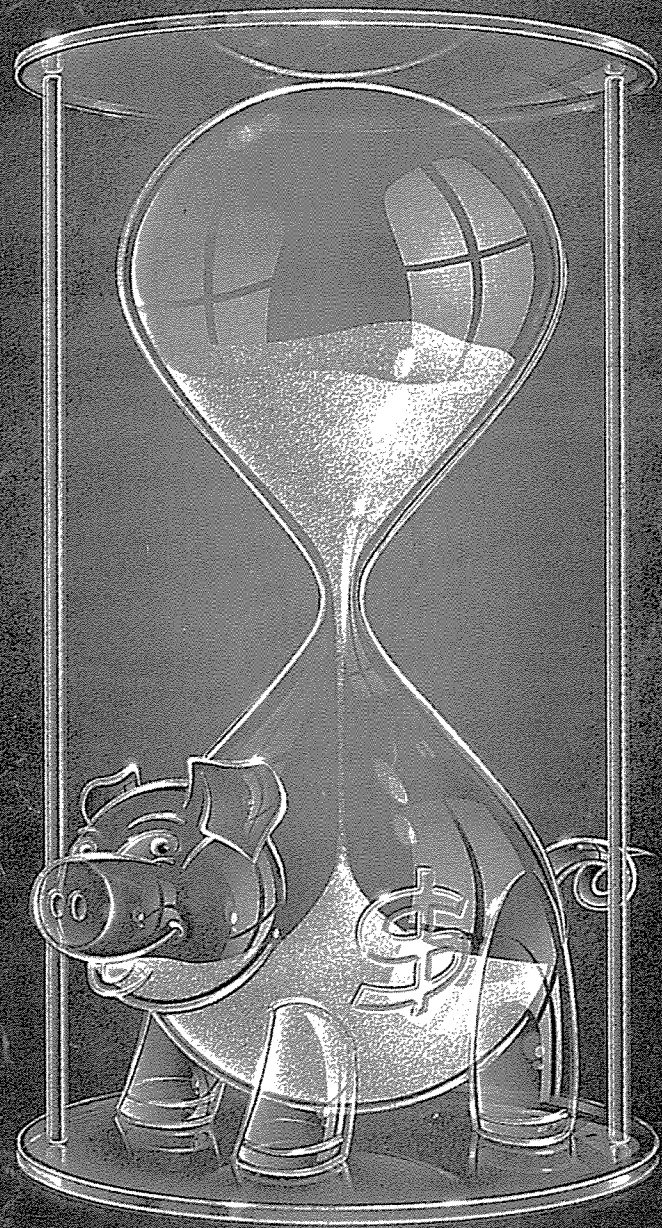


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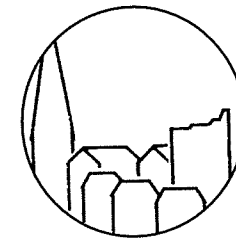
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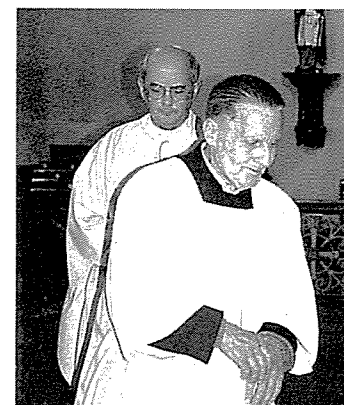
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Senior Citizens



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Maynooth Festival

Heineken Festival 2000 12th-16th July

Despite a late delay the Festival was equal to if not better than other years. Sponsorship was by Heineken who took over at a very late date. This was due to the ad hoc committee of volunteers and the workers in the Community Council office, Helen O'Reilly, Sarah Ann Hurley, Celia Murray, Áine Rigney, Yvonne Smith, Victoria Ali, Pius Kelly, Annette Foran, Christy Kavanagh, Jackie Andrews, Marie Roach, Dorin Goyvaerts, Bernie Golgan, Mary Kilmurray and Sarah O'Connor. The launch took place in the Glenroyal Hotel on Friday 7th July where the new Chairman John Doogan introduced the programme to the invited guests and thanked the voluntary committee and the FAS office workers for their incredible work in organising the Festival so quickly. Both ex-Chairman Tom McMullon and ex-Treasurer Dominic Nyland were made a presentation for their years of service to the Community Council. Both made short thank you speeches. Hary Flood and Patsy Tracy provided the music and the craic continued into the night. Many of the time-honoured pubs events took place again this year beginning with the Table Quiz on Wednesday, Paul Daly compered brilliantly. The Senior Citizens cabaret night organised by Josie Moore and her committee was a wonderful success as usual and the Labour Party presented the cheque from the Tony Smith Memorial Walk held in May. Music provided by Josie Moore, Kevin McGovern and finished off by Noel Brady. The Glenroyal was the venue for a Karaoke Night on Thursday.

Caulfields rocked to Patsy Tracy and band on Friday, while John Deegan balladeered to a packed Dowdstown Hotel. The Roost and the Leinster Arms hosted a Coors Light and the Heineken Weekender promotion respectively. On Saturday and Sunday night the Leinster Arms continued with the Weekender Promotion giving away some wonderful prizes. The arrival of the Carnival added to the atmosphere of the open-air events particularly the 7-a-side Soccer Tournament that took place before and during the Festival. The final winners, out of 12 were Bright Seven beating the Bloodhound Gang. They were presented with their prizes in the Square by Jody Murphy. The Kildare v Offaly replay and the win by Kildare upset events somewhat but the jubilant returning supporters added colour and exuberance to the Sunday evening when the set and ceilí dancing was a wonderful success. Riverdance - type costumes replaced the usual costumes in some instances and Dawn Byrne was the undoubted star of the show. She also came third Barperson of the Year for the Glenroyal Hotel, followed by Joan Gorman of Caulfields and the Barperson of the Year himself was Robbie Ward of Dowdstown receiving a cash prize and crystal trophy.

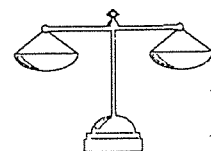
The Square was also the venue for a performance by St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band and Fiddler's Green on Thursday and 'Push the Porter' playing Irish traditional music on Friday. Possibly the best day was Sunday afternoon with the highly successful Teddy Bear's picnic in the Square, an art competition, Bonny Baby etc. The 'anonymous' large Teddies were a great success. Cú Glas performed during Saturday and Sunday in the Harbour Field. We would like to thank Kevin Coyle and Angela Brazil for stepping in at the last minute and dressing up as our Teddy Bear Family, and also John Doogan.

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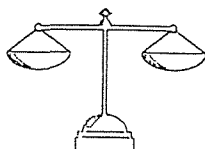
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Book Review

I read this book with my eleven year old son Darragh and from an adults point of view. I thought the book covered quiet a lot of areas as in bulling at school, being a single parent and drugs. My son enjoyed and it is set out realistically and modren day Ireland.

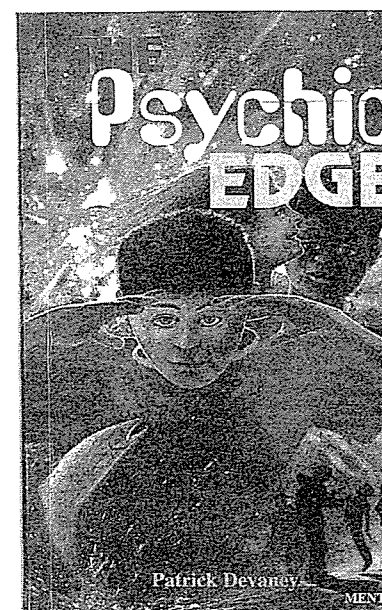
Well done to Patrick Devaney, also another book by P Devaney . The Stranger and the Pooka.

DARRAGH O'REILLY'S BOOK REVIEW

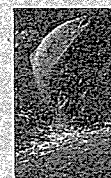
I read the book called psychic edge very interesting. It was true to a lot of facts of life and when David caught the great Salmon in the Boyne and it gave him second sight of power.

I am aged 11 and go to St. Mary's Boys National School. I will be recommending this book to our school library.

Darragh O'Reilly.



David is fourteen, a shy, insecure boy, who is bullied at school by Johnny and his side-kicks. He lives with his younger brother and sister and his widowed mother, whose boyfriend he detests. Then on a weekend visit to his uncle's cottage, David catches a great salmon in the Boyne. On eating it, he discovers that he has second sight and this power, together with the friendship of Billy, a Black American boy who has just come to Ireland, transforms him into the crime-fighting 'Salmon'. David uses his power to expose a drug ring in his town and win the love of his schoolmate, Aisling.



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EDITORIAL

This summer the children of Maynooth and surrounding areas had plenty to do thanks to the voluntary efforts of the Maynooth Community games committee, the Summer Project Committee and the Festival Millennium Teddy Bears Picnic.

We also saw a number of Summer Camps such as Camp Scamps in the Boy's School, the N.U.I. summer camp and the G.A.A. summer camp all of which ran for a number of weeks. Children enjoyed a great variety of activies and games including swimming, computer studies, arts and crafts. Visits were organised to Fort Lucan, Clara Lara, the Imax Centre and the National Stud. The 'I'm bored' days were greatly reduced. Fun and confidence greatly increased. Thanks to all concerned.

