbridge, together with dancers from Clondalkin, Kilnamanagh and Castleknock.

The theme we have chosen for our show is to depict the old Irish legend, the Children of Lir through dance and music and the dancers from both schools are working very hard learning and perfecting new and exciting routines covering the full spectrum of Irish dance from traditional dancing to modern Riverdance style extravaganza. The specially commissioned costumes are in the making and will be fantastic!

To help make the night an outstanding success for the dancers, the support of local people would be greatly appreciated. Tickets, priced from £8.50 to £15.00 are available directly from the Olympia Theatre box office at 6777744.

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We have presented to the local schools with 2 sets of litter pickers to show our thanks and support for a litter free school area.

Our final green tidy entry based on recycling material has been submitted to our department of the environment.

We are currently finishing a submission to Fas for a Tidy Towns Community Employment Project.

Next up will be our tidy Towns entry for the year 2000.

We need your hand either on the Tidy Towns committee or the Sunday morning clean up. We can be contacted at 6285053

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS



Presentation to Girls School



Presentation of 'pickers' to Post-Primary School



Presentation of 'pickers' to Boys National School



Marianne Ryan and Pat Sheeran who were married on the 18th March 2000



Confirmation

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MOUNT ST. ANNE'S RETREAT CENTRE

The confirmation class from the Presentation Convent has a retreat at Mount St. Anne's Retreat Centre at Killenard, Portarlington, Co. Laois. What some people may not know is that the centre welcomes adults, too.

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Insanity is hereditary, you can get it from your children (Sam Levinson).

Everyone wants to go to heaven but nobody wants to die.
(Joe Louis)

The measure of greatness is not the number of servants you have, but the number of people you serve. (Anon)

There is no right way to do the wrong thing.

The secret of being unhappy is to have the time to wonder whether you are happy or not. (Anon)

A man is rich according to what he is, not what he has.
(Anon)

No matter how big your family, you can always find time alone by doing the dishes. (D.J.M.)

A doctor can bury his mistakes, an architect can only advise his clients to plant vines. (Frank Lloyd Wright)

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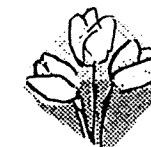
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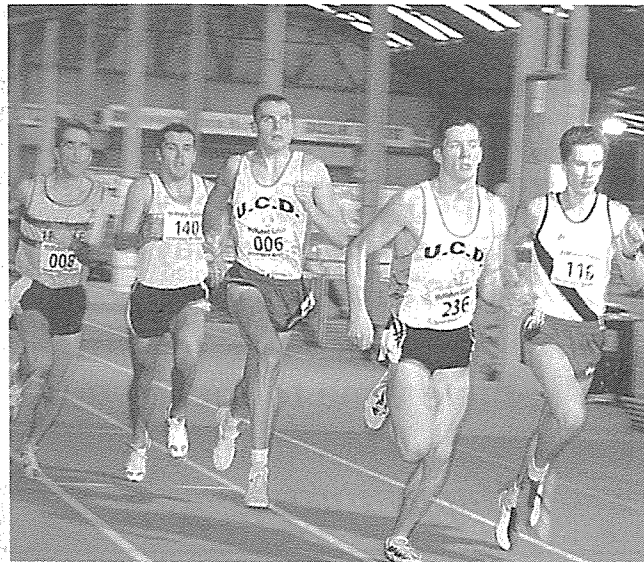
MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

David Cambell's 3rd place in the 800 metres Senior Indoor National Championship was a great performance, as the two athletes who defeated him went on to win European Medals two weeks later.

Mark Carroll and James Nolan started February by finishing first and second in the Wannamaker Mile in Madison Square Garden. They finished February with Carroll as European champion over 3,000 Metres and Nolan Taking silver in the 1,500.

They were the First Irish athletes to win European indoor medals since Eamon Coughlan in 1979 and Marcus O'Sullivan in 1985.

On February 13th Nolan took the National 800 metres title with Carroll second and David just over a second back in 3rd place. The previous day in Nenagh, Maynooth's David Cambell won his heat to claim one of the five places on the starting line.



Maynooth Athletic Club

The other two finalists were U.C.D.'s Michael Wilcox and Paul Campbell from D.C.U., who had won the Scottish Championships and the Welsh Games in the previous few weeks.

David's indoor experience may be confident to Nenagh but he impressed earlier this year when he won the Irish Junior championship, the Leinster under 18 title and the AAI Senior Open Games 800 metres in January.

However Sunday was a major step up in class and a very physical first 400 metres saw David struggle to hold the lead and inside lane. At half way James Nolan unleashed a kick that was to prove the winner.

Mark Carroll came from the back of the field for 2nd place and David battled on gamely to get 3rd place.

National coach Dr. Orywall was very happy that David finished within 2.5 seconds of two of Europe's top runners and has hopes that he will improve enough to run in the world Junior championships in Chile this year.

As his more famous rivals headed on towards historic medal wins David has a busy few months ahead studying for his Leaving Cert. However during his school holidays at Easter, he heads to Poland for two weeks training. Ironically James Nolan is travelling on the same trip.

The end of February also saw David Jolley's hard training pay off when he finished 4th in the Indoor vets Championships in Nenagh over 1,500 and 3,000 metres.

Training has resumed at the GAA field on Wednesday nights at 7pm and all are welcome.

The picture shows on the left Mark Carroll, European, Champion at 3,000 metres, in the centre James Nolan, European silver Medalist at 1,500 Metres, and far right Maynooth's David Cambell at the halfway mark in the National indoor 800 Metres Championship final.

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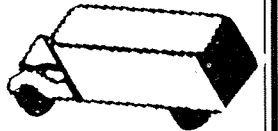
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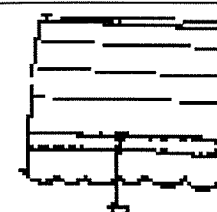
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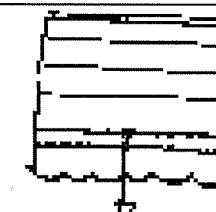
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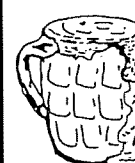
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Below is a list showing prices of unleaded petrol at selected stations as of March 21st. This shows a 7.5% price difference between the dearest station (Maxol Maynooth) and the cheapest (Statoil on the quays in Dublin). This represents a difference of 23p per gallon or £2.55 for a full tank. Of course some stations are self-service and others have manned pumps. In fairness to Maxol in Maynooth they provide such a service but customers should know that they may be paying extra for it. ESSO in Maynooth has been one of the cheapest stations over the past few months but increased prices just before March 21st when we carried out our survey.

Crude oil prices have fallen a little in the last three weeks and are predicted to fall further in the coming months. We hope this will be reflected at the petrol pumps. The Newsletter will continue to keep a close eye on prices.

Service Station	Price per litre	Price of full tank (50 litres)	Price per gallon
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98	Subaru Impreza 1.6GL Saloon	Green	1	25.4K
98	Citreon Xantia 2.1 Diesel	Silver	1	41K
97	Subaru Justy 1.3 4 Door AWD	White	1	49.5K
97	Hyundai Sonata 1.8	Red	1	33K
97	Renault Leguna 1.8	Green	1	48K
97	Vitara 2.0 TD Van	Green	1	25K
96	Subaru Impreza 1.6GL	Green	1	51.6K
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96	Subaru Legacy Saloon	White	2	33K
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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

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The first consideration is that a population target of 12,300 has been agreed for the year 2006, when the next plan must commence. This would be a Maynooth 44% bigger than today, with approximately 66% more cars on our roads. However, our local councillors have agreed to allocate a total of 150 new acres at a density of 24 people per acre in this Plan. Together with unused lands from the past plan this could enable a population of 14,192 in Maynooth within the next five years, a 66% increase and approximately double the number of local cars on our roads. It was against even more horrendous proposals that Maynooth Planning Alliance was established in 1996 to oppose. While the acreage then was almost double that being proposed today, it is important to take stock of what past planning decisions have left us with as we embark on the next five year exercise.

A lot has changed in Maynooth over the past five or six years. The construction of Pebble Hill, Parson's Hall, Castle Dawson, Lyreen Park, Moyglare Abbey, Glenroyal Apartments, Mill Street Apartments and other new residential areas have increased the town's population and traffic to a level probably in excess of 10,000 today. However the main feature of life in Maynooth today is undoubtedly the traffic problem.

A survey of traffic on the Straffan Road in 1996 counted 3865 vehicles over a six hour period. A recent prediction for three years hence predicts a similar amount during the peak one hour period. This is indeed a horrendous increase and represents one car a second on the Straffan Road. As anyone who tries driving in this kind of traffic knows, long queues at junctions, side streets, and exits from e.g. the Railway Station are the inevitable result and gridlock quickly follows. Some areas are likely to suffer greatly in the next few years. Major residential development at the Mill Street/ Moyglare Road junction combined with the trebling of population envisaged for Kilcock over the next five years will reduce the Kilcock Road/Main Street to a standstill for much longer periods and bottle up residents of the Moyglare area in a similar fashion to that which has afflicted the Parson Street/ Main Street junction in recent times. Some alleviation of the Parson Street problem will however take place with the completion of the Meadowbrook link road, and some easing of the Dublin Road traffic will hopefully follow the completion of the Intel-Hewlett Packard interchange. But no new Kilcock interchange is envisaged before 2005 so the west and north of the town face a bleak traffic future.

Maynooth Planning Alliance believes the proposals currently being touted are in breach of the Strategic Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area which will become mandatory when the current Planning Bill becomes law in early summer. These guidelines were prepared by no other than Brady Shipman Martin and recommended restrictions on the growth of Maynooth which were not incorporated in the County

Development Plan by Kildare County Council. The reasons why you as a resident will be asked to endure a serious reduction in the quality of your life are political and economic. You know the issues at this stage and you know who will benefit and who will lose out. Equally you know which of our local councillors are seeking to increase the burden on you and which would be willing to reduce it. If not you should find out urgently!

Maynooth Planning Alliance advocates the following for the forthcoming Maynooth Development Plan:

* That the County Plan should be revisited to bring the Maynooth land allocations into compliance with the Strategic Planning Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Region.

* That phasing of new residential land should be geared towards minimising additional traffic on the Mill Street - Straffan Road route with a substantive component of any new residential land only released for residential development at the end of the Plan.

* That development-led road plans are not acceptable since the cost of the road (if ever completed) is greatly exceeded by the new traffic generated. Development-led planning of this kind is what has left us in the present position.

* That no 'donations' of land be given to private individuals/ private clubs as the price of rezoning

* That the plan incorporate a clause limiting the release of zoned lands until the end of its validity should the 2001 Census and the population planned for the already committed lands at that time exceed the population target for 2006.

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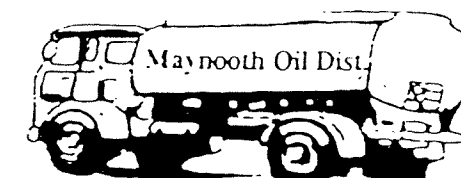


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NORTH KILDARE NATIONAL SCHOOL PROJECT AN EDUCATE TOGETHER SCHOOL

Like ducks to water

First class recently completed their eight-week swimming programme in the Clodalkin Sports and Leisure Centre (see picture). Parents were invited to join their children in the pool for 40 minutes of bedlam and a great time was had by all. This is the third year that the kids have attended swimming and their progress is phenomenal. Indeed, many kids secured Swim Ireland certificates for the swimming competency. Great thanks are due to Arlene Higging, the first class teacher, and to her crew of assistants drawn from the parents of the children, for supporting this initiative.

Junior infants enrolment 200/2001

The school is finalising its enrolment of children for junior infants 2000/2001. Once again, there is a high demand for the limited number of places available as a single stream school. Enrolments are accepted on a first come, first served basis, be advised: enrol as soon as possible if you are interested in sending your child to the school. Contact Adrienne at 6274388 for further information on the school and to get an enrolment application form.

Terra firma

The school recently got a new hard surface play area. Prior to this, the children were dependent on the ground conditions as to whether they could have a run around on the adjoining grass area. Of course, with our winter weather there were few days that the children could venture out, if they were not to get covered in mud. This is now all in the past thanks to a grant from the Department of Education, topped up by the obligatory 'voluntary contributions'. The children and teachers had a celebration to mark the opening of the new play area, with goodies provided by the playground contractor (Michael Cleary), including a box of chocolates for the teachers. Full marks all round for a job well done.

Permanent school building on the horizon!

Plans for our new school building continue to advance. Before Christmas, the executive and board of management convened a briefing for parents on the layout of the new school. An innovative feature of the school will be the inclusion of a special two-classroom unit for children with autism. This, we understand, will be the first purpose-built autism unit and marks a further step towards the integration of children with disabilities into mainstream education.



Other good news is that we will benefit from the recent decision to enlarge the overall space provided in national schools. Also, the architects have come up with a very interesting design for the school, which should soon be submitted to Kildare County Council for planning approval.

Free bus service for children attending NKNSP

A particular challenge for parents wishing to send their children to the NKNSP is how to get to the school if they do not live in Celbridge, especially with all the local traffic congestion. To address this dilemma, the school secured a free Department of Education bus service for children from Leixlip and Maynooth. This bus service leaves Greenfield shopping centre at 8.10am and returns at 2.45pm (the school is open from 9am to 2.20pm). Up to eight Maynooth children use the bus on a regular basis and, despite the early start, a happy crew they are too.

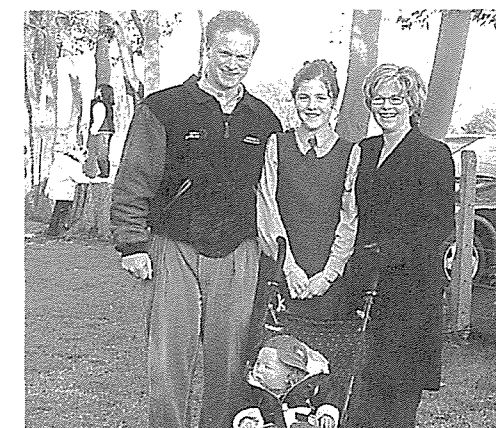
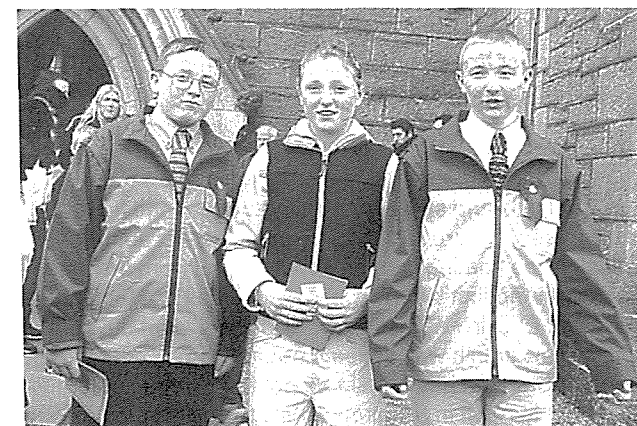


Other goings on

The children raised £266 from a silver coin trail before Christmas for Concern... the school recently appointed its first permanent school secretary (Adrienne Mullen) and its seventh assistant teacher (Fiona Cooney), due to continued growth in numbers... the night class in glass cutting continues until May 8th and a further class may be run in the autumn if sufficient interest... a talk on Feng Shui took place on March 21st. Ann Egan, the writer-in-residence with Kildare County Council, visited the school on March 3rd and recited stories and poetry for the senior classes. Teachers attended a two-day training course on the new national school curriculum and also held a one-day school planning event.
by Jim Walsh, Executive committee NKNSP Ltd.

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CONFIRMATION DAY IN MAYNOOTH

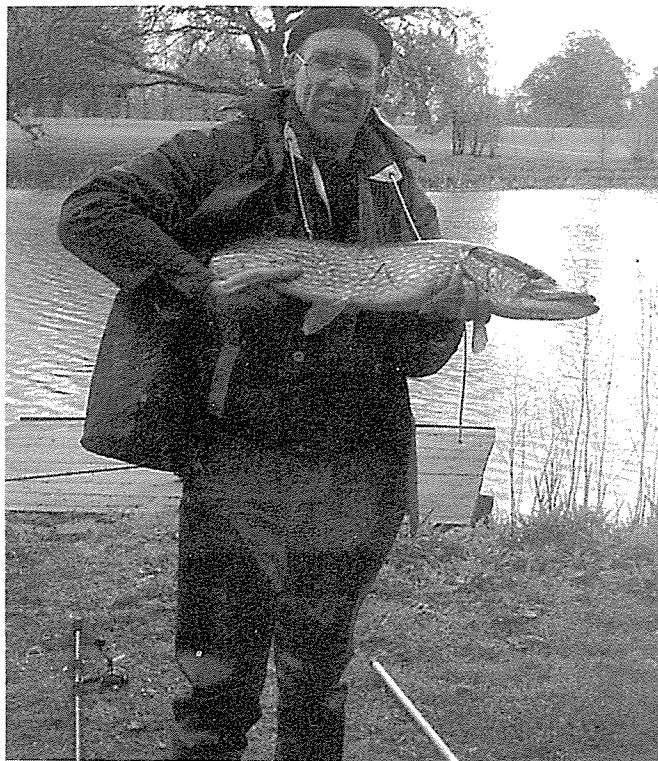


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PIKE FISHING IN JANUARY

Having had no luck recently in Blessington, the two boys decided to head for Templemore, Co Tipperary. Originally there were to be three of us but unfortunately Larry had to cry off. Personally I suspect that early mornings don't suit him and he prefers to remain in his warm nest.

Sunday morning at 6.30 we loaded up the car with soup, tea and sandwiches (and the fishing gear) and headed off. It was an uneventful journey except for the idiot overtaking traffic on



Aidan 'Dustin'O' Rourke with his prize Pike

the bridge outside Kildare Town, but who would expect to meet on-coming traffic on a Sunday morning? It took us until Roscrea to recover from that one.

The lake in Templemore is in the Town Park just behind the Main Street. The park is a real eye opener, which, beside the lake, has an outdoor swimming pool, a pitch & putt course, the GAA club house and pitch and lots of lovely walks. There may even be other facilities that I'm not aware of, this being my first ever visit to the town. All in all it's a pretty impressive facility and one that is not available in towns such as our own. I hope that they appreciate what they have.

Back to the fishing. We walked around part of the lake judging depths etc. really professional looking, but to tell the truth somewhere sheltered and out of the wind was all we wanted. We chose an area close to one of the small islands and set up our gear.

Rather than fishing 2 rods for pike, we each set up one pike rod and a ledger rod with quivertip in the hope of catching

some roach or whatever else might be swimming about. On quiet days, at least you can keep busy filling the feeder and casting out.

On the feeder front, not a sausage. Our maggots and groundbait certainly weren't tempting any fish. Not one all day.

The pike, in the meantime, were being tempted by roach, mackerel tails and smelt both on the bottom and floated. As you can see, we are willing to try anything. At about 11 o'clock I was floating a smelt about 30 feet from the bank when I got the first take of the day. A small pike of about 3 lbs. weight. Thirty minutes later and away went the float again. This time it was a nice 4 pounder. You could feel sorry for Stephen but at least he got to hold the net for me. So as not to rub it in, I waited awhile to see if Stephen would catch something, anything. It always pays to stay on the good side of the driver especially when you are so far from home. He obviously wasn't watching and learning so I had to catch another pike myself. This time it was a very presentable 12 pounder. Out came the cameras and photos were taken. It was time to head home. Don't worry Stephen there's always next week and we can go back in the summer when Tench to 12 lbs are in abundance according to the locals.

You meet some interesting people when you are fishing. That day we met a few, including the group from Tallaght who had driven to Ballinasloe the night before to go to party, and then decided to drive to Templemore for some fishing on their way home. There's dedication for you.

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MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

Brief History

In 1993 in response to a local advertisement, concerned people of Maynooth and Kilcock met to discuss the setting up of a youth club in the area, to help keep young people off drink and drugs. Thus the Maynooth/Kilcock No Name Club was established. The local schools were canvassed for hosts and hostesses. Around forty responded and along with the adults the Maynooth/Kilcock Club got under-way.

Sport

On the sporting front, the Club has organised and sponsored Inter-school Basketball Tournament, which is proving more popular each year. Our next Inter-school Basketball Tournament will be held on the 7th of April 2000. See in schools for details.

Cabaret

At the moment the host and hostesses are working hard preparing for the National Cabaret Awards. They are looking forward to travelling to Portumna in Galway to represent Maynooth and Kilcock.

Training

Each year we expand on the training of, not only our host and hostesses, but also the adult leaders. Our host and hostesses are trained in personal development, leadership, health and well being, the art of good service, group dynamics and in the duties of the club. For our adult leaders we offer training in leadership, first aid, drug and alcohol awareness.

A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting for the Maynooth/Kilcock No Name Club took place in N.U.I. Maynooth on the 15th February 2000. The new Committee of the Maynooth/Kilcock No Name Club for the year 2000 are as follows:

Chairperson:	Lila Flynn
Assistant Chairperson:	Johnny Dowling
Treasurer:	Pat Farrell
Assistant Treasurer:	Alison Thornton
Secretary:	James McMahon
Assistant Secretary:	Karen Delahan
P.R.O.:	Michael Madden
Assistant P.R.O.:	Ciara Baxter
Training Officer:	Philip Ryan

We wish our new Committee all the best in this year and we would like to thank all the parents who attended the A.G.M. who showed a keen interest in the Club.

Discos

Membership I.D. or application form is required at the door. Please make sure application forms have been stamped by the schools.

All these can be achieved with the continued support of the community land businesses and the adults and young adults.

Michael Madden, P.R.O.

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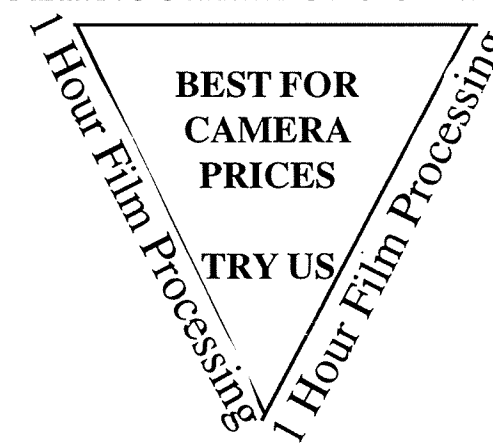
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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Forty four entries took part in this years parade. Tthe good weather and the quality of the floats made it a great day for all. On behalf of the Parade Committee I would like to thank the participants and all of those who helped with the organising of what was yet again a very successful parade. In particular I would like to thank all the businesses who contributed to ensure that we were not at a financial loss. A special thank you to our main sponsors:

Carton Demesne, Caulfields, Intel, Willie Kiernan, George O'Connor, Glenroyal Leisure and Airlie Stud.

I would also like to thank the following:

- * Sergeant Mick Desmond and the Gardai for their great help on the day.
- * Mattie Callaghan and Paul Kelly Transport for providing the reviewing stand.
- * Leo bean, Seamus Kennedy, Melanie Oliver, Elaine Bean, Willie Saults and David Moynan for preparing the reviewing stand.
- * Betty Brilly who did such a great job of the flower arranging on the reviewing stand.
- * Willie Kiernan for again providing and installing the Public Address System.
- * Aidan Flood for taking on the onerous task of Master of Ceremonies.
- * Our guests on the reviewing stand.
- * Bernard Durkan T.D. for being guest speaker.
- * Jim Mc Manus for the power supply for the public address system.
- * Owen Byrne, our Lord Mayor, for leading the parade and Robert Sherlock for driving Owen in the vintage VW Beetle.
- * All of the stewards who yet again performed their tasks very professionally.
- * Bernard Flanagan of the Parish Hall Committee for providing the chairs for the reviewing stand.
- * George O'Connor for the crash barriers.
- * The Glenroyal Hotel for providing tea and sandwiches for our guests.
- * Freda Kelleher for her tremendous help with the organising.
- * Mary McGinley for getting out all the letters.
- * The Parade Committee and the Community Council members for their great help.
- * The residents of Greenfield Estate for their continued co-operation.
- * All of the business people who did such a splendid job of decorating their shop windows.

The Shop Window Prize Winners were:

1. Joe Buckley
2. The Photo Centre
3. The Flower Pot

Highly Commended:

Gerry Mulcahy
Supermacs
Nuzstop

The Parade Prize Winners were:

(a) Best Commercial Float:

Ruane Conservatories

(b) Best Club Float:

St. Patrick's College

(c) Best Band

Narraghamore Pipe Band

(d) Best Marchers:

St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band

(e) Best Costumes:

Cu Glas.

(f) Most Topical:

Maynooth Town Soccer Club

(g) Funniest:

Mulhussey Drama group

John McGinley,

Organiser, St. Patrick's Day Parade



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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE



Cu Glas receiving a prize from John McGinley for best costumes



Children in fancy dress enjoying the parade



St Patrick on his tractor



Enjoying the parade



FINE GAEL NOTES

Traffic Calming Measures

Cllr. Senan Griffin has submitted a motion to Kildare County Council to have traffic calming measures put in place on the Moyglare Road beside the two schools in order that traffic can be forced to slow down to accommodate the school children. The same traffic problem arises at Meadowbrook Avenue / Meadowbrook Crescent, and Senan Griffin has demanded that raised ramps (brick) be put in place during the construction of the new Meadowbrook link to the Straffan Road.

Lights

The Leixlip Area Committee at its March meeting decided to allocate lighting at

(a) Three double headed lights at Rockfield / Parklands / Rail Park, (it is hoped that the erection of these lights will eliminate the antisocial behaviour in the area).

(b) A new light opposite No 33 Carton Court, (this light was agreed previously but the ESB missed out having it erected).

(c) The Area Committee further agreed to a proposal by Senan Griffin that the Celbridge Road be lit from development levy funds ... it required six/eight lights.

Respite Care Unit

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested Kildare County Council to expedite the granting of full permission to Eastern Health Board for a fifty bed respite care unit at the Harbour, Maynooth. The E.H.B. last June promised prompt action on this proposal and to date planning permission has not been availed of, thereby preventing commencement of work on the project. This new unit will now come under the South Western Area Board. Deputy Bernard Durkan will continue to pressurise the Department of Health to provide adequate finance for this worthwhile project.

Discretionary Grant

Cllr. Senan Griffin will be seeking finance from the discretionary fund to upgrade the footpaths at Rail Park Estate, Mill Street (beside the church), Leinster Street, improvement of the road surface at Buckley's Lane / Fagan's Lane. (I will also be seeking funding for projects in Leixlip.)

Bus Bay / Terminus

At a meeting with representatives of Dublin Bus recently the

Area Committee outlined their concerns about the green areas opposite the Glenroyal at the 66 Terminus.

Dublin Bus representative pointed out that the Bus bays in the Main Street were too small and that the terminus was not suitable for buses to pass each other comfortably. The Council engineer has agreed to inspect the terminus area to see if it can be improved.

Rejection of Incinerator Plan

Fine Gael branches throughout North Kildare welcome the rejection by An Bord Pleanála of the proposal by Thermal Waste Management to build an incinerator in Kilcock. It is particularly gratifying to note that the Board's rejection was purely on planning considerations as this was the basis for Deputy Bernard Durkan's and Councillor Senan Griffin's opposition to the proposal from the outset. It is to their credit that they persisted with this approach despite the pressure to adopt the more emotive and newsworthy issues which they correctly judged to be irrelevant at this juncture. Their approach was clearly vindicated by the fact that the Bord Pleanála enquiry focused on fourteen of the fifteen planning considerations raised in their personal objections to the proposal.

Both Deputy Durkan and Councillor Griffin are particularly pleased that the negative impact of the incinerator on the leisure and amenity value of the Royal Canal, which was highlighted in their objections, was accepted by the Bord which states

"The development by reason of its scale, height, and location in the vicinity of the Royal Canal, a recognised long distance walking route and an area of high amenity as set out in the County Development Plan, would seriously injure the visual and recreational amenities of the canal side environment which it is the policy of the Council to protect and develop."

The members wish to thank both their public representatives for the time and effort they devoted to defeating this proposal. They would particularly like to refer to Bernard Durkan's performance at the public enquiry in the Glenroyal Hotel which was acknowledged, by those who witnessed it, as a tour de force.

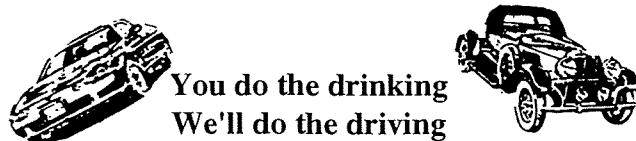


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FIANNA FAIL CUMANN MAYNOOTH

A very successful fundraising breakfast was held by THE recently reformed Fianna Fail Cumann in Maynooth last Monday, 6th March in the Glenroyal Hotel. The event was attended by over seventy people representing various elements of the local community. Also in attendance was the Minister for Finance, Charlie McCreevy who, addressing the GROUP, praised the attendees for their impact on the economy and for contributing to the increased development and employment in the area. The Minister stated that County Kildare is now the envy of many counties throughout Ireland, given its current rate of improvement and wealth of opportunity. He noted that in 1987 1 million people were employed in Ireland and within the next two years this figure will have increased to 1.7 million. Maynooth has certainly played it's part in creating this success.

The Minister also praised the reactivated Fianna Fail Cumann in Maynooth on the success of this fundraiser, acknowledging that it was the first of its kind that he had seen which had been organised at cumann level. He complimented the newly elected committee on their hard work.

Cllr. Paul Kelly, also addressed the breakfast, spoke on some of the latest improvements which are on their way to Maynooth. He announced that the long-awaited Bond Bridge project would be commencing in the coming months at a cost of £1.5 million. Councillor Kelly also raised the issue of the doubling of the rail line between Maynooth and Clonsilla, which is currently taking place. From January 2001, Maynooth is envisaged to have a twenty minute service to Dublin. Finally, Cllr. Kelly mentioned that the Meadowbrook link road now looks likely to go ahead in the near future.

The Maynooth Cumann welcomed any new members interested in joining the cumann and announced that the next meeting of the cumann will take place on April 10th at 8.30pm in the Glenroyal Hotel, Straffan Road.

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FLIGHT FROM THE LAND

A traditional way of life has been deteriorating since the famine, with the odd fluctuation through the years. I lived with the horse era and the slow transition during the war until the 1950's to the tractor era. Those days when large estate were decimated by the land commission. When These 23-35 acre farms supported the farmer and in some enterprising small holdings., two or more sons or daughters working full time depending on the intensity of their particular operation. The ever expanding scheme of rural electrification was a boom milking machines, water pumps and in the home washing machines etc. which in turn relieved the woman of the house of inhibiting chores and reduced her working day from 16-12 hour day. The number of hired land operatives dwindled from average of 5 or on moderate farm to 2 and nowadays nil. This trend started with the farm operatives strike of 1946-47 and continued with modern mechanisation. Those finepre E.E.C. days the average mixed farms consisted of hay, grain, potatoes, sweets, crops, with a couple of milk cows, pigs and the free range hens, ducks and geese forging around the farm yard.

These days the foundation of Macra in 1944 and the N.F.A. a decade later, there was an air of hope and expectancy reaching a high with our entry to the E.E.C. which led to mountains of over produced food.

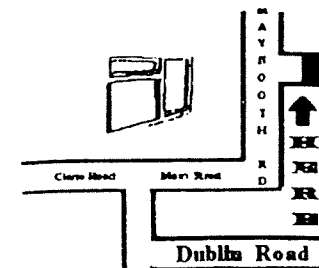
Now in the first quarter of the new century we are advised that in this decade the number of full time farms will fall from 200,000 to 20,000 with 60,000 part time and 20,000 traditional.

Agricultural food, state that full time farmers will consist of approximately 70,000 gallons of milk quota or equivalent, to be viable 400 acres of tillage annually, 175 cattle or 1,160 ewes over 2 years transferring to 13000 commercial dairy farms, 7000 others encomasosing beef, sheep, tillage, pigs or poultry.

Part timers will concentrate on beef production, finally this 20,000 will not be all family farms but will consist of about 5,000 corporate and syndicate farms employing a manager, some hired operatives and contractors. "A return to our old estates proper".

Rural life will never be the same during my lifetime indeed the flight from the land, is no longer a poetic meandering, but a tragic loss to our way of life.

Bob O'Reilly



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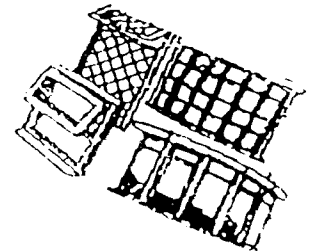
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Convent Lane / Dunboyne Road

Residents will be well aware of the appalling state of this road / footpath / verge. Following extensive representations, Cllr. John McGinley has got the following positive response from Mr. Des O'Connor the Councils Senior Executive Engineer for the area "As you state, there must be some Development Levy funding to do the work here, and I am hoping that Development Levies can be used this year to carry out improvements."

Safety of Junction at Greenfield Estate and the Straffan Road

The safety at this junction was discussed at the recent AGM of the Greenfield Estate Residents Association. As a result Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to carry out the following improvements:

- Yellow box at the junction on the Straffan Road.
- Longer duration on the pedestrian crossing phase on the traffic signals at the Maxol Station in order to give traffic more time to exit from the estate.
- The pedestrian refuge to be painted in order to make it more visible to motorists.

Traffic Calming and Improved Signage

As a result of representations from residents Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to allocate funding from discretionary Grants for the following:

- Traffic Calming on Laurence Avenue, Old Greenfield and Parklands.
- Improved signage in Greenfield Estate.

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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Incinerator Rejected

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed the decision by An Bord Pleanala to refuse planning permission for the proposed toxic waste incinerator at Boycetown, Kilcock.

The community of Kilcock are to be congratulated on their success in the rejection of the proposal. Their concerns and the concerns of the people of North Kildare were vindicated in An Bord Pleanala's firm rejection of the proposal.

Public Lighting - Rathcoffey Road

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by Kildare Co. Council that an order has been placed with the E.S.B. to provide traffic route public lighting along Rathcoffey Road. The cost of the lighting is £26,500 and the E.S.B. have advised that the lighting will be provided within two weeks. This welcome news will make the Rathcoffey Road safer for residents of Parsons Hall and Castle Dawson.

Deputy Stagg is now pressing the Council to provide a footpath along the front boundary of the estates to be financed from development levies.

Traffic Calming - Meadowbrook

Arising from the realignment of Bond Bridge and the provision of the Meadowbrook link to the Straffan Road, Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are seeking the provision of traffic calming and safety measures along Meadowbrook Road.

Speed cushions are required at a number of points along the road and a pedestrian crossing is required near the Beaufield shops. Boundary walls are also required at the green areas of the road.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley will press the Council to include these measures as part of the Meadowbrook link project.

Redesign of 67A Bus Turning Point on the Straffan Road.

As a result of pressure from Cllr. John McGinley, Bus Eireann and Dublin Bus representatives attended Fridays Area Meeting. Cllr. McGinley asked them what they proposed for the 67A turning point as it is an eyesore at present. After much discussion it was agreed that the island needs to be reduced in size to allow two buses to pass in safety and that sufficient space should also be made at the road part of the island for pedestrians. Cllr. McGinley made the point that it might be better to hard core the remaining part of the island in a dome shape with decorative bricks. Council engineers will now draft a redesign for the approval of the Area Councillors and Dublin Bus.

Buses not pulling into Bus Bays on Main Street, Maynooth

Cllr. McGinley also asked the Dublin Bus reps to instruct their drivers to pull properly into the bus bays on Main Street, Maynooth. They are stopping on the roadway at present and this is leading to a build up of traffic in all directions. The Dublin Bus reps agreed to instruct their drivers accordingly.

Maynooth Town Improvement Works

Councillors were advised that the costings for completing Maynooths Improvement Works was as follows:

- Kilcock Road £187,000
- Mill Street £75,000
- Carton Gates/Doctors Lane £47,000
- Leixlip Road £228,000

That gives a total costing of £537,000 and with £653,000 available from Development Levies and DTOP Grants it is Cllr. McGinleys view that all of the work can now be completed. This is very good news for Maynooth. It will be Cllr. McGinleys priority to get funding to bring the Back Lanes up to the Main Street standard.

New Public Lighting Agreed

Cllr. McGinleys motion to have three double headed public lights installed in the green triangular area between Rockfield, Parklands and Railpark Estates was agreed at Fridays Area Meeting of the Council. The ESB will now be asked to install them at a cost of £2,500. 'Cllr. McGinleys motion to have a light installed outside house number 33 Carton Court was also agreed. It was also agreed to install three lights in the area of the horseshoe, top green, Leixlip Park and five lights on Distillery Lane, Leixlip.

Silken Vale, Cul-de-Sac of Houses 23-27

Cllr. John McGinley proposed at the Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council on Friday 3rd March that Iarnrod Eireann's Planning Application (Ref: 202/2000) for an 'access Maintenance Gate' adjacent to 27 Silken Vale be refused. He argued that:

- It would interfere with the residents private as the proposed access is via the boundary wall between the residents cul-de-sac and the railway station.
- It would constitute a security risk for residents.
- It would devalue properties in the area.
- There is no need for such an access as Iarnrod Eireann already have access from the station.

The other Councillors agreed to his proposal and the County Manager will have to take this unanimous recommendation of the Councillors into account when he is making his decision on the application.

The County Secretary has further advised Cllr. McGinley that it is the opinion of the Council that Planning Permission is not required for the development of the Generator Room and the Signal Box, which is being built inside the wall.

Maynooth's One Stop Shop

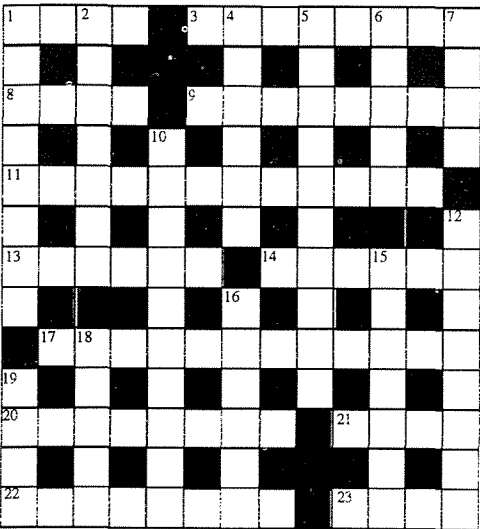
Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That the Leixlip Area Committee be fully involved in establishing the Council's ONE STOP SHOP for Maynooth i.e. site selection and the services provided."

Since Minister Dempsey approved funding of £200,000 for the project in 1998 nothing has happened.

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Crossword No. 147



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Across

- 1. Travel permit (4)
- 3. Religion (8)
- 8. Italian city (4)
- 9. Agreeable (8)
- 11. Secret (12)
- 13. Tower (6)
- 14. Exchange (6)
- 17. Easy-going (5-3-4)
- 20. Local (8)
- 21. Unhearing (4)
- 22. Amusing story (8)
- 23. Healy (5)

Down:

- 1. Truthfulness (8)
- 2. Class (7)
- 4. Figure (6)
- 5. On the long side (10)
- 6. Snake (5)
- 7. Required (4)
- 10. Probability (10)
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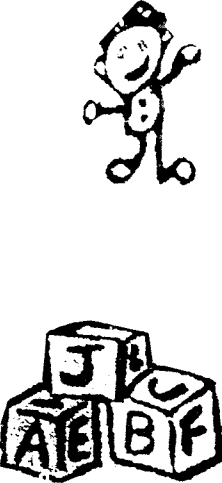


Across: 3. Fetid; 9. Tender; 10. Tumble; 11. Eased; 12. Aped; 15. Puce; 17. Married; 20. Tar; 21. Recur; 23. Away; 25. Gift; 26. Maker; 28. Cos; 30. Rotated; 33. Alto; 35. Lane; 36. Habit; 38. Indeed; 39. Newest; 40. Merge.

Down: 1. Steam; 2. Infer; 3. Fee; 4. Eraser; 5. Item; 6. Dud; 7. About; 8. Deter; 13. Parasol; 14. Dream; 16. Canteen; 18. Defer; 19. Mug; 22. Rival; 24. Yap; 27. Roving; 28. Cabin; 19. Study; 31. Tamed; 32. Deity; 34. Wade; 36. Hem; 37. Tee.



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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Maynooth maestro and came up with two quality goals of his own to put the game beyond doubt, midway through the half. But to Sarsfields credit' they didn't give up and strung some nice moves together to put some respectability on the score-board. Ably abetted by a tightened defence' of which Shane Kenny and Brett Powell stood out, their attacks became more numerous and more longer lasting. It was only in the last ten minutes that Sarsfields began to play to their full potential and scored 2-3 in this period, with goals coming from Mark Swift and Gary Molyneux. However this late revival merely put respectability on the score-board and never troubled a Maynooth side, whom on the basis of this performance look a good bet for the league title.

SCORERS

Maynooth, P. Ennis 1-6, D. Comerford 2-2, C. McCullagh 1-1, D. Canning 1-1 G McMahon 0-1, F O' Donoghue 0-1.

SARSFIELDS; Mark Swift 1-0, Gary Molyneux 1-0, John McNamara 0-2, Ronan Smullen 0-2, Olen O'Mahony 0-1, Adrain Murnihan 0-1.

MAYNOOTH; Fergus Deveraux, Brian Downes, Brendan Coffey, Stephen Curran, Stephen Broderick, Colin O'Neill, Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney, Peirre Ennis, David Comerford, Ciaran McCullagh, Fintan O'Donoghue, Brian Downey, Gary McMahon, Dermot Canning.

SUBS; Paul Broughan for O'Donoghue, Mark for Canning.

WIDES GALORE AS MAYNOOTH FAIL TO SPARKLE
Minor League Div.2: Raheens 0-8 Maynooth 1-2

In a game full of poor shooting, Maynooth let Raheens in for a victory they should never have had, reports BRENDAN COFFEY.

A lively start to the game certainly didn't set the tone for the match as both sides went on to shoot some terrible wides throughout the game. Raheens drew first blood and this score came on one of their rare attacks during the half, after five of play. Maynooth were totally on top half but their shooting lacked all accuracy and this was reflected in the score-board in which they scored 1-2 in the whole course of the game. On ten minutes Donal O' Houlihan equalised for Maynooth and that was followed up by a beautiful point from the left boot of of Alan Baxter. However was the height of Maynooth's point -scoring ability and failed to add to their points tally for the remainder of the game. For all their dominance, they did get the reward of a goal when Morgan Sweeney made a chance for himself. His one on one with the keeper failed to produce a goal but luckily for Maynooth, count minor Padraig O'Sullivan was on hand to finish past Gavin Cahill in the Raheens goal. However this score was the last for Maynooth in the game and from there in they squandered numerous chances. Raheens on the other-hand relied on the odd break up the Maynooth end from which they were much more economical and scored three points in the half. H/T Score: Maynooth 1-2 Raheens 0-3.

The second half had not much to talk about on the lines of football and would have been more noted for the amount of injuries than the standard of football. After about a ten minute stoppage because of injuries to Raheen's Adrian Delmar and Alan Hannigan, Raheens slowly but surely overcame their deficit, with centre-back John Eves responsible for most of Raheen's scores. Eventually after about twenty minutes, Eves put over a fourteen yard free to give Raheens the lead. Two further points from Adain

Delmar, who was denied a goal thanks to a brilliant save from Dean Conway, and Mick Gordan, put Raheens in a commanding position with about ten minutes to go. Maynooth then brought on Micheal Gleeson and Dermot Canning to try and lend some impetus to the Maynooth attack but try as they might they couldn't find a winning score and were left to rue their missed chances in the first half.

Teams And Scores: Maynooth; Dean Conway, Shane Pigeon, Barry Doyle, Peter Sheenan, Shane Deveraux, Killian Carr, Martin Dolan, Alan Sweeney, Padraig O'Sullivan (1-0), Donal O'Houlihan, Sean Brady, Patrick O'Rourke, Alan Baxter (0-1) Thomas McGovern, Morgan Sweeney, Subs: Maynooth: Paddy King for McGovern, Mick Gleeson for McGovern, D.J. Canning for O'Houlihan. Raheens: Gavin Cahill, David Phelan, David Curran, Alan Campbell, Conor Smith, John Eaves (0-3), Martin Smith, Paul Smith, Martin Kenna, Gordon Byrne, Mick Gordon (0-1) David Roker (0-2) Adrian Delmar (0-1) Alan Hannigan (0-1) Jamie Smith.

LARRIE'S HOLD MAYNOOTH, BUT ONLY BRIEFLY

U16 Football League: Maynooth 6-11 St Laurence's 1-6 After a very poor first -half display, Maynooth showed why they're rated so highly with an outstanding second-half performance, ending in a convincing victory for the North Kildare side reports BRENDAN COFFEY.

Returning from their comprehensive victory over Sarsfield's two weeks ago, Maynooth were a much poorer side in the opening side of this contest as shot after shot sailed harmlessly wide. Right from the off, it was clear Maynooth were the better side but they could not reflect it on the score-board, with a fruitless first half producing only three points. However Laurence's could not punish this poor shooting and managed to go in a point down at the break! This left the opening half as a dire affair and Maynooth just about ground out three points, mainly thanks to midfielder Pierre Ennis, while Laurence's kept in touch with points from Joe O'Meara and Jason Murphy.

H/T: Maynooth 0-3 St. Laurence's 0-2.

SECOND HALF

All guns were blazing for Maynooth as they took to the field for the commencement of the second half and as soon as the

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Had Excellent Performers In Stephen Kelly, Tom Mullarkey, Eoin Nevin, Aidan McCarron, Karl Ennis, Conor Diggins, Matt Clallaghan And Alan Nugent. The Final Score Was Naas 1-9, Maynooth 1-8.

David U/16 Football League Maynooth 2-19 Moorfield 2-10 A superb performance from Maynooth saw them come within a minute of victory against Moorfield, a team which beat them by a margin of fifteen points just a couple of months ago, writes Brendan Coffey.

Playing with the wind in the first half, Maynooth started well and took the game to the South Kildare side, who conceded two points early on through Pierre Ennis frees. Moorfield were much the dominant team at midfield and a huge amount of possessions in this department, paving the way for most of Moorefield scores. Both sets of forwards were guilty of poor shooting in the opening quarter, as the wind played havoc with most shots on goal. Midway through the half, things were all square and both full-forward lines became much more confident in front of goal as the half wore on. In particular, Gary McMahon and Pierre Ennis were very impressive for Maynooth and were thorns in the Moorefield defence.

PENALTY

The turning point of the half came about twenty-five minutes in, when a Moorefield attacker was taken down in the parallogram, resulting in the home team being awarded a penalty. The ball was coolly stuck to the back of the net and this score put Moorefield ahead for the first time in the game. A further point before the end of the half left Moorefield ahead by two at the interval.

SECOND HALF

Playing against an increased in the second half, Maynooth held their own in the opening exchanges and came within a point of the home side. However it didn't take long for Moorefield to assert themselves in front of the goal and quickly regained their two point advantage. Minutes later, the south side scored a second goal and looked poised to pull away from Maynooth with a strong wind to boot. Moorefield didn't make the most of their chances and shot a succession of wides. Following this spree of wides, Maynooth gained in confidence and owed much debt to half-backs Colin O'Neill and Fergal Molloy who bore a hole in the Moorefield game with some blistering solo-runs through the heart of the Moorefield defence. These runs were then finished off in style by Ciaran McCullough and Peirre Ennis. Maynooth put themselves right back in it on forty-five minutes when half-back David Comerford found the back of the net.

This score signalled the start of a dominant period of about ten minutes for Maynooth, who took full control of the contest. Shortly afterwards Peirre Ennis and Alan Sweeney added further points to bring Maynooth within two points of Moorefield. A quick break up the field up the field by Moorefield, saw them score another point to put them ahead by one again.

Maynooth soon had Moorefield back in their own half and out them under immense pressure resulting in Brian Downey getting a second goal, following a poor kickout from the Moorefield "keeper. This goal drew Maynooth level, with about five minutes remaining and went in search of a winning score, which they looked to have found after Peirre Ennis scored his sixth point two minutes later. However, a

famous victory was not to be had by the Maynooth men, when seconds before full-time Moorefield got an equalising score to leave the result in a draw.

Maynooth, Team and Scorers:

Fergus Deveraux, Brian Dowens, Brendan Coffey, Stephen Curran, Colin O'Neill, Tadhg O'Corcora, Fergal Molloy (0-1), Alan Sweeney (0-1), Peirre Ennis (0-6), David Comerford (1-0), Ciaran McCullagh (0-1), Fintan O'Donoghue, Brian Downey (1-0), Gary McMahon (0-1), D.J. Canning.

First-half flurry earns Maynooth Convincing Victory
U/16 Football league Maynooth 5-13 Sarsfields 2-7

Another impressive performance from Maynooth earned them three points at home to a valiant Sarsfields side, writes BRENDAN COFFEY.

Straight from the off, Maynooth continued in the same vein which earned them a draw against Moorfield and totally dominated the first half. Playing with a slight wind advantage, Maynooth started at a blistering pace and had two points on the board after barely three minutes of play, though Alan Sweeney and Ciaran McCullagh. The Sarsfields defence was under a huge amount of pressure and a goal looked inevitable as Dermot Canning was twice denied by good saves by good saves by Ciaran Gany. However Gany soon succumbed to the Maynooth onslaught and Peirre Ennis finished off a nice move on fifteen minutes to put Maynooth ahead by six points. Ciaran McCullagh was next to find the goal range two minutes later when he got his boot to the ball in a scrambled goal-mouth incident. Further points from Gary McMahon, Peirre Ennis (5) and Dermot Canning left Maynooth well out of sight of Sarsfields, who were limited to a point for the first thirty minutes. Half-time score Maynooth (2-9) Sarsfields (0-1).

SECOND HALF

The second half was a much better contest as Sarsfields tried to make a game of it against Maynooth's relaxed style, after such brilliant opening. Any threat that may have come from the Sarsfields attack was quickly overridden by three goals in quick succession. The first, a beauty from the dazzling skills of Dermot Canning who found the net with a sizzling shot from fifteen yards. David Comerford wasn't far behind the

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (CONT.)

first goal came for Maynooth, the floodgates opened. First to strike was the ever potent Ciaran McCullagh, who took command of the parallelogram and hit a fierce shot at the helpless Laurance" keeper. This score signalled the start of Maynooth"s onslaught and so began a period of "champagne" football from the men in black.

Five goals were to follow and it was these goals which took the heart out of Larry"s performance. McCullagh doubled his goal"s tally with another glorious strike, leaving him with 2-2 to his credit. Brian Downey was next to weave his way through the Laurences" defence and he got will worked to match McCullagh"s total. Gary McMahon and Mark Cummins also got in on the goal-scoring act with two goals worthy of any contest to put the finishing gloss on the Maynooth performance. At the other end, things were being dominated by a strong Maynooth defence and St,Laurence"s managed only a consolation goal and four further points in the whole second-half. Maynooth simply cruised to their second successive victory and maintained their unbeaten record, in the campaign to date.

SCORERS, MAYNOOTH:

C.McCullagh 2-2, B.Downey 2-2 G.McMahon 1-0, M. Cummins1-0 P.Ennis 0-4 P.Broughan, D. Canning and F. O'Donoghue 0-1 each.
St Laurence"s; Sean Higgins 1-0, Jason Murphy 0-3, Padraic O'Neill 0-2, Joe O'Meara 0-1.
MAYNOOTH: Fergus Deveraux, Brian Downes, Brendan Coffey, Stephen Curran,Colin O"Niell, Tadgh O'Corcora, Fergal Molloy Pierre Ennis , Alan Sweeney,Paul Broughan, Ciaran McCullagh,Fintan O" Donoghue, Brian Downry,Gary McMahon, Dermot Canning.

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DATE: 19TH MARCH 2000

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Winner - No Winner

Next Week's Jackpot £2,500

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Last Saturday (12'2'00) Night's Medal Presentation for Intermediate Hurlers And Junior Comogie Who Brought Silverware To The Club In 1799 AndThe ChampionshipThe 1978 Juoior Hurling Team Who Captured The Championship That Year Was Attended By A Large Crowd. The Club Was Hounered To Have The Services Of Hurling Legend And Current All Star D.J. Carey To Officiate at The Medal Presentation, A True Gentelman Both On And Off The The Pitch. A Special Presention Was Also Made To Current Rugby International Robert Casey Who Hails From Maynooth And Has Played Both Hurling And Football With Distinction For The Club. It Was A Very Sucessful Night And The Club Looks Forward To Another Successful Year In 2000. The Senior Comogie Team Start Thier League Campain On 4/4/00. With A Tough Assigment Against Cappah. There Are Four Other Clubs Participating In The League Campaign With Maynooth Playing Each Team Twice And The Top Teams competing In The Final. Outdoor Coaching For 8-12 Age Group (Both Boys And Girls Commences On Saturday 25/3/ 00 From 10.15 To 11.30. The Club Would Appreciate If Some Parents Would Come Along On The Saturday Mornings To Help With The Coaching Sessions.

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Maynooth Under 21 Hurlers Played Naas In The First Round Of The Championship On 17/3/00 At Clane. The Match Was A Ding Donger From Start To Finish And Maynooth Played Some Splendid Hurling Considering This Was Their First Competitive Match Of The Season. Maynooth Led By Two Points At The End Of Sixty Minutes But In Injury Time Naas Managed To Snach A Last Gasp Goal Against Play and Rreferee Paddy Moore Blew The Full Time Whistle Seconds Later To Give Naas A Rather Fortuitous Victory. Maynooth

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4. What is the name of Mel C's current single?

5. What is the name of Atomic Kitchen's new single?

Name: _____

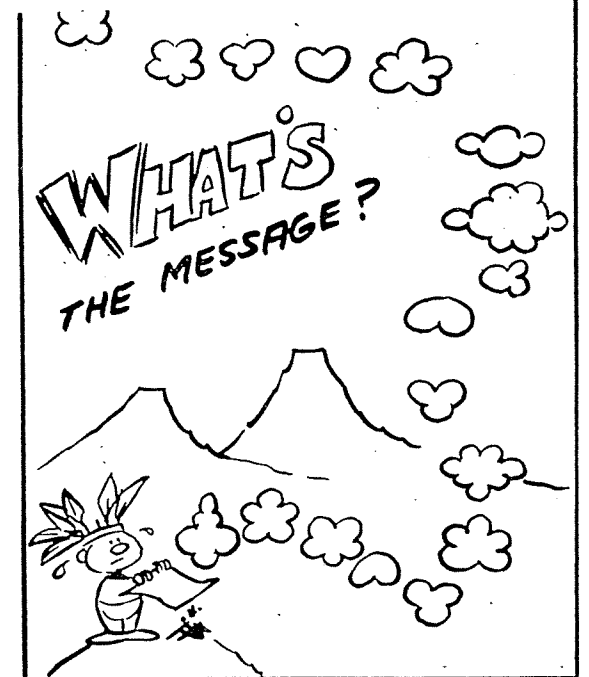
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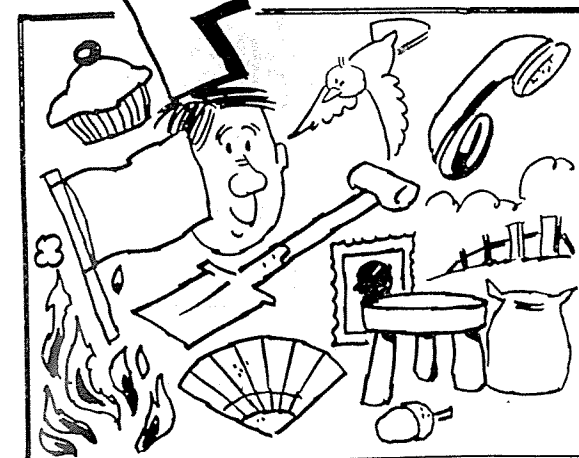
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54 College Green, Maynooth.

Children's Corner



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8 - 12 years

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1st

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Smithstown
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Áine Ball
126 Castle Dawson
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2nd

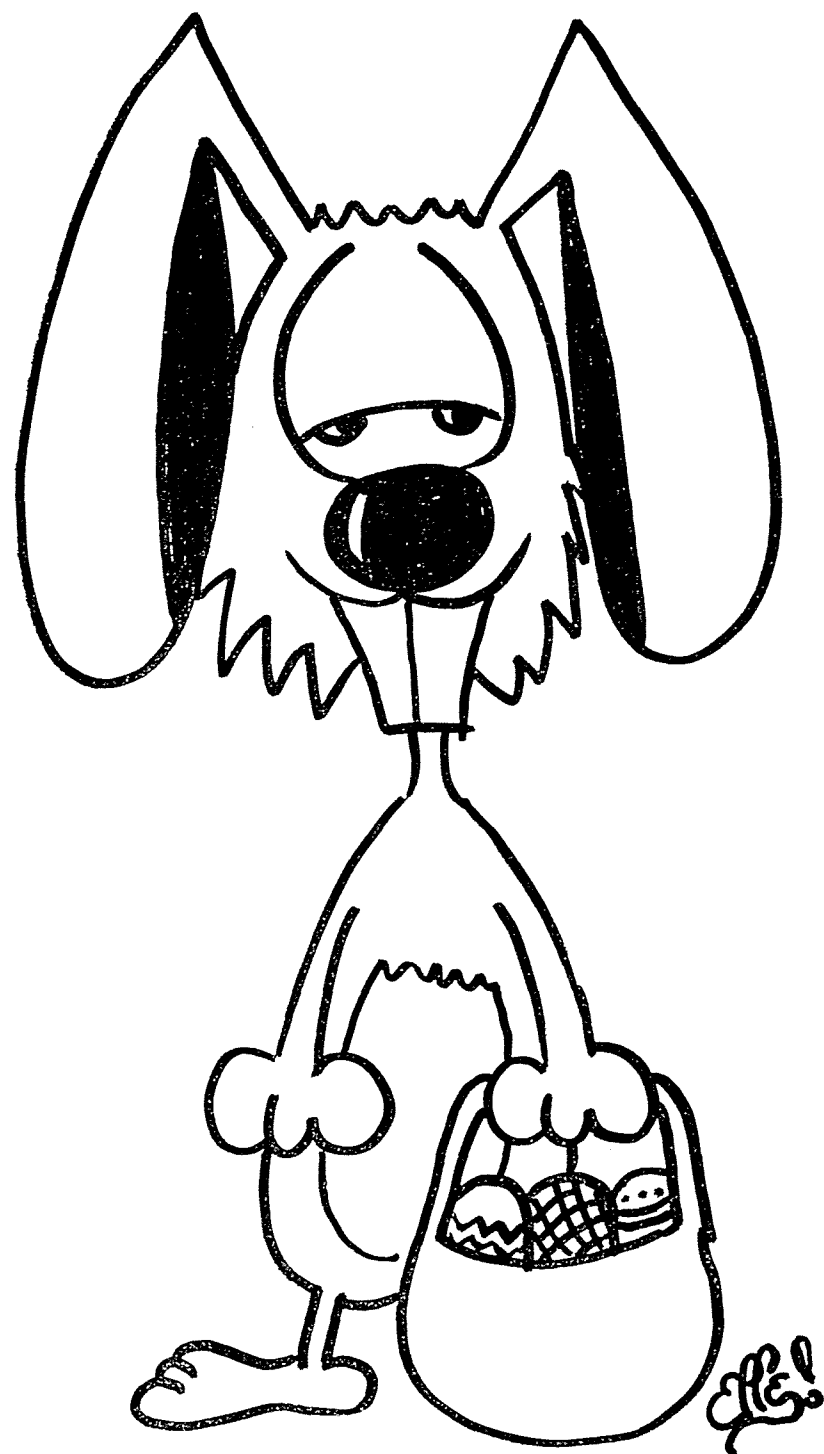
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3rd

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Cowantown
Maynooth



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ADDRESS _____

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Catherine Thompson, Maynooth. The son, daughter in laws, grandchildren and family of the late Catherine (Kitty) Thompson wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad loss.

To all those who offered their support, sent mass cards, floral tributes and telephone messages. To Dr. Cowhey, doctors, nurses and staff of Blanchardstown Hospital for their constant care. Monsignor Alex Stenson, Fr. Sinnott, Reilly's Undertakers, Prosperous and Gravediggers. A special thanks to friends and neighbours for their kindness and support and to all at the Old Folks Committee. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually the holy sacrifice of the mass has been offered for your intentions.

SYMPATHIES

Thompson (nee Burke) Son, Pat, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchild Mark, relatives and friends of Catherine Thompson, Old Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Kiersey (nee Delaney) Children, grandchildren, great-grandchild, relatives and friends of the late Jane Kiersey (Maynooth and Drumcondra).

Green Sister, Rita, brothers Mngr. Stephen and Fr. Kevin, brother-in-law Terence, nephew Stephen, niece Elizabeth and friends of the late William (Liam) Green, Main Street, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

BIRTHDAYS

Gerard McTernan, Old Greenfield, Happy birthday, March 4th, best wishes from Daddy, Mammie, sister Clare, Granny and Grandad.

Christina Saults, Parson Street, Birthday March 4th. Best wishes from Willie, John and friends.

SILVER WEDDING

Congratulations to **Paddy and Barbara Nolan**, Old Greenfield who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on February 22nd. Party for family and friends was held in 'The Geraldine Arms' and a happy evening for all present.

PRAYER

O Sweet Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful One, Splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the son of God. Immaculate Virgin, Star of the Sea. Help and show here you are my mother, Oh, Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to three (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Sweet Mother I place this cause in your hands (three times). Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine again. **M.D.**

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INSIDE



Maynooth gets a face lift



*Maynooth wins gold and silver
at set dancing*

Old Maynooth Street Names to be Revived

Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum are preparing a submission to Kildare County Council which will see new street signage erected and some historic street names being revived. The group is proposing that the new street signs will incorporate old names that were in use in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries and also a new town crest. Old names such as Lime Kiln Row (now called Cross Lane), Charter School Lane (now called Convent Lane) and Canal Place (now called Leinster Street) have been identified from old maps of the town and it is being suggested that these names be included in the new street signage. In the second half of the eighteenth century the centre of the town was rebuilt by the Duke of Leinster and later in the nineteenth century many new street names came into being such as Doctor's Lane. The full details of their proposal is outlined in this issue of the Newsletter and the group is keen to receive feedback from local residents. Suggestions should be addressed to The Secretary, Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum, c/o The Library, Main Street.

£100 Prize offered for Crest Design

Maynooth's new street signs are to incorporate a town crest. The Community Council is offering a prize of £100 for the best design. At the Community Council's last meeting various suggestions were put forward, including the famous Fitzgerald family 'monkey' crest to be seen above the entrance to the castle. Other suggestions included crests incorporating features from the College. Anyone entering the competition is encouraged to use their imagination! Submissions, which should be handed in at the Library, will be accepted up until June 30th.

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EDITORIAL

The new Community Council met for the first time in April. Reports elsewhere in the Newsletter outline the wide range of activities that the outgoing Council has been involved in over the previous year. In addition, the Council, in sponsoring a Community Employment Scheme, provides valuable training and work experience for fifteen local people hoping to re-enter the workforce. On the debit side, however interest in the Community Council is at a fairly low level in the town with dozens of seats unfilled on the Council and whole areas of the town unrepresented. A number of the newer estates, whose residents might have most to gain from becoming involved in Community Council activities, have no members on the Council while there is a marked absence of representatives from the older parts of Maynooth. The whole town centre area, for example, has no members on the Council. Some of this may be down to a growing apathy which seems to be a problem for all voluntary groups. And some of it may be down to a failure on the Council's part to adequately promote its own profile in the town. Perhaps improved communication between the Council and Maynooth's numerous Residents Associations would help to stimulate a wider level of participation in the Council's affairs.

Over the years Maynooth Community Council has been involved in some very useful campaigns on issues of importance to the local community. Back in the 1980's the ROAR (Repair Our Awful Roads) campaign, the campaign for a new town square and, more recently, the campaign for a new Bond Bridge have all had important support for the Council. Perhaps the time has come for the new Community Council to take on a more campaigning role. There is certainly no shortage of issues-traffic, parking, litter, facilities for our children and teenagers, better public transport, vandalism, promotion of the arts, recycling, town commission status.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP MAYNOOTH BRANCH

The R.C.A.G. Maynooth would like to announce that we now have new office facilities in the harbour. This new office will accommodate the R.C.A.G. community employment scheme. There will be a boat rally coming through Maynooth commencing May 13th on the Grand Canal, continuing through the Liffey, on to the Royal Canal continuing to Phibsborough where a reception will be held. The barges will follow to Maynooth where they will stay overnight before continuing their trip to Mullingar to conclude on the 20th May. Do come and visit these splendid vessels in Maynooth harbour.

M. Murphy, Assistant P.R.O.

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Annual General Meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 17th April in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Chairman's Report

Tom McMullan thanked all who helped and supported him during his term as Chairman.

He paid special thanks to the Executive, Muireann, Dominic Nyland, Paul Croughan. He also thanked Norah McDermott and Freda Kellegher for all their help during his term. He outlined some events that took place during the last few years. He said he was disappointed that the Harbour Field and Geraldine Hall was not resolved. He said the ongoing commitment from the Sub-Committees was to be commended.

He thanked the Editorial Board and office staff for their work on the Newsletter. He congratulated the Task Force for their far-seeing plans for Maynooth. He also noted that Fás had plans to make big changes to the schemes in Maynooth and wished them well.

Tom ended by saying that he would not be contesting the Chair.

Secretary's Report

Murieann Ní Bhrolocháin thanked the Executive and Councillors for all their support during the year. She noted and thanked all the Sub-Committees for their on-going hard work. She said the St. Patrick's Day Parade had again been a great success. She thanked Paul Croughan for his work with the office and also with organising the office move. She also noted her disappointment that the Harbour Field had not advanced further. She also noted that the Harbour Field is the responsibility of the Trustees not the Community Council.

She said that there are forty-seven vacancies on the Council not filled. She had hoped that Residence Associations and other groups would have people co-opted.

The new seating on the Main Street was commented on. She paid tribute to Dominic Nyland who was stepping down as treasurer after thirteen years.

Treasurer's Report

Dominic Nyland proceeded with his report. He said that funds were at an all time low. Having to meet a short-fall for the rent of the office premises had taken a heavy toll on funds. He thanked all who had helped him through-out his time as treasurer. He said as he had already stated he would not be contesting the Treasurer's job, but would stay on as Councillor.

Street Names

Padraig O'Murchú stated that Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum are proposing to rename Maynooth streets with both new and old names.

Town Centre

He also stated that there is £8,500 available for street signage in Maynooth. It was stated that local residents are to be informed.

There is more information in the Newsletter with a list of street names. Senan Griffin asked could a new logo be designed for Maynooth. It would incorporate College, town, etc. A request to be made to the public for ideas for the new logo. It was proposed and agreed that £100 be made available for a prize for best design.

Harbour Field

John McGinley stated that Kildare Co-Council would take over the Harbour /Field and develop it, if trustees agreed. It was stated that it was now some time since there was a meeting. Peter Connell stated that Maynooth Action Strategy should get involved. It was seriously felt that the whole thing is taking too long and as there is funding available and it could be lost.

Summer Project - Community Games

Claire O'Rourke stated that the summer Project is going well and their fund raising is going well. It will run for two weeks again this year.

Marie Gleeson said Community Games is also going well. There is a report in the Newsletter.

Tidy Towns Report

Richard Farrell stated that Maynooth scored badly in Tidy Towns competition mainly due to litter.

The Sunday morning clean-up is on-going and the group could do with more people to help. It was stated that if each estate was told where it fell down improvements could be made.

Dorothy Dornan and Richard Farrell represent the community Council on Maynooth Action Strategy and will present a report at the next meeting.

Kavanagh's Mill

A letter was received from Mr. Michael McNulty regarding the planned complex at the Mill. The Community Council as a body are asked for their ideas about the project.

Damage to Net in Harbour Field

John Doogan stated that nets were damaged at their pitch and made useless. He said that it was adults that caused the damage.

Office

Paul Croughan said that four new workers had started in the office and there were now thirteen. It was stated that a Limited Company should be set up as soon as possible.

Election of Officers for the coming Year

Chairperson	John Doogan
Vice-Chairperson	Hugh Gallagher
Secretary	Muireann Ní Bhrolocháin
Treasurer	Willie Saults
P.R.O.	Marie Gleeson.

Cont./

Community Council Notes

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES (Cont)

Date and venue of next meeting

The next meeting of the Community Council will be held on the 8th May in the Glenroyal Hotel at 8.00 p.m.

List of Vacancies

Town Centre - 5 seats, vacant
Railpark/Straffan Road - 1 seat, vacant
Castle Dawson - 2 seats, vacant
Lyreen Park / Nangle Court - 2 seats, vacant
Parson Hall - 2 seats, vacant
Pebble Hill - 2 seats, vacant
Railpark Estate - 2 seats, vacant
Carton Court - 2 seats, vacant
Kingsbry - 5 seats, 1 vacant
Greenfield - 3 seats, 2 vacant
Beaufield - 3 seats, 2 vacant
Beaufield - 3 seats, vacant
Meadowbrook - 4 seats, 3 vacant
Cluain Aoibhinn - 2 seats, 1 vacant
College Green - 2 seats, 1 vacant
Moyglare Road / Meadows / Village - 4 seats, 2 vacant
Moyglare Abbey - 2 seats, 1 vacant
Newtown / Woodlands / Ashley Court - 2 seats, 1 vacant
Newtown Court - 2 seats, vacant
Silken Vale - 2 seats, vacant
Castlebridge - 1 seat, vacant
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The Parents Association would like to thank Conroy's Pharmacy, Brian Lanigan of McCormack's Pharmacy, Callagy's Pharmacy, St. Patrick's Pharmacy, Kehoe's Delicatessens and all those who provided spot prizes for the recent 70's Disco held in the G.A.A. Hall.

Congratulations to all the boys of second class who made their First Confession on Saturday 8th April. Their performance of the Good Shepherd was outstanding as was the entire ceremony and a credit to all those involved in its preparation. Well done also to the boys in the choir who were led by Mr. Mullen. I'm sure the boys are already busy preparing for their First Holy Communion which will be held on Saturday 13th May.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

At this time we wish to inform the parents and children that the program for Summer Project 2000 is advancing along nicely. Most events have already been provisionally booked thanks to the generosity and support of the business community of Maynooth.

We will acknowledge all our sponsors in our next notice.

Margaret Loane, P.R.O.

A message to all past students of ST. BRIGID'S BOARDING SCHOOL Convent of Mercy, Tuam, Co. Galway.

SUMMER 2000 PAST PUPILS REUNION

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

Maynooth Community Games held the gymnastics competition on Monday 3rd April in the Parish Hall Maynooth. Results as follows.

		Maynooth East	Maynooth West
Boys Under 6	1st	Patrick Murray	Cian Walsh
	2nd	Alan O'Toole	
Girls Under 6	1st	Zeta Cunningham	Ruth O'Hurley
	2nd		Ciara O'Sullivan
	2nd		Rebecca O'Neill
	3rd		Aoife O'Sullivan
Boys Under 8	1st	Kevin Peelo	Darragh Fitzgerald
	2nd	David White	David Scanlon
	3rd		Jack Hogan
Girls Under 8	1st	Niamh Kearney	Ruth Burns
Boys Under 10	1st	Colm Peelo	Chris Tuthill
	2nd	Ciaran Kearney	
	3rd	Shane Hawthorn	
Girls Under 10	1st	Juliet Cunningham	Elaine Houlihan
	2nd	Niamh Morrin	Claire McNamara
Boys Under 12			
Girls Under 12	1st	Niamh McAuliffe	Alida O'Connor
	2nd	Alison McAuliffe	Katie Burns
	3rd		Claire Magrane
Gymnastics			
Boys Under 14			
Girls Under 14	1st	Elaine McAuliffe	

Many thanks to Leonard the Maynooth Club Gymnastics teacher for the use of his time and equipment for the competition. The County finals will be held in Athy on Sunday 4th June.

MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Due to a mix-up with our permit this year our annual collection will take place on the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th of May instead of March. This is also the weekend of the "Telethon" and I trust we will not be eclipsed by such an event.

The Tony Smith Memorial walk which is organised by the Labour Party in association with our committee will take place on Sunday 28th May at 3p.m.

Congratulations to Peg and Matt Smith who celebrated their "Golden Wedding" anniversary on April 10th.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of John Coakly, John Carroll, Liam Green, Ellen Rossiter, Maureen Butler and Jane Kiersey all of whom died recently. May they rest in peace.

Finally, may I thank the "Newsletter" for their kind remarks regarding my booklet "Independent Living for Older People" in their book review. I do hope the many carers out there either now or in the future will derive something from this publication. The booklet is on sale at Barry's Newsagents, Donovans Londis and the Maynooth Bookshop. All monies from sales go into the coffers of our organisation.

Josephine Moore

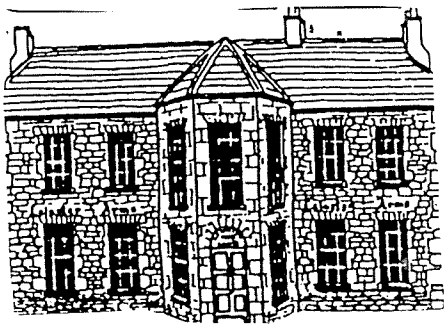
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WOMEN'S FORUM IN MAYNOOTH.

It is over three years since Archbishop Connell set up the Women's Forum. It has provided opportunities for women and bishops, and women and priests, to meet and discuss issues of mutual concern in the church and society. Many parishes have a forum. Each priest elects two representatives to represent the parish at Deanery level. And then, each Deanery elects one representative to represent the Deanery at the top Plenary level. It is at this level that the Archbishop, other Bishops and representatives of the Council of priest meet regularly the women discuss pertinent issues. (This also happens at Deanery level, on a yearly basis).

Here in the parish of Maynooth we have a Women's Forum. The A.G.M. was held on the 29th February, and the parish's representatives for the coming year are Noelle Topley and Lourdes Hendrick.

We held a very successful afternoon of Reflection and Prayer last October. This year, we have one planned for Saturday 27th May. It will take place in the National Liturgy Centre, St Patrick's College, Maynooth, from 2.p.m. to 5.p.m. Ms Carol Barry will lead and direct us.

We issue an invitation to all members, or even non-members! All are most welcome. For further information contact Noelle at 6285888, or Lourdes at 6286136.

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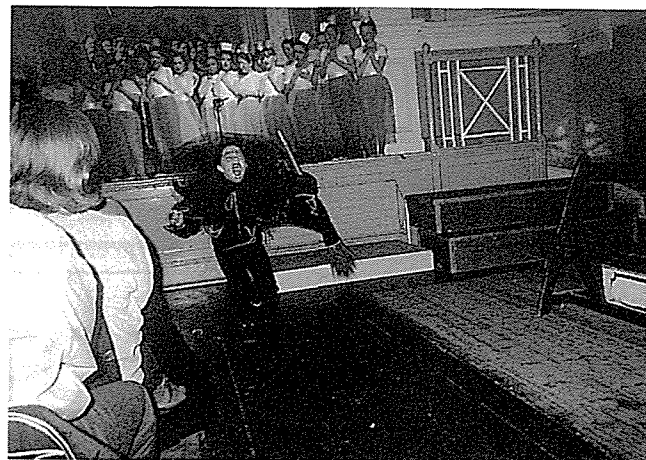
Brilliant is the only way to describe the presentation of the Girl's School of the Briar Rose, also known as The Sleeping Beauty.

Staged in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth College involving up to 150 children, it was a credit to those who presented it.

The Operetta was first shown in 1900.

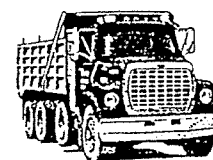
Directed by Paula Fay, everything went perfect. The music, costumes, wardrobe, scenery, lighting and sound were second to none.

Special praise must be given to the teachers who obviously put a lot of effort and time into this production.



Special thanks must also be given to Colm Nelson and also to Msgr. Dermot Farrell for providing the venue. The Aula Maxima is a very suitable venue for such a presentation (under used).

As it was on for only two nights its audience was limited. The general public should have an opportunity to see such a great production. Maybe late in the year it could be reproduced, advertised and shown to the general public (it deserves it).



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CLASS 13.

3 Tulips

1st:-	Noeleen O'Brien
2nd:-	Betty Farrell
3rd:-	Moiria Baxter

CLASS 14.

3 Stems of spring flowers (same or mixed) excluding daffodils, Narcissi or shrubs.

1st:-	Moiria Baxter
2nd:-	Pam Acton
3rd:-	Marjorie Kelly

CLASS 15.

A collection of culinary herbs in a jam jar.

1st:-	Aileen Howard
2nd:-	Imelda Desmond
3rd:-	Maureen Fagan

CUP WINNERS 2000

Judge Eve Kennedy

Maynooth University Perpetual Cup and R.H.S.I. spoon.
Best exhibit in show.
Geraldine Corscadden.

Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup and R.H.S.I. spoon.
Pam Acton - most points in show.

Bradshaw Perpetual Cup. Best exhibit in the plant section and R.H.S.I. spoon.
Joan Gibson.

Satchwell Perpetual Cup (Best exhibit in classes 1 and 2.
Geraldine Corscadden.

Flower Pot Perpetual Cup winner in Class 3.
Margaret Howe.

A.O.I.F.A. Perpetual Cup winner in Class 6.
Imelda Desmond.

The results from our club night competition on the 7th March are as follows:

(a)	Kathleen Cleary	1st
	Mary Clery	2nd
	Jo O'Donnell	3rd
	Elsa Lawlor	V.H.C.
(b)	Maureen Fagan	1st
	Mary Stickland	2nd
	Moiria Baxter	3rd
	Pat Dalton	V.H.C.
	Rosemary Smyth	C
	Janet Mac Cann	C

No entries for class C.

Plant Competition:

3 daffodils same or mixed.

Ann Walker	1st
Mary Cleary	2nd
Moiria Baxter	3rd
C. Hodge	V.H.C.
Sarah Angel	V.H.C.

Our annual outing this year will be May 12th - 14th. To the Association of Irish Floral Artists, National Festival of Flowers. The theme "Spanning the Bridge oTime. The total cost of the trip is £135, which includes coach there and return journey, 2 nights B&B plus 2 evening meals. Also included in the package is admission to the National Festival of flowers at Cork City Gaol and 2 garden visits. Enquiries to Moira Baxter - Phone: 6289102.

Our garden talk is on 16th May at 8 O'Clock.
Venue: Physics Hall. Our speaker on the night is Mary Waldron.

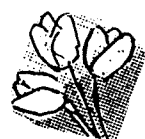
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3rd: Josephine Fay

CLASS 5.

"Easter 2000"

An horizontal exhibit to be viewed all round. Space 90cms.

1st:-	Kathleen Clery
2nd:-	Moiria Butler
3rd:-	Rosemary Smyth

CLASS 6.

"The Web"

A miniature exhibit not exceeding 10cms in width, depth and height.

1st:-	Imelda Desmond
2nd:-	Kathleen Clery
3rd:-	Mary Strickland

CLASS 7.

"Trendy Touch"

A petite exhibit - not exceeding 25cms in width, depth and height.

1st:-	Imelda Desmond
2nd:-	Felicity Satchwell
3rd:-	Ann Walker

CLASS 8.

"My favourite container"

Confined to those under 16 (age to be stated).

1st:-	Shane Corscadden	10 yrs.
2nd:-	Deirdre McCann	15yrs.
3rd:-	Sarah Baxter	15yrs.

PLANT SECTION

CLASS 9.

One stem of flowering shrub - (trees excluded).

1st:-	Joan Gibson
2nd:-	Ann Walker
3rd:-	Aileen Howard

CLASS 10.

One daffodil or narcissus

1st:-	Pam Acton
2nd:-	Joan Gibson
3rd:-	Aileen Howard

CLASS 11.

Three daffodils or narcissi (same or mixed)

1st:-	Pam Acton
2nd:-	Noleen O'Brien
3rd:-	Moria Baxter

CLASS 12.

Collection of cut flowers from the garden. (Excluding, daffodils, narcissi or shrubs).

1st:-	Pam Acton
2nd:-	Aileen Howard
3rd:-	Noeleen O'Brien

Maynooth cleaned the decks this year in prizes for the Spring shows 2000. The vast majority of the members winning prizes in the various different categories. The A.O.I.F.A. Interclub and floral artist of the year heats were also staged with Maynooth Flower & Garden Club making it through to the final.

Mary Doyle and Elsa Lawlor did an exquisite entry for Maynooth in the A.O.I.F.A. Interclub heat's and made it through to the final next year in Cork.

A.O.I.F.A. INTERCLUB HEATS RESULTS

Maynooth Club	-	Qualified
Ardee Club	-	Qualified
Doddervale	-	Qualified
Naas Club	-	In reserve for final
Balbriggan Club	-	Not placed
Sutton Club	-	Not placed

Winners from the floral artist of Floral Artist of the year heats were:-

Felicity Satchwell	-	Maynooth Club
Imelda Desmond	-	Maynooth Club
Noeleen O'Brien	-	Maynooth Club
Marie Dodrill	-	Portmarnock Club
Maureen Fagan	-	(In reserve for final) Maynooth Club

Well done to everyone who took part in these competitions winners and losers.

SPRING SHOW RESULTS

CLASS 1.

"Spring Basket" 60cms.

Confined to those who have not won a 1st prize in any show.

1st:-	Phil O'Keeffe
2nd:-	Mary Stickland
3rd:-	Pat Dalton.

CLASS 2.

"New Trend"

Pot et Fleur exhibit space 60cms.

Confined to those who have not won 3 1st prizes in any show.

1st:-	Geraldine Corscadden
2nd:-	Moiria Butler
3rd:-	Mary Stickland

CLASS 3.

"Sculpture".

A modern exhibit to include driftwood space 60cms.

1st:-	Margaret Howe
2nd:-	Rosemary Symth
3rd:-	Toni Reid

CLASS 4.

"Artist Palette"

An exhibit space 75cms.

1st:-	Pat Dalton
2nd:-	Maureen Fagan

Cont./

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GOLD AND SILVER FOR MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES SET-DANCING WINNERS

Two teams for Maynooth representing Maynooth East and Maynooth West travelled to the Curragh, Co. Kildare to take part in the County Final of the Community Games Set-dancing Competition. Both teams returned with medals. Maynooth West received silver medals for 2nd place and Maynooth East were lucky enough to achieve the **Gold** for 1st place. This means that Maynooth East will now represent **Kildare** in the Set-dancing competition, at the Community Games Finals in Mosney on the weekend of the 19th - 21st May. Congratulations girls. All the team members are from the Rita Doyle School of Dancing.



Maynooth East Team. Gold Medal Winners
Back Row: Roisin Hoban, Aoife Hoban, Sharon Lyons, Sarah Oxley.
Front Row: Karan Bracken, Eimear Flynn, Jennifer Feehan, Karen Corrlgen.



Silver Medal Winners
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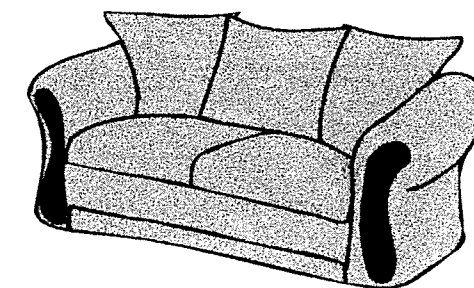
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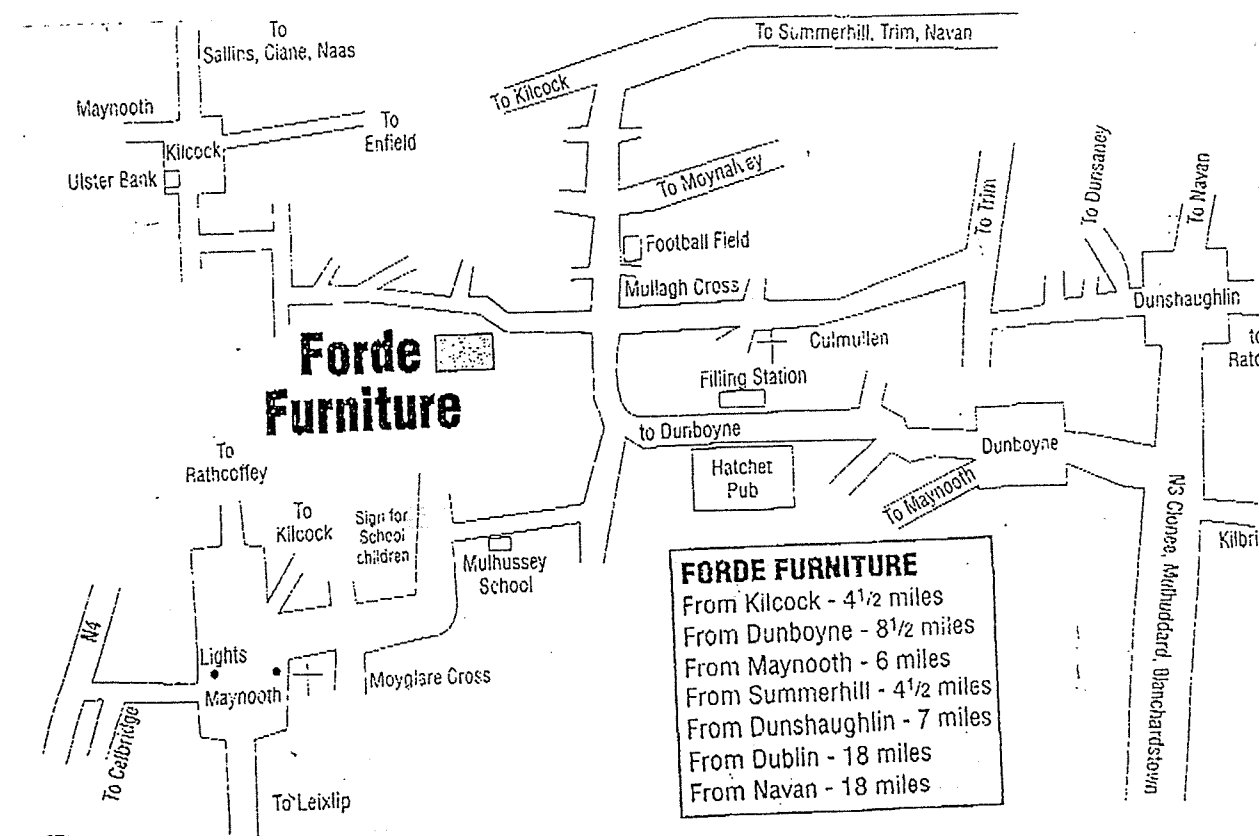
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Allocation of Discretionary Grants/Moyglare Village Wall:

At the Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council on 24th March Councillors had £17,500 each to allocate for works in the Area. In Cllr. McGinley's view this is totally inadequate and if it is spread out over a number of projects it results in nothing meaningful being done. Cllr. McGinley allocated all of his funding to build a boundary wall between Moyglare Village and the Moyglare Road. This wall has been sought by residents for a long time and is an essential safety requirement.

Unfortunately, none of the other area Councillors allocated any of their £17,500 for the wall, even though they had agreed unanimously to do so at the January meeting. As it will cost at least £25,000 to build the wall there will be a shortfall. Cllr. McGinley is in discussions with the Residents Committee with a view to getting the shortfall from the Developer.

More obstacles were thrown in the way of progress at the Councils Area Meeting on 10th April when a planning official stated that planning permission would be required for the wall. Cllr. McGinley is arranging a meeting of the Senior Planner and the Residents Association Executive with a view to resolving all problems.

Traffic Calming:

When the Councils Estimates for the year were being decided last November Cllr. McGinley proposed that £200,000 be allocated for traffic calming measures county wide. This gave the Leixlip Area Committee a total of £57,000 for traffic calming.

Each Councillor therefore had £14,250 to allocate for traffic calming measures in the Area. In line with Residents Associations, Cllr. McGinley allocated his funding as follows: **Parklands; Laurence Avenue and Old Greenfield.** Unfortunately, Councillors were advised at the Area Meeting on 10th April that Laurence Avenue and Old Greenfield do not meet with the requirements of Government Guidelines for the installation of traffic calming. The Council engineer also stated that traffic calming for Parklands would cost the full allocation of a councillor i.e. £14,250. Councillors agreed to address the matter further at the next meeting on 28th April as a result of this extraordinary new information.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have asked for Traffic Calming on Meadowbrook Road as part of the Meadowbrook Link Project and this will be considered along with the other submissions on the Project at the next Area Meeting of the Council.

