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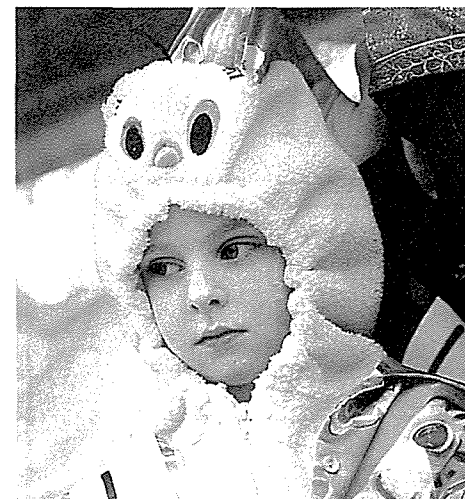
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MAYNOOTH NEWSLETTER

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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

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

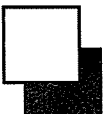
Paul Croghan congratulated the new Drama Group 'An Nuadha Players' in Maynooth.

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Marie Gleeson, P.R.O.



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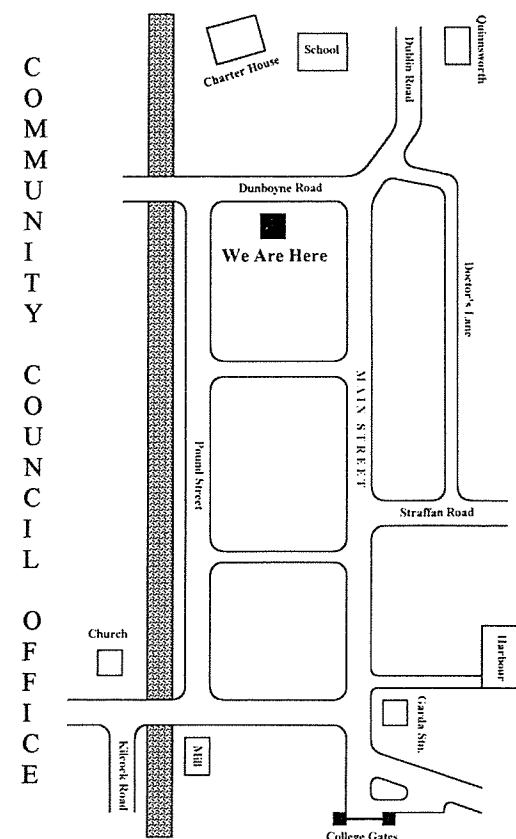
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The A.G.M. of Woodlands Residents Association was held in the I.C.A. hall in Maynooth on 8/3/2000 at which the committee for coming year was elected as follows:

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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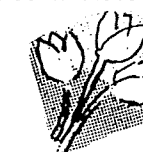
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

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, 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.

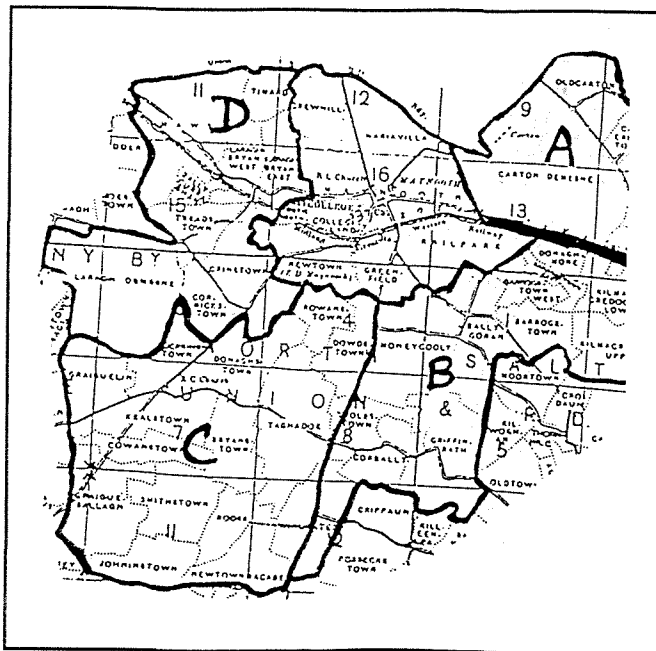
All nominations to arrive at the Community Council Office by **Monday, 27th March at 5.00 p.m.** Any resident over 18 is eligible for election and to vote.