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Emma Kilduff - Scholarship

Emma will be leaving at the end of summer to take up a scholarship at Troy State University in Alabama. John Doogan stated that the Soccer Club are trying to raise as much sponsorship as they can. Emma's living expences are not covered by the scholarship. Maynooth Community Council agreed to sponsor Emma in principle. Maynooth Post Primary School has also guaranteed sponsorship for Emma stated Senan Griffin. Congratulation were paid to Emma on gaining her scholarship.

Festival

John Doogan congratulated the Committee and Community Council Office staff for setting a great programme together for the Festival. They had not a lot of time to get it organised. Heineken came forward to sponsor this years Festival. It is hoped that Heineken will continue to sponsor the Maynooth Community Festival. A full report of the Festival is in the Newsletter.

Tidy Towns

The Tidy towns Committee are doing a great job keeping the town looking well. Paul Croughan stated that he hoped that the people doing the clean-up would keep at it. The Sunday morning clean-up is going on for 5 years now, stated Richard Farrell, a few more people would make all the difference. The Town needs a day cleaning service stated John McGinley. It was felt that Kildare County Council should play their part in keeping the town clean. Student Union Rep. Noel Hogan said that we should make it known that we want our town kept clean. The commitment from Kildare County Council to cut grass in estates was welcome, but however it was noted that this was a long term plan and only public open spaces would be cut for now. Pádraig Ó Murchú felt that the general public left the town in a dreadful state, he felt that the responsibility for the up-keep of the town should be shared, to involve the business people of the town as they are the people that benefit.

Street Signs Logo

It was noted that entries are coming in for the competition for a new street sign logo. This competition carries a prize of £100 donated by Maynooth Community Council.

Maynooth Summer Project

Claire O'Rourke stated that the summer Project went very well. Again a small committee worked very hard to get the 2 week programme up and running. The Summer Project needs more volunteers more parents to get involved to keep this very worthwhile project going.

Maynooth Town Traffic

The problem of heavy traffic going through the town was raised. The meeting was informed that money is now available for roads that are needed to relieve traffic in developing towns like Maynooth. It won't be depending on levies being raised for such projects.

Maynooth Community Council Representation


A worrying note was raised by Chairman John Doogan at the meeting regarding the lack of representation on the Council from estates in the town. There are about 10 estates not represented on the Council. The Council is only as strong as its members. It is therefore necessary that all residents associations and all other social and sporting groups are represented. It was also felt that now, more than ever it was necessary for more people to give time to all the sporting and other groups in town.

Maynooth Community Games

Maynooth Community Games have two representatives going to National Swimming Finals in Mosney. We wish Sinead Connolly and Clare Cowhey the best of luck. It is hoped to have our AGM in October. Again this group are finding it very difficult to keep going, and it will be looking for new people to get involved.


There will be no August Meeting. Next meeting 11th September.

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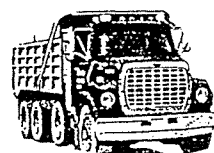
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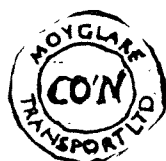
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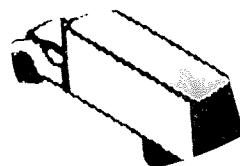
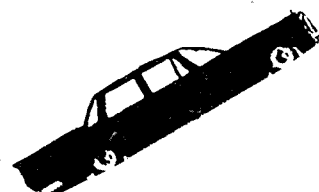
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It is, of course, extremely effective in the management of acute and chronic conditions as well.

Some of the common conditions that can be successfully treated by acupuncture include:

- * Headache and Migraine, dizziness
- * Nervous tension, Anxiety, Depression
- * Addictions such as smoking, drugs
- * Insomnia
- * High or low blood pressure, poor circulation, fluid retention, angina
- * Digestive problems such as Indigestion, Flatulence, Ulcers, Colitis, Diarrhoea, Constipation, Haemorrhoids
- * Liver and Gall Bladder Problems
- * Kidney and Bladder Problems
- * Hormone imbalances, menstrual problems including pre-menstrual tension and difficulties with menopause and fertility.
- * Asthma, Bronchitis, Tonsillitis, Sinusitis and other respiratory problems, including colds and flu.
- * Skin conditions such as Acne, Dandruff, Eczema, Psoriasis
- * Muscle pain including cramps, strains.
- * Arthritis, Sciatica, Back Pain.
- * Toothache, Gingivitis and mouth Ulcers
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TYPES OF ACUPUNCTURE

Other than using the filiform needle alone, other

treatment techniques include moxibustion, cupping, electro-acupuncture and laser acupuncture.

CUPPING is a technique often used for muscular -skeletal problems and chest congestion.

ELECTRO-ACUPUNCTURE involves attaching voltmeters to the inserted needles.

MOXIBUSTION is a traditional type of acupuncture using moxa, the dried leaves of the herb mugwort, either alone or mixed with other herbs.

REFLEXOLOGY The Chinese believed specific points on the feet could have a powerful effect on the overall functioning of the body.

WHAT IS REFLEXOLOGY?

Reflexology is based on the idea that by "massaging" specific points in the feet or the hands, the related organ, body structure or system is stimulated.

A person applying pressure to these points can stimulate and relax various parts of the body in a "reflex" action.

A TYPICAL SESSION

Most sessions will take between 45 to 60 minutes. The main aim of reflexology is to increase the body's overall state of relaxation. Reflexology helps deal with the cause of an ailment, not just the symptoms, and it can work on many parts of the body and different problems at the same time. With regular use you should notice an improvement in your vitality.

Chinese Herbs are prescribed only after a proper diagnosis has been completed.

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Features

FUERTEVENTRA (Continued from July issue)

The fortnight we spent in Fuerteventura was peppered with Futbol. Las Palmas had made it into the Spanish 1st division and they celebrated for a week. The match between Valencia and Real madrid closed most of the bars and pubs early. The excitement was palable, not that it really mattered as they said themselves 'Espana gana!' Spain wins - no matter what! The colour and animation added to the holiday. Frank Young is not the only famous musician to sing in the Cavern. John Jameson, ex-Nazerath also sings there and in other pubs throughout the resort. The variety of music is quite astounding, from traditional Irish through present day hits to Spanish/Cuban. This is matched by the variety of restaurants on the main street of the tiny resort. There are the usual burger/fast food outlets but they are tasteful, clean and unbelievably tidy. In fact, this is the tidiest place I have ever seen. There was not a cigarette butt on the street at any time. Little ashtrays are attached to the bins so that one could put out the cigarette and deposit it in the bin. The beaches are equally pristine. There is very little need for any cleaning; we saw the large horseshoe-shaped beach at Caeleta de Fuste spotless after a full day of tourists. (A pity the same cannot be said of the streets of Maynooth and other Irish towns, not to mention our beaches!) We took a great fancy to one restaurant in particular, perhaps because its name, decor and general appearance was traditional Spanish. The Patio de Andalus stands half-way up the main thoroughfare from the beach area. It is bright, busy with a friendly atmosphere and wonderful staff who recognized us upon our second visit. Our somewhat faltering Spanish, as always, earned us brownie points and we were soon on first name terms with all the staff. But one waiter stood out from all the others. Charismatic was the only word that came to mind. Javier was a revelation as were most of the people we spoke to on the island. He was home on holidays from Australia where he lived and worked. Each night he took us through the menu, recommending the fresh fish of the day, most of which we would never see on this side of the Atlantic. Dorada, Falua as well as the more familiar salmon, mussels and fresh tuna. We were firm friends by the time the two weeks were over. He recommended a karaoke bar to us, not where we would normally go but this was mainly in Spanish and the decor of the bar was astounding. Visit Discoteta La Polca Jardin at the top of the street on the left hand side and listen to some wonderful local singers. Others restaurants we liked included the El Castillo situated above the Cavern in the harbour and beautiful Bara De Pescador (The Fisherman's Boat) at the bottom of the main street. On entering it appeared it was to be extremely expensive but no, the prices were the same as elsewhere but decor and service was second to none.

Our favourite pub was the Havana, chosen first because of my obsession with Cuba. It was the bar most frequented by locals and my Spanish was more than useful again. The staff included German, Turkish, Swedish and Dutch nationals, the usual eclectic group of workers we learned to expect in the resort. We were drinking mates within days. The pub is on the right hand side as you walk from the beach, slightly off the main street and beside it was Cuba Libre which hosts Cuban music and dancing during the busier months. Our first visit sums up the atmosphere. Looking in the door, attracted by the music, we were immediately accosted by an Englishman, asking 'Are you English?' 'No, we responded, 'we're Irish'. 'That will do fine!' he says,' come in quick, we are having a Spanish versus English Karaoke!' Sure enough, the bar had divided down the middle with a

large Spanish family taking on all English-speaking-comers at Karoke! A song was sung in Spanish, then English and so on. An Irishman, who had lived there some 8 years, took up the cudgal on behalf of the Englishspeakers. Eventually we were the only non-Spanish people in the place. The owner, a young, cheerful Cuban, decided to turn off the Karoke. Instead he sat at the piano and sang Cuban and Spanish songs until the early hours! I was taught Salsa, Son and general Spanish dancing! What a night!