Street and Back Lane signs for Maynooth:

Cllr. McGinley's motion "That funding be made available for bilingual signs indicating the names of streets and back lanes in Maynooth in line with the wishes of Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum" was agreed at the January meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council. As a result, it was agreed to allocate £8,500 for the new signs at the Area meeting on 24th March.

Children's Playground:

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration of Kildare County Council:

"That this Council works with local communities in order to provide children's playgrounds in towns where there is a demand for such facilities."

County Kildare has the unique distinction of being the only county in Ireland without a public children's playground. It is outrageous that parents in Maynooth have to go as far as Lucan for such a facility. There was a playground at the Harbour Field up until the early '80's but this disintegrated through lack of maintenance and insurance difficulties. The insurance difficulties now seem to be overcome, at least in all other counties, and the Government is awash with money so construction and maintenance should not be a problem. The Harbour Field land is also community property and would be an ideal location for a modern children's playground.

Banning Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV's) from Housing Estates:

Cllr. John McGinley wrote to all Maynooth Residents Associations asking them if they had a problem with HGV's and if residents wanted them banned from their estates. As a result of the responses Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for consideration by the Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council:

"That heavy goods vehicles in excess of three tonnes unladen weight be banned from parking in public areas of the following housing estates in Maynooth: Moyglare Village, Meadowbrook, Meadowbrook Crescent, Greenfield Estate and Parklands."

Beafield have since said that they wish to be included and if there are any other estates with this problem please contact Cllr. McGinley at 6285293 and you will be included in the scheme.

Pound Park:

In order to stop cars from driving into this park via the footpath between 18 Leinster Cottages and the adjacent house, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to install three bollards to stop this from happening. The central bollard should be lockable in order to allow a grass cutting vehicle to enter.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked the Council to provide fencing between the Park and the river in the interests of safety.

Provision of a Public Parks Department in the County:

Residents can be assured that Cllr. McGinley has not given up on his campaign to have a Parks Department set up in the county. During the estimates debate at the end of last year Cllr. McGinley proposed that funds be allocated for this purpose. A Parks Department could maintain, among others, Pound Park, Carton Avenue, The Harbour Field and a Children's Playground. Unfortunately, his proposal was defeated by a majority of Councillors.

The good news now is that the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council have submitted the following motion for the consideration of the full Council.

"That the Council provides £250,000 in next year's estimates for the maintenance of public open spaces"

Hopefully the motion will be passed as its merits should now be obvious to most Councillors.

Maynooth Development Plan:

The County Manager has engaged consultants to assist with the preparation of the Maynooth Plan and others. The Area Committee will meet them on 28th April to discuss the plan. The County Manager has stated that he wants the plan agreed by the Area committee in time to go for approval to

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the full Council at the end of May. This tight timeframe is unlikely to be met and it is more likely that the plan will go before the full Council at the end of June. It will then go on Public Display for three months in order to get comments from the people of Maynooth.

C I E Maintenance Access Gate at Silken Vale:

Unfortunately, Kildare County Council have granted Planning Permission for the gate. However, there is some comfort in that the permission is only for three years and it shall only be used to give access to the signalling relay station no more than five times a year.

Extension to Maynooth Post Primary School.

At present Maynooth Post Primary School has a capacity for 630 pupils whilst there are 712 pupils presently attending the school. Co Kildare V.E.C. requested last August approval for an extension to the school to cater for 900 pupils.

Deputy Emmet Stagg raised the delay in issuing approval with the Minister for Education recently. The Minister advised that his departments planning unit were still reviewing the future requirements of Maynooth Post Primary School.

Deputy Emmet Stagg is dissatisfied with this response. The school is at present overcrowded which is placing pressures on both staff and pupils alike. The Department seem to want to review this matter to death and he has indicated that he will continue to press the Minister on this matter.

Long Term Care Unit for Maynooth Granted Planning Permission.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the decision by Kildare Co Council on 10th April to grant planning permission to the Health Board to build a 50 bed long term residential care unit for the elderly near the existing Health Centre in the Harbour.

The provision of these facilities will mean that elderly people in Maynooth who require long term care will no longer have to be hospitalised in St Vincents, Athy, or Peamount. This will mean that elderly people will be able to remain in their own community and it will lessen the hardship for relatives travelling long distances to visit people in Athy.

Deputy Stagg stated that he would press Health Board to commence construction as soon as the date for any appeals has elapsed.

Control of Refuse Bins for Restaurants / Take Away's.

Arising from concerns expressed by residents of the Lyreen District concerning the leaving out of refuse bins by Restaurants and Take Aways on the back lanes days in advance of the refuse collection day, Deputy Stagg has tabled the following motion for consideration by Kildare Co Council:

That this council now introduce Bye - Laws under section 35 of the Waste Management Act 1996, to prevent takeaways, restaurants from leaving their refuse bins on public roads public footpaths days in advance of the collection day.

Rail Safety on Maynooth Suburban Line.

The recent Rail Safety Work Review indicates that a number of 'Unreasonable Risks' identified in October 1998 on the Maynooth Suburban Line have still not been resolved by Iarnrod Eireann. The risks identified included the crossover

at Clonsilla which whilst work is in progress on installing a new crossover still represented a risk of derailment. This matter should have been corrected by March 1999.

Deputy Emmet Stagg raised the report with Minister Mary O'Rourke in the Dail. The Minister indicated that she had made it clear to Iarnrod Eireann that she found it unacceptable that the original risks identified had not been fully resolved. She further advised that Iarnrod Eireann would now be drawing up an action plan setting specific target dates for resolving the risks.

Deputy Stagg has indicated that he will continue to apply pressure on Minister O'Rourke to ensure the safety of the travelling public.

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5. Do not buy meat in pre - packed, plastic containers.
6. Buy glass containers instead of plastic.
7. Recycle the glass.
8. Reduce the amount of tins - they cannot be recycled at present.
9. Reduce the amount of cleaners materials.

Reuse / Recycle

1. Use unavoidable packaging as waste containers (plastic bread bags, cornflakes, washing tablets, toilet paper packs etc) and put straight in the bin. Tie the bags and containers. Cardboard containers biodegrade.
2. Fill tins with rubbish, crush refuse as much as possible, this takes up less room.
3. Use all paper twice - shopping lists etc.
4. Re - use envelopes, Christmas cards, wrapping paper, if only within family.
5. Reuse clothes as cleaning cloths.

Compost.

Any small garden can have a compost heap, get a compost bin from KCC for £20.00. from the garden centre, use an old container, leave it in the corner of the garden and it will eventually produce brown, crumbly compost. This saves money on fertilizer.

What goes in.

1. Most perishable household rubbish can be composted and re - used in the garden.
2. Food, peels, skins.
3. Tissues, kitchen paper, paper, cardboard.
4. Newspapers.
5. Garden rubbish (except for weeds and diseased plants).
6. Cigarette butts.
7. Fire ashes.

Feed the birds.

They will eat the following:
Mouldy bread and crumbs
Currants etc.

Old cereals (weetabix etc)
Old cake, biscuits, stuffing

Feed the animals

Use your cat / dog to recycle food.

Reuse water.

1. Tea / coffee on houseplants.
2. Washing up water on roses for greenfly / generally on the garden.
3. Get a rain barrel / container.

Clothes.

1. In good condition - give to charities like Vincent de Paul.
2. If not - give to the Third World bins.
3. Scrap clothing - reuse as cleaning clothes.

Patronise shops with paper bags - they biodegrade
Old containers - plant new geraniums / bizzzy lizzies etc.

Try burying a plastic bag in the garden - dig it up a year later. It is still perfect.

Old carpet - kills grass for new flowerbeds, keeps weeds down in spring in flowerbeds.

Do not pack rubbish in larger bags for the bin - more unnecessary plastic.

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We preview some of the national arts institutions events. Each of the arts institutions extends a special welcome to senior citizens during Bealtaine. This is your chance to start planning now! Remember that events are generally free to retired/older people (although check when booking). Book in advance.

Art Institutions

ARTHOUSE - Multimedia Centre for the Arts

Curved Street, Temple Bar, Dublin 2
ARTHOUSE's Bureau of Arts Information will offer special Bealtaine tours including 'Artifact' - the visual database of Irish contemporary art, comprising over 5,000 images by 900 artists. Participants will be introduced to arts sites on the internet. For individuals and groups.

Contact: Antoinette Uhlar.
Tel: (01) 605 6800

Douglas Hyde Gallery

Trinity College, Dublin 2
The gallery will host the annual Bealtaine intergenerational debate on the arts (details to be confirmed). There will be tours of the exhibition of the work of Irish Artist Daphne Wright on Tuesdays at 1:15pm and Saturdays at 2pm, with lectures on Wednesdays at 1:15pm. Private tours available on request.

Contact: Isolda Sweeny.
Tel: 9010 608 1116

Film Institute of Ireland and the Federation of Irish Film Societies

6 Eustace Street, Dublin 2
Another all-Ireland film tour will follow on from last year's successful tour. Title of the film available later from the Irish Film Centre and in the Bealtaine programme. The tour will take in venues all around the island as well as the Irish Film Centre in Dublin's Temple Bar and, this year for the first time, 3 UCI venues of Blanchardstown, Coolock and Tallaght.
Contact: Grainne Humphreys.
Tel: (01) 679 5744

Irish Museum of Modern Art

Royal Hospital, Military Road, Kilmmainham, Dublin 8
Artworks by members of St Michael's Parish Active Retirement Art Group, from last year's very popular exhibition at the Museum '.....and start to wear purple' will tour to hospitals in Abbeylax, Co Laois, and Athlone, Co Westmeath. I
MMA will also host a conference in late May exploring issues raised by recent research into Museum's Programme for older adults.

Contact: Ann Davoren.
Tel (01) 612 9900

National Concert Hall

Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2
A series of guided tours of the National Concert Hall and of the Iveagh Gardens will take place during Bealtaine as well as an informal talk by a leading Irish composer on music of the 19th and 20th centuries.
Contact: Lucy Champion.
Tel: (01) 475 1666 ext. 407

National Gallery of Ireland

Merrion Square West, Dublin 2
From Tuesday, May 2nd, to Saturday 6th, there will be a series of talks, tours of the Gallery, workshops and lectures. Highlights will include Launch - Introduction of the NGL Bealtaine festival week by Barbara Warren, 2 May, 10:20am
Talks for Bealtaine - running each day from 3 May to 5 May, including (on 3 May, 11:30am) Francis Danby's 'The Opening of the Sixth Seal' accompanied by the music of Wagner and Mahler with Sarah Barry, and (on 3 May, 12 noon) 'Sunlight' by William Orpen to the music of Debussy with Marion McEnroy.
Drawing workshop - 'Irish Landscapes' with Jim O'Callaghan, 5 May, 12noon.
Details of these and other events from Sinead Delaney.
Tel: (01) 661 5133

The National Theatre - The Abbey

26 Lr. Abbey Street, Dublin 1
• **The Memories Programme-**
Exploring memories using the Abbey Theatre's production of Dancing at Lughnasa by Brian Friel and the Peacock's production of Tree Houses by Luz Kuti, as well as workshops and accompanying materials. Programme runs from February to culminate during Bealtaine.

• **Abbey Stories** A workshop inviting participants to share stories they have experienced or have been told of the National Theatre. Last year's popular slide show by the Theatre's archivist alongside a selection of rehearsed readings will be used to facilitate the discussions.

• Dancing at Bealtaine

A series of dance and drama workshops during Bealtaine running over a week.

• The Working Theatre-

Backstage at the Abbey: specifically designed tours inviting participants to explore the National Theatre's page to stage process.

Retirement groups are advised to book for these events, especially the Memories programme, as soon as possible. Additional events may also be planned.

Contact: Jean O' Dwyer.
Tel: (01) 887 2200 or (01) 887 2223

National Museum of Ireland

Kildare Street, Dublin 2 and Collins Barracks Street, Dublin 8
A varied programme of events will run throughout the month, including guided tours and talks. The new exhibition 'The Way We Wore' at the National Museum, Collins Barracks, focusing on how Irish people dressed during the past 250 years will be highlighted. The Education and Outreach Department are also interested in suggestions from older visitors as to what events they would like for future festivals.
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MAYNOOTH LIBRARY Press Release

Thursday, 4th May, 2000 - 7.30 p.m.
Maureen Martella

Author of *Bugger Bucharest*, *Maddie Goes to Hollywood* and *Annie's New Life*, Maureen will talk about her extensive travels and writings. The theme of her talk will be:

Travel Broadens The Mind, or then again ...?

CRITIQUE 2000

A copy of the book, Critique 2000, will be on view in the Library from Tuesday, 25th April, when all fifteen winners of our writing competition will receive their prizes. The competition was launched on World Book Day and in support of the National Reading Initiative, and the winners are:

Sarah McDermott, 13	Katie Barry, 15
Erica Dix, 13	Sean Durack, 9
Aaron Donnelly, 11	Brian Bean, 12
Keira Hayes, 13	Lousie Monaghan, 14
Derek Judge, 15	Ciaran Cody-Kenny, 12
Patrick Larragy	Claire Healy, 7
Fiona Nelson, 11	Tadhg Dunne, 12
Triona Cahill, 14.	

The standard and quality of all the entries we received was outstanding and the staff of Maynooth Library would like to take this opportunity to say Well Done to all those who took pen to paper and entered this competition.

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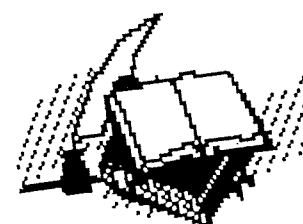
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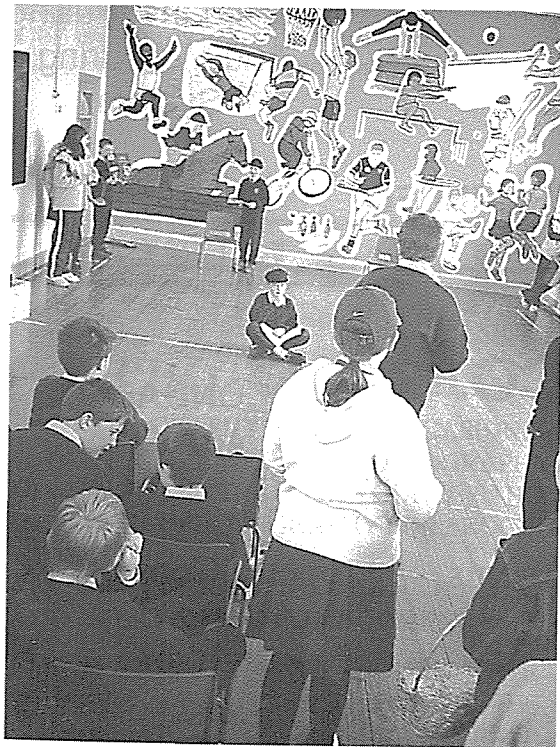
OLIVER

This year, in our school, we are putting on a musical called Oliver. It all began on the last night of last year's show Joseph when one of the boys turned to Mr. Grundy and asked, "What are you doing next year?"

A Few weeks later Mr. Mullan, Mr. Grundy, Elaine Sherwin and Sean Beckett met and decided to put on "Oliver". In the summer Mr. Grundy wrote to England asking permission to present the musical. Which he got, for a price! In October, we had our first rehearsals and we've been rehearsing every Monday from three O'clock to half four ever since. Because there are so many female parts in the show, Mr. Grundy asked for sisters and friends of the boys if they were interested in taking part. Fifteen girls are now part of the musical.

We have four more rehearsals and things are shaping up nicely. Elaine is our musical director and Sean is our choreographer. One group of parents is organising the props and the costumes while other group is designing the programme. The show will be taking place on June the 10th, 11th and 12th in the Parish Hall, Maynooth.

By Daniel Hare and Yoann O'Donoghue,
Sixth class-Maynooth B.N.S.



TRIP TO LEGAMADDY

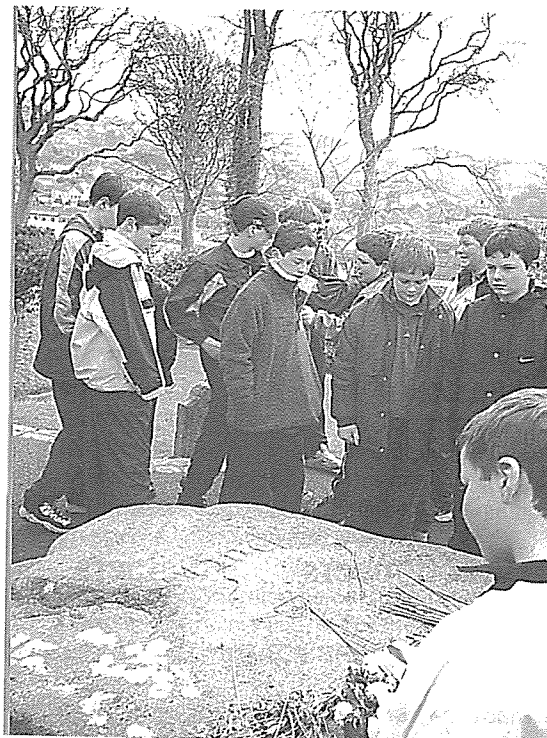
On the 31st of March, Maynooth B.N.S. visited their paired school in Legmaddy, in Northern Ireland.

Last year Mr. Grundy and Mr. Downes applied to Learghas for a school link, which is funded by the E.U. In November Legamaddy's P5 and P7 classes came down to our school for the day. On our trip to Legamaddy we saw the grave of St. Patrick and St. Brigid. After we had seen the grave we went to their school had a lovely lunch and played a soccer tournament in the grounds of the leisure centre DownPatrick. When the tournament was over we went to the shopping centre across the road and we all went into McDonalds and had lunch there.

We arrived home at seven o'clock that evening, tired but happy. It was a great day.

Later this year 16 boys and girls from Legamaddy will be coming for a weekend. And even later in the year 16 boys from Maynooth B.N.S. 6th classes will travel to Legamaddy for a weekend. We are enjoying making friends with the boys and girls in Legamaddy and we are looking forward to seeing them again soon.

By Lee Walsh and Mark Lord, 6th class, Maynooth B.N.S.



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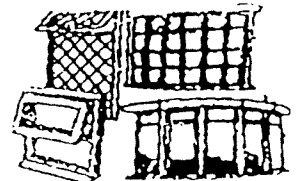
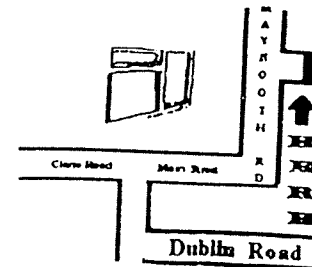
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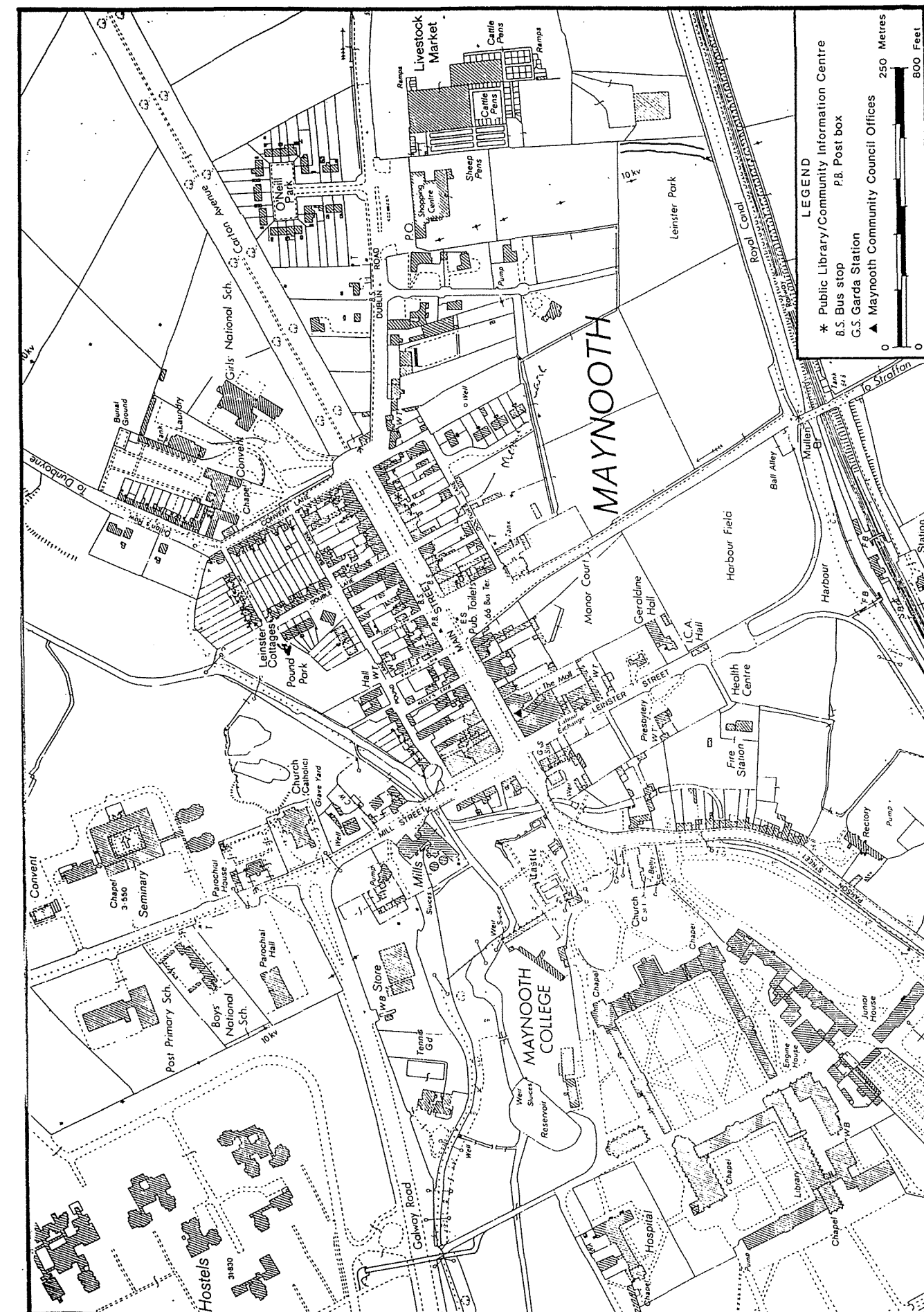
Are you living in Maynooth? Would you know where to find Back Lane or Double Lane or Cross Lane? What about Mill Street or Leinster Street. If you know all these answers, then how about Stable Lane or Chapel Lane or Lime Kiln Row? Where would you find Bridge Street or Canal Place? The former 5 names are all taken from the most recent O.S. map of Maynooth while the latter 5 names are former names for the aforementioned places. Placenames change with time and sometimes old names may be of greater historical significance than the current names. Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum along with Maynooth Action Strategy are presently working with Kildare County Council to erect street signage in Maynooth. We hope the result will help local people as well as visitors answer the questions posed above, and perhaps provoke an interest in the origin and layout of the streetscape in Maynooth. We are also looking for any information that you may have on the street names or alternative names to the ones we are proposing. Please send any information to the address indicated below by mid May and we will publish the definitive list in the next edition of the Newsletter.

The present layout of the centre of Maynooth owes much to the Fitzgeralds, who were earls of Kildare and dukes of Leinster. The Fitzgeralds resided in the Great Castle off Main Street and later Carton Demesne. The centre of Maynooth is characterized by a wide tree lined straight Main Street. This forms the central axis for the different lanes that run parallel to the Main Street and lead off it at right angles. This layout was first conceived by James Fitzgerald, 20th earl of Kildare in the mid 18th century. Together with Peter Bere, estate manager at Carton, they sought to develop Maynooth as a model village in a rectilinear pattern that was the height of fashion at the time. Building along the Main Street, which at that time was called Leinster Street, began in the mid 1750's. By 1757 a row which still stands, of seven two-story, slate roofed houses fronting Main Street with walled gardens and stables to the rear has been erected on the North side of the Street adjacent to Carton Avenue. This was shortly followed by the building of 28 slate-roofed labourers' cottages that were laid out in 2 blocks to the North of the two storey houses. These cottages called Leinster cottages after the earl was promoted to Duke of Leinster still stand to-day. By 1773, the year of the Duke's death much of the village to the East of the Square had been developed. A new inn (site of Leinster Arms) was added in 1777. To the West lay the castle as well as two distilleries and several cabins in what was referred to as 'part of the old town'. Traffic from Dublin to the west passed along the Main Street, across a small bridge (still extant) over a tributary stream, the Joan Slade, and through the old castle gate before crossing the Lyreen and reaching the road to Kilcock.

This was all to change in the 1790's when a new bridge, Williams Bridge, was built to the east of the castle. This allowed long distance traffic to be diverted away from the castle and be turned out of the village over the new bridge and past the mill. A new north south axis was thus created and became known as Canal Place (now Leinster Street) to the south of Main Street and Bridge Street (now Mill Street) to the north. Stoyte House, further to the west was also built around this time. This subsequently became the nucleus for the Catholic seminary, St Patrick's College established in 1795. This development had the effect of closing and enhancing the vista at the western end of Main Street.

The 19th century saw continued growth in the power of the Catholic Church. The Presentation sisters established a convent and school for girls at the East End of the village on the site of the charter school. The building of a new parish church on the West Side allowed for the establishment of a boys' school in the old chapel (now Band Hall) in Chapel Lane (now Pound Street).

In the mid 19th century when the poor law and tenement valuations were being compiled, many of the lanes were given names associated with developers or prominent citizens occupying the sites. Thus on the north side Miss Kelly's lane (now Kelly's lane) was associated with Miss Martha Kelly site owner and Coate's lane with John Coates stonecutter. Coffey's lane on the south side was associated with Andrew Coffey site owner. The lanes parallel with the Main Street had also seen development and now assumed their present names of Back Lane and Pound Lane on the north side and Doctors Lane after Dr Edward O'Kelly on the south side.





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Proposal to Kildare County Council
Street names in English and Irish with former names in parenthesis

English Name	Irish Name
Back Lane <i>(Stable Lane)</i>	
Carton Avenue	
Coate's Lane	
Coffey's Lane	
Convent Lane <i>(Charter School Lane)</i>	
Court House Square	
Cross Lane <i>(Lime Kiln Row)</i>	
Dillon's Row	
Distillery Lane	
Doctors Lane	
Double Lane <i>(Chapel Lane)</i>	
Dublin Road	
Dukes Harbour	
Fagan's Lane <i>(Cushing Lane)</i>	
Kelly's Lane	
Leinster Cottages	
Leinster Street <i>(Canal Place)</i>	
Main Street <i>(Leinster Street)</i>	
Mariaville	
Mill Street <i>(Bridge Street)</i>	
Mooney's Lane	
Parson's Street	
Pound Lane	
Pound Park <i>(The Green)</i>	
Straffan Road	
The Mall	

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Thus 100 yr. after it was first conceived by James Fitzgerald, 20th earl of Kildare in the 1750's, the village of Maynooth had assumed the shape which has remained intact to the present day.

Street Names Maynooth from Irish Historic Towns Atlas after Arnold Horner

Street Name	From	Formerly
Carton Avenue	1750	
Back Lane	1850	Stable Lane (1781), Chapel Lane (1840)
Coate's Lane	1850	
Coffey's Lane	1850	Back Lane (1840)
Convent Lane	1840	Charter School Lane (1781), Nunnery Lane (1850-74)
Court House Square	1850	
Cross Lane	1850	Back Lane (1781), Lime Kiln Row (1821), Quarry Lane (1840)
Dillon's Row	1840	
Doctor's Lane	1850	Stable Lane (1781), Kelly's Lane (1840)
Double Lane	1840	Bere Street (1781), Dirty Lane (1784), Chapel Lane 1821
Dublin Road	1850	Turnpike Road (1750), Dublin Street (1781)
Fagan's Lane	1873	Cushion's Lane (1840), Cushing Lane (1850)
Kelly's Lane	1859	Miss Kelly's Lane (1850)
Leinster Street	1840	Canal Place (1821)
Main Street	1837	Leinster Street (1781)
Mill Street	1840	Bridge Street (1799)
Parson Street	1748	
Pound Lane	1873	Stable Lane (1754), The Green (1781), Chapel Lane (1840), Back Lane (1850)
Straffan Road	1995	

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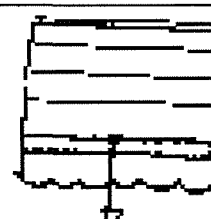
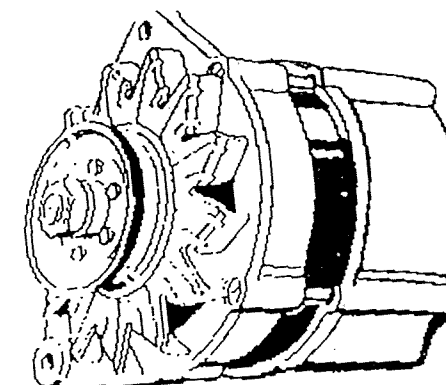
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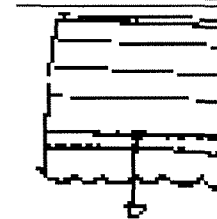
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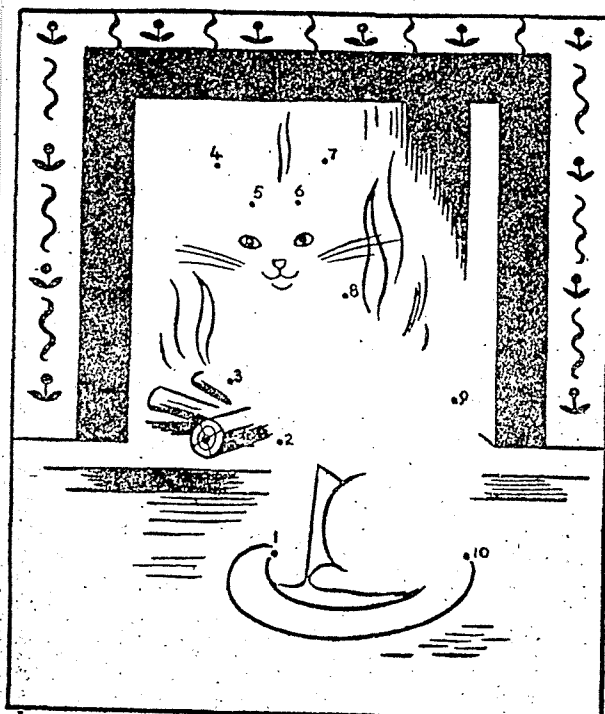


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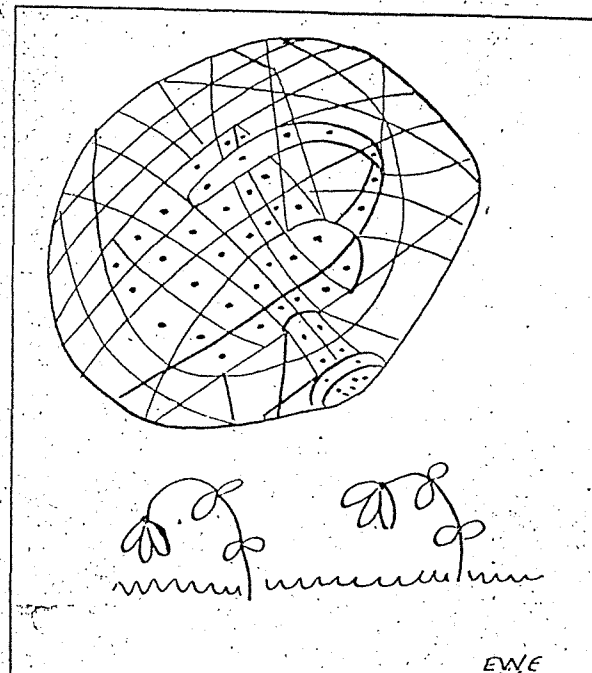


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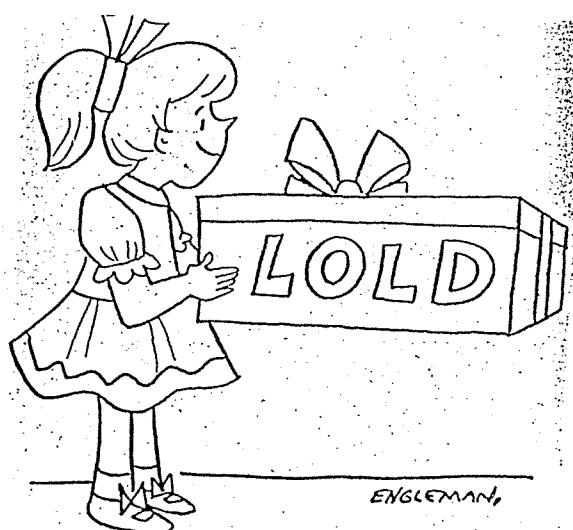
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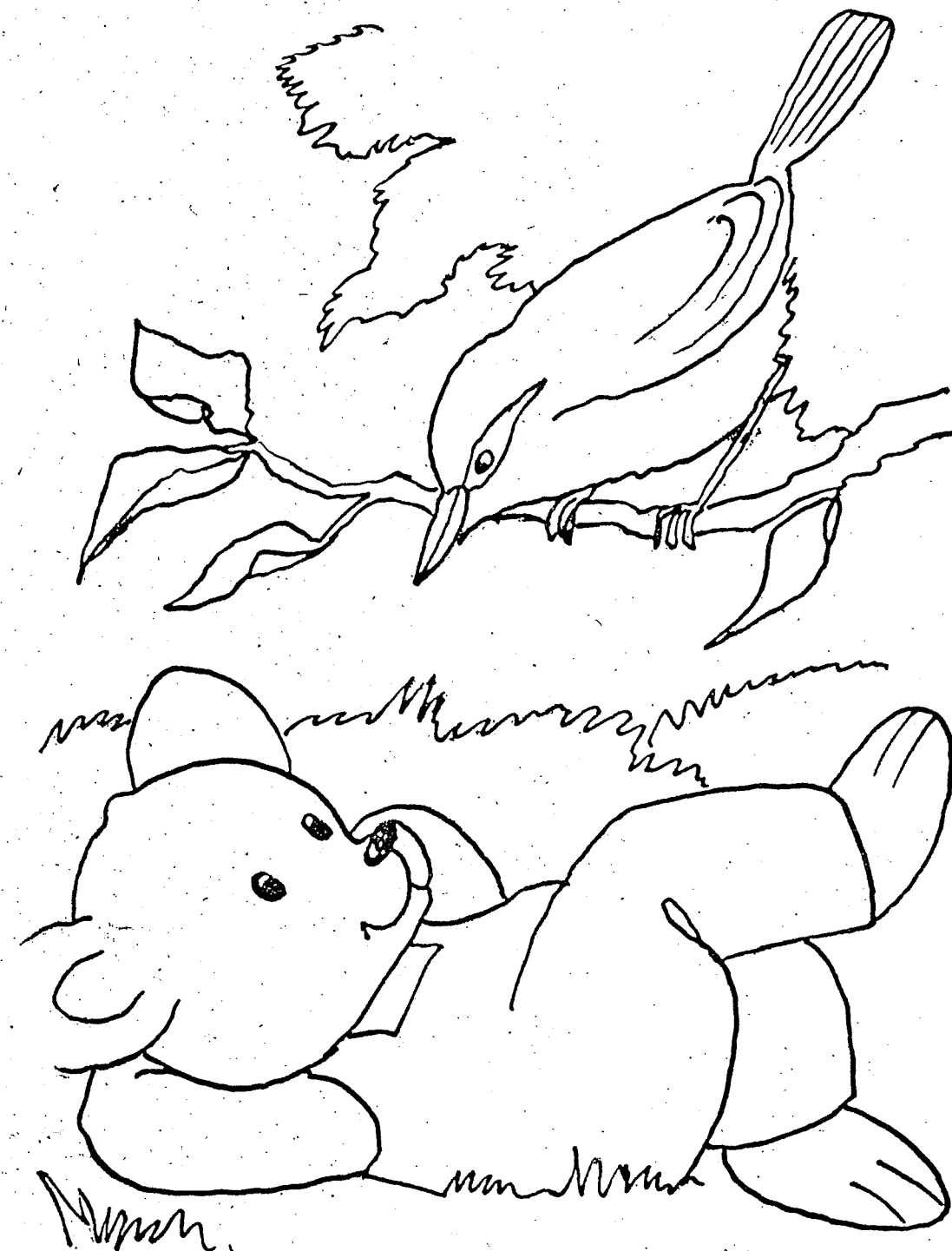
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NEWS (Cont)

Best for Maynooth were: Emma Higgins, Antoinette Jago and Cheryl Naughton in defence, Yvonne O Shea and Elaine McNamara formed an effective midfield partnership while in attack Pamela Fahy, Awut Ni Mhurchu and Muireann O Sullivan were always prominent.

Team and Scorers:

Maynooth

Tara Brennan, Ailish Smith, Emma Higgins, Katie Donnelly, Cheryl Naughton, Antoinette Jago, Edel Barry, Yvonne O Shea, Elaine McNamara, Muire Ennis(1-0), Pamela Fahy (1-0), Awut Ni Mhurchu, Siobhan Nevin, Caoime Cusker, Muireann O Sullivan (subs) Amy Gannon, Lauren Bracken, Aileen McTiernan, Yvonne McCarron.

Maynooth Far Too Good For Naas

U/16 Football League: Maynooth 3-17 Naas 4-1

Maynooth recorded their third win in a row as Naas suffered a huge defeat to a far superior side on Friday last, writes BRENDAN COFFEY.

Played in ideal conditions for good football, Maynooth were right on top from the off and were relentless in attack against a very poor Naas side. Points from Dermot Canning, Pierre Ennis and Ciaran McCullagh as well as a Brian Downey goal brought Maynooth ahead by 1-3 to no score after five minutes of play.

Naas were second to every ball and this allowed Maynooth to build up a sizeable lead with Pierre Ennis and Ciaran McCullagh on target for Maynooth, recording seven points between them. However as Maynooth started to ease up, Naas got in for two goals at the other end, following poor marking in the fullback-line. Still, this didn't make any inroads in to Maynooth's lead as Dermot Canning hit a second goal for Maynooth.

H/T Score: Maynooth 2-8 Naas 2-1.

Second Half

The second half became a bit more of a contest as Maynooth

eased up and Naas surged forward. Naas could not make much use of the increased amount of possession which they had and were lucky enough to get two further goals, which was all they had to show for the entire second half.

Maynooth's attack were now playing more for the quality of scores rather than quantity and Alan Sweeney shot over a beautiful array of frees and long-range efforts, bringing his total to five points. A third goal from Ciaran McCullagh was the icing on the cake for Maynooth and with only two series of matches left in the competition, Maynooth and Na Fianna now look favourites to claim the league crown.

Teams and Scorers:

Maynooth

Fergus Deveraux, Brian Downes, Brendan Coffey, Stephen Curran, Colin O'Neill, Tadgh O'Corcora, Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney (0-5), Pierre Ennis (0-4), Paul Broughan (0-1), Ciaran McCullagh (1-5), Fintan O'Donoghue, Brian Downey (1-0) Dermot Canning (1-2), David Comerford.

Subs: Gary McMahon for Ennis (inj.), James Mullarkey for O'Donoghue.

Naas

Michael Brosnan, Dermot King, David O'Sullivan, Leigh Corrigan, Stephen Butler, Kevin McCarthy, Jeff Piggott, Robert Walsh (1-0), Glen Lee, Alastair Joyce, Leon Dawson (1-1), Owen Cawley (1-0), Euan McDermott, Colm Reynolds, Shane MacGuire (1-0)

The Juvenile registration night held in the Clubhouse on the 5th April 2000 was an unqualified success with in excess of 300 children (boys and girls) declaring their intentions to learn the skills of Hurling, Camogie, Gaelic Football and Handball. Training and coaching for hurling and football continues on Saturdays at 10.15 a.m. (Hurling) and 11.30 p.m. (Football). The G.A.A. Club would appreciate assistance from parents in helping with the coaching and supervision of children on Saturday mornings.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NEWS (Cont)

Powerful Maynooth Bring Carbury's Unbeaten Run To An End 11th April 2000

U/16 Football League: Maynooth 1-13 Carbury 2-8

A powerful display from Maynooth personified their league position as Carbury succumbed to their first defeat of the league campaign, writes BRENDAN COFFEY.

Carbury opened in dramatic style with a goal inside one minute, but a mixture of poor shooting and resilient defending from Maynooth ensured that Carbury would dominate the proceedings and Maynooth were quick to draw level with points from Pierre Ennis, Fintan O'Donoghue and David Comerford. However Maynooth's attacks were limited as Carbury, playing with a slight wind advantage, frequently opened up the Maynooth defence and were it not for their poor shooting, they might well have been out of sight of Maynooth at half-time.

After twenty minutes of play, Alan Sweeney burst his way through the Carbury defence and followed a forty-yard solo-run, he hit the back of Declan Conroy's net with a blistering shot. This score put Maynooth ahead for the first time in the half and it looked as though they would maintain that advantage going in to the break. Again though Fergus Deveraux's goal was breached, when confusion in the Maynooth full-back line led to a second goal for Carbury, with Peter Harte on hand to finish the ball to the back of the net.

H/T Score: Carbury 2-5 Maynooth 1-6

The feature of Maynooth's game in the second-half was their all round excellent play and their ability to counter-attack Carbury with purpose. Within five minutes Maynooth had regained the lead as D.J. Canning and David Comerford hit some inspirational scores to fire Maynooth ahead. Playmaker-in-chief, Pierre Ennis, was delivering some delightful ball in the full-forward line and from this ball supply Canning and Comerford began to wreak havoc in the Carbury defence.

At the other end, things were open but Maynooth's defence was holding strong and Carbury were getting more and more frustrated as attack after attack was broken up by the resilient defence of Maynooth. Further points from Brian Downey and Comerford took Maynooth in to a comfortable position with about ten minutes left.

As Carbury looked to maintain their unbeaten record in the league, they put everything they had in the last ten minutes, but it wasn't enough to get the victory and Maynooth now look certain to finish second to Na Fianna, providing both teams play as well as they have done in the campaign to date.

Teams and Scorers:

Maynooth

Fergus Deveraux, Brian Downey, Brendan Coffey, Stephen Curran, Colin O'Neill, Tadgh O'Corcora, Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney (1-0), Pierre Ennis (0-4), Paul Broughan, Ciaran McCullagh, Fintan O'Donoghue (0-2), Brian Downey (0-1), D.J. Canning (0-3), David Comerford (0-3)

Carbury

Declan Conroy, Alan O'Connor, Colm Connolly, Paddy Moore, Paul Redmond, Paul Gill (0-1), Sean O'Rourke, Peter Foran, Colm Grinnegan, Morgan O'Flaherty (0-1), Damien MacNamee (1-0), Willie Pender (0-1), Peter Harte (1-3), Chris Cully, Andrew Dermody (0-2).

Under 16 Camogie league

Maynooth 2-0. Moorefield 1-0

The winning under 16 team got their league campaign off to a winning start when getting the better of a fancied Moorefield side played at Moorefield on 13/4/00. Moorefield looked the more impressive in the first half but stout defending by Maynooth in which Emma Higgins and Antoinette Jago were outstanding prevented Moorefield from having a half time lead. However they did score a well taken goal after 10 minutes but Maynooth fought back and following good forward play by Awut Ni Mhurchu and Muireann O Sullivan, Pamela Fahy was on hand to score an opportunist goal leaving matters level at the interval. Maynooth's ground camogie improved in the second half and they got just reward for their efforts midway through the second half when Muire Ennis took advantage of some sloppy defensive play by Moorefield to strike the sliotar to the net. Try as they might Moorefield were unable to breach the Maynooth defence for the remainder of the game and so Maynooth hung on for a very important victory. No doubt team managers Teresa Hession and Naomi Devereux will be delighted with the performance.

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Under 12 - Maynooth and Moorefield

In the Under-12 match between Maynooth and Moorefield matters were very even right through with Moorefield eventually winning by two goals on a scoreline of 5-0 to 3-0. The game was very evenly poised at half time as the sides were level at 2-0 to 2-0. Best for Maynooth were Mickey Gillick who gave a man of the match performance. Others to impress were Conor Canning, Paddy Comerford, Francis McDonald who made a number of excellent saves in goal, Keith Leonard and Naoise Carroll. Manager Aidan would like to thank Mick Barry, Martin Connolly, Brian Cooney and Eamon Toomey for assisting with the preparation of this team.

Mellow Maynooth Stumble in Narraghmore

9th April 2000

Minor Football League Div. 2: St. Laurence's 1-15 Maynooth 2-11

St. Laurence's just about did enough to get the win but were much better than the scoreline suggests as a late Maynooth rally almost won it, writes BRENDAN COFFEY.

Played in cold and windy conditions, this game was a game dominated by the prevailing wind, which Laurence's made better use of, which was ultimately the difference between the two sides. Maynooth did start well against the breeze and were first to score when Colin Cushen fired twenty from over twenty yards. It wasn't long before Laurence's got in to their stride and by the tenth minute they led by four points to one.

Maynooth did get a lucky break after twenty minutes when full-forward Thomas McGovern found the net after Padraig O'Sullivan's initial shot was saved by Patrick Kitley. This score however was as good as it got for Maynooth in the first half as Jeffrey Burn gave an exhibition of shooting, including a super goal on twenty-two minutes and a total of 1-7, to fire St. Laurence's in to a seven point lead at the break.

H/T Score: St. Laurence's 1-10 Maynooth 1-3

Second Half

As the wind swirled around the ground, shooting became a problem for Maynooth with five wides being recorded within the space of fifteen minutes. Their poor shooting let Laurence's build up a lead of ten points as Jeffrey Burn and Andrew Ward shot two points each.

However, the wind picked up again and Maynooth attacked with more purpose, but still relied on frees to keep them in the game as Patrick O'Rourke hit a purple patch, scoring five points in succession, four of which came from frees. But crucially, Maynooth needed a goal to have any change to victory, which wasn't forthcoming from a very poor full-forward-line. Eventually when a goal did come, from the irrepressible Shane Deveraux, it was on the stroke of full time and too late for them to have any chance of victory.

Although the scoreline suggests otherwise, Maynooth still have problems in the forwards and look a disjointed group without the influential Pierre Ennis. A slim chance now remains if they are to make the play-offs, but if they can get their shooting together, they might make it.

Teams and Scorers: St. Laurence's:

Patrick Kitley, Gearoid Keavy, Joe Doyle, Colm Keane, John Talin, Edward Carney, Christ O'Connor, Niall Sourke, Patrick Russell, Andrew Ward (0-4), Emmet O'Toole, Jason Murphy, Tom O'Neill (0-3), J.P. Burn (1-7), Patrick Kinsella.
Subs: Niall Connelly (0-1) for O'Toole (24 mins).

Maynooth:

Dean Conway, Shane Pigeon, Barry Doyle, Peter Sheehan, Shane Deveraux (1-0), Killian Carr, Martin Dolan, Alan Sweeney (0-1), Padraig O'Sullivan, Patrick O'Rourke (0-7), Colin Cushen (0-2), Declan O'Siochain, Brian Downey (0-1), Thomas McGovern (1-0), Joe Brennan.
Subs: Colin O'Neill for Pigeon (25 mins), Aidan Molloy for O'Siochain (43 mins)

Senior Camogie League

Broadford 1-5 Maynooth 1-2 (at Maynooth)

Broadford travelled to Maynooth on Monday 10th April expecting an easy ride from the home side and in the end they just about deserved to win. Maynooth however put up a tremendous performance against a very strong and skilful side. At half time Maynooth led by 1-0 to 0-2. The goal coming from Anne Comerford after good work by Nuala Fords and Naoimi Devereux. While Broadford had more of the play the Maynooth rearguard were in inspired form and thwarted attack after attack coupled with a number of fine saves from Geraldine Fahy in goal.

The turning point came midway through the second half when Broadford scored a goal against the run of play and try as they might Maynooth were unable to overturn the deficit although two superb points from Nuala Fords and Simone Gilabert provided the supporters with a nail biting finish.

Best for Maynooth were:

Geraldine Fahy, Catherine Duff, Ann Marie Farrell, Sandra Gillick, Emma Fahy gave an outstanding performance at mid-field covering every blade of grass, while in attack Simone Gilabert, Ann Comerford and Teresa Hession although hampered by injury excelled.

Teams and Scores:

Geraldine Fahy, Niamh Mulready, Claire McCarrick, Catherine Duff, Ann Maire Farrell, Christine Flannery, Sandra Gillick, Emma Fahy, Michelle Gillick, Simone Gilabert (0-1), Teresa Hession, Maeve Herbert, Anne Comerford (1-0), Nuala Forde (0-1), Naoimi Devereux.
Subs: Nicola Walsh for Claire McCarrick, Elaine McNamara and Niamh Byrne (not used).

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Date	Competition	Score
12th March 2000	S.F.L. Div 1	Allenwood 1-10 Maynooth 0-4
31st March 2000	U/16 FL	Na Fianna 3-10 Maynooth 0-11
2nd April 2000	M.F.L. Div. 2	Maynooth 3-8 Round Towers 2-7
3rd April 2000	S.C.L. Div 1	Cappagh 2-2 Maynooth 0-1
7th April 2000	U/16 H.L. Div 2	Maynooth 1-10 Celbridge 0-10
8th April 2000 U/12	H.L. Div. 2	Moorefield 5-0 Maynooth 3-0
8th April 2000 U/14	H.L. Div 2	Maynooth 10-14 Moorefield 0-0
9th April 2000	M.F.L. Div 2	St. Laurence's 1-15 Maynooth 2-11
9th April 2000	L.I.F.I. Div. 1	Maynooth 2-7 Eadestown 1-9
10th April 2000	S.C.L. Div. 1	Broadford 1-5 Maynooth 1-2
11th April 2000	U/16 F.L. Div. 1	Maynooth 1-13 Carbury 2-8
12th April 2000	U/16 H.L. Div. 3	Maynooth 6-7 Broadford 0-0
13th April 2000	U/16 C.L. Div. 1	Maynooth 2-0 Moorefield 1-0
14th April 2000	U/16 F.L. Div. 1	Maynooth 3-7 Naas 4-1
16th April 2000	L.F.L. Div. 1	Athgarvan 3-11 Maynooth 0-11

Maynooth Bounce Back to Knock High-Flying Towers
Maynooth played with great spirit to defeat table-toppers Round Towers on Sunday last and put their session back on track with a storming performance, writes BRENDAN COFFEY.

Reeling from their defeat to Raheens two weeks ago, Maynooth bounced back in style with a great performance against hotly fancied Round Towers to grab their first victory of the league campaign. Towers went into the game with four wins out of four but Maynooth showed what they made of with a resolute four point margin of victory and on the evidence of their second-half performance, are dark-horses to claim the league title.

The first-half was dominated by Maynooth and their defence in particular, were superb, thwarting numerous Towers attacks. However, the forwards were slow out of the starting blocks once again as they squandered most of the possession which they had and managed only 1-4, when it could have beendouble that tally. But with the backs keeping the Tower's attackers at bay, Maynooth still remained on top for most of the first half thanks to points from Pierre Ennis and Alan Baxter and a well taken goal by midfielder Padraig O'Sullivan.

Just as Maynooth were starting to assert themselves, Towers his back and punished their slack pace after influential half-forward, Mark Whelan pointed from a tight angle to give the south Kildare side a slender one point advantage at the

break.

H/T Score: Round Towers 1-5 Maynooth 1-4

Second Half

A revitalised Maynooth took to the field for the restart and it was evident that they were intent on getting a victory as the fire seemed to be in their bellies once again. The forwards had their shooting boots on and they were much more economical with their possession. Alan Baxter was top marksman for Maynooth, getting 2-2 in all. Round Towers were not to let their unbeaten record go easily, however, and in John Burroughs and Mark Whelan, they had match winners, who began to weave their way through the Maynooth defence with many solo-runs, which culminated in a three point advantage for the south Kildare side, with about ten minutes to go.

Turning Point

With Towers looking like taking victory, they were awarded a penalty after David Dunne was taken down in the parallelogram. A goal at that stage would have brought a certain victory for Round Towers but it was not to be as Dean Conway produced a magnificent save, proving he is one of the best keepers in the county at minor level and one to look out for in the future. This was certainly the turning point in the game as from here on in, Maynooth totally dominated and with Pierre Ennis and Alan Baxter running amok, Maynooth cruised to an impressive four point victory. In the end Maynooth made hard work of the game, but showed that when they get it right, they can play some fantastic football. Pierre Ennis' return was a major factor in Maynooth's victory, and if he is available for the remainder of the competition, Maynooth certainly have a side capable of beating anyone.

St. Laurence's are next on the agenda for the Maynooth boys, and if they play to their potential, a comfortable victory should be in prospect.

Scorers: Maynooth: A. Baxter 2-2, P. Ennis 0-4, P. O'Sullivan 1-0, K. Carr and P. O'Rourke 0-1 each.

Round Towers: John Burroughs 2-1, David Dunne 0-2, T.J. Waters, Mark Whelan and Ivan Murphy 0-1 each.

Maynooth:

Sean Conway, Shane Pigeon, Barry Doyle, Peter Sheehan, Shane Deveraux, Killian Carr, Martin Dolan, Alan Sweeney Padraig O'Sullivan, Patrick King, Pierre Ennis, Patrick O'Rourke, Alan Baxter, Thomas McGovern, Donal O'Houlihan.

Subs: Colin Cusheen for McGovern, Brian Downey for O'Rourke, Aidan Molloy for King.

Senior Camogie League - 3rd April 2000 Cappagh 2-2: Maynooth 0-1

In the first game in the League Campaign newly promoted Maynooth went under to a very impressive Cappagh team. In truth however the scoreline does not reflect the closeness of the encounter. The game was played in winter-like conditions and both teams are to be complimented on the high standard of camogie. Both defences were on top in the first half and only one point separated the teams at half time with Cappagh leading by 0-1 to 0-0.

Maeve Herbert levelled matters for Maynooth early in the

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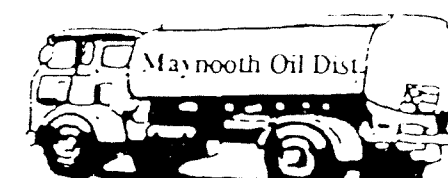


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second half but persistent pressure from Cappagh finally yielded two goals in a five minute spell. Maynooth tried hard to reduce the deficit and both Maeve Herbert and Naoimi Devereux were unlucky not to raise green flags late in the game. However, the teamwork and overall skill of the winners deprived Maynooth of victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Niamh Mulready, AnnMarie Farrell, Catherine Duff, Teresa Hession, Michelle Gillick, Naoimi Devereux, Ann Comerford, Niamh Byrne.

Teams and Scores: Geraldine Fahy, Niamh Mulready, Clare McCarrick, Catherine Duff, Ann Maire Farrell, Christine Flannery, Sandra Gillick, Teresa Hession, Michelle Gillick, Margaret Farrell, Maeve Herbert (0-1), Ann Comerford, Naoimi Devereux, Nuala Forde, Niamh Byrne.
Subs: Cheryl Naughton for Geraldine Fahy, Elaine McNamara, Pamela Fahy (not used).

Maynooth Leave 'Bridge Feeling Blue

U/16 Football League: Maynooth 1-10 Celbridge 0-10
A lack-lustre performance from Maynooth earner then a narrow victory over neighbours Celbridge on Friday evening writes Brendan Coffey.

Playing against a stiff wind in the first-half, Maynooth opened poorly and showed none of the form which has seen them lie in contention for a semi-final spot so far this season. Celbridge were on top for most of the half and seemed much hungrier for their first victory in the league campaign to date.

Although having most of the possession, Celbridge conceded first after Alan Sweeney pointed a long range effort to open Maynooth's account. However, Celbridge's superior amount of possession soon told as they ran into a three point lead after scores from Padraig Fitzgerald, Frank Rubotham (0-2), and Andrew Gorman (0-2). Maynooth's only resistance was Pierre Ennis in midfield and Cairan McGullagh, who just about kept Maynooth in touch with two points each. For all Celbridge's possession and superiority, Maynooth were always in the game and went in only a point down at the break.

H/T Score: Celbridge 0-7 Maynooth 0-6

Second Half

The second-half was a much more livelier affair as Maynooth came in to the game more and began to contest more with Celbridge. Attacks became more numerous and purposeful, and Maynooth's main predator was corner forward, Brian Downey who started to wreak havoc in the Celbridge defence with his silky style of football. His contribution was much more than the 1-2 he scored as his twists and turns were frequently drawing fouls.

However Maynooth could not pull away from Celbridge, who remained resilient throughout the Maynooth assault and made use of the small amount of possession they had, with points from Adrian Cahill and Frank Rubotham to keep within a point of Maynooth. A goal for Maynooth still seemed inevitable and it wasn't long in following. A move started by midfielder Pierre Ennis, was a beautifully worked move, involving nearly all of the Maynooth forwards before it eventually came to Brian Downey who rifled a shot to the top left-hand corner of the net. That score came with about ten minutes left in the game and was the difference between the sides in the end.

Teams and Scorers:

Maynooth: Fergus Devereux, Brian Downes, Brendan

Coffey, Stephen Curran, Colin O'Neill, Tadhg O'Corcora, Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney (0-1), Pierre Ennis (0-3), Fintan O'Donoghue, Ciaran McCullagh (0-2), Paul Broughan, Brian Downey (1-2), Gary McMahon (0-2), David Comerford.

Subs: Dermot Canning for Broughan

Celbridge: Paul Spratt, Hugh O'Donnell, David Donnellan, Shane Hughes, David Meaney, Alan Lannigan, Peadar Brophy, John Dunne, Adrian Cahill (0-1), Paul Gaynor (0-1), Shane O'Toole, Andrew Gorman (0-3), Stephen Hudsins, Padraig Fitzgerald (0-2), Frank Rubotham (0-3).

Subs: Thomas Fitzgerald for Gaynor

Under 14 Bord Na Nóg Hurling League

Maynooth under 14 Hurlers got their league campaign off to an impressive start with an emphatic victory over injury ridden Moorefield played at St. Mary's Park on the 8th April 2000. Maynooth dominated the match from start to finish and led at half-time by 5-10 to no score. Mark Cummins leading the attack at centre forward was in splendid form amassing a grand total of 2-6 and his long and accurate shooting both from frees and play was a delight to watch. He was ably assisted by Stephen Kane who was the best midfielder on view and others to impress for the winners were Sean Kennedy, Gerard Hoare, Paul Curran, David Baxter, Kevin Comerford and the two corner forwards Brendan Cawley and Edmund Cooney were making their hurling debut and scored 4-1 in total. Moorefield tried to contain the Maynooth onslaught in the second half but to no avail and at the final whistle Maynooth had scored 10-14 with Moorefield failing to raise a single flag. Great credit is also due to team mentors Aidan Sinnott and Seamus Cummins who prepared the team so well.

Team and Scores: Morgan McInerney, Mark O Murchu, Cian Byrne, Paul Curran, Harry Oliver, Sean Kennedy, David Baxter (1-0), Kevin Comerford (0-1), Stephen Kane (0-1), Andrew Higgins (02), Mark Cummins (2-6), Padraic Ward (1-2), Brendan Cawley (2-0), Gerard Hoare (2-1), Edmund Cooney (2-1).

Subs: Mickey Gillick, Paddy Comerford, Brian Toomey.

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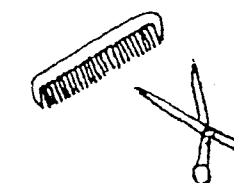
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MAYNOOTH TOWN SOCCER NOTES

Maynooth Town 1 Manortown Utd 0
D.D.S.L. U8B1

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This titanic struggle between two as yet unbeaten sides in the League Cup section of their league prove to be a very closely contested tie. Clear cut chances were few and far between evenly matched sides. The first half proved scoreless with some excellent defensive play from both teams. The second period followed in a similar vein. The first real chance fell to the visitors as they were awarded a spot kick. The hero for the Town was to be James Walsh as he pulled off a fine save to deny Manortown from the spot. This seemed to inspire Maynooth as they lay siege to the opposition's goal. Their determination was to pay dividends as a Manortown defender turned the ball into his own net to give Maynooth the victory and protect their unbeaten run.

Maynooth Team: J Walsh, D Murray, D Mc Avenie, C Hobbs, C Glynn, P Robinson, S Foxe, J Comerford, P Carey, A Foxe, M O' Connor, C Kearney and C O'Neill.

Jobstown Y.C. 1 Maynooth Town 2
Mick Graham Cup Under 17's Quarter Final

Maynooth Town's under 17 side earned their place in the last four of this competition after a hard fought encounter in Tallaght recently. The Town took time to get into their stride and it was a spot kick from Robert Stanley that gave them lead after 25 minutes. The home side were quick to strike back level after only 5 minutes after scoring from a direct free-kick. The Town began to dominate after the break and in the 70th minute Trevor Mc Mahon blasted home a free kick from 25 yards to put Maynooth back on top. Solid defending from the back four kept Jobstown at bay and saw Maynooth book a semi-final show-down with Firhouse. Best for Maynooth were Alan Baxter, Jonathan Leddy and Bobby Kelly.

Maynooth Team: Stephen Kelly, Bobby Kelly, Jonathan Leddy, Noel Healy, Jason Newtown, Shane Folan, Robert Stanley, Stephen Dunk, Keith Halligan, Trevor Mc Mahon, Paul O' Halon, Alan Baxter, Gary Mc Mahon and Colin Daly.

Maynooth Town 5 Marino Boys 1
D.D.S.L. U8B1

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A large crowd gathered in the Harbour Field to watch a fine attacking performance from an in form young Maynooth side

who were on top from the start in this under-8 clash. Paul Carey started the ball rolling for the Town with a fine run out of defense before unleashing an unstoppable left footed shot into the top corner to put the home side one up. Christopher Hobbs and Paul Robinson took time out from their normal defensive roles to leave Maynooth 3-0 up at the break. Substitute Martin O' Conner was straight into the action after the restart showing some fine determination to create a fine opening for himself and add the Town's fourth. Marino did however remind us of their presence with a brief foray into to the Maynooth half to chalk up their only score of the match. Sean Foxe restored Maynooth's four goal advantage with his first of the season as the home side ran out easy winners to preserve their 100% record.

Maynooth team: J Walsh, D Murray, D Mc Avenie, C Hobbs, C Glynn, P Robinson, S Foxe, J Comerford, P Carey, A Foxe, M O' Connor, S Tracey, C Kearney and C O' Neill.

Congratulations to Maynooth Town's under 11A side who recently beat Home Farm to claim the Town's first schoolboy title in recent years. May this be the first of many as we compete at all age levels from under 8 through to senior level in the years ahead.

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Maynooth Town 2 Rosemount 1

Maynooth stretched their unbeaten run to seven games with a well deserved win over Rosemount in the Harbour Field. Maynooth took the game to Rosemount from the start but the visitors held out until the break. Early in the second half Maynooth took a deserved lead with another excellent finish by Ronan Kelly. Soon afterwards Harrison Silke made it 2-0 and the game was effectively over. Alex Cash was superb in goal and was unlucky to concede a consolation goal just before the finish.

Team: Alex Cash, Garret Doolley, Thomas Donnelly, Harrison Silke, Chris Moynan, Eimear Flynn, Sean Durcan, Ciaran Dooley, Sean Murray, Michael McCarthy, Carl O'Sullivan, Ronan Kelly and Chris O'Connell.

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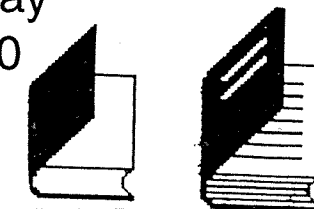
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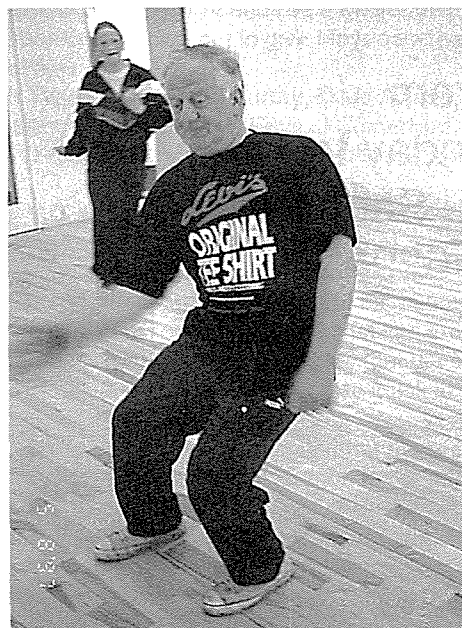
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HANDBALL

The Kildare County Handball Board introduced a new format for their championships in this the first season of the new millennium. It consisted of seeding all the players in the county, forming them into groups of four and playing a round robin in each group. The winner of each group progressing to the knockout stages of the championships.

The experimental system was well accepted by the players. It brought the cream to the top because if a good player had a bad day he got two more chances to retrieve the situation and no matter how weak a player was he still got three games before bowing out of the championship.



No marks for guessing who the handballer with the perfect poise is.

While the system is slightly difficult to get the hand of and not that easy to police I think it is here to stay.

Maynooth had twelve players entered in the singles and six pairs in the doubles. All performed well and three have reached the finals. Michael O'Donnell plays Nurney man Brendan Higginbotham in the senior final. Mick has a great game against Brendan in an earlier round of the championship. He had home advantage on that occasion and won that encounter with a little to spare. I can see no reason why he can't repeat the performance in the final and bring the first senior county medal to Maynooth. Paul Ruane faces up to Pat Carton in the intermediate-final. He easily disposed of Moones Cyril Karr in the semi-final. Karr being many peoples favourite to win the championship, must put Ruane, the Galway man playing for Maynooth, in poll position to bring more gold to Maynooth.

In the novice section we have what the bookies would refer to as a sure thing. Sean Molloy has coasted through to the final in his grade and has to be a good bet to take the title. His fitness has greatly improved, since he took to cycling and his handball ability was never in doubt. So straight down to the bookies and put a bet on this Wexford man to make it a hat trick of county medals for the Maynooth club.

The national schools championships were played in Ballymore Eustace in late March. Maynooth was represented by Paddy Commerford and Mikie Gillick. They equated themselves well and received medals as the best beginners as did Paul Curran and Sean McTiernan who represented Scoil Dara in Kilcock. Both boys live in Maynooth and are playing in the club here. Great strides are being made by the girls under the watchful eye of their coach Sue Ennis. We are indebted to Sue, herself a player of note and national winner, for taking time out from her teaching career to coach the girls in the club.

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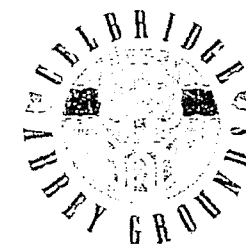
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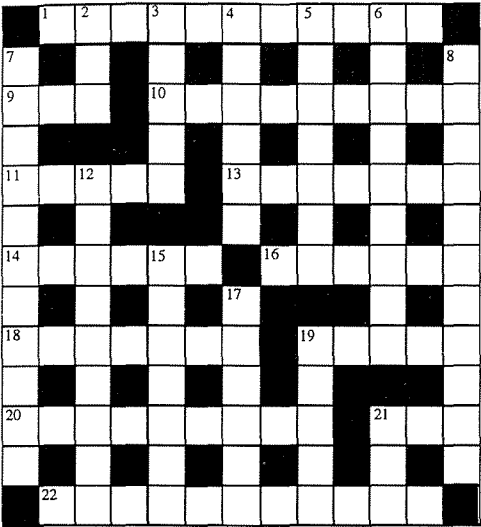
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Across

- 1. A.W.O.L. ? (6,5)
- 9. Vessel (3)
- 10. Powerlessness (9)
- 11. Bump into (5)
- 13. Serious (7)
- 14. Interior (6)
- 16. Fully-attended meeting (6)
- 18. Organise (7)
- 19. Admire oneself (5)
- 20. North African (9)
- 21. Beverage (3)
- 22. Gentry (11)

Down:

- 2. Mat (3)
- 3. Innocent (5)
- 4. Occur (6)
- 5. Captivate (7)
- 6. Retaliation (9)
- 7. Liberated (11)
- 8. Fund-raising match (11)
- 12. Warship (9)
- 15. Designates (7)
- 17. Musically smooth (6)
- 19. Difficult question (5)
- 21. Facial twitch (3)

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Solution to Crossword No. 147

Across: 1. Visa; 3. Anglican; 8. Rome; 9. Amenable; 11. Confidential; 13. Turret; 14. Switch; 17. Devil-may-care; 20. Regional; 21. Deaf; 22. Anecdote; 23. Well.

Down: 1. Veracity; 2. Seminar; 4. Number; 5. Lengthways; 6. Cobra; 7. Need; 10. Likelihood; 12. Cheerful; 15. Trapeze; 16. Impact; 18. Eagle; 19. Aria.

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3. Name the lead singer with Pulp?.

4. Who's the Blonde in Blondie.?

5. Who's No 1 hit is Fool Again.?

Name: _____

Address: _____

Age: _____

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Byrne: (St. Mary of the Angels, Beaufort, Co. Kerry and Maynooth, co. Kildare) - April 12, 2000 (unexpectedly), Sr. Eileen F.M.D.M.; very deeply regretted by her loving community and all F.M.D.M.'s., brother, sisters, nephews, nieces relatives and friends. R.I.P.

Rossiter: (nee Nolan) - (Maryfield Convent, Chapelizod and formerly Maynooth and Tullamore) - March 28, 2000 (peacefully), after a long illness courageously borne. Ellen (Nellie), beloved wife of the late Tom; deeply regretted by nieces, nephews, sister-in-law, cousins, relatives and a wide circle of friends. R.I.P.

Kenny: (nee Bennett) - (Maynooth) - April 19, 2000 peacefully, at Heatherfield Nursing Home, Annie (Nanny), late of Straffan Road, Maynooth; deeply regretted by her loving sons, daughters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, nieces, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, relatives and friends. Rest in peace.

Byrne: (Greenfield Cottages, Maynooth, Co. Kildare) - March 26, 2000, peacefully at James Connolly Memorial Hospital Blanchardstown, Joseph, beloved husband of Lorna; deeply regretted by his loving wife, sons - Christopher and Niall, daughters - Pearl and Aideen, brothers, sisters, mother-in-law, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

Butler: (Maynooth, co. Kildare) - March 28, 2000, in the loving care of the staff at Moyglare Nursing Home, Maynooth, Maureen, beloved wife of the late Sean Noonan and the late Thomas butler, retired N.T., late of Rathlin Road, Drumcondra; deeply regretted by her loving daughter Mary, son Liam, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, nieces, nephew, relatives and friends. "May she rest in peace".

Bean: (nee Prunty) (Foxrock and Maynooth) - April 6, 2000 (peacefully), at Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross. Patricia, loving wife of Tom and adoring mother of Liam; deeply regretted by her loving parents Malachy and Sighie, sisters Caitriona and Emma, brother Brian, extended Bean and Prunty families and wide circle of friends. "May she rest in peace".

Downey: (nee Bowe) - (Kilbrook, Enfield, co. Meath, late of Greenfields, Maynooth, co. Kildare) - April 7, 2000 - (peacefully), at her residence, Mary; very deeply regretted by her daughters Catherine, Carmel and Gretta, sons-in-law Kevin, Niall and Tony, brother, sister, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

Coakley: (Old Carton, Maynooth, Co. Kildare and late of Reenascreena, Rosscarbery, Co. Cork) - April 14, 2000, (peacefully) after a short illness, at James Connolly Memorial Hospital, Blanchardstown, John beloved husband of Josephine and devoted father of Mary, Anne, John, Dermot and Claire, very deeply regretted by his loving wife and children, sons-in-law Maurice and Matthew, daughter-in-law, Carol, grand-children, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

Dunne: (Greenfield, Maynooth, Co. Kildare) - April 17, 2000 (suddenly), William (Binner), deeply regretted by his wife Briege, daughters Sharon and Maria, sons William, Patrick, Garreth, James and Daniel, his mother, brothers, sisters, sisters-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

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WOMEN'S FORUM IN MAYNOTH.

It is over three years since Archbishop Connell set up the Women's Forum. It has provided opportunities for women and bishops, and women and priest, to meet and discuss issues of mutual concern in the church and society.

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Here in the parish of Maynooth we have a Women's Forum. The A.G.M. was held on the 29th February, and the Parish's representatives for the coming year are Noelle Topley and Lourdes Hendrick.

We held a very successful afternoon of reflection and prayer last October. This year, we have one planned for Saturday May 27th.

It will take place in the National Liturgy Centre, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, from 2pm to 5pm. Ms. Carol Barry will lead and direct us.

ctwe issue and invitation to all members, new members or even non-members! All are most welcome. For further information contact Nowlle at 6285888 or Lourdes at 6286136.

Celbridge to Play Host to St. Pat's New Training Ground

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Rossiter, Nellie

Nellie, was born on the Celbridge Road, Maynooth in February 1914. She died on March 28th in Maryfield Convent, Chapelizod. During the emergency she served as a nurse in the Army. After the war she married Tom Rossiter the local Garda Sergeant and they moved to Tullamore on his transfer. On their retirement they returned to Maynooth. They had a very happy life together but sadly Tom died in 1970. Nellie was very involved in many aspects of community life during all her time here. In 1989 she decided to move to Maryfield Nursing Home where she was under the care of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God. Following a series of illnesses she died peacefully. She is sadly missed by her family and a large circle of friends.

Dunne, Willie (Binner)

We would like to thank Clontarf and the Mater Hospital and Dr. Nolan in Beafield. Also we would like to thank the nurses in Maynooth Health Centre, Fr. John Sinnott and Fr. Alex Stenson.

PRAYER

PRAYER TO BLESSED VIRGIN

Never to know to fail. O most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful divine, splendour of heaven, blessed mother of the Sow of God, Immaculate Virgin assist me in my necessity, O star of the sea. Help me and show me here you are my mother. O Holy Mary Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in my necessity. Make request.

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Paddy (Ginger) Malone, Double Lane, April 18th from all the family.

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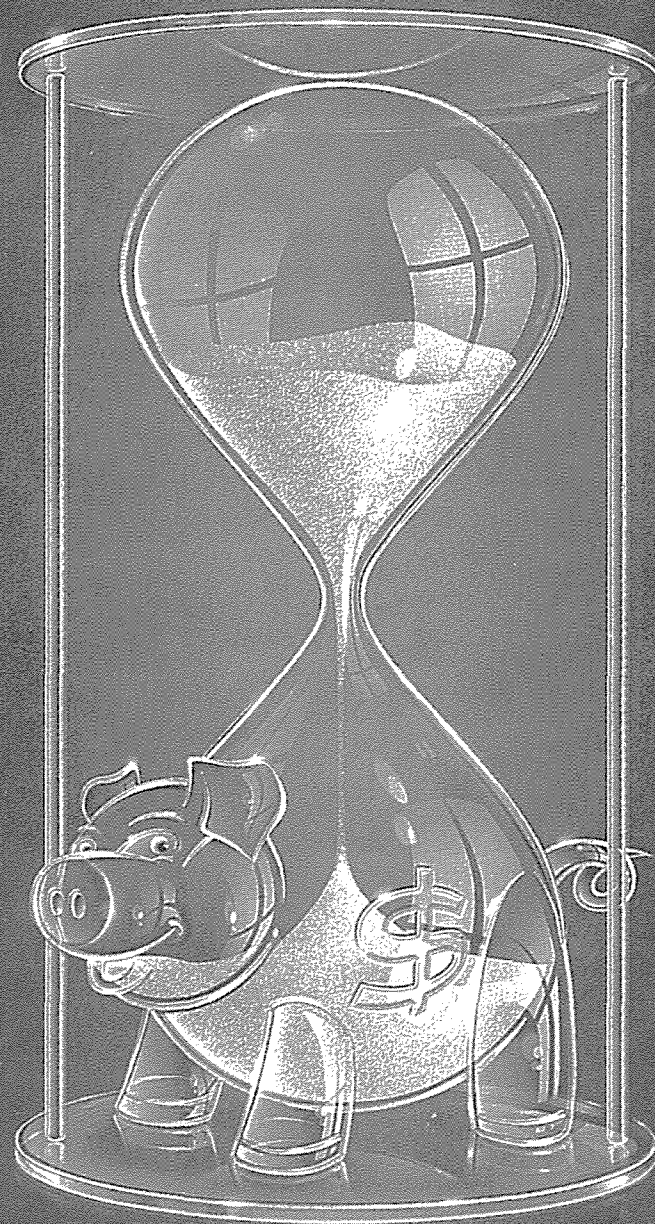
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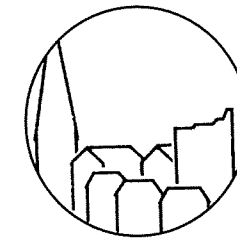


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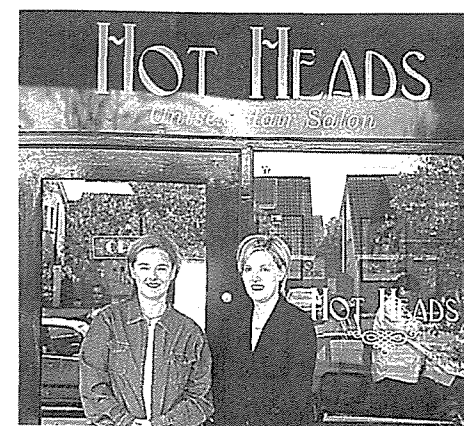
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Senior Citizens



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First Communion in Maynooth



There were two big days in Maynooth recently - Boys First Communion on May 13th and Girls on May 20th. The above photograph shows Mrs. Murphy and a group of her First Communion class. More photos inside.

First Holy Communion in Maynooth
Senior Citizens Easter Party
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EDITORIAL

It is a nervous time of the year for thousands of students across the country and for hundreds of youngsters around Maynooth preparing for Junior and Leaving Cert. exams. All we can do is offer the usual advice - study steadily between now and the exams without over-doing it, eat properly, get a good night's sleep and keep the whole thing in perspective. For the first time in many years there is a decrease in the numbers sitting the Leaving Cert in the country and fewer are applying through the CAO for university and other third level places.

A lot of this has to do with the booming jobs market as young people opt for money in their pocket today rather than the prospect of qualifications and potentially higher salaries in more skills occupations in the future. It could be a risky choice as historically it has been shown that when unemployment rises those with fewest skills and and qualifications are hit hardest.

On the positive side, fewer applicants for college places should mean that the dreaded points race might be a little bit less competitive this year than previous years. Our own Post-primary school has an excellent record in serving all its students of all aptitudes - whether those chasing elusive College places or those for whom a pass is a great achievement. We wish them all the best of luck in the next few weeks.

FESTIVAL

The Maynooth
Community Festival is
going ahead again this
year as usual.

The Festival Committee
decided on the
12th - 16th July for the
event which will include
7-a-side Soccer, Hurling
and Gaelic, Millennium
Tea Party in The Square,
live music and
entertainment in all the
pubs and venues.

Also outdoors - Battle of
the Bands, Fancy Dress,
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Meeting, of the Community Council took place in the 8th May in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Harbour Field

Maynooth Development Association has written to Maynooth Community Council regarding setting up a meeting with the interested groups. This was welcomed by all concerned. It was stated that a meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee would be meeting shortly and a report on the Harbour Field would be expected.

Festival

The Festival will take place from the 12th -16th July. A committee was formed and they will be meeting on 18th May. It is hoped to include the Barperson of the year which is very popular, the Local Soccer Tournament, Historical Walks, Library night (poetry reading), Set Dancing, etc. It is hoped that all the Community will get involved and make it an enjoyable week for all.

There is a fuller Festival report in the Newsletter.

Waste Management Recycling

A long discussion took place on recycling. It was generally felt that it is time for people to change the way we expect our waste to be disposed of.

John McGinley stated it is necessary to form a committee to look at the problems.

A sub-committee has been formed and it will report back at a later stage. Senan Griffin felt that there is a need in North Kildare for a site for big and dangerous household waste. Battery's etc. There is one waste site in Navan that deals with this kind of waste. He said it is time to change the method of collection also to change Kildare County Councils way of thinking. Richard Farrell said he felt Maynooth people had a good response to waste collection in the town, with good use made of the bottle banks, clothes banks etc.

It was noted that fast food outlets that use brown paper bags instead of plastic bags are to be congratulated.

Street Cleaning

It was noted that when the street cleaning was not done due to illness or holidays, the town soon began to look dreadful. It was felt that a replacement should be available.

Co-options & Community Council

The new chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, John Doogan, stated that all Residents Associations should be represented on the Council and all sporting bodies and other association in the town.

He hoped that all areas would have representation on the council. It is through your area representative that matters of importance can be raised at meetings. A list of Community Council Members and the area that they represent will be ready soon.

Maynooth Tidy Towns

Paul Croghan informed the meeting that the Mid-Summer Litter Free Maynooth cleanup is from 22nd May - 3rd June 2000. He hoped that all Residents Associations and every organisations will help with this once off clean-up of the town. We also thanked the Post Primary students for all their help with the clean-ups.

They have a church gate collection on 10th and 11th June.

Historic Walk

Padraig O Murchu stated that the Local History Group have produced a historical walks book. It includes many walks about the town.

Community Games

Congratulations were paid to Rita Doyle Set Dancing group who represents Maynooth in Mosney on the 20th May at National Finals. Marie Gleeson said it was very important that Community Games continue in Maynooth. It is a struggle all the time finding new people. It was also generally felt that most sporting clubs are finding it hard to keep going. It is time that more parents got involved with all clubs. It is more important than ever that children continue to have these outlets.

Congratulations was passed to Emma Kilduff who has gained a scholarship to Troy State University, Alabama. Emma plays soccer at international level. We wish Emma the best in her university life.

Park Maintenance

It was stated that £250,000 is available for park maintenance in Kildare. This will benefit Maynooth greatly as Maynooth has several green areas.

Maynooth Web site

Peter Connell told the meeting that the Maynooth Web site will soon be up and running. It is there for all social groups in Maynooth. It also includes town shops etc. There is free entry to the site. The site will be known by "Maynooth.ie." Permission will have to be granted for Kildare County Council to use the title "Maynooth.ie" as it is a geographical name. Paul Croghan was thanked for all his work with setting up the site.

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POP QUIZ

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1. In which year did Elvis Presley die?

2. Up to 1998, which act has had the most UK hits without ever entering the top ten?

3. Name Abba's, semi auto-biographical film?

4. Who is the lead singer in The Fall?

5. Which group was Lynsey de Paul a quarter of?

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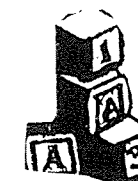
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Further information contact
Marion or Catherine at 01-6289435
56 Cluain Aoibhinn, Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Congratulations to David Campbell who won the Leinster School 800m Championship on 20th May. David is going from strength to strength. David is Junior Indoors Champion 800m, 3rd in National Senior Indoor Championship. David is also Educational Building Society Athlete of the Month of March.

Maynooth Athletic Club Training nights are:
Monday 7-8 Wednesday 7-8.

The Club trains in the G.A.A. grounds. The Club caters for children from U/8 to Junior, Senior, Veteran level. The Club also takes part in Track and Field events at County and Provincial and All Ireland Level.

The Club also takes part in Cross-Country functions year round with events to suit all. The Club would welcome any new members at all levels, also anyone who is interested in taking up coaching with the Club. There are coaching courses ongoing. For information Ring David Jolley at 6286187, Marie Gleeson at 087 2228089 or John Campbell 6289098.

PITCH AND PUTT

The County Finals of the Pitch and Putt Competition will take place in early June. Competitors will be notified. Again Maynooth will be putting forward teams in both the Girls and Boys sections.

GIRLS INDOOR SOCCER

Anto Mooney (Trainer), Eimer Flynn, Elaine McAuliffe (Captain), Eiblin Carr, Lisa Shiel (Goalkeeper), Claire Barry, Maeve Foley and Simone Gilabert (Trainer)
Back: Eighlin Carr, Elaine McAuliffe (Captain) Claire Barry
Front: Eimear Flynn, Lisa Shiel (Goalkeeper), Maeve Foley
Played 4 matches:
Maynooth v Castledermot (1-0) Scored by McAuliffe.
Maynooth v Sallins (2-0) Flynn (1) McAuliffe (1).
Maynooth v Kildare (4-0) McAuliffe (4).
Maynooth v Sallins (2-0) McAuliffe (2).

All players played very well as a team. The next match is against winners of Dublin v Wicklow. Congratulations to Goalkeeper, Lisa Shiel who kept a clean sheet throughout the Tournament.

SET DANCING RESULTS

Rita Doyle Set Dancing Group travelled to Mosney on Saturday 20th May. The Group performed very well but failed to gain any medals. Well done Girls!

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES (ATHLETICS)

Sunday 21st May G.A.A. Grounds at one o'clock.

RULE CHANGE

At County Level an area competitor may compete in two individual events one chosen from Gymnastics, Art, Model Making. The Second from Athletics, Swimming, Cycling and Judo, plus a Swimming Squad or an Athletics relay. Judo is defined as an individual event with Provincial Eliminations.



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ALL ARE WELCOME

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PARENTS ASSOCIATION - ST. MARY'S BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL

We would like to congratulate the boys who made their First Holy Communion on 13th May and also to the ladies who made the tea in the school hall afterwards. There are a number of things happening in the school this term. The boys are putting on the musical 'Oliver' in the Parish Hall. Tickets will be available through the school. We would like to wish Mr Grundy and all involved good luck.

We will also be having our school fair the end of June:-

Date: Saturday 24th June

Time: 2 - 5pm

Place: Boys School

Coming nearer to the time of the fair if anybody has items they would like to donate we would be very grateful. They can be left into the school or given to any member of the committee.

Finally we hope all the boys enjoyed the basketball coaching session given by Notre Dame Basket Ball team and sponsored by the Parents Association.

Claire O'Rourke
Assistant Secretary.

St. Mary's Parish Social and Welcoming Committee.

We would like to remind all parishioners that they are welcome to a cup of tea in the Boys School hall on the last Sunday of every month after 10.15am Mass. You do not necessarily have to have been at Mass to come and enjoy the tea and a chat.

We would also like to thank all the volunteers who are helping us with the renovations in the basement of the Parochial House. Anybody else who wishes to volunteer is more than welcome. Just contact a member of the committee, or give your name at the Parish Office.

Claire O'Rourke

Summer Days out for Children

We are sure most parents have the same problem, how to entertain their children over the Summer Holidays.

We have come up with some ideas, some free of charge, others have an entry fee.

Unfortunately nowadays very little is free.

1. Fort Lucan - Lucan
2. Morrell Farm - Straffan
3. Butterfly Farm - Straffan
4. Celbridge Abbey - (Model railway, walks, Garden centre, Play area and Cafe)
5. Zoo - Phoenix Park Dublin.
6. Picnic in Donadea Forest Park.
7. Maynooth Summer Project. (2 weeks in July).
8. NUI summer Camp Maynooth.
9. Camp Scamps (Boys school Maynooth).
10. Steam Museum - Straffan.
11. Lullymore Heritage Centre.
12. Peatland World - Lullymore (near Allenwood).
13. Bowling in Palmerstown.
14. Horse riding - various centres in the area.
15. Internet fun at the Cybere Cafe.
16. Kit-Kat tennis - local Tennis clubs.

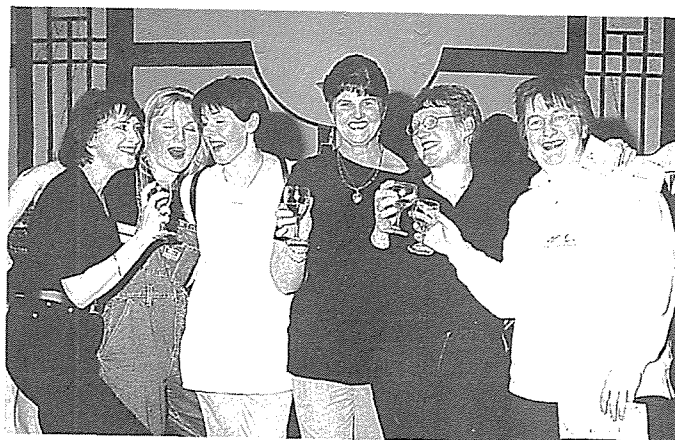
These are to name but a few. We hope they will help you

enjoy your holiday.