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.
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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.

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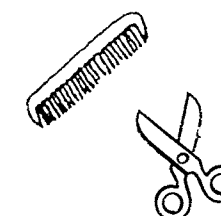
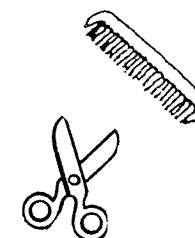
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

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.

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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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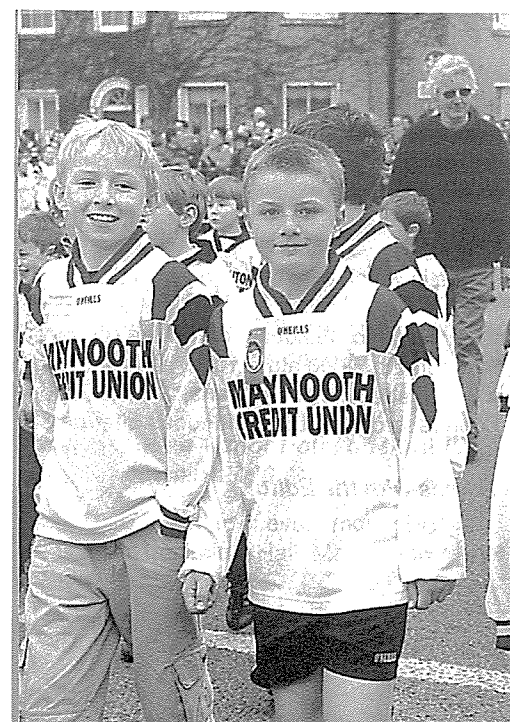
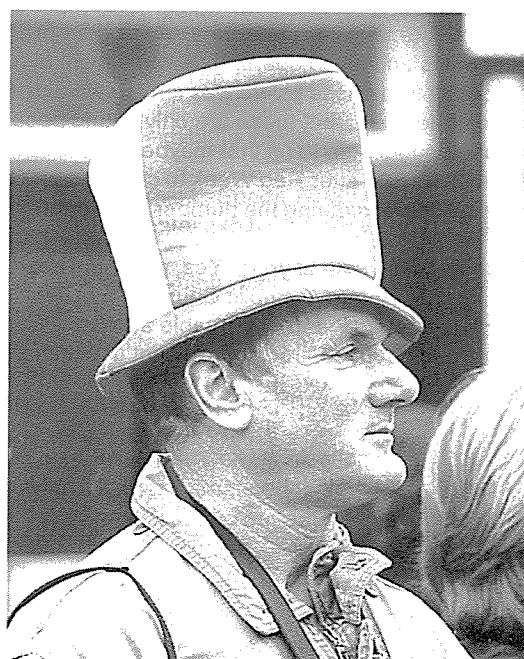
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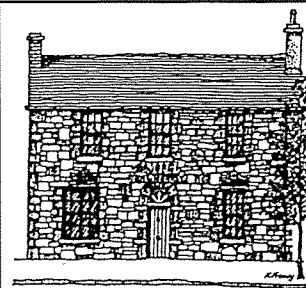
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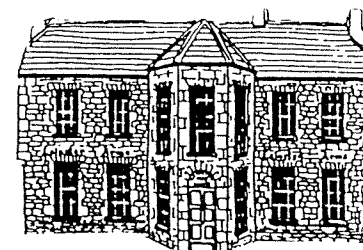
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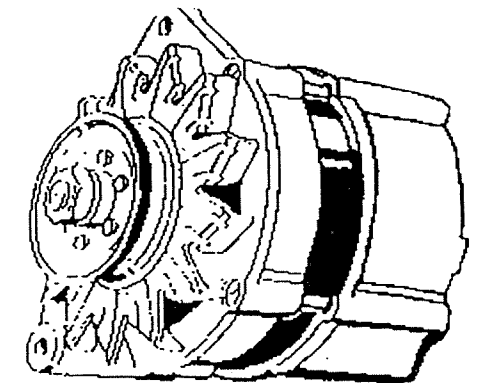
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The teachers involved are delighted to be participating in the show as we see it as a wonderful opportunity for the dancers to perform on one of Ireland's leading theatre stages. For many of the dancers it will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Taking 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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Once again we thank Gerald Mulcahy Family butchers Greenfield shopping centre for sponsoring our Tidy Towns float in the St. Patrick's day parade. Our thanks also to Mattie and Liz Callaghan and family for all the work on our float.