There are many, many more pubs and bars, particularly up the hill, as the resort stretches up the mountain. I must admit that to our shame we never got to visit Molly Malone's, the Irish pub but we got wonderful reports of it from others. We also discovered the late bar where all the locals drink until the wee hours but I'm keeping this to myself! There are discos where one can drink until 5 or 6a.m. but they are underground and cannot really be heard on the streets. We did pay one visit, it was spotless, bright, cheerful and nearly empty! We sat at the bar and got to know one more local barman.

It occurs to me that I have concentrated mainly on the nightlife. The island has hundreds of miles of beaches. On many of them you can be completely alone. For those interested in the nudist way of life there are dozens of areas where you can strip off without fear of discovery. The sun was directly above us at that time of the year, even though the temperatures were mild, usually 22-25, one could burn easily. There is no humidity and the constant breeze keeps one cool. The seawater is clear, deep blue. The name of the island is a distortion of the Spanish Fuerte (strong) and viento (wind) and it can live up to its name. Bring a warm cardigan/ jacket for the odd evening when the wind can blow you away. It is a bit like walking the promenade in Galway on a winter's day. But this is a kind, warm wind; usually welcomed by the tourists.

This island is a water-lovers paradise. Every possible water sport is available. It has become the most popular area for windsurfing in which I have no personal interest but for those who are - this is the place to be. You can take Catamaran from Puerto Castillo harbour to see turtles, dolphins, whales and sometimes sharks.

We opted for the 3 Islands tour in a glass bottom boat that took us to Papagayo Beach in Lanzarote although we did not land on the island. It continues to Lobos Island (the island wolves) where we spend some hours before returning home via Carralejo, the resort to the North of the Island. The entire island of Lobos is a designated National Park and there is a team of committed young people working there. There are hardly any inhabitants and with the exception of one restaurant and a tiny, tiny fishing village there are no building bar the ubiquitous. I swam in one of the secluded covers completely alone. Now I know where I'll go when I finally 'stop the world, I want to get off!' I had forgotten how much I like the sea, sailing and boats. We spent the forthnight dreaming of a 40-foot yacht! When we win the lottery! This was the most magical of days: as one Irishwoman commented as we were queuing up to leave: "I can't find my ticket. Great! As long as the pub has enough drink, tell them to pick me up tomorrow!" Everyone laughed, she had uttered our sentiments exactly. No one wanted to leave the deserted island. Later we found out that you can arrange to stay for a few days, bring all your own supplies and fish or laze about as long as you leave no rubbish. "Take nothing but photographs and leave nothing but footprints" is the motto on all signs and T-shirts. Heaven on earth. (Price 540pts = £27.00 and worth every penny.)

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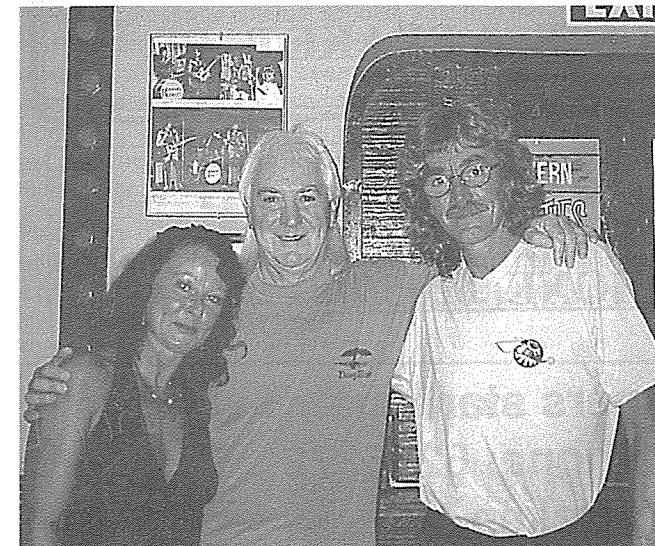
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We cultivate our sense of faith through a daily practice of prayer or meditation, where we consistently revisit that place within us that is strong enough even to hold what frightens us and to endure the sorrows of being human. Thomas Merton, the Monk, Poet and spiritual scholar, said that through prayer and meditation, we may find sanctuary in those fearful moments when sanctuary seems impossible. In dialogue with these voices of our heart and spirit, we take refuge in the Buddha, in the heart of Jesus in what we call "the God within us" and through practice, we learn to place our faith and trust in those inner voices of clarity, strength and wholeness.

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Now I watch him patiently await the results of his Leaving Cert. All his plans, hopes and dreams, hanging on by a thread. The big day has come and gone and still he waits. So many practical plans to be made but not one decision can be made. College or the dole?

Fourteen days has passed and still no baby. Tomorrow was decision day. Tomorrow my baby would be born. Modern medicine would give Mother Nature a hand.

My son entered this planet fourteen days late. I sighed a hugh sigh of relief. Now I could make plans - Thank God.

Now as I watch his anxious face, I think. Success or Failure are not measured by Exams or Motherhood. Is the Mother of a stillborn baby any more or less a person that the Mother of a healthy baby? Is a successful student any more or less a person than an unsuccessful one.

That's why I gave my Son his success cards today, before the results. I'm proud of him. He did his best and his best is always good enough.

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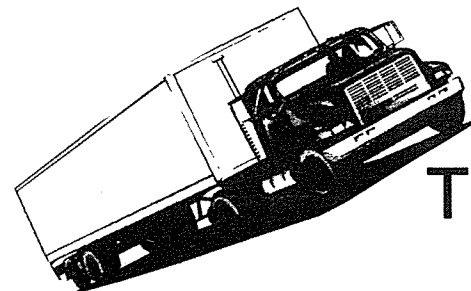
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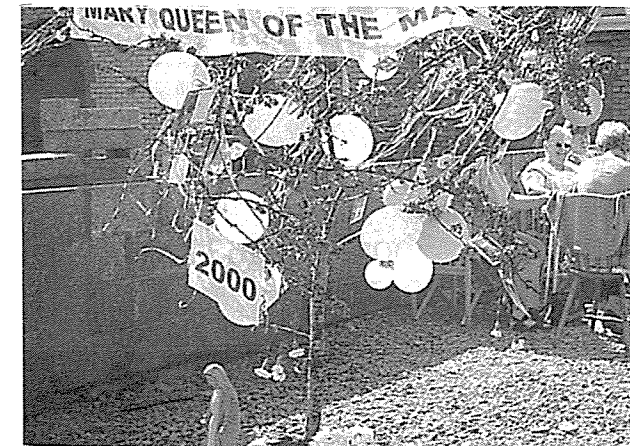
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MAY DAY 2000

May Bush returns to Mariaville & Dillons Row after 50 years. For the Millenium on the first of May in the year 2,000 the May Bush Party was held in Dempseys Garden. The Hawthorn bush was supplied by Sean Fay decorated by the children of the area. A great day was had by all. Old stories of 1920s were told and songs were sung and the games that were played, hopscotch, spinning tops and hurling. Cissie Dempsey would like to thank Josie Murphy and Bridie O'Brien for their presents on that special day.



Guest of Honour Josie Murphy 89 years old with Tony Dempsey, Michael Dempsey and Sean Gleeson



Return of the May Bush after 50 years for the Millenium

THE BROWN EYES

The brown eyes smiled, lighting up his face,
Boyish wonder and innocence,
Now the same brown eyes hold all the hurt and disillusion
of a world filled with broken dreams and promises

The brown eyes older now,
laughter lines etched deep in the crevices
Laughter never to be recaptured in the crazy,
misty days of our youth

Love was such a fragile thing
Elusive as a butterfly flitting in and out the open window,
Soon to be tangled in the hidden traps of the netted curtains.

Bright was the dawn of our love,
Rising shyly,
soon to dazzle in the brilliance of the midday sun.

The brown eyes held all the warmth of the August afternoon,
never coteplating the chill of the October evening,
The fog of the November day, or the bleak loneliness of the
January morning,
Oh! God, Why!