Wine Cellar

The Mill Wine Cellar held its Annual Wine Fair on the Thursday the 27th April last in the Glenroyal Hotel. There were over one hundred and fifty Wines for tasting during the evening with wines from every wine producing region in the world on display.

Over three hundred people attended the Wine Fair which was a very informative and social evening for all who were there. the Wine Fair will be held in April again next year. Enjoying the Mill Wine cellar Wine Fair were Ladies from the Maynooth Folk Group



Ladies from the Maynooth Folk Group

STREET NAMES

Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum wish to advise that we will publish the agreed list of street names in the July edition of the newsletter.

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Martin and Peggy 50 years together



Martin - Peggy and Family



Leo and Eileen McGlynn



Imelda Farrell - Tosheen Farrell and P.J. Daly



Joan Branagan winner of the Bonnet Competition

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Easter Party took place this year on Sunday April 30th, commencing as usual with Mass. This however was an extra special occasion as we celebrated the golden wedding anniversary of Martin and Peggy Smith. Although from Galway, our happy couple have been living in Maynooth for many years and have been attending our Club since they arrived. This event was attended by about one hundred people including Martin and Peggy's family, Mary, Sean and Lucy who live locally, Martin and Peter who live in Galway and their grandchildren. Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Sinnott, C.C. who together with the Folk group made it a beautiful occasion.

With promises remembered, vows renewed and presentations made, we all adjourned to the assembly hall for a lovely tea provided as usual by our committee and danced the rest of the evening away to the music of Kevin and yours truly. Of course we did not forget our Easter Parade (see photos)

We had an array of spectacular colour and floral masterpieces that would make the Botanic Gardens look dull. The first prize went to Joan Branagan followed closely by Ann Matthews and Daphne Randall. In fact we were so impressed with the entries that everyone got a prize. Many thanks to Mary Doyle who had the onerous task of judging the event and congratulations and well done to all who took part and complimented the evenings entertainment.

Our Annual Collection which took place between the 4th and 7th of May was our most successful yet. Despite the competition that weekend, we raised £2033.22, and we thank you all for your generosity. We are very grateful to the proprietors of Tesco for the facility, to Ollie for all his help, to the management and customers of the Pubs for their courtesy to our collectors and to the priests of the Parish for the publicity.

See our Senior Citizens artsite display in the Library.

Our coach trip takes place this year on Saturday July 1st to Powerscourt estate and returning to Dowdstown for our meal. Please make sure your names are in by June 10th to secure your place. The coaches will set down at Carton Gates beside girls' school and at Greenfield Shopping Centre. We leave at 2pm sharp.

Our club will close for holidays from June 29th until Sept 5th. Our holiday in Kerdiffstown will take place from the 3rd until the 9th Sept.

I take this opportunity to wish all our Senior Citizens Committee members, helpers and supporters a pleasant and restful Summer.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Annie Kenny and Nan Fleming who died recently. Both Annie and Nan were involved with our club for almost all of its existence, and like their old friend Kitty Thompson, they made the most of it and will be missed by all of us. May they rest in peace.

By Josephine Moore



L-R. Imelda Farrelly, Tosheen Farrell and Mary Phelin



L-R. Mary Nolan, Betty Kelly and Nuala Houlihan



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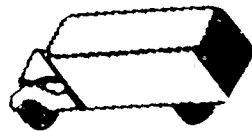
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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The 4th and last term consists of 10 weeks starting on the 29th April and will run until 1st July. There are some dates to remember for this.

17th June	Junior Gala
24th June	Senior Gala
1st July	Family Swim

Please note there will be no bus for the family swim.

The fee for this term are as follows

One Child	£28.00
Two Children	£52.00
Three Children	£75.00

Many thanks to all persons who helped out the club all through the year. Have a nice summer and see you all in September.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES SWIMMING

The swim took place in Maynooth College pool on on the 25th March.

Results Maynooth East

Boys U/6 Freestyle
Andrew Corbett - 1st

Boys U/8 Freestyle
Kevin Peelo

Boys U/10 Freestyle
Gavin Doyle - 1st
Sean Barrett - 2nd
Colm Peelo - 3rd

Boys U/12 Breaststroke
Ivan Kaepenko - 1st

Boys U/12 Freestyle
Ivan Kaepenko

Boys D/16 Backstroke
Mark Watson - 1st

Boys U/14 Freestyle
Ross Cullinane - 1st

Boys U/14 Breaststroke

Girls U/16 Freestyle
M. Watson

Girls U/10 Backstroke
Ciara Cowhey - 1st
Nicola Murphy - 2nd

Boys U/10 Backstroke
Gavin Doyle - 1st
Sean Barrett - 2nd
Justin Cullinane - 3rd

Girls U/10 Freestyle
Ciara Cowhey - 1st
Nicola Murphy - 2nd

Girls U/12 Breaststroke
Alison Murphy - 1st
Shauna Croscadden - 2nd

Girls U/12 Freestyle
Alison Murphy - 1st
Shauna Croscadden - 2nd

Boys U/14 Backstroke
Ross Cullinane - 1st

Boys U/16 Butterfly
Mark Watson 1st

Maynooth West

Girls U/6 Freestyle
Emma Wall 1st
Aoife Toomey 2nd

Boys U/14 Freestyle
Brian Bean 1st
Gerry Mahon 2nd
Patrick Ward 3rd

Girls U/10 Freestyle
Susan Foy 1st
Aislen Wall 2nd
Samanta Ward 3rd

Boys U/12
Conor Bean 1st
Sean Cushin 2nd
Sean Hendrick 3rd

Boy U/12 Freestyle
Eoghean Mc Carton 1st
Liam Hendricks 2nd

Girls U/12 Freestyle Stroke
Gormally 1st
Orla Carney 2nd
Siobhan Ryan 3rd

Girls U/14 Freestyle
Sinead Connolly 1st
Jenny Dornan 2nd

Boys U/14 Backstroke
Patrick Ward 1st
Sean McNamara 2nd

Girls U/16 Back/Stroke
Andree Heslin 1st

Girls U/14 Breast Stroke
Sinead Connolly 1st
Jenny Dornan 2nd

Girls U/16 Freestyle
Andree Heslin 1st

Girls U/10 Back/Stroke
Susan Foy 1st
Aislen Wall 2nd
Samantha Ward 3rd

Boys U/10 Back/Stroke
Conor Bean 1st
Sean Hendricks 2nd
Sean Cushin 3rd

Boys U/12 Breast /
Eoghan McCartan 1st
Patrick Mahon 2nd
Liam Hendrick 3rd

Girls U/12 Breast Stroke
Emma Connolly 1st
Orla Carney 2nd
Siobhan Raynor 3rd

Girls U/14 Back /Stroke
Sinead Connolly 1st
Jenny Doran 2nd

Girls U/16 Butterfly
Andree Heslin 1st
Sinead Connolly 2nd

Boys U/14 BreastStroke
Garry Mahon 1st
Brian Bean 2nd
Patrick Ward 3rd

Congratulations to all children that took part and to those that will take part at County Level, and to the Set-Dancing winners that go to Mosney 19 - 21 May and represent Maynooth at National Finals.

Good luck to all.

MARIE GLEESON
P.R.O

NEWTOWN STORES

Newtown Stores will be taken over by Spar on the eighth of June. Brian and Ailis Connaughton and family would like to take this opportunity to thank all our customers and staff for their loyal support. We had an enjoyable 13 years and have made many friends. We wish you all every happiness

Brian Connaughton



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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

A fabulous weekend was had by all at the National Festival of Flowers at Cork City Jail and we all enjoyed our stay at Blarney Park Hotel.

Our visit to Brian Cross's garden was very special. His garden was exquisite and breathtakingly beautiful. Such fabulous coloured rhododendrons, azaleas and exotic plants from around the world to feast your eyes upon. A gardeners paradise and in my opinion a garden that is well worth a second visit. We also visited a fabulous garden centre called "Griffins" in Dripsy on the outskirts of Cork. Well worth a visit, for all you garden lovers.

A big thank you to Moira Baxter, Mary McInerney and Amanda Morris who put a lot of hard work into organising the trip and making it such a tremendous success. Congratulations and well done to Felicity Satchwell, Imelda Desmond and Noeleen O'Brien who all go forward to the flower arranging of the year competition which will be held in Cork next year. Mary Doyle and Elsa Lalor won in their heat of the AOIFA Inter-Club competition. Congratulations also and best of luck in the final.

A big thank you to all the members who helped to make the Spring Show a great success. The Charity Table raised the fantastic sum of £545. Many thanks to all who helped in this area. This money goes into our account for "The Arthritis Foundation of Ireland".

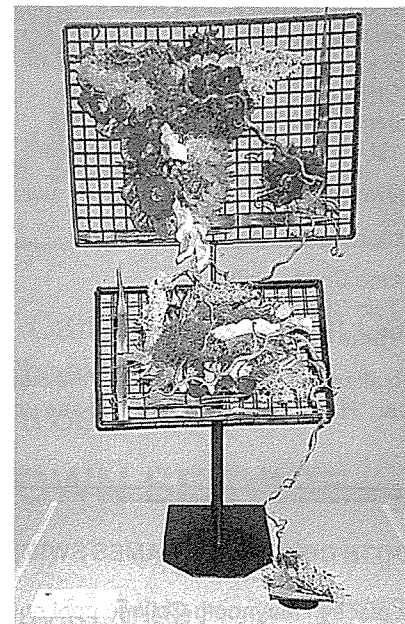
There is a Flower Festival in the Church of Our Lady and St Joseph, Carragh, Naas celebrating it's 40th Anniversary June 9th - 11th. Proceeds in aid of Kildare Hospice. There will be quite a few of our club members exhibiting at the show, so please come along and support this worthy cause.

Our next club night is on the 20th June -Demonstrator: Marie McKeown

Competition: "Summer Garden". An exhibit to include roses
Space: A - 75cms B&C - 60 cm
Plant Competition: 1 rose any variety.

Club Half Day Garden Trip

On the 24th June this year our trip will be to Ardgillan Castle and Garden, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin. (more details at our next club night) Members Library



Imelda Desmonds exhibit entitled "Global Connections" one of four exhibits which made it through to the final in Cork next year.

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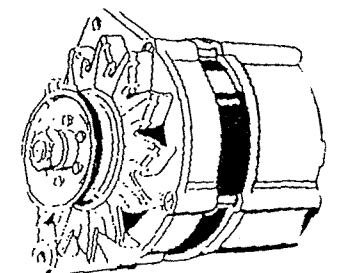
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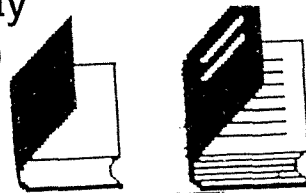


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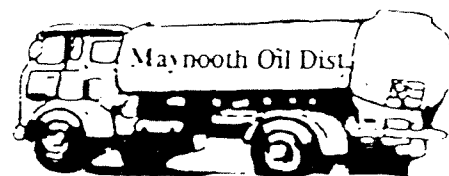


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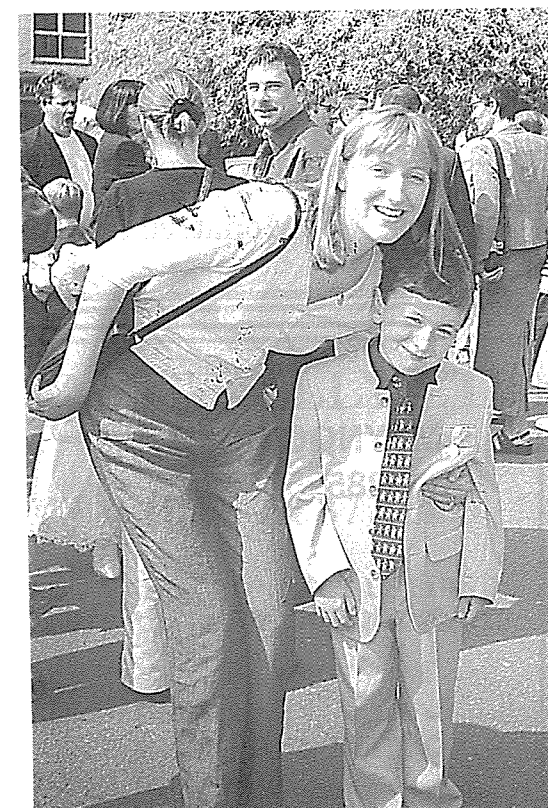
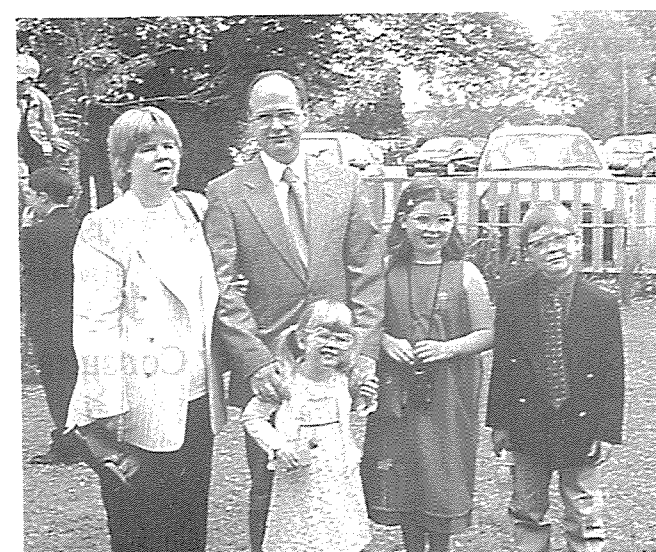
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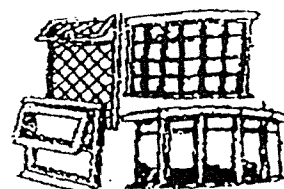
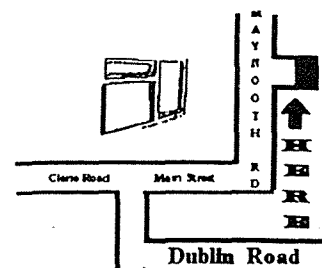
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I.C.A NOTES

Our A.G.M. took place on Thursday 4th May. Sympathy was extended to the Kenny family on the death of their Mother Annie who was a long time member of our guild.

Rosemary Hanley was re-nominated as President for another year. In her address she thanked her outgoing committee for their help during the year.

A.I.B. competition took place on Tuesday 25th April in Kill. Maynooth achieved third place. We shared first place with our quilt and cookery. Federation are holding a card game on May 12th in Larchfield nursing home, Naas. In the Autumn we have some very interesting competitions coming up:- Inter Federation Cup for Art, featuring a nature study, and cider celebration with focus on cooking for special occasions.

Overall Competition winner for the year

- 1st Rosemary Hanley
- 2nd Mary O'Gorman
- 3rd Margaret Houlihan and Vera Kearins

This year once again we had a very successful Daffodil Day Collection. We thank all our volunteers and the post primary students who gave so generously of their time.

On April 26th Elaine Houlihan was presented with her prize for winning 3/4 class section of the Ready Brek competition in Croke Park. Margaret reported they had a very enjoyable day. This year Kildare Federation's "Pennies for Friendship" was the largest amount of money collected in the country. It was sent to A.C.W.W. to help the Third World.

Glass etching classes with Nell McLoughlin will commence on Monday 16th May. Federation A.G.M in Clane on May 18th. Crafts continue every Monday at 8p.m.

Badminton in Parish Hall - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30am

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS - LAUNCH OF GREEN TOWN 2000 PLANS

Green Town 2000 is a special millenium competition for Tidy Towns groups to submit special projects for this year. Maynooth Tidy Towns has undertaken a project for the competition which has been running since 1st April and it was officially launched this week together with the group's plans for the National tidy Towns 2000 competition.

In devising our project for Green Town 2000 we looked at the issues where we have scored badly in the annual national tidy towns competition and decided that we should focus on them in our project. The issue that needs most attention is litter and this will form a major part of our plan, Tidy Towns Secretary, Paul Croghan told the meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel.

We have designated the period 22nd May - 3rd June 2000 as Mid summer Litter free Maynooth and we appreciate the help of local organisations and residents associations in every undertaking this once off clean up of the town. We have written to several sporting, student and business organisations as well as to residents associations and community groups seeking their help in this task. The projects in our plan will involve the community at all levels and the support of the schools has been most appreciated. The individual projects are:

- *Young Litter Busters Campaign 2000 - litter pickers provided to schools to maintain the school environs.*
- *Students Town 2000 - Students assisting in litter cleanups.*
- *Litter Free Residential Area 2000 - A special category in our best estates competitions 2000*
- *Spring Clean 2000 - mid summer litter free Maynooth.*

In addition, this year the area was faced with a planning application, proposing a Toxic Waste Incinerator for Kilcock, which is only five miles west of Maynooth. We decided to include in our project a plan to provide information to the residents and the schools about recycling and to introduce appropriate initiatives on waste reduction and recycling in the town.

• *Maynooth Recycling and Waste reduction town 2000*

This project will involve the supply of recognised advice on best practices in recycling and waste reduction. It will also include information on recycling locations around the Maynooth area. This project is being undertaken with the support of Kildare County Council and will involve the distribution of an information pack to each house in the town area as well as local schools. The Green town 2000 project is expected to be completed by 31/10/2000.

Plans for the National Tidy towns competition 2000 include the temporary re-instatement of the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road. A local businessman will maintain one and in the other we plan to sow flowers. We will also be developing more wild flower areas, particularly along the approach roads to the town in order to reinforce the semi-rural nature of the town. We are continuing, subject to voluntary effort, to maintain Carton Avenue and the Pound Park.

We are grateful to the Sunday Morning Cleanup crew who are continuing to do a town centre cleanup each Sunday. The Post Primary School Students for their efforts and the Intel workers through the *Intel Involved Scheme*, who have assisted us on a number of projects in recent years. help Most especially the members of the Maynooth flower and Garden Club whom have worked in partnership with us in maintaining the flowerbeds. Also to the many businesses in the town that have supported us with finance as well as making an effort to improve the image of the town through their participation in the Best shop Front competition. Indeed, the residents associations for their help throughout the town.

Maynooth Tidy Towns

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All styles, forms and subjects are welcomed and the project is open to entrants over 18 years of age. Contributions may be in either English or Irish but must be unpublished. Poems should be no longer than 40 lines. Any number of poems may be submitted for consideration. Prose and musical compositions should not exceed 140 words. All contributions should be typed. Contributors are asked not to put their name and address on their entries (the name and address should appear on a separate sheet accompanying the entry).

An editorial committee comprising of well known authors in the Maynooth area will judge the competition. All decisions by the editorial committee will be final. Entries will not be returned to the sender.

The closing date for entries is Friday 28th July, 2000. Submissions should be sent to: The Editors and Committee, Maynooth Arts Forum Millennium Project, c/o Maynooth Post Office, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Please note

Maynooth Tidy Towns Annual Collection

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MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

The **Annual Cabaret** regional heats were held in The Aula Maxima, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth over the weekend of 15th and 16th April 2000.

On Saturday 15th April only two teams participated in the first heat. Acts from Tallow and Portumna were watched by a large crowd of eager spectators.

Standards were very high which made the judges roles more difficult, but in the end the cabaret act from Portumna emerged as the winners.

On Sunday 16th April four teams took part. These include Naas, Leixlip, Tuam and Maynooth Kilcock. Again, the standard set was very high indeed, and the audience, which packed The Aula Maxima, were entertained by four very worthy cabaret acts.

The team from Tuam come out as the winners with Maynooth Kilcock Club closely on their heels in a very respectable second place.

The Maynooth Kilcock act, titled "A Look Back" was created entirely by the host and hostesses from the club and produced and directed by Ciara Baxter and Rebecca Flynn. The act included scenes reminiscent of Fawlty Towers, D'unbelievable, and music from Abba, U2, Riverdance, and Five.

The winners from the regional heats went to the finals in Portumna on Saturday 29th April held in the Shannon Oaks Hotel.

Again, the committee would like to thank St. Patrick's College for their help and assistance throughout the year.

MAYNOOTH KILCOCK NO NAME CLUB

The Annual Basketball Tournament was held in the Sports Complex, National University of Ireland, Maynooth of Friday 7th April 2000.

There was a huge attendance supporting the teams from Selesian College, Celbridge, Post Primary, Maynooth, Scoil Dara, Kilcock.

The girls teams from Maynooth Post Primary and Scoil Dara, Kilcock played marvellous and very competitive basketball and it was a pity that there had to be a winner. Scoil Dara girls took the honours after a hard fought final. The boys from Selesian College and Scoil Dara slugged it out during a hard fought, gruelling final which saw Scoil Dara reaching the final whistle first. So Scoil Dara went away with both trophies.

The standard of play was exceptionally high and far exceeded other years. The trophies and medals were presented by Assistant Chairperson Johnny Dowling and Treasure Pat Farrell.

The committee would like to extend sincere thanks to the sports complex National University of Ireland, for the use of the facilities.

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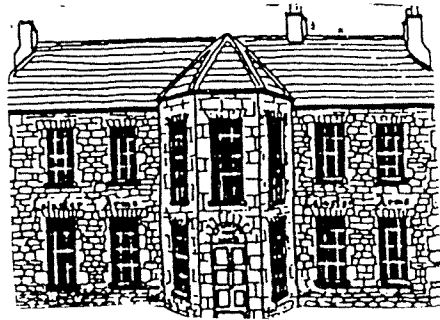
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NEWS

Cllr. McGinley's Children's Playgrounds Motion Agreed:

Cllr. John McGinley's motion:

"That this council works with local communities in order to provide children's playgrounds in towns where there is a demand for such facilities was unanimously agreed at Kildare County Council's meeting on 17 April. The Councils Recreation and Amenity Manager, Ray Bonar, will prepare a report, for presentation to the Council in three months time, on how Cllr. McGinley's motion will be implemented. Maynooth can be considered fortunate in that land is already available at the Harbour Field which is admirably suitable for a modern children's playground. Hopefully, the good progress made on the transfer of ownership of the field and the Geraldine Hall, to Kildare County Council, will be concluded soon.

Kildare County Council Agree to Maintain Open Spaces:

A milestone was reached at Kildare County Council's meeting on 17 April when the councillors approved the inclusion of £250,000 in next years Estimates (budget) for the maintenance of public open spaces throughout the county. This is something which Cllr. McGinley has been pursuing relentlessly and will be particularly good news for the north of the county. It means that Pound Park, Carton Avenue and the Harbour Field will be maintained by the Council from next January. Council Engineers have advised Cllr. McGinley that the funding is sufficient to cover the county if contractors are used rather than the Council going through the expense of setting up it's own Parks Department.

The Meadowbrook Link Road to the Straffan Road:

Consideration of the 13 submissions received by the Council as a result of the public display of the proposals will be considered by the Area Committee on 2 June.

Cllr. McGinley has also submitted the following motions for consideration

1. "In view of the fact that the Meadowbrook Stream is being culverted from Meadowbrook Court to Meadowbrook Avenue under the Link Road proposals and that the Meadowbrook Stream and the

Joan Slade River are being culverted from Meadowbrook Lawns to Parson Lodge under the New Bond Bridge proposals, that the opportunity should now be taken to culvert the Meadowbrook Stream for it's full length, in the interests of safety."

2. "that the Maynooth Development Plan should include the following as an objective of the council: that a road be included from the Straffan Road (ESSO Station) to the town side of the motorway bridge on the Rathcoffey Road to take the heavy Rathcoffey traffic.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked for the following:

- A) Traffic calming measures should be put in place on the existing Meadowbrook Road and that this should incorporate a pedestrian crossing in the vicinity of the Beaufield Road junction.
- B) Children at play signs should be erected at regular intervals on the Meadowbrook Road and a cul de sac sign should be erected at the Meadowbrook Court end.
- C) As agreed at the Area Meeting on 16 October 1998, the Beaufield road must be closed off at the Rathcoffey Road end when the Link Road is completed.
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Bond Bridge:

The 8 submissions received as a result of the public display will also be considered by the Area Committee on 2 June. Three of the Submission asked that the eastern facade of the existing bridge be retained. Unfortunately, this is unacceptable to Iarnrod Eireann on the ground of rail safety and they have further indicated that it would not be approved by the Railways Safety Inspector, who is independent, having regard to current design guidelines. In view of these objections Cllr. McGinley has asked that the eastern facade of the canal section of the bridge be retained as was the case with Mullen Bridge on the Straffan Road.

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The Cumann Web-site was also launched last month (with the voluntary assistance of John O'Dwyer, a local IT specialist). 'The web-page was launched to ensure that as a party we effectively communicate our message locally on the issues we are working on for Maynooth and also to ensure that we get feedback from the community' explains Committee Member Brid Feely. Brid also pointed out that the Cumann are arranging for Minister Charlie McCreevy and Cllr. Paul Kelly to meet local groups on issues which affect them on Saturday June 17th. If there are any groups which would like to meet our local representatives you can contact Brid on 087 2052649 or e-mail us on maynoothfiannafail@eircom.net

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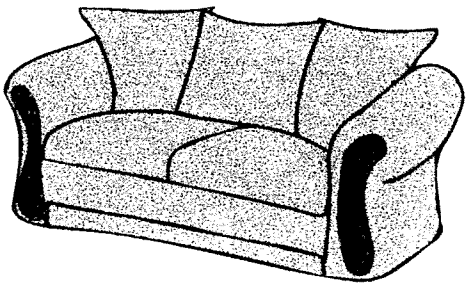
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7. Castle Keep Art group will judge the competition and decisions will be final

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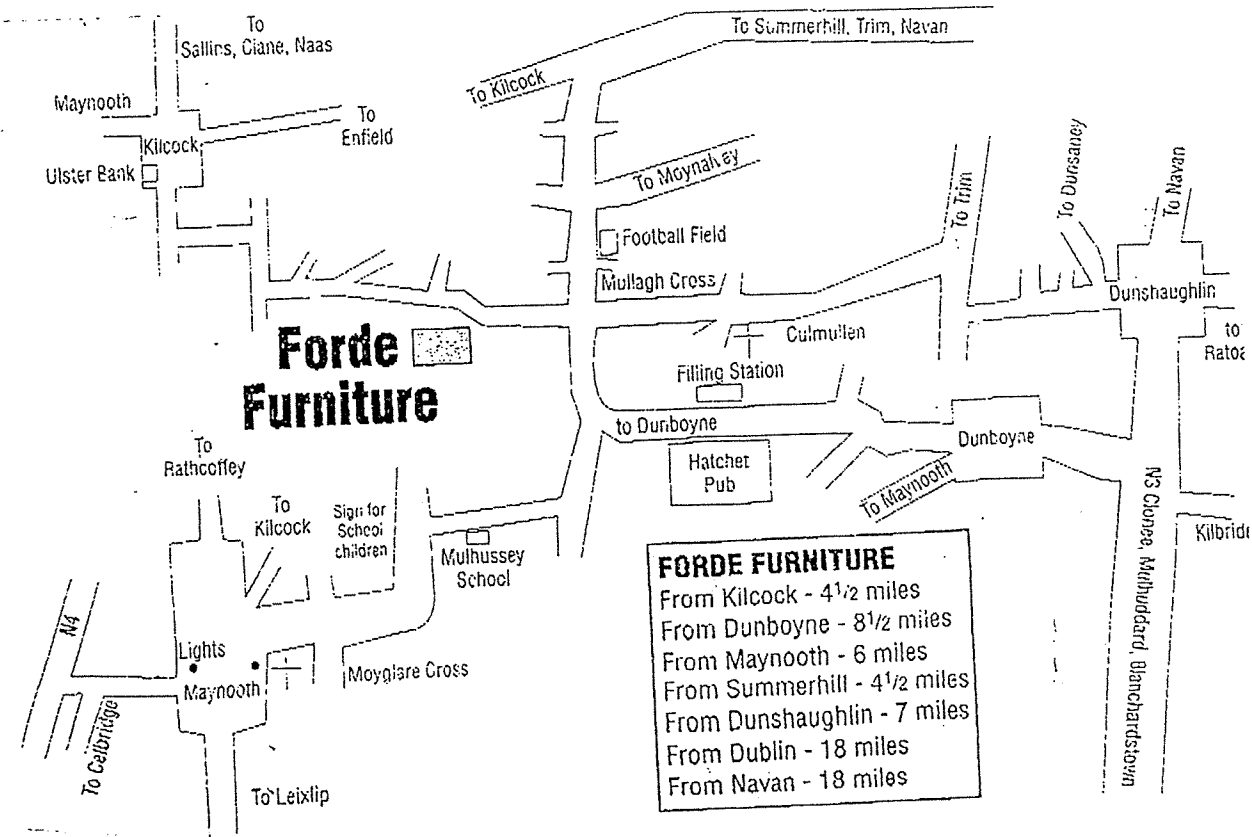
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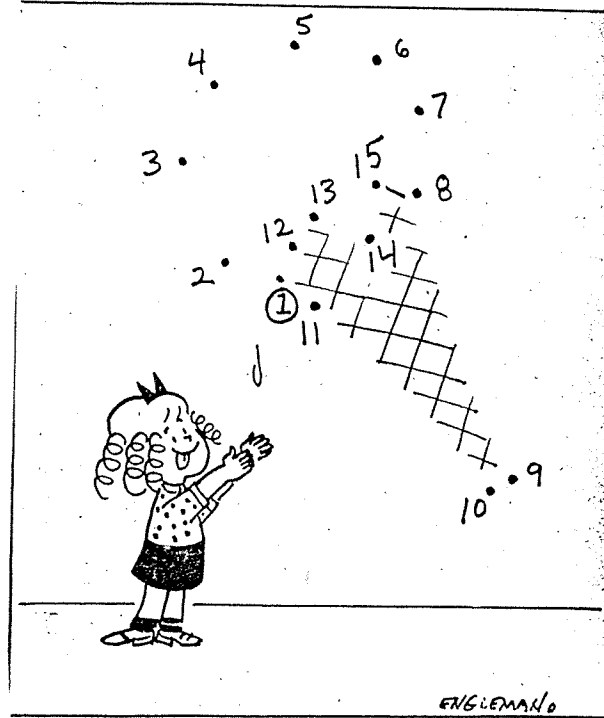
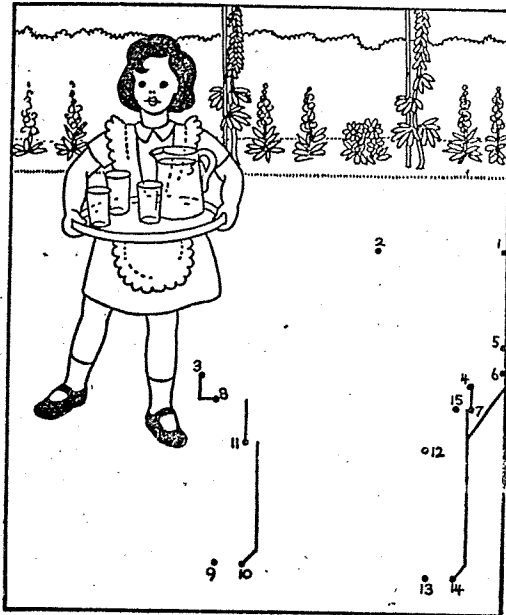


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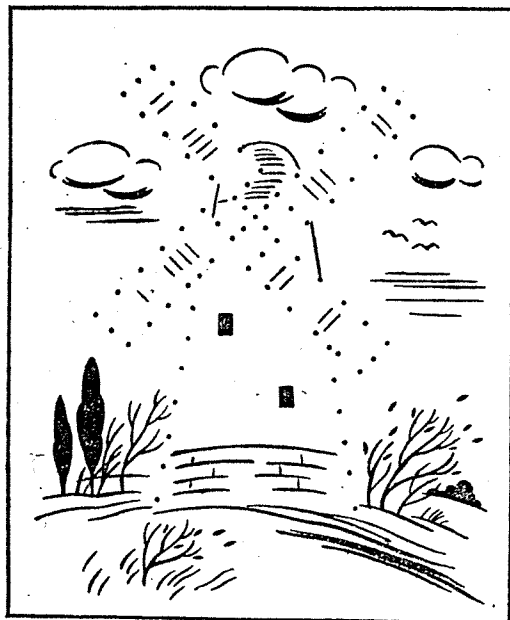
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MAYNOOTH GOING ONLINE

Maynooth is currently finalising preparations for the launch of its comprehensive web site. The project, which has a joint community and tourism focus, is being organised by Maynooth Action Strategy and has been underway since November of last year.

Tom Moor, a member of the MAS Taskforce, believes the site will become an integral part of the town's community infrastructure. "Our focus was to create channels of communication for the clubs and organisations in the town. Each club will have their own page which they can maintain with simple tools. This will allow them publish fixtures and results, notices and so on. There will also be a notice board which individual members of the community can use in a similar way."

The site will feature a free directory of the local businesses and services. Local information such as bus and train timetables, church services, critical phone numbers, and details on organisations such as the Community Council and the Chamber of Commerce will be incorporated also. Links will be provided to the National University of Ireland, Maynooth and the Saint Patrick's College sites.

The site will also have a strong tourism focus. "The content will cover items of interest in the town and the region, accommodation, eating out and leisure activities." Moore explained. "We have researched the town's monuments and places of interest and built Maynooth's story around them. We believe this can be a critical factor in the promotion of the town as a quality tourist attraction."

MAS has applied to Kidare County Council for Maynooth. ie as a domain name. Control of place names in this context has only recently passed to the Councils and it is expected that the procedures will be established and approval given soon.

Funding for the project came from Eircom's Information Age Town project. Two local business are providing the technical expertise. Innovate, the Maynooth based Web company, are providing the site development expertise and Liz Stoll is providing the graphic design.

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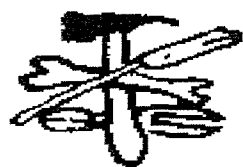
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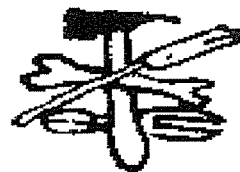
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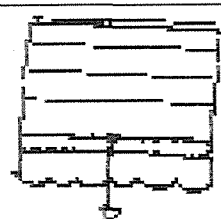


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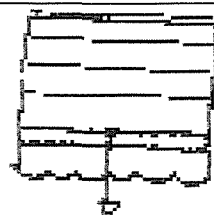


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AIR QUALITY LEIXLIP

The Leixlip Area Committee at its recent meeting, under the chairmanship of Cllr Senan Griffin, expressed the concerns of a large number of people regarding the quality of air in Leixlip to Mr David Molloy of the South Western Area Health Board (EHB) who attended the meeting at the Area Committee's request. Mr. David Molloy addressing the meeting, informed Councillors that he accepted that during the period April 98 to March 99, the quality of air was of concern to the residents of Leixlip - at this time he said the level of sulphur dioxide (SO2) per cubic metre was almost three times what it was in previous readings. Mr. Molloy was not sure if faulty equipment was to blame, but stated that he was concerned about the current readings. Cllr. Senan Griffin requested that the Health Board eliminate the technical problems and that an accurate reading be made available to the Committee as a matter of urgency. Mr. Molloy, who gave a very competent account of the workings of the survey, informed the Committee that a report will issue to them in the next two weeks, with the updated survey. The new survey will be as a result of the putting in place of new equipment at Newton House and various other locations around Leixlip. Cllr. Senan Griffin requested that an interim report be circulated to the Area Councillors in order that the next step be put in place. It is important, he said that the Health Board are working in conjunction with EPA to resolve this problem, which is arising from either the equipment or the readings.

Mr. Molloy stated that the SO2 levels have no relation with the cancer deaths in Leixlip.

Control of Alcohol Consumption in Maynooth's Public Areas

Bye-laws designed to control the consumption of alcohol in public places will come into place on July 1st, 2000. Following numerous representations by Cllr. Senan Griffin, Kildare County Council have agreed, following some minor changes, that the bye-laws will come into place on this date. Fines of up to £50 will result for persons disobeying the bye-laws, he said.

This issue of consumption of alcohol by young people has been of grave concern to a number of residents associations, and it is hoped when the by-laws are in place, it should resolve some of the problems experienced by many residents associations in the Maynooth area.

Parking in Leixlip

Cllr. Senan Griffin was informed at the recent meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee that the parking bye-laws will come into place on June 6th, 2000 for the residents on Leixlip.

Meadowbrook Link

A proposal by Council officials to place a Part X (planning notice) on public notice was deferred, in order to facilitate a deputation from Meadowbrook residents who are objecting to the proposed link. The Meadowbrook residents will put their case to the Area Committee in June.

Prior to the appointment of consultants HGL O'Connor, Cllr. Senan Griffin stated that the best option was to run the link parallel to the motorway. The consultants offered four options and selected the now proposed link through Dunn's land. Cllr. Griffin accepts these proposals as outlined by the consultants. However, some residents in Meadowbrook are concerned by these proposals, and a deputation of concerned residents will meet with the Area Committee at their next meeting.

This action, said Cllr. Griffin means that the Part X for Bond Bridge has also been delayed and he has expressed his serious concern on this issue. Some Councillors, he said have not accepted that a change in the Meadowbrook Link will result in a serious delay in the re-alignment of Bond Bridge.

The Area Committee have accepted that the Bond Bridge proposal will now have to be put on hold until the Meadowbrook Link is reviewed by the Area Committee.

Traffic Calming Measures

Cllr. Griffin has been informed that the Area Engineer in charge of the design of traffic calming measures, is very concerned about the budget allocated to put in place adequate traffic calming measures.

This has resulted in a total review of the number of measures to be put in place. Cllr. Senan Griffin outlined to the engineer the need to have adequate safety measures on Moyglare Road, where 1,150 students attend the two schools.

Danny Carthy's First solo appearance in aid of Mozambique

Danny Carthy of Fiddlers Green will be giving his first solo performance of his own songs and poetry in aid of Mozambique - at the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth on Tuesday 6th June at 8.30pm and tickets are £3.00

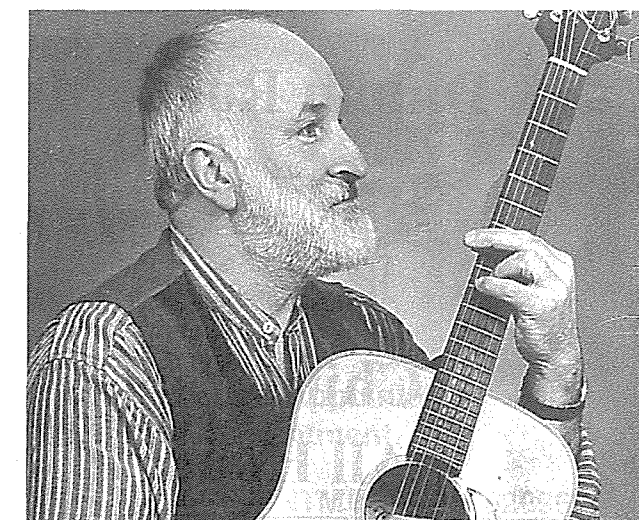
Danny has been writing for over 25 years now and most people in Maynooth know him as a ballad/folk singer, but not as a poet or songwriter. He has sung as a professional folk singer since 1969 from as far as Stockholm to Frankfurt - West Europe all over. Danny says that "folk singers are almost a dying breed"

On the proposed night Danny has written 2 poems specially for the occasion, there will be an hour and quarter of his own songs, finishing off with forty five minutes of songs by Phil Coulter, Pete St. John, Ewan McColl and others - tickets are going like hot cakes!

Danny hopes to raise £700 for this worthy cause which will be donated to Mozambique. A country where floods have a tragic consequence and the land that was developed is now almost in ruins. Danny not only wanted to do a solo concert of his own work but also do something for Mozambique and what better way to do it!

Tickets are available at the Glenroyal Hotel or at the new Maynooth Community Council Office, Dunboyne Rd.

Fiddlers Green who can be seen locally are back on the road again, but this is a one off solo project for Danny.





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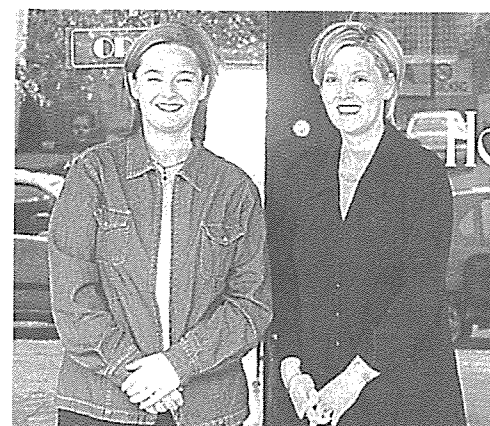
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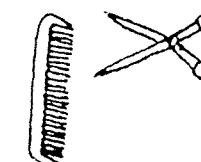
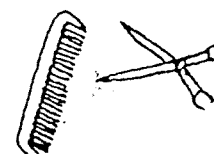
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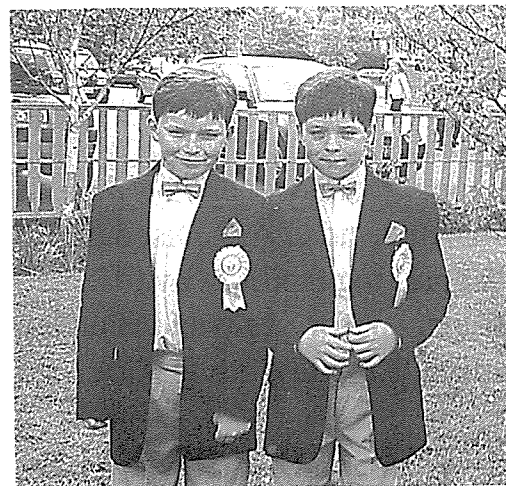
Colm Pelo and David Corbett



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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (Cont)

and the impressive Eddie Cusack. A penalty goal scored by the same player edged Rathangan ahead, but good Maynooth scores by William Farrelly, Hugh Nevin and Darren Naughton left the sides level at half time.

Rathangan pulled ahead early in the second half and led by two points midway through the half. Maynooth replied brilliantly, playing against the wind and rain and with scores from Eamon Gallagher who had a man of the match performance at midfield and Joey O'Riordan edged ahead. The match winners point came from Karl Ennis in the final seconds and Maynooth held out for the vital win.

Scorers: Maynooth: Darren Naughton 2 points, Karl Ennis 2 points, Eamon Gallagher 2 points, William Farrelly 2 points, Joey O'Riordan 1 point, Hugh Nevin 1 point.

Rathangan: Eddie Cusack 1 goal - 3 points, Ned O'Loughlin 2 points, Eric Dockery 1 point.

Best players: Maynooth - Paul Flood, excellent in goals, Pascal Ennis, Martin Byrne, Donal McAvinue (introduced as sub).

Rathangan - Brian Gorry, Eddie Cusack, Eric Dockery.

U/14 Football League Maynooth v Round Towers 14th May 2000

Maynooth defeated a strong and determined Round Towers team and collected a valuable two points on Sunday morning.

Leading nine points to 1 goal and 3 points at half time the Maynooth Team added a goal and three points in the second half to run out convincing winners.

Maynooth Scorers:

David Canny (1-0), Brian O'Malley (0-5), Mark Cummins (0-3), Sean MCALLISTER (0-3), EMMA LOHAN (0-1).

Round Towers:

Jamie Murphy (1-0), Johnny Mahon (1-0), Alan Carr (0-1), Niall Cleary (0-1), Kev Whelan (0-1), Declan Plunkett (0-1), Richard Schill (0-1).

Best Players Maynooth -

Sean Kennedy, Robert Leonard, Luke Kaly, Declan Bambrick.

Towers -

James Kildregan, Sean Donnelly, Darren Nugent. (F.A.O.) John Holden from Johnny Nevin (Maynooth).

Sympathy

Maynooth G.A.A. Club would like to express sincere sympathy to Club Chairman, Roddy Molloy on the death of his mother. AR DHEIS DE GO RAIBH A N-ANAM.

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



The Maynooth Under 16 Football Team who lost narrowly to Na Fianna in the League Final by 3-12 to 2-14.
Front Row from left: Fergal Molloy, Brian Downes, David Comerford, D.J. Canning, Gary McMahon, Stephen Curran, Brendan Coffey, Tadg O'Corcaire.
Back Row from left: Mark Cummins, Stephen Broderick, Colin O'Neill, Paul Broughan, Alan Sweeney, Ciaran McCullagh, Fergus Devereux, Brian Downey, James Mullarkey, Pierre Ennis, Fintan O'Donoghue.

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Congratulations to all concerned and thanks again to all who helped, in any way to make the Race Night such a success. Go raibh mile maith agaibh go leir.

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Senior Football League
Rathangan v Maynooth
19th April 2000

Maynooth collected their first brace of league points with a hard fought deserved victory over a determined Rathangan Team on Wednesday night. Played on a wet evening both sides served up an entertaining game.

Maynooth started well and were three points up after ten minutes, Rathangan replied with a point form Eric Dockery

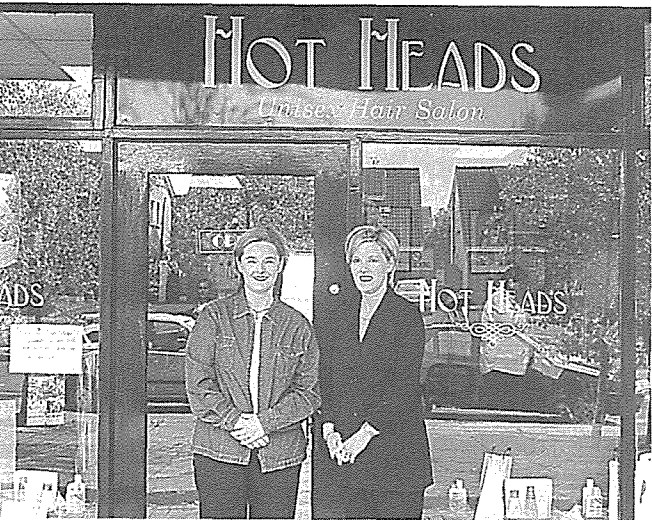
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Having finished first and second in the league table respectively, Na Fianna and Maynooth played out a great game of football, with Na Fianna only getting the winning score in the sixty-first minute. And in the period previous, both teams found themselves level on no less than five occasions throughout, showing just how close a game it was. Maynooth were first to open their account, when Alan Sweeney hit a ball in from thirty yards, which deceived the keeper and found the Na Fianna net. Na Fianna were not affected by this score as within the space of two minutes they drew level when Craig Mulligan found the net, after a high ball in, came back off the cross-bar and Mulligan was first to react. And by the fifteenth minute, Na Fianna led by 2-3 to 1-0, following points from Tim Roddy, Chris Murphy and a goal and a point from the league's top scorer, Eoin Dowling who's total for the league campaign now stands at an amazing 8-37.

The league's second highest scorer, Pierre Ennis then got two points back for Maynooth before Dermot Canning and John Cross exchanged points. Na Fianna then edged further in front with another point from Dowling and a brace from centre forward Gary Judge. Maynooth did get another two points back before the break, thanks to Ciaran McCullagh and Pierre Ennis, to leave five points between the teams at the interval.

H/T Score: Na Fianna 2-7 Maynooth 1-5.

A blistering to the second half saw Maynooth draw level after only five minutes, and David Comerford paved the way for a Maynooth comeback when he got Maynooth's second goal after barely a minute with a cool finish to the back of the net. Dermot Canning then scored his second point moments later and Paul Broughan brought the teams level with a fine point in the fiftieth minute.

Neither team winced under such tremendous pressure and both sides threatened to score nearly every time they attacked. Na Fianna were more accurate though and they built up a three-point lead following points from John Cross, Eoin Dowling and Gard Judge. Again, Maynooth drew level again as Dermot Canning, twice, and Pierre Ennis hit three consecutive points for the north Kildare side.

It was now end to end stuff and Na Fianna hit a killer blow to Maynooth's chances of victory, when Gary judge scored a controversial goal, after taking what looked like more than the legitimate number of steps. But, amazingly Maynooth reeled in the deficit once more, this time Brian Downey (2) and Ciaran McCullagh were no the mark to revive hopes of a Maynooth win. Dermot Canning and Eoin Dowling exchanged points before the end and the final seemed destined to go to a replay.

John Cross has other ideas though and with practically the last kick of the game, he fired over from twenty yards to send the cup Na Fianna's way. A cracking match to say the least, yet once again a victory in a final eludes Maynooth, and although the best club sides in Kildare, at this level were playing, you wouldn't have thought so by the minuscule crowd which turned up to support the talent of the future.

Teams and Scorers:
Na Fianna: Paul Fetherston, Daniel Heavy, Colm Geraghty,Shane Reddy, Paul Moore, Mark Hogarty. Michael McCormack, Jason Sherlock,Tim Roddy (1-0
Chris Murphy (0-1), Gary Judge (1-3 , Graig Mulligan (1-0), Eoin Dowling (1-4, Derek Mooney,John Cross (0-3).

Maynooth: Fergus Deveraux, Brian Downed, Gary McMahon Stephen Curran, Colin O'Neill, Tadgh O'Corcora, Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney (1-0),Pierre Ennis (0-4), Paul Broughan (0-1), Ciaran McCullagh (0-2),Fintan O'Donoghue, Brian Downey (0-2),Dermot Canning (0-5),David Comerford (1-0)

The Maynooth GAA Race Night
The Maynooth GAA race night held in the Clubhouse on Friday 28/4/00 in Aid of Club Development was a tremendous success. The Executive would like to thank all our race sponsors, those who purchased horses and the people who supported the event on the night. Finally a special word of thanks to race co-ordinator Kevin Connolly who was largely responsible for the success of the race night and to Tony Mooney, Dominic Nugent, Niamh Mulready, Tracey Kearney, Paschal Ennis and Larry Comerford for all their fundraising efforts.

Race Night Winners
Race 1
Mick Stynes, Liam Flood,Ana Travers,Joe Gorey - Horse 2.

Race 2
Eilis Connaughton,Tom Coffey,Joe Gorey, Brendan Coffey - Horse 1.

Race 3
Marie Farrelly,Shay Brennan, Vincent Prendergast, Maynooth Soccer Club, Horse No 5.

Race 4
Leanne Hughes ,Frank Delaney,Kieran & Noel,Bernard Clooney.

Race 5
Express Cabs - Horse No. , Barry Dalton, Windfield Motors, Fergus Devereux..

Race 6
Colm Joyce, Horse No. 9, Mick Naughton, Paul Flood, Olive Flood.

Race 7
Mick Faherty Horse No. 2, Christy Timmins, Philip Hynes, Ray Kelly.

Race 8
Enda Diggins Horse No. 3, Maurice Mahon. Jimmy Cahill, Larry Comerford.

Race 9
Sean Molloy Horse No. 4 , Christy Lanigan, Tony & Pat, Jim Ennis.

Race 10
Rody Molloy, Horse No. 6, Gerry Lawlor.

Race 11
(Auction Race) Ken Leonard, Horse No. 1.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (Cont)

Maynooth Team and Scorers: Karl Ennis, Shane Connors, T.J. Curtin (0-2), Paul Redmond, Noel Carey, Fergal Scully, Jimmy Cahill, Justin White (1-1), Hugh Nevin, Stephen Brennan (0-1), Paul Daly (1-0), Tom Farrell, Killian Fagan, Mick Bennett (1-1), Ronan Joyce (2-0),
Subs: Sean Cushen for Tom Farrell.

Clane Team and Scorers: Ray Moloney, Kevin Campbell, Jack Curley, David Lynch, John Reidy, Eamonn Curley, Brian Curran (0-1), Declan Fitzpatrick (0-5), Ger Sullivan (0-1), David Lyons (2-0), Sean O’Dea (0-1), Niall Doogin (1-0), David McCarthy (0-1), Anthony O’Dea (1-1), Eamonn Walsh (1-1).

Subs: David Harney (0-1) for David McCarthy, David McCarthy for Ger Sullivan

Referee: Jim Sheridan (Naas).

Junior Hurling League Division 1

Maynooth 0-8, Broadford 1-6, 2nd May 2000.

This was a game Maynooth should have won but their superiority on the field was not reflected on the scoreboard as they failed to convert man clearcut scoring chances. Broadford led by 0-5 to 0-4 at half time with John O Brien Maynooth’ leading marksman with three points and a fine long range effort from Shane Connors. In the second half Broadford improved considerably and the turning point of the game came ten minutes from the finish when Boradford got the only goal of the game to lead by three points. Maynooth responded with points from John O’ Brien and Eoin Nevin to leave the minimum between the sides. Maynooth created a number of changes to win the game but were unable to add to their tally and so Broadford held out for victory.

Best for Maynooth were: Sean Cushen, Tony Quaid, Aidan McCarron, Mick Bennett, John O Brien and Eamonn Toomey.

Team and Scores

Matt Carroll , Tony Quaid, Sean Cushen, Peter Sheridan, Colin Cushen,Eoin Nevin (0-1) Aiden McCarron (0-1), Mick Bennet, Shane Connors (0-1), John O’Brien (0-5), Johnny Lee, Sean Lennon, Seamus Cummins,Eammon Toomey, Micheal Ryan.

Subs: Andrew Fay for Johnny Lee, Stephen Kelly for M. Ryan.

MAYNOOTH KEEP BEST ‘TIL LAST

U/16 FOOTBALL LEAGUE SEMI-FINAL
MAYNOOTH 3-8 MOORFIELD 1-12

Club Chairman, Roddy Molloy, summed up this victory for Maynooth regarding it as “the finest performance I’ve ever seen by a team from this club”. And it was thus,although Maynooth’s first-half performance will have to be brought within shouting distance of their second-half performance if they are to go all the way and win the final, which is fixed for Newbridge next Friday.Maynooth may have come in to the game as slight favourites, having finished second in the league table, but that background information could be easily wiped off the slate as both sides produced a game which will not be forgotten by anyone lucky enough to have witnessed this fine game, one which certainly gives hope of a future All-Ireland victory for Kildare.

The game opened at a sluggish pace and Moorfield showed to be much sharper, racing in to a four point lead playing with

a slight wind advantage. Maynooth’s much vaunted attack, which has amassed a total of 18-85 in the league stages,were slow to get going and were not helped by some excellent defensive work by Moorefield, of which James Lonegan and Dean Brogan stood out. The game took a dramatic twist on twenty minutes when Thomas Curley broke free of his defensive shackles and shot past Fergus Deveraux, to leave Moorefield well ahead and in control at the break.

H/T score: Moorefield 1-7 Maynooth 0-2

The second- half began at a ferocious pace and maintained a sprightly pace throughout Maynooth drew first blood, with a Ciaran Mc Cullagh point and got themselves right back in it a few minutes later when Brian Downey latched on to a ball in from Pierre Ennis and palmed the ball to the net. This score rattled Moorfield and within the space of five minutes, Maynooth had reduced their deficit to four points. It was still all to do for Maynooth, as Simon Byrne and Michael Tracey took command at midfield and scored a point each to bring Moorfield in to a commanding six-point lead. Once again, Maynooth came storming back and this time Fintan O’ Donoghue weaved his magic to score a fine individual goal to set Maynooth back on course.

Now the game was really alight, and both teams showed great composure under increasing pressure, as each side matched each other point for point. And as the game entered the last ten minutes, Moorefield led by the narrowest of margins and things were set for a nailbiting finale. One trick still remained up the well- guarded sleeve of David Comerford, however, as he rose in to the perils of the air and found the ballperfectly set for his clenched fist to punch the ball to the net, spelling out victory for Maynooth yet cruel defeat for an excellent Moorefield side.

The game came to an and moments later and a jubilant Maynooth celebrated this win like it was a final, showing how much it means to a team who had never beaten Moorefield.

Teams and Scorers;

Moorefiel: Vinny Carroll, John Maguirs, James Dowling Paul Culbert, Francis Dunne, James Lonegan (0-1, Dean Brogan, Simon Byrne (0-2, Michael Tracey (0-3), Stephen Sheridan, Ross Gavin (0-2), Joseph Murphy, Daryl Flynn (0-2), Thomas Curley (1-0),Barry O’ Shea (0-2).

Maynooth: Fergus Deveraux, Colin O’ Neil, Brendan Coffey Stephen Curran, Tadgh O’ Corcora, Garry Mc Mahon Fergal Molloy, Alan Sweeney, Pierre Ennis (0-20), Paul Broughan (0-1), Ciaran Mc Cullagh (0-1), Fintan O’ Donoghue (1-1), Brian Downey (1-1), Dermot Canning (0-2) David Comerford (1-0).

Date: 20th May

Venue; Droichead Nua

Maynooth Heartbreak as Na Fianna Claim League Crown

U/16 Football League Final Division 1.

Na Fianna 3-12 Maynooth 2-14

If ever a final could have produced such sublime skill and tremendous passion which was the hall of this game, we would have been talking about it for months, of that I am quite sure.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

19/4/00 Senior Camogie League
21/4/00 Under 14 Hurling League
25/4/00 Junior Hurling League
26/4/00 Junior Football League
27/4/00 Senior Hurling League
28/4/00 Under 16 Football League
29/4/00 Senior Football League
2/5/00 Junior Hurling League
3/5/00 Under 14 Camogie Feile
4/5/00 Senior Hurling League
4/5/00 Under 16 Hurling League
5/5/00 Junior Football League
11/5/00 Under 14 Hurling Feile
14/5/00 Senior Football Championship
14/5/00 U 16 Football League S/Final
16/5/00 U 16 Camogie League
20/5/00 U 14 Hurling League
20/5/00 Under 12 Hurling League
20/5/00 Senior Football League
20/5/00 U/16 Football League Final

Senior Camogie League

At St Laurences. St. Laurences 0-4, Maynooth 0-1.

The heavy rain which fell for most of this game on 19/4/00 failed to deter both teams from putting on a very entertaining display with camogie of a very high standard. The teams were evenly matched in the first half with the home side leading by two points to one at the interval, Maynooth’s point coming from a Teresa Hession free. St. Laurences started the game in lively fashion in the second half and went into a two point lead after 10 minutes. Their midfield pairing were getting on top and ensured a plentiful supply to the forward line. However the Maynooth defence held firm with Teresa Hession at centre back in commanding from. The move of Maeve Herbert to midfield for Maynooth broke st. Laurences monopoly and as a result Maynooth created many scoring chances in the last quarter, but inaccurate shooting and the resilience of the winner full back line denied Maynooth their first win in the league campaign. Best for Maynooth were Catherine Duff, Niamh Mulready, Teresa Hession, Annmarie Farrell, Michelle Gillick, Maeve Herbert, and Anne Comerford.

Team

Geraldine Fahy, Niamh Mulready, Clair McCarrick, Catherine Duff, Annmarie Farrell, Teresa Hession, Sandra Gillick, Michelle Gillick, Christine Flannery, Margaret Farrell, Maeve Herbert, Niamh Byrne, Anne Comerford, Nicola Walsh, Naoimi Devereux, Subs. Cheryl Naughton, Elaine McNamara, Pamela Fahy.

Senior Hurling League Division 1

Maynooth 5-6, Clane 5-12.

Clane hurlers came to Maynooth on 4/5/00 with a mission, namely to avenge last year’s defeat in the intermediate hurling championship final. They achieved victory in the end but not before many twists and turns had occurred in the game. Clane started the more impressive with two points inside the first five minutes. However Paul Daly gave Maynooth the lead when his rasping shot was deflected by one of the Clane defenders into the net. The next two points

Maynooth 0-1, St. Laurences 0-4
Maynooth 4-10, Sarsfields 0-1
Leixlip 1-4, Maynooth 0-2
Maynooth 0-12, Clane 2-5
Maynooth 5-10, Kilcock 1-2
Maynooth 0-12, Leixlip 0-9
Raheens 0-13, Maynooth 0-6
Broadford 1-6, Maynooth 0-8
Rathcoffey 2-0, Maynooth 1-1
Clane 5-12, Maynooth 5-6
Sarsfields 5-7, Maynooth 4-8
Maynooth 2-6, Kilcock 0-4
Ardclough 6-7, Maynooth 3-6
Suncroft2-10, Maynooth 2-7
Maynooth 3-8, Moorefield 1-2
Johnstonbridge 7-1, Maynooth 2-3
Maynooth 15-10, St. Laurences 1-1
Clane 7-5, Maynooth 4-5
Kilcock 1-10, Maynooth 0-6
Na Fianna 3-12, Maynooth 2-14

fell to Clane via Declan Fitzpatrick (65) and Niall Doolin (from play). Mick Bennett levelled matters for Maynooth following good interplay with Ronan Joyce and Justin White. Clane looked the more sharper towards the end of the first half and added on a further three points from Eamonn Walsh, Eamonn Fitzpatrick and Ger Sullivan. However in the best move of the match T.J. Curtin who had been moved to midfield combined with Killian Fagan and his cross was beautifully doubled on by Mick Bennett who gave Clane goalkeeper no chance with a blistering shot. The sides ended level at the interval on a scoreline of Maynooth 2-1, Clane 0-7. Maynooth Team Manager Ciaran Diggins concerned at the lack of forward and introduced Sean Cushen between the posts for the second half.

Maynooth’s Justin White who had an excellent game all through scored a goal and point at the start of the second half and two goals in as many minutes from Ronan Joyce put Maynooth into a commanding ten point lead. However Clane are nothing if brave with a goal from David Lyons and points from Declan Fitzpatrick, Anthony O’Dea and David McCarthy to leave five points between the sides. With ten minute to go it looked as if Maynooth would hold out but apart form two points form Stephen Brennan and T.J. Curtin Clane ran riot for the remainder of the game scoring three goals and two points without reply. It must be said that the goals were conceded rather easily and any positional changes mad e failed to stop the Clane onslaught, with the Maynooth full back line in all sorts of trouble.

Best for Maynooth were: T.J. Curtin, Noel Carey, Justin White, Stephen Brennan, Ronan Joyce and Killian Fagan while Clane had impressive performers in Jack Curley, Ger Sullivan, Brian Curran, Declan Fitzpatrick, David Lyons, Niall Doolin and Eamonn Walsh.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

12TH - 16TH JULY 2000

The plan for this year's Festival to include the following:-

1. Barman of the Year.
2. Fire Office Display.
3. Art Competition.
4. Set Dancing.
5. Millennium Tea Party *
6. Soccer Tournament.
7. Poetry Reading.
8. Historical Walk.
9. Battle Re-enactment.
10. Battle of the Bands.
11. Teenage Disco.
12. Music in Pubs.
13. Trad. Jazz Singing.
14. Brass and Reed Band.

* Millennium Tea Party will incorporate fancy dress party for all the kids. Tea cakes for all, live music, clowns, face painting and we hope that all the children, of all ages, will take the opportunity to join in the fancy dress parade.

Sport

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Willie Comes Out On Top at Turvey

Three pars over the last three holes helped Willie Moore to clinch the overall prize and Eddie Kavanagh Cup at Turvey Golf Club on Saturday 22nd April last. Niall Byrne and Terry Moore were just a point behind in what turned out to be a tremendous battle right up to the last three-ball. Brona Donovan representing the Kavanagh family presented Willie with the cup at the function later that night. Congratulations Willie.

The Society would like to thank Perry and Ann Twomey for their most generous sponsorship on the day.

Eddie Kavanagh Cup at Turvey Golf and Country Club 22nd April 2000

Overall			
Winner	-	Willie Moore	37 pts.
2nd	-	Niall Byrne	36 pts. (Back 9)
3rd	-	Terry Moore	36 pts.
4th	-	Norman Kavanagh	34 pts. (Back 9)
5th	-	Mick Hegarty	34 pts.
6th	-	Pa Conway	33 pts. (Back 9)
7th	-	Sean O'Connell	33 pts.
8th	-	Gerry Kelly	32 pts.
Front 9	-	Alan Kelly	18 pts.
Back 9	-	Paul Murray	18 pts.
Par 3	-	Sean Nyland	
Par 5	-	Tom Moore and Dominic Nyland	
Twos Club	-	Liam Eves and Mick Fahy	
Nearest the Pin	-	Alan Kelly	
Visitors	-	1st Pat O'Brien	28 pts.
		2nd Paul Curtis	27 pts.

Local Knowledge Big Asset to Vice-Captain

On Friday 12th May playing at his home course proved to be (the man with local knowledge) Mick Flynn's trump card. The course and conditions were ideal for golf but the tricky greens caught out many of the players. In the finish Mick had a point to spare over Gerry McTernan. Congratulations Mick on your first (of many) overall successes.

The Society would like to thank Keogh's Delicatessen on Main Street for their kind sponsorship of our Easter Egg Draw.

Kilcock Golf Club 12th May 2000

Overall			
Winner	-	Mick Flynn	36 pts.
2nd	-	Gerry McTernan	35 pts.
3rd	-	Tom O'Haire	34 pts.
4th	-	Owen Byrne	33 pts. (Back 9)
5th	-	Tom Flatley	33 pts.
6th	-	Kevin Loftus	32 pts. (Back 9)
7th	-	Colm Loftus	32 pts.
Front 9	-	John Byrne	19 pts.
Back 9	-	Terry Moore	18 pts.

Next Outing to Athlone Golf Club on Saturday 10th June for Shay Moore Memorial Cup.

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This category of the colouring competition is for 4-12 year olds.
Closing date for receipt of entries is **Monday, 19th June** by 5 pm.

Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NEWS (Cont.)

Provision of Litter Bin at Entrance to Pound Park

Arising from representations by residents of the Lyreen District Deputy Stagg requested the Council to provide a Decorative Litter Bin near the entrance to the Pound Park. The area in behind the wall near the Bandhall had become badly littered recently until the clean up and the provision of the Bin at this location will assist in keeping the area tidy. The Council have advised Deputy Stagg that the Bin will be provided shortly.

Planning Application for Pub at Newtown Shopping Centre.

Lark Developments have applied for Planning Permission for a Pub at Newtown Shopping Centre facing onto the Meadowbrook Road.

In order to agree a common strategy in relation to the application Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley's met with representatives of residents Associations from Beaufield, Brookfield, Meadowbrook and Meadowbrook Crescent on May 15th.

At the meeting there was unanimous opposition to the proposed Public House and each of the Residents Associations will be lodging formal objections with the Council.

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley will also be lodging and objection based on the following points:

* There is no requirement in the area for such a development. The proposal is not suitable for a residential area and is more suitable for a commercial area such as the Town Centre.

* The proposal would increase traffic in the area.

* The holding of functions in the Pub would cause a noise nuisance for residents in the areas.

Adequate Car Parking spaces will not be available which will lead to parking along the Beaufield and Meadowbrook Roads.

Rail safety on Maynooth Suburban Line

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the Minister for Public Enterprise that all unreasonable safety risks identified by the I.R.M.S. Report on Rail Safety on the Maynooth Suburban Line have now been dealt with by Iarnrod Eireann. The risks now resolved include the crossover at Clonsilla and the footbridge at Maynooth Rail Station.

With the ongoing work on doubling the line Deputy Stagg stated that commuters would soon have the service they deserve and rightly demand.

Footpath - Parsons Hall and Castledawson along Newtown Road

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have continued to pursue the provision of a footpath along the front boundary of Parsons Hall and Castledawson along Newtown Road.

The Council have advised Deputy Stagg that they have now marked out the route of the footpath and will be in a position to appoint a contractor to carry out the work in the near future.

Control of consumption and possession of alcohol in public places in Maynooth will be in place by July 1st.

The by-laws will make it illegal to consume or posses alcohol in cemeteries, green areas, along footpaths or public roads throughout the town.

At the instigation of Deputy Emmet Stagg Residents Associations will not be prevented from having organised events in green areas in their estates. Instead they will be

able to apply to the Council to hold a specific event in their estate.

The by-laws are largely designed to deal with youths drinking openly in public areas of Maynooth.

Temporary classrooms for Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich

Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich have to leave their present accommodation in Leinster Street by September and the School has applied for temporary classrooms on the Celbridge Road beyond Lawrence's Avenue. Given the urgency of the situation Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg have requested the Council to fast track the planning application.

Tony Smith Memorial Walk

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk was held on Sunday 28th May at 3.00 p.m.

The funds raised will be handed over to the Senior Citizens Committee at a function during Festival Week. Maynooth Labour Branch would like to thank all those who sponsored our walkers and those who took part in the walk itself.

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Maynooth Development Plan:
Councillors will be considering the 21 submissions received at the Area Meeting on 22 May. The intention of the County Manager is to have the plan agreed at the Area Meeting in order to go to the full Council on 26 June for draft approval. It will then for on public display for three months.
Green Triangle at Rockfield/Parklands/Rail Park:
Cllr. McGinley got the ESB to install additional public lighting in an attempt to deter the drinking and hooliganism at this location. He also got the following reply from Sgt. Mick Desmond on the problem:
"I have placed extra patrols in the area. This caused us concern last year and we were able to bring it under control. It is my attention to ensure that no Public Order Offences go unchecked in these areas or any other part of the Maynooth Sub-District.
My Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Gardai will be in contact with the relevant co-ordinators with regard to their complaints."
The ESB have assured Cllr. John McGinley that they will carry proper reinstatement of the green and footpath following the installation of the three new double public lights. Wheelchair Access to Shops from Greenfield Drive and Maynooth:
Cllr. John McGinley has again asked the local Council Engineer to make these footpaths wheelchair friendly. She had agreed to go over a year ago.

New Public Lighting on the Rathcoffey Road:
The ESB are installing new lights from Main Street up to the motorway bridge on the Rathcoffey Road as a result of Deputy Stagg's and Cllr. John McGinley's pressure on Kildare County Council. Cllr. McGinley's has asked the ESB to move the pole out of the small garden at the entrance to Cluain Aoibhinn following representations from the Resident's Association.

Traffic Calming in Parklands:
Cllr. John McGinley allocated all of his Discretionary Grant Funding (£14,250) for traffic calming on Parklands through road. The engineers are proposing chicanes at

approximately 150m intervals to reduce traffic speeds. The detailed design will be put on public display so that members of the public can make their views known.

Moyglare Village Boundary Wall:
Cllr. McGinley and officers from the Moyglare Village Resident's Association met the senior Planner of Kildare County Council on 8 May with a view to progressing the building of the wall. The following was agreed:
1. Planning permission is not required.
2. The line of the wall was agreed
3. the Senior Planner will meet the Area Engineer on site to ensure that traffic safety issues are met.
In addition the Council has agreed to pursue the developer for the shortfall in funding and to have the estate taken in charge.

C.I.E. Maintenance Access Gate at Silken Vale
Following on from the decision by Kildare Co. Council to give permission for the access Maintenance Gate the Residents Association in Silken Vale have lodged a Third Party Appeal to An Bord Pleanala.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has also made a submission to An Bord Pleanala as an observer in support of the residents. In his appeal Deputy Stagg points out that the use of the cul de sac for access is not required as the laneway north of Silken Vale is available for access. He further points out that the access gate is through a private residential area, which is not suitable for lorries or heavy goods vehicles. There will be a danger posed to young children and there is no guarantee that the gate will be locked at all times which would mean than young children could stay out onto the rail line. the proposal will devalue property and could effectively create a pedestrian access to the Rail Station. Further Iarnrod Eireann's contention that the gate would not be used not more than five times per year was a ploy to get planning permission and that this condition would be breached by Iarnrod Eireann.
The appeal is likely to be decided upon by September.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES

Following on from the success of Maynooth's Ladies team who won the Premier 'B' league earlier in the year, the Men's senior team brought home the bacon in the form of the Leinster Football League's Major Division title last week. A large crowd watched the home side earn the point they require in an exciting mid-week encounter at the Dublin Rd against Liffey Wanderers. The Town had taken a giant step towards lifting the championship by beating fellow championship contenders St. Vincent's 3-0 the previous Sunday. With the under 11A schoolboy side winning their league Maynooth Football Club has had one of its best ever seasons ever and its not over yet. Our 11A side are still involved in two cup competitions and several underage sides (8 to 10 year-olds) are in strong positions in their respective leagues and with a few good results we could have champions at each level in which we compete. Good luck to all our teams who are in contention but remember win lose or draw you have all done the town of Maynooth proud. With 17 teams (some 300 playing members) competing at all levels this year it was at times frustrating and disappointing for players, managers and parents alike. With 2 or 3 new teams due to compete next season the Club has a major task on its hands to cope with such growth. However every effort has and will continue to be made to acquire the facilities

necessary to allow Maynooth Town F.C. to improve on the tremendous success we have had this season. Our thanks to the Doyle Family (Dublin Rd), Paul Davies (NUI Maynooth), North Kildare Club (Kilcock Rd) and the trustees of the Harbour Field for their support allowing us to use the playing surfaces we required to fulfill all our fixtures this season.

Following 18 months of planning Maynooth Town F.C. played host to Bec United from Tooting in South London. The boys aged between 11 and 12 years old had 5 days as guests of the Club. A series of challenge matches and a five-a-side tournament seen many new friendships struck up between the Londoners and the Maynooth lads. The week was finished off with a representative selection from each club contesting for the Brady's Clockhouse Challenge Shield sponsored by Noel Brady. The game ended in an entertaining 2-2 draw and the visiting site were allowed to hold the trophy in safekeeping until the next time we meet. Due to bad weather a planned second game had to be abandoned. A special thanks to Patrick Kelly (Chairman of Bec United), Eddie Power (Maynooth Town F.C.) all the host families without whose tremendous effort and help this event could not of taken place. It is hoped to arrange a return visit for our lads to London at some stage in the future.

MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS					
Sponsored by Caulfield's Lounge Maynooth					
Date	Lucky No's	Jackpot	3 x £25 Weekly Winners		
16th April 2000	7,14,15,23	£1,400	John Tiernan	John Daly	Paulin McAvinue
23rd April 2000	11,12,13,20	£1,450	Stephen c/o Green Lane	Bridget Naughton	John O'Neill
30th April 2000	1,4,13,20	£1,500	Lorna Graham	Mick Walsh	Paul Sutton
7th May 2000	6,9,24,27	£1,550	Mick Naughton	Tony Scullion	John Waldron
14th MAY 2000	11,16,18,23	£1,600	Daryl Byrne	William Cannon	Ann Myles
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DORIN'S RECIPES

Gratin Of Vegetables:

115g long grain rice,
3 courgettes,
1 pepper (red or any you like).
1 onion,
6 ripe tomatoes,
2 tablespoons olive oil,
3 sprigs fresh thyme,
2 sprigs fresh rosemary,
3 bay leaves,
1 teaspoon dried oregano,
150ml veg stock,
85g vegetarian cheddar cheese, (grated).

Preheat oven to 200c / 400f / Gas6.T

Method:

1. Put rice into a small pan and cover with cold water, bring to the boil and cook for 3 mins, drain well and put into a deep dish.
2. Slice the courgettes, not too thin.
3. Chop the pepper, onions and also the tomatoes.
4. Put the prepared vegetables in a large container.
Add the oil and stir until all the vegetables are coated.
Add fresh herbs also the bay leaves and oregano.
Stir and add over the rice, add the stock,
Cover with foil and bake for 40mins.
Remove the foil.
Sprinkle the cheese and put back into the oven for 10-15 mins more, until cheese is melted and all the liquid is absorbed.
You can put it under a hot grill if you like to brown it.
Serve while it is hot.

It will serve 6 people.

If you can not get fresh herbs dried herbs will do instead.

FRUIT JUICES:

These are so lovely and refreshing any time of the year,
Allways get whatever fruits are in season,
Try squeezed juices like:
Oranges, grapefruit, lemon and tangerine,
Or juices you can extract in an electric juicer like:

Apple, blackcurrant, grapes, peach, strawberries.

What ever you choose, and you can add mashed bananas to any if you like.

CARROT SALAD:

This salad is lovely and delicious.

For 4 people you need:

8 carrots, grated.

fresh parsley.

7 scallions, chopped.

mix together in a salad bowl.

You can add any salad dressing you would like or you can make your own.

This is just one:

2tbs mild or grainy mustard.

2tbs fresh lemon juice.

2tbs wine vinegar.

sea salt and freshly ground pepper as you like.

5tbs olive oil or any good quality oil will do.

also if you like you can add some crushed garlic to tast.

METHOD:

1. Mix mustard with the lemon juice and vinegar.
2. Add the salt and pepper.
3. Add the olive oil gradually, that will make the dressing thicken.
4. Stir in the garlic,
5. Leave the mixture in a bowl for 30 mins before you use it, that will allow the flavours to develope.

BRAISED TOPSIDE: BEEF.

It is a suitable joint for braising and pot roasting.

It will take no more than 20mins to prepare and cooks in 1 ¾ hours.

You will need:

About 2lbs rolled topside of beef.

If you like 1 garlic clove,(crushed).

2 teaspoons fresh thyme or dried thyme if you can't get fresh.

6 celery sticks trimmed and cut into pices.

10 shallots, chopped.

3 ozs or 100 gr button mushrooms.

1 tsp tomato puree.

¼ pint red wine or beef stock.

1 tbs cornflour.

4 tomatoes, finely chopped.

sea salt and freshly ground pepper as you like.

also fresh sprig of thyme to garnish.

METHOD:

1. Rub the beef with garlic and thyme .
 2. Put the beef into a roasting tin.
 3. Cook at 200c (425f) mark 7 for 10 mins until well sealed.
 4. Put the beef into a flameproof casserole dish.
 5. Add the celery, shallots, mushrooms, tomato puree, red wine , also ¼ pint water.
 6. Cover and cook 170c (325f) mark 3, for 1/ ½ hours till the beef is cooked.
 7. Take the beef out and keep warm.
 8. Mix some of the juices with the cornflour, mix to make a smooth paste.
 9. Add again to the casserole with the tomatoes and cook: not too hot, for a few mins until it thickens.
 10. Add whatever herbs you like, fresh ones if possible.
 11. Slice the beef and put on a warm serving plate, add the gravy and the vegetables
- Over the beef, garnish and serve.
This dish goes lovely with roasted potatoes.

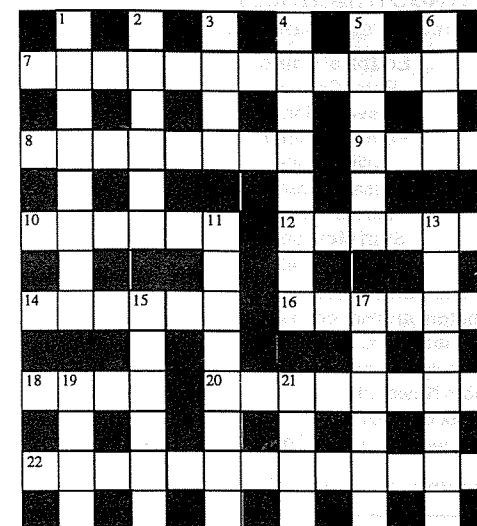
QUICK VANILLA ICE CREAM:

- 400ml carton fresh custard sauce.
300ml pint double cream, whipped.
2tsp vanilla essence.
50g castor sugar.

METHOD:

1. Tip the custard sauce into a bowl, then carefully fold in the double cream, vanilla essence and castor sugar.
2. Transfer the mixture to a shallow plastic container and leave in the freezer for 2 to 3 hours until firm, then serve.

Crossword No. 149



Entries before: Monday 19th June

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Across

7. Display (13)
8. Lustre (8)
9. Divide (4)
10. Concede (4,2)
12. Device (6)
14. Mend (6)
16. Occur (6)
18. Den (4)
20. Wealthy (8)
22. Bell-ringer (13)

Down:

1. Periodical (8)
2. Sacred (6)
3. Sharp (4)
4. Power (8)
5. Senseless (6)
6. Bellow (4)
11. Belongs (8)
13. Regularity (8)
15. Sudden (6)
17. Dive (6)
19. Distant (4)
21. Replete (4)

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Across: 1. French leave; 9. Mug; 10. Impotence; 11. Nudge; 13. Earnest; 14. Inside; 16. Plenum; 18. Arrange; 19. Preen; 20. Egyptians; 21. Tea; 22. Aristocracy.

Down: 2. Rug; 3. Naive; 4. Happen; 5. Enthral; 6. Vengeance; 7. Emancipated; 8. Testimonial; 12. Destroyer; 15. Denotes; 17. Legato; 19. Poser; 21. Tic.

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Bentiu OMurchu,
Wodlands, Maynooth. Padraig and family wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with their recent sad lost. To all those who offered their support, sent mass cards, sympathy cards, floral tributes and telephone messages a sincere thank you. Thanks to all those who called to the house, attended the removal, Mass and burial. We appreciated very much those who travelled from near and far to be with us at that sad time. Thanks to Fr John Sinnott for his celebration of the liturgy. Thanks to Reilly's Undertakers and Gravediggers. Special thanks to friends and neighbours for their kindness and support. The holy sacrifice to the mass has been offered for your intentions.

Annie Kenny, Maynooth.

The family of the late Annie (Nanny) Kenny, late of Straffan Road, Maynooth, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad loss, those who sent mass cards, flowers, and also those who attended the removal and funeral service.
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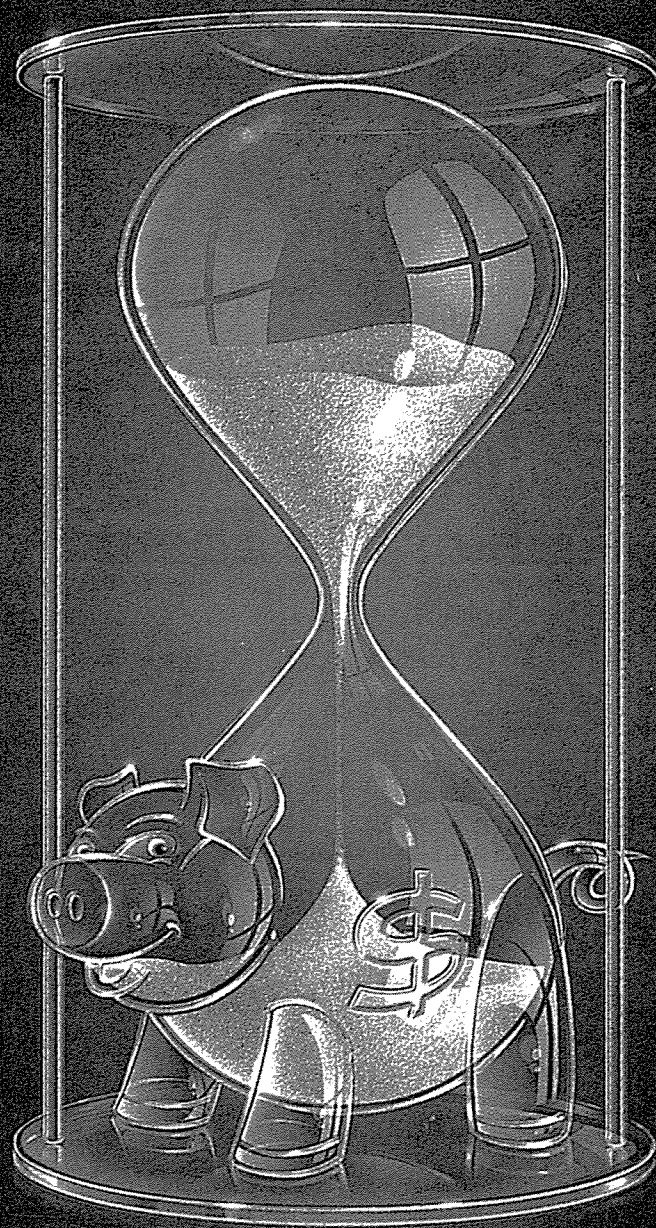
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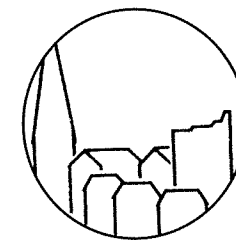
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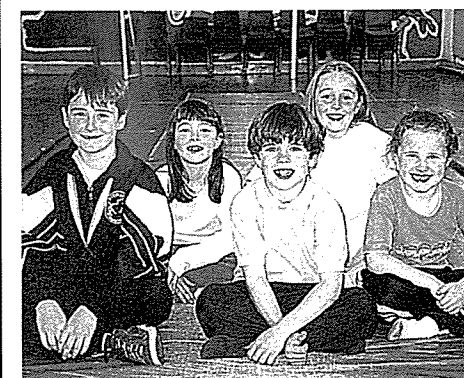
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Rich Heritage Portrayed in Walks Guide

EXPLORING

Maynooth's rich heritage is portrayed in 'Exploring Maynooth', a guide to five historical walks around the town, recently published by Maynooth Local History & Civic Forum and Maynooth Action Strategy. Visitors to the town will find it an invaluable guide to all the most interesting historic features in the area and the booklet should prove useful in promoting local tourism. But many residents may also be surprised by the wealth of the history that surrounds us. At a time when Maynooth is changing more rapidly than at any time in its long history, 'Exploring Maynooth' takes stock of our heritage and invites us to put on our walking shoes and explore it. From the early Christian site at Laraghbryan to the monument in the Square commemorating Maynooth's involvement in the 1916 Rising, evidence of the town's history is around every corner. And the very local history of schools, churches and playing fields is also very much part of this exploration of Maynooth. The booklet describes five walks in the vicinity, taking in the town itself, the College, the Royal Canal, Moyglare and Carton Avenue. Each walk has an accompanying map which indicates features of interest on the route. For anyone interested the historic location of 'Lover's Lane' is marked on one of the maps!

Maynooth Local History & Civic Forum and Maynooth Action Strategy are to be commended on bringing out this publication which will undoubtedly stimulate a wider interest in our history and perhaps, greater care in preserving our heritage.

FIVE SELF-GUIDE HISTORICAL WALKS

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£100 Prize offered for Crest Design

Maynooth's new street signs are to incorporate a town crest. The Community Council is offering a prize of £100 for the best design. Various suggestions were put forward, including the famous Fitzgerald family "monkey" crest to be seen above the entrance to the castle. Other suggestions included crests incorporating features from the College. Anyone entering the competition is encouraged to use their imagination! The deadline for submissions has been extended to July 31-2000.

Attention Contributors !

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19th July - Ads

24th July - Articles

also

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Festival Dates

12th - 16th July

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EDITORIAL

Credit Union Expansion

News that Maynooth Credit Union has purchased Donovan's on Main St. for a sum in excess of £700,000 is an indication of inflated property prices in the town but, more importantly, reflects the tremendous success of the Credit Union. With over 4,500 members in Maynooth the Credit Union can Claim to be one of the largest organisations in the town. Its philosophy of encouraging saving and providing loans for people who might not be in a position to obtain credit from financial institutions has been an important part of community development across Ireland in the past forty years. Savings deposited locally are available for lending locally so, apart from earning interest, savers are contributing in a tangible way to their community. There will always be a role for banks but in an era when financial institutions are returning high profits it is encouraging to see that a non-profit making organisation such as the Credit Union, much of it based on voluntary effort, can prosper. With numbers growing rapidly in the past few years the premises in Leinster St. are no longer adequate. All associated with Maynooth Credit Union are to be congratulated on their bold move in the property market and the Newsletter wishes the Credit Union well at its new location.

What Price a Playground?

A recent survey by Sugraídh, a voluntary child pressure group, found that there are more than twice as many golf courses as playgrounds in the country. Nearly half of all local authorities make no provision for playgrounds and, unfortunately, Kildare Co. Council is included in that list. The average public playground is believed to cost about £80,000 and it seems many local authorities are reluctant to provide them due to the 'compensation culture'. This, However, seems more like an excuse than a reason. Dublin Corporation has 30 playgrounds and Cork has 19 - all of which are being refurbished with state-of-the-art multi-play units and special safety sponge surfaces. How about it Kildare Co. Council?

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES.

The June Meeting took place on the 12th June in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Co-Options to Community Council

Following a meeting between the executives, Maynooth Community Council and local members of Fianna Fail Cuman at which Cllr. Paul Kelly attended. The meeting itself was very far-reaching. They said they were there to listen to all groups in the Maynooth area and that the meeting with Maynooth Community Council was only one such meeting. The matter of attending Community Council meetings was raised. Chairman John Doogan said this in itself was not a bad idea. But however, as Maynooth Community Council is a non political body and our constitution states that all Community Councillors have to be resident in Maynooth, which meant that Cllr. Kelly could not attend meetings. However, it was also noted that any Local Fianna Fail representative and other Politicians could attend Community Council meeting if co-opted to represent their Resident Association.

Senan Griffin stated that this is the case with both himself and John McGinley as both are Cllrs. but only attend meetings representing their areas.