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

Features

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

Features

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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Two retreats (£170 each) in mid Summer are well worth considering as a refreshing country break. Deposit £20 secures a place. Send SAE if a receipt is required. 3rd - 9th July: using dance, clay, colour, nature and silence. 17th - 23rd July: Threads of inner healing.

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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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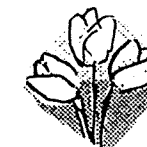
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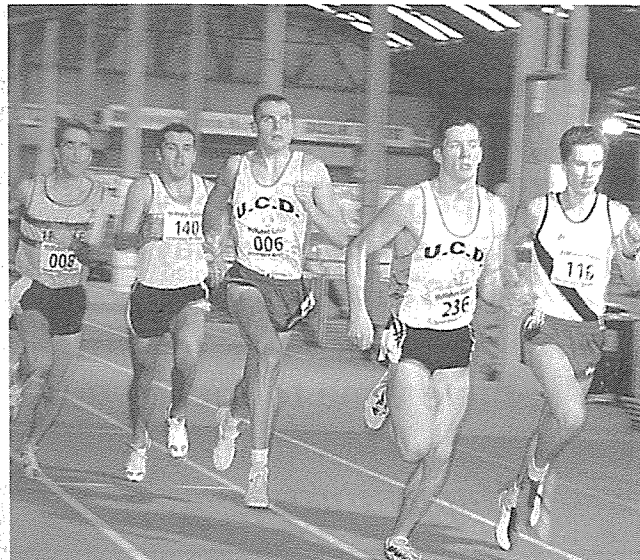
MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

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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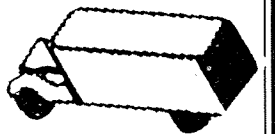
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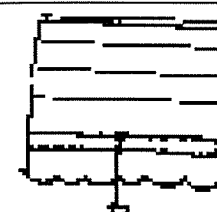
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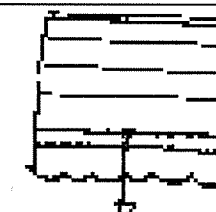
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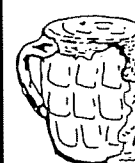
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PRICE WATCH

Petrol prices have gone up by 20% in the last year reflecting a huge increase in the price of crude oil. It is now quite difficult to find a service station in the Dublin region where it is possible to buy unleaded petrol for less than £3 per gallon. Of course prices are no longer displayed per gallon and, anyway, most people, when they pull into a service station, buy £10 or £20 worth. This means that customers are not very sensitive to price differences between one service station and the next. Competition between stations is supposed to keep prices keen but this only works if the consumer is price conscious.

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
Statoil Arran Quay	66.4	£33.20	£3.02
Maxol Palmerstown	70.1	£35.05	£3.18
Shell Palmerston	66.5	£33.25	£3.02
Texaco Lucan	69.7	£34.85	£3.17
ESSO Maynooth	70.1	£35.05	£3.18
Maxol Maynooth	71.5	£35.75	£3.25



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98	Subaru Impreza 1.6LX Saloon	Blue	1	32K
98	Subaru Impreza 2.0 RX Saloon	White	1	21K
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
96	Subaru Legacy 2.0 Estate	Burgundy	1	19.8K
96	Subaru Legacy Saloon	White	2	33K
96	Subaru Legacy Saloon	Green	1	68K
96	Suzuki Supercarry Van	White	1	28.5K
96	Toyota Corolla 2.0 D XL	Red	1	57K
96	Ford Escort 1.4, 5 Door	Black	1	52.4K
95	Subaru Legacy 2.0 AWD Estate	Green	1	54K
94	Subaru Impreza 5 Door 1.6GL	Blue	2	91K
94	Subaru Impreza 5 Door 1.6GL	Green	2	71.5K
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MAYNOOTH PLANNING ALLIANCE

In a break with tradition, Kildare County Council have appointed a firm of consultants, Brady, Shipman Martin, to prepare the forthcoming Maynooth Town Plan. Local planning officials, more familiar with the local scene, would normally have this responsibility and their exclusion from the process this time around is a source of regret. The consultants have requested submissions from the public before April 3rd. What are the parameters within which the Plan should be prepared?