Cecilia Murray

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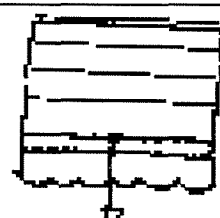
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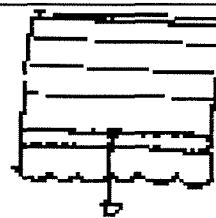
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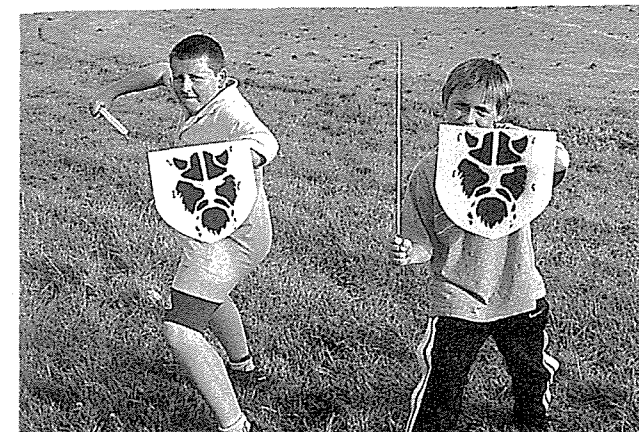
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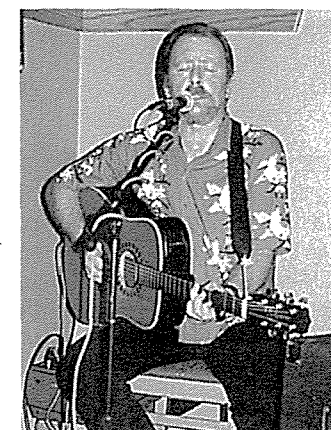
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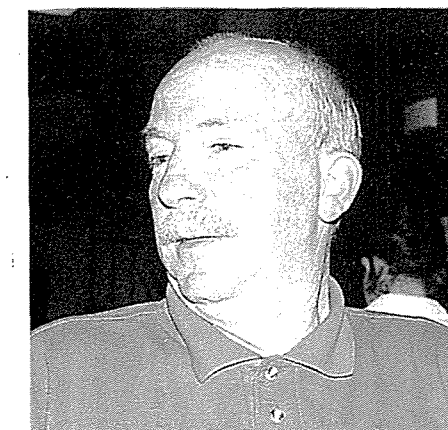
Sean and Brien
getting ready for battle



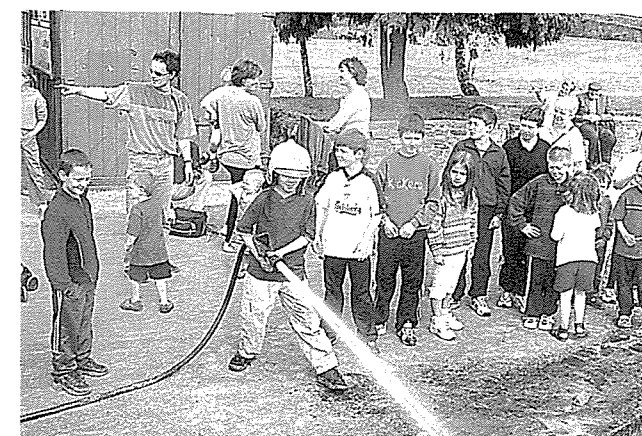
Archery display
by Cu Glass



John Deegan, entertaining in
Dowdstown



Lenny Murphy
enjoying the festival in Caulfields



Gavin Kelly getting ready to give everyone
a shower with the hose



L - R Ceila Murray, Yvonne Smith, Aine Ridgley
enjoying the night in Cauldfields

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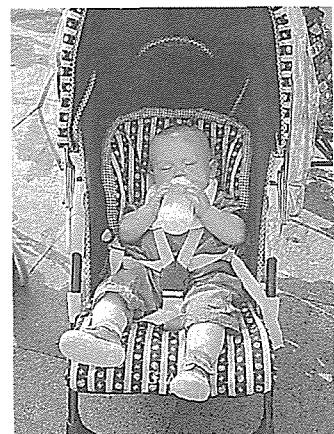
Catherine Maher Dancers
in the square for the Festival



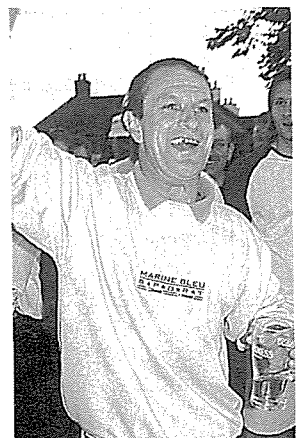
Ciaran and Shauna Cunningham, Kevin Molloy,
David Moynan, Laura Doogan
Ready for battle with Cu Gias



Bronagh Boylan with mom Debbie
enjoying Teddy Bears' picnic



Jamie Graham O'Reilly at the
Teddy Bears' picnic



Niall Farrell enjoying the Kildare Win
at the Festival

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Maynooth Tidy Towns

Maynooth mid Summer Clean up

As part of our Green Town 2000 programme, Maynooth Tidy Towns has included a plan to eliminate litter in Maynooth. This competition will be judged at the same time as the National Tidy Towns Competition 2000. Our Mid Summer Clean up took place from 22nd May 3rd June 2000. We are grateful to a number of groups for their help with the clean up and we would appreciate it, if people would continue to help with the maintenance of open spaces during the summer growing season. We will acknowledge everyone for their help in due course.

Tidy Towns Competition 2000.

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Green Town 2000 - Recycling Programme

The other part of our Green Town 2000 programme is to provide each home in Maynooth with information on recycling and locations where you can recycle various items safely. The recycling packs will be delivered to each house next month.

Maynooth Tidy Towns-Annual Collection

We would like to thank everybody for their generous contribution to our annual collection. With the lack of effort by Kildare County Council, Maynooth Tidy Towns need resources to upkeep the open spaces in Maynooth. We are always grateful for contributions and assistance, particularly at this time of the year.

Best Shop fronts and Best Estates Competition 2000

These competitions will take place again this year thanks to the generous support of Coonan's Auctioneers and financial services.

We have a number of new categories this year because of Green Town 2000 and remember that your shop front and residential area includes the boundary areas as well. There is keen interest in these competitions again this year.

Maynooth Tidy Towns - Success through partnership

We have been assisted again this year by a number of people with the planting of the flowerbeds at the church and elsewhere in the town. In particular we appreciate the assistance from the members of Maynooth flower and Garden Club, especially Mrs. Baxter, Mrs Desmond and Ms. Howe. We are also grateful for the help this year again of the staff from Intel Ireland through the "Intel involved" Scheme. We also acknowledge the help of John Dolan and Caryl McAree from Carton Court. Members of the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann especially Gearoid Lohan for their work on the repair and enhancement of the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road also thanks to Kiros Communications. Members of both Fine Gael and Labour branches in the town for their help on the Dunboyne Road and the Straffan Road. The residents of Parklands, Greenfield Estate, Moyglare Meadows and Kingsbry estates. We will acknowledge any help we receive as it makes a big difference to a small voluntary group. Please let us know your efforts to assist Tidy Towns. We would also welcome new members to our committee.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Meet Minister McCreevy

Maynooth Tidy Towns committee was among a number of groups that met the Minister for Finance when he made a short visit to the town on Saturday 17th June. One of the main issues raised by the group related to the problem tidy towns groups have with the lack of co-operation from utility groups that damage work done by Tidy Towns groups. We urged the Minister to push the Minister for the Environment and Local Government to introduce stricter regulations on local authorities to ensure those utilities reinstates tidy towns areas.

Maynooth Senior Citizens sets example for all

Maynooth Tidy Towns were always amazed that the entrance to Parklands and Castlebridge was always litter free. While not suggesting that the residents of these areas would create litter, on balance it would have been fair to expect some litter there. The mystery was recently solved for us when we became aware that Mr. Thomas Holmes who lives nearby cleans away the litter daily. It is no secret that Mr. Holmes is one of Maynooth oldest citizens and we in Tidy Towns are grateful for his efforts in maintaining this area.

Paul Croghan, Secretary,
Maynooth Tidy Towns

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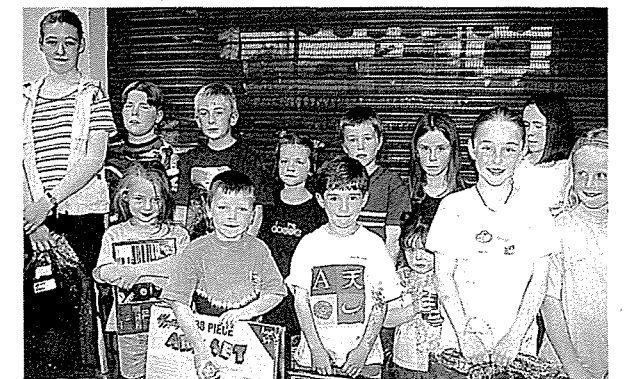
Tidy Towns Art Competition BUDDING YOUNG ARTISTS PUT FINISHING TOUCHES IN TIDY TOWNS CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION !

The SuperValu Tidy Towns Art Competition drew to a close on the 16th July with a huge number of entries received around the country. SuperValu Maynooth received a record number of entries this year with tough decisions for the judges in each category.

The Art Competition aims to increase awareness of the National Tidy Towns Competition amongst the young to encourage children to focus on the environment. It also helps keep children entertained during the long summer months! Coinciding with school holidays, the Tidy Towns Art Competition ran in SuperValu stores nationwide and was open to children up to 15 years of age. The entries were judged in 4 categories - under 6 years, 6-9 years, 9-11 years and a free drawing competition for those aged 12-15 years. The prize fund includes four family trips to Disney World in Florida for the overall winner of each category. Children in the 12-15 years age category were invited to create their own entry with their idea for a Tidy Town Superhero with special powers to help keep towns tidy, while the younger age categories coloured in an entry form depicting an image of a Tidy Town, which they could change and add to as they wished.