PUB APPLICATION FOR BEAUFIELD

It was noted that an application has being made for a Public House Licence in Beaufield estate.

John Doogan stated that the estate already has a lot of students residents and the noise levels that a Pub would bring to the estate was unacceptable. Sean Griffin said that the people in the area would have to make an objection. There was also a restriction that no new pub could be opened inside one mile another Maynooth Community Council gave their support to the Beaufield Residents.

NEW LOGO FOR MAYNOOTH

It was agreed to extend the closing date for the closing date for the competition to design a new logo for Maynooth. The new date is 31st July. It was felt that this should be a challenge for an artistic person also there is a £100 prize. It was felt that the logo should incorporate Maynooth College, NUI, the Town Castle etc. Pdraig O Murchu proposed that the judging panel have a representation from Maynooth Action Strategy, Maynooth History Forum Community Council and the Chamber of Commerce.

UNDERAGE DRINKING.

It was noted that by-laws regarding street drinking will come into effect on 1st July. It was hoped that the new laws would help clean up the problem of young people drinking around the town. The meeting felt that the problem of young people drinking has now reached a very serious level.

Muireann Ni Bhrolchain said that the problem of spiking drinks was very serious and dangerous. It was stated that people seen buying drinks for young people should be stopped. It was also felt that parents should get organised and police their own area. When we say underage drinkers

we are talking about 12 year olds. their effort. With the introduction of traffic calming measures, the building of a new stoned wall, signs etc. with all the safety measures being put in place he hoped residents would be reassured. It was also noted that the Pat Reen that has developed on the Lady Chapel Road would cease when the Line Road opened.

FESTIVAL

The festival will take place from 12th - 16th July. The Maynooth Community Festival Committee have put together a great fun programme for all. Heineken are the sponsors of this year's festival. The millenium tea party will be a real treat for the kids, with the clowns face painting and the fancy dress parade. The Battle Re-enactment is not to be missed. About one hundred people take part in this event. Do not forget to vote for your favourite barman. Kids don't forget to enter the children art competition Soccer Teams get your entries in. The Soccer Tournament is a big event. There is something for everybody to enjoy. Come out and support your Community Festival.

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The closing date for entries is Friday 28th July, 2000. Submissions should be sent to: The Editors and Committee, Maynooth Arts Forum Millennium Project, c/o Maynooth Post Office, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Community Council Notes

TIDY TOWNS

Also in May, our Vice Chairman Cyril McAree met with representatives of Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee. As a result the Cumann members are currently discussing and agreeing on measures which we can undertake to make our contribution to this extremely worth while and deserving cause. As a start, the Cumann members are meeting on Friday evening 16th June to tidy and clean-up the area to the left inside the entrance to Carton Avenue at the top of the town. This area has become very wild and overgrown and dirty thereby ruining a potentially very attractive amenity and visual asset to the town, which if kept clean, litter and weed-free, would be the envy of most towns in Ireland. Other projects will also be undertaken in the very near future with regard to the Tidy Towns project and we hope to be able to detail these in the next issue of the Newsletter.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Finally in early June, the Chairman and Treasurer along with Cllr. Paul Kelly met with the Maynooth Community Council and received a warm, hospitable and informative welcome from the new Chairman and Committee members. Issues raised will be discussed and explored during the coming months. As a result of our Chairman raising the issue of how best the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann could interplay with the Community Council, the Council confirmed that there was no prohibition in the Constitution of the Community Council which would be an impediment to the attendance of Cllr. Paul Kelly at Community Council Meetings. Subject to the issue being raised at their next scheduled meeting, it was agreed that in future, both Cllr. Paul Kelly and Cllr. Catherine Murphy would be invited to attend the Meetings of the Maynooth Community Council.

Over the next month before the next issue of the Newsletter is published, the Cumann will be organising further plans and activities details of which we will publish therein. In the meantime, should anyone wish, they are welcome to visit the Cumann website at: www.fiannafail.ie/maynooth or E-mail us at maynoothfiannafail@eircom.net.

Contact with the Cumann can also be made by telephoning myself, Brid Feely at 6286647, Noel Brilly at 045-861787, Gearoid Lohan at 6289187 or Cyril McAree at 6285447. Our next Cumann meeting will be held on Monday 3rd July 2000 at 9pm. in the Glenroyal Hotel. People interested in joining the Cumann are welcome to attend.

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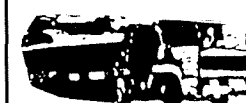
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Maynooth Community Games swimming had an excellent day out at Athy pool on Saturday 3rd June 2000, winning two gold medals five bronze and silver for boys U. 13. West relay team.... All other swimmers made it to the finals or semi-finals. Everyone put great effort into their training and with excellent coaching from Emma Fleming and Ciara O Neil, it paid off.

Our sincere thanks to Colm Nelson and his staff for the use of the College pool. The best of luck to Sinead Connolly and Elaine Cowhey in Mosney and hope they enjoy their weekend. From those who did not make it to Mosney this year, I hope they enjoyed their swimming session and with a little extra training they can look forward to next year.

Jim Fleming,
Co-ordinator.

Results

Athy Sat 3/6/2000

Gold
Girls -U10 Clair Cowhey, U14 Sinead Connolly
Bronze
Girls -U10 Susan Fay
Boys -U14 Gary Mahon, U12 Patrick Mahon, U10 Justin Cullinane
-U16 Mark Watson.
Squad (Relay) U13 Silver
Boys West
Gary Mahon Brian Bean Ken Corbally Edward Power
All others taking part made it to finals or semi finals,
Girls U10 Nicola Murphy, Aislin Wall, Samantha Ward.
Boys U10 Sean Barrett, Tim Quane.
Boys U12 Eoghean McCartan.
Girls U12 Emer Connolly, Alison Murphy, Orla Carey, Shauna Croscadden
Boys U14 Mark Quane, Ross Culliwane, Brian Bean, Patrick Ward, Sean McNamara, Ken Gorbally.
Girls U13 Finals, Sinead Connolly, Emer Connolly, Orla Carey, Siobhan Rayner.

ST MARY'S PARISH SOCIAL AND WELCOME COMMITTEE.

We would like to let all parishioners know that we will not be holding our monthly tea / coffee morning on the last Sunday of July and August, as the boys school will be closed. We hope to be back again on the last Sunday in September which will probably be in the New Parish Resource Centre in the basement of the Parochial House.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter Mullan principal of the boys school for allowing us to use the facility of the school.

A big thank you must also go to Dominic Nugent for all his help, we could not have managed without him.

The volunteers are working very hard at the moment on the Resource Centre, if you would like to help please contact the Parish Office or any member of the committee.

Margaret O'Neill.

Girls West
Pitch and Putt Team.

Elaine Mac Namara 1. Woodlands
Ciara Ennis Donaghstown.
Awud Ni Mhurchu 3. Woodlands.
Aine Lennon 1 2 Newtown.
Sarah Baxter Applewood, Kilcock Road.

.Boys West
Pitch and Putt Team

Robert Armstrong 22. Woodlands
David Baxter Kilcock Road
David Fagan 5 Ashling Grove
Sean Mac Namee 1. Woodlands.
Declan Rooney 2. Ashleigh Grove

Boys East
Fintan Daly 3. Maynooth Park.
Shane Quinn 13. Laurence Avenue.
James Brady 1. Greenfield Drive/
Ross Cullinane 143 Kingsbry.

Three pitch and putt teams travelled to Kildare on Sunday 18th June.
Two boys teams and one girls team.
Congratulations to the girls who made it out of Kildare and go on to represent Maynooth / Kildare at Leinster.
The boys put on a great performance but just missed the medals.

We wish the girls good luck in the Leinster.
The girls under 13 indoor soccer will be taking place in July.
This team played very well and we wish them the good luck in the Leinster finals.

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MAHER SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCING

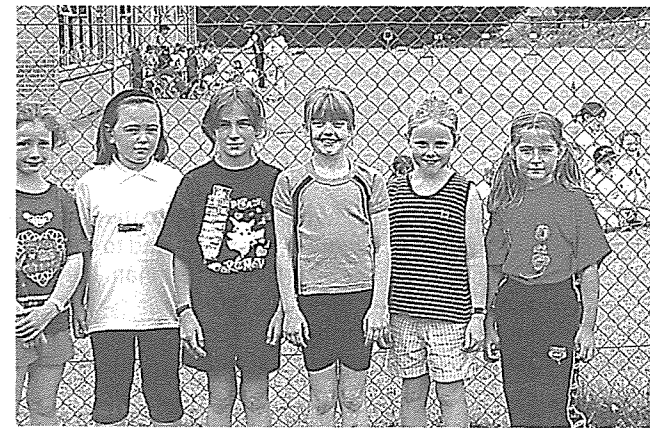
Oh! what a night! May 11th at the Olympia Theatre saw the dancers from the Maher School of Irish Dancing tread the boards with Ireland's leading comedienne Twink, before an audience of almost 800 people The performance was part of 100% Pure Irish Dance - the Show which ran for 10 nights to a packed audience at the famous theatre.

The local dancers together with dancers from the Downey Lanigan school performed a full 3 hour show in which they depicted the old Irish Legend, the Children of Lir, through dance. The specially commissioned costumes looked spectacular on the night.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience of performing on one of Irelands leading stages and the very special atmosphere of the theatre and look forward to taking part again next year. The entire cast from both dancing schools together with the teachers and Twink received a standing ovation at the finale.

The dancers will perform some of the routines from the show in the Square on Sunday 16th July from 7 pm as part of the Maynooth Summer Festival.

Classes are now finished for the Summer Holidays and will recommence in September.



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MAYNOOTH TOWN UNDER 10C'S

Balally 0 Maynooth 2 (play-off for runners up).
Maynooth 6 Terenure 2 (cup quarter final).
Leicester Celtic 2 Maynooth 1 (cup semi-final).

Maynooth travelled to play Balally with a degree of apprehension following a recent defeat at the same venue. This time, they took the game to Balally and the defence of Garret Dooley, Thomas Donnelly, and Cormac O'Reilly with Alex cash in goals was unbreachable. Just after half time, Chris Moynan gave Maynooth the lead following a great run by Harrison Silke. Five minutes from time, Sean Durcan crossed and Chris Moynan scored with a fine diving header to clinch the runners up spot.

The quarter final against Terenure saw one of the quickest goals in many seasons in the Harbour field when Sean Durcan gave Maynooth the lead after just twenty seconds. Durcan later completed his hat trick with Chris Moynan scoring two and Harrison Silke one to give Maynooth their easiest win of the season.

The semi-final in Bushy Park was a titanic struggle against the winners of the higher division who went on to win the final. Chris Moynan gave Maynooth the lead after five minutes. Leicester replied very strongly and Alex cash was unlucky when making a superb save Leicester followed up and equalised. Maynooth opened the second half strongly and Sean Durcan and Ronan Kelly were unlucky not to restore the lead. five minutes from the end, Leicester broke the deadlock and a tiring Maynooth team, despite a valiant effort, were unable to force extra time.

And a special thanks to Geraldine and Hugh from Maynooth Jewellers for their sponsorship of the team. training will recommence in mid July for the under 11's. please contact Pat Moynan for details at: (01) 6286865.

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Maynooth, Ontario - Population 300

Maynooth isn't unique. There is another Maynooth. It is a small town of 300 people located about 200 north east of Toronto in the Canadian state of Ontario. Originally called Doyle's Corner after one of the earliest settlers in the area, in the 1870's the people of the town held a plebiscite to choose a new name - and Maynooth is what they choose. In the early years of the 20th century the railway reached Maynooth and helped to promote the timber industry in the area. Nowadays, tourism plays an important part in the local economy and Maynooth is a centre for trekking and skiing.

The property market in Maynooth, Ontario is not quite as buoyant as here in the Celtic Tiger. For just under £50,000 you can buy an 8 year old 3 bedroomed house located 3 miles outside the town. £140,000 is the asking price for a two storied, 3000 sq ft. house (about 3 times the size of your average semi here) in Maynooth with 4 bedrooms standing on one acre.

The Arlington Hotel is the place to stay in Maynooth and is used by walkers, bikers and skiers exploring the nearby wilderness. And rates are inexpensive - just £19 for a double room.

The links between our Maynooth and Maynooth in Ontario seem fairly tenuous. But there is one interesting story that links the two. The bell in the church in Maynooth, Ontario has crossed the Atlantic three times. First, it was shipped from Britain but on arriving in Canada it was assumed that a mistake had been made and the bell was shipped to Ireland. Arriving in Ireland its true destination was worked out and it was sent back to Canada for a second time!

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee

Our Bealtaine celebrations took place this year on May 28th. This event was attended by about ninety Senior Citizens including a group from the Friday Club in Dunboyne. There were thirty entries in our competition and a winner was chosen from each of the six categories. Breda Cunningham was the judge for the event and I did not envy her with such a difficult task. The prizes which consisted of Tara and Donegal china were won by Joan Branagan, Jose Reilly, Imelda Delaney, Molly Cahalone, Chris Kelly and Betty Moore. The overall winner was Betty Farrell with her Millennium Poem. Well done to all who took the trouble to enter and thank you Breda.

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk also took place on the day. The weather was very kind to us as indeed were our sponsors. The sum raised was £3,692, which is the highest to date. Many thanks to all who played any part in this event. The official handing over of the cheque will take place at our Cabaret night in Caulfields on July 13th during Festival week. This is usually an enjoyable night for young and not so young alike. The music will be provided by Kevin and Jo with special guest Noel Brady. There will be lots of prizes to be won and goodies to eat so come along and join in the fun. This night is sponsored by our Senior Citizens Committee, our way of saying thank you to a most generous community.

Next up, is our trip to Powerscourt but as you read this all will be over and hopefully enjoyed by all. So with all the Summer festivities over we still have a relaxing week in Kerdiffstown holiday centre, to which to look forward. So have a nice Summer and we'll be back in September, "Le Cuneamh De".

Finally, may we extend our sincere sympathy to the Timmons family on the death of their mother, Margaret and to Carmel Buckley on the death of her father Patrick Brennan. May they Rest In Peace.

Josephine Moore.



Overall winner, Betty Farrell being presented with prize by Josephine Moore.



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I. C.A. NOTES

President Rosemary Hanley on behalf of the guild congratulated Jo O'Connell on her recent success. Jo was presented with the National Baumann Cup for Art at the I.C.A.'s A.G.M. in the R.D.S., Ballsbridge by Breda Raggett on May 27th. Jo designed an Invitation Card for the I.C.A.'s 90th Birthday Party using calligraphy. We enjoyed a great party after the Meeting.

New Committee

President - Rosemary Hanley
 Secretary - Veva Kearins
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 Hostess - Treasa Cochran

Competition Results

1st Rosemary Hanley
 2nd Mairead Scanlon
 3rd Marie Breen

Competition for September - six decorated queen cakes.

Raffle Winners

1st Treasa Cochran
 2nd Irene Matthews
 3rd Veva Kearins
 4th Treasa Mooney

Craft continues on Mondays at 8pm until the end of June.
 Badminton continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10.30 in Parish Hall until end of June.

Our meeting ended with a surprise party for Jo.

Next meeting will be on September 7th.

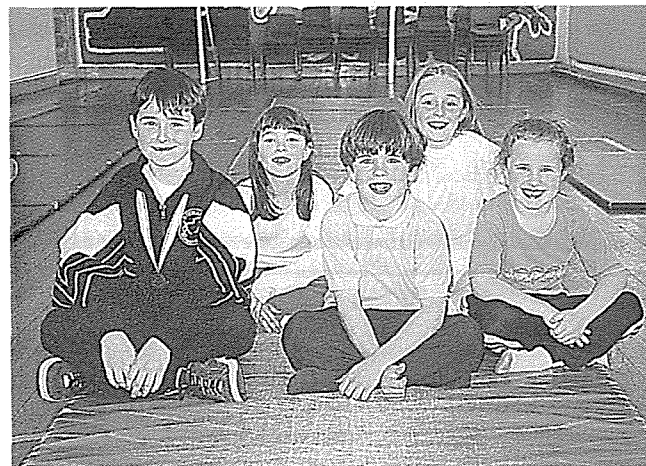
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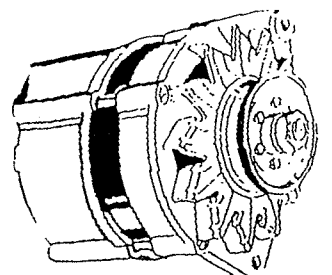
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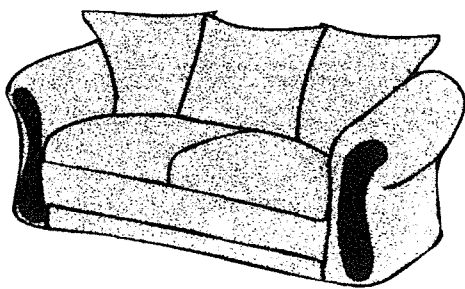
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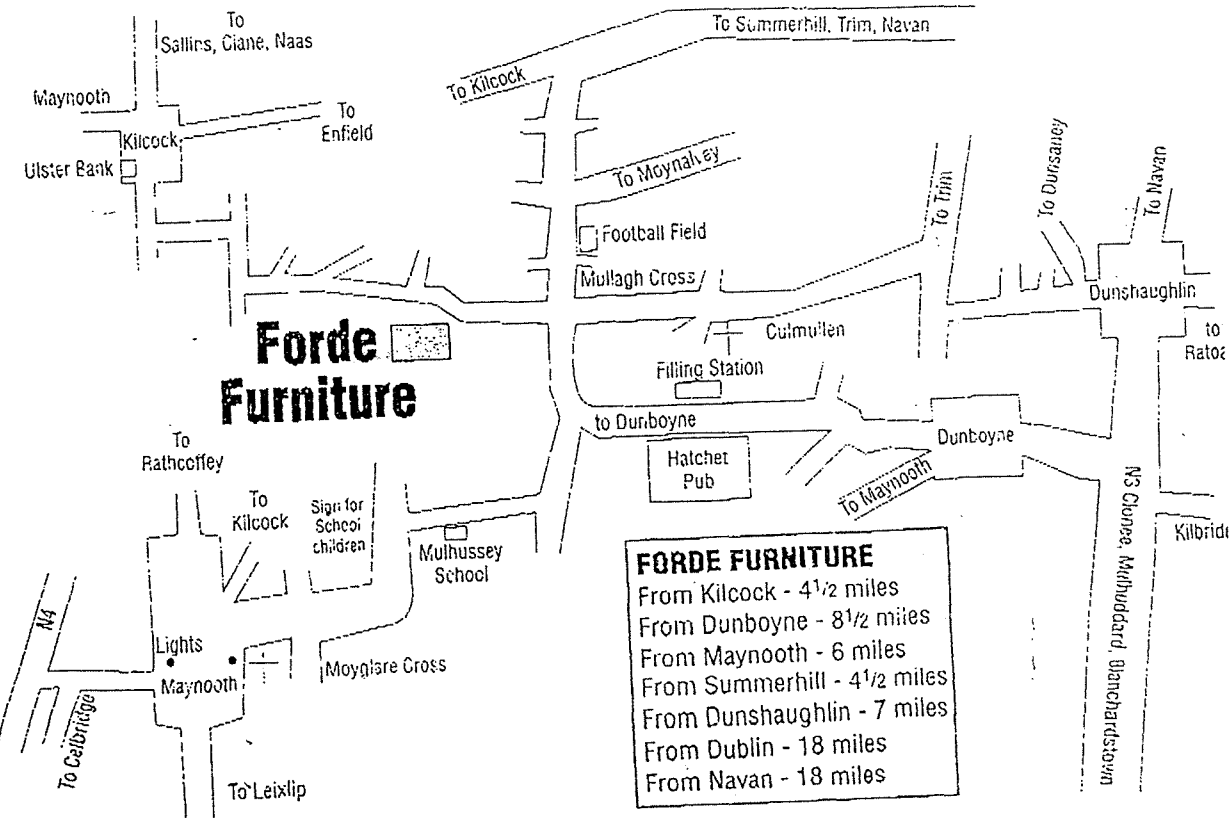
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DAVID WINS SILVER MEDAL AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Eighteen year old David Brophy from Kilcloon was in the news recently when he returned from the European Special Olympics sporting a silver medal. David, who is a keen horseman, won his award in the equestrian section of the competition, which was held in Groningen in the Netherlands.

Competition was intense, with a total of thirteen countries participating in the equestrian events. The Irish team did particularly well in the competition with a total of two gold, two silver and two bronze medals awarded to Irish riders. David took part in the dressage and in the trail-riding event, in which he won his medal.

David Brophy is a final year pupil at St. Raphael's Special School in Celbridge which includes riding in the school programme. Teams of volunteers from the Riding for the Disabled Association (Ireland) work with many of the school pupils each week, teaching them the fundamentals of riding and pony management. David is particularly talented and thus won his place on the Irish Olympic team.

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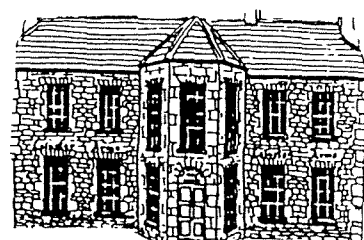
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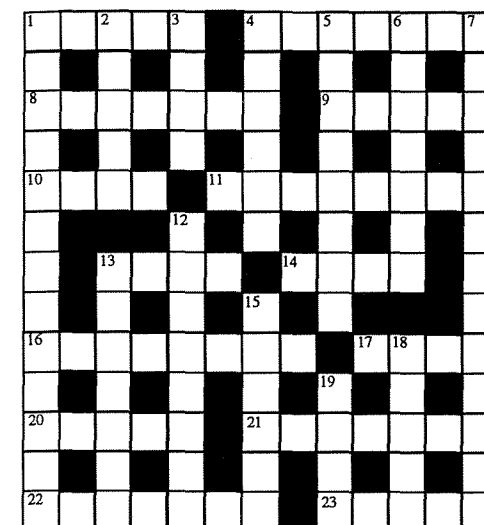


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- Malady (7)
- Perspire (5)
- Unwilling (4)
- Landscape (8)
- Stick (4)
- Storm (4)
- Plea (8)
- Cut (4)
- Cook (5)
- Agitate (7)
- Ease (7)
- Iron (5)

Down:

- Guesswork (5,3,5)
- Creek (5)
- Nourish (4)
- Scamp (6)
- Rustic (8)
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MAYNOOTH BRIDGE CLUB

Maynooth Bridge Club was founded 15 years ago by Liz Coughlan and Dennis and Kay Lynch.

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Our Club night is on Tuesday at 7.30 and we try to finish at 10.30. Our membership list is now open. Please ring: Captain: Joan Howard-Williams 6289239, Secretary: Helen Franks 8252079: Treasurer: Kathleen Kinsella: 6286570.

If you are interested in learning Bridge, classes are starting in September, ring Liz at 6285378. To all our members who are not playing summer bridge, I wish you happy holidays and look forward to seeing you in September. To those of you who are playing bridge my wish for you is 7nt*

Joan Howard Williams



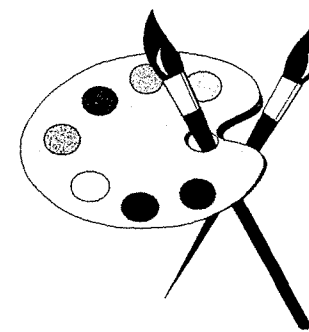
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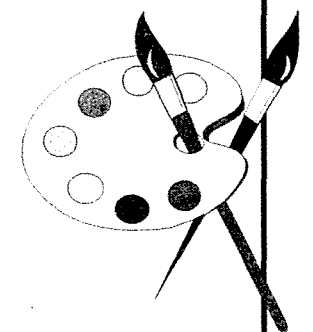


ART COMPETITION

CASTLE KEEP ART GROUP

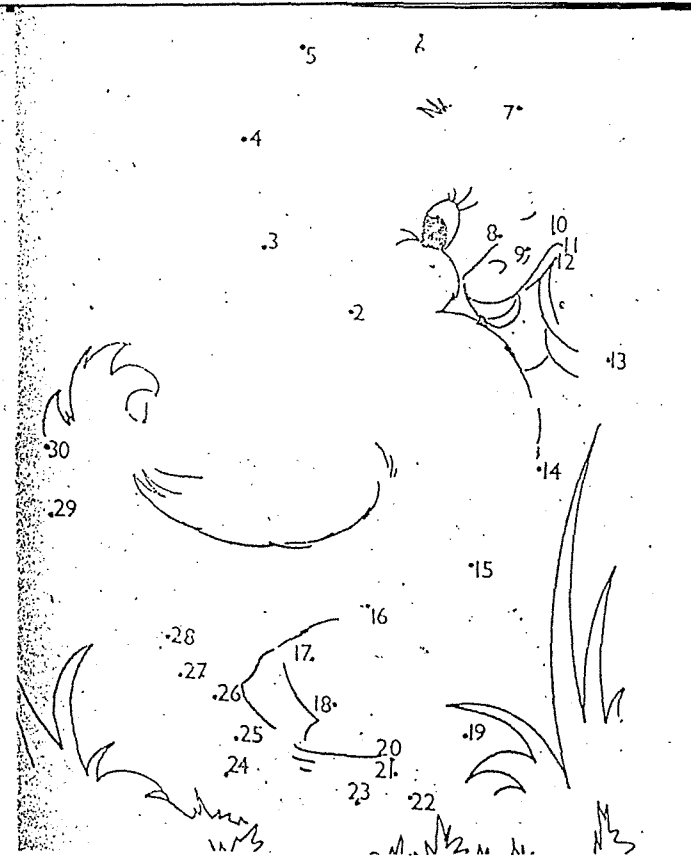
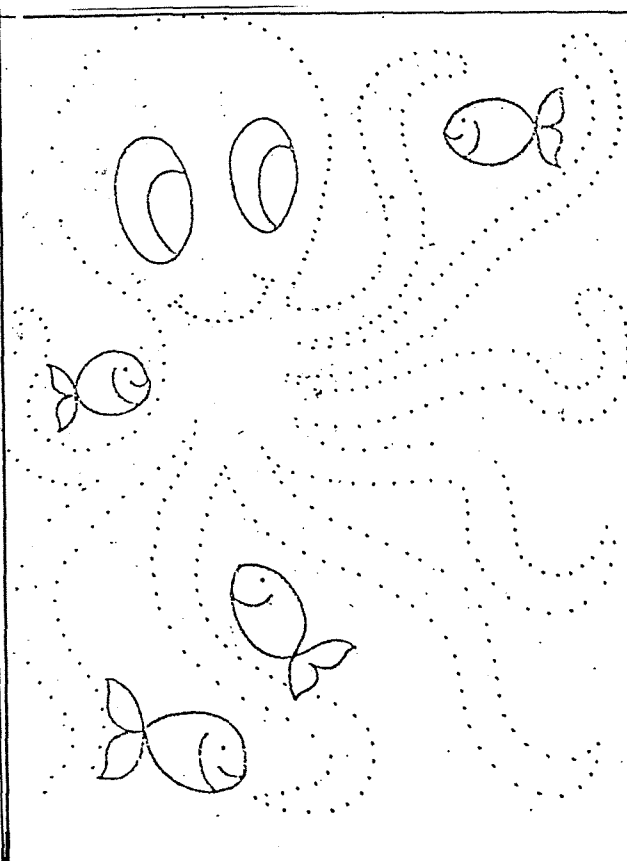
ART COMPETITION JULY SUMMER FESTIVAL

1. Age Groups: 4-7yrs: 8-12yrs: 13-16yrs:
2. Up to A3 size (42x30cm approx).
3. Any medium, any subject.
4. Parents to sign work on back and give child's age, phone no. and address.
5. Please submit by 7th JULY to Maynooth Community Council, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth. (date extended)
6. Prizes will be given at Millennium Tea Party on Sunday 16th July Between 4-7 p.m. in the Square.
7. CASTLE KEEP ART GROUP will judge the competition and the decisions will be final.





Children's Corner



AT TABLE

Finish drawing the different objects on the table, and then make them the colours you think they should be.



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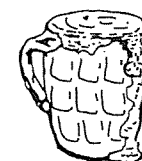
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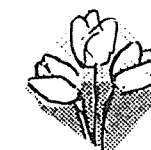
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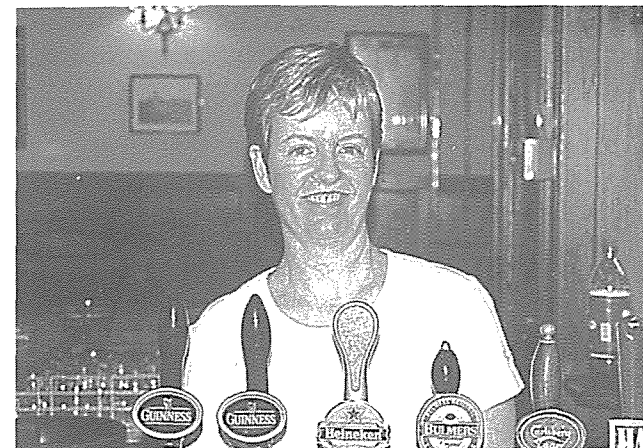
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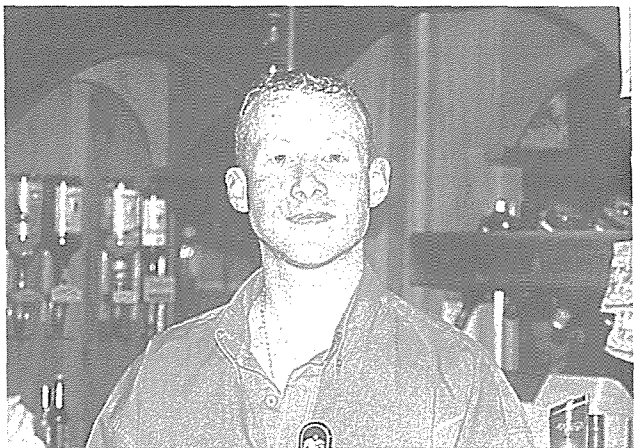
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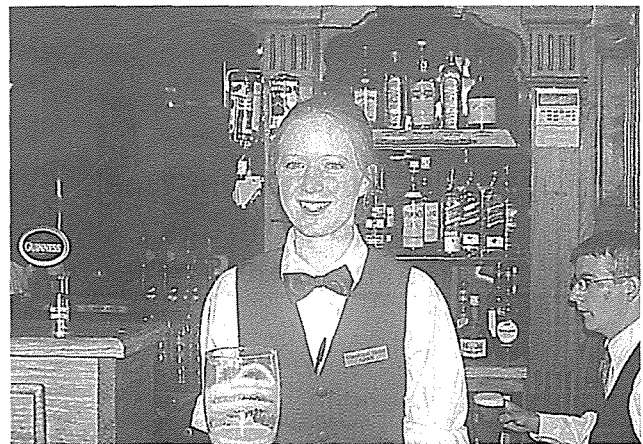
Possible Runners for Barperson of the Year Competiion



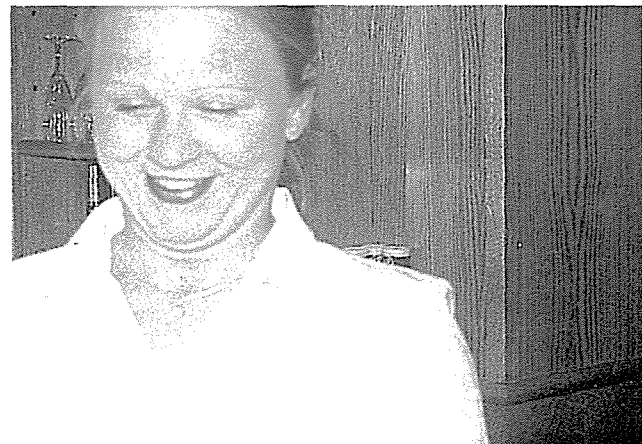
Joan Gorman, Caulfields
Showing Good Form



Sean Ralph, Leinster Arms
Slow out, Great Finisher



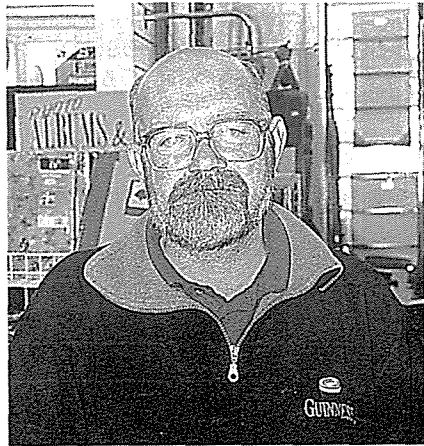
Dawn Byrne, Glenroyal Hotel
Looks like a favourite



Claire O'Regan, Dowdstown Hotel
Withdrawn, Reserve Robbie Ward



Eamon Carty, (B.I.F.F.M.)
A definite Non-Runner



Pius Kelly, Withdrawn
Going Against him: Better over Long Distance

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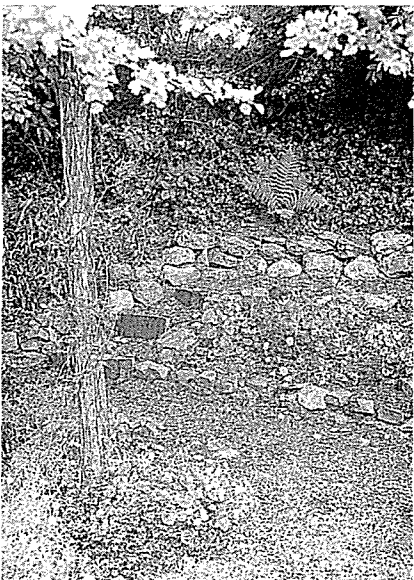
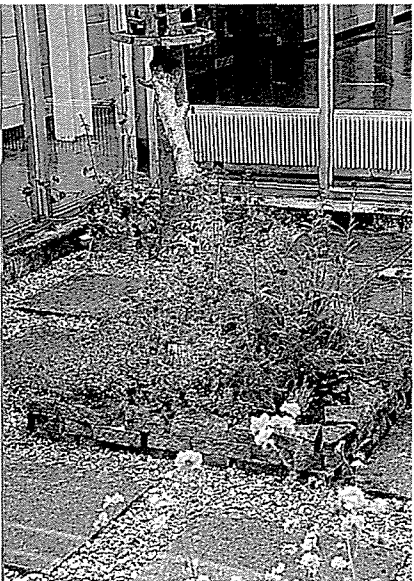
"NEW LOOK"

Today, we visited Maynooth Health Centre, to view some of the improvements brought about by the marvellous care-taker Ken. As you will no doubt recall the grounds were a wilderness until recently but Ken with a lot of talent and expertise has brought a wonderful change. Both the interior and exterior are now a pleasure to behold and make a visit a more enjoyable experience both for staff and patients alike. Congratulations to Ken on all his hard work. Enjoy the view in these enclosed photos.

DANNY CARTHY SHOW

If you missed Danny Carthy's performance on June 6th in the Glenroyal Hotel you missed a treat! His easy manner and wit made everyone feel good. Danny's poetry was very moving, this he deciated to his wife. Danny entertained us with a wide selection of songs, he was surported on stage by his sisters and daughter. Anyone who likes folk or ballad music and missed the show should try to catch his next performance. (Watch out for Fiddler's Green during Festival week).

It was gratifying to raise the sum of £532.00 which is going direct to Concern agent in central Africa. Go Raibh Maith Agat.



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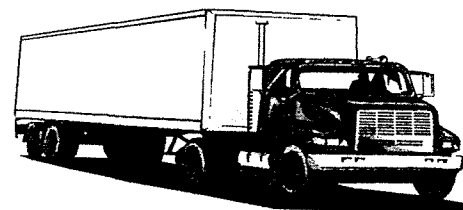
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Maynooth Crest

Don't forget that you still have an opportunity to submit your proposal on a crest for Maynooth which will be incorporated into the signage. Closing date for receipt of entries has been extended to the end of July. See this newsletter for further details

Proposal to Kildare County Council

Street names in English with former names in parenthesis

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Double Lane (Chapel Lane)	
Dublin Road	
Dukes Harbour	
Fagan's Lane (Cushing Lane)	
Kelly's Lane	
Leinster Cottages	
Leinster Street (Canal Place)	
Main Street (Leinster Street)	
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Estate Agents - Travelling at the Speed of Light

We've all seen the estate agents advertisements for new houses in Maynooth proclaiming that it is just a short thirty minute trip into Dublin. What they omit to state is that a helicopter is required to do the journey day when fifty to seventy minutes is a more realistic journey time. As the prices of housing in the Dublin area soars beyond the means of anyone earning an average salary people are being encouraged to purchase 'down the country' with the prospect of cheaper houses and trouble free commuting into the city. In a recent advertisement for new houses in Kinnegad the town is described as 'on the capital's doorstep', just 'a pleasant 45 minutes drive from Dublin'. At 4am in the morning it might be possible to drive from Kinnegad to Dublin in 45 minutes without breaking the speed limit. For commuters, a much more realistic travel time would be 90 minutes - but, of course, information like that doesn't sell houses.

Frank Young (Herman's Hermits) rocks Fuerteventura.

Deciding to go Fuerteventura for a two week holiday was a big change for us, we had been visiting Playa del Ingles in Gran Canaria for ten years. But the decision was unexpectedly rewarding in so many ways. Life crawls along, no one hurries, cars speed at 30 m.p.h. only. Maybe the internet exists in the small capital, Rosario, but this resort saw no need for such urgency. What a relief. Practically uninhabited, 40,000 people to 80,000 goats, the residents and tourists in our resort were the most friendly people I have ever come across. Spanish, German, Dutch, Swedish, Turkish, Canarian, Irish and English in particular greeting us like friends. Within four days cars were saluting us in the street, well Frank Young's jeep to be exact. Frank was a member of Herman's Hermits until 1982 and now owns a large pub, *The cavern*, in the Harbour at Caleta de Fuste de Castillo beside which our complex, the Barcelo Club was situated. We struck up a friendship with him, his wife Jane and their new barman Alan who had only been there six weeks.

After a number of days I asked Jane if it would be possible to do an interview with Frank for our local Newsletter, failing that a photograph would suffice. No problem - we arranged a quiet time in the *Cavern* where the tasteful maritime decor is accompanied by memorabilia of Elvis, the Beatles and, of course Hermin's Hermits.

Sitting at the corner of the bar, before he began singing for the night, he told me the most unexpectedly extraordinary story. In 1982 he decided to leave the band, having played in every state of America except Alaska and every province in Canada. Suffering severe burn out he went on 'a seven year chill out' - to Yugoslavia. They were the most wonderful seven years, he and his girlfriend mixing with all nationalities. Returning from England in 1989 the difference was palpable - even the waiters in restaurants were carrying guns; on the advice of the locals he eventually left the country that he had come to think of as home. His girlfriend could not leave with him.

Even after eleven years Frank was close to tears as he described the infamous blowing up of the bridge at Mostar

that the world witnessed on television. Four or five times a day he crossed it, now his city was divided in two. He has a friend in Manchester managing a club and he first went there and then moved to the Algarve in Portugal, managing and singing in bars for three years. During this time he had intermittent contact with his girlfriend but eventually all contact died away. He could not reach the country by telephone.

After the Algarve, Tenerife came next and he travelled to Fuerteventura in the winter of 93 -4 and worked all the bars on the island, as he said himself there were few enough of them in the beginning. The *Cavern* is his fourth bar on the island and he and Jane have been there for two years with the feline resident K C who sits on his own stool behind the bar and keeps Alan company.

Frank does not know if his girlfriend in Yugoslavia is dead or alive but he is still trying to find her.

This was far from the interview I had expected, at the beginning I emphasised that I did not expect any personal details but he insisted that he tell the story and that I could publish any part of it as I wished.

We spent a lot of time with Frank and Jane who comes from Liverpool and copies of the *Newsletter* will be crossing the Atlantic to the *Cavern*. Our return date to the island has been arranged, my high stool is booked.

(Next month: John Jameson ex Nazareth, restaurants, pubs; the island of Los Lobos, Spain celebrations *futbol*)

Muireann Ni Bhrolchain.

GARDA ADVICE FOR PERSONS

GOING ON HOLIDAYS

With the holiday season now approaching we would like to offer some words of advice on home security to persons going on holiday.

A large percentage of burglaries occur in unoccupied houses and burglars are adept at recognising signs that a house is vacant.

- (1) Cancel milk/paper deliveries.
- (2) Inform local Gardai of period house will be vacant, also give them contact number of key holder.
- (3) Leave key with neighbour/relative and have them check the house from day to day.
- (4) Cancel mail or have someone collect it. Don't let mail deliveries build up in the mail box.
- (5) Time switches are available at a small cost that turn on and off lights automatically at the appropriate times. They can also be used to control radios and T.V.'s to simulate sound in the house.
- (6) Make sure all door/windows and garages are securely locked. Don't leave ladders unsecured. You are only assisting the burglar.
- (7) A burglar alarm is essential and the best deterrent to the burglar.

We wish that readers will have an enjoyable vacation and that our advice will be of assistance to them.

JOHN KEANE

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ALZHEIMER'S NATIONAL TEA-DAY 2000

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all who supported my Tea-Day. The day was most successful, there was a large attendance and everyone was most generous with their donations.

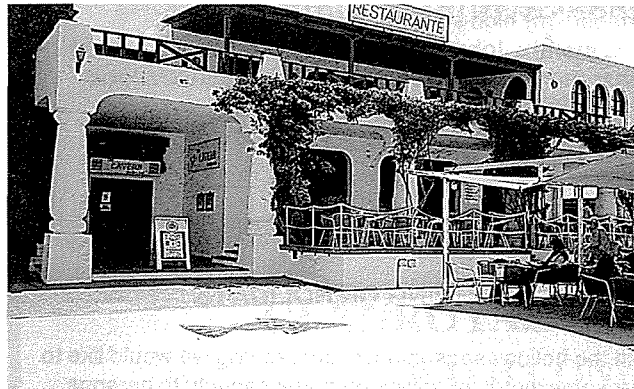
The total figure raised came to £480.00 which included cheques from the Senior Citizens Committee, AIB, Bank of Ireland and Ulster Bank.

My thanks to the ICA for use of the hall, all ICA members who supported me, with special thanks to Mary Deane, Imelda Delaney, Betty Moore, Mary Drennan and Helen Finn who worked very hard.

The flower club members who brought flowers etc. To all who helped fill the sales tables a big "Thank You"

Raffle Results, Bridie Mee, Ellie Leavy, Patricia Cusker, Bernie Coyle. Once again many thanks to all who made the day so successful.

Betty Farrell



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DORIN'S RECIPES COLESLAW:

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1 medium onion
2 apples, peeled and cored
6oz carrots, peeled
5fl ozs mayonnaise
Sea salt and freshly ground pepper as you like.

It will serve 4. Method:

1. Remove the outer leaves from the cabbage, cut into pieces.
2. Feed the cabbage and onion through the slicing blade of a food processor, or chop finely with a sharp knife.
3. Grate the apples and carrots.
4. Add all the ingredients in a large bowl.
5. Add the mayonnaise, salt and pepper.
6. You can also add walnuts and grated cheese, mix together.

FENNEL SOUP:

You will need:
2fl oz olive oil or any good oil
1 medium onion, chopped
8oz fennel, peeled, cored and thinly sliced
1 potato, sliced
24fl oz veg. stock
Sea salt and freshly ground pepper
Lemon juice to taste

Method:

1. Heat oil in a large saucepan and add the onions then cook for 5 min, until soften.
2. Add the fennel and potatoes and cook for 5 more minutes until the fennel softens.
3. Pour in the vegetable stock and bring to the boil.
4. Turn down the heat, cover and simmer for about 45 minutes, mix in a blender. Serve at once, with fresh bread rolls or wholemeal bread.

COD WITH ORANGE SALAD:

You will need:
4 cod cutlets, sea salt and freshly ground pepper.
1oz butter
1oz breadcrumbs
1oz grated cheese
3 small oranges
1 tablespoon olive oil or any good oil
1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
1 bunch watercress

Cooking time 10 minutes. Method:

1. Wipe the fish and season well
2. Put half of the butter on the fish and grill for 5 minutes
3. Mix breadcrumbs and cheese together
4. Turn cutlets and cover with the cheese mixture, cover with remaining butter and grill for 5 minutes
5. Meanwhile peel the oranges, removing all the pips, cut into thin slices and mix with oil and lemon juice
6. Arrange cutlets on a plate
7. Drain oranges and arrange around the fish
8. Garnish with water cress

PEPPERED STEAKS IN BEER AND GARLIC

Served with jacket potatoes and a crisp salad.

You will need:
4 beef sirloin steaks
2 garlic cloves, crushed
4fl ozs brown ale or stout
2tbsp dark sugar
2tbsp worcestershire sauce
1tbsp corn oil
1tbsp crushed black peppercorns. Serves 4:

Method:

1. Place the steaks in a dish and add the garlic, ale or stout, sugar, worcestershire sauce and oil, then leave to marinate in the fridge for 2-3 hours or overnight.
2. Remove the steaks from the dish and reserve the marinade. Sprinkle the peppercorns over the steaks and press them into the surface.
3. Cook the steaks on a hot barbecue, basting them occasionally with the reserved marinade during cooking
4. Turn the steaks once during cooking, and cook them for about 3-6 minutes on each side, depending on how rare you like them.

SUMMER STEW WITH VEGETABLES:

You can add whatever vegetables you like here is just one idea.

For 4 you will need.
1 large onion, sliced
1 large clove garlic, sliced
2tbs olive oil or any good oil
1 baby turnip, cubed
6oz carrots, sliced
6oz cauliflower florets
about 6oz new potatoes, washed and diced
6oz courgettes, sliced
1 pint of vegetable stock
2 heaped tbs. cornflour, mixed with 3tbs. of water
14oz can chopped tomatoes with juice
3-4tbs. chopped fresh parsley or any herb you like, spices if you like
sea salt and freshly ground pepper
3tbs. vegetable oil.

Method:

1. In a large pan soften the onion and garlic in the oil, covered, over a low heat.
2. Then add the prepared veg. and brown for 5/6 mins, stirring and turning
3. Add the stock stirring and bring to the boil
4. Then stir in the cornflour and water mixture
5. Add the tomatoes with their juice and stir well
6. Add the herbs, plus any spices that you choose
7. Season to taste
8. Turn the heat right down and cover the pot tightly
9. Simmer gently for 25 mins. stirring now and then
10. Meanwhile heat the vegetable oil in a shallow pan cook gently for 10 mins. check the seasoning, serve while hot

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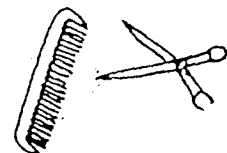
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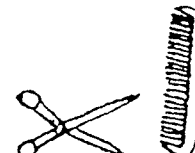
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Paws animal rescue has been in existence since February 1997. During this time they have helped over 3,000 animals including dogs, cats, rabbits, swans, doves and even a cockatiel. They provide an invaluable service to man,s "Best Friend". Paws have a strict policy of re-homing stray animals. These animals can greatly enhance the quality of life for a lonely person. To have a dog as a companion can be a valuable source of security for our elderly and disabled population. In view of the recent attacks on the elderly, especially in country areas, these animal can hugely comfort and reassure those of us who live alone and in fear.

"There is no faith that has never been broken except that of a faithful dog"

Another positive aspect of Paws is the motivation it provides for many young people who spend their Summer holidays volunteering in the shelter. These helpers often have many emotional problems of their own. They find great comfort and solace while tending these vulnerable animals.

Kildare Co. Council Warden Service have a policy of giving just 5 days respite for dogs before putting them down. Imagine your pet lost and lonely with a 5 day death sentence. How much poorer our lives would be without our canine friends. Paws is now in grave danger of having to close. Although the home has always historically housed dogs, KCC now say they must have planning permission to remain open.

A spokesperson for Paws issued the following statement:

"We desperately need three or four acres of land in North Kildare (60% of our animals are rehomed to Dublin), to build a national animal shelter with proper facilities for the animals including a cattery, a veterinary unit where we can help people on welfare or assistance to have their animals neutered for a minimum fee and an education unit where teachers can bring classes of children to visit the centre to teach them how to care for their pets,

We had been negotiating with the Kildare County Council about leasing a piece of land from them, on which we would erect a custom built animal rescue shelter, Yesterday we received a letter from the planning section of the same Council telling us we do not have planning permission for our shelter. (the sheds which house the dogs were built in 1680 to house the hounds from the hunt), Meanwhile we have over sixty dogs being cared for in our home. We have had over twenty calls this morning from people who want to "get rid" of dogs and puppies. The heartbreak is never ending, "

KCC has also reneged on their promise to lease another site for this great work to continue. Public officialdom takes no account of the love of the public for our vulnerable animals.

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1, If you feel strongly about these issues., please write a letter of protest to the following persons.

Mr, Charlie Talbot. Kildare County Council, St, Marys ,

Naas, Co Kildare(
(RE, Alternative Site)

Shirley Farrar, Planning dept. Kildare County Council St, Marys , Naas, Co, Kildare, (Re, Planning)

Mr, Charlie Mc Creevey, c/o Tynon Dillon. Killcullen Road, Naas, Co, Kildare. (Re. Both planning and alternative site).

2, You can help by supporting the American Barbeque to be held in Libby Sheehys stately home in Celbridge on the 8th July at 2,pm.

3,All donations will be gratefully received at A.C.C. Bank. 51, Main St, Naas. Acc, 61960232 Sort Code 90-90-11



Fionn on Arrival at PAWS in September 1999



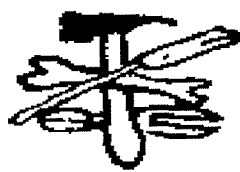
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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR PARTY NOTES

£1.3 MILLION MEADOWBROOK LINK ROAD GETS GO - AHEAD

Cllr. John Mc Ginley has expressed his satisfaction that Leixlip Area Committee agreed on June 2nd to give the go-ahead for the provision of the Meadowbrook link Road.

The full cost of the Link Roads put at £1.3 Million of which £720,000 is comprised of the land purchase cost with the remaining relating to actual construction of the Link Road provision of Boundary walls, traffic calming measures and culverting certain sections of Meadowbrook Stream. Finance for the project is made up of Development Levies (future and current) and a grant of £160,000 from the Department of the Environment.

Included in the proposals are a number of Traffic Calming measures which Cllr John Mc Ginley sought on behalf of Residents in Meadowbrook, Brookfield and Beaufield. These are as follows.

The large open green areas bordering the Meadowbrook Road will be made safe for children by the provision of a 1 metre wall with railings on top.

Pedestrian openings from Meadowbrook Estate onto the Meadowbrook Road will be made safer by the provision of railings and anti-speed bumps. This will also allow for safe crossing of the Road and one of these anti-speed bumps will be near the junction of Beaufield Road and Meadowbrook Road.

Children at Play signs will be provided along the Meadowbrook Road.

A wall will be built to close off Meadowbrook Court and Meadowbrook Avenue from any access on to the Link Road itself. This wall will link up with the existing back garden walls and with the culverting of the Stream at these points will create two new safe green areas for children to play.

The Beaufield Road will be closed off at the Rathcoffey Road side once the Link Road is completed.

Cul-de-Sac signs will be erected at the Meadowbrook Court end of the estate.

Cllr Mc Ginley is firmly of the view that the safety measures which he has succeeded in achieving have gone a long way towards meeting the concerns of residents in the area.

Other measures which have now been incorporated in the plans include the provision of a 2-4 metre wall along the boundary between Kingsbry and the Link Road and at Cllr. Mc Ginley's request the green triangle near the Straffan Road exit will be landscaped with maintenance free shrubs and mature trees. The Council have also agreed to plant shrubs along the back garden walls of residents in Meadowbrook Court and Avenue which at present back onto the route of the Link Road.

At the meeting residents from Meadowbrook Residents Association made a submission calling for the Link to run parallel with the Motorway in front of Brookfield and to link up with the Rathcoffey Road rather than the route now adopted. The main concern of the residents was safety and this has been largely addressed. However Cllr. John Mc Ginley would like residents in the area to know that there were other considerations which rendered this proposal impractical. They were as follows:

The Cost of the alternative proposal was put at £2.54 Million. It would not be possible to run the Road parallel to the Motorway all the way up to the Straffan Road. Instead the road would have to go through the middle of Dunnes Lands and exit onto the Straffan Road at the existing point propose.

This would not be agreed to by Mr. Dunne for obvious reasons and we would be back to square one with a C. P. O. process with a resultant further delay of 2 years.

The Bond Bridge project would be deferred for a considerable time. The New Bridge links directly into the Meadowbrook Distributor Road. If the chosen route was changed then the New Bridge would have to be redesigned to get it to face the Rathcoffey Road. This would mean a curved bridge again and a further delay to 2 to 3 years.

All in all the counter proposal would have set us back several years with major hurdles to overcome and the serious likelihood of a C. P. O. failure given that the chosen route is planned since the mid eighties.

The final matter which Cllr. Mc Ginley now wants to see resolved is the culverting fully of the Meadowbrook Stream within residential areas. Under the Meadowbrook Link and the Bond Bridge project certain sections will be piped. For the safety of children in the area Cllr. Mc Ginley and Deputy Stagg have now tabled the following motion for consideration by the Co. Council.

'That Kildare County Council take out a loan to enable the culverting of the Meadowbrook Stream within the development boundary of Maynooth, to be repaid from future development levies in the area.'

In conclusion Cllr. Mc Ginley stated that the provision of the Meadowbrook Link was good news for the residents of the area and Maynooth in general.

BOND BRIDGE PART X APPROVED

Cllr. John Mc Ginley's campaign for the new Bond Bridge is now nearly complete with the decision by the Leixlip Area Committee to approve the Design for the new bridge following the public display period.

The decision will now go before the full Council for final approval and the Council will then be in a position to invite tenders for the project. A contractor should be appointed in July / August and should be on site by September.

Cllr. Mc Ginley made a number of proposals in relation to the Draft Design which have now been accepted in the Final Design now approved. These include the finishing of all walls bounding the New Bridge in stone and the eastern face of the existing bridge will be retained if possible.

Cllr. Mc Ginley also requested the Council to provide a vehicular entrance to the Train Station off the New Bridge. This was agreed to unanimously by the Councillors but the engineers are recommending against this on safety grounds. In conclusion Cllr. Mc Ginley stated that the Bond Bridge project will clear its final hurdle at the next full County Council meeting and he again thanked the members of the Bond Bridge Action Group for their assistance in the campaign since February 1996 following their formation at a meeting called by then Minister of State Emmet Stagg.



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Party Political

TRAFFIC CALMING FOR PARKLANDS MAIN ROAD.

At the Leixlip Area Committee meeting held on June 2nd Cllr. John Mc Ginley allocated his Traffic Calming funding to the provision of safety measures along the long straight Parklands Main Road, in Maynooth.

£15,000 has been provided by Cllr. Mc Ginley and the statutory requirements for a Part X will be completed by September and work will be carried out in October. The work will involve the narrowing of the road at a number of points.

Cllr. Mc Ginley stated that he was pleased to be in a position to assist the residents in Parklands to make the area safer for pedestrians and in particular children.

Mc GINLEY SEEKS WIDENING OF EXIT FROM GLENROYAL

Cllr. John Mc Ginley's motion that the exit from the Glenroyal Shopping Centre and Hotel Complex onto the Straffan Road, Maynooth, be widened was discussed at the Leixlip Area Committee Meeting held on June 2nd.

Cllr. Mc Ginley stated that the exit at present was too narrow allowing just one line of traffic to get onto the Straffan Road. Vehicles turning right towards the Square invariably caused major delays for traffic wishing to turn left up the Straffan Road. The design as it stands was poor and this caused regular back ups of traffic trying to exit the centre.

Cllr. Mc Ginley stated that there was adequate room to widen the exit and this matter will now be investigated by the Roads Design Section of the Council. Cllr. Mc Ginley was also informed during the discussion that the Glenroyal Hotel had sought the provision of traffic lights at the exit point.

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Party Political

MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES

Since the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann was re-organised with the election of a new Officer Board in November 1999, the Cumann members under the stewardship of Chairman Gearoid Lohan has been consistently busy in the area meeting with many of the other local organisations, clubs and groups. It is our intention and determination to play a full and active and particularly positive role in the development of the town and area as we enter into the new Century. With a vibrant young membership allied with the experience of our older members, we intend to maintain as busy a schedule throughout the second half of the year as we have in the opening 5/6 months.

BREAKFAST WITH MINISTER MCCREEVY

In March we organised a breakfast attended by Minister for Finance, Charlie McCreevy in the Glenroyal Hotel which was extremely well attended. At the breakfast, the Minister met and spoke on a personal level to many members of the Maynooth Community, and in his public address paid particular attention to the economic success the country has achieved and enjoyed largely as a result of the policies introduced and pursued by the present Government but also due to the full co-operation and responsible part played by the citizens of Ireland. He emphasised the fantastic growth in employment in Ireland over the last 10 years which we can all agree has been phenomenal.

ARD FHEIS

Also in March the Cumann was represented at the Fianna Fail Ard Fheis in Dublin where we had forwarded a motion discussed by the Floor with regard to Waste Management for the future.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

At the Ard Fheis the Cumann had a happy distinction of having our Chairman, Gearoid Lohan elected onto the influential National Executive of Fianna Fail, a body often referred to as the Committee of Fifteen. This is a great asset to the Cumann as it ensured that feedback from the area with regard to both local and national issues will be aired and discussed at the highest level in the Party and in an extremely articulate manner by our very able Chairman.

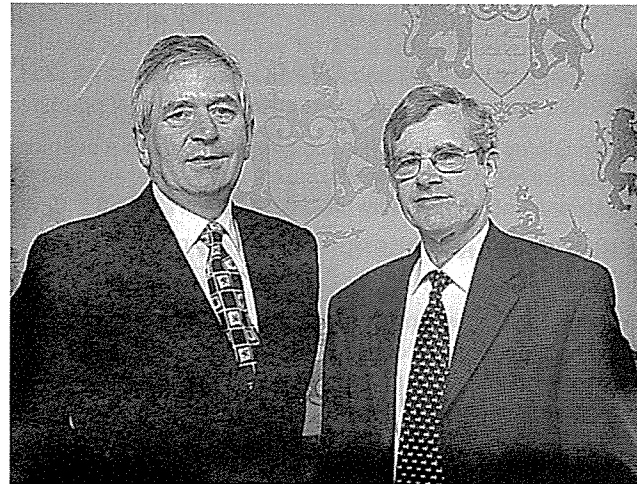
CUMANN WEBSITE

April was also an extremely busy month which we opened by launching the Maynooth Cumann Website at the Glenroyal Hotel, aptly performed by Minister McCreevy. Indeed this is the first Cumann website to be opened in the country and is a useful reference guide to be visited at website address:- www.fiannafail.ie/Maynooth, E-mail:- maynoothfiannafail@eircom.net. It is perhaps very appropriate that the country's first Cumann website should be set up in Maynooth, surrounded as it is by both Intel and Hewlett Packard.

LOCAL GROUPS

At this launch the Minister and local Fianna Fail Councillor Paul Kelly met with 3 local groups: (1) The Meadowbrook Residents Committee regarding proposed changes to Bond Bridge project, (2) The Maynooth Football Club and (3) the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band. As a result of these meetings, Cllr. Paul Kelly organised the Meadowbrook Residents Committee to meet with the County Engineer/

awaited Bond Bridge project and voice their concerns directly. Minister McCreevy is in on-going communication with Mr. Paddy Boyd, pictured here, representing the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band, who this year celebrated their Anniversary and who have and continue to represent Maynooth with distinction wherever they perform.



Charlie McCreevy with Paddy Boyd

PARKLANDS

Following the launch of the Website and the above Meetings, the Minister and Paul Kelly met with members of the local community during visits to the local hostelry Bradys and the Elite Bakery where they received a warm welcome. We then proceeded to Parklands estate where the Minister and Paul along with Cumann members visited each and every home, the primary purpose being to maintain good lines of communication between the residents and their local and national Fianna Fail representatives. As a result Paul and Charlie are corresponding with the residents who raised particular issues.

LYREEN PARK/PEBBLE HILL

Later in April, the Cumann members also had a walkabout in both Lyreen Park and Pebble Hill Estates. Again Paul Kelly has since written to the residents of both areas advising them of his response to their queries raised on this occasion. Following representation made by Paul to the Council concerning the condition of the Dunboyne road, the Roads Section have advised Paul that grants are scheduled for repairs to this road early next year, and further some development levies are under consideration for work to be carried out this year to the section between Nangle Court to Lyreen Park. Paul will continue to pursue this matter to ensure it is acted upon. Concerns expressed by some of the residents with regard to the speed limit on the Dunboyne Road were also raised by Paul with the Gardai and the County Engineer, whereby Paul has asked that the speed limit be moved out further along the road.

MEADOWBROOK/BROOKFIELD

On May 13th, Cumann members visited the Meadowbrook and Brookfield Estates. Since this visit Cllr. Paul Kelly in tandem with Gearoid Lohan has written to the Residents Associations of both areas addressing the issues raised. Of primary importance, Paul is concentrating on the dangers posed by the hazard associated with the Joan Slade river running through Meadowbrook, but also with other issues like litter which were raised, among them being objectives to the proposed siting of a Public House in the area.

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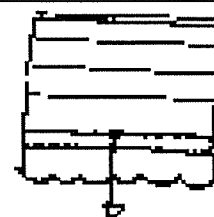
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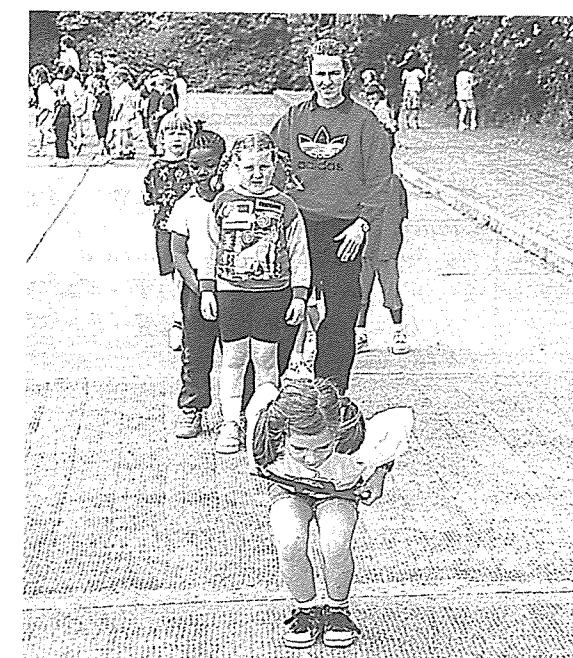
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Wednesday 12th July

Carnival - Harbour

Field

Soccer Tournament - Harbour Field - ongoing

Local History & Civic Forum present a night of Poetry & Prose - MC Stuart Lane - everyone

Welcome - wine served - Library - 8pm

Caulfields - Table Quiz - 8.30pm (for 9pm start)

Thursday 13th July

Carnival - Harbour Field

Caulfields - Senior Citizens Night

Music in the Square - St. Mary's Brass & Reed/Fiddler's Green - 8pm

Glenroyal - Karaoke

Friday 14th July

Carnival - Harbour Field

Soccer Tournament - ongoing

Caulfields - music with Patsy Tracy

Square - Traditional Music 8pm

LA Heineken Weekender

Roost - Coors Light Promotion

Dowdstown - every Friday Live Music

Saturday 15th July

Carnival - Harbour Field

Fire Brigade Display - Harbour Field - 4pm

Soccer Tournament Semi Finals - Harbour Field - ongoing

Cu Glas - Battle Re-enactment - Harbour Field - all day - Harbour Field

LA Heineken Weekender

Sunday 16th July

Carnival - Harbour Field

Cu Glas - Battle re-enactment - Harbour Field

Local History Walks meeting at Old College Gates - 3pm

Square - Millenium Teddy Bear's Picnic & Judging of Art Competition - Face Painting, Bonnie

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2. Fire Office Display.
3. Art Competition.
4. Set Dancing.
5. Millennium Tea Party *
6. Soccer Tournament.
7. Poetry Reading.
8. Historical Walk.
9. Battle Re-enactment.
10. Battle of the Bands.
11. Teenage Disco.
12. Music in Pubs.
13. Trad. Jazz Singing.
14. Brass and Reed Band.

* Millennium Tea Party will incorporate fancy dress party for all the kids. Tea cakes for all, live music, clowns, face painting and we hope that all the children, of all ages, will take the opportunity to join in the fancy dress parade.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES			EAST						
Athletic Results (East)			Toddlers 5-6 YRS						
The Local Community Game Athletics were held in the GAA on the 21st May.				1st	Owen Cullinane				
Results				2nd	Donal Connellan				
				3rd	Cian Forde				
Maynooth East			WEST						
60Metres			Toddlers 4-5 YRS						
Girls Under 8	1st	Grainne Hoban		1st	Ruth O'Hurley				
Boys Under 8	1st	Owen Cullinane	WEST	Boys	1st	Matthew Melia			
	2nd	Donal Connellan					2nd	Tadhg Forde	
	3rd	Kevin Peelo							
100 Metres			The County Athletic Finals will be held on 1st-2nd July on Newbridge Track.						
Boys Under 10	1st	Michael Fahy	Please ring Marie Gleeson 087 2228089 for further information.						
	2nd	Colm Peelo							
	3rd	John Comerford							
Girls Under 12	1st	Amy Naughto	WEST	60Metres	Girls Under 8	1st	Naimh Kearney		
	2nd	Roisin Hoban							
	3rd	Alison McAuliffe							
Boy Under 12	1st	Patrick Comerford	Boy Under 8	1st	Cian Forde				
Boy Under 14	1st	Keith Wong	100 Metres	Girls Under 10	1st	Elaine Houlihan			
	2nd	Michael Gillick					2nd	Clare McNamara	
	3rd	Ross Cullinnane							
Boy Under 16	1st	Kevin Comerford	Boys Under 10	1st	Ciaran Kearney				
Girls Under 14	1st	Elaine McAuliffee	Girls Under 12	1st	Aishling Forde				
						2nd	Nicole O'Hurley		
200 Metre			Boys Under 12	1st	Jeffrey Walshe				
	Boy Under 10	1st				Michael Fahy	2nd	Peter Warren	
		2nd				Colm Peelo			
	3rd	John Comerford	Boys Under 14	1st	Sean McNamara				
600 Metres			80 Metres	Girls Under 8	1st	Naimh Kearney			
	Boys Under 12	1st					Patrick Comerford	1st	Cian Forde
		2nd					Barry Connellan		
Girls Under 12	1st	Amy Naughton	Boys Under 8	1st	Ciaran Kearney				
	2nd	Roisin Hoban				200 Metres	Boys Under 10	1st	Clare McNamara
	3rd	Laura Bennett							
1500 Metres			600 Metres	Boys Under 12	1st	Jeffrey Walshe			
Boy Under 16		Kevin Comerford					2nd	Peter Warran	
	800 Metres	1st	Ross Cullinane	Girls Under 12	1st	Nicole O'Hurley			
2nd		Michael Gillick	2nd				Aishling Farrell		
3rd		Keith Wong							
Boys Unders 14 SHOT			800 Metres	Boys Under 14	1st	Sean McNamara			
	1st	Michael Gillick					Boys Under 14 SHOT	1st	Edward Cooney
	2nd	Ross Cullinane							
Girls Under 14 SHOT			Boys Under 12 Long Puck	1st	Peter Warren				
		Elaine McAuliffe				2nd	Jeffrey Walshe		
								3rd	Emmanual Ali
Girls Under 12 Long Puck			Girls Under 12 Long Puck	1st	Aishling Farrell				
	1st	Laura Bennett				2nd			
	2nd	Niamh McAuliffe							
Boys Under 12 Long Puck			Boys Under 16 Shot	1st					
	1st	Patrick Comerford				2nd			
	2nd	Barry Connellan							
Boys Under 16 Shot									

MAYNOOTH GAA RESULTS:			
DATE	COMPETITION	RESULT:	
23/5/00	J.H.L.	Maynooth	3-9 Celbridge 4-9
25/5/00	S.H.L.	"	"0-12 Coill Dubh 1-14
27/5/00	S.F.L.	"	"1-6 Rheban 1-10
29/5/00	J.F.L.	"	"1-9 Carbury 0-4
1/6/00	S.H.L.	"	"0-11 Leixlip 2-12
6/6/00	J.H.L.	"	"1-6 Clane 1-10
8/6/00	S.H.L.	"	"2-6 Ardclough 6-13
10/6/00	S.F.L.	"	"0-11 St.Laurence's1-8
13/6/00	J.H.L.	"	"6-14 Kilcullen 1-3
15/6/00	S.H.L.	"	"2-9 Celbridge 3-9
18/6/00	J.F.C. "A"	"	"0-10 Sallins 1-7
J.H.L.: Maynooth 6-14 Kilcullen 1-3			
Maynooth junior hurlers finally got their act together and completely overcame a very disjointed Kilcullen side. The foundation of their success was built on a very impressive half-back line and the midfield pairing of Eoin Nevin and Shane Connors, who hurled excellently throughout.			
In attack, John O'Brien and Mick Galvin were very accurate in their shooting and scored some superb points. This result will give manager, Mick Gleeson a much needed boost as he prepares his team for the forthcoming championship campaign.			
Team and Scores:			
Mick Madden	Sean Cushen		
Rory Kelly (0-1)	Padraic MacAuliffe	Colin Cushen	
	Tom Mullarkey(0-1)	Alan Sweeney	
	Shane Connors(0-1)	Eoin Nevin(0-1)	
John O'Brien(0-4)	Gerry Duffy	Andrew Fay	
Seamus Cummins	Ciaran McGuinness	Mick Galvin(1-3)	
SUBS: Eamonn Toomey(2-0) for Duffy; Donna Hoolan(2-1) for Cummins; Peter Sheehan(0-1) for Fay; Senan Griffin for Cushen.			
JUNIOR HURLING LEAGUE.CELBRIDGE 4-9, MAYNOOTH 3-9			
PLAYED ON 23/5/00			
For fifty minutes of this game the home side (Maynooth) were ahead and looked the more likely to secure victory. However Celbridge had other ideas and in the last ten minutes the game was turned on its head with Celbridge scoring 3-2 without reply. Maynooth were very impressive in the first half and led by 1-8 to 0-4 at the interval. Maynooth's goal came from full forward Eamonn Toomey who latched on to a pass from John O'Brien and his deft flick beat Celbridge keeper onto Cullen. Shane Connors and Mick Bennett were dominant at Midfield for Maynooth with John O'Brien, Aidan McCarron and Mick Galvin getting some superb points from placed balls. Midway through the second half Maynooth led by 3-9 to 1-7 and no sign of a Celbridge revival. However Maynooth seemed to relax their grip on the game with a number of players running out of steam. Goals by Niall Lanigan and a superbly taken 21 yard free from Rory Browne together with two points from the same player levelled the game. The impetus was now with Celbridge and Tony Quinn gave them the lead five minutes from full time with an opportunist goal. Maynooth tried hard to reduce the deficit but the stout defending of Celbridge prevailed and so they held out for victory. Best for Maynooth were Sean Cushen, Tony Quaid, Senan Griffin, Shane Vconnors, Mick Bennett, Aidan McCarron and Eamon Toomey. Celbridge were well served by Timmy O'Sullivan, John Hynes, Padraic Hynes, Nial Lanigan, Rory Browne, John Murphy and ger Hariman.			
Team and Scores.			
	Celbridge		
John Corr	Anthony Cullen		
Eric Campbell	Timmy O'Sullivan	Richard McKenna	
	John Hynes	Tony Quinn (1 - 1)	
	Niall Lanigan (2-1)	(1 - 1)	
Rory Browne (1-6)	Ciaran Barry (0 - 1)	John Murphy	
Brendan White	Deaclan O'Driscoll	Ger Hardiman (0 - 1)	
SUBS. S. BURKE FOR R. MCKENNA			
	Maynooth		
	Matt Carroll		
Mick Madden	Sean Cushen	Tony Quaid	
Senan Griffin	Padraic Ward (1 - 0)	Colin Cushen	
	Shane Connors (-1)	Mick Bennett (1-2)	
John O'Brien (-1)	John Lee	Aidan McCarron (0-2)	
Seamus Cummins (0-1)	Eamon Toomey(1-0)	Mick Galvin (0-2)	
Subs. Ciaran McGuinness for E. Toomey			
Date 25/5/00 ----- Senior Hurling League Coill Dubh 1 - 14, Maynooth 0 - 12			
Coill Dubh who would be regarded as the top team in this division were given an almighty fright by Maynooth and in the end were just about deserving of victory. Indeed Maynooth led by four points at one stage and matched Coill Dubh at all facets of the game. However a goal for Coill Dubh followed by a point levelled matters and in the last quarter the winners got the upper hand and their point scoring ability ensured victory.			
Best for Maynooth were TJ Curtin Jimmy Cahill, Noel Carey, Justin White, Karl Ennis, Roman Joyce and Mick Bennet.			
	Maynooth Team		
	Matt Carroll		
Hugh Nevin	TJ Curtin	Padraic Ward	
Noel Carey	Fergal Scully	Jimmy Cahill	
	Justin White	Killian Fagan	
Ronan Joyce	Paul Daly	Karl Ennis	
Michael Furlong	Ciaran McGuinness	Mick Bennett	
TOM COFFY, PRO.			

MAYNOOTH GAA CLUB

WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS

DATE: 5 - 6 - 2000

THIS WEEKS NUMBERS 2-6-16-23

THIS WEEKS JACKPOT £3,000

WINNER NO WINNER

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT £3,000

WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00

1. ADAM NEVIN C/O DOMO
2. DOMO
3. BRIDIE O'TOOLE PIKE BRIDGE
4. J.C. FARRELL 174 KINGSBRY
5. MAURA O'REILLY, 72 CLUAIN AOIBHAN

Maynooth GAA Club WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS

DATE: 16 - 6 - 2000

THIS WEEKS NUMBERS 10-15-19-20

THIS WEEKS JACKPOT £3,000

WINNER NO WINNER

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT £3,000

WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00

1. MARTINA DUNNE 59, RAIL PARK.
2. MARY ANN DUGGAN C/O LEAF
3. MARIA COSTIGAN C/O MAY
4. UNA DUNNE, CELBRIDGE
5. ANTHONY BOND C/O OLLY

Maynooth GAA Club WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS

DATE: 18- 6 - 2000

THIS WEEKS NUMBERS 10-16-19-24

THIS WEEKS JACKPOT £3,000

WINNER NO WINNER

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT £3,000

WINNERS OF WEEKLY £10.00

1. DENNIS NOLAN C/O OLLY
2. MAY DALY C/O DOMO
3. HARRY HATTON C/O GARODICE
4. MARGARET O'MAHONY C/O DOMO
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The registration fee is £2.50 per child or £6.00 per family. Booking for all away events must be made and paid for on Registration Day.

If you are available to help out during the Project please give your name on Registration Day.

1. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian on Registration Day.
2. On all trips, children must bring sufficient food for the day and also rainwear (and a change of clothes for Clara Lara and Fort Lucan).
3. Parents, please put suntan lotion on the children where necessary.
4. At some events children will be allowed to spend a small amount of pocket money.

Secretary: Claire @ 6286863 *Please collect your children on time.

Asst. Sec: Paula @ 6285810.

WEEK 1

JULY

WEEK 2

DAY DATE	TIME	MEET-PLACE	VENUE	DAY DATE	TIME	MEET-PLACE	VENUE
Tues 4 th	10-12.30	ICA Hall	Registration £2.50-£6				
Mon 10 th	11-4	Green-field S/C	Fort Lucan £5.50	Mon 17 th	11.30-4.00	Green-field S/C	Bowling in Tallaght £6.00
Tues 11 th	2-4	ICA Hall	Quiz £1	Tues 18 th	2-4	ICA Hall	Bingo £1
Wed 12 th	10.30-4	Green-field S/C	Bowling Coolock & visit St. Annes Park £6.	Wed 19 th	11.30-4	Green-field SC	IMAX Theatre £5
Thurs 13 th	11-3.30	Green-field S/C	National Stud & Japanese Gardens £6	Thurs 20 th	2-4	ICA Hall	Quiz £1
Friday 14 th	2-4	ICA Hall	Bingo £1	Fri 21 st	9-5	Green-field S/C	Clara Lara £14 includes cost of Gold Band

*Enjoy the rest of your Summer Holidays

O/12s ACTIVITIES

DAY/TIME	TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY
Tues 4 th	10.30-12.30	ICA Hall	Registration £2.50
Tues 11 th	7.15-11.30	Greenfield SC	Ice Skating Phibsboro £6
Friday 14 th	8-11	Greenfield SC	Film - Liffey Valley £5 McDonalds (EXTRA)
Tues 18 th	8.30-11	Glenroyal Hotel	Disco £3
Thurs 20 th	7.30-11.30	Greenfield SC	Bowling & Quazar (£10 McDonalds Extra)

In order to take part in any activity you must register with the project on Tuesday 4th July. An event maybe cancelled due to insufficient numbers.



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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, 19th June** by 5 pm.

Features

ST MARY'S PARISH SOCIAL AND WELCOME COMMITTEE.

We would like to let all parishioners know that we will not be holding our monthly tea / coffee morning on the last Sunday of July and August, as the boys school will be closed. We hope to be back again on the last Sunday in September which will probably be in the New Parish Resource Centre in the basement of the Parochial House.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter Mullan principal of the boys school for allowing us to use the facility of the school.

A big thank you must also go to Dominic Nugent for all his help, we could not have managed without him.

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Belated birthday wishes to Mrs M. McTernan, Lawrence Avenue.

whose birthday was June 24th, best wishes from Martin, Rikki and all the family.

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Lady Lynn

*Sail away my lovely daughter,
Sail away from my apron strings,
Plunge the depths of the deepest ocean,
Rise to heights life will bring*

*From the waters of the womb,
To the stillness of the tomb,
Babe to child, Child to wife,
Cut the cord and fight for life*

*Sail away my lovely daughter,
Sail away from my apron strings
Sail away my lovely daughter,
My love will soar on an eagle's wing,*

By Cecilia Murray

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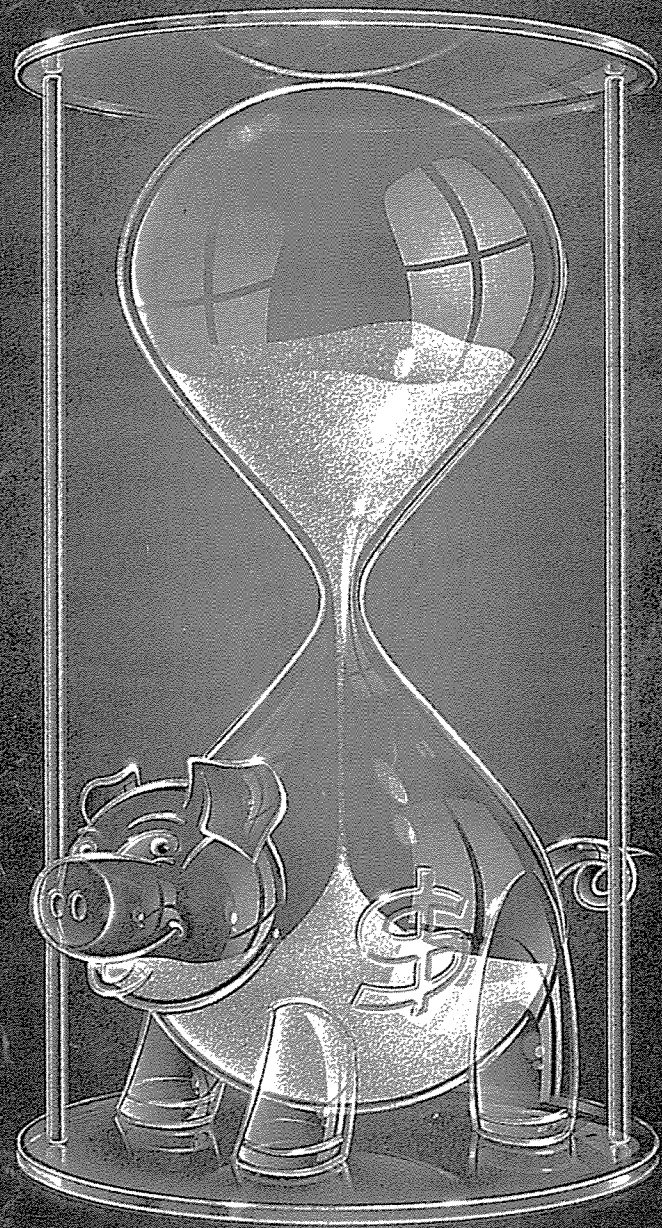
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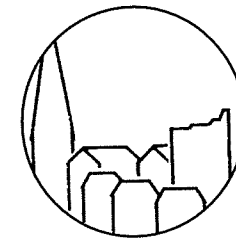
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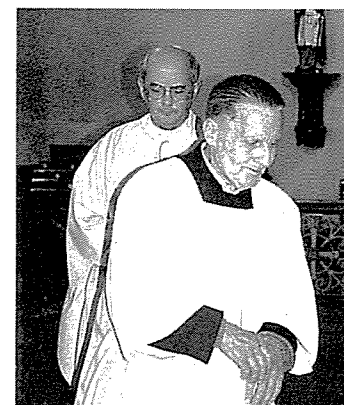
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Senior Citizens



Sean Scanlon & Alex Stenson



Maynooth Festival

Heineken Festival 2000 12th-16th July

Despite a late delay the Festival was equal to if not better than other years. Sponsorship was by Heineken who took over at a very late date. This was due to the ad hoc committee of volunteers and the workers in the Community Council office, Helen O'Reilly, Sarah Ann Hurley, Celia Murray, Áine Rigney, Yvonne Smith, Victoria Ali, Pius Kelly, Annette Foran, Christy Kavanagh, Jackie Andrews, Marie Roach, Dorin Goyvaerts, Bernie Golgan, Mary Kilmurray and Sarah O'Connor. The launch took place in the Glenroyal Hotel on Friday 7th July where the new Chairman John Doogan introduced the programme to the invited guests and thanked the voluntary committee and the FAS office workers for their incredible work in organising the Festival so quickly. Both ex-Chairman Tom McMullon and ex-Treasurer Dominic Nyland were made a presentation for their years of service to the Community Council. Both made short thank you speeches. Hary Flood and Patsy Tracy provided the music and the craic continued into the night. Many of the time-honoured pubs events took place again this year beginning with the Table Quiz on Wednesday, Paul Daly compered brilliantly. The Senior Citizens cabaret night organised by Josie Moore and her committee was a wonderful success as usual and the Labour Party presented the cheque from the Tony Smith Memorial Walk held in May. Music provided by Josie Moore, Kevin McGovern and finished off by Noel Brady. The Glenroyal was the venue for a Karaoke Night on Thursday.

Caulfields rocked to Patsy Tracy and band on Friday, while John Deegan balladeered to a packed Dowdstown Hotel. The Roost and the Leinster Arms hosted a Coors Light and the Heineken Weekender promotion respectively. On Saturday and Sunday night the Leinster Arms continued with the Weekender Promotion giving away some wonderful prizes. The arrival of the Carnival added to the atmosphere of the open-air events particularly the 7-a-side Soccer Tournament that took place before and during the Festival. The final winners, out of 12 were Bright Seven beating the Bloodhound Gang. They were presented with their prizes in the Square by Jody Murphy. The Kildare v Offaly replay and the win by Kildare upset events somewhat but the jubilant returning supporters added colour and exuberance to the Sunday evening when the set and ceilí dancing was a wonderful success. Riverdance - type costumes replaced the usual costumes in some instances and Dawn Byrne was the undoubted star of the show. She also came third Barperson of the Year for the Glenroyal Hotel, followed by Joan Gorman of Caulfields and the Barperson of the Year himself was Robbie Ward of Dowdstown receiving a cash prize and crystal trophy.

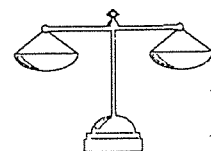
The Square was also the venue for a performance by St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band and Fiddler's Green on Thursday and 'Push the Porter' playing Irish traditional music on Friday. Possibly the best day was Sunday afternoon with the highly successful Teddy Bear's picnic in the Square, an art competition, Bonny Baby etc. The 'anonymous' large Teddies were a great success. Cú Glas performed during Saturday and Sunday in the Harbour Field. We would like to thank Kevin Coyle and Angela Brazil for stepping in at the last minute and dressing up as our Teddy Bear Family, and also John Doogan.

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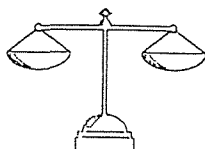
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Book Review

I read this book with my eleven year old son Darragh and from an adults point of view. I thought the book covered quiet a lot of areas as in bulling at school, being a single parent and drugs. My son enjoyed and it is set out realistically and modren day Ireland.

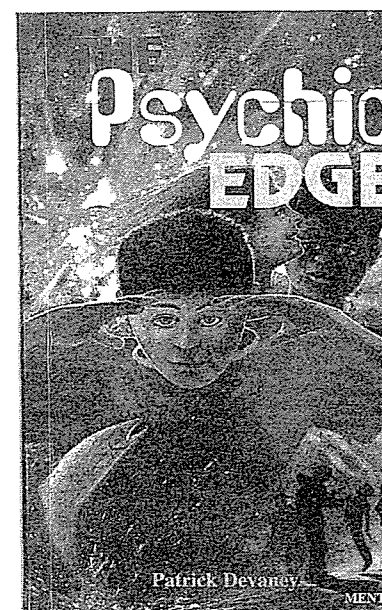
Well done to Patrick Devaney, also another book by P Devaney . The Stranger and the Pooka.

DARRAGH O'REILLY'S BOOK REVIEW

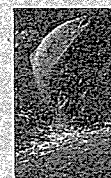
I read the book called psychic edge very interesting. It was true to a lot of facts of life and when David caught the great Salmon in the Boyne and it gave him second sight of power.

I am aged 11 and go to St. Mary's Boys National School. I will be recommending this book to our school library.

Darragh O'Reilly.



David is fourteen, a shy, insecure boy, who is bullied at school by Johnny and his side-kicks. He lives with his younger brother and sister and his widowed mother, whose boyfriend he detests. Then on a weekend visit to his uncle's cottage, David catches a great salmon in the Boyne. On eating it, he discovers that he has second sight and this power, together with the friendship of Billy, a Black American boy who has just come to Ireland, transforms him into the crime-fighting 'Salmon'. David uses his power to expose a drug ring in his town and win the love of his schoolmate, Aisling.



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EDITORIAL

This summer the children of Maynooth and surrounding areas had plenty to do thanks to the voluntary efforts of the Maynooth Community games committee, the Summer Project Committee and the Festival Millennium Teddy Bears Picnic.

We also saw a number of Summer Camps such as Camp Scamps in the Boy's School, the N.U.I. summer camp and the G.A.A. summer camp all of which ran for a number of weeks. Children enjoyed a great variety of activies and games including swimming, computer studies, arts and crafts. Visits were organised to Fort Lucan, Clara Lara, the Imax Centre and the National Stud. The 'I'm bored' days were greatly reduced. Fun and confidence greatly increased. Thanks to all concerned.

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The July meeting was held on 10th July in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Emma Kilduff - Scholarship

Emma will be leaving at the end of summer to take up a scholarship at Troy State University in Alabama. John Doogan stated that the Soccer Club are trying to raise as much sponsorship as they can. Emma's living expenses are not covered by the scholarship. Maynooth Community Council agreed to sponsor Emma in principle. Maynooth Post Primary School has also guaranteed sponsorship for Emma stated Senan Griffin. Congratulation were paid to Emma on gaining her scholarship.

Festival

John Doogan congratulated the Committee and Community Council Office staff for setting a great programme together for the Festival. They had not a lot of time to get it organised. Heineken came forward to sponsor this years Festival. It is hoped that Heineken will continue to sponsor the Maynooth Community Festival. A full report of the Festival is in the Newsletter.