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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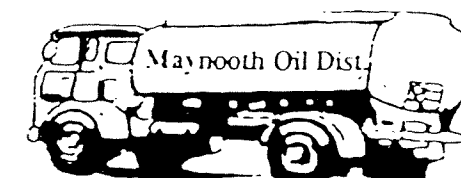


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NORTH KILDARE NATIONAL SCHOOL PROJECT AN EDUCATE TOGETHER SCHOOL

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.

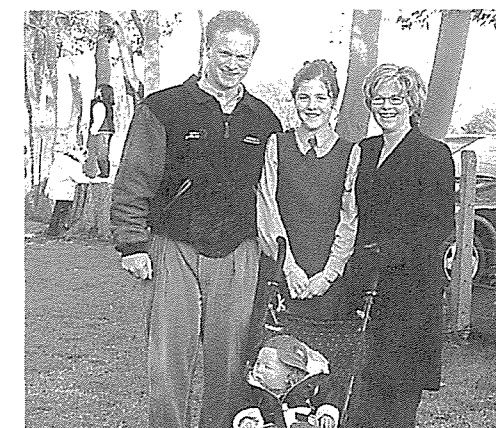
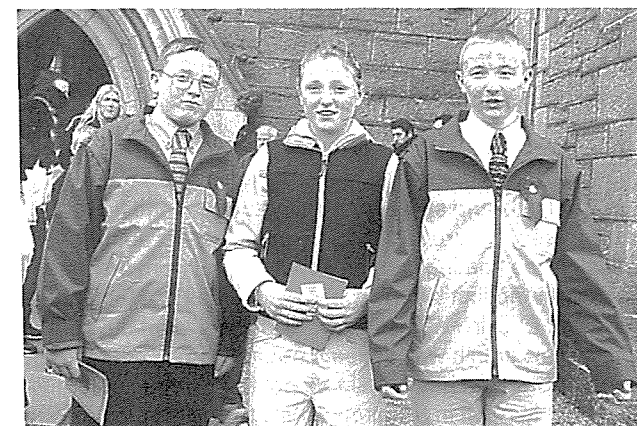


Other goings on

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

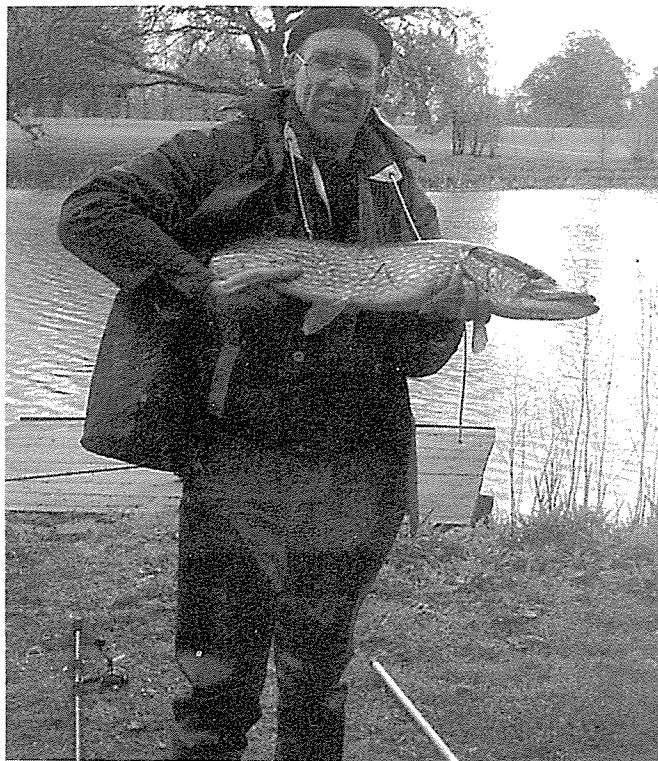


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PIKE FISHING IN JANUARY

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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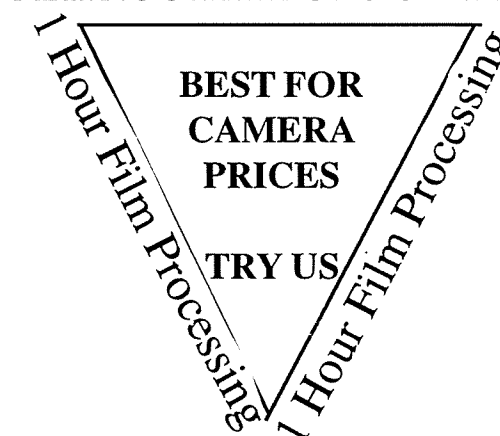
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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