Brian Murphy, SuperValu Maynooth, said "The Tidy Towns Childrens Art Competition provides the perfect opportunity to focus our children on the importance of maintaining and improving our environment as well as increasing general awareness of the Tidy Town Competition."

SuperValu is the national sponsor of the Tidy Towns Competition which is organised by the Department of Environment and Local Government.



Winners of the Art Competition in SuperValu



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The Pinafore in Moulin Rouge is of good quality and Kathleen has told me you just wash them and just place them on a hanger for those of us who hate ironing.

Maynooth Festival Poetry and Prose Evening

A large crowd gathered in the Maynooth Library on Wednesday night the 19th July 2000. The evening was organised by the Local History and Civic forum and the Maynooth Community Council. It featured North Kildare Gateway writers and guests the Rathmines writers group. The evening was opened by Padriag Ó Murchu who welcomed everybody and then handed over to Dominic Logan of the Gateway writers group, who introduced the poets and writers. The attendance were treated to a pleasant evening of poetry and prose from the different artists. Refreshments for the evenings were sponsored by the Dowdstown Hotel, which was much appreciated.

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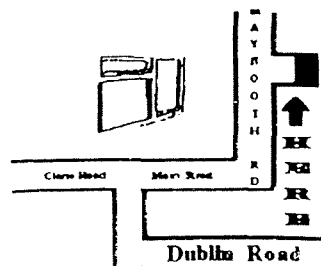
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Maynooth Planning Alliance

The Maynooth Development Plan 'Seeing Around the SpinDoctors' Rhetoric

The adoption of the Draft Maynooth Development Plan (some ten years behind schedule) is currently being 'sold' as a major milestone which will improve the quality of life for us all. Even before the people of Maynooth have seen it, public opinion was being massaged through the media by carefully unveiling some other 'sweeteners' in the proposed plan. Indeed we are being encouraged to believe that this vision of the future expansion of Maynooth will be broadly acceptable to us all. The package is being presented as very different to the abortive effort advocated four short years ago by our local representatives which alarmed the people of Maynooth as to what kind of future was being planned for them, and which spawned the growth of planning alliances throughout Kildare. As elsewhere in Ireland, Maynooth people have since become very well educated as to the real issues and vested interests involved in planning and rezoning matters and will not be fooled by aspirational statements or 'deal-driven planning'. The next few months will provide the test of the proposals and it remains to be seen how responsive our elected officials will prove to the concerns expressed by the ordinary people of Maynooth.

The Draft Plan, prepared by planning Consultants Brady Shipman Martin contains many progressive elements missing from the abortive attempt equally lauded by some local representatives four short years ago. In particular, some recognition of the abject futility of funding desirable objectives such as ring roads through huge housing development seems at last to have been taken, at least partially, on board. But how much can we take on trust, and how much is merely 'spin' designed to secure our passive acceptance of deals with individual landowners and acquiescence in another wave of explosive development?

With a population at the last census of 8,528 our local councillors unanimously agreed over two years ago that a total increase in population of 4,000 for all of the towns of north Kildare combined what was desirable for the period 1996-2001. For Maynooth they agreed a rezoning of 55 acres was needed to achieve this. This would have been very much in line with the objectives of the *Strategic Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area* produced by the consultants Brady Shipman and Martin which recommended 'limited further development' for Maynooth. A target of 10,500 was agreed for 2003 and 11,500 for 2006. Now we are told in the current plan that the present population is already at the projected 2003 level and that we need to rezone 150 acres for a population increase of 4,000 for Maynooth alone over the 1996-2006 period. (An increase of 6,000 is much more likely).

A number of Questions need to be asked regarding the Draft Plan and *Maynooth Planning Alliance* calls on our councillors to provide specific answers:

1. What guarantee have we that the proposed ring roads will materialise before the new traffic generated by a further 1,500 cars on Maynooth roads as a result of the residential rezonings? What plans are there to phase developments, especially those feeding on to the Main Street, such that the roads are built before the houses?
2. Are the councillors aware that one of the main reasons for an Bord Pleanalas refusal of planning permission.

for the 'superdump' on the Moyglare Road was the lack of suitable road access? This being so, are they aware that the consequence of a Moyglare bypass opens up the appalling vista of this application being re activated?

3. What sources of funding have been guaranteed for the various roads being proposed? Are these aspirational? How do Kildare county councillors propose to control events for that part of the proposed road in County Meath? What time scale is envisaged for their completion given that the next plan cannot be longer than five years away? Given our experiences with Bond Bridge and the Meadowbrook Link road, are we really to expect that these road schemes will be more from tender to contract to construction so smoothly? Of course in the meantime we may get 1,000 houses and 1,500 cars. Tell us about how you propose to enforce phasing: Otherwise the plan unravels:

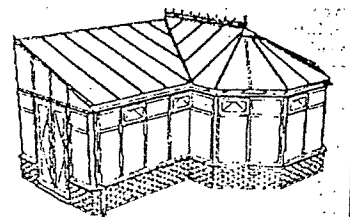
4. Parks are very welcome in Maynooth, especially since past injudicious rezonings have eroded away pleasant walking routes. 67 acres of parkland is an extremely positive development. Trouble is, Kildare Co. Council have no Parks Department and an abysmal record of maintaining public open space in Maynooth. At present one senior citizen spends 20 hours a week mowing Kildare Co. Council grass voluntarily and a small group of volunteers do trojan work in keeping the weeds at bay and picking up mountains of litter at weekends. We have heard promises of cleaning services, open space maintenance and other council services before. Most of them have failed to materialise. Tell us what resources are definitely committed by the Co. Council in 2001 to maintain the new open spaces proposed; Or is this a case again of aspirational planning?

5. If the post primary school is today over crowded and operating at 113% of its capacity how many additional school pupils are anticipated from the projected 2,000 population influx being provided for over the next 5 years and from the current natural growth in school - going population in the town? If Maynooth school pupils are not presently able to be accommodated in the post primary school why are you proposing two thousand more residents?

The Plan is compilation of many small arrangements. It is curious for example that in 67 acres of public park playing pitches could not have been accommodated rather than as part of rezoning arrangements elsewhere. It is curious how moving the Council Yard and Fire Station out of the heart of the town may correspond to major housing development feeding traffic onto Maynooth's main pedestrian road: Leinster Street. It is curious also how the plan makes little mention of the densities of specific housing developments proposed or fails to take into consideration the population commitment from 200 apartments on Mill Street, 100 on the Parson Street, 140 house in Carton Demense and a host of other developments either in the pipeline or projected. But perhaps the "spin" needed is quite difficult for these aspects.

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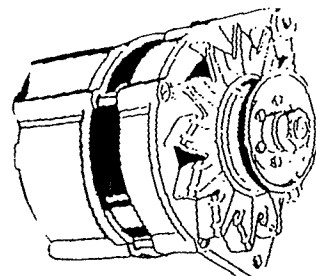
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CABARET NIGHT FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS

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This week is safety week and the Senior Citizens are campaigning for improvements in the home. They are giving each of their members a lantern for safety reasons in the case of an ESB strike as candles are a fire hazard.

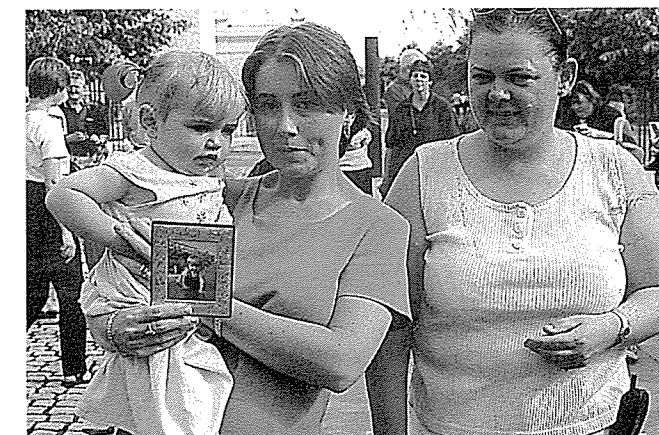
Josie Moore and Kevin McGovern entertained us with lively music on the first part of the night and Noel Brady finished off the night.



L.R. Josie Moore, Emmet Stagg, John McGinley, Kathleen Dempsey, Paul Connolly.