Tidy Towns

The Tidy towns Committee are doing a great job keeping the town looking well. Paul Croughan stated that he hoped that the people doing the clean-up would keep at it. The Sunday morning clean-up is going on for 5 years now, stated Richard Farrell, a few more people would make all the difference. The Town needs a day cleaning service stated John McGinley. It was felt that Kildare County Council should play their part in keeping the town clean. Student Union Rep. Noel Hogan said that we should make it known that we want our town kept clean. The commitment from Kildare County Council to cut grass in estates was welcome, but however it was noted that this was a long term plan and only public open spaces would be cut for now. Pádraig Ó Murchú felt that the general public left the town in a dreadful state, he felt that the responsibility for the up-keep of the town should be shared, to involve the business people of the town as they are the people that benefit.

Street Signs Logo

It was noted that entries are coming in for the competition for a new street sign logo. This competition carries a prize of £100 donated by Maynooth Community Council.

Maynooth Summer Project

Claire O'Rourke stated that the summer Project went very well. Again a small committee worked very hard to get the 2 week programme up and running. The Summer Project needs more volunteers more parents to get involved to keep this very worthwhile project going.

Maynooth Town Traffic

The problem of heavy traffic going through the town was raised. The meeting was informed that money is now available for roads that are needed to relieve traffic in developing towns like Maynooth. It won't be depending on levies being raised for such projects.

Maynooth Community Council Representation

A worrying note was raised by Chairman John Doogan at the meeting regarding the lack of representation on the Council from estates in the town. There are about 10 estates not represented on the Council. The Council is only as strong as its members. It is therefore necessary that all residents associations and all other social and sporting groups are represented. It was also felt that now, more than ever it was necessary for more people to give time to all the sporting and other groups in town.

Maynooth Community Games

Maynooth Community Games have two representatives going to National Swimming Finals in Mosney. We wish Sinead Connolly and Clare Cowhey the best of luck. It is hoped to have our AGM in October. Again this group are finding it very difficult to keep going, and it will be looking for new people to get involved.

There will be no August Meeting. Next meeting 11th September.

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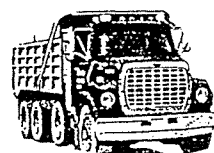
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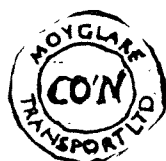
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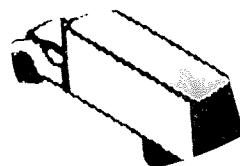
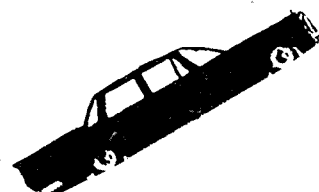
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ACUPUNCTURE

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WHO WILL BENEFIT

Acupuncture can be a valuable preventative tool. Rather than waiting until your body is in a state of imbalance and displaying physical symptoms, a one-off or regular acupuncture treatment can help maintain good health.

It is, of course, extremely effective in the management of acute and chronic conditions as well.

Some of the common conditions that can be successfully treated by acupuncture include:

- * Headache and Migraine, dizziness
- * Nervous tension, Anxiety, Depression
- * Addictions such as smoking, drugs
- * Insomnia
- * High or low blood pressure, poor circulation, fluid retention, angina
- * Digestive problems such as Indigestion, Flatulence, Ulcers, Colitis, Diarrhoea, Constipation, Haemorrhoids
- * Liver and Gall Bladder Problems
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- * Muscle pain including cramps, strains.
- * Arthritis, Sciatica, Back Pain.
- * Toothache, Gingivitis and mouth Ulcers
- * Irritated eyes, Conjunctivitis and eye disorders including short-sightedness in children and some form of cataracts.

TYPES OF ACUPUNCTURE

Other than using the filiform needle alone, other

treatment techniques include moxibustion, cupping, electro-acupuncture and laser acupuncture.

CUPPING is a technique often used for muscular -skeletal problems and chest congestion.

ELECTRO-ACUPUNCTURE involves attaching voltmeters to the inserted needles.

MOXIBUSTION is a traditional type of acupuncture using moxa, the dried leaves of the herb mugwort, either alone or mixed with other herbs.

REFLEXOLOGY The Chinese believed specific points on the feet could have a powerful effect on the overall functioning of the body.

WHAT IS REFLEXOLOGY?

Reflexology is based on the idea that by "massaging" specific points in the feet or the hands, the related organ, body structure or system is stimulated.

A person applying pressure to these points can stimulate and relax various parts of the body in a "reflex" action.

A TYPICAL SESSION

Most sessions will take between 45 to 60 minutes. The main aim of reflexology is to increase the body's overall state of relaxation. Reflexology helps deal with the cause of an ailment, not just the symptoms, and it can work on many parts of the body and different problems at the same time. With regular use you should notice an improvement in your vitality.

Chinese Herbs are prescribed only after a proper diagnosis has been completed.

Allergy Testing: Some allergies include skin rashes and itching (e.g. hives, eczema) Headaches, migraine, digestive problems, vomiting, asthma, ear infections, Rhinitis and hay fever, coughing and others. Fatigue or a drop in mental alertness can also be as a result of allergies. Intense emotions such as stress anxiety, fear, grief, anger and excitement can trigger an allergy attack.

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FUERTEVENTRA (Continued from July issue)

The fortnight we spent in Fuerteventura was peppered with Futbol. Las Palmas had made it into the Spanish 1st division and they celebrated for a week. The match between Valencia and Real madrid closed most of the bars and pubs early. The excitement was palable, not that it really mattered as they said themselves 'Espana gana!' Spain wins - no matter what! The colour and animation added to the holiday. Frank Young is not the only famous musician to sing in the Cavern. John Jameson, ex-Nazerath also sings there and in other pubs throughout the resort. The variety of music is quite astounding, from traditional Irish through present day hits to Spanish/Cuban. This is matched by the variety of restaurants on the main street of the tiny resort. There are the usual burger/fast food outlets but they are tasteful, clean and unbelievably tidy. In fact, this is the tidiest place I have ever seen. There was not a cigarette butt on the street at any time. Little ashtrays are attached to the bins so that one could put out the cigarette and deposit it in the bin. The beaches are equally pristine. There is very little need for any cleaning; we saw the large horseshoe-shaped beach at Caeleta de Fuste spotless after a full day of tourists. (A pity the same cannot be said of the streets of Maynooth and other Irish towns, not to mention our beaches!) We took a great fancy to one restaurant in particular, perhaps because its name, decor and general appearance was traditional Spanish. The Patio de Andalus stands half-way up the main thoroughfare from the beach area. It is bright, busy with a friendly atmosphere and wonderful staff who recognized us upon our second visit. Our somewhat faltering Spanish, as always, earned us brownie points and we were soon on first name terms with all the staff. But one waiter stood out from all the others. Charismatic was the only word that came to mind. Javier was a revelation as were most of the people we spoke to on the island. He was home on holidays from Australia where he lived and worked. Each night he took us through the menu, recommending the fresh fish of the day, most of which we would never see on this side of the Atlantic. Dorada, Falua as well as the more familiar salmon, mussels and fresh tuna. We were firm friends by the time the two weeks were over. He recommended a karaoke bar to us, not where we would normally go but this was mainly in Spanish and the decor of the bar was astounding. Visit Discoteta La Polca Jardin at the top of the street on the left hand side and listen to some wonderful local singers. Others restaurants we liked included the El Castillo situated above the Cavern in the harbour and beautiful Bara De Pescador (The Fisherman's Boat) at the bottom of the main street. On entering it appeared it was to be extremely expensive but no, the prices were the same as elsewhere but decor and service was second to none.

Our favourite pub was the Havana, chosen first because of my obsession with Cuba. It was the bar most frequented by locals and my Spanish was more than useful again. The staff included German, Turkish, Swedish and Dutch nationals, the usual eclectic group of workers we learned to expect in the resort. We were drinking mates within days. The pub is on the right hand side as you walk from the beach, slightly off the main street and beside it was Cuba Libre which hosts Cuban music and dancing during the busier months. Our first visit sums up the atmosphere. Looking in the door, attracted by the music, we were immediately accosted by an Englishman, asking 'Are you English?' 'No, we responded, 'we're Irish'. 'That will do fine!' he says,' come in quick, we are having a Spanish versus English Karaoke!' Sure enough, the bar had divided down the middle with a

large Spanish family taking on all English-speaking-comers at Karoke! A song was sung in Spanish, then English and so on. An Irishman, who had lived there some 8 years, took up the cudgal on behalf of the Englishspeakers. Eventually we were the only non-Spanish people in the place. The owner, a young, cheerful Cuban, decided to turn off the Karoke. Instead he sat at the piano and sang Cuban and Spanish songs until the early hours! I was taught Salsa, Son and general Spanish dancing! What a night!

There are many, many more pubs and bars, particularly up the hill, as the resort stretches up the mountain. I must admit that to our shame we never got to visit Molly Malone's, the Irish pub but we got wonderful reports of it from others. We also discovered the late bar where all the locals drink until the wee hours but I'm keeping this to myself! There are discos where one can drink until 5 or 6a.m. but they are underground and cannot really be heard on the streets. We did pay one visit, it was spotless, bright, cheerful and nearly empty! We sat at the bar and got to know one more local barman.

It occurs to me that I have concentrated mainly on the nightlife. The island has hundreds of miles of beaches. On many of them you can be completely alone. For those interested in the nudist way of life there are dozens of areas where you can strip off without fear of discovery. The sun was directly above us at that time of the year, even though the temperatures were mild, usually 22-25, one could burn easily. There is no humidity and the constant breeze keeps one cool. The seawater is clear, deep blue. The name of the island is a distortion of the Spanish Fuerte (strong) and viento (wind) and it can live up to its name. Bring a warm cardigan/ jacket for the odd evening when the wind can blow you away. It is a bit like walking the promenade in Galway on a winter's day. But this is a kind, warm wind; usually welcomed by the tourists.

This island is a water-lovers paradise. Every possible water sport is available. It has become the most popular area for windsurfing in which I have no personal interest but for those who are - this is the place to be. You can take Catamaran from Puerto Castillo harbour to see turtles, dolphins, whales and sometimes sharks.

We opted for the 3 Islands tour in a glass bottom boat that took us to Papagayo Beach in Lanzarote although we did not land on the island. It continues to Lobos Island (the island wolves) where we spend some hours before returning home via Carralejo, the resort to the North of the Island. The entire island of Lobos is a designated National Park and there is a team of committed young people working there. There are hardly any inhabitants and with the exception of one restaurant and a tiny, tiny fishing village there are no building bar the ubiquitous. I swam in one of the secluded covers completely alone. Now I know where I'll go when I finally 'stop the world, I want to get off!' I had forgotten how much I like the sea, sailing and boats. We spent the forthnight dreaming of a 40-foot yacht! When we win the lottery! This was the most magical of days: as one Irishwoman commented as we were queuing up to leave: "I can't find my ticket. Great! As long as the pub has enough drink, tell them to pick me up tomorrow!" Everyone laughed, she had uttered our sentiments exactly. No one wanted to leave the deserted island. Later we found out that you can arrange to stay for a few days, bring all your own supplies and fish or laze about as long as you leave no rubbish. "Take nothing but photographs and leave nothing but footprints" is the motto on all signs and T-shirts. Heaven on earth. (Price 540pts = £27.00 and worth every penny.)

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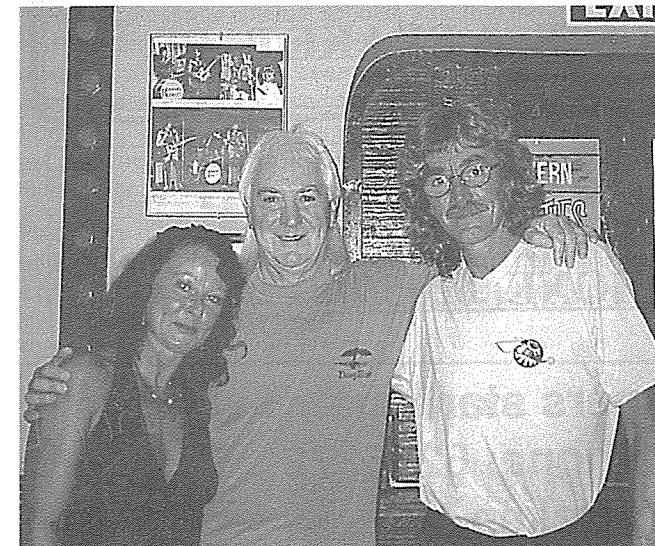
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Faith is not a fortress against danger, faith unfolds like a lotus flower resting deep within us, a quiet place of deep trust. It is not a magic formula that prevents suffering; it is a place of strength where we feel most vitally present in heart and spirit. As children of family pain, we learned to withstand the changing events and circumstances that punctuated our lives. As adults, we may rediscover this same inner strength and use it to cultivate faith in our spirit, our true nature and our deep, inner wisdom.

We cultivate our sense of faith through a daily practice of prayer or meditation, where we consistently revisit that place within us that is strong enough even to hold what frightens us and to endure the sorrows of being human. Thomas Merton, the Monk, Poet and spiritual scholar, said that through prayer and meditation, we may find sanctuary in those fearful moments when sanctuary seems impossible. In dialogue with these voices of our heart and spirit, we take refuge in the Buddha, in the heart of Jesus in what we call "the God within us" and through practice, we learn to place our faith and trust in those inner voices of clarity, strength and wholeness.

Finally, we may even discover that our sense of humour, our ability to laugh at ourselves and our fears, can help us invoke a playful sense of faith that, despite the slings and arrows of life, somehow all will be well.

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Now I watch him patiently await the results of his Leaving Cert. All his plans, hopes and dreams, hanging on by a thread. The big day has come and gone and still he waits. So many practical plans to be made but not one decision can be made. College or the dole?

Fourteen days has passed and still no baby. Tomorrow was decision day. Tomorrow my baby would be born. Modern medicine would give Mother Nature a hand.

My son entered this planet fourteen days late. I sighed a hugh sigh of relief. Now I could make plans - Thank God.

Now as I watch his anxious face, I think. Success or Failure are not measured by Exams or Motherhood. Is the Mother of a stillborn baby any more or less a person that the Mother of a healthy baby? Is a successful student any more or less a person than an unsuccessful one.

That's why I gave my Son his success cards today, before the results. I'm proud of him. He did his best and his best is always good enough.

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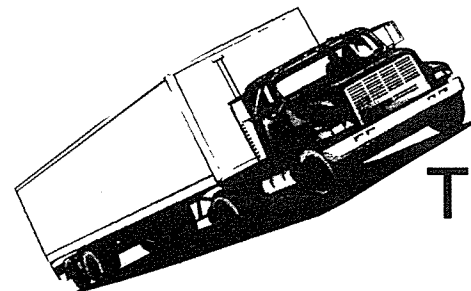
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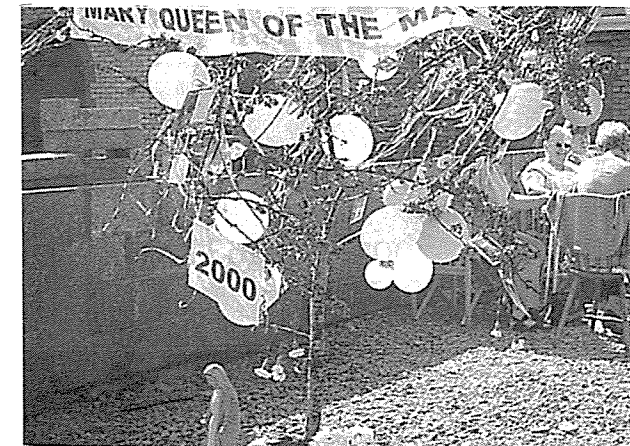
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MAY DAY 2000

May Bush returns to Mariaville & Dillons Row after 50 years. For the Millenium on the first of May in the year 2,000 the May Bush Party was held in Dempseys Garden. The Hawthorn bush was supplied by Sean Fay decorated by the children of the area. A great day was had by all. Old stories of 1920s were told and songs were sung and the games that were played, hopscotch, spinning tops and hurling. Cissie Dempsey would like to thank Josie Murphy and Bridie O'Brien for their presents on that special day.



Guest of Honour Josie Murphy 89 years old with Tony Dempsey, Michael Dempsey and Sean Gleeson



Return of the May Bush after 50 years for the Millenium

THE BROWN EYES

The brown eyes smiled, lighting up his face,
Boyish wonder and innocence,
Now the same brown eyes hold all the hurt and disillusion
of a world filled with broken dreams and promises

The brown eyes older now,
laughter lines etched deep in the crevices
Laughter never to be recaptured in the crazy,
misty days of our youth

Love was such a fragile thing
Elusive as a butterfly flitting in and out the open window,
Soon to be tangled in the hidden traps of the netted curtains.

Bright was the dawn of our love,
Rising shyly,
soon to dazzle in the brilliance of the midday sun.

The brown eyes held all the warmth of the August afternoon,
never coteplating the chill of the October evening,
The fog of the November day, or the bleak loneliness of the
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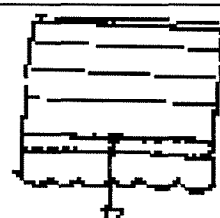
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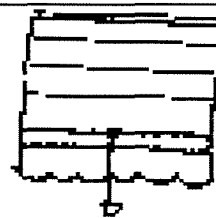
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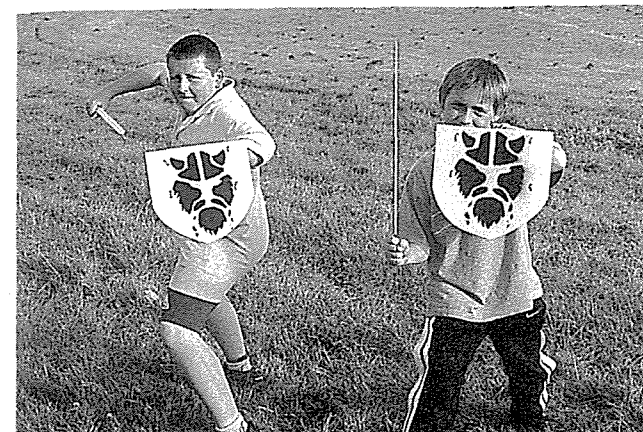
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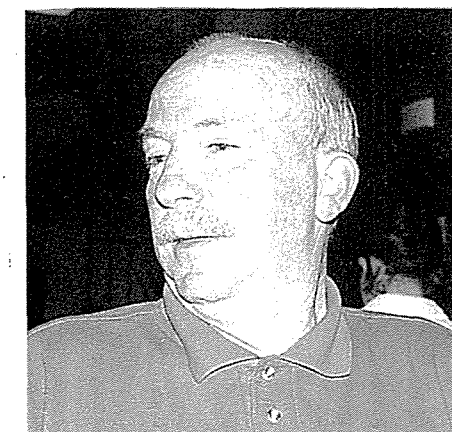
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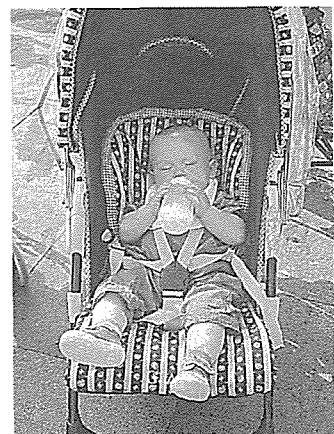
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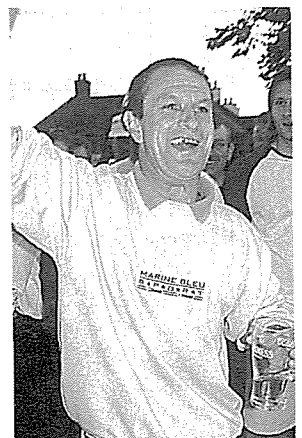
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Ready for battle with Cu Gias



Bronagh Boylan with mom Debbie
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Jamie Graham O'Reilly at the
Teddy Bears' picnic



Niall Farrell enjoying the Kildare Win
at the Festival

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Maynooth Tidy Towns

Maynooth mid Summer Clean up

As part of our Green Town 2000 programme, Maynooth Tidy Towns has included a plan to eliminate litter in Maynooth. This competition will be judged at the same time as the National Tidy Towns Competition 2000. Our Mid Summer Clean up took place from 22nd May 3rd June 2000. We are grateful to a number of groups for their help with the clean up and we would appreciate it, if people would continue to help with the maintenance of open spaces during the summer growing season. We will acknowledge everyone for their help in due course.

Tidy Towns Competition 2000.

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Green Town 2000 - Recycling Programme

The other part of our Green Town 2000 programme is to provide each home in Maynooth with information on recycling and locations where you can recycle various items safely. The recycling packs will be delivered to each house next month.

Maynooth Tidy Towns-Annual Collection

We would like to thank everybody for their generous contribution to our annual collection. With the lack of effort by Kildare County Council, Maynooth Tidy Towns need resources to upkeep the open spaces in Maynooth. We are always grateful for contributions and assistance, particularly at this time of the year.

Best Shop fronts and Best Estates Competition 2000

These competitions will take place again this year thanks to the generous support of Coonan's Auctioneers and financial services.

We have a number of new categories this year because of Green Town 2000 and remember that your shop front and residential area includes the boundary areas as well. There is keen interest in these competitions again this year.

Maynooth Tidy Towns - Success through partnership

We have been assisted again this year by a number of people with the planting of the flowerbeds at the church and elsewhere in the town. In particular we appreciate the assistance from the members of Maynooth flower and Garden Club, especially Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Desmond and Ms. Howe. We are also grateful for the help this year again of the staff from Intel Ireland through the "Intel involved" Scheme. We also acknowledge the help of John Dolan and Caryl McAree from Carton Court. Members of the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann especially Gearoid Lohan for their work on the repair and enhancement of the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road also thanks to Kiros Communications. Members of both Fine Gael and Labour branches in the town for their help on the Dunboyne Road and the Straffan Road. The residents of Parklands, Greenfield Estate, Moyglare Meadows and Kingsbry estates. We will acknowledge any help we receive as it makes a big difference to a small voluntary group. Please let us know your efforts to assist Tidy Towns. We would also welcome new members to our committee.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Meet Minister McCreevy

Maynooth Tidy Towns committee was among a number of groups that met the Minister for Finance when he made a short visit to the town on Saturday 17th June. One of the main issues raised by the group related to the problem tidy towns groups have with the lack of co-operation from utility groups that damage work done by Tidy Towns groups. We urged the Minister to push the Minister for the Environment and Local Government to introduce stricter regulations on local authorities to ensure those utilities reinstates tidy towns areas.

Maynooth Senior Citizens sets example for all

Maynooth Tidy Towns were always amazed that the entrance to Parklands and Castlebridge was always litter free. While not suggesting that the residents of these areas would create litter, on balance it would have been fair to expect some litter there. The mystery was recently solved for us when we became aware that Mr. Thomas Holmes who lives nearby cleans away the litter daily. It is no secret that Mr. Holmes is one of Maynooth oldest citizens and we in Tidy Towns are grateful for his efforts in maintaining this area.

Paul Croghan, Secretary,
Maynooth Tidy Towns

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Tidy Towns Art Competition BUDDING YOUNG ARTISTS PUT FINISHING TOUCHES IN TIDY TOWNS CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION !

The SuperValu Tidy Towns Art Competition drew to a close on the 16th July with a huge number of entries received around the country. SuperValu Maynooth received a record number of entries this year with tough decisions for the judges in each category.

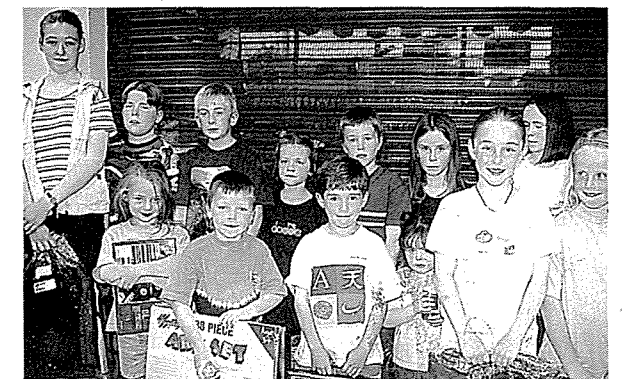
The Art Competition aims to increase awareness of the National Tidy Towns Competition amongst the young to encourage children to focus on the environment. It also helps keep children entertained during the long summer months! Coinciding with school holidays, the Tidy Towns Art Competition ran in SuperValu stores nationwide and was open to children up to 15 years of age. The entries were judged in 4 categories - under 6 years, 6-9 years, 9-11 years and a free drawing competition for those aged 12-15 years. The prize fund includes four family trips to Disney World in Florida for the overall winner of each category. Children in the 12-15 years age category were invited to create their own entry with their idea for a Tidy Town Superhero with special powers to help keep towns tidy, while the younger age categories coloured in an entry form depicting an image of a Tidy Town, which they could change and add to as they wished.

Brian Murphy, SuperValu Maynooth, said "The Tidy Towns Childrens Art Competition provides the perfect opportunity to focus our children on the importance of maintaining and improving our environment as well as increasing general awareness of the Tidy Town Competition."

SuperValu is the national sponsor of the Tidy Towns Competition which is organised by the Department of Environment and Local Government.

Maynooth Festival Poetry and Prose Evening

A large crowd gathered in the Maynooth Library on Wednesday night the 19th July 2000. The evening was organised by the Local History and Civic forum and the Maynooth Community Council. It featured North Kildare Gateway writers and guests the Rathmines writers group. The evening was opened by Padriag Ó Murchu who welcomed everybody and then handed over to Dominic Logan of the Gateway writers group, who introduced the poets and writers. The attendance were treated to a pleasant evening of poetry and prose from the different artists. Refreshments for the evenings were sponsored by the Dowdstown Hotel, which was much appreciated.



Winners of the Art Competition in SuperValu



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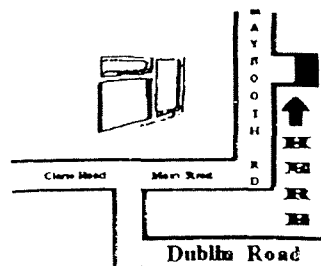
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Maynooth Planning Alliance

The Maynooth Development Plan 'Seeing Around the SpinDoctors' Rhetoric

The adoption of the Draft Maynooth Development Plan (some ten years behind schedule) is currently being 'sold' as a major milestone which will improve the quality of life for us all. Even before the people of Maynooth have seen it, public opinion was being massaged through the media by carefully unveiling some other 'sweeteners' in the proposed plan. Indeed we are being encouraged to believe that this vision of the future expansion of Maynooth will be broadly acceptable to us all. The package is being presented as very different to the abortive effort advocated four short years ago by our local representatives which alarmed the people of Maynooth as to what kind of future was being planned for them, and which spawned the growth of planning alliances throughout Kildare. As elsewhere in Ireland, Maynooth people have since become very well educated as to the real issues and vested interests involved in planning and rezoning matters and will not be fooled by aspirational statements or 'deal-driven planning'. The next few months will provide the test of the proposals and it remains to be seen how responsive our elected officials will prove to the concerns expressed by the ordinary people of Maynooth.

The Draft Plan, prepared by planning Consultants Brady Shipman Martin contains many progressive elements missing from the abortive attempt equally lauded by some local representatives four short years ago. In particular, some recognition of the abject futility of funding desirable objectives such as ring roads through huge housing development seems at last to have been taken, at least partially, on board. But how much can we take on trust, and how much is merely 'spin' designed to secure our passive acceptance of deals with individual landowners and acquiescence in another wave of explosive development?

With a population at the last census of 8,528 our local councillors unanimously agreed over two years ago that a total increase in population of 4,000 for all of the towns of north Kildare combined what was desirable for the period 1996-2001. For Maynooth they agreed a rezoning of 55 acres was needed to achieve this. This would have been very much in line with the objectives of the *Strategic Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area* produced by the consultants Brady Shipman and Martin which recommended 'limited further development' for Maynooth. A target of 10,500 was agreed for 2003 and 11,500 for 2006. Now we are told in the current plan that the present population is already at the projected 2003 level and that we need to rezone 150 acres for a population increase of 4,000 for Maynooth alone over the 1996-2006 period. (An increase of 6,000 is much more likely).

A number of Questions need to be asked regarding the Draft Plan and *Maynooth Planning Alliance* calls on our councillors to provide specific answers:

1. What guarantee have we that the proposed ring roads will materialise before the new traffic generated by a further 1,500 cars on Maynooth roads as a result of the residential rezonings? What plans are there to phase developments, especially those feeding on to the Main Street, such that the roads are built before the houses?
2. Are the councillors aware that one of the main reasons for an Bord Pleanalas refusal of planning permission.

for the 'superdump' on the Moyglare Road was the lack of suitable road access? This being so, are they aware that the consequence of a Moyglare bypass opens up the appalling vista of this application being re activated?

3. What sources of funding have been guaranteed for the various roads being proposed? Are these aspirational? How do Kildare county councillors propose to control events for that part of the proposed road in County Meath? What time scale is envisaged for their completion given that the next plan cannot be longer than five years away? Given our experiences with Bond Bridge and the Meadowbrook Link road, are we really to expect that these road schemes will be more from tender to contract to construction so smoothly? Of course in the meantime we may get 1,000 houses and 1,500 cars. Tell us about how you propose to enforce phasing: Otherwise the plan unravels:

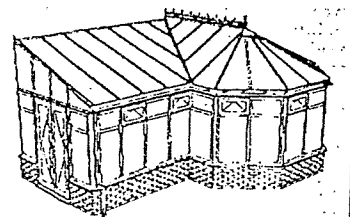
4. Parks are very welcome in Maynooth, especially since past injudicious rezonings have eroded away pleasant walking routes. 67 acres of parkland is an extremely positive development. Trouble is, Kildare Co. Council have no Parks Department and an abysmal record of maintaining public open space in Maynooth. At present one senior citizen spends 20 hours a week mowing Kildare Co. Council grass voluntarily and a small group of volunteers do trojan work in keeping the weeds at bay and picking up mountains of litter at weekends. We have heard promises of cleaning services, open space maintenance and other council services before. Most of them have failed to materialise. Tell us what resources are definitely committed by the Co. Council in 2001 to maintain the new open spaces proposed; Or is this a case again of aspirational planning?

5. If the post primary school is today over crowded and operating at 113% of its capacity how many additional school pupils are anticipated from the projected 2,000 population influx being provided for over the next 5 years and from the current natural growth in school - going population in the town? If Maynooth school pupils are not presently able to be accommodated in the post primary school why are you proposing two thousand more residents?

The Plan is compilation of many small arrangements. It is curious for example that in 67 acres of public park playing pitches could not have been accommodated rather than as part of rezoning arrangements elsewhere. It is curious how moving the Council Yard and Fire Station out of the heart of the town may correspond to major housing development feeding traffic onto Maynooth's main pedestrian road: Leinster Street. It is curious also how the plan makes little mention of the densities of specific housing developments proposed or fails to take into consideration the population commitment from 200 apartments on Mill Street, 100 on the Parson Street, 140 house in Carton Demense and a host of other developments either in the pipeline or projected. But perhaps the "spin" needed is quite difficult for these aspects.

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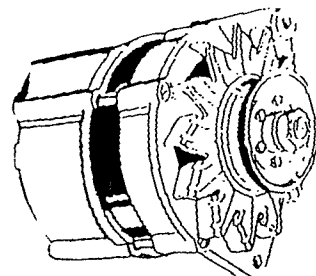
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CABARET NIGHT FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS

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There was a sponsored walk organised by the Labour Party in aid of the Senior Citizens and a cheque for £3,684 was presented by Emmet Stagg T.D & Cllr. John McGinley.

This week is safety week and the Senior Citizens are campaigning for improvements in the home. They are giving each of their members a lantern for safety reasons in the case of an ESB strike as candles are a fire hazard.

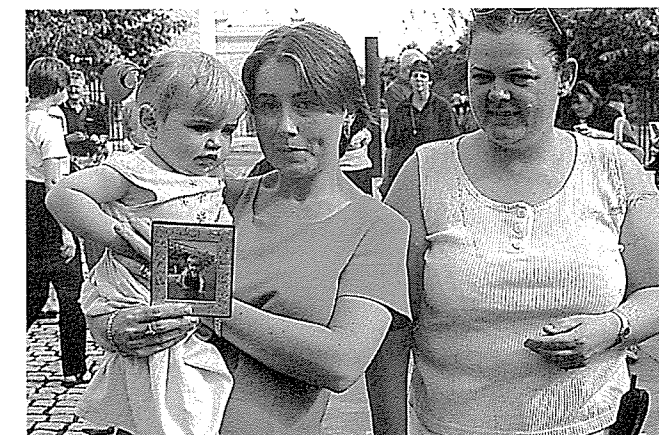
Josie Moore and Kevin McGovern entertained us with lively music on the first part of the night and Noel Brady finished off the night.



L.R. Josie Moore, Emmet Stagg, John McGinley, Kathleen Dempsey, Paul Connolly.



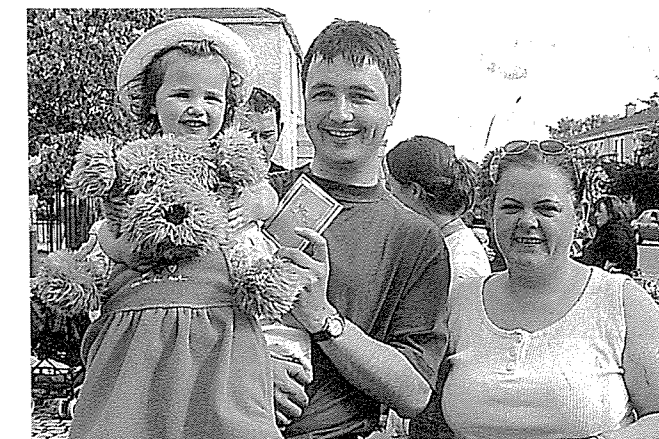
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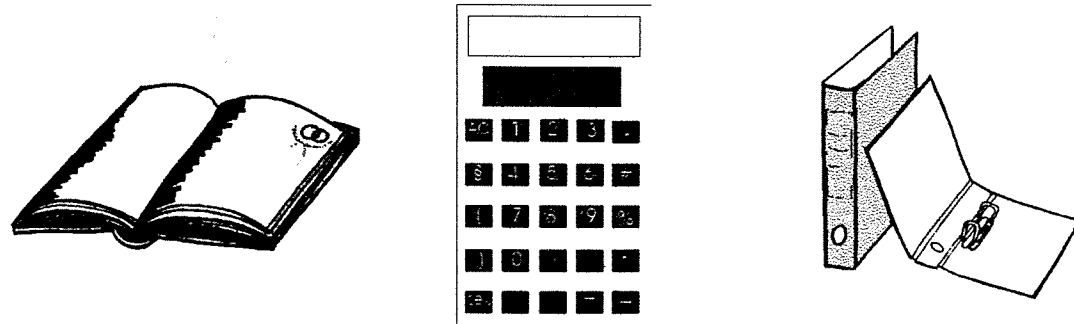
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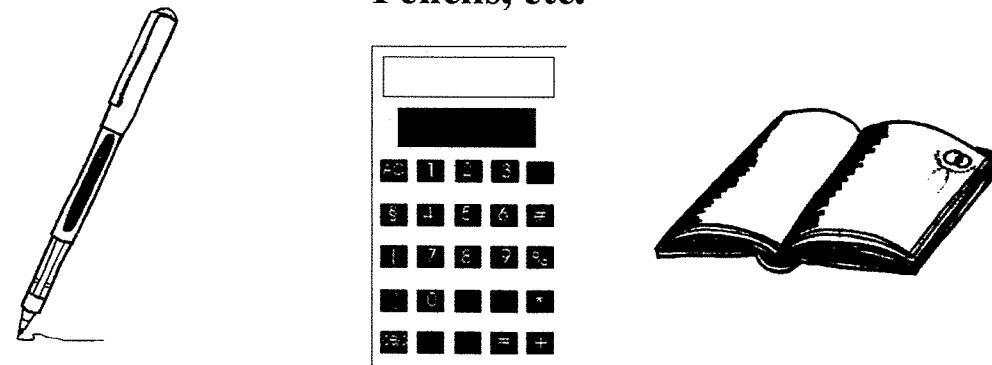
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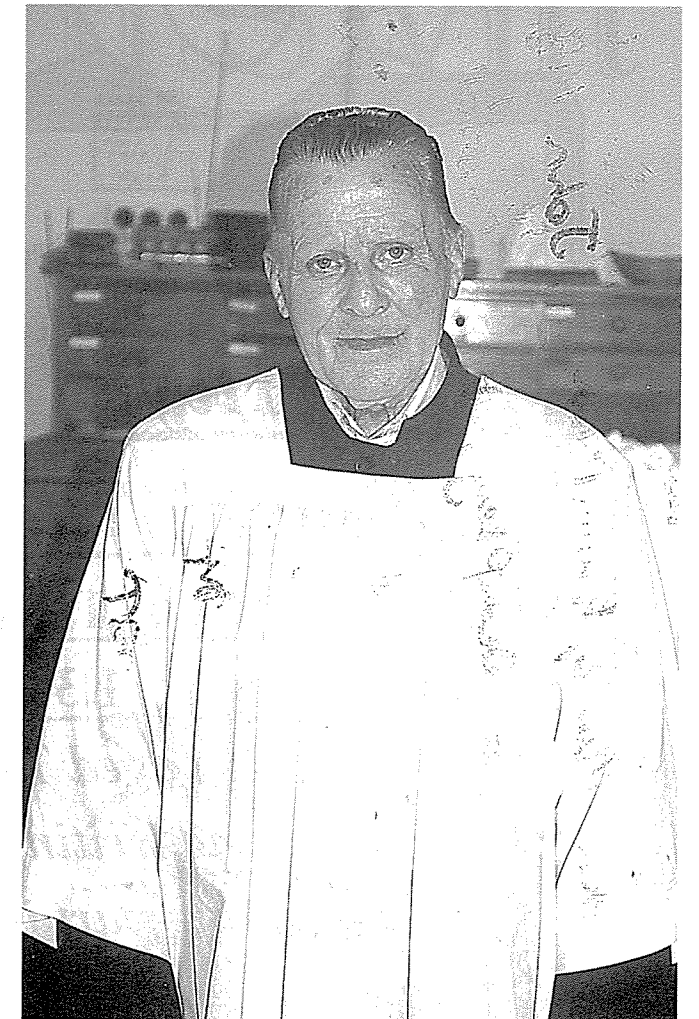
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Father of six grown children, Sean is looking forward to a quiet and peaceful life now that he has retired. He will now have time to pursue his love of gardening. Hopefully the weather will be kind to him.

As Sean retires from parish service we have no doubt he will not be forgotten. He remains a familiar figure as he cycles around Maynooth. We wish him well and our prayers and gratitude go with him as he cycles off into his sunset years.



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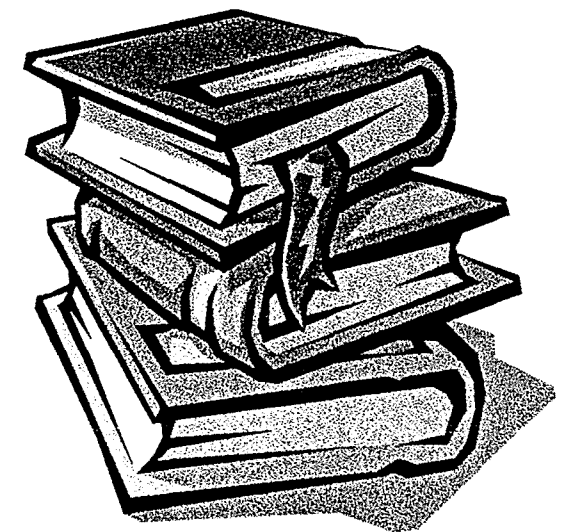


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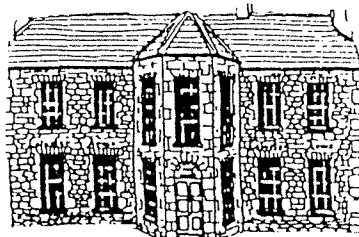
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MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES

As mentioned in our article in last months Newsletter, June and July have been as busy as the previous 5/6 months for Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann, with a wide variety of plans, meetings and activities being pursued. The following article will attempt to outline briefly those activities.

TIDY TOWNS

As discussed last month, the Cumann followed through on its plans to help Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee. On Friday June 16th our members did succeed in cleaning the area inside the town-side of Carton Avenue clearing up debris, weeds etc and also sprayed the footpath on the left-side of the Dublin Road along which a fair amount of weeds were beginning to rear their ugly heads.

On Tuesday evening the 11th July, our members supplied a load of top-soil to the green area as a turnabout for Bus Eireann at the stop opposite the Glenroyal Hotel on the Straffan Road. We levelled the area using the top-soil and planted new grass which at this time of year, and with a bit of care and attention from those using the bus-stop, should bear good results and help improve this very important stretch of roadway leading into Maynooth - a very important thoroughfare from an aesthetic point of view.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

As detailed previously the Cumann representatives met the Community Council Committee in early June wherein after discussion and in response to Gearoid Lohan's suggestion as to how best Maynooth Fianna Fail could interplay with the Community Council for the benefit of the citizens of Maynooth. It was deemed that no obstacle seemed to exist in the Constitution of the Community Council which would prohibit Cllr. Paul Kelly being invited (nor indeed Cllr. Murphy) to attend AS OBSERVERS at the Council Meetings though NOT to sit on the Council. This distinction should be very clearly made. Unfortunately as outlined in the local Press on the 17th June, at the following meeting of the Council it was decided not to extend this privilege to Paul or Catherine. While we fully accept this decision of course, we would like to emphasise that Paul did not seek to be co-opted onto the Council, we were simply hoping that Paul and indeed Cllr. Murphy could attend as observers which surely at the end of the day could only help ensure broader community spirit and participation. The opposition outlined from some quarters on the basis that the Council should only be open to people who live in Maynooth seems very tenuous when viewed in the context that Paul was only speaking in terms of being an observer, which surely could only be an advantage and indeed an asset to the people of Maynooth, an area he represents on the County Council with regard to local issues. Other remarks made relating to special status of Leixlip Town Commission is entirely an inappropriate comparison since the Town Commission is a statutory body where members are elected and the public can come and view the proceedings. Nevertheless, the Cumann again would sincerely like to thank the Community Council Chairman Mr. John Doogan and the

and the members of this Committee who attended the Meeting and who are found to be very helpful, approachable and positive and indeed open in their attitude. Maynooth Fianna Fail will endeavour to liaise and co-operate in future plans with the Council, the aim being how best to develop and expand on the future plans for the benefit of the population of Maynooth.

ROCKFIELD AND PARSONS HALL

On Saturday 17th June, Charlie McCreedy T.D. and Cllr. Paul Kelly took part in a walkabout with Cumann members of the Rockfield and Parsons Hall estates. Following a very welcome response from the residents in both areas, Charlie and Paul are corresponding with a number of residents on issues which they drew to his attention on the day.

CHARLIE MCCREEVY T.D. NOTES

A) The Minister for Social, Community and Family Affairs, Mr. Dermot Ahern T.D. has written to Charlie McCreedy on 5th July 2000 giving details of grants approved under the 2000 Scheme in respect of Marriage, Child and Bereavement Counselling Services in the Kildare area. Should any resident have a query in respect of the above or would like more detailed information on same, please contact any Cumann member or in particular Chairman Gearoid Lohan at 6289187, Noel Brilly at 045-861787 or myself Brid Feely at 6286647.

B) The Minister for the Environment and Local Government, Noel Dempsey T.D. has also written to Charlie McCreedy T.D. advising him with regard to allocations made for Block Grants totalling £25 million to County Councils under the Rural Water Programme 2000. This allocation covers expenditure on the provision of new group schemes, the upgrading and taking in charge of group schemes by local authorities. Group water scheme are also eligible for a subsidy per house towards running costs. The Rural Water allocation for 2000 to the Kildare area amounts to £1,010,000.00. Again any particular queries can be made through the Cumann officers listed earlier.

C) Again Noel Dempsey T.D. has notified Charlie McCreedy T.D. of the increased funding made available under the present Government to all local authorities for their general purposes needs in the current year. Increases which were announced in October 1999 are being topped up again further increases just announced on 10th July 2000. Statistics available showing the funding made available in 1997 compared to 2000, a 3 year period covering the life of the present Fianna Fail/P.D./ Government prove that funding has increased by between 35.69% to 36.63%, a very substantial and significant amount.

D) Charlie McCreedy T.D. has written to our Chairman Gearoid Lohan notifying him of the Capital allocation for Local Authority housing in County Kildare for 2000, passing on information released by the Minister for Housing and Urban Renewal Mr. Bobby Molloy T.D. for the current year this figure has been increased by £4,420,000.00 over the 1999 allocation, now amounting to over 13 million, an increase of approximately 51% over the year. Breakdown figures for the County of Kildare are available from Cumann offices.

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Party Political

MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES CONTD.

CLLR. PAUL KELLY NOTES;

Kildare County Council has provided a budget for the first time to install traffic calming measures in Housing Estates this year. Cllr. Paul Kelly has recently called on the Minister for the Environment Noel Dempsey T.D. to urgently review the criteria for installing traffic calming measures in housing estates. This is a direct response to the issue being raised in a number of residential estates which Paul has visited in the Maynooth/Leixlip area during recent walkabouts. Staff shortages in the Council means that effectively proposals made by Paul for implementation of traffic calming measures in some Estates in the area, cannot be carried out. However, the biggest problem which exists in enforcing such proposals are the criteria laid down by the Department and which exists at the moment.

For example, there is a requirement that a straight stretch of road not less than 1/2 kilometre should exist, which effectively rules out many Estates having chicanes or speed cushions introduced. With an increasing level of car ownership among citizens and the resulting traffic congestion which many have to endure particularly going to or returning from work at peak periods or attending to school duties, the temptation exists for many to increase speed once off the busy roads on entering their residential areas and estates. Paul feels that traffic calming measures are an effective way to help prevent the tragedy of killing or injuring a child, and therefore he raised the issue at the Council Meeting on Monday 26th June. His proposal that the Minister should review the regulations was unanimously agreed by his councillor colleagues.

Councillor Kelly is available at 6243624 for any queries or enquiries that any resident should like to raise in relation to local issues, or alternatively contact with Cumann members previously detailed should be made.

BRIAN LENIHAN T.D. MEETING ON 3RD JULY 2000

Mr. Brian Lenihan T.D. for Dublin West (a sister Constituency) addressed the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann in the Glenroyal Hotel on the 3rd July. In a very enjoyable and impressive address Brian gave a very expansive and wide-reaching address on a large number of topics, including many related to his present position as Chairman of the Oireachtas Committee on the Constitution. We intend to give a more detailed outline of his address in the next issue of the Newsletter. It was particularly enjoyable to have Brian down to the Meeting as of course many older residents in Maynooth would remember when Brian Senior was T.D. for the Dublin West area which then included the Maynooth electoral area. Indeed many of our present Cumann members campaigned for Brian Senior in the 1970s during that period.

DR. MARTIN MANSERAGH, SPECIAL ADVISOR TO THE TAOISEACH ON NORTHERN IRELAND.

It will be the pleasure of the Maynooth Cumann to host a meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on 25th September 2000 which will be principally addressed by Dr. Martin Manseragh.

Dr. Manseragh has played a huge role in the current Peace Process and he will be outlining the development and future progress of this Process at this meeting. Not only is he the Special Advisor on Northern Ireland to the present Taoiseach Mr. Bertie Ahern T.D. but also to Charles Haughey and Albert Reynolds when they were Taoiseach. This is just a preliminary notice of the Meeting so those interested in attending can be aware of its occurrence and plan accordingly. More detail will be made available in the next issue of the Newsletter.

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE PRESENTATION GIRLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Gearoid Lohan has written to the Minister for Finance Charlie McCreevy T.D. in relation to the extension calling on him to impress on the Minister for Education and Science the urgent need for the extension to move ahead particularly in light of the recent vandalism to a number of prefabs which were being used as temporary classrooms. The prefabs were burnt to the ground. A design team has been appointed and an architect is meeting with the Board of Management to commence design work but speed is of the essence in light of the above.

CONDOLENCES

Finally the Cumann would like to sincerely pass on their condolences to the family of Mr. Ned Brennan who was a longtime and tireless member of Fianna Fail in Leixlip. He will be sadly missed.

We would also like to sincerely sympathise with the families and friends of the two victims of the Leixlip Rail tragedy who died so young and of course to the four women victims of the tragedy also in Leixlip who were found dead in their rented home.

CONTACTS

Again anyone wishing to contact Cumann members should contact Gearoid Lohan, Noel Brilly, Cyril McAree, Michael Caden or myself Brid Feely at the numbers previously given. Our Cumann website can be assessed at: www.fiannafail.ie/maynooth, or e-mail at: maynoothfiannafail@eircom.net.

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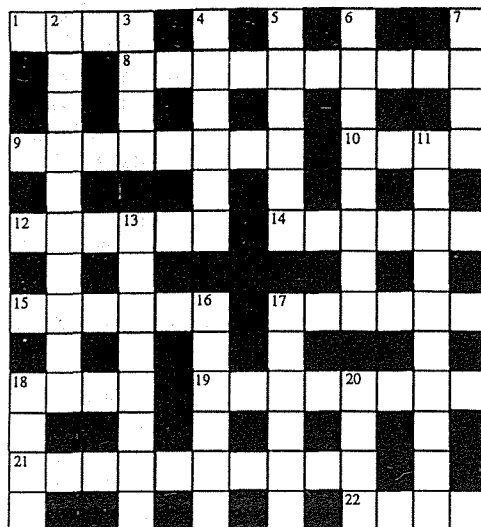
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9. Predict (8)
10. Pipe (4)
12. Influence (6)
14. Tiny (6)
15. Frolic (6)
17. System (6)
18. Demigod (4)
19. Be like (8)
21. Thought (10)
22. Race (4)

Down:

2. Disguise (10)
3. Rant (4)
4. Missing (6)
5. Refuge (6)
6. Disciplinarian (8)
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Down: 1 Trial and error; 2 Inlet; 3 Feed; 4 Rascal; 5 Pastoral; 6 Operate; 7 Fits and starts; 12 Unsettle; 13 Catcall; 15 Stifle; 18 Lithe; 19 Lump.

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Party Political

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NEWS

Draft Maynooth Development Plan Agreed.

The Draft Maynooth Plan 2000 was agreed at the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council on 13th July. It will go before the full Council on 24 July, and for approval for public display for a further month.

Cllr John McGinley believes that the plan will be broadly acceptable to the people of Maynooth and that it includes most of his objectives for the town i.e.

* Non-development - led ring roads to take the traffic out of Main Street i.e. Kilcock Road to Moyglare Road; Moyglare Road to Dunboyne Road; Blacklion Road to Celbridge Road and Celbridge Road to Straffan Road (a new roundabout here to take the road away from Carton Court.

* A major reduction in the amount of new residential zoned land; down from 280 acres in the 1996 Draft Plan to 150 acres this time (Cllr. McGinley wanted this to be 120 acres but was outvoted at the full Council).

* Two new public parks; a 60 acre one at Carton Avenue and a 7 acre one at Greenfield Drive / Carton Court. These will be developed and maintained by the Council.

* Playing pitches for the schools, the soccer club and the GAA club.

* A 4 acre site for the Gael Scoil.

* Culverting the Meadowbrook Stream.

* Feasibility study on vehicular access to the Railway Station from Bond Bridge.

* A seven day street cleaning service.

* A childrens playground.

* No further permissions will be granted for hot food take-aways as it is considered that Maynooth has an adequate supply of such outlets.

* Door to door collection of separated waste for recycling.

* A civic amenity site on Dublin Road to cater for Maynooth and Leixlip.

* Moving the Council Yard, Offices and Fire Station to Dublin Road.

* The development of a One-to-Stop-Shop civic centre.

* An Action Plan for the Harbour Area and Carton Avenue Area.

* Cycle paths on Rathcoffey Rd, Moyglare Rd, Mill St, and all distributor Roads. Investigate the feasibility of developing long distance cycle routes along the canal banks linking Maynooth to Kilcock and Leixlip. Also the feasibility of providing footpaths along the Lyreen river from the Pound to the development boundary.

Secure ownership of the Harbour Field and Geraldine Hall and to develop the property as a recreational facility for the people of Maynooth. This is to be carried out in consultation with representatives of the community.

* There will be a Special Development Levy on all Planning Permissions granted in Maynooth to assist the Council in implementing the policies and objectives of the Development Plan.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the Plan and stated that there are major benefits to the Town in terms of Amenity facilities provided and the provision of non development - led ring roads to take traffic out of the Main Street. The Plan if passed subsequently will dramatically change the Town for the better and put in place long neglected facilities for the people of the Town.

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Town.

Deputy Stagg stated that the Plan maps out future development of Maynooth and as such he wanted to hear the reaction of the people of Maynooth following their study of the Plan.

Bond Bridge / Meadowbrook Link Road Approved

Approval was given for both of these developments at the full Council Meeting on 26th June. Deputy Stagg's and Cllr. McGinley's motion that the meadowbrook Stream be culverted was also agreed. Also, consultants will be appointed to investigate the feasibility of vehicular access to the Railway Station from Bond Bridge.

Kingsbry Pedestrians Lights Vandalism.

As the lights are becoming continuously vandalised Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Area Committee: "That heavy duty traffic lights be installed at the pedestrian crossing at the entrance to Kingsbry Estate, Maynooth, in order to stop them from being vandalised."

Safety at Kingsbry / Celbridge Road Junction

In order to improve the safety at this junction Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Area Committee:

"That a white line and Yield be painted on the road for traffic entering Laurence Avenue, Maynooth, from the Celbridge Road".

67a bus turning point on Straffan Rd.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have asked the Council to ensure that the re-design of this turning point incorporates a bus shelter in view of its exposed location.

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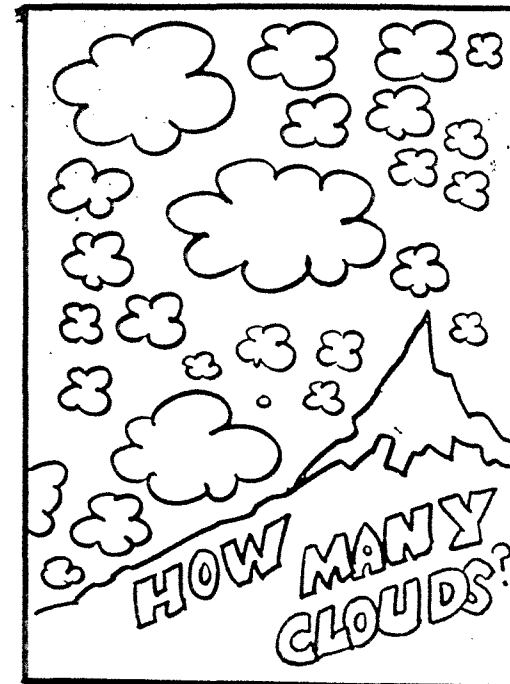
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5. What city in Ireland is Brian from West Life from ?

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Children's Corner



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Party Political

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Seven Day Street Cleaning Service

In order to ensure that this is implemented Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Full Council:

"That provision be made in the Estimates for 2001 for a seven day street cleaning service in the following towns: Newbridge, Kildare, Celbridge, Leixlip, Maynooth.

Carton Avenue

Maynooth Action Strategy (MAS) have produced detailed proposals for the Lime Walk Avenue at Carton and for the Avenue entrance at the top of the town. As Kildare County Council also have plans for the Avenue entrance, Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Area Committee to ensure that resources are used efficiently and that the work is co-ordinated:

"That the Councils Plan (O'Neills) for Carton Avenue Lime Walk entrance be amended to incorporate the Maynooth Action Strategy Plans and that the work should be carried out at the same time as their proposed work on the Avenue itself."

Greenfield Estate/Shopping Centre Junction with Straffan Road.

As a result of representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have agreed to the installation of a yellow box on the north bound lane to help traffic exiting the estate. They have also advised Cllr. McGinley that repairs will be carried out on the pedestrian refuge to increase its visibility to traffic.

Glenroyal Planning Application for Traffic Lights at Junction with Straffan Road.

Cllr John McGinley has objected to the traffic lights aspect of this planning application for the following reasons:

1. It has already been agreed at the Area Meeting on 7th January 2000 that traffic lights would be installed at the Parklands Junction/ Railway Station Junction with the Straffan Road. This break in flow will allow traffic out from the Glenroyal.

2. It has also been agreed that Doctors Lane would be closed at the Dublin Road end. So there won't be the continuous flow of traffic that there is at present from the Main Street direction. In view of these developments and with the introduction of two exiting lanes from the Glenroyal Complex there is no requirement for the traffic signals at this junction. Indeed their introduction would cause traffic to build up unnecessarily on the Straffan Road and at the Main Street junction.

Cllr. McGinley is totally in favour of the second exiting lane as he

Traffic Lights / Pedestrian Crossings at the bottom of the town.

These lights and pedestrian crossings were agreed as part of the town improvement works and their installation is very badly needed. In order to speed up matters Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council.

"That the traffic lights and pedestrian crossings agreed in the Maynooth Main Street Improvement Works for the bottom of the town be installed without any further delay".

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY EXTENSION

Deputy Emmet Stagg again raised the issue of the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School with the Minister for Education in the Dail on June 29th.

The Minister advised that the proposed extension is still being examined in the Departments Planning Unit.

This is simply unacceptable given the fact that the extension was sought in August 1999 and that prior to the holidays the school had an enrollment of 712 pupils in buildings which can cater for 630 pupils.

Deputy Stagg will continue to press the Minister to sanction the extension and put an end to the overcrowding which was placing a strain on pupils and staff in the school.

FURTHER WORKS BARBERSTOWN TO MAYNOOTH

Deputy Emmet Stagg is pleased that the Council have approved a tender in excess of £6000,000 for further upgrading works to the Barberstown to Maynooth Road.

The work will involve just under 1KM of carriageway from Windgates to near the turnoff for Newtownmacabe and will include straightening the road, widening, and the provision of hard shoulders. Work should commence in late August.

Deputy Stagg is also seeking the provision of Route Traffic Lighting along the road and the implementation of a 40MPH speed limit in the vicinity of the houses near the Newtownmacabe junction as well as the setting back of the bank on the left hand side as you head towards Barberstown Cross from the end of the works to provide some safe space for pedestrians.

PUB AT NEWTOWN SHOPPING CENTRE

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley lodged an objection on June 29th to the planning application by Lark Developments for the provisions of a Public House at Newtown Shopping Centre.

The main points covered in the objection were (A) The fact that there is no demand in the area for such a facility. (B) Disturbance to Residents in the area particularly in view of the new extended closing times. (C) The provision of such facilities would be more appropriate to the commercial Town Centre. (D) Increased Traffic which would be generated by the proposal. (E) Lack of adequate parking on site which would lead to parking along Beaufield and Meadowbrook Roads. (F) Traffic hazards created by the increased traffic and illegal parking. (G) The further disturbance to residents by the holding of functions in the proposed public house.

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This list of schoolboy teams is dependent on sufficient mentors being available to look after each team. With 20 teams representing Maynooth Town this year it is now more vital that ever that the parents of the younger members assist and support the teams and the Club in what will be one of the most important years in the development of Maynooth Town Football Club. Notices of training times and venues will be posted locally. For further information contact **John Doogan 01-6289720** or any club official.



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Kearney (Mary) of Moyglare Maynooth - Sons, Daughters, Grandchildren, sister, Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends.

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Ricci McTernan Laurence Ave, age 9 September 8th and cousins **Aileen McTernan** Moyglare Village age 15 September 22nd, **Keith McTernan**, Dunboyne September 9th. Best wishes from Mammies, Daddies, Grannies, Grandads, Brothers, sisters and all your friends.

Mrs. E. Nolan- The Green July 19th from all your family and friends - best wishes.

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Congratulations to Tony and Nula McTernan - Railpark who celebrated their 26th Wedding Anniversary July 17th. Raymond and Noelle McTernan of Moyglare, celebrates their 21th Wedding Anniversary August 19th. Peter and Jackie McTernan - Dunboyne, who celebrated their 29th Wedding Anniversary July 23rd. Paddy and Mary Nolan - Castlebridge Maynooth who celebrated their 42nd Wedding Anniversary August 27th.

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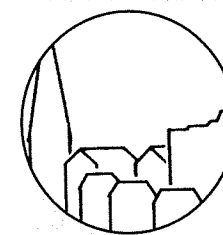
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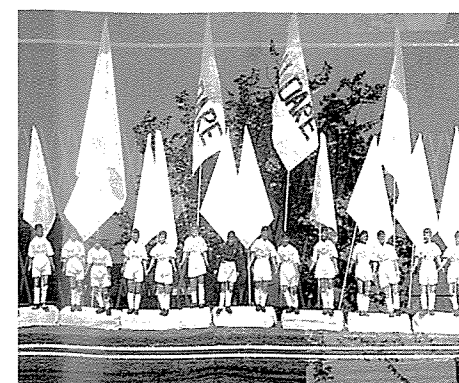
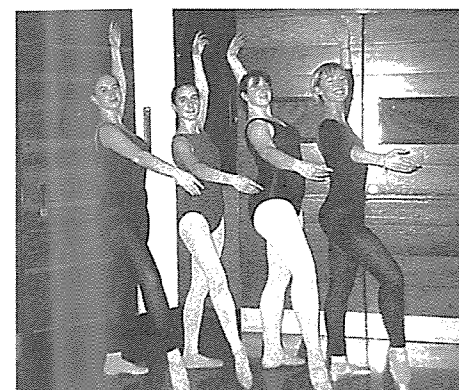
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SUBMISSION INVITED ON MAYNOOTH PLAN

The Draft Development Plan for Maynooth is now on public display. The plan will shape the future of the town, not just in the next five years but for decades to come. The Newsletter believes that it is important that the people of Maynooth find out what's in the plan and give it their active consideration. It's your town. The following notice published by Kildare Co. Council outlines how the public can make their views known:

NOTICE is hereby given that the Council of the County of Kildare has in pursuance of the provisions of the above Acts prepared Draft Development Plans for the towns of Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth, Kill and Castledermot. A copy of the Draft Development Plans may be inspected at the offices of Kildare County Council, "St. Mary's", Naas, Co. Kildare each day (exclusive of Public Holiays) from Monday to Friday between the hours of 9am to 1pm and 2pm to 3pm during the period from 28 August 2000 to 1 December 2000. The Plans will also be available for inspection at the Local Branch Libraries in the relevant towns during their opening hours.

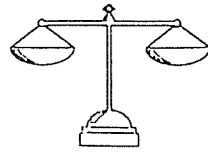
Any objections or representations with respect to the Draft Development Plans made to Kildare County Council within the period specified above will be taken into consideration before the Development Plans are made. Any rate payer making objections with respect to the Draft Development Plans may include in his objection a request to be afforded an opportunity to state his case before a person or persons appointed by the Council to hear such objections. A copy of the Draft Plans can be purchased from the Planning Department at a cost of £10 each.

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Tidy Towns Notice

*The National Tidy Towns Competition results will be available in mid-September. How will Maynooth do this year?

*Maynooth Tidy Towns Best Shop Front and best Estate Competitions which were sponsored by Coonan's Estate Agents, will also be announced in September. Who will be the winners this year?

ATTENTION CONTRIBUTORS!

All contributions are welcome from all members of the Community. If you have something to say, let us have it! We would appreciate obituaries, birthdays, photographs of all your special occasions, profiles of local characters are also of particular interest. Please have all your October contributions in before 5p.m. on Monday the 18th September.

EDITORIAL

Back to school

This month over 1,500 Maynooth students go back to school. The town's four schools will once again become hives of activity and Main street will be clogged with traffic, morning and afternoon. Add in the over 5,000 students attending the town's two universities and it is apparent that Maynooth is a town dominated by education. In this issue we have a special feature on "the first day at school" which is a special day for parents and the first step in an adventure for the child entering the classroom for the first time. Back to school can be a stressful time for all involved. A recent report indicated the very significant costs involved for parents in sending their children to school and all parents will be aware of the misnomer "free education" when applied to the Irish system. At the other end of the scale, 6th year students in the post-primary school are on the final lap (with a hard year's work ahead!)

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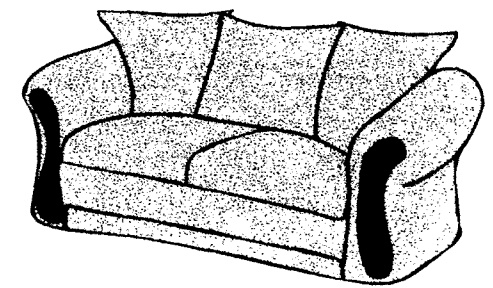
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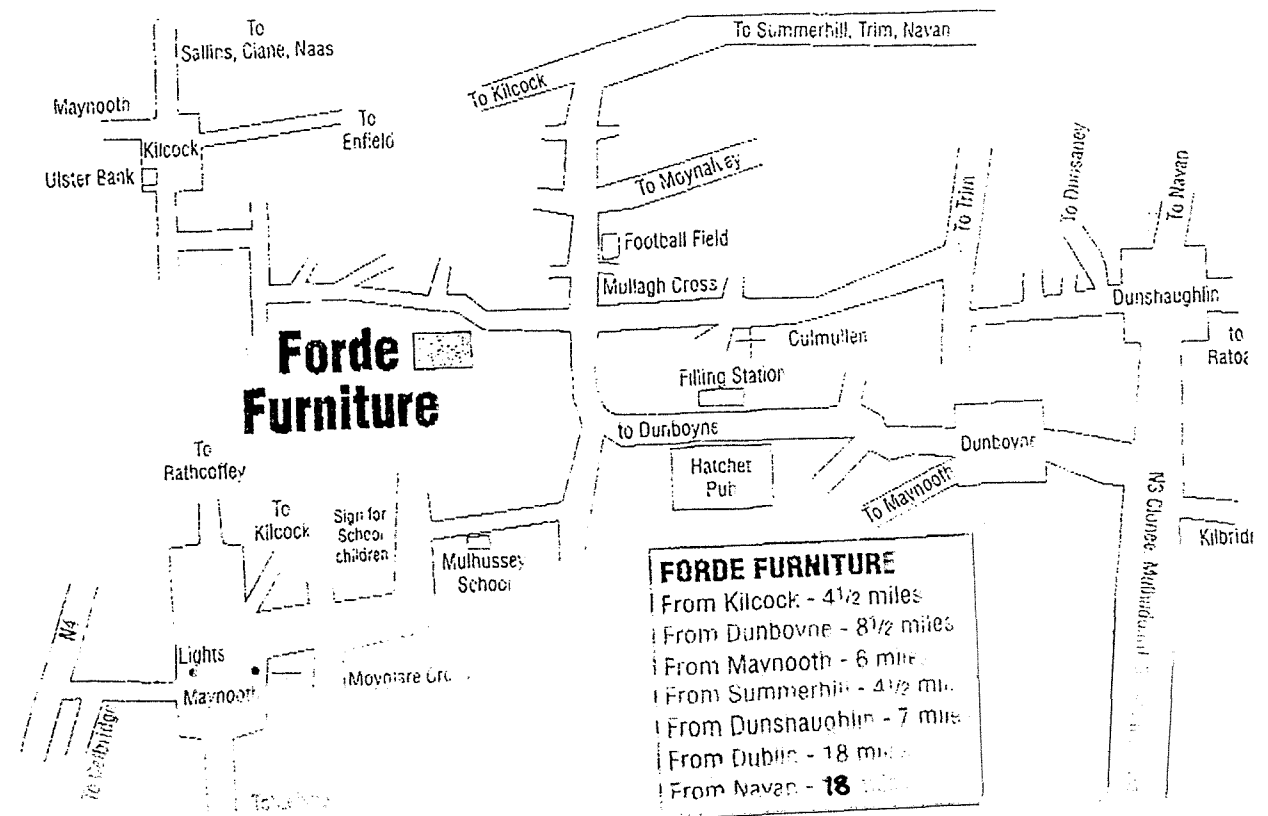
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G.A.A.

Maynooth G.A.A. Club

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Caption: Gerry Mc Ternan

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Breda Holmes Barrogstown Maynooth Sec. Helen Johnson.....6289757

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Contact: Paddy Nolan.....6286312

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Bronwyn Mooney.....6289405

NO NAME CLUB

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Contact Francis Kearney (ladies).....6286719

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Clubs

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

Welcome back Ladies after your long, hot lazy days of summer. I hope you are all looking forward to the season ahead.

The Club's half day garden trip to Ardgillan Castle and Garden, Ballbriggan Co. Dublin was a great success and everyone enjoyed the outing.

Our next club night is September 19th.

Demonstration: Madeline O'Hanlon.

Competition: "Autumn" An exhibit to include driftwood and fruit

Space - A 75 cm, B and C 60 cm.

Plant Competition: 3 stems Herbaceous perennial.

Rosemary Smyth, Elsa Lawlor, Carmel Owens and myself attended the Floral Workshop at the Royal Hospital, Donnybrook. Rosemary and Elsa staged the exhibit while we observed and offered some advice when needed. We all learned a great deal about "staging a group Exhibit" and also had a very enjoyable social outing.

All meetings are held at 8 pm on the third Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall, Maynooth College. (except where otherwise stated)

Visitors Welcome £3.00 Includes Refreshments.

Member Library

Our Library offers members a comprehensive range of gardening and flower arranging books. We also have some lovely videos.

I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

Maureen Fagan.
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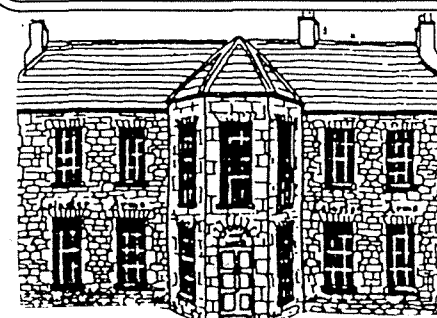
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MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES:

Back off the Summer holidays for me and many more, though for some lucky others, they are still ahead of them. At such a time of year it is a little more difficult for everyone to keep pace with one another as developments continue to emerge within such a rapidly expanding and busy locality.

Maynooth Development Plan

While on holidays the Maynooth Development Plan was published and on initial examination contains many very positive and indeed exciting plans for Maynooth village and its environs. Most importantly much of its substance will be of enormous benefit to the youth of today and future years which basically is what good planning is all about. I propose to discuss in detail the Maynooth Development Plan in the next issue of the Newsletter after careful consideration by all our members of the content. Copies of the Plan will be available shortly in the Library for examination by all interested members of the Community, although I understand there is a slight delay printing at the moment. Alternatively anyone interested is very welcome to contact any of our Cumann members or Cllr Paul Kelly at 01-6243624 and we can organise a copy of the Plan to be made available. Also of course we can help with any queries or comments and observances that community members might have.

Brian Lenihan T.D. Address

As mentioned previously we hosted a Meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel recently at which the guest speaker was Brian Lenihan T.D. for Dublin West. Brian is currently Chairman of the Oireachtas Committee on the Constitution. Brian gave an excellent and far-reaching address in which he spoke at length on many and varying topics and it should be said with great passion and vigour.

He spoke firstly of the rapid pace of development in the Maynooth area over the past 10-15 years. He noted how important local political representation was in such an area where those involved through politics in the planning for future generations interacted with and reflected the local knowledge and ethos of the Community. He applauded the Maynooth Cumann members and Cllr Paul Kelly along with our local T.D. Charlie McCreedy for the vital and important role they have played and continue to play in this development. He emphasised that great political parties are built from the bottom up, with good foundations, i.e. in the local community areas not from the top down, and this traditionally had been Fianna Fail's great strength and one to which we in Maynooth should continue to adhere to. He went on to speak about the importance of having our house in order in respect of how we run our Party affairs e.g. the transparency evident in our recent Convention held in Naas at which Charlie McCreedy and Cllr Paul Kelly were unanimously selected to be Fianna Fail candidates in the next General Election. In his own area, the Fianna Fail organisation have appointed Constituency Trustees to administer party funds and expenditure, and financial donations are not accepted at all.

Therefore Fianna Fail candidates will be going to the Electorate at the next Election on a clear basis, with no baggage whatever.

Brian spoke of the fact that Fianna Fail had a lot to offer the people of the Country as they have contributed so enormously over the generations since the foundation of the State. He said the members and supporters of Fianna Fail have every reason to be enthusiastic and positive in looking

towards the future. We should not be distracted by negative features but be determined to continue to play our part in the future development of our Communities and Country. He had no doubt that Albert Reynolds and Bertie Aherne should get great credit for the situation as it now stands in Northern Ireland. Writers such as Conor Cruise O'Brien and Fintan O'Toole had written disparagingly of their past attempts to progress the Northern Ireland issue. He remembered that it was written at one stage that the ballroom "Borderlines" was the sum total of what Albert Reynolds knew about Northern Ireland. Of course, events have long since proved that to be an insulting nonsense. Many had maintained negatively that the IRA would never decommission but Albert had been prepared to take a calculated risk and proceed bravely and single mindedly along the path that has since led to a complete turnaround in that part of Ireland and indeed saved many hundreds if not thousands of lives. Bertie Aherne had the negotiation skills which equipped him so well to take up from Albert Reynolds. However the problem isn't completely solved yet e.g. trouble in Drumcree, etc. and those skills and determination to succeed which are a component of Fianna Fail's ethos were essential to the maintenance of our successful progress down the road to a complete resolution of the problem.

Fianna Fail would be an essential player in the dynamic process taking place in the current climate in which prosperity for all Ireland would be a result of the Northern political problem being resolved. As we move towards a more integrated Europe our own culture, language sport etc distinctive to Ireland has never been so strong. The recent euphoria and close community spirit generated by the great success of the Kildare Senior football team has surely proven this point.

Fianna Fail has also always had a strong social philosophy, i.e. that Governments are here to manage a Nation not just an economy. Equal opportunities for all citizens, the politics of decrepit old politicians looking to give handouts were insulting to a young population that wants to be self-reliant, to reach their full potential and be independent citizens. The role Fianna Fail wants to play is to help empower our people to fulfill themselves, the old hand-out mentalities are long gone and redundant in the current climate of economic prosperity and personal development brought about by the successful policies both social, political and economic pursued by Fianna Fail over the last 15-20 years. Brian praised the steps, very forward-thinking and reformative steps introduced by Charlie McCreedy as Minister for Finance in his current term. In particular his policies regarding Pensions - to provide and plan ahead for our population make-up in 30-40 years time. The Tax Credit system introduced by Charlie McCreedy was an excellent system with great potential and must be used to address Childcare needs, the mechanism having been installed in the last budget.

Following Brian's speech, a long and varied discussion took place with questions raised from the floor on a number of topics, including local government funding, Community Employment to support the Voluntary sector, Tidy Towns, Housing, Refugees and Asylum seekers, etc.

Cllr Paul Kelly addressed the Meeting paying particular attention to those local issues raised like housing in the Maynooth/Leixlip areas, the train service to Maynooth and Leixlip, the Draft Development Plan for Maynooth along with many others.

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Party Political

Local Notes - Cllr Paul Kelly and Charlie McCreedy T.D.

1. Rathcoffey Road/Castledawson Estate

Minister McCreedy has made representations to Kildare County Council concerning the condition of the road particularly at the approach and entrance to Castledawson Estate. A reply is pending soon from T. Skehan, County Secretary.

2. Silken Vale

Gearoid Lohan, Chairman Maynooth F.F. Cumann has written to Minister McCreedy outlining objections by the residents in Silken Vale to the granting of permission to Iarnod Eireann for a maintenance access gate. The objections are on the basis of the aesthetic damage to the Estate, the safety hazard posed to children in particular and noise levels raised. Alternatives have been proposed by the residents in their appeal to An Bord Pleanala. We are awaiting a reply to Minister McCreedy's representations.

3. Maynooth Arts Forum

The Cumann organised a meeting between the Maynooth Arts forum and Minister of State Eamon O Cuiv to discuss their proposals to publish the "Book of Maynooth". The meeting took place in Dail Eireann, the Cumann represented by John Dolan and Cyril McAree. The Cuman will continue working to try and obtain funding for this project.

4. Phase 3 of Naas Hospital

Charlie McCreedy has written to the Cumann detailing that planning for the £25 million Phase 3 for Naas Hospital is to start immediately. This will ensure that the people of Kildare will have a 1st class hospital covering a wide range of services at a modern standard.

Building starting ASAP is expected to be completed in mid-2003. The new Phase includes Mortuary/Post Mortem facility, Out-patient Department, Pathology Dept, Physical Medicine Dept etc.

5. Sports Capital Programme 2000

Minister for Tourism, Sport and Recreation Dr. James McDaid has informed Charlie McCreedy that £1,995,000.00 has been allocated to County Kildare organisations. Almost 1650 applications were received for the Programme. Grants under this scheme can be used for construction, upgrading and refurbishment of amenities including the development of Gaelic, Soccer and Rugby grounds, sports halls, community centres etc. Some examples of the breakdown of this money of interest to many follows:-

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6. Office of Public Works

Charlie McCreedy T.D. has received a list of projects being carried out by the Office of Public Works in County Kildare from Minister of State, Martin Cullen T.D.

a) Curragh Prison - a new unit for 50 prisoners in individual cells along with a therapy unit for the treatment of sex offenders. This project is valued at £4,000,000.00 currently at design stage and set to go on site in mid-2001

b) Castletown House, Celbridge - work is currently under construction on the colonades and stairway, with a budget set aside of £1,800,000.00.

c) Asylum Seekers - a site has been developed at the former Military Barracks, Kildare Town for mobile homes for asylum

seekers.

d) Hazelhatch, Celbridge - Flood relief works are scheduled to commence in September 2000 at a cost of approximately £250,000.

e) Asbestos removal- OPW are currently carrying out a programme of Asbestos removal, from all public buildings, including Schools, Garda Stations, Courthouses etc. in Kildare after surveying all relevant buildings. Where found, asbestos will be removed by 2002. To date 20 schools in Kildare have been surveyed.

7. Dr. Martin Manseragh Meeting in Glenroyal Hotel 25th Sept. 2000

As mentioned previously Dr. Manseragh, Special Advisor to the Taoiseach on Northern Ireland will be the guest speaker at a Meeting at the above venue at 8.30p.m. on 25th Sept., organised by the Fianna Fail Cumann in Maynooth. All interested in attending are very welcome to hear Dr. Manseragh appraise and describe the Northern Ireland Peace Process, in which he has played a critical and largely unrecognised role. A small reception will follow the Meeting.

Once again, anybody interested in joining the Cumann or wishing to make queries or other contributions can contact myself Brid Feely at 628-6647, Gearoid Lohan at 628-9187 or visit our website at www.fiannafail.ie/maynooth or e-mail us at maynoothfiannafail@eircom.net

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FINE GAEL NOTES

CASTLEDAWSON:

Following a request from the residents of Castledawson Cllr. Senan Griffin has demanded that the development control officer of KCC., inspect the site so as to ensure that the development is in compliance with the planning permission as granted by the council. The developer has been informed of areas which can be improved.

POUND LANE/FAGANS LANE/DOUBLE LANE:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested KCC. to avail of unused development levies to resurface Pound Lane/Fagans Lane/Double Lane. These lanes are in urgent need of a new surface as a result of the high volume of traffic using the lanes during business hours.

BLACKLION HALTING SITE:

KCC. Have signed a contract valued at £1.6 million pounds to construct eight houses and three caravan bays at Blacklion, Maynooth. The cost is totally borne by the Dept. of Environment. The council are to be complemented for preceeding with this housing scheme.

MAYNOOTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

By the time these notes are printed the Draft development plan for Maynooth will be on display at the Library and in the county council offices in Naas. The plan like all plans has got some good points and some which are in need of improvement. The public have three months to consider the contents of the plan during which time they will be able to make submissions to alter the draft. It is important to note that those making a submission to the plan can also seek to have an oral hearing on their submission. However it is important that housing should be made available for those younger people now seeking to live in the Maynooth area. During the past few years a number of young people from the Maynooth area have had to move to other counties to get housing, this according to Cllr. Senan Griffin is unacceptable and unfair to those wishing to live close to home.

Cllr. Senan Griffin is particularly pleased with the proposals to provide amenity land for the schools, GAA/soccer clubs. The proposed action plan for the lands at Carton Ave., will need further research in order that a well balanced passive amenity park plus other amenities are made available to the people of Maynooth. The proposals for a number of ring roads in order to reduce the volume of traffic on the main street is a step in the right direction and Senan Griffin has welcomed the conversion of those who for political reasons opposed ring roads as a solution to traffic problems in Maynooth.

LARAGHBRYAN CHURCH:

The Laraghbryan cemetery committee have expressed a wish to restore the old church at Laraghbryan. Following representations by Cllr. Senan Griffin, KCC. have announced that they will be allocating £6000 to the committee in order to continue their good work and that further finance will be made available in the year 2001. This is a worthwhile project deserving of community support and the Laraghbryan committee are to be complimented for their efforts in making the cemetery looking one of the best in the county.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT STRAFFAN ROAD:

Following requests from the residents at Manor Court for a pedestrian crossing at the Glenroyal shopping centre Senan Griffin has asked KCC, to examine the placing of such a crossing point in conjunction with the proposed junction alteration currently before the council planners. The residents of Manor Court are finding it very difficult to cross the Straffan road to the Glenroyal centre, their nearest shopping place.

MAIN STREET:

Following discussions with Maynooth Credit Union, Cllr Senan Griffin placed a motion before KCC, seeking the support of the council to put in place six litter bins on the main street of Maynooth. The council having accepted the motion will when the bins are ready erect same on the main street.

The condition of the main street is now a cause for serious concern and Senan Griffin has requested that the snag list be completed and that repairs be carried out to areas where faults are now occurring to the finished works. Cllr Senan Griffin in demanding action has stated that the streetscape will deteriorate beyond repair unless remedial action is taken by KCC.

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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NEWS:

Call for additional Litter Bins:

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That litter bins be installed at all bus stops on the Straffan Road and Leixlip Road, Maynooth, as agreed last October and that these and all other bins be emptied on a daily basis. Furthermore, that new bins be installed between the Railway and Manor Court and at the Harbour, and that the necessary manpower be made available to the Area Engineer to have them emptied on a daily basis."

Illegal Parking in Pound Lane:

As a result of illegal parking in Pound Lane and the adjoining back lanes the Council were unable to collect the wheelie bins on 9 August. This action by uncaring motorists would also have prevented the emergency services from gaining access. Cllr. McGinley contacted Sgt. Mick Desmond and he said that he would take the necessary action to put a stop to this illegal activity.

Carton Demesne:

Locals will be aware that development of the golf courses in Carton has begun. Readers of the Liffey Champion of 22nd July will also have noted that Conor Mallaghan (the Mallaghan family have owned the estate since 1977) stated that "we are hoping to put on offer other leisure facilities for local people such as walking, riding and cycling." Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Community Council to seek an early meeting with Conor Mallaghan so that agreement can be reached on his offer in the interests of the community.

Banning of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV's) from Housing Estates:

The only estates that asked Cllr. McGinley to have HGV's banned are:
Moyglare Village, Meadowbrook, Meadowbrook Crescent, Greenfield Estate, Parklands and Beaufield.

Pedestrian Crossing Lights at entrance to Kingsbry:

Cllr. John McGinley got the following reply, from the Council, to his motion for heavy duty lights:

"These pedestrian lights are vandalised on a regular basis. New heads for these lights which are vandalproof would cost £6,000 approximately. However, the controllers (which were vandalised recently) could still be vandalised and this problem is really a matter for the Gardai."

While it is accepted that this is a Garda matter, it is not possible for them to be there all the time. It is obviously the same mindless thugs who keep breaking the lights and if anyone knows their identity they should inform the Gardai. Cllr. McGinley will ask the Council to proceed with the Vandalproof lights.

Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field Maynooth:

The Maynooth Community is fortunate to have "amenities" such as these on its doorstep. Unfortunately, full use cannot be made of them until their ownership is transferred to the County Council. The existing trustees have agreed to relinquish their interest in the property provided that there is a legal agreement that the Harbour Field could only be used for Recreational, Social and Amenity Purposes. The Leixlip Area Committee of the Council fully agreed with this at its meeting on 5th November 1999.

However, it appears as if no progress has been made since then.

Cllr. John McGinley has written to the County Manager asking for an explanation for the delay. It seems extraordinary that it should take so long as the Council and the owner have the same solicitor.

There is no shortage of money to develop both the field and the Geraldine Hall. The latter is a protected building, but it is becoming a ruin through lack of care.

The Celtic Tiger won't last forever and it would be a shame if Maynooth could not benefit from the community gain that other towns are getting throughout the country.

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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

On behalf of the Swimming Club I would like to wish all our members a big welcome back to the start of a new year at Stewarts. The first term will commence this year on the 9th September 2000. Unfortunately due to higher Insurance costs we have to charge all our members an extra £10 this first term. Therefore the fee for the first term will be £47 per child (£37.00 instruction and plus £10 Insurance) As we are a non profit making club all fees must be paid in the first month of each term. This month we have included pictures of our medal winners from the Junior and Senior galas which took place in June. Included in the pictures are the swimming instructors and Mr. Owen Byrne who founded the swimming club over 30 years ago. Many thanks to Mr. Byrne for giving up his time to come along and present the medals to the children. The usual pick-up points will operate again this year for all those members using the bus. We are always looking for new members to join our waiting list either beginners or older children who wish to return. Please give your names to the undersigned or to any committee member. We are always looking for new committee members or bus supervisors as the club is run voluntarily by parents of members.

Good luck to everyone for the coming year '00-'01.

M. Molloy P.R.O



2nd Bus Junior Gala - 17th June 2000



1st Bus Junior Gala - 17th June 2000

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND CRAFT SHOP

Ann Doohan, Maynooth Flower and Craft Shop, is organising Art classes in Maynooth, to begin mid- September. There will be day or evening classes over an eight week period. Beginners will be especially catered for. All mediums, water-colour, acrylic and oils will be used. Students can avail of a picture-framing service at discount rates. The classes are open to all and further information can be obtained from Ann at 6291376.



Ann Doohan exhibits some paintings

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2nd Bus Senior Gala- 24th June 2000

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Boys School Parents Association

We would like to welcome back all the boys and staff after what we hope was a very enjoyable summer holiday. A special welcome to the boys who are just starting school. The first day is often harder for the parent than the child.

Parents who feel that they might like to get involved in the association should note that our AGM will be held at the end of September or early October. All parents will be notified in advance.

Claire O'Rourke,
PRO/Ass. Secretary.

Thanks

Reading last months Newsletter you can see that it takes a lot of people getting involved to ensure that the annual festival runs smoothly. By getting involved I am not just talking about the organisers but also the participants and those who donated goods or services.

Unfortunately, not everyone got a mention last month. Among those who didn't were:

Londis - Greenfield, Finches Minerals, Superquin - Lucan, Supermac - Maynooth. Brian Tuohy for judging the art competition. Rita Doyle and Catherine Maher for the dance extravaganza and ceili. Last but not least, Helen O'Reilly for all the hard work she put in during the festival.

Claire O'Rourke,
Festival Committee.

Maynooth Summer Project

This years Project was a great success. We managed to get seven committee members together and it worked very well. We registered 160 children for day time activities (7-12 years) and night time activities (over 12).

A number of events took place in Maynooth and we would like to thank the members of the ICA for the use of their premises to facilitate these. The trips out of Maynooth were varied, ranging from the IMAX theatre, bowling, the National Stud and Japanese Gardens to Fort Lucan and Clara Lara. We had at least 2 bus loads on each trip.

Many thanks to Bartons for supplying us with buses, often at short notice, and to their very friendly drivers. Thanks also to the parents who came along and helped out on the trips and to the Community Council for the use of their office.

The children were very well behaved and seemed to have a great time. I have to mention how litter conscious the children were while they were with us. If you could be litter conscious to a fault these certainly were and if a child went missing at any stage you could guarantee that they were looking for a litter bin.

One final "thank you" to the local businesses, stud farms and people who supported our church gate collection. Without

your generosity the project could not have gone ahead. The project is run on a totally voluntary basis and all donations are used to pay insurance and reduce the cost to the children taking part.

Claire O'Rourke,
PRO, Secretary.

Social And Welcoming Committee

You may have missed us over the summer break but we are now back in action. We will be serving light refreshments on the last Sunday in September in the Boys School Hall or basement of Parochial House. Drop in about 11.00a.m.

All are welcome, especially people who may be new to the area. This is an ideal opportunity to meet your neighbours or make new friends and have a chat. Committee members are also available to advise on any questions that you may have on facilities or groups and clubs within the area.