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:

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2. The Photo Centre
3. The Flower Pot

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(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:

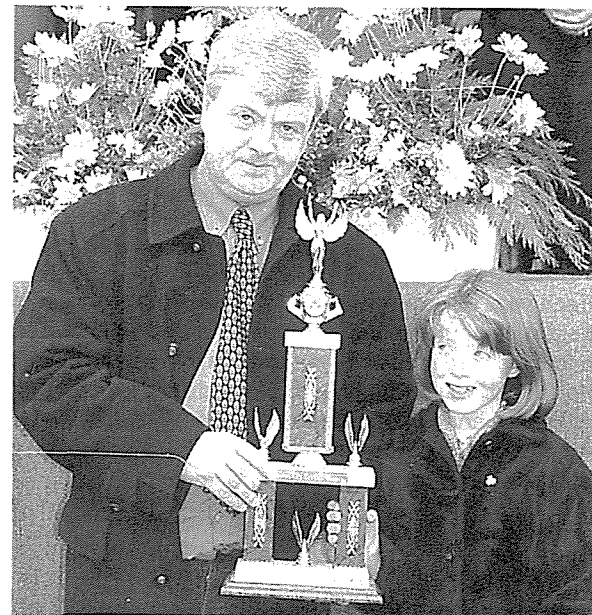
Maynooth Town Soccer Club

(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 it's 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.

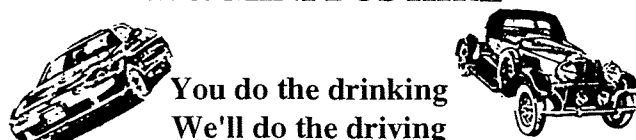


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A very successful fundraising breakfast was held by THE recently reformed Fianna Fail Cumann in Maynooth last Monday, 6th March in the Glenroyal Hotel. The event was attended by over seventy people representing various elements of the local community. 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.

Features

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.

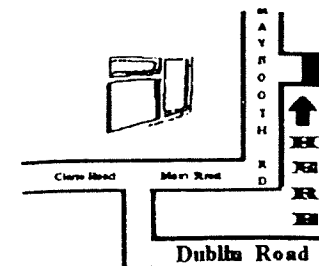
Now in the first quarter of the new century we are advised that in this decade the number of full time farms will fall from 200,000 to 20,000 with 60,000 part time and 20,000 traditional.

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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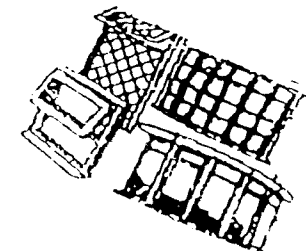
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Convent Lane / Dunboyne Road

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

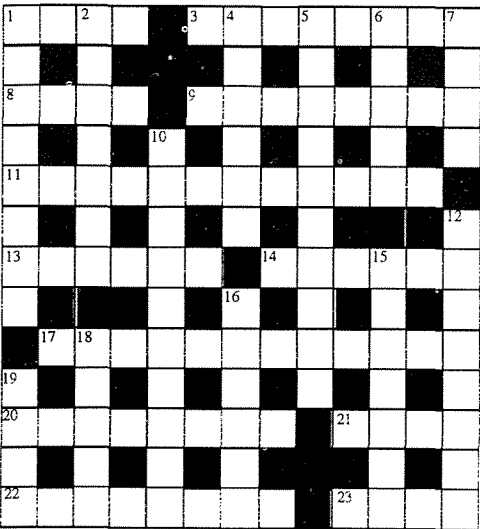
Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"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