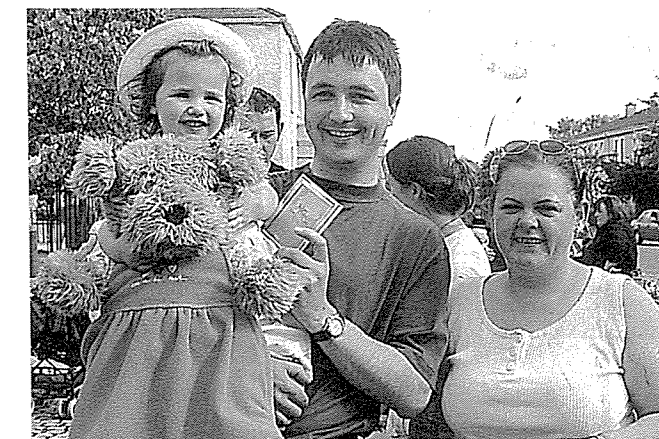
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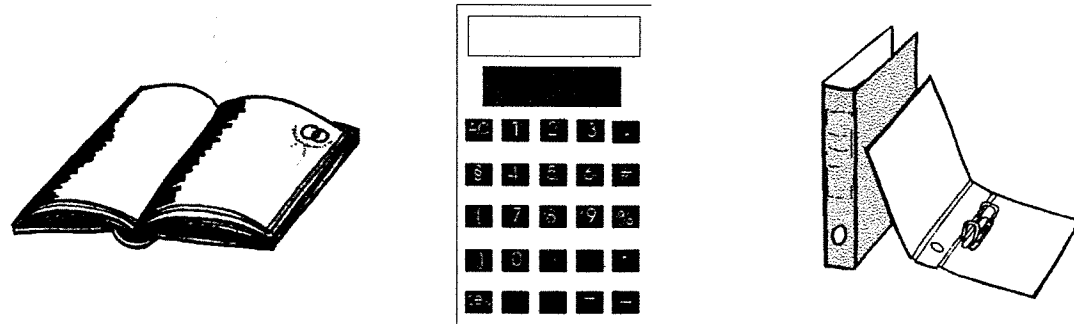
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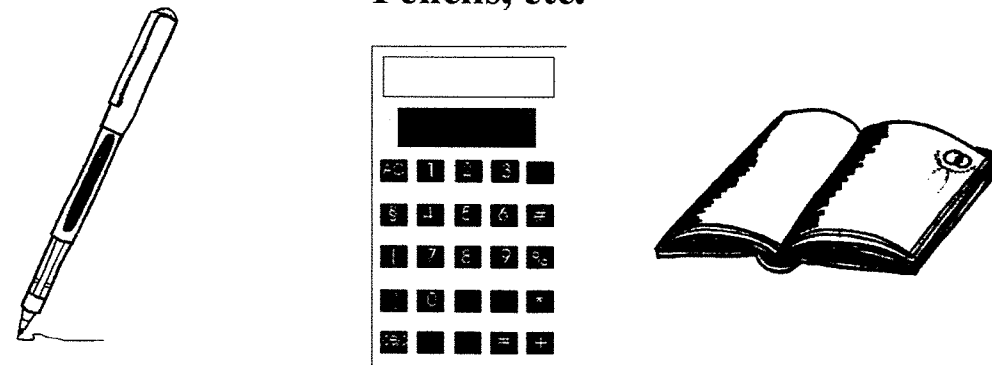
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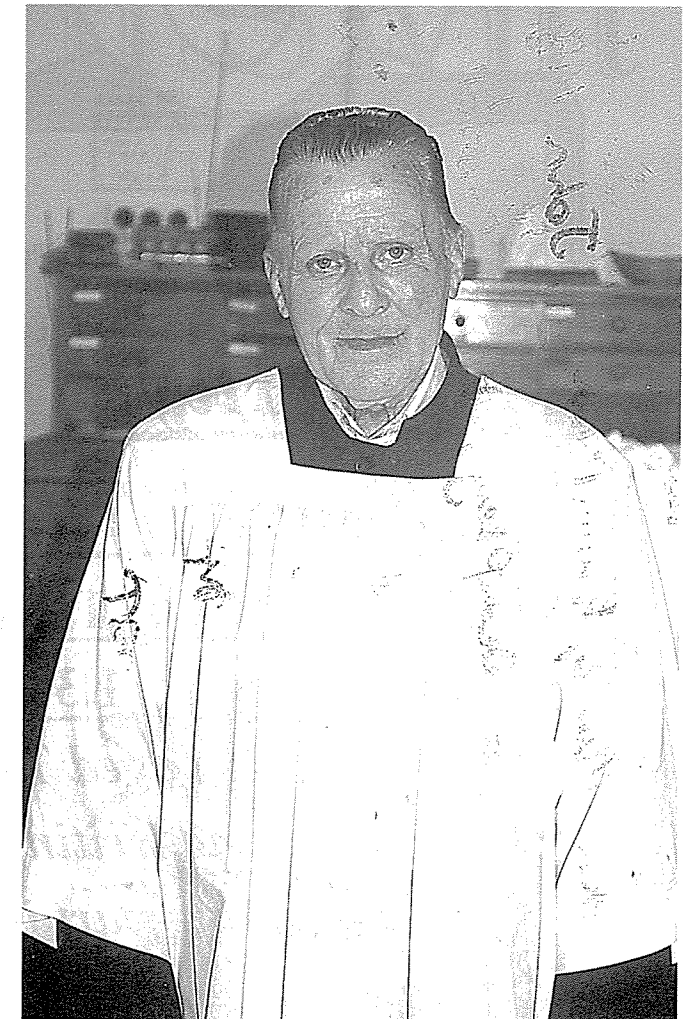
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Sean Scanlon Profile

It is with great sadness we bid farewell to Sean Scanlon, our Sacristan at St. Mary's Church. Sean has been our local Sacristan for the last thirteen years. He took up this great work in June 1988. During this time he has been loyal, kind and a great asset to the parish. Sean has served the community with dedication and commitment. He will be a hard act to follow. Sean spent his early years working in England. Their loss is our gain.

Father of six grown children, Sean is looking forward to a quiet and peaceful life now that he has retired. He will now have time to pursue his love of gardening. Hopefully the weather will be kind to him.

As Sean retires from parish service we have no doubt he will not be forgotten. He remains a familiar figure as he cycles around Maynooth. We wish him well and our prayers and gratitude go with him as he cycles off into his sunset years.



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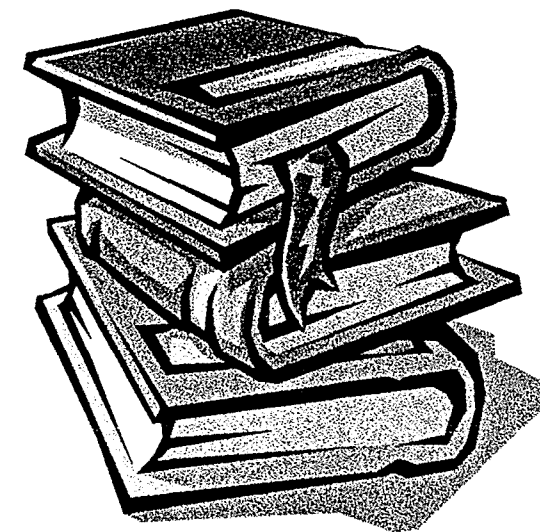


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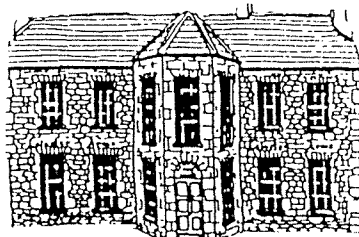
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MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES

As mentioned in our article in last months Newsletter, June and July have been as busy as the previous 5/6 months for Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann, with a wide variety of plans, meetings and activities being pursued. The following article will attempt to outline briefly those activities.

TIDY TOWNS

As discussed last month, the Cumann followed through on its plans to help Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee. On Friday June 16th our members did succeed in cleaning the area inside the town-side of Carton Avenue clearing up debris, weeds etc and also sprayed the footpath on the left-side of the Dublin Road along which a fair amount of weeds were beginning to rear their ugly heads.

On Tuesday evening the 11th July, our members supplied a load of top-soil to the green area as a turnabout for Bus Eireann at the stop opposite the Glenroyal Hotel on the Straffan Road. We levelled the area using the top-soil and planted new grass which at this time of year, and with a bit of care and attention from those using the bus-stop, should bear good results and help improve this very important stretch of roadway leading into Maynooth - a very important thoroughfare from an aesthetic point of view.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

As detailed previously the Cumann representatives met the Community Council Committee in early June wherein after discussion and in response to Gearoid Lohan's suggestion as to how best Maynooth Fianna Fail could interplay with the Community Council for the benefit of the citizens of Maynooth. It was deemed that no obstacle seemed to exist in the Constitution of the Community Council which would prohibit Cllr. Paul Kelly being invited (nor indeed Cllr. Murphy) to attend AS OBSERVERS at the Council Meetings though NOT to sit on the Council. This distinction should be very clearly made. Unfortunately as outlined in the local Press on the 17th June, at the following meeting of the Council it was decided not to extend this privilege to Paul or Catherine. While we fully accept this decision of course, we would like to emphasise that Paul did not seek to be co-opted onto the Council, we were simply hoping that Paul and indeed Cllr. Murphy could attend as observers which surely at the end of the day could only help ensure broader community spirit and participation. The opposition outlined from some quarters on the basis that the Council should only be open to people who live in Maynooth seems very tenuous when viewed in the context that Paul was only speaking in terms of being an observer, which surely could only be an advantage and indeed an asset to the people of Maynooth, an area he represents on the County Council with regard to local issues. Other remarks made relating to special status of Leixlip Town Commission is entirely an inappropriate comparison since the Town Commission is a statutory body where members are elected and the public can come and view the proceedings. Nevertheless, the Cumann again would sincerely like to thank the Community Council Chairman Mr. John Doogan and the

and the members of this Committee who attended the Meeting and who are found to be very helpful, approachable and positive and indeed open in their attitude. Maynooth Fianna Fail will endeavour to liaise and co-operate in future plans with the Council, the aim being how best to develop and expand on the future plans for the benefit of the population of Maynooth.