Do come along and have a cuppa.

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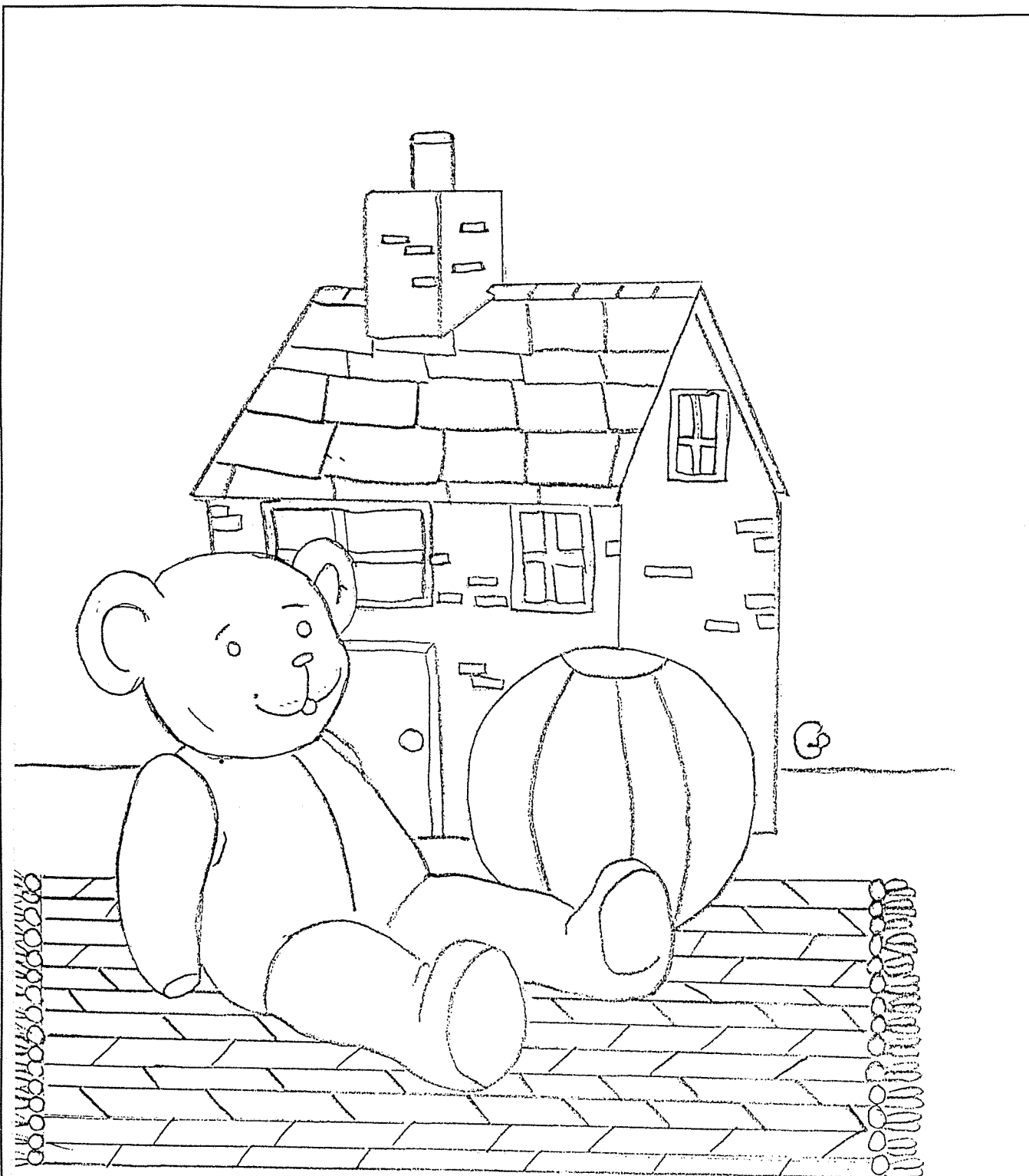
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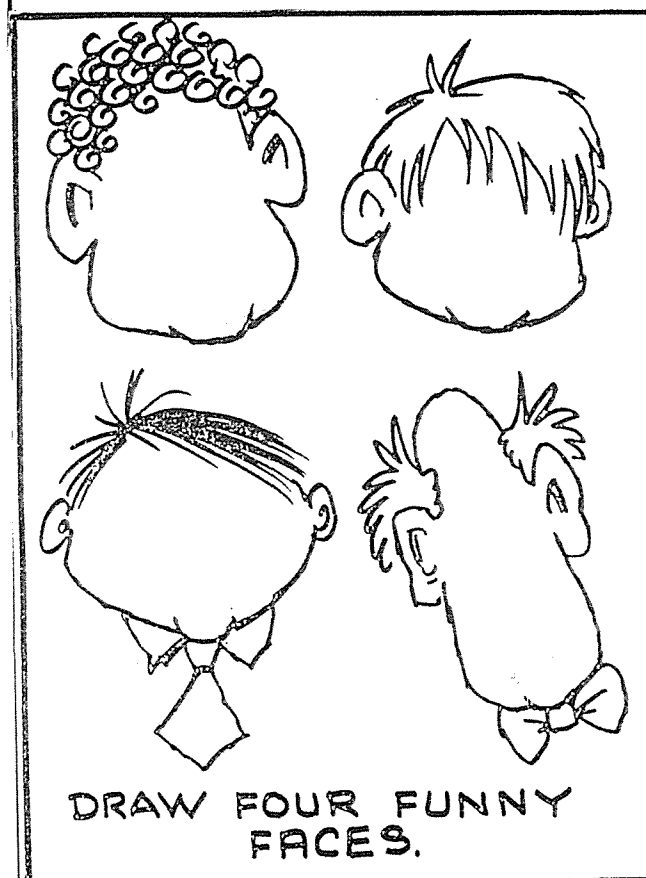
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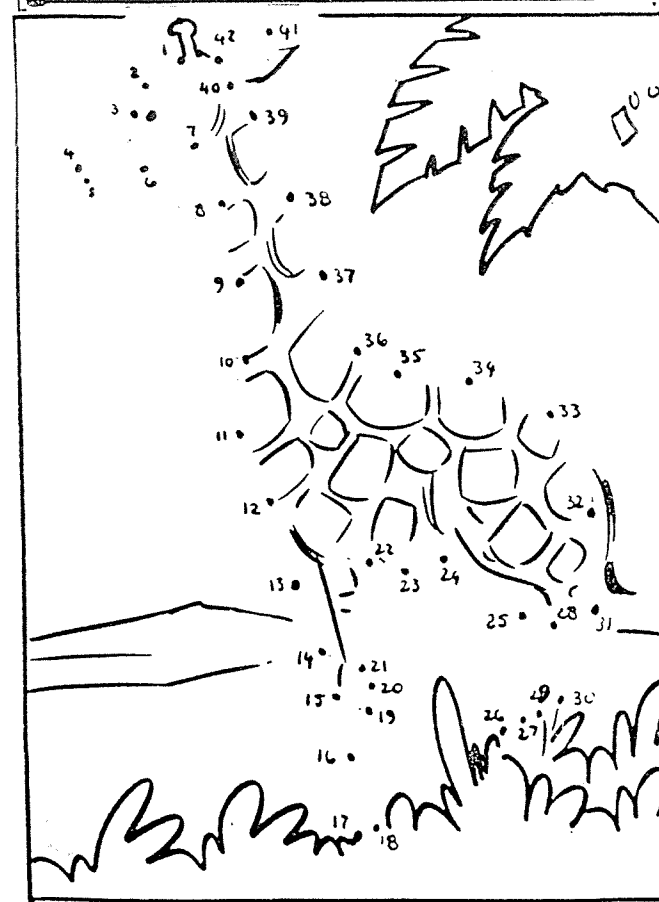
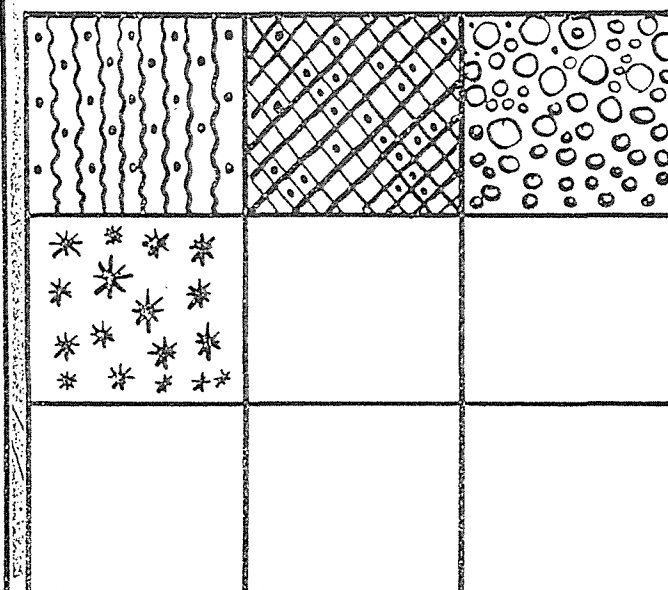
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Children's Corner



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Features

Essential oils & P.M.S.

Help for sufferers of P.M.S. is no further away than a few drops of the right combination of essential oils. Some who suffer from P.M.S. can spend three weeks out of four living in misery and discomfort. Painkillers are of course an option. But who wants to be taking painkillers on such a regular basis? And painkillers do nothing for the emotional upset connected with P.M.S. Essential oils can provide the perfect answer, offering relief from pain and enhancing our mood.

True melissa and rose otto are top of the list for women's problems. These are quite expensive but you may find the relief is worth the cost. Clary sage and roman chamomile are also strongly recommended. A mix of two or three of these four can give excellent results. Lavender, geranium and bergamot, are also very suitable; lavender, in particular, helps harmonise and regulate menstruation. Remember, never use essential oils undiluted. Be sure to buy a quality brand of oil. Cheap oils are not pure essential oils and can be harmful. Your health shop will advise you.

It is estimated that 40% of women suffer from P.M.S. and each one's symptoms are unique to themselves. For this reason, it is encouraging to know you can mix a blend of oils to suit your own particular set of symptoms. Be aware, however, that you may need to experiment before you find the blend most suited to you and everyone has their preferences regarding the combination of fragrances. Here are a couple of suggestions to try for some specific symptoms:-

Weeping/Depressed: P.M.S.: 9 drops Rose, 12 drops Clary-sage, 9 drops Bergamot,, blended in 30mls Carrier Oil.
Spasmodic Pain: 5 drops Lavender, 10 drops Peppermint, 10 drops Nutmeg, 5 drops Cypress, blended in 30 mls Carrier Oil.

To reduce pain and regularise your periods, essential oils should be applied in a carrier oil every morning and evening on the abdomen and lower back starting at least seven days before your period is expected. Six to eight drops of a blend of your chosen essential oils in your bath is also soothing and helpful. You should notice a difference by the second or third month. Take a break then and observe your symptoms. If there is no improvement, try an adjusted formula. There is a combination to suit each individual.

It is important also to look at your diet as sugar, salt, sweets, tea and coffee do not help your condition and can worsen symptoms of bloating and your mood. Mineral levels are also important. P.M.S. sufferers are often found to be low in magnesium, which affects blood sugar levels, can cause cramps and depression. Almonds, peanuts, cashews and Brazil nuts all provide magnesium naturally. Try to include a selection of fresh fruit and vegetables every day and drink several glasses of water, preferably between meals.

A simple exercise of jogging for one minute on the spot when you get up in the morning can work wonders in keeping your circulation flowing well, as can swimming, walking, and aerobics. Yoga is also highly recommended for P.M.S. sufferers. Its exercises are gentle on the body and stress-reducing.

Essential oils are of tremendous benefit in the emotional area of P.M.S. because of their almost instantaneous effects when inhaled. Try a mix, a few drops of Roman chamomile, lavender and clary sage shaken on your handkerchief and inhale deeply.

Notice the calming effect. Add a drop of rose, a hormonal balancing oil, for a really exotic and effective blend. You can also use an oil burner to raise your spirits.

As you can see, there is no need to wait for menstruation with trepidation any longer. Discover the hidden therapeutic properties Nature has provided for every symptom. You will enjoy the process of finding your own individual blend and if you keep an eye on your diet and exercise you will begin to feel you have some control over your own health and enjoy life more fully.



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Features

AN NUADHA PLAYERS

Starting a new drama/musical group in a town is never easy but it does have its rewards. Apart from providing a platform for local people to show their talents and give pleasure to audiences it also is a great way of getting to know new people in a rapidly changing town like Maynooth.

Last March An Nuadha Players gave their first performance with "Say Cheese" in SMA House and delighted audiences with this light-hearted comedy. This year plans are afoot to tackle a different form of entertainment, a pantomime to be staged in late January. However to undertake an endeavour like this lots of community involvement is required. Not only are actors, singers, dancers and musicians needed but also people handy with a sewing machine for costumes and D.I.Y enthusiasts to help in creating the scenery, especially if they feel that they have an untapped artistic side! Even if you consider that you don't have any of the above talents but would just like to make new friends and be involved in this whole project we will find plenty for you to do.

We would like to invite anybody interested in or curious about this pantomime to come to an open meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on Monday September 11th at 8p.m. Bring a friend or neighbour with you -the more the merrier! If you cannot come on the night but still would like to be involved please leave your name, number and any area of interest with Roberta Carey 6291309, Mary Higgins 6290817, Ann Kelly 6289705.

Nagle Court

It has been brought to our attention that the community of Nagle Court has been constantly referred to as Nangle Court. This mistake has been made by local papers and indeed politicians time and time again. This error has been a source of disappointment to the residents of this small but important community. The area which consists of six houses was built by the Lions Club to house Senior Citizens. The land was donated by the Presentation Nuns. The nuns chose the name Nagle Court to honour their founder and great leader Nano Nagle. It stands to reason that both local papers and politicians should rectify this constant error. They should give the residents of this local community the dignity and respect of calling the area Nagle Court as it was always intended to be.

Support your local petrol station

In the past two years the newsletter has carried out two surveys on petrol prices in Maynooth and surrounding areas. These have tended to show that petrol prices in Maynooth - particularly at the ESSO station-are reasonably competitive compared to prices in Lucan, Palmerstown and elsewhere in West Co.Dublin. The issue of petrol prices has hit the headlines in the past few months with prices increasing by up to 50% in the past year. Consumers are being urged to shop around and rather than just asking for the usual £10 or £20 worth to make note of the price per litre. The good news for Maynooth residents is that prices at both the Maxol and ESSO stations in the town are amongst the lowest in the country. Unleaded petrol is 70.9p per litre in both stations as of August 21st which is, as far as we know, the cheapest petrol in Co.Kildare. In fact travelling through Clane, Naas and Newbridge it is noteworthy just how expensive petrol is elsewhere in the county, up to 79.9p in some stations. That adds up to £4.50 per litre on a fill for an average family car.

It is also noticeable that competition between stations does seem to work in keeping prices down but this depends on vigilant consumers.

So well done to ESSO and Maxol stations in Maynooth. Keep it up-and your prices down.

THE LAST CHILD

His school bags ready,
Since crack of dawn,
Thinks he'll never be up and gone.
She watches him sadly,
The last of her brood,
This morning he's off,
To his new nursery school.

Ten o'clock sharp they arrive at the gate,
He dances up happily,
She knows he can't wait.
Reaches the door and turns the handle,
From Mammy and Daddy
He blows out a candle.

Hello! Hello! is that a tear showing?
Surely he's not changed his mind,
He's slowed up a bit,
Gone is the skip,
His hand slips slowly to hers from behind.

"Come and show Daddy
your new nursery school"
Quietly he inches his way round the room,
Sits at the table his confidence gone,
Keeps one eye on Mammy,
The game carries on.

She kisses him softly, promising not to be long,
Her heart beats wildly, for him she'll be strong,

One last look as they walk away
He smiles at his teacher,
His courage displayed, with eyes now shining,
So to his new friend, they leave the minding.

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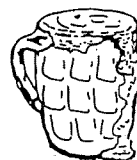
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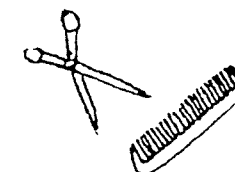
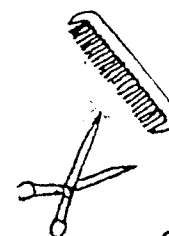


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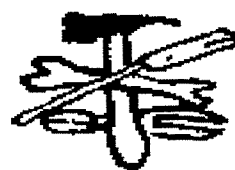
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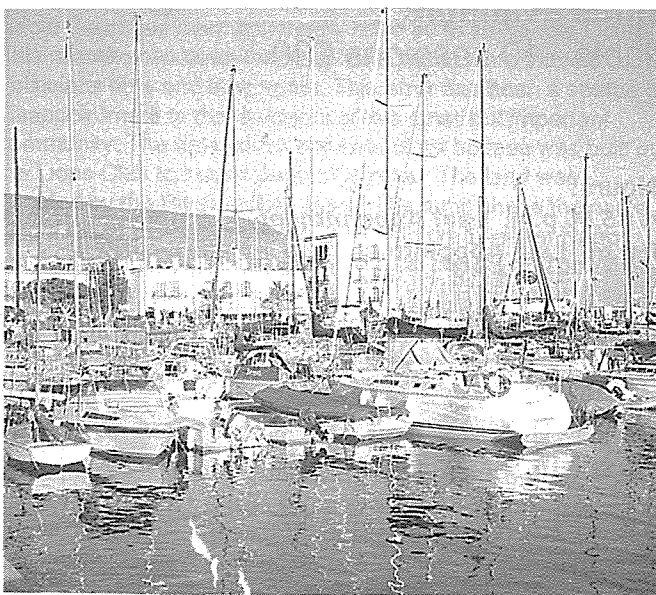
GRAN CANARIA 2000

I had not intended to write an article about Gran Canaria, probably the most famous of the Canary Islands. We have been visiting there now for about 10 years (we've lost count)! After Fuerteventura I was unsure about Playa del Ingles, Gran Canaria in August - the height of summer but we had a wonderful time. The numbers appear to have delined somewhat over the recent years and it was not as manic as we had expected.

Temperatures did reach 40 plus however and drained most of us. We had two teenage girls with us who greatly enjoyed the night life in particular. That was their third visit and they had made friends among the ex-patriate community there, mainly the singers, presenters and the so-called PRs, the young people who work for the thousands of pubs and restaurants around the resort.

As usual we centered our visit around the Irish Centre, very predictable! By the way, half of Maynooth seems to have decided to go on holiday for the same period and we met a lot of acquaintances there.

Playa del Ingles itself is famous for the late-night activities, the discos bars and pubs do not close until six or seven in the morning. I must admit that I have actually never set foot in one of these discos. Many of them around the Irish centre are underground and one of the reasons for visiting the Canaries, for me personally at least, is the possibility of spending 24 hours a day in the open air. The nights were a pleasant 23 plus degrees, but it was quite muggy and humid for most of the fortnight.



Puerto de Morgan

One of our main reasons for visiting this resort so often is that we have made friends over there. The Irish Jockey pub has been the centre of our night life for 10 years, the Spanish owners know and welcome us each year. The barmen have been there for some years also and the two girls in particular were chuffed when everyone recognized them after more than a year! Thanks to Lupe, Ali, Mohammad and Absalom who no longer works there but has moved across the hallway to another pub.

John Fahy from Co Galway was in Gran Canaria, playing and singing in the Jockey when we arrived ten years ago. It took some time to establish that John and I had known each other in a previous existence in the Taibhdhearc theatre in Galway. He had been the sound engineer when the company was making a recording of a summer show that we performed each year. Most of the music was recorded live but as a sean nos singer I had to be recorded separately and that was our first meeting.

John is now accompanied by Gerry from Cork and Ollie White from Waterford and together the lads provide great entertainment. They treated the two girls so well, slugged us each night as we came into the pub and the hugs and kisses on the last night ensured that they were promising to return as soon as they finish the Leaving Certificate. We still miss Brian who returned home two years ago to play with Louise Morrissey's band, particularly as Brian is from Galway.

John also plays with a band in the incredible Sioux City. This is a cowboy show performed in a huge arena some miles from the resort situated in a film set Western village which was used for Clint Eastwood movies some decades ago!

The setting could quite easily be the American Wild West! Well worth seeing late at night when the navy sky is dotted with millions of stars, visible in the pitch darkness of the island once you leave the resort.

Again, hiring a car in Gran Canaria broadens the view of the restricted resort environment. This is generally regarded as the world's most perfect climate. The island is circular with the road winding along the cliff face, terrifying the first time but eventually you get used to being driven between the sheer drop to the sea on one side and the cliff face on the other. Long tunnels have been built through the solid mountains - extraordinary feats of engineering! The beach of Playa del Ingles is beautiful stretching into the Sahara-dunes of Maspalomas but is worth visiting the neighbouring beaches of San Augustin, Melanores, Amadores which is the new man-made cove. Drive through Puerto Rico where the apartments range from seaside to the cliffs hundreds of feet above the ocean on the way to my absolutely favourite spot in Gran Canaria - the outstanding Puerto de Morgan populated by the yachts of the rich and famous along with the local fishing boats and those that may be hired out. The port is now surrounded by restaurants and a few shops that have apartments for rent above them. Visit any of these restaurants and taste the fish fresh from that day's catch. Taste papas con mojo anywhere, Canarian sauce with tiny, salty potatoes - delicious! Drive round about the island to the local towns and villages of Agaete, Aguires, visit the wind blown town of Arinaga where the modern windmills spin constantly and where I buy wholesale shoes from a factory that still makes a size 35 for small Spanish feet.

However, the most startling journey by car or bus is that through the centre of the island as far as the bananas plantations in the north. The temperature, climate and vegetation changes dramatically, plummeting to 13 degrees at the centre where the island terrain is at its highest.

Tenerife is visible from Gran Canaria's highest point. One of the beautiful local villages that you will pass through is called Santa Brigida - how far has our St Brigid travelled. The Canarians are extremely religious and saint's names abound throughout the island.

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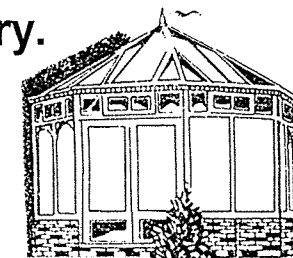
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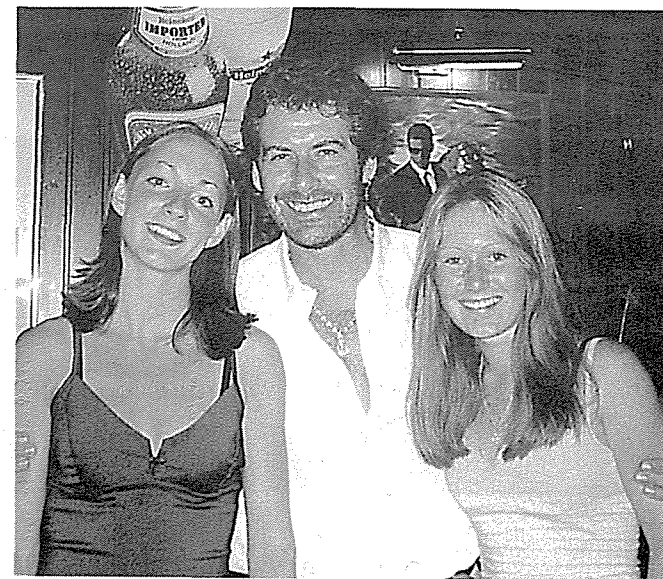
FOR THE BEST PINT IN MAYNOOTH

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The capital Las Palmas is also situated to the north-east of the island with a long beautiful beach alongside. The temperature here is usually much milder than Playa del Ingles and smog or cold is common. Do not expect a tourist town, this is the capital of Canarias, an extraordinarily busy city and port with huge cargo ships sailing to and fro all the time. They can be seen passing on the horizon from the beaches to the south. Do not expect them to speak English either because generally they are not bothered and will only speak Spanish. But for the dedicated traveller Las Palmas has much to offer, in particular the older section of the city which dates back to Christopher Columbus who stayed here for a period and his house still stands and is open to visitors.

But the most imposing, perhaps even chilling spectacle we witnessed was the Guanche (native Gran Canarians



Rachel, John Fahy & Emma

massacred by the invaders) museum where one room contained 1,000 skulls each in a separate chamber.

These are accompanied by dozens of mummies recovered during building and road-building projects. The islands have recently become aware of their pre-Spanish heritage and are beginning to distinguish themselves from mainland Spain. During the building of one road they discovered the remains of a Guanche village and contrary to our experience at Woodquay they built around it. There is a great revival of interest in Guanche language, music and heritage in Gran Canaria. There are reproductions of their goddess figures to be bought as souvenirs and large statues are now appearing in the towns and villages. The most common is the goddess of Tara. As a teacher of early Irish society, the tingle that went down my spine at seeing such a name in Gran Canaria was indescribable. Memories of Bob Quinn's theories of Celtic-Berber-North African relations came flooding back and wouldn't I love to say that we are really Canarian and that would be the excuse for endless research visits to the sun. I have never quite had the nerve to put this to my employers!

But my real reason for writing about this particular visit was the sudden realisation that we had become really close friends with

some of the locals. After three days we went to visit the bar of a local whom we met on our first holiday. Unused to the local wine we ended up on our first night, under the weather, only speaking English and probably pretty annoying at a small bar which is still there, The Lady Pink outside Greenfield apartments and across the road from the Irish centre. The barman looked after us and we returned the following day to apologise. He reassured us that we had done no wrong. Over the years he became the manager of the pub and one year as we prepared to leave at 11.30 p.m. we paid him a visit to have a last drink. The bar, which is all open-air of course, was full, no free table or chairs. He came out with two chair and a table while all the other customers looked on, wondering who we were. As time went on he got his own bar and we continued to visit. This year his latest bar had disappeared and we asked the doorman where he had moved to now. Our friend had had a heart attack while driving his car. He was dead. Our tears told us what friends we had made there. It put a damper on the holiday for all four of us. We could not even commiserate with his family as they live on one of the smaller islands. I do not mention his name out of respect for him and this Newsletter will be going to the Jockey. But I dedicate this article to his memory. We miss him and will never forget him, he helped to make Playa del Ingles another home for us. Amigo, esta a ti, muchas gracias y a dios.

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As the new season gears up to start the first week in September it's a busy time of the year for club officials and mentors alike. The club have entered teams at all age groups from under 8's through to under 15's in the schoolboy's leagues and an under 18's and 2 senior men's sides. Good luck to them all as the start their campaigns and lets hope we might improve on the tremendous success we achieved last season. Assistants are required to help run most teams and parents are asked to help out where the can. The club is obliged to withdraw any team where there are not enough adults to adequately care for the youngsters in their charge. Any person interested in getting involved in helping either at club or team level should contact John Doogan on 6289720 or any club official.

A date for the AGM will be posted locally in the coming weeks and we would ask all with an interest in the club to try and attend. This will be one of the most important years in the development of Maynooth Town F.C. Plans that will be drawn up in the next few month will have a major bearing on how the club progresses to meet the demands of the community it serves in the years to come.

Maynooth Town Football Club is a community-based organisation that would when possible seek to support more general community based activities than its primary activity of soccer and any more general input on its development would be welcomed.

Weekly members Lotto draw results

Date	Winning No's	Jackpot	3 x £25 Weekly Winners		
23-Jul-00	1,12,18,24	£800	PAULA O' CONNOR	IMELDA DOWING	SHEA O' SULLIVAN
30-Jul-00	5,9,10,14	£850	JOAN CARROLL	MARGARET DEMPSEY	KARL c/o Caulfields
6-Aug-00	7,10,15,21	£900	EDEL HARKIN	JACKIE NOLAN	LAUREN EDWARDS
13-Aug-00	9,19,20,24	£950	JACKIE NOLAN	BERNIE WALSH	ROSEANNA BYRNE
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BUSY AND BUMBLES ADVENTURE

Bumble Bee and Busy bee were busy collecting pollen for their bee hive, busy bee being the more active of the two. Bumble decided to take advantage of the nice day that was in it. "Oh dearie me," said Bumble this sure is hard work. "What do you say Busy? Fancy going on an adventure with me". "Oh I don't know about that said Busy, there is all this work to be done, work, work that's all you ever seem to think about, please do come said Bumble, where said Busy, how about flying with me over meadowbrook, its such a beautiful day", very well said busy. So Bumble and Busy set off on their journey, which would take them across the railway station. Now Bumble Bee was of an inquisitive nature and had a few narrow escapes in his short life time. "Do you see what I see?" said Bumble, food, a beautiful heel of batch bread with no owner, a feast indeed. He had no sooner landed on it when this dark shadow seemed to sweep over his head. Busy could hear mumbling and for what seemed a lifetime was unable to get out of a position that he wondered - how he got into in the first place, try as he could he was unable to free himself from his situation, and in muffled tones his cry for help to his dearest friend were in vain. I am over here Busy, Oh Please do come and find me I am at deaths door. He tried to squeeze out from this giant size batch sandwich, he would squeeze and squeeze, but to no avail, them extra calories had somewhat landed in the wrong place He vowed to himself if he could free himself from his situation he would no longer be caught eating on the job. He began to grow rather exhausted from his tireless efforts and decided to save his last bit of strength. Busy, tried frantically looking for poor Bumble, believing him to be laying in the gutter or meeting his end under some great big ugly wellington boot perish the thought said Busy. Bumble! Bumble! he cried out do please show yourself, I think this whole adventure thing has gone on quite long enough.

He decided to stop his hunt, giving his friend Bumble up for dead. He flew to a nearby rock and sat and cried so much that the stripes on his yellow and black sweater began to fade and run so much he did not notice them, he cried so much that before long he had created his own little brook beneath himself. Stop that this instant do you hear me said Bumble, or you will be drowned for sure. Bumble do please talk to me said Busy. He had no sooner said this when he looked down beneath himself at this yellow and black puddle and to his sheer delight he spotted Bumble. But try as he might he could not rouse his best friend. He put a protective wing over Bumble and tried to protect him from the nearby spiders and such bugs who were known to frequent Meadowbrook. He gave Bumble a gentle squeeze and said please Bumble talk to me, I will do anything or go on any adventure with you only don't die on me not like this. With that Bumble opened one eye and said this guy has a heart after all and there's more to him than working. Busy seemed to sense some movement in his little friend and to his sheer delight he came to. Oh Bumble that was a scare you gave me what an adventure. Did someone say adventure, don't mention adventures to me as long as you live. I think I had quite enough adventure to last me a lifetime. Yes I think you have indeed said Busy. They smiled at one another and said let's put this down to experience. One I am not likely to forget said Bumble and sighed a big sigh of relief and to this day he is quite content collecting pollen and reminiscing.

By Susan Brennan

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Draft town plan agreed by Councillors

It is over four years since the process of putting together a development plan for Maynooth was initiated. The end now seems in sight as the Co. Council adopted a draft plan on July 24th last which now goes on public display for a three month period. Back in 1996 an earlier draft plan was produced which included very significant new zoning for residential land together with a ring road and zoned amenity land. Subsequently, Kildare Co Council adopted a County Development Plan which took a strategic approach to population growth across the country and placed limits on the expansion of the north Kildare towns.

In the early part of this year the Co. Council engaged consultants Conway, Shipman & Martin to draw up a draft plan for the town. This plan was considered by four local councillors in the Maynooth - Leixlip area who incorporated their own amendments before the plan came before the full Co. Council on the July 24th. Now it's the public's turn to make their views known as the plan goes on display until October.

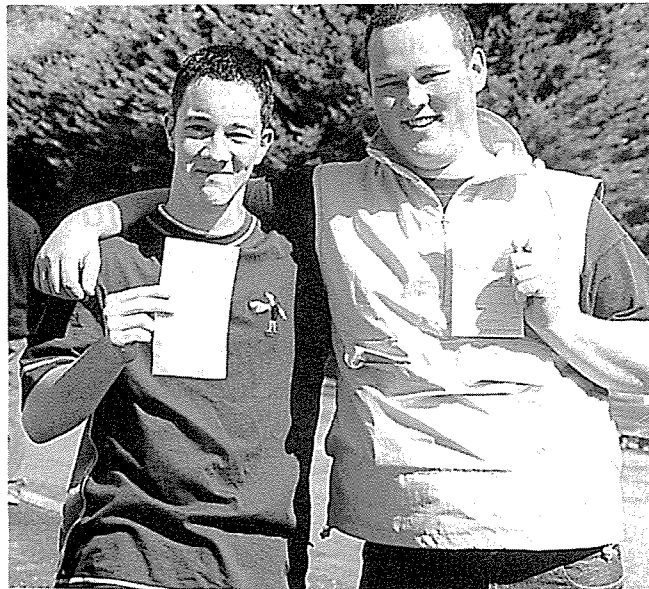
In summary, the draft plan has four main elements:

- *150 acres to be zoned residential across a number of location
- *Land zoned for light industry and office use, principally on the Dublin Road
- *provision for amenity land including a public car park off the Dublin Road and playing pitches for the schools and the GAA and the soccer clubs
- *two ring roads, one running from Blacklion to the Straffan Road, the other from the Moyglare Road to Blacklion

The document runs to some forty pages and includes a wide range of proposals which have the potential to reshape our town over the next five or six years. As a town, Maynooth has seen dramatic changes over the past twenty years its population has trebled, the university has expanded dramatically, the town has been bypassed and the Main Street redeveloped and there are a whole range of new services including two hotels. The stated aim of the new draft plan is to insure that 'the town grows in a balanced fashion. *Growth in population must be accompanied by growth in the social, cultural and economic infrastructure of the town*'. Whether the details of the plan meet that goal is a very important question for Maynooth and can be considered by the public over the next three months. Our local councillors suggest we go and see the plan and make our views known. It's hard to think of a more important civic duty.

Note: The plan should be on public display in the Public Library in Maynooth in September

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The Peelo School of Dance

Dance classes recommence week beginning 11th September 2000 and enrolment is currently taking place. The Peelo School of Dance is based in four locations, Maynooth, Celbridge, Longford and Roscommon and offers a wide range of dance subjects including Classical Ballet, Modern Jazz, Freestyle Disco and Tap.

Our students thoroughly enjoyed this years activities. In December our pupils performed in our School Production 'Dance 2000'. We also held our fourth annual Easter Dance Course which was a great success. Students also took part in National Dance Days and Salsa Dance Courses.

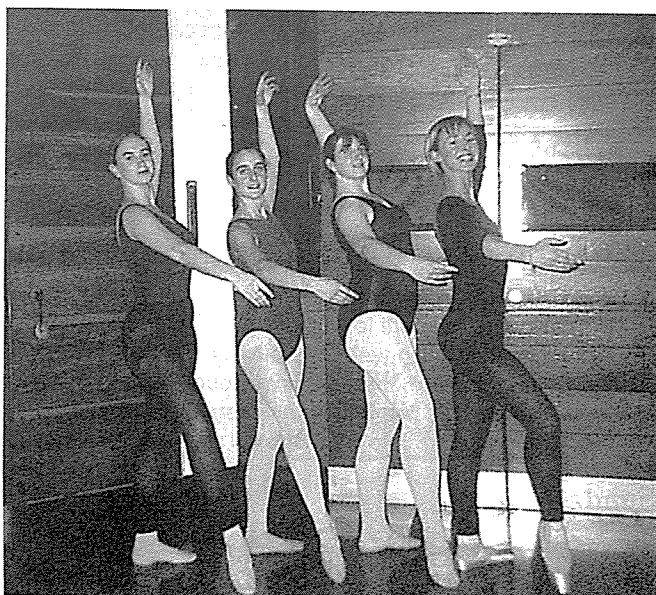
All Pupils took their Grade Examinations with the International Dance Teachers' Association and we would like to congratulate all pupils on passing these successfully. Our senior students took their Elementary Classical Ballet and their Elementary Modern Jazz Examinations, these Students also did extremely well.

Commendation Awards from the International Dance Teachers Association, England were presented to Ciara Baxter and Rebecca Flynn for achieving the highest results in Ireland in their Elementary Examinations in Classical Ballet and Modern Jazz during 1999. Ciara and Rebecca along with their Teachers, Antoinette and Deirdre Brennan attended the International Dance Seminar held annually in Leicester University, England, teachers and students from England, Norway, Cypress, New Zealand and Ireland attended this five day seminar.

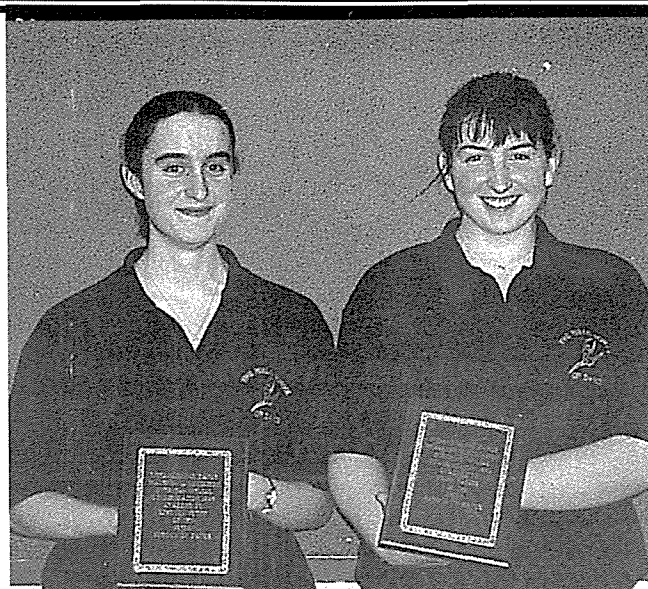
We wish Meadhbh McManus success with her studies in her second year at the College of Dance, Dublin.

We would like to thank all pupils and their families for their continued support to our school and we look forward to seeing them all in September.

Deirdre Brennan
Teacher with the Peelo School Of Dance



Deirdre Brennan Teacher with the Peelo School of Dance with her pupils Rebecca Flynn & Ciara Baxter and Fellow English dancer Sam Drakeford in Leicester University.



Rebecca Flynn & Ciara Baxter from the Peelo School of Dance with their Commendation Award for 1999.



Pupils from the Peelo School of Dance rehearsing "Cats" at their Dance Course this year.



Pupils from the Peelo School of Dance at their Easter Dance course earlier this year.



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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

By now the proposed Maynooth Development Plan for the period to the beginning of 2006 should be on display in the Public Library. It represents the view of our 4 local councillors on how Maynooth should change over the next five years.

Theoretically it should reflect a planning philosophy designed to preserve and enhance the quality of life for you the resident and voter. In practice it is the outcome of a lobby process by landowners who wish to achieve a fifty-fold increase in the value of their land by land rezoning or organisations seeking to be given a donation of land as a result of the process. Like any product being marketed, those seeking to sell the plan (or in the case, gain your acquiescence to it) will stress the positive aspects and minimise the negative ones.

We know only too well who the winners in the proposed plan will be. But are there any positive aspects for the ordinary resident? And who are the losers? Are they likely to include you?

On the positive side, the intention to provide non development-led ring roads is to be welcomed. This is especially the case on the east side of the town, although the precise route requires some rethinking. Having such roads running close to existing residential areas such as Carton Court, or through new residential areas seems to be poor planning. Just who will use the northern leg is less clear. Certainly it is unlikely traffic from Kilcock will travel to the Dunboyne Road and back to get to the motorway. This is fairly crucial since Kilcock traffic is set to quadruple over the period of the Maynooth plan. With a large proportion of Maynooth's population increase earmarked for the Moyglare Road, and major residential and retail development imminent at the Moglare Road/Mill Street junction, this is a matter of some concern to residents, if apparently not to our councillors.

On the negative side, councillors propose rezoning 150 acres new residential land. Taken with the existing unused landbank, this provides for a population increase of nearly 5,700. Other pending high density developments in the town make this figure likely to rise over 6,000. The population in the town at the last count was 8,528. So an increase in population of around 70% is possible under the plan. This very definitely would affect your quality of life. 6,000 extra people means around 2,000 extra cars on the streets of Maynooth. Stretched end to end that's a line which would extend from the square to Leixlip. It means an extra 1,000 school places, a downstream demand for second level schools and youth facilities, and greatly increased pressure on recreational, health and community services. The plan proposes no new parking areas in the centre of town. It makes no concrete commitment to new youth facilities, other than pitches, and makes no commitments to the provision of any social infrastructure before the population explosion ensues.

Maynooth Planning Alliance considers this plan excessively expansionary, and in breach of the Strategic Planning Guidelines which advocated "limited further development" for Maynooth. Although it is dressed up in pious aspirations, there needs to be a concrete demonstration on the part of our 4 local councillors that the positive aspects of it will be delivered on before the residential influx materialises. Pending such commitments the jury is still out.



Bar person of the year was "Robbie Byrne" Dowdstown



Laura Tracey summer Project

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Martin, Morgan and Brian returning from Colaiste Chiaran, Cheathru Rua, after spending three weeks down there, which they thorough ly enjoyed.



Creative Writing Class held in Maynooth Library with teacher "Caroline Farrell"

Features

St. Marys Boys National School Production of 'Oliver': June 2000

Congratulations to the boys from the school, and also to some of their friends from the girls school on their performance of the musical Oliver. It was an outstanding show. The pupils had worked hard since Oct. '99 and it certainly paid off. Their acting was just superb and their singing ability could grace the stages of any Wastend show. It ran for 2 nights, with a sellout audience. It would be impossible to individualise any one performer. These pupils have outstanding talent and they all gave of their best. Well done to St. Marys boys school for giving the children the opportunity to show us what a talent we have living in our community.

Much work was also put in by Seamus Grundy and his team of voluntary workers, who brought out the best in the children. Hopefully we will be honoured with further shows in the future. These are not to be missed. Well done to all.

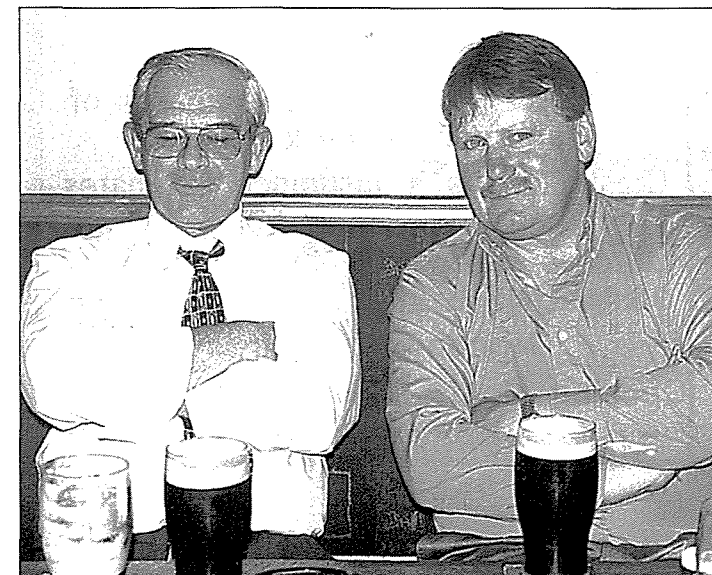
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FESTIVAL WEEK



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HERITAGE WEEK FOR KILDARE AND DUBLIN

The original concept for European Heritage Day began as a Council of Europe initiative in 1991 and Ireland was one of the first countries to participate. Last year was the first year that the concept was expanded into a full week of events and activities.

The principal aim of Heritage Week is to make people aware of the built and natural heritage thereby encouraging its conservation and preservation. The programme is co-ordinated by Duchas The Heritage Service of the Department of Arts, Heritage, Gaeltacht and the Islands. You may know that Duchas is the body responsible for the protection and conservation of Ireland's heritage such as national parks, gardens, castles, ancient burial sites and monastic settlements.

There are all sorts of interesting events taking place from walks and lectures, pageants, recitals and exhibitions. Many sites will offer special concessions or free admission. Because of the range of activities you will find something in this programme that will appeal to all the family members. Ireland's heritage- yours to enjoy, yours to appreciate! Treasure it!

DVBLINIA

Children's event - Brass rubbing
2 - 10 September 11.00am - 4.00pm
Venue: Dvblinia, St. Michael's Hill, Christ Church
Normal admission prices apply
No extra charge for brass rubbing
Contact: Dr. Ruth Johnson - Curator
Tel: 01 679 4611

DUBLIN WRITERS MUSEUM

Musaem Scribhneoiril Bhaile Atha Cliath.
'Curator's Choice' guided tours of Museum. In a unique interpretation of the Museum's extensive collection, members of staff will concentrate on their own favourite authors and artefacts. Numbers limited. Booking advisable.
3 - 10 September 11.00am and 3.00pm
Adults: £3.10 Concession £2.60 Child: £1.45 Family: £8.50
Contact: Eilish Rafferty - Dublin Writers Museum
Tel: 01 872 2077

DUBLIN'S VIKING ADVENTURE

Eachtraiocht Uingeach Bhaile Atha Cliath
Talk on Viking Ireland. The talk will outline who the Vikings were, why they set sail and the development and expansion of Viking Dublin into one of their most important urban Viking settlements.
Thursday 7 September 1.00pm
Venue: Dublin's Viking Adventure, Essex Street West, off Fishamble Street, Temple Bar.
Talk: Free
Admission to Adventure: Adult £4.95
Concession: £3.95 Child: £2.95 Family: £13.50
Contact: Gemma Clarke - Dublin's Viking Adventure.
Tel: 01 679 6040

WORDS OF WISDOM

When everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on a minute longer, never give up then, because that is just the time and place that the tide will turn.
(Harriet Beecher Stowe)

DRIMNAGH CASTLE

Caislean Dhroimeanach
3 - 10 September
Tours of the Castle
Exhibition of Lime and Stone workshops, on-going in the Undercroft
Tuesday 5 September 2.00pm - 4.00pm
Practical demonstration by Patrick McAfee on Ireland's European Heritage of working with stone.
Tuesday 5 September 7.00pm - 8.00pm
Talk by Patrick McAfee on Ireland's Heritage of working with stone.
Venue: Drimnagh Castle, Long Mile Road, Drimnagh.
Adults: £1.50 Students/Seniors £1.00 Children: £0.50p
Contact: Amanda Wilton - Drimnagh Castle.
Tel: 01 450 2530

NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS

Garraithe Naisiunta Na Lusanna
Sunday 10n September
Interactive Environmental Art Experience 2.30pm 5.30pm
Guided tour - The National Botanic Gardens- A Living Treasure 2.30pm
Family event: 'Botanical Treasure Trail'- Find the hidden treasures of the National Botanic Gardens 2.00pm - 5.00pm
Venue: National Botanic Gardens, Botanic Road, Glasnevin
All above events Free unless otherwise stated.
Contact: Felicity Gaffney - Duchas
Tel: 01 661 5133

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Self-guided tour at your leisure of 18th Century State Apartments
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J. K. ROWLINGS: HARRY POTTER.

The Harry Potter books are some of the most favoured collections. I myself have grown fond of them. In my opinion J. K. Rowling should keep writing Harry Potter books. As long as she keeps writing them, I will keep reading them. While over in one of my friends houses., (she also is very fond of Harry Potter books) we logged onto the Harry Potter or one of the Harry Potter websites. A good lot of work went into the website that we were on and they are still doing more work. Hopefully J. K. Rowling will keep writing more books.

My rating 10/10.

LYDIA FARRELL

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Did I foolishly build an illusion
from the encirclement of your arms?

I reach deep inside to find all the lives
We must have shared over aeons. Each
Painful role I played reels out the truth.
Now I realise it was always me who lost-

The human in me when seeking your recognition;
The woman in me when desiring your noble physique;
The mother in me when hurting from your distress;
The lover in me when longing for your tender caress;
The sister in me when craving your loyal protection:
The friend in me when inviting your troubled confidence;
The child in me when hoping for your loving care;
The angel in me when aching to save your destruction.

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By Kathryn Altyn

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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE.

As we watch the blooms fade and the schools and clubs blossom we embark, once again, on another eventful year. I hope you all had the holiday you hoped for and that you are all revitalised and energised to cope with the year ahead.

Although, for the most part, our committee were on holidays during July and August we did find time to get involved in the Community Festival and of course our Summer outing to Powerscourt. This trip was a most pleasant experience. The comfort of Bartons luxury coaches, the courtesy of Victor and John their very capable drivers and the attentiveness of the staff at Powerscourt served to make this day most enjoyable indeed. The weather was reasonable, warm if a little damp, but one can't have everything. We completed our day with a splendid meal at Dowdstown Hotel. Many thanks to the staff for their courtesy to all. Thank you also to the committee, Senior Citizens and drivers who took the time to remember that it was also my birthday.....(they will keep reminding me.)

July 13th was our Cabaret night in Caulfields which seems to get more successful with every passing year. This event is sponsored totally by our committee to say thank you to the people of this community without whose support we could not survive. In case there is any doubt about the support we receive, take a look at the figure on the cheque from the Tony Smith memorial walk. It was £3,692. Many thanks to Emmet, David and all their members for their participation, and to the many Senior Citizens who were happy to get out and do their bit. Well done to all concerned.

This money each year is used for the Security and Safety of our Senior Citizens. In particular those living alone. This includes, personal alarm systems, minor repairs to doors and windows, safety chains, smoke alarms, spark guard etc... It is worth mentioning here that those who have personal alarms should wear their pendant at all times, except in bed, and do press it regularly to test it. Smoke alarms should also be tested by pressing the red button. This can be done safely by using a brush handle. Avoid climbing, bones are easier broken than mended. As we get closer to the dark evenings of Winter time, the danger of fires arise again. Most people now appreciate the danger of open fires and the importance of a spark guard, but what about that other naked flame that has become so popular in recent times, the candle. We use them for many reasons, but the most common being for light during a power failure. This can be a dangerous practice. Many fires in recent times have been caused by the careless use of candles. So, in order to discourage older people from using this form of lighting, we are supplying an easy to use Lantern to every Senior Citizen who wishes to have one. Most of our people will have received theirs by now, but if there is anyone who did not and wishes to have one they may contact me at 6285206 or any committee member. We recommend that you keep your lantern by your bed should you need it during the night. Replacement batteries can be purchased from Joe Buckley our supplier.(Ua Buachalla) I take this

opportunity to thank Joe for his cooperation and keen prices in this regard. So now, that said, 'Think-Safety, Think Security, and live life to the full'.

As you read this item our Senior Citizens are in Kerdiffstown holiday centre recharging their batteries, (no pun intended) after the full and active Summer. Our club will reopen on Tuesday Sept 5th and our committee meeting will take place that evening at 8pm. in the Health Centre.

Finally, we extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Gabrielle Cassidy, Peg Edwards, Molly Kearney and Jimmy Leavy. May they rest in peace.

By Josephine Moore.

Words of Wisdom

Swallowing your pride occasionally will never give you indigestion.

Nothing is all wrong even a stopped clock is right twice a day. (Anon).



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DORIN'S SIMPLY DELICIOUS RECIPE

MOUSSAKA: Greek dish made with lamb. Serves 4

You will need:
3 tablespoons of good oil
1 small onion, finely chopped
1 lb cooked lamb, diced or minced
2 1/2 oz can tomato puree
Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
8 oz raw potatoes, sliced
1 large aubergine, sliced
1 clove garlic, crushed
8 oz tomatoes, peeled and sliced
1/2 pint cheese sauce
2 oz grated cheese
1 egg yolk, free range if possible
Fresh parsley to garnish

Oven: 180c 350f Gas mark 4

Method:

1. Heat a third of the oil in a frying pan. Add the onion and allow to colour, then add the meat and shake over a brisk heat for a few minutes.
Remove from the heat, add the tomato puree and season well. Put in an oven proof dish and keep warm. Heat the remaining oil in a frying pan, put in the potatoes and fry gently, until brown. Take the potatoes out of the pan and arrange on top of the meat.
2. Add the aubergine to the frying pan and cook for 5-7 minutes. Then add the garlic, if used, also add the sliced tomato. Continue cooking for 5 more minutes and then pour over the potatoes. Meanwhile prepare the cheese sauce, stir in the egg yolk, pour over the dish. Sprinkle the top with the grated cheese and bake in a moderate oven for 15-20 minutes until well browned. Decorate with fresh parsley.

CHICKEN WITH TOMATOES: Serves 4.

You will need:
4 chicken breasts
Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
3 tablespoon of oil
4 large tomatoes
1 clove of garlic
1/2 teaspoon each of thyme and basil
1/4 pint of white wine
Some grated cheese
1 teaspoon of chopped fresh parsley

Oven setting- 180c 350f Gas mark 4

Method:

1. Season the chicken breasts well. Heat the oil and fry the chicken for 20 minutes, turning often. Transfer to an oven proof dish. Cover and continue to cook in the oven for 10 minutes.
2. Make the sauce, skin the tomatoes and chop them finely. Peel and crush the garlic. Fry in the remaining fat, adding the thyme, basil and wine. Bring to the boil. Cook gently until soft.
3. Put the chicken on a serving dish. Add the grated cheese. Pour the sauce over the dish, and sprinkle with the fresh parsley. Serve with a salad.

FILLET STEAK ROYALE: Serves 4.

You will need:
4 fillet steaks, about 6oz each

4 tbsp olive oil
1 onion, finely chopped
6 oz button mushrooms, sliced
7 fl oz white wine
5 fl oz double cream
2 tsp whole grain mustard
2 tbsp chopped fresh tarragon
1 clove garlic, crushed
sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
tarragon sprigs, to garnish (optional)

Method:

1. Flatten the steaks with your fist or with a meat mallet.
2. Heat 2 tbsp oil in a frying pan and fry the steaks, turning regularly according to taste.
3. Meanwhile, heat the oil in another frying pan and saute onion for 3 minutes. Add the mushrooms and cook for a further 3 minutes. Add the wine and simmer for 5 minutes.
4. Stir in the cream, mustard, tarragon, garlic and seasoning and heat gently to warm through.
5. Serve the steaks on a bed of mushroom sauce, garnish with the tarragon sprigs, if like

CHELSEA BUNS.

You will need:
6 oz plain flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 egg beaten
1/2 oz butter, melted.

For the yeast liquid, you will need
2 level teaspoons dried yeast
1/4 pint warm milk
1/2 teaspoon sugar
2 oz plain flour.

For the filling, you will need:
1/2 oz butter, melted
2 oz soft brown sugar
3oz currants
If you like you can add 1 oz of mixed peel, chopped
Honey for glazing.

Oven time -30-35 minutes
Oven setting -190c 375f Gas mark 5

Method:

1. Blend yeast with the warm milk, sugar and 2oz of flour. Leave until it becomes frothy about 20-30 minutes. Mix the remaining flour and salt together. Add to the yeast mixture with the beaten egg and melted butter, mix well. Knead the dough on a light floured table for about 10 minutes.
2. Put to rise in a large bowl and cover with a clean cloth, until double in size. Knead well again on a lightly floured table and roll into a rectangle about 12 inches. Brush with the remaining butter and sprinkle on sugar and fruit.
3. Roll up as for a swiss roll and seal edge. Cut into 9-10 slices. Place in a greased 7 inch square cake tin, cut side down. Leave to rise for a few minutes.
4. Bake in a moderately hot oven for 30-35 minutes. Place on a wire tray and glaze hot buns with a wet brush dipped in honey. 'Enjoy'.

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Hobbies & Interests

CREAMY SALMON PASTA. Serves 4.

You will need:
10oz Salmon (fresh)
1/2 pt fish stock or water
2 tsp sunflower oil, or any other
1 onion, peeled and finely chopped
1 or 2 garlic cloves, peeled and crushed if liked
3 oz mushrooms, sliced
4 tomatoes, skinned and finely chopped
4 tbsp double cream
12 oz tagliatelli, pasta
2 tbsp olive oil
2 tbsp fresh basil leaves

Method:

1. Poach the salmon fillets in the stock or water for 5-10 minutes, until tender. Remove fish and break into large chunks.
2. Heat the oil in the pan and fry the onion and garlic over a gentle heat, until soft but not brown. Add the mushrooms to the pan and cook for a few minutes to soften, stir in the chopped tomatoes and season with the salt and pepper. Add the salmon chunks, then gently stir in the cream and heat through without boiling.
3. Cook the tagliatelli in salted boiling water, until just tender. Drain and toss in the olive oil. Gently stir in the salmon mixture, then arrange on the plates and garnish with fresh basil leaves

PORK IN MUSHROOM SAUCE. Serves 4.

You will need:
4 pieces of pork fillet
1 oz flour
Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
2 oz butter
4 oz button mushroom, thinly sliced
14 oz of carrots in a jar
1/4 pint double cream
1 tablespoon chopped chives, fresh

Cooking time 15 minutes

Method:

1. Beat out pork fillets until thin and coat in flour, season with the salt and pepper.
Fry in the butter for about 5 minutes on each side or until cooked. Place on a serving dish and keep warm.
2. Add the mushrooms to the butter in the pan and fry for 3-4 minutes, or until cooked. Stir in any remaining flour and cook for a minute, drain the carrots.
3. Remove from the heat and stir in the cream and a third of the carrots. Reheat very gently until piping hot, but do not allow to boil. Season to taste and pour over the pork, garnish with piles of the remaining heated carrots. Sprinkle with chives.

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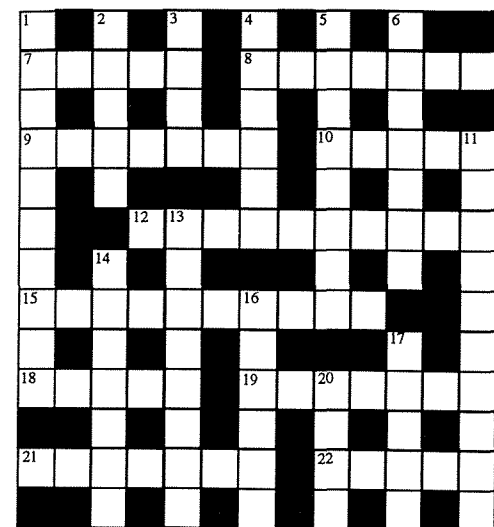
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No Shame in Losing After Great Summer Campaign

This week we were supposed to be looking forward to the All-Ireland Final. The hunt for tickets would be on. The talk in the pubs and everywhere else would be about only one thing - can Kildare go all the way? Instead, we can only look back on another summer that ended in disappointment. What we don't need though at this stage is an inquest. In fairness to the team who gave it everything over six hard matches it is important to recognise the huge effort that this bunch of players put in over the summer and to recall the great enjoyment they gave. This is a team that gives value for money.

In over seven hours of football stretching back to June 11th they never stopped believing they could win.

Kildare v Louth, June 11th, 4.45pm

It's a tight match. Kildare led 0-7 to 0-5 at half time but Louth have fought back and the score stands 0-11 each. Kildare are pressing but have kicked some bad wides. John Finn, who has been playing a blinder all afternoon, storms through the Louth defence and is hauled down by the Louth 'keeper. Penalty. Pauric Graven steps up and slots it into the corner. Kildare 1-11 Louth 0-11. Match over. The campaign has begun.

Kildare v Offaly, June 25th, 4.25pm

Kildare are on a roll. On top in the first half they led by only 0-7 to 0-5 at half time but come out all guns blazing after the break and score three unanswered points. The best of them is set up by Anthony Rainbow who breaks up an Offaly attack, passes to Glen Ryan who solos into the heart of Offaly territory before setting up Eddie McCormack for a great score. Despite being on top Kildare don't manage to kill the game off and Offaly fight back for a draw. In patches the team has shown what it is capable of. At least there's another day out in Croke Park.

Kildare v Offaly, July 16th, 4.35pm

Kildare are in trouble. Twice during the first half Offaly have exposed the right hand side of the Kildare defence and broken through for goals. With just a few minutes to half time the score stands at 2-4 to 0-4. But in the space of just five minutes John Doyle, Pdraig Brennan and Martin Lynch get three great points from play and the momentum has switched back to Kildare. Faith has been restored and the second half is a procession with new scorer in chief Brennan adding six further points. Kildare score 0-17 in all and look like real contenders.

Kildare v Dublin, July 30th, 3.55pm

It's down to the last minute. In a tight match that was level at half time, Kildare have fought back to 0-13 each having been three points behind half way through the second half. Substitute David Hughes delivers a great pass through to Taigh Fennin and he slots the ball over the bar. The fans are delirious but Colin Moran gets an equalising score for Dublin. The tension is unbearable. Moran has a great chance to score the winner for Dublin but Anthony Rainbow makes a brilliant interception. It ends all square.

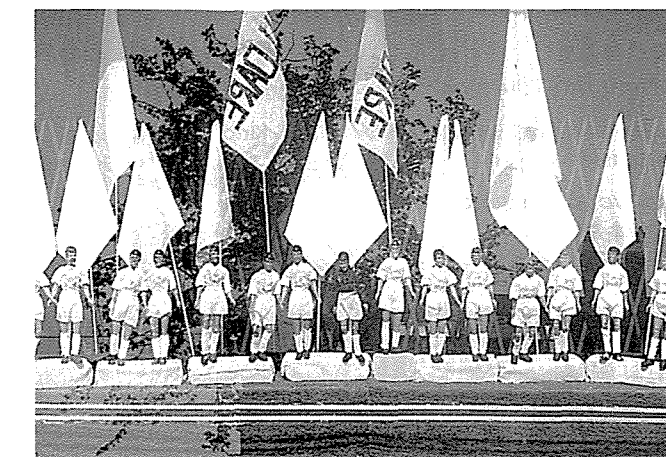
Kildare v Dublin, August 12th, 4.15pm

The score stands at Dublin 0-11 to Kildare 0-5. Kildare have been run ragged in the previous twenty minutes. Dublin look like world beaters and have slotted over points from all angles. Kildare supporters are subdued, some are ready to throw in the

towel. By 4.20 we're watching an entirely different match. Early and Fennin have scored two goals within 90 seconds. The heart has been knocked out of Dublin and Kildare's self-belief ensures they go on to win comfortably. Another Leinster title to be savoured and, as usual, Kildare win it the hard way. The campaign has been an emotional roller coaster for the supporters. The summer isn't over yet.

For the two weeks that followed supporters are abuzz with confidence. Galway stand in the way but are largely untested having had an easy passage through Connaught. Compared to 1998 Kildare are a more balanced outfit. The defence is the best in the country, Karl O'Dwyer is fit again and in Taigh Fennin and Pdraig Brennan the team has found a cutting edge that was missing in '98. Galway, on the other hand, have lost Ja Fallon who did most to put Kildare to the sword in the '98 final. Beyond that, both Kerry and Armagh have obvious weaknesses. It's the most open championship in years. The Sam Maguire surely has Kildare's name on it this year.

But the dream was dashed on the gloomy, wet afternoon of August 27th. Kildare strove manfully but ran out of inspiration and steam in the last few minutes of a tight match. It's not much consolation now to think of what might have been but this was a match Kildare could have won. After Taigh Fennin's goal in the 13th minute Kildare dominated the play but didn't score for another 16 minutes when Pdraig Brennan pointed a free. Again, in the second half, after Brian Murphy's goal it was another 18 minutes before Kildare scored again. Maybe the wet day and a hard campaign didn't help. But all the disappointment in not winning has to be set alongside ten weeks of summer when Glen Ryan and his men gave Kildare people everywhere something to celebrate.



Buckley's tribute to the Lily Whites

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INVITATION TO KELT WORKSHOPS

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KELT is currently preparing new submissions for funding under the Leader Plus and National Leader Programmes. We have arranged a series of workshops to inform people about these funding programmes, and to enable people to make an input into the preparation of the KELT submissions on behalf of Co. Kildare.

All interested parties in the North East Kildare area are welcome to attend one of the following workshops:

- * Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth. Monday 11 Sept. 2000 at 8pm
- * The Resource Centre, St. Raphael's, Celbridge Monday 18 Sept. 2000 at 8pm

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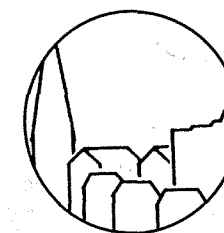
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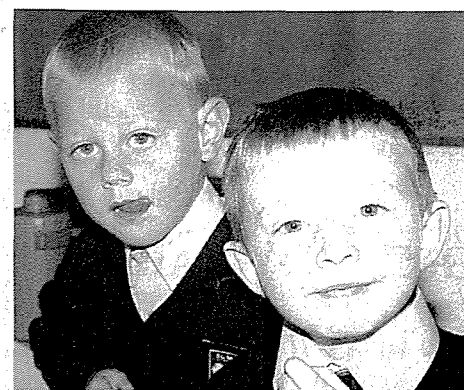
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N.U.I.

In recent weeks the population of Maynooth has been significantly increased by the return of students to Maynooth College. Welcome back! Also especially to the new intake of 1st year students, who have come to live in the area and its surrounds. Its your first time away from home, with the exception of holidays etc. You have now become part of the community, and hopefully will participate by helping with the grave litter problem which exists here by taking your fast food litter to your landlord's bins. Late night noise and parties cause friction and bad publicity for students in general.

Businesses benefit greatly by the influx of students, so co-operation and understanding of sensible youthful behaviour is most acceptable here.

Best wishes to all students in the coming academic year.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Festival

It was felt that a Festival Committee should be set up as soon as possible, to start work on next year's festival. Any person interested should leave their name in the office.

It was also felt that any person with ideas and not a Community Councillor would also be very welcome to join the committee.

Heineken showed a big interest in the festival this year, and would be delighted to sponsor the Festival again next year. Chairperson John Doogan again thanked the committee and office staff for getting this year's festival organized. He also thanked Heineken, though late in the day when approached, they showed great interest in the Festival.

Maynooth Development Plan

The meeting felt that the Development Plan for Maynooth was so important that the October meeting will be entirely devoted to discussing the Plan.

Senan Griffin stated that he was annoyed by the time of the Maynooth Alliance letter in the September Newsletter. He stated that Councillors were only doing the best they could for Maynooth and this Plan was right for Maynooth. Peter Connell pointed out that the Maynooth Alliance wanted questions answered as to how decisions were made to rezone land.

However the meeting felt that articles in the Newsletter re: Maynooth Alliance letter September issue should be under signed and people should be aware of who writes the letters. It was also pointed out that names are with the editor.

Objection to Intel expansion

It was noted that a letter from John Colgan Leixlip Town Commissioner, objecting to Intel expansion was received. The meeting understood the worry that people had about discharges from such big Factories. It was generally felt that such companies put a lot of money into keeping the atmosphere clean. The objection will be discussed at the next meeting.

Office

The office now has 14 staff. The office will be up-dated and is to set up new equipment. The new Web-site for Maynooth will be in the Community Council Office. The Newsletter was the main business of the office and it was hoped that more Newsletters would be sold. The shops in the town were thanked for selling the Newsletter. The scheme will be up for renewal in November. Training in the office is ongoing and it was hoped that all office staff would take advantage of all training available.

College

John Hogan, Student Representative stated that the present library size was not suitable for the number of student's now attending the College. He said with new departments in the College, the facilities in the Library were inadequate. The meeting gave their support.

Local History Group

Padraig O Murchu stated that street names both English and Irish are ready.

However all awaited the new logo design for Maynooth. the competition closed at the end of July, and the new logo for Maynooth should soon be known. There was very good interest in the competition with a lot of submissions entered.

Rockfield Residents Association

Mary Fitzgerald thanked the Community Council for taking on board problems that the estate had, by writing to unions groups Kildare County Council, the Garda etc. on behalf of Rockfield Residents Association.

Cluain Aoibhinn residents Association

Tom McMullon stated that the Residents of the Estate were annoyed at the cutting down of trees in the estate. Tom stated that the trees were fine and that they had a tree surgeon look at them. He also stated that other trees that were broken were replaced with unsuitable trees for estates. It was stated that the company that cut the trees were a reputable company that did that work. However it was hoped that the situation would work itself out.

Representation on Community Council

Again we would appeal to all residents Associations and all sporting bodies in the town to have a representative on the council. You will then have a stronger voice.

Next meeting 9th October

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OVERALL DEVELOPMENTAL APPROACH

Many thanks for your detailed application form, concise map and information on Pound Park and the Carton walk. The map is excellent and helped considerably with the judging. The judges look forward to the implementation of the plan. The day of judging saw a great number of young people (presumably from the University) in the town. Cycle paths are to be commended and there was not a great deal of traffic which made judging that bit easier. The shop fronts have a good impact in the town and the residential estates are well laid out and are well landscaped. There seems to be good co-operation within the community - well done.

THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

The historic aspect of Maynooth is a wonderful unique feature. The University status of the town puts it in an enviable position of attracting a young and vibrant population as well as the commuters and locals that have their roots in the town. The old churches and other historic buildings have a tremendous effect on the overall appearance of the town. A number of facades looked well in the main street and these included Katies Flowers, Mill Wine Shop, Hula-Bou, the Pottery Barn, the Post Office, Coonans and the Peppermill. The Parish Hall and St. Mary's were fine though there were weedy gutters in the carpark. Kairos Communications had some fine climbing roses on their walls. The Maynooth GAA Club was fine though the wall and gate painting will be required for next year. Laraghbryan Cemetery looked well cared for and again had some nice climbers on the wall which made good impact. Maynooth College is a very fine building. New buildings and entrances also looked well. Grassy areas still need cutting back. The Garda Station looked very well and it was noted that work was being undertaken on the Railway Station.

LANDSCAPING

The landscaping in and around Maynooth was excellent. The green area opposite the entrance to the college was well cared for. Planting at the turnaround on the Straffan road looked well; however, it would be better to have more permanent planting, as it will last throughout the year. In the centre of the town, the amenity area/monument was clean and tidy. There were three cottages in Old Greenfields that had made tremendous effort with their landscaped residences - well done. The Pound Lane Park will enhance this part of the town considerably. At present all that could be seen was long grass and some scattered litter. Litterbins will be required in the area. Please ensure they are covered so that they are not effected by wind or birds.

WILDLIFE AND NATURAL AMENITIES

The canal amenity area is a wonderful amenity for the town. It can be accessed in two main places. The access off Parsons Lane looked well and there were several people walking the canal on the evening of adjudication. The main access to the harbour was fine though there was a scattering of litter. The adjudicator could not understand the barrier for parking or the notices not allowing anyone to park there despite there being a large carpark. Perhaps, this is only temporary. It was noted that the adjacent field was being cleared. Swans, ducks and yellow water lilies looked well in the canal here though there did seem to be an oily scum on part of the water surface. The stream area in Old Greenfield had been cut back and this is another area that could be considered as a wildlife site if planted and managed correctly. The plan for Carton Avenue incorporates a number of areas suitable for wildlife. Do ensure that you have the full co-operation from all involved before this development proceeds.

LITTER CONTROL

The litter control in the town was good. There was quite an amount of litter close to the harbour area. Litterbins were full on the main street and a programme of ensuring that they are emptied more frequently should be adopted. Litter was also spotted on Parsons Lane at the bridge and

Features

close to the proposed development at Pound Street. The residential estates were well presented both with regards to litter control and the presentation of litter bins – Well done.

TIDINESS

The judges were most impressed with the care taken in the cutting of the vast amount of open spaces and grass particularly in the residential estates. The Moyglare approach is very tidy and because of this, the odd weed in the gutter stood out. Other approach roads were generally untidy and marks can be gained by addressing this section. The centre of the village was tidy and clean though weedy gutters were a problem in places such as on the Leixlip approach.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

The estates were generally well presented. Moyglare Manor was well presented as was Moyglare Meadows. Parsons Lodge and Park looked well and there was nice planting in Cluain Aoibhainn and Woodlands. Castlebridge was fine though some beds were weedy. Greenfield estate was good though there were weedy bases to trees and no Litterbins evident. Old Greenfield presented some lovely cottages and there was great effort evident in some of the houses deep in the estate. Pebble Mill also looked well.

ROADS, STREETS AND BACK AREAS

The approach from Moyglare was very pleasant as far out as Moyglare Stud with its distinctive litterbins. The Galway approach looked well though there was erratic verge cutting and additional cutting was required in places. Signage here was very dirty and required a cleanup. The new signs on the Parsons approach looked well though this approach was weedy in places and grass required cutting back. The Dublin approach was not good. Long grass both outside the Mart and Tesco's gave an untidy impression. Tesco's is being refurbished it was noted and perhaps this will contribute to the better appearance of this approach. The Dunboyne approach also needed attention with better verge cutting and tidying of the margins.

GENERAL IMPRESSION

Maynooth did look well on the evening of adjudication. Great effort had been made in the residential areas and landscaping. Prioritise the areas that will gain you additional marks in the future such as approach roads, and the continued awareness of litter prevention. Incorporate these into your development plan and you can look forward to progress over the coming years.

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Overall Developmental Approach	50	37	35
The Built Environment	40	31	30
Landscaping	40	22	21
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	21	21
Litter Control	40	18	17
Tidiness	20	9	8
Residential Areas	30	24	23
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	16	17
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TOTAL MARK	300	184	178

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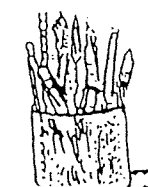
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BAND BULLETIN

No, you're not seeing things, the bulletin is back. Despite enlisting the services of all the main recruitment agencies we have failed to find a scribe to keep you in touch with the goings on in St. Mary's Band, something to do with the Celtic Tiger, etc So its back to the old reliable to pick up the pen where he left off and get the ball rolling again.

Update:-

Since I've spoken to you last we had our usual St. Patricks Day Marathon, with parades in Maynooth, Kilcock and Enfield, Feile na Gael Parade to Croke Park, four visits to the Curragh races and our annual trip to the Fair of Cahir. In between, the band hall was closed for operation facelift (part 1) - a redecoration job on our main practice room led by John Curran and Michael Dempsey. Thanks to the two lads and their small team we now have a really bright room to work in and hopefully part 2 will be completed by the end of the year.

Thankyou's

A huge vote of thanks is extended to all our wonderful benefactors who supported our Annual flag week-end in August. Our main collection day Saturday was hugely successful with many of you giving more than once. Thanks to Route 66, the new Maynooth based Big Band, who provided their services free for a successful fund raising dance in the Glenroyal Hotel on 1st September. Almost half of this band comprises members of St. Mary's band and this was by way of a thank you for the use of the Band Hall for rehearsals. Their music had a terrific appeal for dancers young and old(er) on the night and we hope for a repeat performance before the end of the year. A very special thankyou also goes to Mary Cowhey and Co. for their continued generous sponsorship of St. Mary's Band.

Music Classes.

Niall O'Connor's music classes have now resumed, after the holidays and the junior band will be rehearsing on a regular basis. Their appearance at our last concert in the Aula Maxima was a real eye opener and I'm sure they can't wait to get back on stage again. There are indeed some very promising musicians on the way.

What's Next

Upcoming dates include our mass for deceased members and annual race night, both in November and our Christmas Concert. We are also working on a trip abroad for next year and we hope to keep you posted on these events as they unfold.

New Members

With an expanding population in Maynooth there must be lots of musicians living in the town who could easily slot into any section in our band. We extend a hearty welcome to contact our secretary John Curran at 8252445 or drop in to the Band Hall any Thursday evening between 8.30 and 10pm. We would be delighted to meet you.

Thats it for this month, hope to see you back here in November for all the Christmas chat.

**St. Mary's Boys National School
Parents Association**

We hope that by now all the boys have settled back to school especially those who have just started. Our A.G.M. is coming up soon. All parents will be notified when a date has been decided. We would like as many parents as possible to attend.

Claire O'Rourke

Maynooth Summer Project

Our A.G.M will be coming up soon, date in next months newsletter. We would hope that we will see some new faces and new ideas. Extra people are always needed on the outings especially Men as they are in short supply!

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If you are interested please join us at our next meeting. Our winter meetings began on Thursday evening, 6th September at 8p.m., when our President, Rosemary, welcomed a very good attendance back after the summer break. Winners in the September competition: Six decorated queen-cakes.

1. Margaret Houlihan
2. Mary O'Gorman
3. Joint- Rosemary Hanley; Jo O'Connell

We have a busy schedule for the winter months:

ICA Hall: Monday: 8p.m: Crafts. Our new promoter will 'do' a small craft project each month. This month we make a scented pillow. You are welcome to join us for the tea, chat and craic. Parish Hall: Tuesdays and Thursdays: 10.30-12 noon: Badminton.

Outings are planned to

Gaiety Theatre: Friday 27 October:

Theatre nightout: 'Carousel' with the Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society. An Grianan Adult College, Termonfechin, Co. Louth: Tuesday 31 October. Next meeting of the guild: Annual novelty auction: Thursday 5th October: 8p.m.

A vote of sympathy was extended to the Kearney family on Molly's death. She was a long-time, highly-respected member of the guild.

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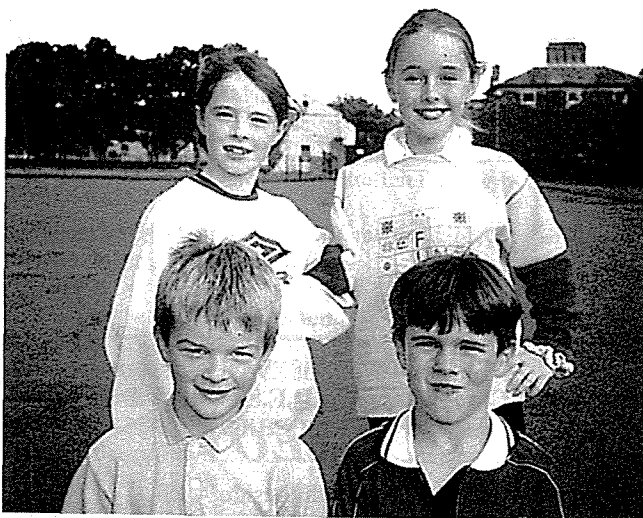
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The A.G.M. of Maynooth Community Games will take place on Monday 23rd October 2000 in the GAA club house at 8pm. It is very important that this meeting is well attended. Over the past couple of years there has been a big fall - off of children taking part in the games, so that needs to be addressed urgently. Also the number of people making themselves available for committee work with the group has gone down. As you will be aware Maynooth is two areas now so it has to be stressed that if not enough people come forward for each area, it won't be possible to set up the games.

East Parklands, Castlebridge Estate, Old Greenfield, Greenfield, Maynooth Park, Straffan Way, Laurence Avenue, Rockfield, Carton Court, Kingsbry.

It would include all the houses up the Straffan Road.

West, Moyglare Village, Mariaville, and all new estates on the Moyglare Road. Newtown, Parsons Lodge, Parsons Court, Woodlands, Beaufield, Ashley Grove, Cluain Aoibhinn, College Green, Newtown Court, Meadowbrook, Brookfield and all new estates on the Newtown Road, Rathcoffey Road.

Community Games can cater for children in the following events; it is an independent organisation which operates through the local community to provide an opportunity for young people to experience a wide range of sporting and cultural activities before concentrating on and specialising in those most suitable and attractive to them.

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The Local Committee

If you have an interest in or expertise in any of these activities or would just like to help please contact Marie Gleeson 087-2228089

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On behalf of the Maynooth Community Games Committee I appeal to you for a good attendance at our A.G.M.

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Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

A most enjoyable evening was had by all at our last club night. Madeline O'Hanlon gave an excellent demonstration and her work was very inspiring. Our next club night is the Annual General Meeting on 17th October.

Also Imposed Class-Six competitions

Judge: Susan Mulvihill

Talk on Collages by ladies of Dunboyne Club. No Competitions. 9th-13th October 2000 A.O.I.F.A. work at an Grianan. We hope that the members who are attending this course have a very enjoyable time and bring back lots of new ideas.

We congratulate Mary Byrne for winning "Garden of the year" award. Some of our numbers enjoyed viewing this beautiful garden in the summer. All meetings are held at 8pm on the third Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall, Maynooth College, (except where otherwise stated). Visitors Welcome £3 includes refreshments.

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Tidy Town Results

Maynooth did not score too badly in the Tidy Towns Competitions with 184 marks (61.3%)
Celbridge and Leixlip did much better with 204 (68%) and 192 (64%) respectively.

The downside of Maynooth's performance is the fact that it would not have taken a big effort to have done a lot better. Someone getting off the 67A and all the West of Ireland buses at the terminus are faced with heaps of litter and beer cans behind the wall. What should be a beauty spot is effectively an eyesore. I mean the harbour field. It would not take much work or experience to clean up the edges and plant some shrubs all around it. A burned out car does not gain many marks. Another blackspot is the lane up by the soccerpitch. This should be a nice lane for a stroll but you are met with more burned out cars old armchairs, fridges, cookers etc.

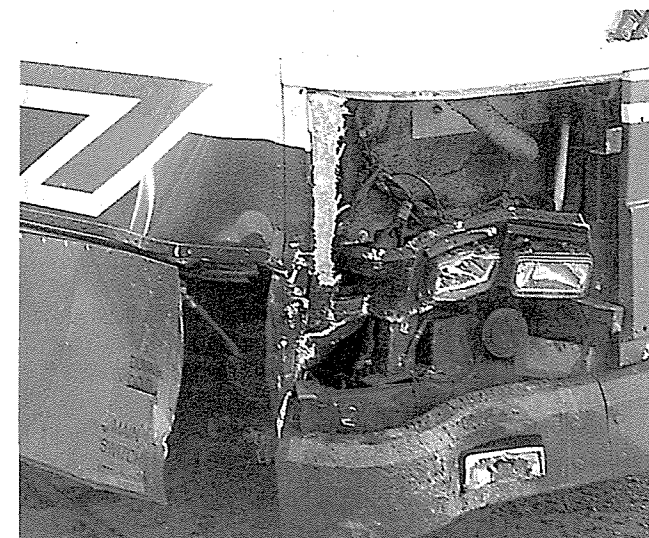
These are just a few examples of what loses a lot of marks and would not take a lot of effort to put right.

Bond Bridge Accident

On the morning of the 6th September at around 7.15 there was an accident between a bus and a car on Bond Bridge. The Bus a 66x was heading for Cluain Aoibhinn for the 7.28 service. The accident was just over the bridge on the narrow corner.

The road was blocked from that time until 8.45, a period of 1.5 hours. This brings back the old argument on the bollards. Had the emergency services been required they would have to go around by Laragh or Tagadoc wasting crucial time.

Pius Kelly



Castle Construction

Maynooth is to enjoy a new Visitors Centre at Geraldine Castle, in the near future. Work has begun on this historical landmark. The original appearance of the Castle Ruin will be maintained, but a new Visitors Centre will be built. This will comprise a new display area with units to house many

historical pieces. A more expansive area will be provided which will be suitable for larger exhibits. A podium is also being built in the grounds. We look forward to further information on this exciting project.



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Donadea Forest Park

Donadea Forest Park was the place to be on Sunday 3rd September. Coillte, Tir na Mona and the Friends of Donadea Forest Park had invited the whole world to come and see the fruits of their labour.

The forest was immaculate, new walks have been laid out and the path around the lake has been upgraded to facilitate those whose mobility is impaired. Mr. Charlie McCreavy T.D., the Minister for Finance came along to officially launch the upgraded facilities.

Huge numbers of people turned up to bask in the sunshine and enjoy the entertainment on offer. Many took up the invitation to bring a picnic and make a day of it. Everywhere you looked families were gathered around their picnic baskets and thoroughly enjoying themselves to the strains of the chamber orchestra that was playing many well known pieces. For those who wished to avoid the speeches at the lakeside, the music and singing continued on front of the house.

I arrived back from a visit to St. Peters church, which was also open to visitors, just in time to watch an extract from Macbeth being performed. This was excellent entertainment and the witches running through the crowds brought everyone to life.

There was something for everyone on the day, the long queues for salads proving the point, and I have only touched on some of what was going on.

A great big thank you to all involved.

Bringing Home the Cup

Hard days have brought their long travail,
with pride of parish in ardent flail.
The hour hangs, the clock ticks,
The wind whispers through foreboding sticks,
Vacant houses line the lonely road,
The open gaps, no traffic to discommode.
Where o'er the hill their furore rages,
Inscribed upon the journalists' pages.

Young limbs and old their torn reach,
Their spindled turns create the breach,
Cast now the ball to my call,
Swift athleticism bounds to entrail.
The roars, the swearing, limpid faring,
To re-explode in reborn daring.
Each man sets forth to claim his time,
To walk glorious at the Angellus chyme.

The little road becomes a conqueror's stem,
The lowly glen a marauders den.
Dreams woven' round each niche and bush,
A cause of love their veins to flush.
Leaping fences and gates to prove,
His limitless skill is in winning grove.
When gathering turf his grip is firm,
Interlacing dreams make reality infirm.

Let all our efforts be as one,
Native brotherhood of town - land spun.
We'd bring home a bog-stick were it of acclaim.
What we seek is our clans' might to proclaim,
An hour of pain can bring such peace in life.
For in the tales of legends is little made of strife.

While many kinfolk foreign parts have trod,
To the townie every stick is a victory rod.

"Isn't it great," will ever be recanted,
The people of this land will never be supplanted,
He is a man that holds the cup,
A boy once feared would ne'er grow up.
So healthy strong, innate of place,
Embodying the pedigree and fame of his race,
He has made it now, a champion so bold.
Well girded for the future, whatever life may hold.
He will enter his home at end of day,
Sweet lucky house of glorious happy ray.

Though I cannot play and my time is past,
Fair Captain, you raise my yearning in your grasp.
Ride on the bus, the open trailer,
Hark up you boys, fair vanished aged pallor.
The cheer of victory erases personal doubts.
But to some untrusted are the words of mouths.
Your prints upon the field, the winter rain will steal,
But returning there in dreams your hearts will ever reel.

For you the empty branches rattle their accolade,
And apples fall, nature bows in the glade,
The grasses lean to earth, briars entwine rails,
And evening mists blot out the lonely trails.
The setting sun, the shafts of joy reflect,
There is peace across the land, the reaching spires dissect.
The roadside blackberries lie decayed and wasted,
As the rich juice of victory is tasted.

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*'When everything goes against you, till
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that is just the time and place that the tide
will turn.'*

(Harriet Beecher, Stowe)

Features

Press Release Monday 9th October, 2000

Maynooth to get new Street Signage

Maynooth is shortly to have new street signage erected in the town. The move follows a request from Maynooth History Group and Maynooth Action Strategy to the Local Area Council, Kildare County Council. Street names will be in English with Irish name translations. Some of the signs will have the former English street names included.

The need for street signage in Maynooth was highlighted earlier in the year with the publication by the Local History Group of the booklet “Exploring Maynooth, five self-guide historical walks.” The booklet makes reference to street names, which may be known to local residents but in the absence of any street signage would not be known to visitors. It is hoped that the erection of street signage will further enhance Maynooth’s tourist potential.

The Street Signage will incorporate the new town crest, which was approved by the Community Council on Monday night following a competition.

Following are the Street names with the Irish name translation.