Entries before: Monday 17th April

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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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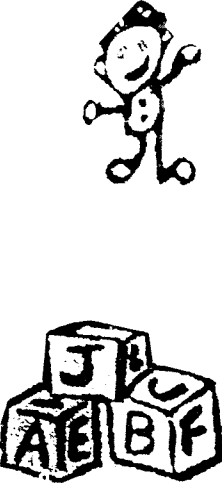


Across: 3. Fetid; 9. Tender; 10. Tumble; 11. Eased; 12. Aped; 15. Puce; 17. Married; 20. Tar; 21. Recur; 23. Away; 25. Gift; 26. Maker; 28. Cos; 30. Rotated; 33. Alto; 35. Lane; 36. Habit; 38. Indeed; 39. Newest; 40. Merge.

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 denied 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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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES (CONT.)

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.

SUBS: David Comerford for O"Donaghue,Mark Cummins for Broughan, Stephen Broderick for Molloy.

Maynooth Under 9 & 11 Gaelic Football Teams Are Now Training On Saturday Mornings From 11-30---- 1 p.m. Full Coaching Is Given In All Aspects Of Gaelic Football. The North Kildare Championships Start Soon And New Players Are Welcome. The Club Intends To Build On Last Years Successes Having Won Both Their championships.

Tom Coffey.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB
WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS

DATE: 5TH MARCH 2000

THIS WEEKS NUMBERS: 2, 7, 17, 21

This Week's Jackpot £2,200

Winner - No Winner

Next Week's Jackpot £2,300

Winners of Weekly £10.00

1. Edity Dixon, c/o Tref
2. Mary Doyle, 751 Greenfield
3. Emma Nevin, c/o Domo
4. Roisin Murphy, c/o Domo
4. Gerry Mulcahy, c/o Domo

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB
WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS

DATE12TH MARCH 2000

THIS WEEKS NUMBERS: 1, 2, 5, 10

This Week's Jackpot £2,300

Winner - No Winner

Next Week's Jackpot £2,400

Winners of Weekly £10.00

1. B Farrell
2. Joe Walsh
3. Laura Keanney
4. Zoe O'Neill, c/o J. Ayail
4. Louise Donnolly

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB
WEEKLY LOTTERY RESULTS

DATE: 19TH MARCH 2000

THIS WEEKS NUMBERS: 4, 17, 20, 22

This Week's Jackpot £2,400

Winner - No Winner

Next Week's Jackpot £2,500

Winners of Weekly £10.00

1. Colette Kavanagh, c/o Domo
2. Fintan Dunne
3. Patricia Moynan, 209 Kingsbry
4. Bernie O'Mara, 279 Klingsbry
4. Wine Cellar, c/o Domo

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.

Training For Minor, Under 21 And Senior Camogie Continues On .Monday And Friday Evenings At 7-30 P.M And On Sunday Mornings At 10-A.M. While The Senior Hurling under The Supervision Of Cairan Diggins Train On Mondays And Wednesday At 8'00 P.M. and On Saturdays At 5.30 P.M.. New Players are Welcome Tocome Along And Join A Vibrant and Successful Club.

Forthcoming Events In Clubhouse.

As Part Of It's Fundraising Activities Maynooth G.A.A. Club Is Holding a Race Night 29/04/00. The Club Caterers For Football,hurling, Comogie, Ladies football And Handball Looking After Nine Adult teams And Fourteen Underage Teams. The Cost Associated With Maintanining These Teams In Terms Of Equipment,Transport, And Medical Insurance Is Quite Considerable. The Club Is Seeking Sponsorship For The Various races. Such Sponcorship Will Be Advertised In The Race Programme For The Night And On The Club's Large Screen In The Weeks Preceeding And Following The Event. Your Support For This Event Would Be

Greatly Appreciated. Further Details Can Be Obtained From Race Night Co-Ordinator Kevin Connolly At 6285020 (Clubhouse).

G.A.A. Registration Night.

Question: Are You A Parent (S)/ Guardian (S) Of Child/ Childern Between Age 8-----18 Years?

Question: Are They Interested In Sport, Interested In Participating In Activities With Their Frends On A Team Or In Individual Events And Most Importantly Interested In Having Fun?. If You Can Answer "Yes" To Any Of The Above You And Your childern Are Invited To Come Along To An Open Night In The G.A.A. Clubhouse On Wednesday 5/4/00. From 7.30 P.M.