ROCKFIELD AND PARSONS HALL

On Saturday 17th June, Charlie McCreedy T.D. and Cllr. Paul Kelly took part in a walkabout with Cumann members of the Rockfield and Parsons Hall estates. Following a very welcome response from the residents in both areas, Charlie and Paul are corresponding with a number of residents on issues which they drew to his attention on the day.

CHARLIE MCCREEVY T.D. NOTES

A) The Minister for Social, Community and Family Affairs, Mr. Dermot Ahern T.D. has written to Charlie McCreedy on 5th July 2000 giving details of grants approved under the 2000 Scheme in respect of Marriage, Child and Bereavement Counselling Services in the Kildare area. Should any resident have a query in respect of the above or would like more detailed information on same, please contact any Cumann member or in particular Chairman Gearoid Lohan at 6289187, Noel Brilly at 045-861787 or myself Brid Feely at 6286647.

B) The Minister for the Environment and Local Government, Noel Dempsey T.D. has also written to Charlie McCreedy T.D. advising him with regard to allocations made for Block Grants totalling £25 million to County Councils under the Rural Water Programme 2000. This allocation covers expenditure on the provision of new group schemes, the upgrading and taking in charge of group schemes by local authorities. Group water scheme are also eligible for a subsidy per house towards running costs. The Rural Water allocation for 2000 to the Kildare area amounts to £1,010,000.00. Again any particular queries can be made through the Cumann officers listed earlier.

C) Again Noel Dempsey T.D. has notified Charlie McCreedy T.D. of the increased funding made available under the present Government to all local authorities for their general purposes needs in the current year. Increases which were announced in October 1999 are being topped up again further increases just announced on 10th July 2000. Statistics available showing the funding made available in 1997 compared to 2000, a 3 year period covering the life of the present Fianna Fail/P.D./ Government prove that funding has increased by between 35.69% to 36.63%, a very substantial and significant amount.

D) Charlie McCreedy T.D. has written to our Chairman Gearoid Lohan notifying him of the Capital allocation for Local Authority housing in County Kildare for 2000, passing on information released by the Minister for Housing and Urban Renewal Mr. Bobby Molloy T.D. for the current year this figure has been increased by £4,420,000.00 over the 1999 allocation, now amounting to over 13 million, an increase of approximately 51% over the year. Breakdown figures for the County of Kildare are available from Cumann offices.

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CLLR. PAUL KELLY NOTES;

Kildare County Council has provided a budget for the first time to install traffic calming measures in Housing Estates this year. Cllr. Paul Kelly has recently called on the Minister for the Environment Noel Dempsey T.D. to urgently review the criteria for installing traffic calming measures in housing estates. This is a direct response to the issue being raised in a number of residential estates which Paul has visited in the Maynooth/Leixlip area during recent walkabouts. Staff shortages in the Council means that effectively proposals made by Paul for implementation of traffic calming measures in some Estates in the area, cannot be carried out. However, the biggest problem which exists in enforcing such proposals are the criteria laid down by the Department and which exists at the moment.

For example, there is a requirement that a straight stretch of road not less than 1/2 kilometre should exist, which effectively rules out many Estates having chicanes or speed cushions introduced. With an increasing level of car ownership among citizens and the resulting traffic congestion which many have to endure particularly going to or returning from work at peak periods or attending to school duties, the temptation exists for many to increase speed once off the busy roads on entering their residential areas and estates. Paul feels that traffic calming measures are an effective way to help prevent the tragedy of killing or injuring a child, and therefore he raised the issue at the Council Meeting on Monday 26th June. His proposal that the Minister should review the regulations was unanimously agreed by his councillor colleagues.

Councillor Kelly is available at 6243624 for any queries or enquiries that any resident should like to raise in relation to local issues, or alternatively contact with Cumann members previously detailed should be made.

BRIAN LENIHAN T.D. MEETING ON 3RD JULY 2000

Mr. Brian Lenihan T.D. for Dublin West (a sister Constituency) addressed the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann in the Glenroyal Hotel on the 3rd July. In a very enjoyable and impressive address Brian gave a very expansive and wide-reaching address on a large number of topics, including many related to his present position as Chairman of the Oireachtas Committee on the Constitution. We intend to give a more detailed outline of his address in the next issue of the Newsletter. It was particularly enjoyable to have Brian down to the Meeting as of course many older residents in Maynooth would remember when Brian Senior was T.D. for the Dublin West area which then included the Maynooth electoral area. Indeed many of our present Cumann members campaigned for Brian Senior in the 1970s during that period.

DR. MARTIN MANSERAGH, SPECIAL ADVISOR TO THE TAOISEACH ON NORTHERN IRELAND.

It will be the pleasure of the Maynooth Cumann to host a meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on 25th September 2000 which will be principally addressed by Dr. Martin Manseragh.

Dr. Manseragh has played a huge role in the current Peace Process and he will be outlining the development and future progress of this Process at this meeting. Not only is he the Special Advisor on Northern Ireland to the present Taoiseach Mr. Bertie Ahern T.D. but also to Charles Haughey and Albert Reynolds when they were Taoiseach. This is just a preliminary notice of the Meeting so those interested in attending can be aware of its occurrence and plan accordingly. More detail will be made available in the next issue of the Newsletter.

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE PRESENTATION GIRLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Gearoid Lohan has written to the Minister for Finance Charlie McCreevy T.D. in relation to the extension calling on him to impress on the Minister for Education and Science the urgent need for the extension to move ahead particularly in light of the recent vandalism to a number of prefabs which were being used as temporary classrooms. The prefabs were burnt to the ground. A design team has been appointed and an architect is meeting with the Board of Management to commence design work but speed is of the essence in light of the above.

CONDOLENCES

Finally the Cumann would like to sincerely pass on their condolences to the family of Mr. Ned Brennan who was a longtime and tireless member of Fianna Fail in Leixlip. He will be sadly missed.

We would also like to sincerely sympathise with the families and friends of the two victims of the Leixlip Rail tragedy who died so young and of course to the four women victims of the tragedy also in Leixlip who were found dead in their rented home.

CONTACTS

Again anyone wishing to contact Cumann members should contact Gearoid Lohan, Noel Brilly, Cyril McAree, Michael Caden or myself Brid Feely at the numbers previously given. Our Cumann website can be assessed at: www.fiannafail.ie/maynooth, or e-mail at: maynoothfiannafail@eircom.net.

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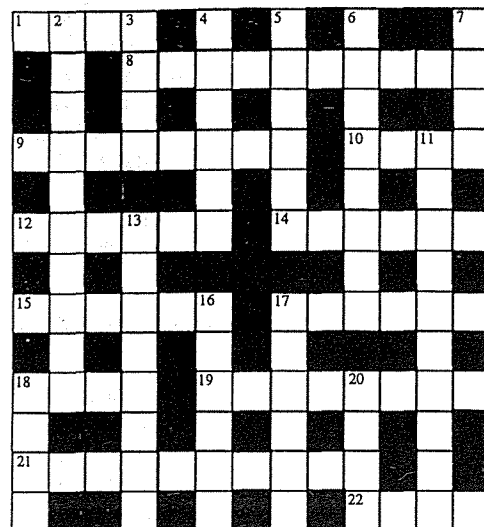
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MAYNOOTH LABOUR NEWS

Draft Maynooth Development Plan Agreed.

The Draft Maynooth Plan 2000 was agreed at the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council on 13th July. It will go before the full Council on 24 July, and for approval for public display for a further month.

Cllr John McGinley believes that the plan will be broadly acceptable to the people of Maynooth and that it includes most of his objectives for the town i.e.

* Non - development - led ring roads to take the traffic out of Main Street i.e. Kilcock Road to Moyglare Road; Moyglare Road to Dunboyne Road; Blacklion Road to Celbridge Road and Celbridge Road to Straffan Road (a new roundabout here to take the road away from Carton Court.

* A major reduction in the amount of new residential zoned land; down from 280 acres in the 1996 Draft Plan to 150 acres this time (Cllr. McGinley wanted this to be 120 acres but was outvoted at the full Council).

* Two new public parks; a 60 acre one at Carton Avenue and a 7 acre one at Greenfield Drive / Carton Court. These will be developed and maintained by the Council.

* Playing pitches for the schools, the soccer club and the GAA club.

* A 4 acre site for the Gael Scoil.

* Culverting the Meadowbrook Stream.

* Feasibility study on vehicular access to the Railway Station from Bond Bridge.

* A seven day street cleaning service.

* A childrens playground.

* No further permissions will be granted for hot food take-aways as it is considered that Maynooth has an adequate supply of such outlets.

* Door to door collection of separated waste for recycling.

* A civic amenity site on Dublin Road to cater for Maynooth and Leixlip.

* Moving the Council Yard, Offices and Fire Station to Dublin Road.