English Name	Ainm Gaelach *	Ref
Back Lane (Stable Lane)	An Lána Cúil	1
Carton Avenue	Ascaill Chartún	2
Coate’s Lane	Lána Coate	3
Convent Lane (Charter School Lane)	Lána an Chlochair	4
Court House Square	Cearnóg an Tí Cúirte	5
Cross Lane (Lime Kiln Lane)	Lána na Croise	6
Dillon’s Row	Rae Dhiolúin	7
Distillery Lane	Lána na Stiléireachta	8
Doctors Lane	Lána an Dochtúra	9
Double Lane (Chapel Lane)	An Lána Dúbailte	10
Dublin Road	Bóthar Bhaile Átha Cliath	11
Dukes Harbour	Cuan an Diúic	12
Fagan’s Lane (Cushing Lane)	Lána Fhágáin	13
Kelly’s Lane	Lána Uí Cheallaigh	14
Leinster Cottages	Iostáin Laighean	15
Leinster Street (Canal Place)	Sráid Laighean	16
Main Street (Leinster Street)	An tSráid Mhór	17

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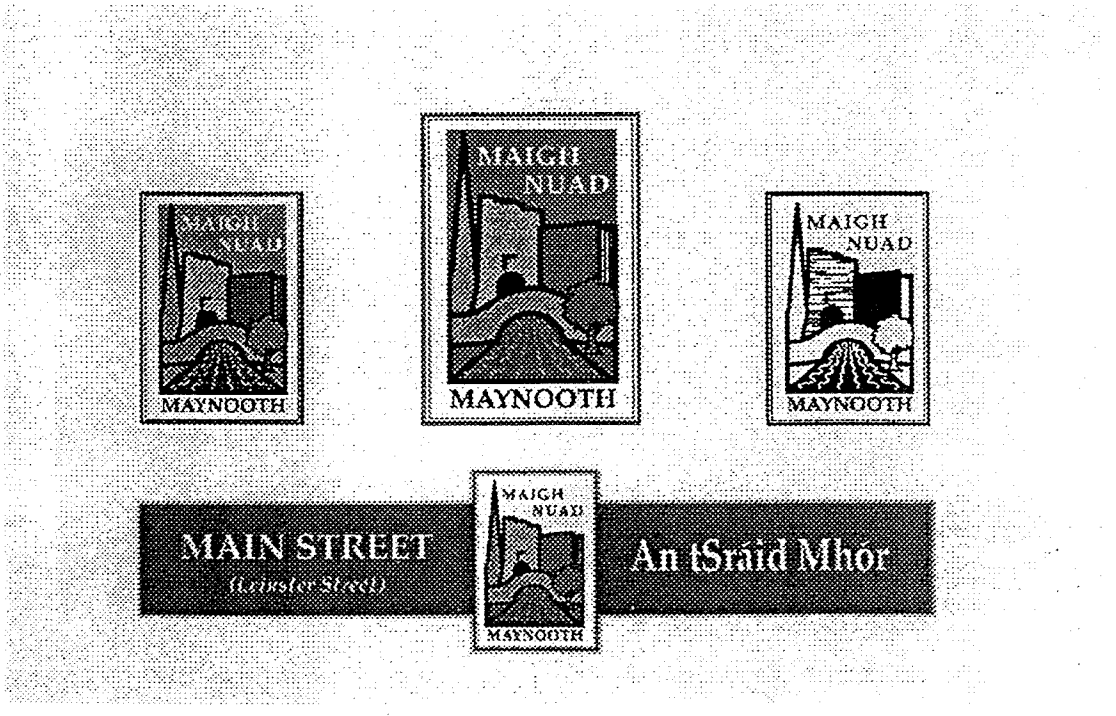
Mariaville	Mariaville	18
Mill Street (Bridge Street)	Sráid an Mhuilinn	19
Mooney’s Lane	Lána Uí Mhaonaigh	20
Parson Street	Sráid an Mhinistir	21
Pound Lane	Lána an Phóna	22
The Green	An Fhaiche	23
Straffan Road	Bóthar Theach Srafáin	24
The Mall	An Meal	25
Buckley’s Lane (Bere Street)	Lána Uí Bhuachalla	26
The Court (Buckley’s Court)	An Chúirt	27

*Irish Name translations (Ainm Gaelach) provided by Dr Séan O Cearnaigh, Oifig na Logainmeacha

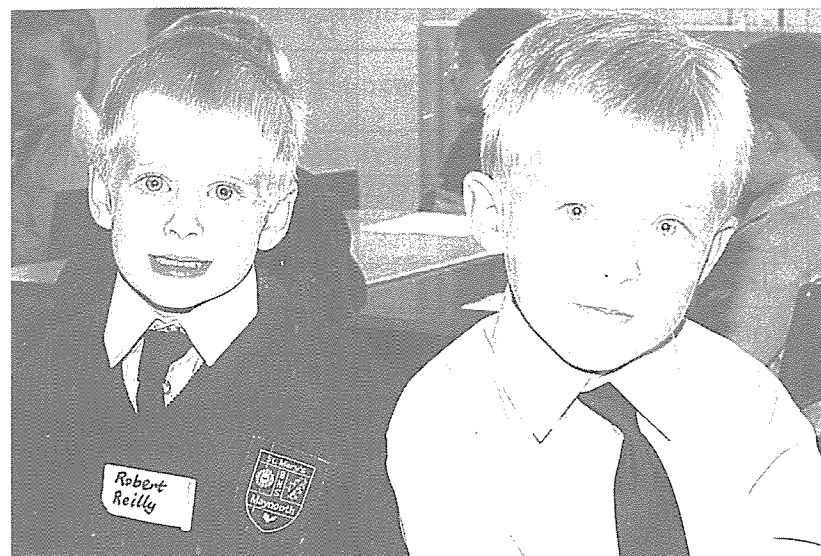
The English street names are derived from Irish Historic Towns Atlas after Arnold Horner with the exception of Distillery Lane, Mooney’s Lane, Buckley’s Lane and the Court which were derived from local sources.

The final proposed list was derived as a result of publishing a list of street names in the Maynooth Newsletter in April, soliciting feedback from local residents and including such feedback in the current proposed list. The ref. numbers refer to the numbers on the accompanying map

The attached diagram shows the crest along with the proposed new street signage.



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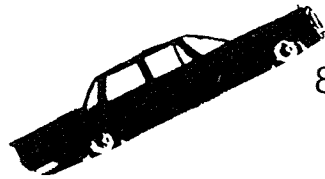
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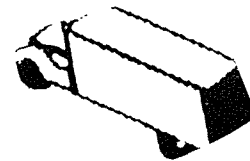
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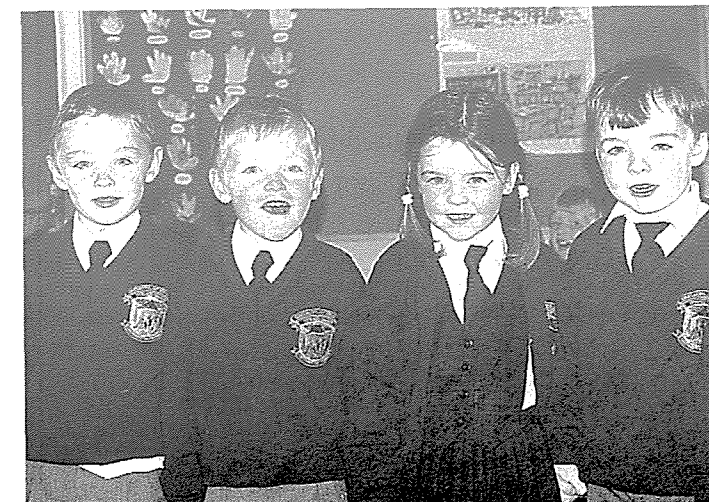
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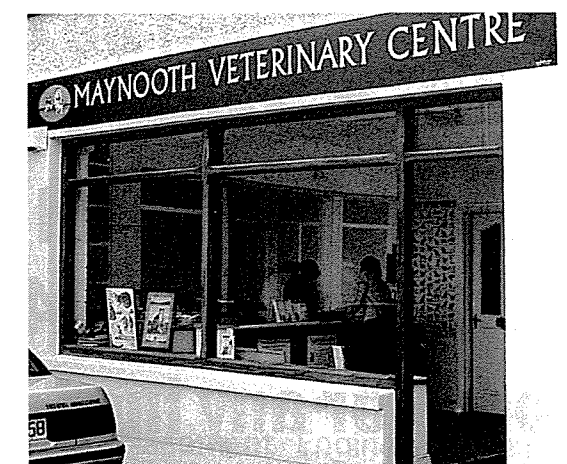
On behalf of all the animals in the area, we would like to welcome vets Paddy Jones and Donal O'Dwyer to Maynooth. They arrived from Kilcock 3 months ago and are now situated in Unit 1 Geraldine Court, (beside the Equestrian centre). Paddy and Donal are available for routine work from vaccinations to flea treatment. Operations are done as a one-day service but facilities for overnight stays are catered for too. The vets also do dental work and have an x-ray machine at their disposal. For more serious problems, animals can be referred for specialist care. The surgery hours are 9.00am – 10.00am and 6.00pm – 7.15pm. Monday to Friday. Saturday 12.30pm – 1.30pm. For appointments. For emergencies a 24 hour service is available.

Sayblu.

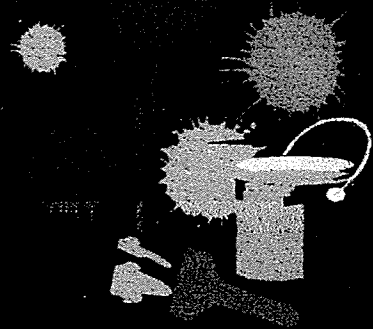
Sayblu have arrived in Maynooth. With it's fine wood and stunning blue décor, it's every modern woman's dream. Congratulations to Deirdre O'Brien and Terry Buckley for providing a wide range of fashion to suit women from eighteen to eighty. With her pleasant and helpful approach Hillary Cummins is a great asset, as manager. Sayblu carry a range of casual, day and evening wear from places as far as Belgium, France, and Germany. They also have a selection of footwear and evening bags to compliment these outfits. You will find Sayblu at the newly named Geraldine Court Unit 3. Hours Monday to Saturday 10.00am to 6.00pm.

CJ'S.

We would like to welcome CJ'S to Mill Street. Next door to Katies Flower Shop CJ'S occupies a prime spot close to the college. Colin Bolger the new owner provides a fine selection of sandwiches, rolls, salad and baguettes. Tea, coffee, cappuccino and soft drinks are also available. Hot snacks can also be enjoyed in the cosy atmosphere of CJ'S. is open – Mon – Fri 8.30 to 5.30 Sat 10.30 to 3.30pm Closed Sundays and Bank Holidays.



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Features

GAELSCOIL UI FHIAICH NEWS.

Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich pupils started the new school year on September 1st 2000. A special welcome to all our naionain shóisir (junior infants) this year's group of naionain shóisir includes four sets of twins, which is a first in the school's history!

Muinteoir nua:

We also welcome our new teacher, muinteoir Sinead Ni Dhiolúin. Sinead is now the fourth full-time teacher at Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich, along with Principal Mairín Ni Cheileachair, Aisling Ni Bhriain, Neil O' Tórrain as well as resource teacher, Maire Mhic Amhlaoigh.

Planning permission:

Our application for planning permission for our new school building was granted September 2000. Our permanent site is located on the Celbridge Road. It is a four-acre site adjacent to Laurence Avenue, across from Rockfield estate. Work will commence on the site as soon as possible. While we are waiting for a permanent school building, we will move into a six-roomed prefabricated building when it is ready on the site. Each standard size classroom in the prefabricated building will have two internal toilets and sinks. We will have four classrooms, a room for use by our resource teacher/library, a staff room with office, and a general-purpose room which will be used for PE, dancing etc. A large play area and parking facilities will also be included on the site.

Our thanks to everyone on the planning committee for all the hard work so far.

Parish Hall

While we are waiting for the new school prefabricated building, Rang 1 and 2 are temporarily using a room in the parish hall. In addition to the other facilities available in the parish hall, the pupils of Rang 1 and 2 are enjoying the added bonus of being able to play basketball during break time. Our sincere thanks to Monsignor Alex Stenson for making this facility available to us. We would also like to thank the parents who are helping out during break time as well as the parents who helped with moving class furniture.

We are also grateful to Intel and particularly to Lisa Harlow and her team who painted the classroom for us. Also thanks to parent, Alice Brennan for liaising with the Intel team. We are delighted with the extent of positive support we have received during this period of transition. Go raibh míle maith agaibh.

Irish night (oíche Gaelach):

We held a bingo Irish night on Tuesday, 26 September 2000 at the GAA hall. Bhainimid go leir taithneamh as an oíche. We hope to hold an Oíche Gaelach on a monthly basis with a different activity each month. Parents and friends are invited along to enjoy a good night.

Fundraising: sponsored walk:

We will be holding a sponsored walk on Sunday, October 8. This is the first fundraising event for the school this academic year and we hope that as many people as

possible will be able to enjoy taking part in and/or supporting this event.

SPHE:

One of the new curriculum areas is the area of Social, Personal and Health Education (SPHE). We are delighted to introduce this area into the school's schedule this term. One of our parents, Ruth Allen is undertaking a programme entitled "Education in Human Values" with each class, including Naionain shóisir and Naionain shinsir once a week. Thanks Ruth, The children are finding the programme both beneficial and enjoyable.

Extra curricular activities at Gaelscoil ui Fhiaich:

* French classes:

We are pleased that French classes will commence during the first week of October for all pupils in Rang 1 to Rang 4. The French classes will be given by Pauline. Fáilte go Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich, Pauline.

* Ranganna Rince:

We welcome back Rita Ni Dhuill who will be recommencing Irish dancing classes on Wednesdays in the ICA hall. All classes from junior infants up attend Irish dancing classes during school hours.

* Ranganna ceoil:

Violin and tin whistle lessons have been started up again during September and piano/keyboard lessons are also now available (enquiries to muinteoir Sinead). We hope to have Guitar lessons available after Christmas.

* Swimming Lessons

Rang 3 and 4 recommenced their swimming lessons during September. Rang 1 and 2 will start after Christmas.

* Sport

Rang 1 and Rang 4 will soon be starting basketball (cispheil), football (peil), camogie and hurling (iománaíocht) on Wednesday afternoons. We hope to be able to form our own school teams in these sports as the number of pupils in the school is growing.

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Party Political

Maynooth Labour News

Exiting Glenroyal Centre to be made easier:

Cllr. John McGinley's motion "That the exit from the Glenroyal Centre to the Straffan Road be widened to give right and left turning exiting lanes" was agreed at the Leixlip Area Committee Meeting of the Council on 1 September. It was also agreed that there was no need for traffic lights here because of the pending closure of Doctors Lane and the installation of traffic lights at Parklands/Railway Station junctions.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked that cycle lane and pedestrian lane crossings be clearly marked on the road across the exit so that motorists will have no doubt that pedestrians and cyclists have right of way.

Grants for Maynooth Soccer Club

Cllr. John McGinley proposed that £15,000 for recreational development be given to the Maynooth Soccer Club at the September Area Meeting of the Council. This will now go before the Full Council Meeting on 25th September for approval.

Improvement Works on Kildare Bridge, Maynooth Dunboyne Road:

Approval was given at the September Area Meeting to put the £1,178,000 improvement work proposals on public display. The proposals include the widening of the bridge and the construction of a roundabout at the junction with the Blacklion Road. In Cllr. McGinley's view these safety improvements are very badly needed and are long overdue.

Major Improvements for Maynooth Litter Management:

Cllr. John McGinleys motion "That litter bins be installed at all bus stops on the Straffan Road and Leixlip Road, Maynooth, as agreed last October and that these and all other bins be emptied on a daily basis. Furthermore, that new bins be installed between the railway and Manor Court and at the Harbour and that the necessary manpower be made available to the Area Engineer to have them emptied on a daily basis." was agreed unanimously at the September Area Meeting. Cllr. McGinley asked that the passing of the motion be brought to the County Managers attention in order to ensure its implementation.

Inputs to Drawing up the Estimates for Year 2001

The County Finance Officer attended the September Area Meeting to get individual Councillors inputs to the Estimates. Cllr. McGinley asked that financial provision be made for the following:

1. The separation of the litter management function from the roads engineering function. The present arrangement does not work as the road engineering comes first with litter management seen as an add on. This results in the streets not being swept or litter bins not being emptied if one person goes on holiday or is sick. This crazy situation must not be allowed to continue and bins must be emptied each day of the week.
2. The creation of a Parks Department to maintain public open spaces, litter management and maintaining trees in town and in housing estates.
3. Significant financial contribution to grass cutting in estates by Residents' Associations.

Banning of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV's) from Estates Agreed:

Cllr. John McGinleys motion that HGV's be banned from Moyglare Village, Meadowbrook, Meadowbrook Crescent, Greenfield Estate, Parklands and Beaufield was unanimously agreed at the September Area Meeting. The signs will be erected towards the end of this year when resources become

available.

£25,000 for Laraghbryan Cemetry Maintanace Committee:

In supporting Cllr. Griffins motion for every assistance possible, Cllr. McGinley proposed at the September Area Meeting the allocation of £15,000 in 2001 and £10,000 in 2002 to assist the Laraghbryan Cemetery Committee. This recommendation will now go before the Estimates Meetings for approval.

Kingsbry Pedestrian Lights

Cllr. McGinleys motion "that a grid be installed around the lights at the pedestrian crossing" in order to stop them from being vandalised, was agreed at the September Area Meeting. This should cost significantly less than the £6,000 estimated by Council Officials.

New Traffic Lights/Pedestrian Crossings at the Roost, Main Street, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinleys motion "That the traffic lights and pedestrian crossings agreed in the Maynooth Main Street Improvement Works for the bottom of the town be installed without any further delay" was agreed unanimously at the September Area Meeting.

Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field:

The delay in handing over these properties to the Council so they can be developed for Recreational, Social and Amenity use is very disappointing. Even though the Council agreed to the conditions laid down by the existing trustees last November the trustees have not yet released their hold on the Harbour Field. The County Secretary has agreed to write to the Trustees yet again in the interests of the community.

Blocking of Lanes by Uncaring Motorists:

Refuse has not been collected twice in the recent past from residents on Double Lane/Leinster Cottages because of illegal parking by motorists. Such disregard of the law has to be stamped out as it could easily have been the emergency services who would have been stopped from gaining access. Cllr McGinley has asked the Gardai to enforce the law and in order to assist them Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council: "That double yellow lines be painted on one side of the Lanes

Environmental Improvement Works-Greenfields

Given the decision by Minister of State Molloy to refuse funding to Kildare County Council for the Environmental Improvement Works at Greenfields, Maynooth, Deputy Emmet Stagg has tabled a Motion at Kildare County Council seeking provision in the 2001 Estimates for this work to be funded from internal Council receipts. Four other areas in the County are also affected by this decision and Deputy Stagg is also seeking funding for these.

Footpath and Road Improvements-Parson's Hall/ Castledawson

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley are still pressing Kildare County Council to provide a footpath on the Rathcoffey Road in front of Parson's Hall and Castledawson and for this work and it is hoped that work can begin in the near future.

Labour Advice Service

Deputy Emmet Stagg's Advice Service continues to be held every Saturday at 4.00pm in Caulfield's (Private Meeting Room) Deputy Stagg can also be contacted at 6272149(Home) or 6183013 (Dail).

Cllr. John McGinley can be contacted at 6285293.

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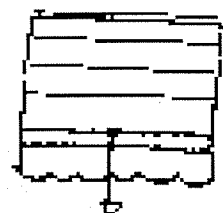
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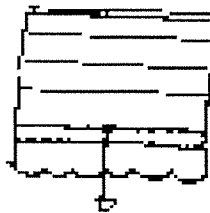
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MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES - MAYNOOTH NEWSLETTER

The Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann held a recent Committee meeting in Wednesday September 6th in the Glenroyal Hotel which was attended by Councillor Paul Kelly.

MAYNOOTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The main item on the agenda was the Maynooth Development Plan which was recently unveiled. Cllr Kelly outlined in brief the main components of the Plan and discussion took place on the content. As the Plan is open for submissions from the Public over the next 3 months, it was felt that the Cumann will be availing of that opportunity and over the next few months a lot of study and discussion will be taking place among Cumann members with a view to submitting any changes, additions or alterations that we feel might enhance the Plan for the benefit of all the inhabitants, both present and future, of Maynooth.

With this in mind, it is proposed to host a Meeting in mid - October at which Cllr Kelly can outline in further detail the Plan and how its contents can and will impact on the specific areas involved and on Maynooth as a whole.

Among the issues touched on at the Meeting were the following:-

a) Bond Bridge, Rathcoffey road, the Meadowbrook link road and Joan said river work is due to begin on the above before December. Disruption should be kept to a minimum during works being carried out as it involves a new bridge being built alongside the existing bridge initially and therefore access will remain.

b) It is proposed that just under 145 acres of land will be zoned for residential use, ensuring demand for housing will be somewhat reached and also encompassing 20 per cent low income housing will be provided everywhere.

c) Approximately 60 acres of land will be set aside for Park/Public amenity spaces. Cllr Paul Kelly pointed out that this is the first time that land will be set aside for managed Parks in Maynooth, which will come under the auspices of a Parks Committee to be set up by Kildare County Council. All houses around these parks will face onto the park areas for safety and security reasons.

d) Carton Avenue to be upgraded - in tandem with Maynooth Action Strategy. A 10 page plan was drawn up and presented to Minister McCreevy on June 15th when he visited Carton Avenue. This is an issue where the Cumann feels it can ensure that all efforts will be made to progress this venture. Minister McCreevy was particularly impressed with the

Plan presented and felt its adoption would be a notable "community gain". The Cumann are now working actively with the Minister and Cllr Kelly and it is likely to be an important part of our prospective submissions to the Council re the Development Plan.

e) A hugely important part of the Plan is of course the infrastructure included. The long - term plan is to have a ring road going around the outskirts of the town. The members emphasised that major importance should be attached to infrastructure being put in place before development so as to avoid the same problems of the past being experienced again. Difficulties relating to the practicalities of this were exemplified by the fact that a road to connect the Moyglare road and Dunboyne roads would have to pass through a section of County Meath and therefore would involve the necessary agreement of Meath County Council. Paul noted that a new levy system is to be put into place to help finance this infrastructure whereby these levies would be imposed as soon as a planning application went through and their purpose would not have to be specified, unlike the present requirements. These levies would be qualified as being for general improvement of Maynooth.

f) Approximately 20 acres of playing pitches are to be set aside for youth sport.

g) Maynooth Town Centre - The views and fabric of the Main Street and town centre are to be preserved. There will be a fixed height limitation around the town centre to be applied to apartments etc.

Again the above represents a very brief overview of the Development Plan. The Cumann recommends that all residents in Maynooth should visit the Library and examine the Plan and make representations they feel might be appropriate, beneficial or necessary to Kildare County Council directly or more particularly to Councillor Paul Kelly who will "air" those issues and contributions on behalf of the residents of Maynooth, Paul can be contacted at 6243624. Again any Cumann member can be approached to bring those views or ideas to the attention of Paul who will have a direct impact on the final draft to be adopted.

Budget Submission

The Cumann are currently investigating issues for submission to the Minister for possible inclusion in the Budget due in December. Minister McCreevy will be visiting us in Maynooth on 7th October and we plan to submit our ideas to him then. Perhaps again if anyone feels they have a good idea that should be included for consideration we would invite them to contact any cumann members at the numbers listed at the end of this article.

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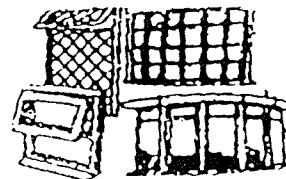
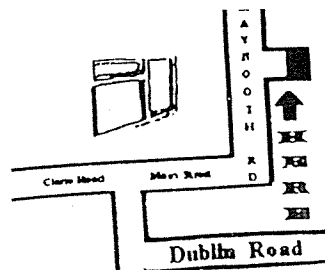
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Bus shelter at stop opposite Glenroyal Hotel.

Charlie McCreevy has written to the Manager of Dublin Bus regarding the provision of a shelter at the bus stop listed above. As this turning point is to be revamped in 2001, it would seem an appropriate opportunity to consider the provision of a shelter which would be designed to take the concern about possible vandalism into account.

Cllr. Paul Kelly has proposed motions at the Leixlip Area meeting on 1st September on the following issues.

1- the adoption of a "name and shame" policy for Litter Act offences - this motion was agreed and will be presented to the next Council meeting as a recommendation.

2- Cllr. Kelly proposed the sale of home composting bins through a wide range of outlets such as the area office in Maynooth. At present the bins are only sold from Council headquarters in Naas.

3- Paul has also asked the county Finance Officer to consider proposals in the draft estimates, upon which work is now starting for: additional traffic calming measures in urban area; and a separate environmental Services/Cleaning Dept - possibly in conjunction with the new Parks Dept - to ensure 7 day street cleaning in Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge as well as cleaning and maintenance of Council owned Parks.

Minister Mary O'Rourke, Dept. of environment - Maynooth Train Service.

Minister O'Rourke has written to the Chairman of the Cumann, Mr. Gearoid Lohan detailing the update on the Maynooth-Mullingar train route. A synopsis follows:-

In June 1998 E.U. Structural funding was allocated for the upgrade of the route particularly between Maynooth and Dublin as the huge growth in demand rocketed. At present £40 million is being spent as follows:-

Track Signalling £18 million

To date nearly all the track is relayed between the City Centre and Mullingar. A second track between Clonsilla and Mullingar. A second track between Clonsilla and Maynooth and the city Centre will be completely automated and all road level crossings will be centrally controlled by CCTV. Within 3 years the track and signalling will be upgraded in Mullingar. A second track between clonsilla and maynooth is being installed. the completion date is December 2000. By Spring 2001 the signalling system between Maynooth and the City Centre will be completely automated and all road level crossings will be centrally controlled by CCTV. Within 3 years the track and signalling will be upgraded in Mullingar.

Platforms £2million

A number of platforms have been lengthened to facilitate the introduction of longer trains and this work will be contin-

ued.

Station £4 million.

The new station in Kilcock was opened in 1998 and at present all Stations between Maynooth and the City Centre are being rebuilt to include: new PA system, Mobility Impaired access, new lighting, passenger help points, CCTV and real time train information. Park and ride facilities at Coolmine and Maynooth Stations have been extended to accommodate additional cars.

Train Services

From Spring 2001, 20 new Diesel rail cars will be allocated to the Maynooth route. Two new peak-time services will be introduced to include a new service from Longford at 07.10. A new service from the City Centre to Mullingar will leave at 07.40. A half hourly off-peak service will operate from Maynooth to the City Centre.

I believe the brief outline given by the Minister above shows the ongoing commitment of this government to the improvement and modernisation of the transport system and infrastructure necessary for the populations needs in this rapidly expanding and technology driven economy. It is very good news for the commuters of Maynooth.

Cumann support for local T.D. and Minister for Finance Charlie McCreevy

The following is a copy of a Press release issued by the Maynooth fianna Fail cumann to the media in relation to the Minister and our support for him.

"At its recent Committee Meeting held in the Glenroyal Hotel on September 6th, the Maynooth fianna fail cumann passed a unanimous motion of support in its local T.D. and minister, Charlie McCreevy. Recognising that an error of judgement has been made in the nomination of Mr. Hugh O'flaherty, which the Minister himself has acknowledged, it was felt that the issue has perand that some elements of the national media has applied little if any perspective in its sensationalist coverage.

The Cumann recognised the excellent work Minister McCreevy has done both locally in North Kildare and nationally in his management of the economy. The meeting felt that the nomination of Mr. Michael Tutty to the EIB post was very appropriate and an excellent choice, and that all focus should now be on the real challenges which face the Government on Health, Housing, inflation, infrastructure and the recent rise in violence."

In next months edition of the Newsletter I will detail, among other things, the Meeting addressed by Dr. Martin Manseragh, Special Advisor to the Taoiseach on Northern Ireland, which took place in the Glenroyal Hotel on 25th September. Again anyone wishing to contact a Cumann member should contact us at the following numbers on any issue they want or indeed if they would like to make enquiries concerning how to join the Cumann.

Brid Feely 6286647, Gearoid Lohan 6289187 or any other cumann members they know. Once again all are welcome to visit our website at www.fiannafail.ie/maynooth.

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1/4 teaspoons, baking powder

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2. Add the flour, beaten egg, mixed spice and baking powder. Mix well together.

3. Put into a greased lined 8 inch tin, place a piece of tinfoil on top.

Bake in a moderate oven for about 2 hours.

Baked Marrow

Serves 4
You will need:
1 med sized marrow
8 oz butter
2 tablespoons fresh chopped parsley
2oz breadcrumbs
Sea salt and freshly ground black peper
1 egg, free range if possible
Some grated cheese
2 oz button mushrooms
2 oz tomatoes
Cooking time 1 hour
Oven temp, 180 (350f) gas mark 4

Method:

1. Peel the marrow, cut it in half lengthways and scoop out the seeds. Peel the onion and chop it finely. Chopped the mushrooms and tomatoes. Melt the butter and fry the onion for 5 mins until soft, but not brown, then add the minced meat and seal over a high heat for a few minutes.

2. Remove the pan from the heat, blend in the chopped parsley and Breadcrumb's also the tomatoes and mushrooms season the stuffing with the salt and pepper. Beat the egg lightly and use it to bind the stuffing

3. Spoon the stuffing into the two marrow halves and put them together. Tie in place with two or three pieces of fine string, and wrap the stuffed marrow in buttered foil. Place in a roasting tin and bake in the oven. If you like you can sprinkle the grated cheese over the marrow and return to the oven for a few minutes. Cut the stuffed marrow into thick slices and serve with roast potatoes. If you don't want to use meat you can stuff the marrow with vegetables and cheese and serve with rice.

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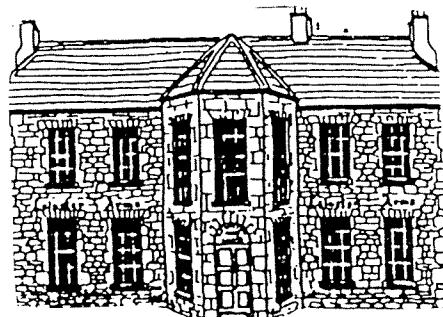
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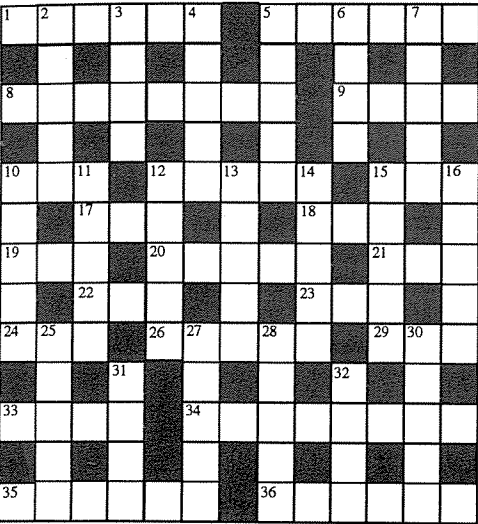
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Crossword No. 153



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- Across
- 1. Shriek (6)
 - 5. Debase (6)
 - 8. Scare (8)
 - 9. Ooze (4)
 - 10. Toupee (3)
 - 12. Managed (5)
 - 15. Total (3)
 - 17. Meadow (3)
 - 18. Tear (3)
 - 19. Spring (3)
 - 20. Rascal (5)
 - 21. Sort (3)
 - 22. Cur (3)
 - 23. Skill (3)
 - 24. Watch (3)
 - 26. Possessed (5)
 - 29. Stray (3)
 - 33. Secure (4)
 - 34. Story-teller (8)
 - 35. Combined (6)
 - 36. Pact (6)

- Down:
- 2. Dog breed (5)
 - 3. Border (4)
 - 4. Saying (5)
 - 5. Thick (5)
 - 6. Method (4)
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- 10. Squander (5)
- 11. Clearing (5)
- 12. Freight (5)
- 13. Heathen (5)
- 14. Fear (5)
- 15. Malice (5)
- 16. Manufacturer (5)
- 25. Long (5)
- 27. Declined (5)
- 28. Heron (5)
- 30. Perch (5)
- 31. Adroit (4)
- 32. Paddle (4)

Solution to Crossword No..152

Across: 7 March; 8 Compute; 9 Arbiter; 10 Heart; 12 Oppression; 15 Amateurish; 18 Evoke; 19 Retract; 21 Council; 22 Rouse

Down: 1 Immaculate; 2 Tribe; 3 Chat; 4 Scorer; 5 Emphasis; 6 Lunatic; 11 Tongue-tied; 13 Pretence; 14 Baroque; 16 Rarely; 17 Vague; 20 Tire

Sport

MAYNOOTH GAA FOOTBALL REPORT
Senior Football League Division one.
10th September 2000
Maynooth 0 - 10
Naas 1 - 10

This was Maynooth's first game in competitive football for a number of weeks due to Kildare's prolonged run in the All-Ireland championship. Maynooth started the game well and matched Naas point for point in an entertaining and hard fought first half.

An opportunist goal from Naas corner forward Declan Lackey gave Naas A 1-4 to 0-3 advantage at half-time.

The second half followed a similar pattern to the first half but Maynooth will rue a second half penalty miss which would have brought the teams level, with ten minutes left.

Maynooth tried hard to pull the deficit back but a determined Naas held out for two valuable league points.

Maynooth team and scorers:

James Gallagher, Mickey Noone(Captain), Pascal Ennis, Darragh Carr, Niall Byrne, Paul Stynes, Peter Kinsella, Niall Naughton(0-1), Eamonn Gallagher(0-2), Johnny Nevin, Derek Fleming(0-1), Padge O'Sullivan(0-1) Paul Garvey(0-6, 4 frees), Stephen Noonan, Tom Farrell.

Subs: Alan Geoghegan for Stephen Noonan(injured).

Maynooth have a number of League games to play

They are as follows:

- Home v Carbury
- Away v Leixlip
- Home v Caragh
- Home v Ellistown
- Away v Round Towers

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Versus

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The League continues for the months of September and October with the fixture list as follows:

- v Celbridge
- v Clane
- v Moorfield
- v Sarsfields
- v Na Fianna
- v St. Laurences

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SYMPATHIES:

Glynn (Moyglare Stud, Maynooth, Co. Kildare) - Sept. 18, 2000, (peacefully), after 4 short illness, at the Mater Hospital. William (Billy), beloved husband of Lilly and dear father of Michael, Mary and Ann; deeply regretted and sadly missed by his loving wife, family, sons-in-laws Brian and Francis, grandchildren Eric and Hazel, sister May, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends, RIP.

KENNEDY (nee **Linnane**) (Killeaney, Maynooth, Co. Meath) - Sept. 7, 2000, (peacefully), at the Mater Hospital, Eileen, greatly missed by her beloved husband Seamus, her children Derval, Colm, Ian, Kieren and Alma, her sisters Mary and Patsy, her father-in-law, brothers-in-law, Sisters-in-law, cousins, nieces, nephews, and a large circle of friends. R.I.P.

CARR (Killeaney, Maynooth, late of Fanad, Co. Donegal) - Sept 6, 2000, at Blanchardstown Hospital, after a short illness, Hannah; sadly missed by her brother, sister, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, nieces, nephews and a large circle of friends. R.I.P.

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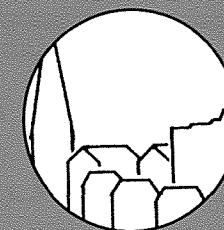


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INSIDE



Special Christmas - New Year Issue

This month's Newsletter is a bumper issue covering December and January, so there is plenty of reading for these long winter nights. Lots of clubs and organisations are gearing up for Christmas and it promises to be a lively holiday season in the town. There are full reports of all these planned activities in this issue. The Senior Citizens will have two outings to look forward to - their Annual Dinner on December 10th and a Christmas Party on December 12th. How do they keep up the pace? There is a special time of year for children and, as in previous years, we reproduce some of our local children's letters to Santa. For others it is a time for looking back and we reproduce some old photographs of Maynooth in times gone by in this issue - a feature we hope to continue with in the New Year. Msg. Stenson and Rev. Wilkinson have kindly contributed Christmas messages to remind us what the festivities are all about.

On local issues we feature the closure of Kavanaghs and there are also several contributions on the Draft Development for Maynooth - to be decided early in 2001.

To all our readers - a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

IN THIS ISSUE:

- Letters to Santa, Predictions for 2001
- Pictures from the Past
- Christmas Messages from Local Clergy
- Flooding in Maynooth
- Tributes to Phil Brady & Dr. Cullen
- and much more . . .



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DIARY DATES

9th December	A Craft Development Day Post Primary I.C.A
4th- 15th December	Art Exhibition in Library, Main St., Maynooth
19th, 20th, 21st, 26th 27th and 28th January 2001	Jack & the Beanstalk
10th December	Celbridge Abbey Christmas Fair, Santa's Grotto
11th December	Maynooth GAA AGM Club House's Moyglare Rd.
10th December	Senior Citizens Annual Dinner Straffan Lodge Hotel
12th December	Christmas Party Super Valu

EDITORIAL

The Plan

The Draft Development Plan for Maynooth is now back with Kildare Co. Council. The closing date for submissions on the draft plan was November 30th last and it is believed a number of local groups have proposed amendments to the plan. The County Manager and other Co. Council officials hosted a public meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on November 20th which was designed to explain the plan to the public and provide an opportunity for local people to air their views. Our four local councillors also attended. The council officials will have left the meeting in no doubt as to the strong views held by the people of Maynooth regarding the draft plan and the Co. Council's past record in developing the town. Traffic, parking, flooding, litter and lack of facilities were just some of the issues which speakers identified as being inadequately addressed by the Council in the past. The draft plan to cover the year 2001-2006, aspires to provide new ring roads, additional parking, seven day street cleaning and new recreational and cultural facilities. And that is to be welcomed. But judging by the tone of the Glenroyal meeting, unless those aspirations are turned into reality the Co. Manager and his officials might be well advised to wear armour plating when they come to Maynooth in five years time to sell the next plan!

Deaths in Maynooth

The Newsletter would like to extend its sympathy to the relatives and friends of Phil Brady, Allen Gaffney and Dr. John Cullen who all died recently. Phil Brady and John Cullen were long standing residents of Main St. and, in their different ways, had contributed much to the local community over the years. Allen's death at just 23 was particularly tragic. The huge attendance at his funeral reflected his popularity and the impact his sudden death had on the town.

Shop Local

A feature in this month's Newsletter looks at shopping in Maynooth for that elusive Christmas present -something classy and inexpensive. And there is plenty to choose from. Why battle your way into Dublin, paying for transport and parking, and increasing your blood pressure, when you can shop in comfort here in Maynooth. Support your local businesses and, in particular, our advertisers, without whose support the Newsletter itself would be out of business!

The Newsletter - Future Plans

Over the past few months we have experienced some difficulties in producing the Newsletter on time and to a standard with which we could be satisfied. As a result we have decided to publish a bumper Christmas / New Year issue rather than separate December and January issues. So the copy date for the next issue is Monday, January 22nd which will be in the shops in early February.

And finally - a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year to all our readers, contributors and advertisers.

Note: copydate - Jan 22nd

Community Council Notes

Co - options

Six new people were co-opted to the Community Council, representing Rockfield, Parklands, Parson Lodge, Senior Citizens Group and Maynooth Flower Club.

Development Plan

At a previous meeting the Development Plan was fully outlined by Senan Griffin and John McGinley - a total of 150 acres to be rezoned for housing including 14 acres on the Dunboyne Rd, O'Neill Park 1.8 acres, Castledawson - Rathcoffey Rd - 32 acres; Moyglare Rd - 48 acres. Also in the plan is a 60 acre park at Carton Avenue, and a 7 acres park at Carton Court and Greenfield Drive. Ring roads are to be introduced to improve traffic circulation in the town including Old Dublin road to Celbridge Road and on to the Straffan Road and a major link from Laraghbryan to the Moyglare Road. This link is planned to be completed over several years. The plan also provides 10 acres for the GAA, and the schools 10 acres, Soccer Club - 10 acres, also land for the Gael Scoil on the Celbridge Road. Senan Griffin felt it was a pity that the Planning Alliance didn't send a Representative to the meeting so some of their concerns could be addressed. The Action Area Plan is to include the development of the Harbour Field but as this situation is not finalised nothing can be done yet.

Meadowbrook Link

It was felt that it was important that this Link Road goes ahead. It was hoped that it would be developed to a high standard to take all the extra traffic that would come from all the housing that is planned.

Floods in Maynooth

After the disastrous flooding in Maynooth it was felt that Kildare Community Council will have to make sure that all drains are kept clean. John Doogan said, he wants to know what K.C.C. is going to do so we will not have the same problems again on the motorway. It was stated that there is a pipe from the motorway going into the Meadowbrook stream. With all the new development planned where will all the surface water go? A letter was received from John McGinley stating that he has put a motion for Kildare County Council regarding the flooding in Maynooth.

Parsons Lodge-Submission to County Council

A letter was received from Parson Lodge Residents Association objecting to the development of a four storey block of apartments to be built at Parson Lodge. It was agreed to support them with their submission to Kildare County Council.

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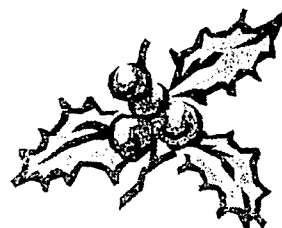
Maynooth Action Strategy has launched its new web site. It will be known as www.maynooth-ireland.com. It is hoped that all social groups, sporting bodies and all organisations in Maynooth will be on line soon. There is also a wealth of local information on the site. Congratulations to all involved in setting this project up and going.



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Castlebridge 1 seat, vacant
Castle Dawson 2 seats, vacant

Greenfield 3 seats, 2 vacant

Kingsbry 5 seats, 1 vacant

Lyreen Park/ Nangle 2 seats, vacant

Meadowbrook 4 seats, 3 vacant

Moyglare Abbey 2 seats, 1 vacant

Moyglare Road/M. Meadows/ M. Village 4 seats, 2 vacant

Newtown/Woodlands/Ashley Court - 2 seats, 1 vacant

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Outlying Area A 1 seat, vacant

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Parklands 5 seats, 2 vacant

Parson Hall 2 seats, vacant

Pebble Hill 2 seats, vacant

Railpark/ Straffan 1 seat, vacant

Railpark Estate 2 seats, vacant

Rockfield 5 seats, 2 vacant

Silken Vale 2 seats, 1 vacant

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If you want to put yourself forward as a member please contact one of the councillors or Muireann Ni Bhrolchain, Secretary, Maynooth Community Office, Convent Road, Maynooth or ring the office 6285053

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Connell, Peter	27 College Green	College Green
Doddy, Eugene	10 Parklands Rise	Parklands
Croghan, Paul (Pdo)	81 Moyglare	Moyglare Village
Doogan, John (Chm)	22 Meadowbrook Court	Meadowbrook
Dornan, Dorothy	17 Moyglare Abbey	ICA
Duncan, P.J.	52 Moyglare Abbey	Moyglare Abbey
Durack, Susan	158 Kingsbry	Kingsbry
Farrell, Richard	11 Greenfield Drive	Greenfield Estate
Fitzgerald, Mary	10 Parklands Sq.	Parklands
Flynn, Peter	21 Rockfield Grv.	Rockfield
Fox, Tom		Rockfield
Gallagher, Hugh	22 Rockfield Grn.	Rockfield
Gleeson, Marie	5 Straffan Road	Greenfield Estate
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Hogan, Noel	Student Union	NUIM
Lennon, Joan		Senior Citizens
McCann, Gerald	102 Moyglare Vil.	Moyglare Village
McGinley, John	50 Greenfield Dr.	Greenfield Estate
McMullan, Tom	63 Cluain Aoibhinn	Cluain Aoibhinn
Moloney, Maeve	17 Woodlands	Woodlands
Mooney, Bronwyn	Kealstown	Outlying
Moynan, Patricia	209 Kingsby	Kingsbry
Ni Bhrolchain, M. (Sec.)	58 Laurence Ave.	Greenfield Estate
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Saults, Christina	9 Parson Street	Parson St.
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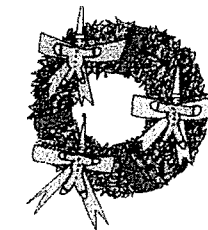
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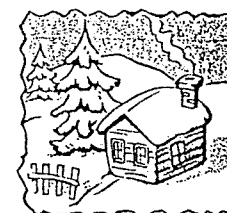
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WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Community Council have set up a waste management committee which hopes to work in conjunction with other groups in the area to raise awareness in the community as to the importance of reducing our refuse and trying, as far as possible, to reuse and recycle.

The Newsletter hopes to publish a short series on the various elements of waste management and to give tips on what is possible without too much trouble.

Composting

This is a good time of the year to begin composting although you can begin at any time. As summer bedding plants die off and the leaves need to be cleaned up they can be composted instead of disposing of them in the garbage collection.

Any small garden can have a compost heap or bin. A compost bin is available from Kildare County Council for £20, they can be bought from the garden centres or you use an old container or simply leave it in the corner of the garden. Within a year it will produce brown, sweet, crumbly compost. This saves money on fertilizer and it can be spread in the late spring and early summer when your new bedding plants are put down.

What can you put in?

Most perishable household rubbish can be composted and re-used in the garden such as vegetable peels, skins and food. Kitchen paper, paper, cardboard, newspapers in small amounts (the cardboard will compost better if they are torn up before being put into the compost)

Most garden rubbish can be added particularly grass cuttings, leaves, flowers, vegetables

Cigarettes butts

Ashes from the fire

Non-woody prunings.

What to avoid in the compost heap

Glass

Metals

Plastic (bags etc.)

Diseased plants, weeds, rose cuttings or plants with thorns or nettles

Meat

Used paper tissues

You can use the compost on flowerbeds, as a mulch, in pots or making up potting mixture for plants.

Reuse / Recycle for Christmas

Bring your own shopping bags with you - refuse to take the plastic bags offered

Try to avoid packaged goods as much as possible

Keep wrapping paper and re-use. Open presents carefully so that the paper is not torn and fold it away for next year

Keep and re-use envelopes - if only among family members

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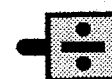
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The Maynooth Guild of the Irish Countrywomen's Association have organised a varied schedule of events for the coming months. New members continue to call in and are made very welcome. If you have always thought of joining the ICA now is the time; or if you are a newcomer to Maynooth come along to the meeting on the first Thursday of each month 8pm at the ICA Hall at the Harbour.

A craft development day for members will be held in the Post-Primary school on Saturday 9 December.

In November the delegates attended a county Kildare ICA federation meeting at Ballymore Eustace. Betty Farrell's elegant floral pedestal arrangements had a perfect setting at Saint John's Church in Kill. We congratulate Teresa Brennan on her very efficient organisation of the day at An Grianan Adult College, Termonfechin, Co Louth. Aileen Hayden's Christmas craft classes and Marie McGuirk's coker were admired. Mary McNamara's outing, with twenty members, to the Gaiety Theatre for the R. & R. with Carousel was treasured. Thanks to our very efficient driver, Eileen and Lambert Coaches. Friends gathered at the Glenroyal hotel in Maynooth Wednesday 22 November for a good-will lunch for a young Chanain student. the guild made a generous donation.

Next week the ladies begin Christmas celebrations with dinner at the newly refurbished Springfield Hotel.

Next year the guild

will contribute to www.maynooth-ireland.com. Other features are music, set-dancing and waltzing competitions, a quiz, knitting and photography.

Recent competition winners were
 1. Teresa Brennan and Dorothy Dornan
 2. Betty Farrell
 3. Bernie King and Margaret Houlihan.
 Raffle winners were
 1. Maeve Moloney
 2. Maryese Killian
 3. Eileen Flynn.

On Mondays at 8 pm members meet for handcrafts; decoupage classes were well attended. Badminton in the Parish Hall on Tuesday mornings 10.30 - 12 noon.

Remembrance services

In November we remembered, in a special way, our loved ones at our service of remembrance. Thank you to Eilis O'Malley for her empathetic co-ordination of the service. A federation memorial service was held in Kill church on Friday 17 November.

Congratulations to Alison Williams

Congratulations to Alison Williams, daughter of Tyrone and Tina of Woodlands, on winning this terrific bike in the sponsored walk. Alison, who is learning to read very well, is a great Pokemon fan. Alison and her Daddy have twice climbed the Sugar Loaf mountain in Co. Wicklow. She swims at the Glenroyal Leisure Centre. She looks forward to cycling around Woodlands in the future (but only when her Mummy and Daddy say so!). Alison and her friends always wear their helmets when cycling. Her sixth birthday will be in March.

The other lucky winners were Jennifer Boyd, Clara Farrell, Nicole Feeney, Harpreet Gill, Nicola O'Hurley, Caitriona O'Malley, Aoife Reilly, Fiona Termain, Aisling Wall and Samantha Ward. They enjoyed their trip to Liffey Valley to spend their very welcome prize of £10 gift vouchers.



Presentation Convent National School Maynooth. Alison Williams, on her new bike, with lucky Liffey Valley £10 gift voucher prize winners.

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MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Paul Croghan, Secretary of Maynooth Tidy Towns reviews the tidy towns activities this year and looks at the groups plan for 2001

2000 Busiest year ever for Tidy Towns

The first year of the new millennium has been one of the busiest years in recent times for Maynooth Tidy Towns. The small voluntary committee undertook a large number of projects this year including the special National Millennium Committee "Green Town 2000" Competition. As usual we participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Our Best Estates and Shop front competitions were also a big success this year.

What we achieved in 2000

Since the termination of our Community Employment project in June 1998, all work relating to tidy towns is completed on a voluntary basis. The purpose of tidy towns is not to undertake the daily maintenance of the town, but to promote and undertake projects that will enhance the town. The main work here relates to the flowerbeds and landscaping around the town. We increased our marks by six in the National Tidy Towns Competition 2000, continuing our upward movement in marks from 159 in 1996 to 184 this year. Our aim for 2001 is to break the 200-mark barrier. For comparison the results achieved by Celbridge this year was 204 marks and Leixlip 192 marks.

Community efforts were vital in 2000

This year we decided to write to about thirty local groups and organisations to seek their help with the work needed in the town to maintain our marks in the competition and improve our environment. Some of the people we need to thank are most residents associations for the work in their estates. Carton Court, Kingsbry, Greenfield and Parklands Residents Associations for their help with the weeding on the Straffan Road. Also the Maynooth Fianna Fail cumann for the work on the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road and the Labour Party branch for their help on the Straffan Road. The Gaffney Family for their help with the maintenance of verges on Convent Lane. The Post-Primary School and Kairos Communications and the Residents of Moyglare Meadows, for their work on the Moyglare Road.

Again this year, The Maynooth Flower and Garden Club worked with us on the shrub beds at the Church and the flowerpots at the Maynooth Library and in Carton Avenue. In particular our gratitude is due to Mrs Baxter and Mrs Desmond. We would also like to acknowledge Eddie Treacy for his help here. "Intel Involved", the voluntary community programme operated by Intel helped us again this year with the shrub beds at the Church and with tree planting near the Straffan Lodge Hotel on the Barberstown Road. To the many others who helped us, please accept our greatest appreciation for your efforts.

Tommie Holmes- Maynooth Tidy Towns: Person of Year

Maynooth Tidy Towns were always wondering why the entrance to Parklands and Castlebridge is always litter free. Investigations revealed that one of Maynooth's most senior citizens undertook a daily clean up in this area. Quietly leading by example is how Tommie Holmes is showing us how to maintain the environment in Maynooth. Tricked into coming to our annual prize-giving ceremony in October, Tommie was awarded our special prize of Maynooth Tidy Towns Person of the Year.

Best Estates and Shop front Competitions sponsored by Coonan Estate Agents.

These competitions were again sponsored by Coonans and attracted keen interest from the competitors. The following picked up the prizes this year.

Best Shop Front:	Ua Buachalla
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Most Improved Small Estate:	College Green
Runner up - Best Small Estate:	Castlebridge
Winner - Best Small Estate:	Parsons Lodge
Most Improved Large Estate:	Castledawson
Runner up - Best Large Estate:	Parklands
Winner - Best Large Estate:	Rockfield

Green Town 2000

Maynooth Tidy Towns entered this millennium competition with a project around waste reduction and recycling. We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of a number of people in this project. Representatives of the schools were very helpful and a special thanks to everyone that took part in the spring-clean in May/June.

Woodlands - Litter Free Residential Area

As part of Green Town 2000, we held a competition for the Residential Area with the least amount of litter. The winner was Woodlands who scored full marks as the judges could not find a single piece of litter in Woodlands when they were judging this competition.

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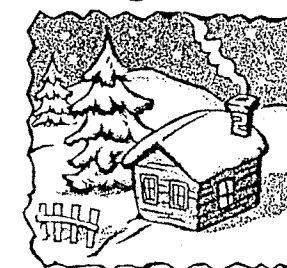
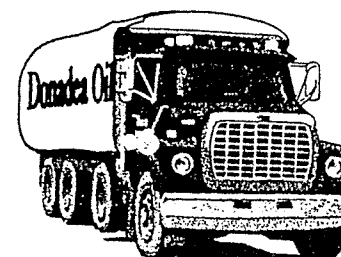
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Tidy Towns Recycling Wall chart – Education may encourage action

Almost every house in the town will have received a copy of our recycling information wall chart during November. Special mention must be given to Dr. John Sweeney, NUI, Maynooth, for his help in producing this wall chart. Full credit also to Mr. Dara Wyer, Local Agenda 21 Officer with Kildare County Council for his support and assistance with funding for parts of this project.

Sunday Morning voluntary Clean up suspended

Maynooth Tidy Towns has arranged a voluntary Sunday Morning Clean up for the past five years. A group of eight people many who were not otherwise associated with Tidy Towns undertook a clean up of the town centre, mainly in the Main Street and Back lanes. We know that this was greatly appreciated by the Traders in the town, because no street cleaning took place between Friday and Mondays. However, with the increasing effort required and the fact that no new volunteers came forward, the eight people involved Richard Farrell (Greenfield), Des Matthews (Woodlands), Liam Hayes (Rockfield), Pat Dunne (Rockfield), Eddie McCarthy (Woodlands), John Gillick (Rockfield) John Sweeney (Moyglare Road) and sometimes Paul Croghan (Moyglare Village) deserved a break, so the clean up has been suspended. Some Residents of Parson Lodge still undertake a regular clean up in Parson street and the Harbour areas.

Tidy Towns Plans for 2001

There are a number of target issues for 2001, which will be tackled early in the year. These include lobbying for a seven-day street cleaning service. More bins, in areas where none currently exist and an extension of the bin emptying service. We are grateful to Maynooth Credit Union for their offer to pay for more bins in the Main Street area. We will be looking to Kildare County Council to do more work with the approach roads to the town as well as the back lanes as these areas are bringing down the marks in the tidy towns competition. We will also be looking to Kildare County Council for a commitment to paying for some of the grass cutting costs in some open spaces, as we are unable to continue all of this work ourselves. The two most important areas are the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road which need to be redesigned as buses are driving over them despite the fact that we replanted them with community support this year.

Robert O'Reilly, key to Tidy Towns effort

Without the efforts of our Chairman, Mr. Robert O' Reilly there would be no possibility of progress for Maynooth in Tidy Towns. Robert, who is retired, spends much of his time cutting Carton Avenue and the other green areas around the town during the summer. He takes particular pride in Carton Avenue and spends over five hours a week in keeping it as an attractive passive amenity area for the people of Maynooth. We in Tidy Towns, as well as the people of Maynooth owe him a personal debt of gratitude for his efforts.



Tidy Towns Awards Ceremony 2000 - Glenroyal Hotel
Presentation of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Person of the Year Award to Mr. Tommie Holmes.

L - R Mr. Tommie Holmes, Paul Croghan, Mattie Callaghan, Robert O'Reilly, Richard Farrell and Mrs Holmes.



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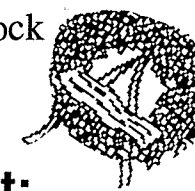
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MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Annual Sale of work took place on Sunday November, 19th and was once again a huge success. Many thanks to all who contributed or helped in any way. A special thanks to Tesco Supermarket for their generosity to our ticket sellers and to Sean Donovan, Londis for his continual support. The sum raised was £6,780.18 for which we are very thankful indeed. Congratulations to all who won prizes on the day especially Teresa Doyle from, Ballymagillan who won our 'Monster Hamper.' (See results of draw elsewhere).

Our Annual Dinner will take place on Sun, December 10th at 5pm in the Straffan Lodge Hotel, (Formally Dowdstown) for which I trust you all have your names in by now. When everyone has sobered up from that event we will have another party on Tuesday Night December, 12th, courtesy of SuperValue. This has become an annual event to which we all look forward. Many thanks to Brian Murphy for his generosity. It is nice to see all the big stores in the area, while looking to the future, respecting the past. Well done to all of you.

Our morning club will close for holidays on Thursday December, 14th and will reopen on January, 16th 2001. Meanwhile, May I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and joy throughout the coming year.

Finally, it was with great sadness that I learned of the death of Dr. John Cullen. I first got to know John in the early 60s when, as a young teenager, I joined the newly formed Branch of the Red Cross and he was our Medical adviser. Out of this organisation John, along with Dr. Brendan O'Donnell, was instrumental in setting up our own Senior Citizens Committee in 1965. His foresight and expertise contributed in no small way to the firm footing on which it stands today. John was the conduit through which many good things happened and when they were up and running he quietly and unobtrusively slipped away. He has done just that one last time leaving a great void. We extend our sincere sympathy to Mary and all the Cullen family on their great loss.

"De dheis De go Raibh a Anam."
Josephine Moore
Chairperson.

DRAW RESULTS

DRAW 1.

1st prize - Monster Hamper - Teresa Doyle, Ballmagillan

2nd prize. £100 Myles Burke, 12 Parklands Court.

3rd Prize. £50 Terry Rogers, C/o Just gifts. Maynooth.

DRAW 2.

1st Prize. C.D. Player. Matthew Westner, 4 Moyglare Abbey.

2nd Prize. Coffee Set. Mick Byrne. Carton Court.

3rd Prize. Wine Presentation Basket. Mary Hynes, Leinster Park

DRAW 3

1st Prize. Table Lamp. Marie K elly, Main Street.

2nd Prize. BtL. Whiskey. Brendan Glass, Dublin Rd.

3rd Prize. Btl. Vodka Brendan Glass, Dublin Rd.

4th Prize. Fruit Basket. Liz Stoll, Parklands.

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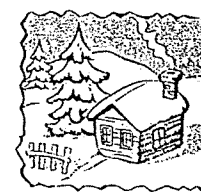


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CASTLE KEEP ART GROUP ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

The Castle Keep Art Group held their annual exhibition on the 18th and 19th November in the Post Primary School Maynooth. The exhibition was opened by Ms. Maeve O'Brien, Manager of the County Arts Centre Newbridge, at a reception on the 17th November in the school.

There were 75 paintings on exhibit from 19 members of the group. The paintings covered a range of mediums oils, watercolours, acrylics, pastels and pen and ink and the subjects included landscapes, seascapes, still life, portrait and figurative works. Local scenes were also present.

The exhibition proved a great success. 200 people came to view and purchase over the two days. In all 30% of the paintings sold. Many favourable comments were expressed about the exhibition and a lot of people indicated an interest in knowing more about the art group. Also on display were 10 paintings from an art class under the tutelage of Susan Carr (a member of Castle Keep Art Group) based at the Flower Shop in Greenfield Shopping Centre. The classes have been on going for about 8 weeks. These are future members of the Castle Keep Group we hope! The viewing public showed great interest in these.

We would like to thank all the members for their hard work and commitment in getting the exhibition off the ground. Also our thanks to Sean Ashe, Post Primary School and the VEC for the use of the hall; the TSB Bank Maynooth, the Allied Irish Bank Leixlip and Ann Doohan for providing one of the prizes. We would also like to acknowledge the grant aid support from Kildare County Council which we received earlier in the year and our continued thanks to Peter Mullan of the Boys National School. Finally and by no means least we would like to thank Anne Tuohy and Sarah Murphy who are not part of the group but who gave a lot of their time to it.

The group meets every Thursday night in the Boys National School from 7.30pm - 9.30pm. The group will resume after Christmas when we hope to have visiting artists and workshops organised. Details of this and any other information will be published in our newsletter for members. If anyone wishes to find out more about the art group please contact Brian Tuohy at 6285993 or Susan Durack at 6289349. In the meantime to find out what is happening in the county art-wise check out www.riverbank.ie.

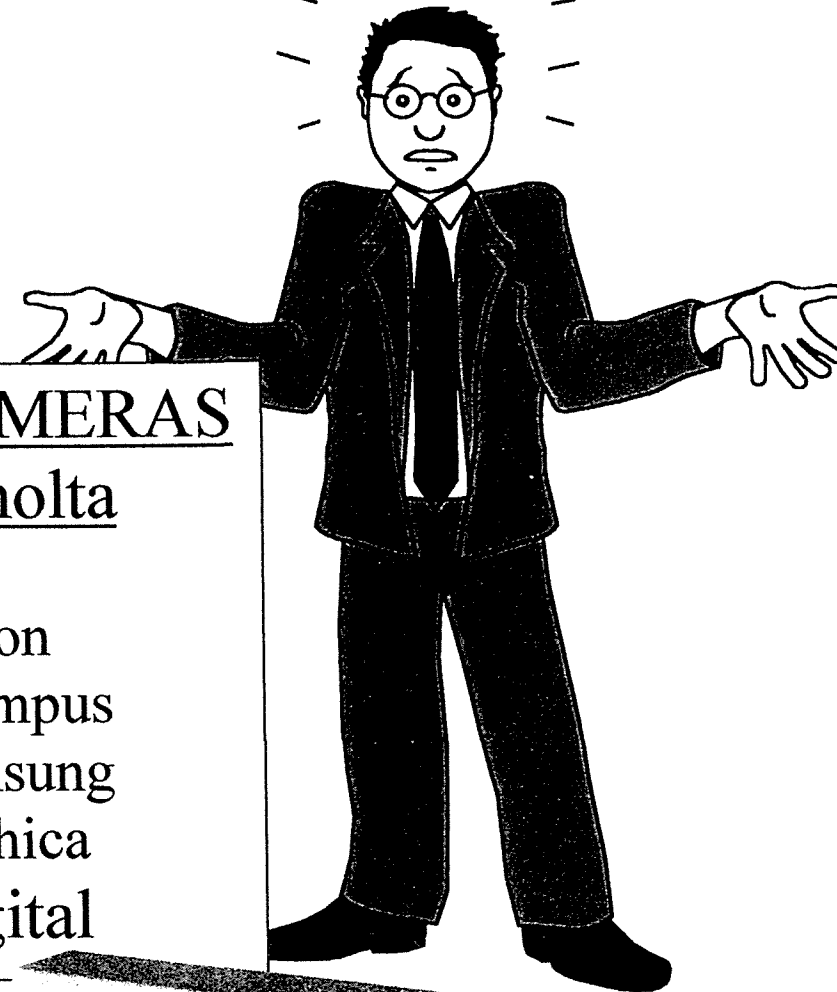
*L - R (Back Row) Lorraine Dunne, Ann-Marie Daly, Sr. Catherine, Paul Byne, Brian Tuohy, Caoilfhionn Quinlan-Murphy, Aileen Cunnle, Ursula Walsh, Regina Richardson.
L - R (Front Row) Susan Durack, Betty O'Hare, Maureen Daly, and Susan Brennan*



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Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

Our 20th AGM was held on October 17th. We said farewell to our outgoing Chairwoman, Margaret Howe and thanked her for all her hard work during her term in office. Subsequently our new committee was elected as follows:-

A new position for a special person,	
President	Felicity Satchwell
Chairwoman	Moirá Baxter
Vice Chairwoman	Imelda Desmond
Secretary	Amanda Harris
Assistant Secretary	Rosemary Smyth
Treasurer	Mary Cleary
Assistant Treasurer	Janet McCann
PRO	Jo O'Connell
Competition Secretary	Mary McInerney
Sales Table	Maureen Fagan
	Elsa Lalor
Charity Table	Margaret Howe
Aoifa Rep	Mary McInerney
Raffle	Carmel Owens
	Jo O'Connell
Library Table	Marguerite O'Brien
Tea Hostess	Toni Read
Plant Table	Anne Walker

Susan Mulvihill gave a most informative judging of our imposed class and afterwards our hostesses served tea and Mary Doyle's beautiful Birthday cake. Our gala Christmas Night was held in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth on Nov. 21. Fergus Hemmingway, an AOIFA demonstrator from Wexford arranged wonderful floral displays anecdotes of life in the country in his youth. Our bumper sales table was much appreciated by all, as were the refreshments served at the interval. All exhibits were raffled at the end of the night. A donation will be made to the Arthritis Foundation. Well done to the new committee for an enjoyable night to get us in the mood for Christmas.

Next date to remember is Tuesday December 5th. A social evening will be held with tea/coffee and mince pies. Competition: "Christmas" A petite exhibit. Artificial material allowed. Space - A, B, and C - 25cm X 25cm X 25cm plant competition: 1 stem of berried shrub

We hope to have a speaker from the Arthritis Foundation also to give us a brief synopsis of their work.

We are planning our Annual Dinner to be held in Moyglare Manor on January 16th. Details at our next club night. All meetings are held at 8pm on the third Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall Maynooth College, (except where otherwise stated). Visitors welcome £3, includes refreshments.

The club wishes all its members and friends a very happy Christmas and a peaceful and bright New Year.

Jo O'Connell PRO.

Maynooth Summer Project

It's that time of year again when we have to start organising next years project.

We held our AGM in October and as usual it was poorly attended with only one person, other than the sitting committee, attending on the night.

The incoming committee are as follows:

Chairperson:	Lorraine Butler
Vice Chair:	Mary Farrell
Secretary:	Claire O'Rourke
Asst. Sec:	Paula Tracey
Treasurer:	Madeline Stynes
PRO:	Sheila Hawthorne
Committee Member:	Rose Bermingham

At present we are working on the program of activities so if there is anybody out there with any ideas we would love to hear from them.

Our work will be ongoing throughout the year to ensure that Summer Project 2001 continues the high standards set in previous years. Nearer to July we will be looking for volunteers to help supervise the activities and outings. In the interests of safety and the childrens wellbeing we like to have a high ratio of supervisors. Therefore, if you have even a day to spare next July we would love to hear from you. Think about it.

Claire O'Rourke,
Secretary.

Inkling

Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately
it kills all its pupils.
(Hector Berlioz)

Comment

Regarding the present housing problems in Ireland, why do the Health Boards pay rent allowances to Landlords who are already wealthy? This is just making the fat cats fatter and the poor mice poorer. One wonders why this laissez-faire attitude only applies to the less well off, and why don't the various Corporations, County Councils and Health Boards, with all this ready cash available, invest in decent housing for the people that really need it. Answers on a postcard.....!



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Our spies on the day tell us that Mons. Stenson needs more practise at the Quasar but he knows how to polish off his chicken nuggets.

On behalf of all those on the trip I would like to thank you both for taking on a task that would have other men quaking in their boots.

Parent and Toddler Group

The parent and toddler group has been running in Maynooth very successfully for the last number of years.

The parent and toddler group is a great life line for parents at home with young children. It gives parents the chance to meet for a chat over a cup of tea/coffee and the children (0 - pre-school) can play with a large selection of toys and join in singing nursery rhymes. (Juice/biscuits provided).

It can help the shy toddlers to mix well with the security that mammy or daddy is not far away.

On the down side we have had on going problems with finding suitable premises which can provide a safe environment and store toys etc. As Maynooth does not have a community centre, we have had to rely on small community premises to help the parent and toddler group survive.

We are hoping to move into the priest's house (basement) in the New Year, which will be a permanent venue. We would like to thank the Glenroyal Hotel for their donation which was very much appreciated.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all the parents and toddlers a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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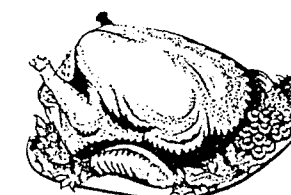
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Residents Associations and The Maynooth Development Plan.

The above Plan (in draft form) has been published and has attracted serious attention from all Residents' Associations, and other organisations in Maynooth. The plan has been on view in Maynooth Library for the statutory period of 3 months. Residents from all organisations and individuals have a right to make submissions, to Kildare County Council to either object to or agree with aspects of the plan.

In the meantime many meetings have taken place, allowing residents an opportunity to voice their opinions. The first meeting was held in late October by Parklands Residents' Association in Straffan Lodge Hotel. It was attended by approximately 150 people, including residents from other areas. Mr. Emmet Stagg T.D. & Mr John McGinley Co. Councillor, Mr. Senan Griffin Co. Councillor were present. The issue of Parklands Road not being described as a cul-de-sac in the Draft Plan was debated. It is at present a cul-de-sac, but fears were expressed that the danger of this Road becoming "a feeder" access to and from the Straffan Road to the proposed ring road were expressed; the problems this would create were the main subjects of discussion.

1. The imminent danger to children and pedestrians.
2. The noise and pollution levels.
3. The ensuing traffic problems
4. The effect it would have on the quality of life of the estate.

Parents' Association St. Mary's B.N.S

The AGM was held in the school in October and a new committee was elected as follows:

Chairperson: Anne Daly
Secretary: Clodagh Desmond
Treasurer: Mark Colfer
PRO: Claire O'Rourke

Committee: Leonard Hobbs, J.Bannon, Mary Oliver, Mary Corbally, Maurice Cowhey, Catherine Hare, Margaret O'Regan, Mary Molloy, Caroline Byrne and Sheila Hawthorne.

The meeting was well attended and it is great to see so many parents willing to get involved.

Finally, we would like to like to wish all students, teachers, parents and Fr. Sinnott a happy and peaceful Christmas.

CLAIRE O'ROURKE,
PRO

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" If you cannot have everything,
make the best of everything you
have"

Art Group

Anne Doohan's Greenfields Art Group will hold their 1st Annual Art Exhibition in the Library, Main Street, Maynooth from December 4th to December 15th including during normal library hours. A catalogue is available at the reception desk in the library. A wonderful selection of pictures is on view and will make perfect Christmas gift ideas for friends or family. Any printing can be purchased by contacting Anne at 6291376.

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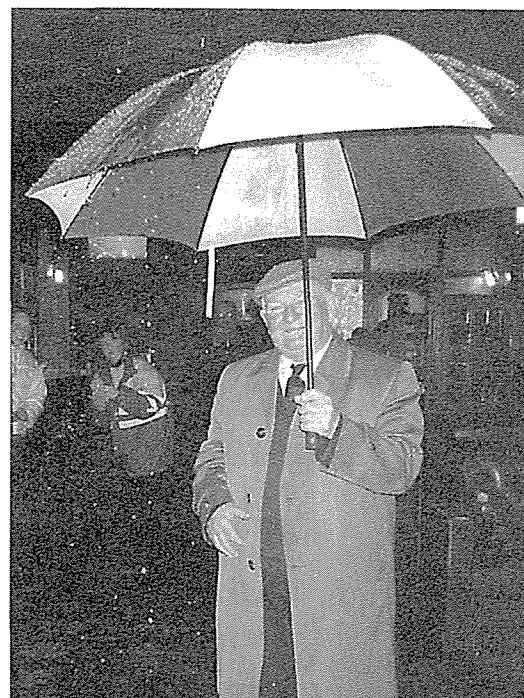
The business has grown so considerably that the shop unit had become too small. The quality and personal friendly service will remain the same as before. You can contact Katie @ 045-869394 / 087-6372668 or Richard at 01 628-9310.

You can visit their web-site and place your order in www.Katiesflowers.com.

Katie and Richard would like to thank their staff and many friends and Customers for all their kindness, help and continued support and business. Wishing everyone a Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

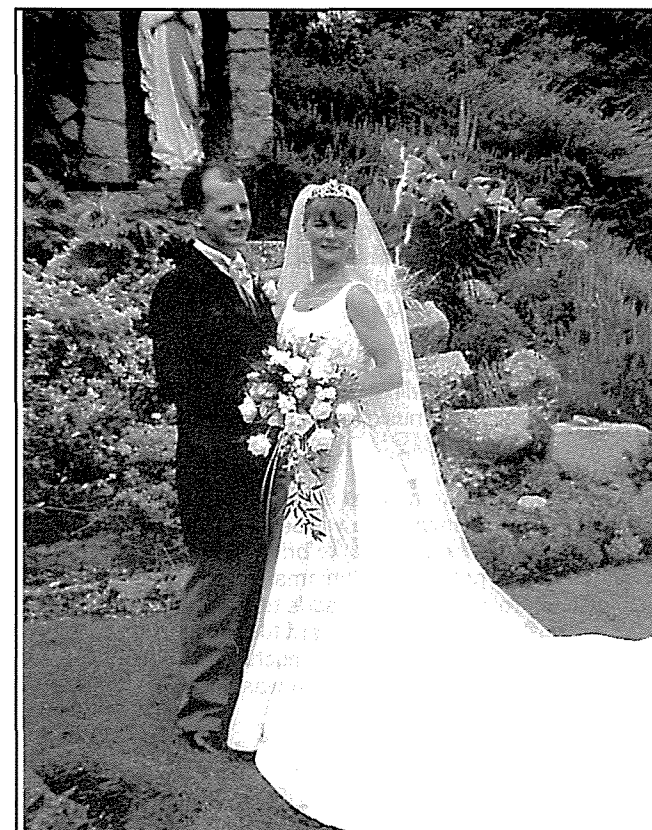
THE TWO CLIMATES OF THE ROOST

We are proud to have a very unique pub in Maynooth. At one end of this lovely bar you have the Monsoons as depicted in this photograph of Dan Conway waiting for his pint. Five feet behind him one has to half strip as you are in the tropical zone when the huge fire is glowing where else would you get it. Customers say they have seen Tennis and Cricket Matches where rain stopped play but never before a game of 25.



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SCENES FROM THE YEAR 2000



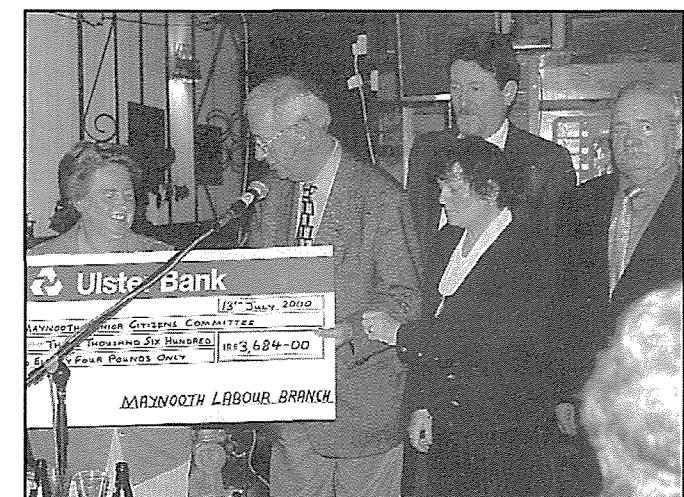
Catherine & James Cummisky



First Holy Communion - Colm Peelo, David Corbett



Daniel Moynan, Karen O'Reilly - Confirmation Day



L-R: Josie Moore, Emmet Stagg, John McGinley, Kathleen Dempsey, Paul Connolly

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St Mary's Brass & Reed Band Notes

Attendees at our last Band concert in the Aula Maxima enjoyed the playing of our junior members who have been making progress over the past two years. In October, the Band was delighted to welcome three of these junior members formally into the senior band. This was another step for these enthusiastic young musicians in their musical careers and they were a proud group as they performed for the first time with the senior band at the opening of the new Tesco supermarket in the town.

Unfortunately we have to postpone our annual race night, traditionally held in November, over to the New Year because of pressure of other activities. Chief among these was our Mass for deceased members, which took place on Sunday 12th November. This was celebrated by Monseignor Stenson who could become the Band's chief historian with his impressive knowledge of its history, which he displayed at the Mass.

The other main event, which we are currently working towards, is our annual Christmas concert, which is scheduled for Friday 8th December in the Aula Maxima in St. Patricks College. This will feature both senior and junior bands. The mix of Military Band music and popular music should appeal to all music lovers and ensure a great night's entertainment and we hope to have a bumper attendance.

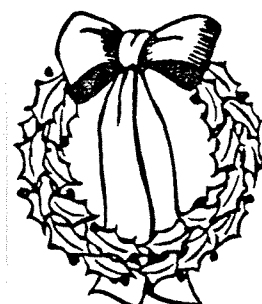
Mentioning our concert means that Christmas is almost upon us again. It seems like no time since we put away our carols last Christmas and were nervously awaiting the arrival of the new Millennium. We will be keeping with tradition, as always weather permitting, when we take to the streets (and shopping centres) to bring some festive music to the public in the run up to Christmas, and not forgetting of course our parade on Christmas morning (after 11.30 mass). We are often told that the sound of the Band playing carols out of doors adds to the Christmas atmosphere as people busy themselves in preparation for Christmas. We look forward to carrying on this long tradition in Maynooth only regretting the fact that because the town has expanded so much in the past few years, we cannot get around to playing in the housing estates as we used to when Maynooth was so much smaller.

As always, the Band would warmly welcome any wind instrument players who have recently moved to this area to make contact with the band with a view to participating in its musical activities at junior or senior level. We can be contacted through our secretary John Curran tel. 8252445 or through any band member.

Another link with the past was ended with the death of Phil Brady Clock House Maynooth in November. Phil was an integral part of the band for the past half century, serving as chairman and treasurer and he served as president for the past thirty years. Phil was a true gentleman and his kindness and willingness to help the band always exceeded his obligations as band officer and president.

Doubtlessly this Christmas Phil will be remembered at the gathering of the Band in the Band Hall after our Christmas morning parade in the town, when we start reminiscing about Christmas mornings past, for a few of us reaching back to the 1950s. No doubt the latter will particularly remember Phil's (liquid) contributions which were most important to these festive occasions. Fondly remembered was Phil, often accompanied by young members of his family, dropping in to wish band members a happy Christmas as we stood around the pot bellied stove in the Band Hall (still in working order) toasting each other with this liquid after our parade in the bracing air of a Christmas morning. The Band was proud to turn out to play at Phil's funeral mass and later as he went to his final resting place in Laraghbryan Cemetery. We extend our deepest sympathy to all of Phil's family at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

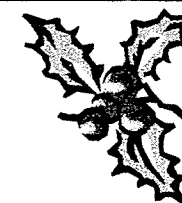
Finally we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our supporters and friends in Maynooth and elsewhere a very happy christmas and to thank you for your support and encouragement over the past year. We hope to see many of you on our Christmas outings and, in the first year of the new century, hopefully as we continue the tradition of playing out the year in the Square on New Year's Eve night.



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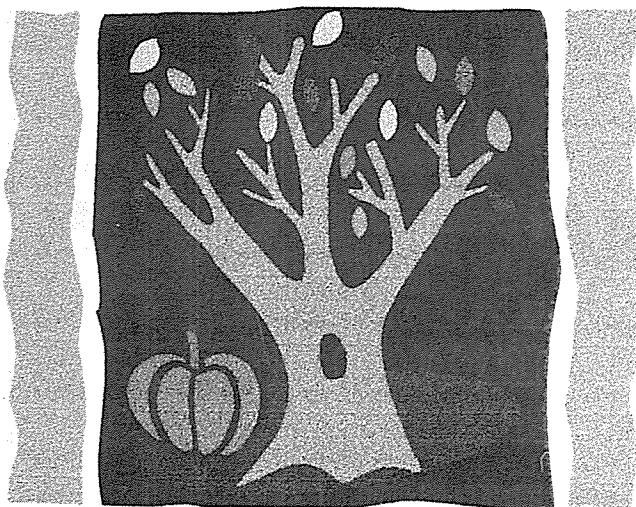
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My Family Tree By Laura O'Brien

My mother was born in Anne's Hospital, Tralee. My father was born in Holles Street Hospital, Dublin. My mother lived in a two - storey house on a farm in Kilfalney in Kerry and my father lived in a two storey house in a cul-de -sac in 28 college Drive, Terenure, Dublin. Both my uncle live in each house. My mothers parents are both from Kerry they lived in Kilfalney and when my Granddad Florence died my Granny moved to Castleisland. My fathers parents are both from Wexford and before they had before they had Kids they moved to Dublin. My Granddad Patrick and my Granny Anastasia died when my dad was 17, Anastasia died of heart attack and Patrick died of cancer. My dads family was then raised by my great aunt Maura. My granny in Kerry got married on the 25th of April 1952, she was born on the 4th of July 1923. She lived in Dramulton in Currow as a child. As children my parents played rounders, blind-man buff, marbles, shopkeeper, skipping, hopscotch, cubby houses, football and they used to tie tin-cans to string and pull them around the yard. During the summer they saved-hay, stacked it, went to the bog to collect turf, went to market with the donkey and cart and my dad went to Wexford to help his uncle on the farm. my Granny learned to sing "Down by the Sally garden" and "Kerry Cow" and "I know what Mary wants" She remembers a lot about the food being rationed 1oz of tea, sugar, butter for each house hold. Today she said there is more money, more social life and more fobs. My great granddad called my granny Nellie Ban which means white Eileen. When my granny went to dances the priest used to chase them out of the hall. In those times they had no shoes and if they did they kept them for mass and school. They walked 3 miles barefoot and their big toes were always cut and sore. My mother's school had 2 classrooms, outside toilets and an open fire where the pupils brought in turf. The school is still standing in perfect condition in Currow in Faranfore.

The No Name !Club Maynooth Kilcock

The New Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club is very active at present. Since the Club's Annual General Meeting last June. 1999, the new executive committee are extremely busy organising and running events for the youth of the locality. Since the AGM, the new committee, headed by Lila Flynn, have been tirelessly Working hard. We run monthly disco's which are well attended by youths from Maynooth, Celbridge, Kilcock and the surrounding districts. Last September we recruited new Hosts and Hostesses. We have had intensive training for both adult leaders and the hostesses. The Catholic Youth Council gave great instruction over a Saturday and it was very well attended. We also had a talk on drink and drugs which everyone found to be most helpful. We made a trip to Spanish Point last September for the weekend. A wonderful time has had by all. We also made a trip to Kilkenny late last year for the 21st Birthday celebrations of the national No Name Club. On April 7th we organised our Annual basketball tournament in N.U.I. Sports Complex. School from Celbridge, Kilcock and Maynooth were represented and this year proved to be better attended and even more successful than any other year. The National Cabaret regional heats were held in The Aula Maxima on Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April. Six clubs took part and each set a very high standard indeed. Maynooth Kilcock club part on Sunday with an exceptionally well put together show. The show "A Look Back " was composed by the hosts and hostesses in the club and produced and directed by Ciara Baxter and Rebecca Flynn. We participated against Tuam, Leixlip, and Naas clubs and were very disappointed to be placed a close second to Tuam. The kids put everything they had into the show. The Cabaret finals and the National Youth Awards are being held in Portumna over the weekend of 29th and 30th April. We are bringing all the hosts and hostesses to stay over the weekend. The club now in its 8th year, is going from strength to strength, since the A.G.M. last year, when new members joined and a new enthusiastic and more focused executive committee took the reins of this vibrant club. Members who were involved from the beginning have left the club and moved on, making way for new interests and more innovative ideas. The committee would welcome any adults who are genuinely interested in lending a hand in organising and running events and outings for the youths of the locality. In particular, we are looking for volunteers to help at monthly Discos, to supervise both inside and outside the disco venue. **Please help, the club is for YOUR young people!** If you are interested, please contact any of the committee members for further information. Wishing all our club members, helpers and friends a very happy Christmas



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NEW TESCO STORE

On a beautiful sunny Halloween morning, the new Tesco Shopping Centre opened on the Leixlip Road. I was humming U2's 'Beautiful Day' as I strolled up to witness the event. A local hero, Mark Smith opened the Centre, and the new carpark was swarming with eager shoppers. Some of our old friends were there, Emmet Stagg and John McGinley among them. All the ladies received carnations, and there were crisps for all the kiddies.

Inside the doorway, which is pressurised especially to keep out the cold while preserving an ever. temperature at all times inside, you can stand and look out at the storms that rage as I write, and feel no breeze, no draft, no cold. Amazing!

The shopping centre itself is vast, filled with all kinds of wonderful things. I could get lost in a centre like that! I bought the U2 album, for about a fiver cheaper than any other record store, unfortunately, though Tesco's only stock the Top Ten.

There are a few small issues that I feel the town of Maynooth should raise with Tesco, however, such as their refusal to sell the local produce as they earnestly promised us they would when they bought Quinnsnorth. This can only be evidence of a distinct lack of consideration and respect for the Irish shopper and business person. Is this another Intel, determined to come into our country and take take take?

About a week after the opening I was in Tesco again, and I noticed that the girls at the tills do not seem to be supplied with proper floats for their tills. At 10am on Monday morning this is ridiculous, and the queues this can cause will not please the shoppers, neither will the price of £1.50 for a tiny sausage sandwich, or leaks in the roof of the cafe. (Also, not to put too fine a point on it, where is the smoking section?)

OK, so the last couple of paragraphs may seem too nitpicky for some, but I only raise these points because I think they are valid to the consumer. Buy your bread in the Elite, keep local businesses, because these foreign companies will take our money till the economic boom dies down, and as history has proven, cannot be relied upon to stay.

With that word of warning, go forth and enjoy the shopping this Christmastime, but don't forget do some of your shopping locally, your neighbours need the business too!

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FLOODING IN MAYNOOTH

The whole country is under siege by an intense rainstorm. Country wide reports of the storm have news broadcasts chock-a-block as I write. People have been missing work all over town. Closer to home: Monday 6th November will go down in history as one of the wettest November days in living memory around these parts. As if things weren't bad enough traffic-wise, we have the motorway outside Maynooth simply impassable and people in Beaufield, Brookfield and parts of Meadowbrook, completely drowned. People have had to leave their houses, and sandbags are in evidence all along the front driveways in a pathetic looking effort to prevent the problem getting worse. A local take-away was flooded last night, homes and possessions destroyed. In Leixlip people were forced to leave their homes at the bottom the the Captain's Hill. The village is now even worse than usual. And buses are finding it difficult to make it through. Celbridge seems OK, but Ardclough was totally impassable and leaving Celbridge over the bridge, dodgy enough on any other day, is now hampered even more by the Liffey bursting through to the Ardclough road. The roads between Maynooth, Celbridge and Straffan are impassable. The County Council were turning people away from all routes to Straffan this morning. Up in Brookfield, the field has become a lake, and local children are all at home today because the schools are closed. The people who live nearest the motorway are trapped inside their homes and under obligation to one or two neighbours who are lucky enough to own jeeps. Gone are the days when we laughed at proud owners of such four-by-four all terrain mobiles! today is most definitely the Day of the Jeep. For those of us poor enough to have to walk or take buses, wellies are the order of the day, galoshes, raincoats - whatever you can find. Put it on, and keep warm! For a county renowned for it's rainy weather - it has to be said, we don't know how to cope very well in bad weather. Pubs the length & breath of the country will no doubt be full.

MAYNOOTH SOCIAL & WELCOMING COMMITTEE

Unfortunately, due to falling attendance we have decided to curtail our activities for the present but we are not going away and will continue to make ourselves available where necessary.

The monthly tea and coffee after mass has stopped while we reassess our role.

At present we are part of the Resource Group that are doing up the basement of the parochial house. As many of you will be aware, Mons. Stenson has made this available for the use of many groups within the parish. The renovations are coming along well thanks to all the volunteers who have put so much time and effort into it.

By Claire O'Rourke P.R.O.

A genealogist is one who traces your family back as far as your money will go.



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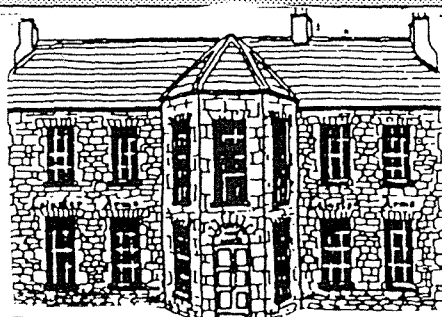


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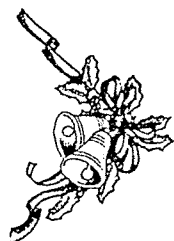


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The Kavanagh's Story

The Kavanagh Family came to Maynooth in 1831 when they bought the Mill from the Duke of Leinster. They originally came from Wicklow but had their milling business in Smithfield in Dublin. They lived in the Mill House when Edward Kavanagh died in 1890 leaving a young family and a young widow. His wife Margaret ran the business until Joseph was old enough to take over. The Mill prospered under Joseph until his death in 1967. Tom Senior took over then and with the help of a Manager, Paddy Feelay, ran a very tight ship until Tom Senior's retirement and Paddy's death about 5 years ago.

Did the Mill go into decline after that? Seemingly not, as between the three remaining Kavanaghs they had directorships in many companies. Edward had directorships in 25 companies, Thomas had directorship in 15 and Willie had directorship in 14. They are mostly involved in grain, farming, pig production and investment companies.

Why are there up to forty workers angry? They are angry that they were told they would get a decent redundancy package. At a union - management meeting they were promised 6 weeks per year severance pay. Six of the 'last in workers' received this payment of up to £12000.

The longer serving workers were kept on even though there was no production. Some of these men were there for up to 35 yrs - most had more than 20 yrs service. So instead of receiving what they were promised they will now receive approximately 8 per cent of it. Between the payment of the lesser time workers and the proposed payment of the longservers and provisional liquidator was sent in. This left the workers with little hope. In the Independent of the 7/11/00 it was reported that the four directors Ted, William Thomas and Edward receive a salary increase of 22% in the thirteen months to September 30th 2000 to bring their salaries to £380,813 when they showed a pre tax loss of £6.1 million.

The Independent of Saturday 11th November reported that Edward Kavanagh had withdrawn plans to put a scheme of arrangement to creditors. This means that the Revenue and Banks take their share leaving the government to pay the workers their pittance.