The G.A.A. Club In Maynooth Can Offer Coaching And Paricipation In the Following Sports: Comogie,Handball,Hurling And Ladies Football. This Open Night Will Allow You And Your Child/Childern To Meet The Coaches And Team Mentors, Hear Details Of Number Of Juvenile Teams, The Schedule For The Year In Terms Of Training,CompetitionsAnd Fun Events Which Are Organised Throught The Season And The Facilites On Offer In The Club. Maybe Yourself Would Be Willing To Get Involved In Assisting With Events.. No Experience Is Required Just Lots Enthusiam. Finally You Will Be Able To Register Your Family Or Child As Members Of Maynooth G.A.A. Club.

Please Feel Free To Come Along With Your Child/Childern. Tea And Light Refreshments Will be Served.

For Further Information Contact Larry Comerford At 6285020.(Clubhouse)

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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POP QUIZ

10 - 15 Year Olds
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PRIZE: £10 CINEMA VOUCHER

1. Who had a previous hit with American Pie?

2. What is the name of Mero's single?

3. What is the Will Smith current album?

4. What is the name of Mel C's current single?

5. What is the name of Atomic Kitchen's new single?

Name: _____

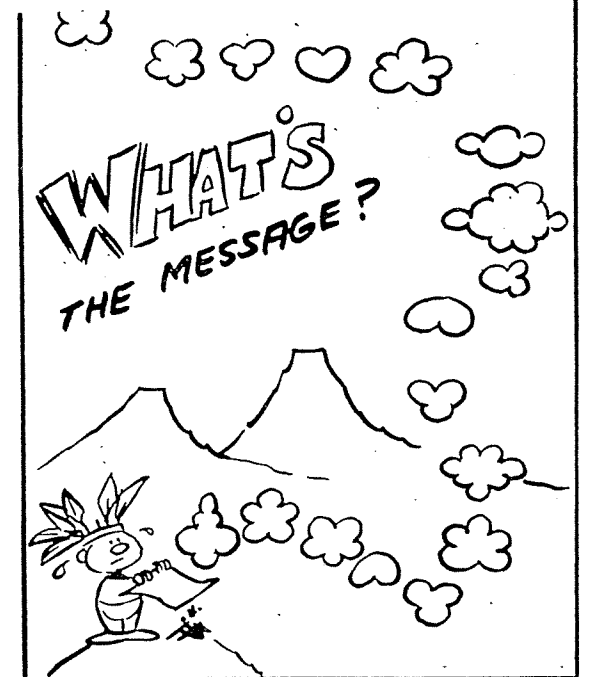
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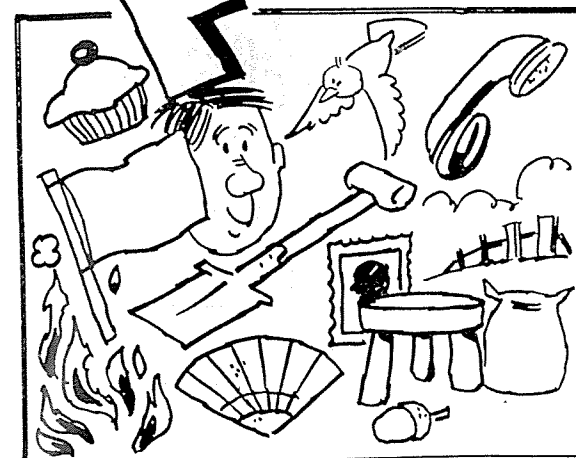
**Winner of last months pop quiz is Aideen O'Brien,
54 College Green, Maynooth.**

Children's Corner



T = O, V = O, F = O, O = O
I = O, A = O, H = O, E = O
L = O, S = O, R = O

NAME ALL
THE OBJECTS BEGINNING WITH
WRITE THEM
DOWN IN THE
SPACE BELOW.



WRITE THEIR NAMES IN THIS SPACE.

WINNERS OF MARCH COLOURING COMPETITION

4 - 7 years

8 - 12 years

1st

Tim Finnegan
6 Greenfield Drive
Maynooth

1st

Orla Molloy Traynor
Smithstown
Maynooth

2nd

Áine Ball
126 Castle Dawson
Maynooth

2nd

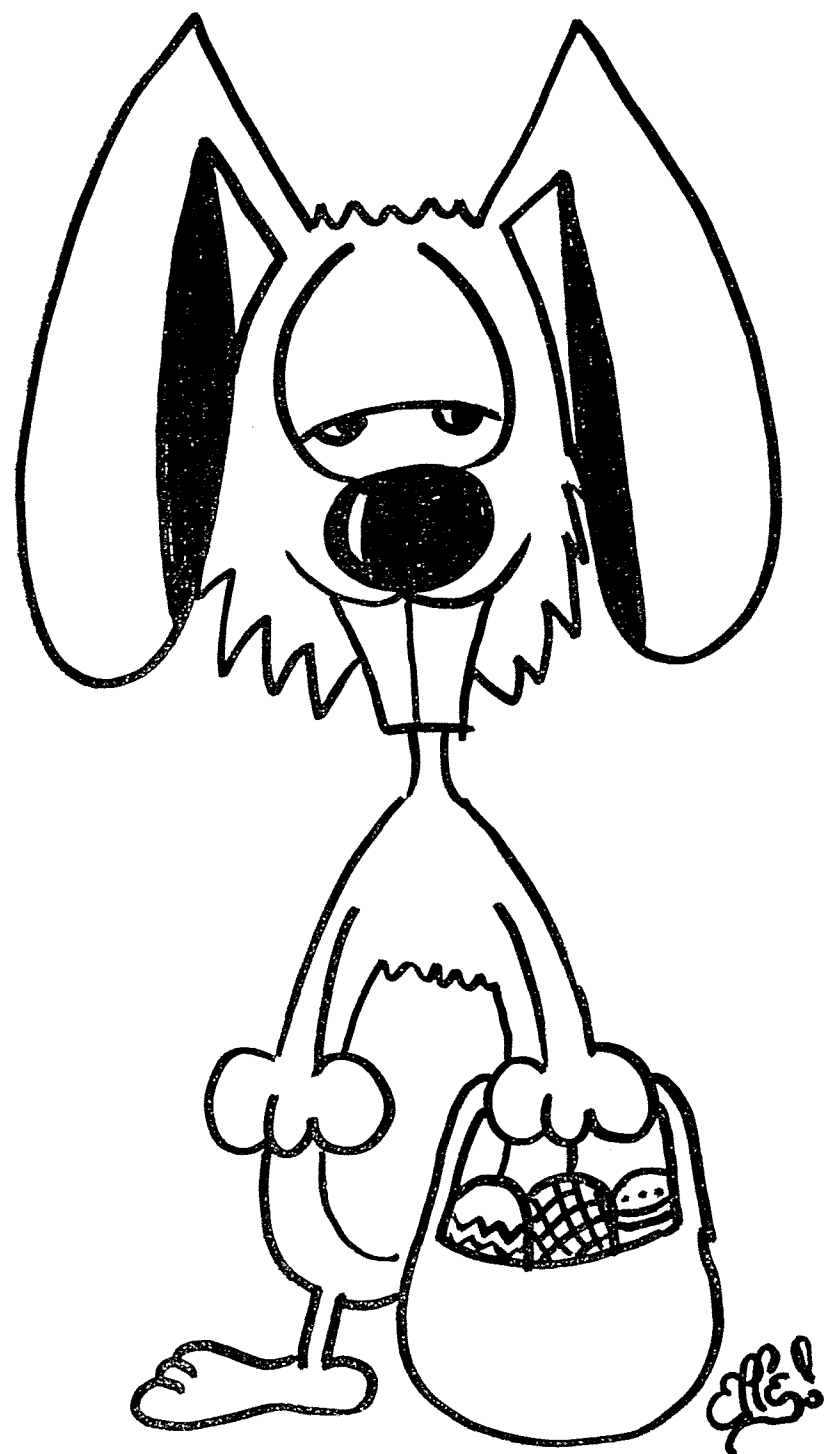
Maria McAuliffe
562 O'Neill Park
Maynooth

3rd

Yvonne Pollard
27 Parklands Lawns
Maynooth

3rd

Elaine Houlihan
Cowantown
Maynooth



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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 17th April** by 5 pm.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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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