A rich businessman was quoted recently saying a business must pay its dues to the community in which it thrives. As one Sunday Newspaper puts it "questions answered and answers questioned".

Why is the government, who seem to be so fond of tribunals not look into it?

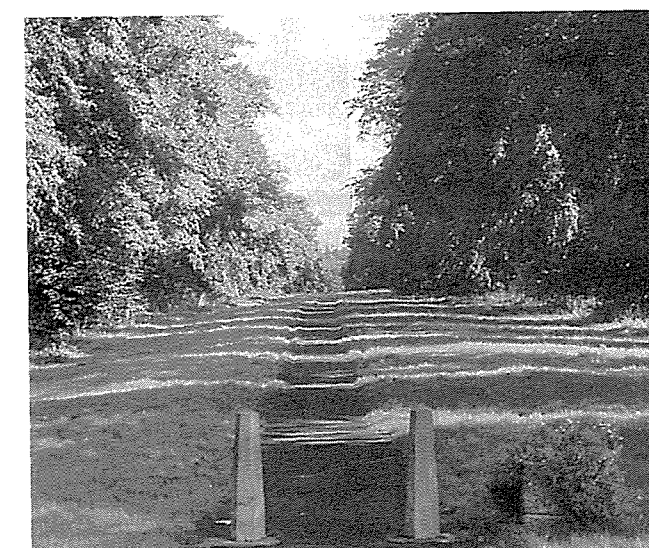
Charlie McCreedy, Emmet Stag and Bernard Durkan have met the workers. Mr Stag has called on the banks to include the workers on the creditors list (some chance!)

Our politicians should be taking this up in Leinster House not in local newspapers.

Pius Kelly

CELBRIDGE ABBEY

Don't forget the Christmas Fair Sunday 10th December, 12-6pm. There will be Christmas Hampers, Christmas Puddings, Cakes Preserves and lots of craft items to include: Pottery, Hand Crafted Wood items, Irish Crochet Lace/ knitwear and multi sewing craft items. Come and visit Santa in his Grotto from 2 - 5pm, carol singing by Celbridge church choir. Prizes presented for colouring competition and mulled wine with mince pies served throughout.

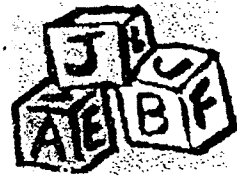


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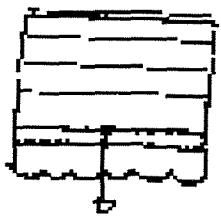


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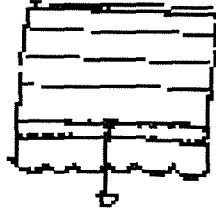
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Pictures from the Past



This group of lads was one of many who were employed by Carton Estate to cut thistles
From left to right: Christopher Waldron, Jimmy Burke, Jack Murphy, Jack Weafer, Stephen Fitzgerald, John Coyne, P. Lettis, Dick Leavey, P. Corrway, one unknown, Tape Carney (at back) was the ganger



Una Coughlan, Ita Burke (R.I.P.) and
Bridie Brady, standing on the top step
of the boat house in Carton.
(Photo circa. 1942)



Bridie O'Brien

Our thanks to Bridie for allowing us
to publish these photographs
There will be more in the next issue

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Christmas Gift Ideas

The following is a short list of gift ideas around town. We would like to thank everyone we approached for their help in compiling it. It includes gifts from £10 to £25.



Maynooth Book Shop:

Best Sellers:

One Voice-my life in song" by Christy Moore - £20stg.
Scarlet Feather" by Maeve Binchy £16.99 stg.
The Beatles Anthology" by The Beatles £35.00stg.
The Guinness Book of Records" £18.00 stg.



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Callagy's Pharmacy:

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Hula Bou:

Gift vouchers and Scarves etc.

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Dr. John Cullen

One of Maynooth's most distinguished residents, Dr. John Cullen, died on November 19th last. John was born in 1929 and lived at 90 Haddington Road with his parents. He started school at the Holy Faith Convent, Haddington Road, and progressed to St. Michael's CBS, Dun Laoighaire and subsequently to UCD in 1946 where he commenced study of medicine. During these studies, John was awarded 2 gold medals (one for oratory and one for the best student paper). He graduated as a medical doctor on July 17th 1952. After internship at the Mater Hospital, and later at Grangegorman Mental Hospital, at the end of 1953 he went to Cambridge as Registrar in Psychiatry at Addenbrookes and Fulbourn Hospital. John married Mary Vale in Cambridge on February 17th 1954. Also in 1954, he was awarded a UK Medical Research Council scholarship to Cambridge University for post-graduate studies and research. He became a member of Clare College, Cambridge. In subsequent years he was first appointed to Medical Council staff at the University and then as a don at Cambridge. He was awarded MA (Cantab.) "by right of office" and later the Master of Science (Cantab.) degree. John and Mary had five children - Deirdre, Kevin and Mark all born in Cambridge and Finar and Paul, born in Dublin. They returned to Dublin in 1960 when John commenced work at St. Brendan's Hospital, where he was appointed consultant

psychiatrist and developed some of the earliest psychiatric out-patient clinics in the country. In 1968 he was appointed Clinical Director for developing research. He was also awarded membership of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in London and became an examiner for the College for many years. Additionally, he was appointed senior lecturer in the Medical School of UCD and taught there until 1992. He was instrumental in setting up a research unit at St. Brendan's and the Clinical Psychology services of the Eastern Health Board. He carried out research for the Department of Health, the EHB and other studies, which included examination and testing of all prisoners who were tortured in Northern Ireland during internment in the 1970's. He also set up a custom-built research unit at St. James' Hospital where research was conducted for the European Community, the World Health Organisation and NASA in the USA.

In 1980 he was awarded an honorary Foundation Licence by the Faculty of Occupational Medicine at the Royal College of Physicians in Dublin in recognition of his services to the development of occupational health studies in Ireland. He has published a number of books and scientific studies. In 1997 John was instrumental in setting up the Maynooth Action Strategy Group, a partnership organisation promoting the town.



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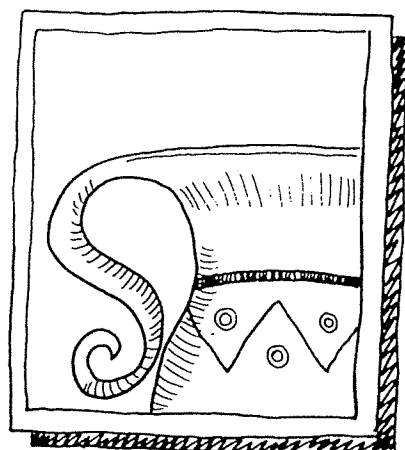
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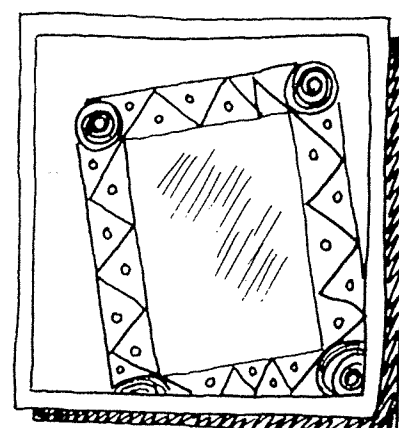
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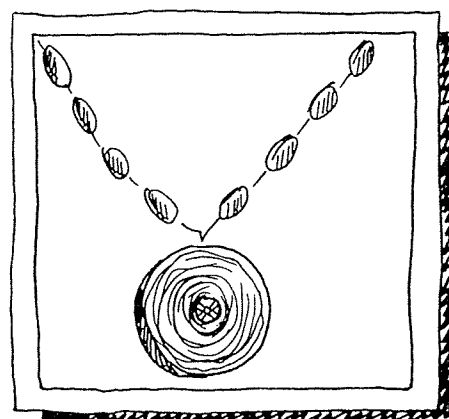
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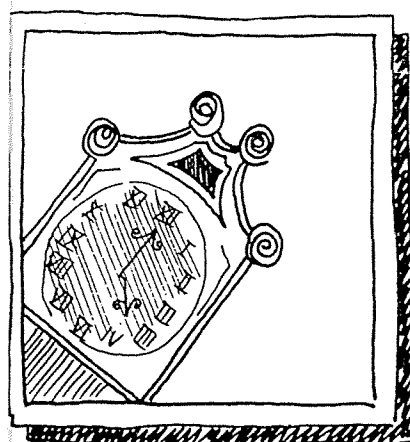
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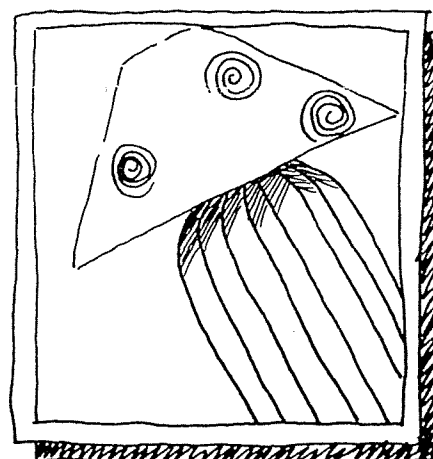
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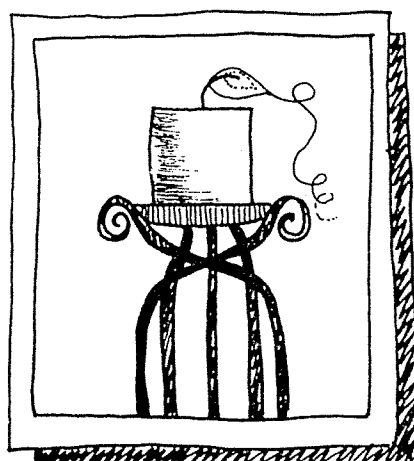
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Maynooth County Champions

SCÓR NA NÓG 2000-2001

Scór nÓg is a talent competition run by the G.A.A. for children under 16 years of age. There are eight events and one competes against different G.A.A. clubs within Kildare. On Saturday November 18th Maynooth took part in the Kildare semi-finals which took place in Allenwood. We were represented in all eight events by children from Maynooth, Céili-Dancing, Solo Singing, Music, Novelty Act, Question Time, Recitation, Ballad Groups and Set-dancing. We got through to the County Finals in five of the eight events.

We travelled to Rathcoffey on Friday November 24th for the County Final. Here one representative from each competition is picked to represent Kildare in the Leinster Semi-Final. It was a close Competition and very enjoyable. Maynooth had plenty of supporters on the night cheering and shouting encouragement. Our Céili Dance team won their competition and now go forward to represent Kildare in the Leinster Semi-final which will take place on Saturday December 9th in Ballymore. May we wish them the best of luck and maybe KILDARE might get to another ALL-IRELAND !!!!!

May I thank everyone who came along on the two nights to cheer us on. Thank you to all the competitors. You put on a great performance for Maynooth. Thank you to all the adults who coached the various competitors. To all the parents who gave up their time to bring along the children to the competition.

Well done Céili team, Maynooth will be cheering you on.

After Christmas we will be preparing for Senior Scór. Anyone over 17 years of age who can dance, sing, tell a story or who is good at answering questions on G.A.A. and General Knowledge and who would like to be part of the Maynooth group, please ring Rita Doyle at 6286169 A.S.A.P or leave your name and phone number in Maynooth G.A.A. Club. It is all a bit of harmless fun.

Thank you to all the following competitors who took part in Scór Na nÓg.

Céili-Dance Team

(County Champions)
Eimear Flynn, Michelle Kearney, Aisling Dunne, Karen Bracken, Katherine Oliver, Ailbhe Flynn, Anna Piggott, Aisling O Connor

Solo Singing

Aisling Dunne

Music

Ruth Ní Harcain, Aodhan Ní Giollabhride, Edel Ní Churraín

Novelty Act

Niamh Mc Dermot, Sarah Furey, Eileen Ryan, Aisling Byrne, Conor Murphy, Justine Cullinane, Ross Cullinane, Ben Finnegan

Question Time

Conor Heneghan, Stephen Cassels, David Scally

Recitation

Aoife Dunning

Ballad Group

Yvonne Lee, Emily Mc Greall, Elaine Pollard, Grace Fox, Martha Oomkens

Set-Dancing Group

Jessica Mc Grath, Eimear Flynn, Sharon Lyons, Roisín Hoban, Deirdre Mulcahy, Helen Downes, Karen Corrigan, Laura Bennett

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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Background

The Aisling Drug Awareness Group is a voluntary, self help organisation, founded in 1990 and now a National Charity. Our headquarters is in Navan, Co. Meath. It was set up as a response to the ever increasing problems associated with drug/alcohol use among teenagers, and has gone from strength to strength.

Aims and Objectives

1. We promote an environment antipathetic to drugs by heightening public awareness through public talks, national and international conferences, seminars, etc.
2. We facilitate our Drug Prevention Programme informing and empowering communities.
3. We oppose the legalisation of all drugs and support the Law Enforcement Agencies.
4. We develop cluster groups throughout the North East and Nationally and are affiliated to International communities such as;

- * European Cities Against Drugs
- * Drug Prevention Alliance
- * Drugwatch International
- * Europe Sans Drogues
- * National Families in Action.

The Aisling Group is also linked to Statutory and non Statutory Bodies throughout Ireland.

5. We provide a non residential, Drug Free Recovery Programme, for young people, 17 yrs upwards. It will assist them in becoming active, working members of their community, living to their full potential, drug free. It includes counselling services and family participation.

6. There is also a support/self help group on a weekly basis, for those who have someone experimenting or addicted to drugs/alcohol.

7. We hope to research the cause and effects of drug/alcohol use and the links with poverty. We hope also, to research into proven methods and new methods to help combat the communities problems and monitor the effectiveness of these situations in our programme.

Problem

Drugs know no class, creed or barrier. They have destroyed the lives of millions of young people, decimated families and cost society dearly in crime, violence and filling prisons. They are a very real part of today's society and are in a young person's environment, should he/she decide to experiment.

Ireland is purported to have the youngest drug using population in Europe and the most common drugs of choice are alcohol and cannabis, both of which are very underrated.

The key factor in combating the drug problem is an informed and active parent. Every child has a right to a drug free life and the only ones that have the time, influence and the inclination to do it are the parents- they encourage, discipline and supervise their children with love and pass on their own values and self esteem and not that of the street. Prevention

centered on Parents is vital, we are who we are today because ordinary people loved and cared about us!

All people need to work together or our communities will be as we have never known them before.

Recommendations

Community based, pro active action is what is advocated by the Government Strategic Task Force (Fianna Fail National Policy, '97)

The Aisling Group are doing this by training and empowering parents/ others to work on a self help basis, providing the basis for community response. Parents/others will be given the core information and skills needed to

- * get children through adolescence relatively drug free.
- * recognise early drug related behaviour - and take appropriate action.
- * address the more serious behavioral and addiction behaviour.
- * become motivated into seeking the appropriate treatment.

Parents/others will be trained to run their own programmes in their own neighbourhoods. For the families with both the beginnings of a behavioral problem and the more seriously addicted youngsters - a parent support group will be formed - these will be problem solving groups with a firm theoretical and practical basis. Referrals will be advised to appropriate treatments.



Safe Passage Programme, Scoil Dara, Kilcock.

Front, Imelda Margalit, Patsy Keane, Alice Kennedy, Doreen Wall, Anne Kelly & Martina Staunton.

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Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum

The History of the Royal Canal

Peter Clarke, author of the *Royal Canal - The Complete Story* and a leading member of the Royal Canal Amenity Group presented an informative and entertaining public lecture and slide show, to approximately 25 people in the Library on 9 November last. The canal was constructed between 1790 and 1817; is approx. 90 miles in length from Dublin to the river Shannon at Cloondara, Co. Longford; its main source of water is Lough Owel, near Mullingar, is 44' wide at the top and 22' at the bottom, lined with special thick clay and is 6' deep at the centre; and has 47 locks and service locks. Despite gross engineering and financial mismanagement, Parliamentary inquiries, shareholders' interference and bankruptcy, its eventual completion was the culmination of a huge project much bigger than the present day M50.

'Long' John Binns, a silk merchant of 59 Dorset Street, was the main driving force behind the Royal Canal Company. Digging commenced in 1790 at Cross Guns Bridge, Phibsboro (alongside today's Des Kelly Carpets) and proceed eastwards towards the Liffey and westwards to Ashtown. 2,000 Irish and English navvies were paid 10d per day, to manually work in primitive conditions and live in mud huts. They soon struck for higher pay and the rate was increased to 18d per day. Two major difficulties between Dublin and Kilcock were the limestone quarry at Carpenterstown, near Clonsilla and the routing of the canal via Maynooth, alongside the entrance to the Duke of Leinster's Demesne (he was a major shareholder) at Carton. The quarry, which should have been avoided, resulted in delays and huge costs for blasting and the Maynooth route required the building of the Rye aqueduct to carry the canal one hundred feet above the Rye Water at Leixlip.

Passenger and goods service between Dublin and Kilcock began in 1796 with two boats, The Camden and The Phelan. Fares (at 1s-1d first class or 6d second class for Dublin to Leixlip) were cheaper than by coach, canal travel was more comfortable and passengers were able to dine on board. The major attraction was Leixlip, where the scenery at the Salmon Leap and the discovery of a spa by workmen digging the canal in 1791 ensured a steady tourist trade.

With the extension of the canal to the west traffic increased but by the 1820s road improvements and more efficient road carriers drew passengers from the canals. To compete 'Fly boats' were introduced in 1833. These boats were 70' long by 5'6" wide, were made of lightweight iron, carried 110 passengers at a speed of 10 miles per hour and were towed by two horses who galloped each stage of eight miles. The journey time from Dublin to Mullingar was cut from twelve to eight hours. Night boats were exclusively used by the 'lower classes' at 1d per mile.

In 1845 the canal was bought by the Midland Great Western Railway Company who planned to close it and construct a railway on its bed. Luckily, they were precluded from this by an Act of 1818 which required them to maintain it as a separate transport system. The last of the freight boat operated until 1951 and when it was closed by C.I.E. in 1961 its future seemed bleak. Proposals were made to fill it in to build a motorway but in 1974 the voluntary Royal Canal Amenity Group set about its restoration. Thanks to their commitment to and love of the Royal Canal, it has been saved for future generations as a wonderful amenity and wildlife haven.

Noel Spain, national chair of the RCAG, who accompanied Peter, paid public tribute to Matt Kennedy and Declan O'Connor and all associated with the Maynooth branch of RCAG which has achieved so much with reconstructing the walls, harbour, etc. and he stated that he looks forward to the day when boats and barges will use Maynooth for modern canal services.



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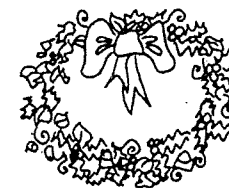
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Christmas Message For the Newsletter

I really appreciate the kindness of the Editor of the Maynooth Newsletter in asking me to provide a Christmas message. My immediate reaction was of surprise! Already! Where has the year flown? It seems no time since I penned a few thoughts for last Christmas. And now here we are on the verge of Christmas 2000 with all the bustle and planning that it entails.

At Christmas time we recall the truth – the almost unbelievable fact that some two thousand years ago, God, in the words of Betjeman, “became Man in Palestine”. Jesus, born of Mary, was and is the Word made flesh. He is God the Son, revealing to us in human form the love of the Father: “God so loved the World that he gave his only Son (Jn. 3:16). Jesus, in turn, shares his divine life with each of us through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit particularly through the Church and the sacraments. This is the Good News! No wonder the angel could proclaim to the shepherds that first Christmas night: “I bring you *good news* – news of great joy – a joy to be shared by the whole people” (Lk: 2:11).

Christmas is never meant to be a mere repetition of what has gone before. Rather, God is saying to each one of us “No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed” (Is 43: 18-19). In simple terms God is telling us that he is making *new* persons of us. He is in the process of transforming us through His power and our co-operation into his own likeness. So it isn’t simply “Me yesterday, today and the same forever; as I was in the beginning, am now and ever shall be, faults without end, Amen”. No! This Christmas God comes to renew us and make new persons of us. That is what makes this Christmas so special and not like any previous one for you or me or our Parish Community. This Christmas is a *grace* given and a grace sought.

May Jesus the Prince of Peace bring abundant blessings to you and yours and may you have a Holy and happy Christmas.

Alex Stenson, P.P.
Christmas 2000



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Passing of Phil Brady

Maynooth has lost one of its most loved and favoured sons in Phil Brady. A native of Calan he came to Maynooth in 1923 to work for Mrs Pitts in the pub and grocery trade. He took over the business in 1933. He later married Breda Connlay who worked in the college. Always proud of her Waterford background, she was lovingly known as "Mammy" to all who knew her as no one left that house hungry whether or not one could pay. Sadly she predeceased Phil by a couple of years. Their generosity was known country wide as I found out in my travels. No matter where you went from Kerry to Donegal, Galway to Dublin, mention Maynooth and surely someone would ask of Bradys. 'How are Phil and Mammy?' 'They looked after me well when I was stuck' was always what you heard. The children of Maynooth would also have fond memories of Phil, as no child ever entered the shop without being supplied with a glass of lemonade a bar of chocolate and a bag of crisps. His generosity to the band, the GAA Club, Soccer Club or any other organisation in Maynooth is widely appreciated. He also had a great love of greyhounds and was well known in Clommel Shelbourne Park, Harold's Cross or anywhere greyhounds were involved. The older generations of Maynooth will tell you of the bad years when the area was not as well off and times were hard. The Bradys were there to help out whether in bereavement, unemployment or any other troubles one could come up against. Thank God Phil had a long, healthy and happy life, dying just short of his 94th birthday. May the Lord have mercy on his soul R.I.P. To the Brady family, immediate and extended, the community Council would like to offer their deepest sympathy on their great loss.



Phil and Breda Brady R.I.P.

Book of Maynooth

Months ago a local writers group got the idea from one of their members Stuart Jane to produce a Book on the lines of the great Book of Ireland under the auspices of the Maynooth Arts Forum they advertised for Poets, writers artists to submit their work to be included in same, this will now be hand-written by the authors on Vellum and will be illustrated by a local neighbouring artist. It will be leather bound with a silver adornment and displayed locally. Its permanent home is yet to be decided. It is hoped all this will be completed early soon.

Hilda Dunne
Writers group



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MAYNOOTH IN CANADA

While on vacation in Ontario, Canada in September 1999, we drove north from the city of Peterborough en route to Madonna House at Combermere. We stopped for lunch in a town called Bancroft. I had for some years worked in the community in Tallaght in west Dublin, and very close to the old village was a lovely housing estate called Bancroft. Thus on coming across a town of same name in what I suppose we think of as the New World, I wondered about who might have first settled there and named the place, or indeed where the name had come from for the residential estate in Tallaght, was there any connection. Just the normal little musings one has time for while on vacation.

Imagine my surprise when the next town we came to was called Maynooth! I had been told that there was a town of that name in the province of Ontario but had absolutely no idea of its location and had no idea that we would pass through it on that day. Much to the amusement of my travelling companions I insisted on stopping and taking some pictures. Unfortunately all that I had with me on the day was a little disposable camera and so the quality of the pictures is not wonderful.

The town is a typically small Canadian/North American rural town, quite a distance from Bancroft, which could not be described as very large, and many miles from the city of Peterborough. On the day of my passing through the town looked very pretty, clothed in the magnificent colours of fall and basking in wonderful autumn sunshine. One wondered though, what it might be like during the harsh Canadian winters, and we all agreed on the day that one could feel quite cut off in such weather.

WINE CELLAR

Work is ongoing at the Mill Wine Cellar in Maynooth, the already amazing selection of wines, spirits and beers has been further increased with the welcome extra space created by the new extension.

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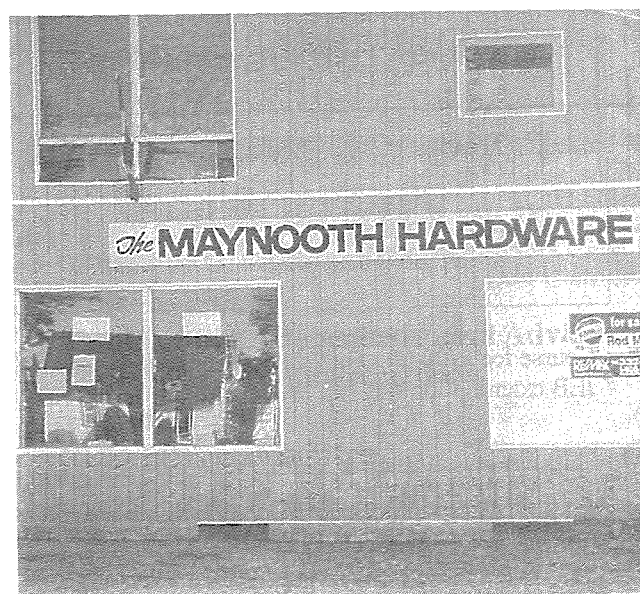
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Christmas Message

From: Adrian Wilkinson

Recently I came across a book I received as a Christmas present several years ago. It was a collection of poems compiled by some secondary school pupils. They had written to a number of well-known people in the country asking them to send them a copy of their favourite poem and say in a few lines why they liked it. Flicking through the pages again I came across one poem that had been submitted. It was on the morning of Christ's Nativity by John Milton. Written several centuries ago its language is still very vivid today. The first verse reads:

This is the Month, and this the happy morn
Wherein the Son of Heav'ns eternal King,
Of wedded Maid, and Virgin Mother born,
Our great redemption from above did bring
For so the holy sages once did sing,
That he our deadly forfeit should release,
And with his Father work us a perpetual
peace.

We are all well versed in the secular countdown to Christmas: cards, presents, invitations, food... But how do we rate on the spiritual front? Is there someone that I promised I would visit and have found time... is there a verse that I heard read in church that is prompting me in a particular direction is there someone I need to forgive or to ask forgiveness from? We are given the four precious weeks of Advent as a time of spiritual preparation. Milton's poem reminds us about whom we are preparing to greet at Christmas. We all deserve a 'quiet time' every now and again to reflect on these things.

May I take this opportunity to wish all readers of the Maynooth Newsletter a peaceful, safe and blessed Christmas.

Jack & The Beanstalk Comes to Maynooth

An Nuadha Players are well under way with their preparations for next January's presentation of their pantomime, *Jack and the Beanstalk*. Skillfully directed by Martin Higgins the cast are being put through their paces. Martin is no stranger to the entertainment world, having been successfully involved in *Tops of the Towns* for many years before going on to write scripts for the Gaiety pantomime and for one of Ireland's top comedienne, June Rodgers. The musical direction is provided by Colin Sloan, himself no stranger either to the world of pantomimes and musicals. The cast have been very impressed to date with his professionalism and cheery sense of humour. Grace McGrath, as choreographer, has been proving to many people who were convinced they they had two left feet, that they have indeed inside them hidden realms of grace and elegance. She has also put together a troupe of young female dancers who will no doubt charm audiences with their performances. The cast of Jack and the Beanstalk see the return of some of the faces from last March's production of *Say Cheese* but also sees the introduction of some new and very talented performers. Mark Watson plays the part of the slightly dim-witted Jack with Fiona Tuohy playing his long-suffering mother. Eimear O'Meara sparkles as the beautiful Princess Cassandra, held captive by the evil giant (Bill Eliffe) and sharing her confinement with an "endearing" goose (Catherine Swords) - Dustin eat your heart out! Carmel Reynolds plays Peggy, the giant's house keeper, Pete Butler keeps every one in check as the policeman, Darren Crawley gives all landlords a bad name, Bridget Keon makes us

understand why politicians have a reputation for shady dealing and Mary Higgins and Ann Kelly as the town gossips Dolores and Rita, keep us up to date on all the goings on in the town!

As you can imagine a lot of work has to go into a production of this size, not only by the cast but also by a dedicated backstage crew without whom such a show is not possible. We are still looking for people to help with costumes, props, set building, set painting, make-up, advertising, front of house on the performance nights etc. If you think you could help us in any way we would be delighted to hear from you. Of course the most important thing is that people come along to the performances - there is nothing like a packed house ready to roar back "Oh, yes he will" or "oh, no he won't" as the case may be, to get a pantomime off to a flying start. So keep 19th, 20th, 21st, 26th, 27th and 28th January 2001 in your diaries and watch out for posters around the town. Enjoyment for all the family guaranteed! Contact: Roberta Carey - 6291309, Catherine Swords - 6286483, Mary Higgins - 6290817, Ann Kelly - 6289705

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MY FAMILY TREE

Fiona Rogers,
6th Class,
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Dia duit,

My name is Fiona Rogers and I did a project on my family tree. It was very interesting and exciting. For instance I did not know that the Rogers family motto was *"always ready"* and that in 1273 there was a Florence Tiernan, Bishop of Kilfenora. In my project I did an interview with my granny and that was very educational. I found out that she had a pet lamb. Her favourite subject was maths and she got married in 1952 to Patrick Tiernan. I also did an interview with Eilish Landers my Aunt. She adopted a chinese baby. My mums great grand parents names were Malachy Greally and Margaret Nangle that I found out too.

My name is Anna McNevin

Christina McGarrell (commonly confused withMcArdle) was born on December 13th 1918, the second youngest child. Maureen, her eldest sister died of cancer when she was in her twenties. Then Came Bridie, James, Granny and Peig. Christina was born at home, close to the shore of Lough Ree, Glassan, Athlone. Granny's father was a very fine boat builder who spent a lot of time away, travelling the length and breadth of the Shannon from Carrick on Shannon, Lanesboro, right down to Limerick, was involve d in racing and fishing on the midland lakes. At a time when few could read, great grandad McGarrell had a great love of books and especially poetry. Granny told about when her father would return home after his many adventures on the Shannon himself and his friend would tell stories long into the night by the open fire. Granny who slept in the "settle bed" in the kitchen would fall asleep while listening to these. Granny's mother was a great woman to make dinners, her door was always open to the poorer families that lived close by. They were never short of fowl, fish, potatoes and buttermilk. Granny told of how, as children after the long winter they would look forward to their first "dip" in the Shannon waters from Easter onwards. The highlight of Granny's life was school and she loved and respected her teacher Ms. Duffy and after finishing 7th class in Ballinaccliffey N.S. granny reluctantly left school. She went nursing in Athlone Hospital and had many stories to tell of the patients she meet there.

The Islanders.

When granny was growing up on the shores of Lough Ree there were several little islands on the lake that were inhabited. She often helped her brother James (who was a fisherman) to transport cattle for the islanders. She told of being given the job of sitting at the back of the rowing boat and holding the reins high to keep the cows head above the water as it swam along after the boat. Granny Chris was never fond of water, due , no doubt to her many hair raining experiences when mid journey the lake winds would suddenly whip up waves as tall as mountains from previously calm waters. Granny's father, John McGarrell spent many a night on these islands, He would always be sent for, to make a coffin for the island wakes, most of the time he did it in return for a few drinks as the islanders were mostly very poor. The Connell family were the last inhabitants of Lough Ree. Granny tells of them rowing over to first Mass on Sundays. One very bad winter they had to break the ice the whole way over in front of the boat and when they came out of Mass the lake had frozen over again and they had to repeat the process and all on an empty stomach. I chose to do this extract from my family tree project because granny died on 15th Aug 1999 and I found this part of her story interesting.

Aisling Byrne
Age 11

I thoroughly enjoyed doing my family tree project. I learned a great deal more about my family and ancestors. I hope that some of my grandchildren in the future will use the information and photographs I collected.

Features

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- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 egg, free range if possible

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- 4 oz of caster sugar
- 1 teaspoon white wine vinegar

Method:

- Preheat oven to 200c/400f/gas mark 6
- Divide the pie filling between six small oven-proof dishes, about 3" in diameter.
- Wipe a mixing bowl to remove any grease, then place the egg whites into the bowl and allow to stand at room temperature for a few minutes.
- To achieve maximum volume, whisk the whites with a hand mixer set on speed 1 for one minute, then increase the setting to 2 and whisk for a further minute. Finish on speed 3 until the whites form soft peaks.
- Once the whites have formed soft peaks, whisk the sugar and the wine vinegar into the whites.
- Spoon the meringue into a piping bag and pipe the soft peaks onto the fruit filling. Bake for 10-12 minutes until golden brown and crisp to the touch. Serve immediately.

Toasted Turkey Sandwiches

Cooking time: 3 Mins

- You will need:
- 4 slices wholemeal bread or any of your choice.
 - 1 tbsp whole grain mustard.
 - 4 slices cooked turkey breast, each about 1 oz.
 - Fresh ground pepper to taste.
 - 4 rings of canned pineapple each weighing about 2 ozs.
 - 2 oz cheddar cheese, grated.
 - Watercress sprigs to garnish.

Method:

- Spread the slices of bread with half the mustard and put 1 slice of the turkey on each. Spread the turkey with the remaining mustard and season to taste. Place the pineapple on top of each sandwich and sprinkle with the grated cheese.
- Cook under a hot grill for about 3 minutes or until the cheese melted and bubbling. Serve the sandwiches and garnish with the watercress sprigs.

Features

Turkey Fillets with Mushrooms (serves 4).

Cooking time: 40 min

You will need:

4 turkey fillets, about 5 oz each
2 tbsp olive oil
1 onion, skinned and finely chopped
6oz mushrooms, chopped
1 garlic clove, skinned and crushed
1 tsp finely grated lemon rind
2 tsp chopped fresh thyme or 1 tsp dried
Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/2 pint hot chicken stock
2 tbsp lemon juice
1 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
Lemon slices and fresh parsley sprigs to garnish

Method:

1. Cut each turkey fillet in half crossways and place each half between sheets of greaseproof paper. Beat well until the fillet measures about two inches.
2. Heat 2 tsp olive oil in a non stick frying pan and cook the onion and mushrooms for 5-10 min over a gently heat until excess moisture has evaporated. Remove from heat and add the garlic, lemon rind, thyme, and seasoning, mix well.
3. Divide the mushroom mixture into 8 and spread over the fillets. Roll up and secure at both ends with string.
4. Heat the remaining olive oil in the non stick frying pan just large enough to hold 8 rolls. Cook the rolls 4 at a time for about 5 mins each batch, turning until pale golden on all sides.
5. Return all the rolls to the pan with the stock and lemon juice. Cover and simmer gently for 20 mins.
6. Transfer the rolls to a serving plate, remove the strings and keep warm. Boil the pan juices until reduced, then stir in the parsley and pour over the turkey rolls, serve garnished.

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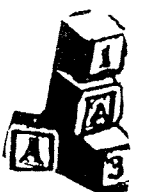
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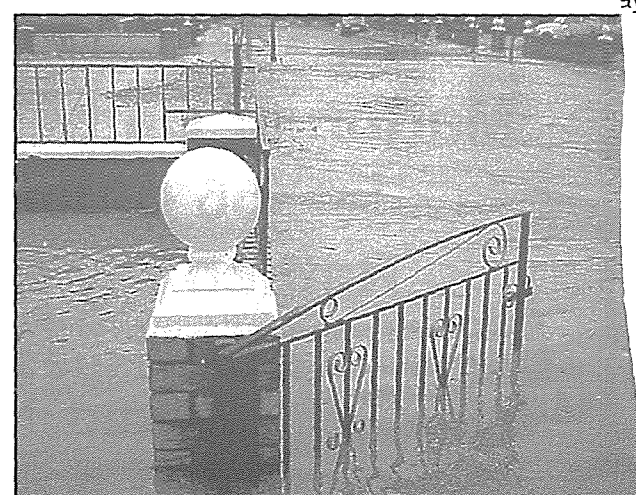
Castle Keep Art Exhibition
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Minister for Finance Charlie McCreevy T.D. with members of the Tidy Town's Committee



Flooding in Maynooth



Feature

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Features

PREDICTIONS FOR 2001

January

The Maynooth Development Plan is finally agreed by Kildare Co. Council. Part of the plan involves flooding all the main roads in the area and encouraging people to travel by boat around the town. 'The minor flooding that took place in Maynooth in November gave us this idea', said a Co. Council engineer. 'For example, traffic in the Meadowbrook area fell by 100% during the floods', he added, 'and we think that if people travel by boat it would help ease traffic congestion in the town. What with global warming and everything, Maynooth is going to be under water anyway so we may as well make the most of it'. Local taxis firms are planning to provide a gondola service around the town and Maynooth is to be marketed as 'the Venice of the north (Kildare)'.

February

The new Roost opens its doors to the public. As the largest pub in Co. Kildare, 17,000 people cram into its 34 different bars on opening night, breaking the previous record for a crowd in the Roost by 17. Customers are issued with a map as they enter but 436 are still reported missing after the first night's drinking. The Maynooth Students Union President welcomes the opening and says students have been saving up their money for the last year and not a drop of alcohol had passed their lips for months as they waited for the re-opening of the Roost.

March

The St. Patrick's Day Parade committee comes up trumps in 2001 when they succeed in getting a star musical lineup for the parade. Fat Boy Slim, the Three Tenors and the Kilfenora Ceile Band agree to act as supporting acts for Danny McCarthy in a musical extravaganza to be performed from the back of a truck in the Main Street.

April

In a revolutionary move announced on April 1st, the price of drink in Maynooth is to be cut by 50%. In a statement local publicans indicate that they have been making too much money for the last few years 'The price of drink is just too high and we feel it's time we gave something back to the punters', says a spokesman for the Licensed Vintners Association. '£1.50 is a fair price for a pint and anything higher than that is a rip-off. Anyway, what we need is far more competition in the pub trade'. The statement also commits the publicans to improving toilet facilities in the town's pubs. Day long celebrations in the town are cut short when publicans issue a further, two word statement - 'April Fool'.

May

The new train service from Maynooth to Dublin is opened. High speed trains are to run from Maynooth to Connolly Station every ten minutes when there is not a strike. Brendan Ogle is due to perform the opening ceremony but backs out at the last minute when he claims the use of a scissors to cut the ribbon at the opening would be unsafe what with the sharp blade on the scissors and everything. The schedule is disrupted when a leaf is spotted on the track near Clonsilla. 'We are just not equipped to deal with a leaf on the track at this time of year', says a C.I.E. engineer. 'We plan to import a specially built leaf clearing machine from Japan in 2006', he added, 'but in the meantime trains may be delayed'.

June

The World Championship Slow Bicycle Race is held in the Harbour Field. 'We fell this is a very appropriate venue for the championship because time seems to stand still here', the championship organiser states. 'At other venues there's a buzz of activity, things are happening and that tends to distract the riders and they fall off their bicycles. In the Harbour Field every thing happens very slowly and that helps the riders'. Following the championship an archaeological dig carried out in the field uncovers several skeletons which are said to date from the 13th century. 'Given the position of the bodies we think they may have been attending a meeting, possibly they were planning the future of the area, but we'll never know', commented one of the archaeologists on the dig.

July

Global warming comes to Maynooth. As temperatures reach 40 degrees centigrade, Maynooth suffers desert-like conditions. Well known TV star and chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, John Doogan, calls for immediate action from Kildare Co. Council. 'What we need in Maynooth is water and lots of it', he states. The Meadowbrook area is particularly badly hit with sand storms trapping people in their houses. Local residents shovel the sand into bags as they will need them to stave off the floods next winter.

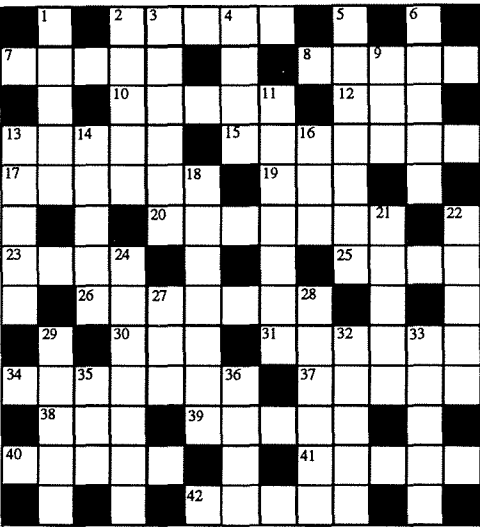
August

The first hangings are carried out in the Square for speeding on the motorway. At Kilcock Court Judge Brophy orders eight people to be hung for breaking the 70mph limit. 'I've been lenient for far too long', says the judge, 'hanging is too good for them'. Amnesty International pleads for clemency on behalf of the accused and two people have their sentences commuted to a life sentence of watching Oireachtas Report. They opt to be hung.

September

Carton is reopened. Maynooth is to be turned into a theme park where residents at the newly opened hotel and leisure centre can be amused and entertained. With accommodation prices ranging from £20,000 per night the hotel attracts only the creme-de-le-creme including Liam Lawlor, Ray Burke, ex-President Marcos (deceased), Des Traynor, Emperor Bokassa (former owner of the Congo) and Bill Gates. The Emperor is appointed official hangman in Maynooth.

Crossword No. 154



Entries before: 22-02-2001

Name _____

Address _____

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Across

- 2. Shore (5)
- 7. Brutal (5)
- 8. Demon (5)
- 10. Drain (5)
- 12. Rug (3)
- 13. Sober (5)
- 15. Dedicated (7)
- 17. Whimpered (6)
- 19. Tune (3)
- 20. Dishearten (7)
- 23. Swear (4)
- 25. Resound (4)
- 26. Ousted (7)
- 30. Coach (3)
- 31. Erase (6)
- 34. Wandering (7)
- 37. Promised (5)
- 38. Obtain (3)
- 39. Pick-me-up (5)
- 40. Repulse (5)
- 41. Space (5)
- 42. Spree (5)

Down:

- 1. Veracity (5)
- 2. Start (5)
- 3. Evaded (6)
- 4. Frigid (4)
- 5. Contrition (7)
- 6. Located (5)

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No: 153**

- 9. Tank (3)
- 11. Longed (7)
- 13. Perspire (5)
- 14. Pointed (5)
- 16. Strive (3)
- 18. Lodge (7)
- 21. Twist (5)
- 22. Enciphered (5)
- 24. Discounted (7)
- 27. Place (3)
- 28. Invent (6)
- 29. Impelled (5)
- 32. Regional (5)
- 33. Singer (5)
- 35. Material (3)
- 36. Centre (4)

Solution to Crossword No..152

Across: 1 Scream; 5 Demean; 8 Frighten; 9 Drip; 10 Wig; 12 Loped; 15 Sum; 17 Lea; 18 Rip; 19 Spa; 20 Rogue; 21 Ilk; 22 Dog; 23 Art; 24 Eye; 26; Owned; 29 Err; 33 Safe; 34 Narrator; 35 United; 36 Treaty

Down: 2 Corgi; 3 Edge; 4 Motto; 5 Dense; 6 Mode; 7 Adieu; 10 Waste; 11 Glade; 12 Largo; 13 Pagan; 14 Dread; 15 Spite; 16 Maker; 25 Yearn; 27 Waned; 28 Egret; 30 Roost; 31 Deft; 32 Wade

Features

October

Following a General Election, both Al Gore and W.J. Bush fail to win seats in North Kildare despite spending millions of pounds in their campaigns and having eleven re-counts. Bush succeeds Emperor Bokassa as Maynooth's official hangman. 'I guess I've got more experience at that than as a politician', he says.

November

The Maynooth Newsletter goes on-line and following phenomenal success is floated on the stock market. The Editorial Board suddenly become dot com millionaires but they continue to selflessly serve the community - although they do move their headquarters to the newly opened Carton where the staff tend to their every need.

December

It is the end of the Celtic Tiger. House prices drop, inflation falls, traffic congestion eases off, people are under less pressure at work. 'This is an absolute disaster', says local businessman, 'Maynooth is like a quiet, peaceful village. We'll be all ruined'. In a break with tradition, Christmas doesn't start until mid-December and shops close at six 'o clock. It is the end of just another year in Maynooth.

MAYNOOTH-IRELAND .com goes live

Maynooth Action Strategy unveiled their long-awaited Maynooth Town web site in October. As part of its mission after the town's creditable performance in the Information Age Town competition of a few years ago, Maynooth Action Strategy was tasked with the preparation and launching of an internet community access facility. The purpose of this was to highlight the advantages of the world-wide-web to the people of Maynooth and provide an information facility which could aid community cohesion in this rapidly growing town.

Logging on to www.maynooth-ireland.com provides a wealth of information of use to both the resident and tourist in Maynooth and the site should become a 'must see' feature as it grows and develops over the coming years. For the resident, the site can help with bus and train timetables, useful phone numbers, church services, local news items and announcements. There is also a small ads section where items for sale or wanted can be advertised for free. Want to sell your car or find out if anyone has Pokemon card to swap? There is also a bulletin board to send messages and comments. Maybe you want to discuss the happenings in Coronation Street or just beef about the train service? Or maybe you live in Sydney and want to say 'hi' to your old pals in Parklands. A photo gallery has a selection of local photos in which you may even figure! Maybe though you won't want to be figuring in the rolling news service provided by the Liffey Champion!

Each club and organisation in the town is facilitated with their own web page and an easy to use facility to enter their latest news, results or match report. It will be the place to go for the latest updates. For tourists, the site provides a comprehensive guide to local and regional attractions. How to get there; whether there's an entrance charge, when they're open etc. Maynooth Action Strategy's recent joint publication with the Local History and Civic Forum of a number of guided walks around the town is also accessible. Activities from golf to fishing, traditional music sessions to drama are also detailed. The site has been devised by a core group including Tony Bean, Peter Connell, Paul Croghan, John Dolan, Tom Moore, John Sweeney and Peter Van der Burgt. The intention was to produce an easy-to-navigate sequence of pages which takes you where you want to go without undue delay or complications. Its crisp design also includes one of the first views of the new town logo for Maynooth. Local web company Innovate Ltd of Maynooth host the site and exciting plans for further development and maintenance of the site are being implemented by Maynooth Action Strategy.

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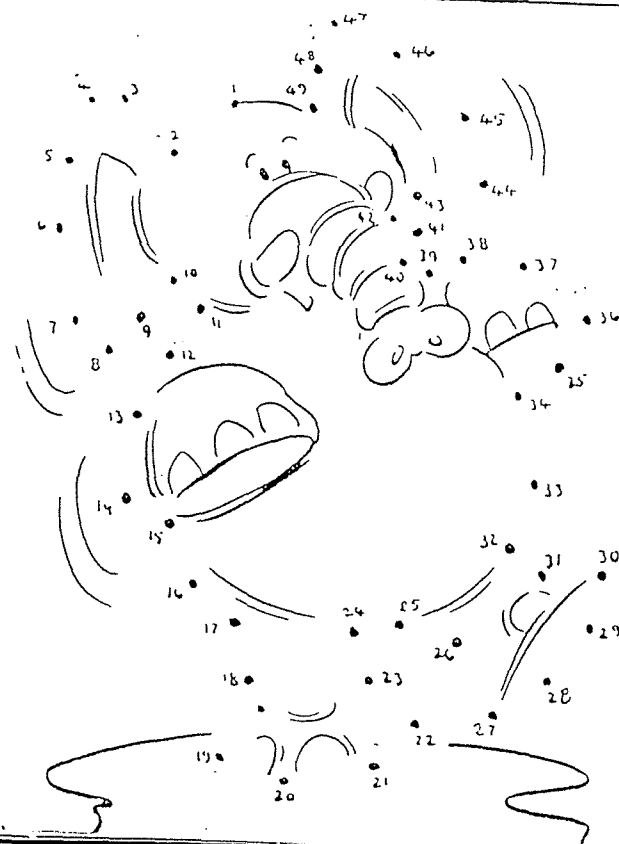
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Dear Santa,
thank you for putting the fire on
last time. I'm looking forward to get
all my presents. Thank you for getting
my presents last time. may I have
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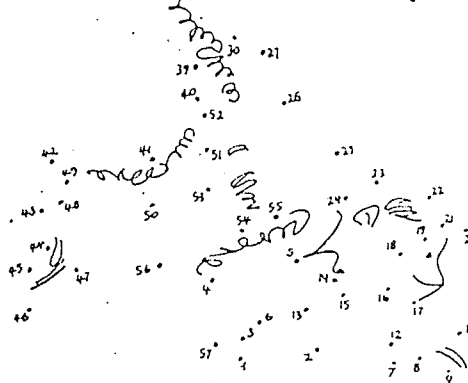
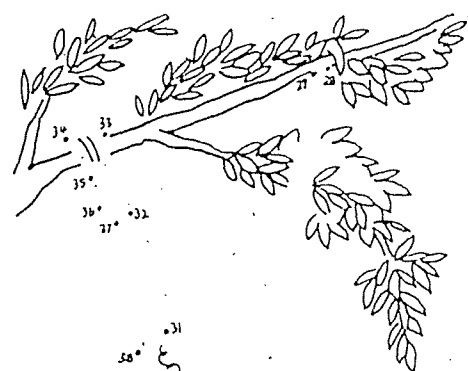
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Leonard's School Of Gymnastics



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Leonard's School of Gymnastics

The above school has been in operation in Maynooth for the past four years, The school is going from strength to strength and has a very strong team for Community Games at local level and even stronger for County level. This year in the County finals, held in Athy, members of L.S.G. in the girls under ten took the top six places which goes to show the hard work and dedication of the gymnastics. At National level, in Mosney members of L.S. G. won the gold medal in the boys under eight last year and won gold, bronze and fourth place certificate this year.

L.S. G. trains every Monday in the Parish Hall, Maynooth and has a very well equipped hall. Floor matting, vault, safety and landing mats, trampette, asymetic bars etc. give the gymnast ample opportunity to improve their fitness, flexibility, stamina etc. while also improving their gymnastics elements.

New members are welcome to the school. Inquiries can be had from Leonard on 087-2462885. I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and my assistant Sarah, to wish all gymnasts, parents and friends of L.S. G. a very successful 2001. Also many thanks to all the parents, for all their help and support throughout the year.

Many thanks, Leonard.


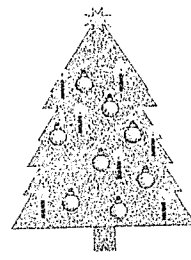
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The islands of dreams

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Our trip will take us to the captivating islands of the Bahamas, Captiva, Crete, Lanzarote and Hawaii.

Some of these options are available through your local travel agent or for a specially tailored holiday. try Trailfinders in Dawson St in Dublin.

The Bahamas are an arc of heavenly islands blessed with year round sunshine and washed by warm, aquamarine seas. Soft white sands are backed by swaying palms and sunsets are spectacular. Savour elegant shops, high-tea and night-life in Nassau. Unwind in the luxuriously relaxed surroundings of Paradise Island and Cable Beach, where water sports, tennis and golf are plentiful.

Tour America has a trip to Captiva, just off the west coast of Florida. The narrow island is six miles long, surrounded by beaches of very fine white sand. It offers a quiet calm holiday far from hustle and bustle. People gather outdoors to watch the setting sun which brings the island from glorious sunshine to total darkness in minutes.

The island of Crete was the home of Zeus, the King of all the gods of classical Greece. There are majestic mountains and fertile fields and the not-too-hot sun shines on miles of fine sandy beaches lapped by transparent water. Seven nights from £259.

The driest and least mountainous island of the Canary Islands is Lanzarote. The landscape of the island is truly spectacular - a series of volcanic eruptions in the past have created an unforgettable sight of strange lava fields and wide craters and the south coast has golden beaches and pretty resorts with characteristic green and white painted buildings among gardens bright with colourful flowers. Seven nights from £239.

Beautiful Oahu is Hawaii's most populous island with inhabitants and visitors from all over the world. Honolulu, the capital city has a wonderful history.

Something different. The Trapp Family, yes the Trapp Family of the classic musical and film Sound of Music, welcomes guests to their Lodge in Stowe, Vermont.



DEAR SANTA,

I'm a 7 year
old little girl and
I am being good. So
Can I have - Amazing
Ali, Furby, making stickers
and skate-board Stacy.
"Thank you"

Happy Christmas to my
Mammy & Daddy, to all
my friends & family.

SEÁNA RIGNEY

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Behind the scenes

You are invited to the Abbey Theatre, on Thursdays in December, for a guided hour-long tour through the history of the Abbey, through the nooks and crannies of the backstage and to see a play in production. Cost is £5 per person with concessions £3. Booking necessary: phone 01 887 2223.

David Kelly : actor

As busy now as ever, David Kelly had to turn away work after the success of *Waking Ned* - 'I'm now booked for about a year'.

David considers himself primarily a theatre actor. He first trod the boards in the Gaiety Theatre in 1941 in a production by the Rathgar and Rathmines Musical Society.

Later he attended the Abbey school of Acting and then started to get parts in the Abbey and Gate Theatres.

Samuel Beckett's plays

This autumn sees David Kelly back on stage doing his seventh tour of the USA. He returns to Samuel Beckett's play *Krapps Last Tape*, a role he first played in 1959. Recently he took part in major Beckett project in which all 19 Beckett plays were filmed

Television and cinema career

He is famous to television audiences for roles like Rasher Tierney in *Strumpet City*, O'Reilly the builder in *Fawlty Towers*, and Sylvie Dolan in *Glenroe*. The runaway success of *Waking Ned*, the best known of his recent films, led to offers from Hollywood, a Golden Sunshine Award in 1999 and a nomination (alongside James Coburn and Robert Duval) for a Screen Actors Guild Award.

Fans can expect to see him on the big screen soon in *Green fingers* starring opposite Helen Mirren. It will be premiered at the Canadian film festival this year.

Painter

David paints as a hobby. He was a student at the National College of Art in the 1940s. He is a household name in Ireland.

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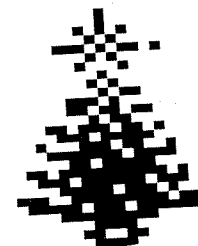
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WASTE NOT, WANT NOT!

In nature all species produce waste, virtually all of which is recycled, not by that species itself, but by other forms of life. But we as a species have begun to create waste that far outstrips the capacity of the natural environment to absorb or reuse it anywhere near the rate at which it is produced.

Hence we have to recycle, but it's not as easy as it may seem. Many have found that products manufactured and packaged for the market place often have features that reduce or even prevent the possibility of recycling. Some newspaper supplements and many magazines have glossy surfaces that cannot be recycled. Many plastic containers have built-in components that make recycling prohibitively expensive and complicated. Most packaging is designed for its usefulness in marketing the product with no thought to the space that it consumes in landfills or the toxic chemicals it releases into the air when burned.

A lot of manufactures are locked into a pattern of purchasing virgin raw materials and are not equipped either by habit or machinery to use recyclable raw materials even though they might well be cheaper.

Even the daily paper isn't as easily recyclable as one would hope, as many large paper consumers and manufactures throughout the world have investments in forests and are hence loath to use recycled paper. Instead they make additional profit by cutting the trees in which they have invested in and in a lot of cases, receive large tax subsidies.

Before you even think about it, burning doesn't work either. Dioxin generation can occur during the burning of waste. There's a lot of evidence out there suggesting that the global dioxin burden is due primarily to plastics such as polyvinyl chloride (PVC), chlorinated solvents, chlorinated pesticides, chlorine-based bleaching agents, etc.

For this reason, the elimination of dioxins at the source is best achieved by substituting chlorine-free alternatives. Indeed, many economically competitive cleaner products and processes already exist.

And what about handing our waste over to the professionals, well bear in mind that Britain's Environment Agency (EA) compiled a league table (known as the Hall of Shame) of businesses that were found guilty of offences against the environment in 1998. Among the top offenders (2nd, 3rd and 5th place) cited in the agency's league table were waste management operators. The Environment Agency's director of operations expressed concern that three of the worst offenders were waste management companies.

Businesses in waste management sector should be well aware of pollution issues, after all, they are meant to be there to clean up the environment.

So, we all have to find ways to deal with our waste. Just think of the 3Rs;

Reduce
Reuse
Recycle

Reduce; try not to buy products that have loads of extra packaging, use your own bags and not the shops. Reuse; if you must get a plastic bag - reuse it. Put those wine bottles etc to use as candle holders. Recycle; if all else fails, don't just dump it, send it for recycling. At almost any supermarket can be found bottle banks, just get into the habit of bring back the empties when shopping for the refills - saves you petrol as well.

At the end of the day, the marketing people will tell you that, the amount of packaging and the type of material used are what you want. Why don't we tell them what we really want is an environment that all our children can enjoy and that manufacturers should start to take an active role in allowing that to happen.



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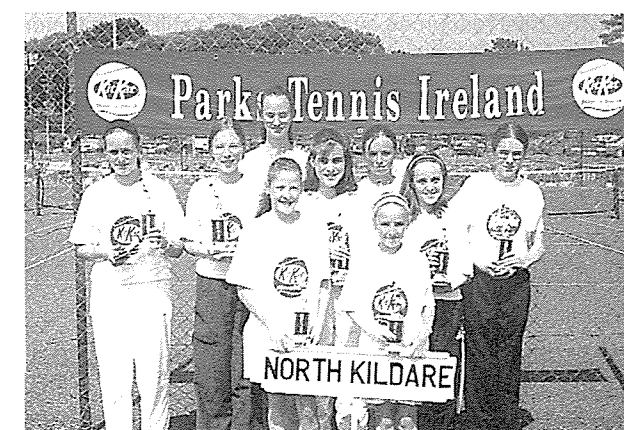
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New Business

A new mobile phone shop has opened up at Main Street, Maynooth in Gerry Brady's previous shop beside Top of the Crop. Owned and managed by Sam Nolan who has long experience in the business. Agents for Eircell, they have a full range of all Eircell products at reasonable rates. We wish them a long and happy stay in Maynooth.

North Kildare Tennis

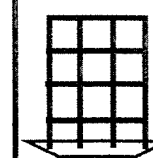
In the summer of 2000 North Kildare went through to the final of Kit Kate Tennis in St. Anne's Park in Raheny. The Kit at team was coached by Phillippa Pentz and caters for all ages 7 - 17. Pictured receiving their trophies are as follows:



Emily Lyons, Carol Mullally, Sheila Mullally, Siobhan Mc Loughlin, Caithriona Costelloe, Sinead Costelloe, Karen Fitzgerald, Eibhlin Carr, Elaine Houlihan.

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Maynooth Swimming Club

Since the Swimming Club was formed, more than 30 years ago by Owen Byrne thousands of children from the Maynooth areas have enjoyed the facilities of this voluntary organisation. Over the years parents of members have taken on the responsibilities for organising buses, instructors (of which we have 4 for each swim) duty rosters for committee members and duty rosters for parents to help with supervision on buses and changing rooms. Many parents spend up to 5 years on the committee which is a very big committee as the club runs all year from the beginning of September to the end of June. Galas are run every June and all children will go home with a medal. At the moment our head instructor Oliver is drawing up the grading certificate for water safety which all children will receive according to ability. The present term which consists of 8 weeks started on the 11th of November 2000 and will run until 13th of January 2001. There will be no swimming on Saturday 23rd December and 30th of December 2000. The fees are due by 2nd of December and may be paid to any member of the committee or bus supervisor. Once a place has been taken the full terms fee is then due. Parents who will receive the duty roster for the term are asked to ensure that they take their turn or swoop it for that of another on the roster. We need 3- 4 adults on the bus every week. Members who go on the bus and return by car please inform the bus supervisor, and those who go by car and return by bus inform the bus supervisor. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members a very happy Christmas and a happy New Year from all committee members.

Mary Molloy P.R.O.

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THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

As any child will tell you at this time of year, the wise men were lead to the birth of baby Jesus by a star and if you don't believe them there's always Matthew;

"Behold there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying where is he that is born king of the Jews. For we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him". (Matthew 2:1-2)

The star of Bethlehem as "his star" has come to be known has for years brought forth debate and discussion as to its origin. Astronomers and historians alike, continue to look for evidence, both for and against the presence of the star or phenomenon at the right spot and time.

Meteors or "shooting stars" are one event that for a long time were regarded as the answer, but it commonly accepted that the wise men had some knowledge of astronomy and would not have regarded a meteor as having any great significance on its own.

During the reign of the Chinese Emperor Ai - Ti, a chronicler named Pan Ku recorded, around the time in question; the appearance of a "Hui hsing" that lasted for 70 days which is usually taken to mean a comet or even a nova. But it is the nova theory that has the greatest possibility as further evidence from another Chinese source shows. The Chinese Ho Peng Yoke catalogue records the appearance of an object in the Aquila constellation that may have been a supernova.

With the use of star maps and powerful computers, astronomers have extrapolated the nova remnants back to around the time of the first Christmas and have shown that it may well be the most likely candidate for the star of Bethlehem.

Bear in mind that we don't have an exact date for the birth and even with the best resources available, there's still some factor of error, hence astronomers and scientists alike will only give the "possibility" and "the weight of evidence shows" etc in their answers.

In any case, there doesn't seem to be one perfect candidate for the star and it may well come down to personnel preference. Was it a comet, a meteor, a nova or even an angel, what ever the answer is, knowing it will never make this time of year any less special for all.

Merry Christmas

NOW FOR THE SCIENCE BIT!

I'm sure the last piece has raised some questions as to just what stars, comets and the like are, well this is where the science comes in. We'll begin with the stars themselves.

They are a spherical mass of gases held together by gravity, born inside huge clouds of gases and dust. The process begins when a region of a cloud increases in density. The gases are pulled towards the star's centre where they become densely packed causing them to heat up. This can be triggered by a shock wave passing through the cloud due to a supernova, more about that latter. Under gravity, hydrogen gases the core, are hot enough to undergo nuclear reactions that releases energy. The energy counterbalances the effect of gravity allowing the star to be stable.

Each star has a life cycle of several stages during which its size and temperature change dramatically. The more massive a star the more quickly it burns up its gases in the nuclear reactions and one of the most massive types of stars known as a supergiant ends its life in a huge explosion called a supernova. Basically the gases are used up, the nuclear reaction ceases and gravity causes the star to implode in on itself generating the massive explosion that is so energetic that it can appear as a new very bright star from Earth.


so with the death of one star, we have the birth of many more.

Comets though, are relatively small objects that follow a long, eccentric orbit around the Sun and consist of dust and ice. Most orbit far beyond the planets at distances of up to 9,000 billion miles or 15,000 billion km, but should it come close to the Sun, it partially vaporises, producing a bright head of dust and gas and one or more tails. The best known is Halley's comet, which comes around every 76 years.

A meteor or shooting star, is the streak of light produced when a meteoroid or lump of rock, burns up in the atmosphere. On a clear, moonless night, about 10 meteors an hour can normally be seen, with the number peaking at around 4 a.m. in the morning; no one said astronomy was easy. They are best seen as a meteor shower, which occurs when the earth passes through a trail of dust left by a comet. There are around 20 meteor showers each year, one due around the 7th to the 16th of Dec. in the Geminids constellation and another around the 1st to the 6th of Jan. in the Quadrantids constellation.

The area of astronomer is vast and there is just not enough room here to delve into it in any great detail. There are various books available of both general interest and more in depth knowledge in most bookshops and libraries. A good starting point would be to join a club or society, the best known being Astronomy Ireland. If you just want to look at the stars, start off with a good pair of binoculars, excellent for looking at the moon. If money is available then the next step is a telescope, but beware, there are a lot of telescopes out there that are just not suitable. A good benchmark is a 3" lens for a refractive telescope and a 6" mirror for a Newtonian telescope.

Remember a telescope is not only just for Christmas, but for life and don't forget the warm woollies.



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FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES

Once again this has been a very busy month in Maynooth Fianna Fail. In this edition of the Newsletter we will kick off with a report on the Public Meeting organised by the Cumann in Maynooth and addressed by Dr. Martin Manseragh, Special Adviser to the Taoiseach on Northern Ireland.

PEACE PROCESS - DR MARTIN MANSERAGH

The Meeting was well attended and the audience listened attentively to the speech given by Dr. Manseragh on "the History of the Peace Process". As his reputation preceded him, the speech was a very orderly and detailed journey down the road to peace from where Dr. Manseragh himself dated its inception i.e. the aftermath of the Enniskillen bombing, to the present date. Many other historians dated the start of the Peace Process from the mid 1970's when the English first started a dialogue with the IRA secretly, others marked the Anglo Irish Agreement as the starting point. In the early 1980's John Hume and Charles Haughey started work on a framework for both communities to work together in co-operation. In 1988 Dr. Manseragh himself and Dermot Ahern T.D. met with Gerry Adams with the aim of drawing up a consensus among Nationalists in which the best progress could be made.

This ultimately led down the path to a Draft which was handed over to John Major in June 1993, culminating in the Joint Declaration between the Irish and British Governments in December 1993 - led by Albert Reynolds, John Hume, Gerry Adams and John Major. Consequently Section 31 of the Constitution was lifted, the republican movement was given access to the media, a 48 hour Visa was granted by the United States to Gerry Adams etc. While in Dr. Manseragh's first opinion, Charles Haughey's main contribution was to help create a constitutional Republican position, thereby doing much to contain and even diminish more militant republicanism from gaining ground. Albert Reynolds' role in the period leading up to and after the Joint Declaration was nothing short of magnificent. During a vital and sensitive period, no effort was spared or proved too much for Reynolds. He took every opportunity given to go on T.V., radio, print interviews etc in order to explain, clarify, reassure and push the content of the Declaration.

This was followed by the ceasefire, border roads being reopened, security on streets being reduced, and examination of how foreign investment could be generated leading to a more prosperous economy in which all communities could benefit. Dr. Manseragh applauded Albert Reynolds very recent settlement which he won against the Sunday Times for an article which they printed after the fall of the Reynolds government.

Dr. Manseragh followed up with a systematic account of the sequential events that followed, the difficulties experienced in 1995 with the 'slow bicycling' policy pursued by Patrick Mayhew over decommissioning, the breakdown of the IRA ceasefire, the British and Irish General Elections in May and June 1997, respectively, leading eventually to the Good Friday agreement of 1998. Dr. Manseragh praised the part played by Bertie Ahern, particularly his ability to relate to people without being confrontational.

He has built up very good personal relationships with David Trimble, among others, being the first Fianna Fail leader to go into Unionist Party offices and also the first Fianna Fail leader to visit Republican West Belfast since DeValera.

In conclusion, Dr. Manseragh focused on the dynamism of the process presently highlighting the work being done by the North/south bodies in particular.

At the end of the Question and Answer session which followed, Dr. Manseragh was presented by the Maynooth Cumann with a symbolic present of Waterford Crystal Goblets, issued for the Millennium to toast Peace.

BUDGET SUBMISSION TO CHARLIE MCCREEVY by MAYNOOTH CUMANN

The Maynooth Cumann presented its budget submission to the Minister last weekend. The Cumann wrote to all its members in Maynooth inviting them to submit ideas for inclusion in the submission. The Cumann officer board then met on a number of occasions to discuss and agree on the issues to be included in the submission. The general theme of the submission was summarised by officer board member Noel Brilly as "giving something back to the people without having an adverse effect on inflation". The Cumann have put forward proposals in relation to the following topics.

- 1) Pensioners - proposals related to concessions regarding car tax, vouchers towards the cost of the National Car Test and increased fuel allowance.
- 2) Fixed income recipients.
- 3) Carers - people looking after family members. unable to fend for themselves at home, should perhaps be able to receive significant allowances.
- 4) Students - parents of students paying rent for accommodation should be able to receive a significant relief on their tax allowances. Also maintenance grants for students should be increased as no increase has been received for a number of years.
- 5) Home working incentives to be introduced and strengthened.
- 6) Green issues - tax incentives should be introduced for recycling processes.
- 8) Childcare - Benefits for working parents to be introduced to help towards the cost of childcare, which in turn will help release more people into the workforce.

After some time discussing the various proposals with the Cumann Committee Charlie McCreedy praised the Cumann for its initiative and he said he would consider them during the preparation of the budget.

MINISTER MCCREEVY MEETS WITH SENIOR IARNROD EIREANN PERSONNEL IN MAYNOOTH NEW STATION

Following meeting held in the Glenroyal Hotel and on site, Minister McCreedy and Cumann members accompanied the Minister to the new Rail Station currently being completed in Maynooth.

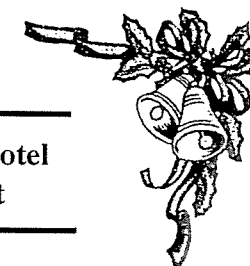
There the Minister met with senior representatives of Iarnrod Eireann including Acting Station Master in Maynooth Mr. Stephen Mangan, Christy Stapleton, Operations Manager with Iarnrod Eireann and Mr. Barry Kenny, Public Relations officer with Iarnrod Eireann and resident of Maynooth himself. Congratulations to Barry on his subsequent Wedding !!!!!!!!!

The Minister announced that the upgrade and increased facilities and frequencies of services would be a welcome addition to the residents and commuters of Maynooth, both present and future, an area which has expanded so rapidly and consistently over the last 10 years in particular. Cont'



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Party Political

The Minister toured the new Station building itself which will be opened at the end of October or beginning of November and on which £20 million has been made available for its construction. A further £20 million will have been spent on providing 20 new longer diesel cars with greater capacity. The new Station will have new PA systems, mobility impaired access, new lighting, passenger help points, closed circuit television and real time information.

The new facilities and new tracking and signalling put in place will enable a much improved frequency of services with trains departing every 30 minutes during off-peak periods and every 20 minutes during peak-time. There will also be a service available during the small hours of the morning/night which again will be a welcome safety addition to the residents of Maynooth who travel to and from the City Centre on a regular basis. While the new Station and its facilities will be open by the end of October, the increased frequency of trains will be starting in January.

LOCAL NOTES - CHARLIE MCCREEVY T.D. AND CLLR. PAUL KELLY

A) MR. DERMOT AHERN T.D. MINISTER FOR SOCIAL, COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AFFAIRS has written to Minister McCreedy detailing Grants which have been approved under the 2000 Scheme for local based Community and Family Support Groups to bodies in the area. Bodies concerned include among many others, Newbridge Access Group, Nass Adult Centre for Education, Network - Kildare, Maynooth Adult Daytime education and Leixlip Womens studies.

B) MR. DAN WALLACE T.D. MINISTER OF STATE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT has written to Minister McCreedy giving details of Grants being made to 122 projects under the 2000 Environmental Partnership Fund. The increased number of applications to this fund shows that awareness has been heightened of the importance of environmental protection schemes. Among the local groups to be successful in their applications were:-

-KIWI, Kilcock - based on local partnership effort concept and will make a significant difference in delivery on the core objectives of the Departments National waste Initiative.
- Leixlip Integrated Waste Initiative - formed to reduce the amount of waste leaving Leixlip.

C) Charlie McCreedy has welcomed the announcement by BOBBY MOLLOY T.D. MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL of the approval for 43 3-bedroomed houses, 11 2-bedroomed houses and communal facilities under the Departments Rental Subsidy Scheme at Caragh road, Nass. The estimated cost will be £5.4 million and allocation will be made to households on the Local Authority housing waiting list. Minister McCreedy declared that the Government is currently working very hard to increase the supply of serviced land to ensure more of these types of developments will be made available.

SILKEN VALE

Minister McCreedy and Cumann members had a walkabout in Silken Vale on Saturday 7th October, and met with representatives of the Residents Association concerning their objections to Iarnrod Eireann's application for access maintenance gate in Silken Vale. Minister McCreedy has been engaged in on-going representations to Kildare County Council and an Bord Pleanála on behalf of the residents. Decision due date from An Bord Pleanála is 7th December.

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Again Charlie McCreedy has made on-going representations to Kildare County Council regarding the Rathcoffey road design, having met with a representatives of the Residents on 7th October in the Glenroyal Hotel..

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL - EXTENSION GIVEN GO AHEAD

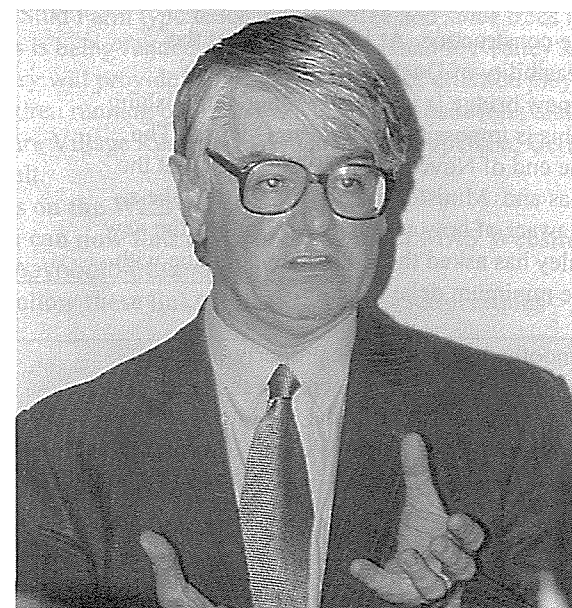
The Chairman of the Cumann, Gearoid Lohan was delighted to receive news that the Department of Education under Minister Michael Woods has sanctioned the extension to Maynooth Post Primary school. The extension will allow accommodation for an extra 850 pupils, and work is expected to begin early in the New Year. Minister McCreedy was also very pleased to learn of the go-ahead having made representations on behalf of the school to the Minister, Michael Woods.

CAIRDE FAIL DINNER - November 3rd

The annual Cairde Fail Dinner Dance will take place this year on Thursday 30th November in City West Hotel. An Taoiseach Bertie Ahern will attend and the Maynooth Cumann intends to have a table on the night. Anyone interested in attending should contact myself at the number below. Tickets cost £40.00 each and music entertainment will be provided by Paddy Cole.

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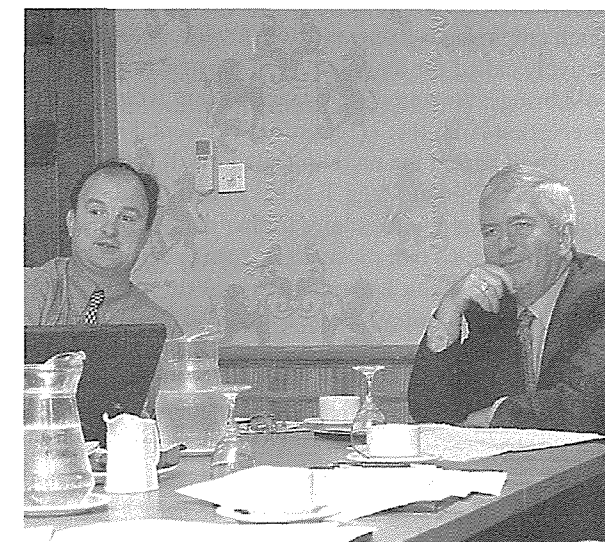
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on the Budget*

Action Required to Prevent a Recurrence of the Flooding:

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's proposal it was agreed at the Special Council Meeting on 20 November, that time would be set aside at the Monthly Meeting of the Council on 27 November to consider the Council's report on the flooding. Cllr. McGinley also asked that a member of the National Roads Authority (NRA) be in attendance.

Cllr. McGinley has also put forward the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That the following action be taken in order to prevent a recurrence of the flooding in Meadowbrook, Brookfield, Newtown and Parson Street:

1. That an alternative, to the Meadowbrook Stream, be found for taking the Motorway surface water drainage e.g. Lagoons.
2. That the grills on the pipes at the bridges on the Meadowbrook Stream be removed immediately as they contributed to the flooding.
3. That the culverted of the Meadowbrook Stream, which has already been agreed by the Council, be speeded up.
4. That the boundary wall between the Joan Slade River and Parson Street be rebuilt completely as the flooding in Parson Street was caused by the holes in the existing wall.
5. That enough sand bags be retained in the Council Yard in Maynooth for any future such emergencies.

Proposals for Work to be Funded from Development Levies:

The Council are at presents compiling a list of work to be carried out using Development Levies already collected. Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following list for inclusion:

- * Finish the Maynooth Town Improvement Works as outlined in the O'Neill 1996 Plan.
- * Finish the Road Restoration Programme for Leixlip as outlined in the O'Neill 1995 Plan.
- Realign the Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth and include footpaths and cycle paths. The footpath should extend beyond the motorway bridge to accommodate the new soccer pitches.
- Finish resurfacing of roads in Carton Court and Cluain Aoibhinn
- Resurface all of the Back Lanes in Maynooth.
- Provide traffic route public lighting and a footpath on the Celbridge Road, Maynooth, from the Straffan Road to the new Gael Scoil.
- Realign Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road, Maynooth and remove the 'green' strip.
- Rebuild completely the Parson Street boundary wall with the Joan Slade River.
- Culvert the Meadowbrook Stream.
- Repair the footpaths in Carton Court and College Green, Maynooth.
- Repair the roads and footpaths in Avondale Estate, Leixlip.
- Prune trees, and remove where necessary, in all housing estates in Maynooth and Leixlip. All removed trees to be replaced with appropriate mature trees.

Bond Bridge Construction Held up by Duchas:

Duchas are still holding up progress on the new Bond Bridge construction. At Duchas request the Council employed a **Conservation Architect** to evaluate the feasibility of Duchas proposals which effectively called for the building of the new bridge, where the new bridge is located, without demolishing the old bridge. Anyone with common sense would realise that this is impossible, but no so Duchas. The Conservation Architect's report to the Council is due before the end of November and it is likely that the Council will accept the recommendations. It is then up to Duchas and Minister Sile de Valera to make a fast decision. Emmet Stagg T.D. has already made the Minister aware of how essential it is to have the new bridge constructed without any further delay. Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to continue with the design work so that the tendering stage can proceed with the minimum delay.

Resurfacing of Back Lanes in Maynooth:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked that the Back Lanes off Maynooths Main Street be properly surfaced, using development levies collected in the area, without any further delay. The resurfacing of the lanes has prevented double yellow lines from being painted on one side of them as agreed in the Parking Bye Laws. Hopefully when this work is completed there will no longer be any problems for the Wheelie Bin truck gaining entry.

Carton Avenue and Top of Main Street, Maynooth

Council officials advised Cllr. McGinley at the Area Meeting on 10 April last that they had £198,000 in funds to extend the Main Street Improvement Works to take in the entrance to Carton Avenue and the top of Main Street area. Since then the Maynooth Action Strategy (MAS) group have produced there own proposals for the Avenue and the entrance to it. They have also secured a further £100,000 funding from the Minister for Finance. Cllr. McGinley submitted a motion asking that the scope of work be agreed and co-ordinated without any further delay. He also demanded that a Council Official take over responsibility for the project with a view to seeking tenders for the work early in the new year. It would be a disgrace if this funding was lost to Maynooth through the inaction of Council Staff.

Carton Court:

Following representations from the Residents' Association Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

" That the resurfacing of the roadways, begun in Carton Court, Maynooth, last year, be completed without any further delay and that the Area Engineer carry out a survey on the condition of the footpaths and that a remedial works plan be drawn up."

In addition Cllr. McGinley has allocated £8,000 of his Discretionary Funding to carry out repairs to the worst sections of the footpaths before the years end.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked EIRCOM to remove the Phone Box as requested by the Residents' Association.

Wall at the Bottom of Greenfield Drive:

Cllr. John McGinley has allocated £2,250 of his Discretionary Funding for the rebuilding of the wall.

Rockfield:

Following representations from the Residents' Association Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to introduce safety measures at the junction of the footpath from Rockfield Lodge and Rockfield Avenue.

Pedestrian Footbridge—Maynooth Rail Station

Arising from representations from commuters, Deputy Emmet Stagg contacted Iarnrod Eireann concerning the dangerous footbridge linking the platforms at Maynooth Rail Station. A number of the steps were broken. Iarnrod Eireann have responded indicating that the Bridge will be examined and repaired.

Increased Frequency on Maynooth Suburban Line

Following the doubling of the rail line from Maynooth to Clonsilla, Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised that increased services will be available in early 2001. There will be additional services at peak and off peak times and also a Sunday service will be in operation.

Extension of Quality Bus Corridor

In response to enquiries from Dublin Bus commuters Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the extension of the Lucan Quality Bus Corridor to cover both the Lucan and Chapelizod By-passes.

Moyglare Village Boundary Agreed

Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg are pleased that agreement has now been reached with Moyglare Village Residents' Association on the provision of a boundary on the front green of their estate. A double Stud Farm type fence with a hedge and some trees in the middle will be provided at a cost of £7,000 and this is being funded in full from Cllr. John McGinley's Discretionary Grant. The provision of the boundary will provide a safe environment for children playing in the front green and will eliminate the risk of children running out onto the Moyglare Road. John and Emmet would, in particular, like to thank Moyglare Village Residents' Association Chairperson, Gerry MacCann, who was instrumental in achieving the result.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES

With the new pitches coming on stream on the Rathcoffey Rd this is an exciting time for Maynooth Town Football Club. The first Sunday of fixtures on the new site was a great success with Pat Moynan's under 11's side winning the first ever game. We gained some valuable experience from this trial run. Our thanks to Paul Davies and all at NUI Maynooth for the use of their pitches while we installed a car park for visitors. This was seen as an urgent requirement to avoid cars parking on the road. The pitch has also been verti-drained, fertilized and 25 ton of sand is to be spread on it to improve the surface. A turfcare consultant has been employed to advise on how best to bring the surface to a standard to provide a playing pitch until the state of the art pitches are developed.

New temporary dressing rooms are also now on site and permanent goal posts have been installed. These are all short term measures to see us through the current season. In the longer term, surveyors have already been to survey the grounds and their brief is to put together a draft plan for a final layout of the site. It would be the club's intension to consult with all who may wish to have an input before drawing up the final layout. It is hoped that we will gain a facility that will be more than just a home for soccer in Maynooth but an asset to the larger community.

The improvements to date have cost in the order of £10,000. This finance in the main has come from our weekly Lotto draw and we would encourage all supporters of our plans to support our fundraising efforts in any way possible. Finally we would ask all to be patient in this time of major transition and on behalf of the committee, managers and players of Maynooth Town F.C. have a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

DDSL Under 8B1

Marino Boys 1 v Maynooth Town 3

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These Maynooth Town cubs will not be denied their determined march to the championship. They met stout and stubborn resistance from strong opposition in Marino Park but rose to the occasion well. A fine first half lob from John Comerford separated the teams at the interval. Changes at half time did not disrupt the Town's pattern of play.

Weekly Members Lotto Results

Date	Lucky No's	Jackpot	3 x £25 Winners		
23-Jul-00	1,12,18,24	£800	PAULA O' CONNOR	IMELDA DOWLING	SHEA O' SULLIVAN
30-Jul-00	5,9,10,14	£850	JOAN CARROLL	MARGARET DEMPSEY	KARL c/o Caulfields
6-Aug-00	7,10,15,21	£900	JACKIE NOLAN	EDEL HARKIN	LAUREN EDWARDS
13-Aug-00	9,19,20,24	£950	BERNIE WALSH	JACKIE NOLAN	ROSEANNA BYRNE
20-Aug-00	10,11,19,21	£1000	DES KANE	JOSIE KIERNAN	DAN O' DRISCOLL
27-Aug-00	13,21,27,28	£1050	MICHEAL RYAN	RACHEL CASSIDY	PAT KILKENNY
3-Sep-00	5,8,9,20	£1100	MICK FAHEY	B. NURNEY	BER FAHEY
10-Sep-00	3,4,5,27	£1150	WILLIAM FARRELLY	DECLAN COYNE	M. DALY
17-Sep-00	10,16,18,28	£1200	KARL c/o Caulfields	KATHLEEN DEMPSEY	EAMON CARTY
24-Sep-00	1,5,8,15	£1250	GERRY Mc TERNAN	EILISH ASH	EUGENE FITZPATRICK
1-Oct-00	5,12,18,27	£1300	KEN HYLAND	BERNIE FAHY	COLM NEARY
8-Oct-00	3,9,12,27	£1350	DON FOLEY	MICK GERATHY	SUZANNE FARRELLY
15-Oct-00	5,6,10,21	£1400	CIAN O' HAGAN	TRIONA CAHILL	DON FOLEY
22-Oct-00	1,14,16,21	£1450	COLM LOFTUS	KEVIN WALSH	JOHN DRIVER
29-Oct-00	13,14,20,25	£1500	LISA KEALY	GERARD HEGARTY	NIAMH MONGEY
5-Nov-00	1,14,16,21	£1550	MARGARET GANNON	MICK FANNING	T. KIRBY

Martin O' Connor typified this confidence with a fine run and long range strike which put his side 2-0 up. Still the game was evenly balanced and Marino were dangerous on the break. Shane Hawthorne linked well with David Burgess to score goal number three. The home side did manage to score a consolation goal near the end which they deserved for their fine efforts. Maynooth from: James Walsh, Christopher Hobbes, David Murray, John Comerford, Paul Carey, David Burgess, Andrew Foxe, Conor Glynn, Ciaran Kearney, Martin O' Connor, Colm O' Neill, Shane Hawthorne and Conor Sauls

DDSL Under 8D

Maynooth Town 3 v Palmerstown Rangers 5

Maynooth's newest recruits got off to a slow start in this under 8's clash with Palmerstown Rangers. Having conceded two solid goals the Town began to dominate midfield but missed a solid kick just before the break leaving them trailing at half time. The second period began well for the home side as substitute Theo Riva brought the sides level courtesy of two excellent free kicks. Several substitutions meant the game lost its flow and the home side began to surrender the midfield advantage. Once again Rangers got the upper hand and converted three easy chances despite several good saves from home keeper Tom Donoghue. Theo Riva completed his hatrick following an unstoppable run from his own half but Maynooth were unable to close the gap any further.

Maynooth from: Tom Donoghue, Ronan Kirwin, Luke Essex, Desin O'Brien, Garvin Dowling, Hughie Faherty, Andrew Corbett, Theo Riva, Neil Flynn, David Toner, David Scanlon, O'Callaghan, Ciaran Cunningham, Ruari Brett and Lee Cairns.

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From
Maynooth Town Football Club

MAYNOOTH UNDER 11

Maynooth under 11 footballers saved their best performance till their last game in the autumn league. Against a determined and well trained Sallins team playing against a strong breeze they kept in touch and were only three points behind at half time.

After the half time talk they came out and eventually got the better of their opponents winning the game by three points. Once again the support of the parents was great to see at the game and the trainers are always grateful for their support.

The team was: Alex Cash, Seamus McGhillobhríde, Sean Moore, Dare Walsh, Cormac O'Reilly, Damien Greavy, Thomas Donnellan, Eoin Curran, Cathal Farrelly, William Reynolds, Emanuel Ali, Joe Dempsey, Danny Finnan.
Subs: Ben Finnegan, Karl Lynch, Sean Barrett, Philip Corbally, John Devine, Rian Glynn, Colin McClean, David O'Grady.'

Despite a disappointing run of results in their autumn league Maynooth under 11 trainers Dennis Dempsey and Kieran Finnegan remain optimistic for the future. Half of the panel are under age next year.

The team was unlucky to lose star forward Francis McDonald in the summer and he is wished good luck in the playing fields of Westmeath. The support of the parents was great to see at the games and the trainers are always delighted to see parents support their children.

The panel is as follows:
Emmanuel Ali, Sean Barrett, Alex Cash, Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally, Brian Cowley, Eoin Curran, Thomas Donnellan, Joe Dempsey, John Devine, Ciaran Egan, Danny Finnan, Garrett Farrelly, Ben Finnegan, Rian Glynn, Damien Greavy, Karl Lynch, Colin McClean, Seamus MacGhillobhríde, Sean Moore, David O'Grady, William Reynolds, Sean Senchnya, Cormac O'Reilly, Darragh Walsh.

Maynooth Gaelic Football Club renewed old friendships with Edenderry G.F.C. on Saturday last. A coach departed from Maynooth club house bringing both under 11 and under 9 teams to play two challenge matches. Despite the poor weather both games were very competitive with a draw in the under 9 game and a one point defeat for the under 11s.

Afterwards the Maynooth club treated the boys to a well deserved meal. Both teams have been training throughout the year. The under 9 team, for the second year in a row won their North Kildare League.

The trainers of both teams would like to thank the parents who helped to make the day a great success. Also the Edenderry club for the welcome they afforded them. Training will resume in February.

By Kieran Finnegan

Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately
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Malone (Maynooth) Donald, formerly of Greenfield, died Oct, 8- 2000, in London. His death is mourned by his sister, brothers, relatives and friends. "May he rest in peace "

McCarthy Michael - Oct 11- 2000 (peacefully), aged 91 years, Killeaney, Maynooth, Co. Meath (late of Killreelig, Ballinskelligs, Co. Kerry); deeply regretted by his loving wife Mary, daughter Mary (Mauren), sons Donald, Micheal and Sean, brothers, sisters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law., sister-in-law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

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