* The development of a One-to-Stop-Shop civic centre.

* An Action Plan for the Harbour Area and Carton Avenue Area.

* Cycle paths on Rathcoffey Rd, Moyglare Rd, Mill St, and all distributor Roads. Investigate the feasibility of developing long distance cycle routes along the canal banks linking Maynooth to Kilcock and Leixlip. Also the feasibility of providing footpaths along the Lyreen river from the Pound to the development boundary.

Secure ownership of the Harbour Field and Geraldine Hall and to develop the property as a recreational facility for the people of Maynooth. This is to be carried out in consultation with representatives of the community.

* There will be a Special Development Levy on all Planning Permissions granted in Maynooth to assist the Council in implementing the policies and objectives of the Development Plan.

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Deputy Stagg stated that the Plan maps out future development of Maynooth and as such he wanted to hear the reaction of the people of Maynooth following their study of the Plan.

Bond Bridge / Meadowbrook Link Road Approved

Approval was given for both of these developments at the full Council Meeting on 26th June. Deputy Stagg's and Cllr. McGinley's motion that the meadowbrook Stream be culverted was also agreed. Also, consultants will be appointed to investigate the feasibility of vehicular access to the Railway Station from Bond Bridge.

Kingsbry Pedestrians Lights Vandalism.

As the lights are becoming continuously vandalised Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Area Committee: "That heavy duty traffic lights be installed at the pedestrian crossing at the entrance to Kingsbry Estate, Maynooth, in order to stop them from being vandalised."

Safety at Kingsbry / Celbridge Road Junction

In order to improve the safety at this junction Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Area Committee:

"That a white line and Yield be painted on the road for traffic entering Laurence Avenue, Maynooth, from the Celbridge Road".

67a bus turning point on Straffan Rd.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have asked the Council to ensure that the re-design of this turning point incorporates a bus shelter in view of its exposed location.

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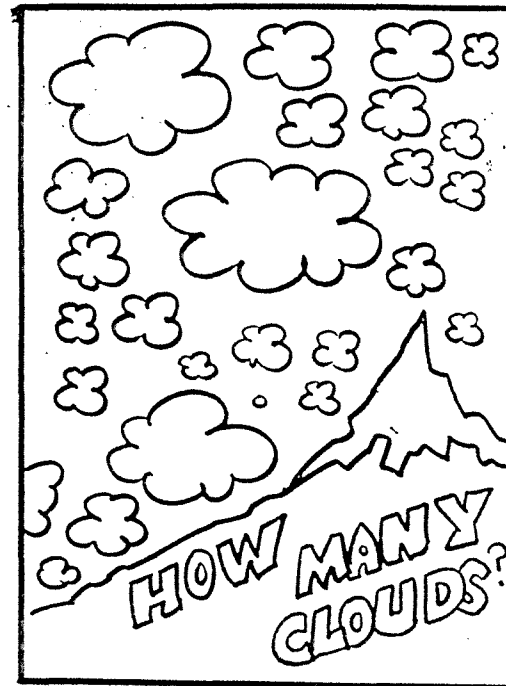
PRIZE: £10 CINEMA VOUCHER

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2. What is the name of the Corrs new Album?
3. What is the name of Macy Grays Single at the moment ?
4. What is the name of current Single by Mikey Graham ?
5. What city in Ireland is Brian from West Life from ?

4. ... (4)
5. Refuge (6)
6. Disciplinarian (8)
7. Release (4)
11. Abysmal (10)
13. Thrifty (8)
16. Gullet (6)
17. Occult (6)
18. Abode (4)
20. Repair (4)

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Children's Corner



WINNER

ELAINE HOULIHAN
AGE 9
COWANSTOWN,
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Seven Day Street Cleaning Service

In order to ensure that this is implemented Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Full Council:

"That provision be made in the Estimates for 2001 for a seven day street cleaning service in the following towns: Newbridge, Kildare, Celbridge, Leixlip, Maynooth.

Carton Avenue

Maynooth Action Strategy (MAS) have produced detailed proposals for the Lime Walk Avenue at Carton and for the Avenue entrance at the top of the town. As Kildare County Council also have plans for the Avenue entrance, Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Area Committee to ensure that resources are used efficiently and that the work is co-ordinated:

"That the Councils Plan (O'Neills) for Carton Avenue Lime Walk entrance be amended to incorporate the Maynooth Action Strategy Plans and that the work should be carried out at the same time as their proposed work on the Avenue itself."

Greenfield Estate/Shopping Centre Junction with Straffan Road.

As a result of representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have agreed to the installation of a yellow box on the north bound lane to help traffic exiting the estate. They have also advised Cllr. McGinley that repairs will be carried out on the pedestrian refuge to increase its visibility to traffic.

Glenroyal Planning Application for Traffic Lights at Junction with Straffan Road.

Cllr John McGinley has objected to the traffic lights aspect of this planning application for the following reasons:

1. It has already been agreed at the Area Meeting on 7th January 2000 that traffic lights would be installed at the Parklands Junction/ Railway Station Junction with the Straffan Road. This break in flow will allow traffic out from the Glenroyal.

2. It has also been agreed that Doctors Lane would be closed at the Dublin Road end. So there won't be the continuous flow of traffic that there is at present from the Main Street direction. In view of these developments and with the introduction of two exiting lanes from the Glenroyal Complex there is no requirement for the traffic signals at this junction. Indeed their introduction would cause traffic to build up unnecessarily on the Straffan Road and at the Main Street junction.

Cllr. McGinley is totally in favour of the second exiting lane as he

Traffic Lights / Pedestrian Crossings at the bottom of the town.

These lights and pedestrian crossings were agreed as part of the town improvement works and their installation is very badly needed. In order to speed up matters Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council.

"That the traffic lights and pedestrian crossings agreed in the Maynooth Main Street Improvement Works for the bottom of the town be installed without any further delay".

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY EXTENSION

Deputy Emmet Stagg again raised the issue of the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School with the Minister for Education in the Dail on June 29th.

The Minister advised that the proposed extension is still being examined in the Departments Planning Unit.

This is simply unacceptable given the fact that the extension was sought in August 1999 and that prior to the holidays the school had an enrollment of 712 pupils in buildings which can cater for 630 pupils.

Deputy Stagg will continue to press the Minister to sanction the extension and put an end to the overcrowding which was placing a strain on pupils and staff in the school.

FURTHER WORKS BARBERSTOWN TO MAYNOOTH

Deputy Emmet Stagg is pleased that the Council have approved a tender in excess of £6000,000 for further upgrading works to the Barberstown to Maynooth Road.

The work will involve just under 1KM of carriageway from Windgates to near the turnoff for Newtownmacabe and will include straightening the road, widening, and the provision of hard shoulders. Work should commence in late August.

Deputy Stagg is also seeking the provision of Route Traffic Lighting along the road and the implementation of a 40MPH speed limit in the vicinity of the houses near the Newtownmacabe junction as well as the setting back of the bank on the left hand side as you head towards Barberstown Cross from the end of the works to provide some safe space for pedestrians.

PUB AT NEWTOWN SHOPPING CENTRE

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley lodged an objection on June 29th to the planning application by Lark Developments for the provisions of a Public House at Newtown Shopping Centre.

The main points covered in the objection were (A) The fact that there is no demand in the area for such a facility. (B) Disturbance to Residents in the area particularly in view of the new extended closing times. (C) The provision of such facilities would be more appropriate to the commercial Town Centre. (D) Increased Traffic which would be generated by the proposal. (E) Lack of adequate parking on site which would lead to parking along Beaufield and Meadowbrook Roads. (F) Traffic hazards created by the increased traffic and illegal parking. (G) The further disturbance to residents by the holding of functions in the proposed public house.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. U/ 8s TRAINING 00/01 SEASON

Training will re-commence for all under 8 sides in the Harbour Field on the 19th August 2000 at 10am. The club will enter 3 teams at this age group if there are enough volunteers to look after each side. With the number of players that will play under 8s again this season together with the expected number of new players it is important that all players are registered as soon as possible.

Tommy Daly
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MAYNOOTH TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

Date	Numbers	Jackpot	3x £25 Weekly winners
18/6	5,9,21,22	£550	Maurice Cowhey Pat Farrell J. Nevin
25/6	5,7,16,28	£600	Yvonne Teirney Martin McTernan Sean Foxe
2/7	5,8,23,25	£650	Denise Mills Thomas Kavanagh Cian O'Neill
9/7	2,15,25,27	£700	Dave Moynan Barry Kenny Alison Jolley
16/7	1,14,23,25	£750	Matt Carroll Mary Flanagan Ilona Kelly

Thank you for your support.

Maynooth Town Football Club is currently compiling a list of teams to compete at the different age groups for the coming season. Team Managers/Coaches are required for a number of age groups.

Under 8s X 3, Under 9s X 2, Under 10s X2, Under 11s X 2, Under 12s X 2, Under 13s X 2, Under 14s X2, Under 15s X 1, Under 18s X 1. Men's Senior Saturday X 1. Mens Senior Sunday X 1. Women's Senior team is currently coming to the end of their League campaign.

This list of schoolboy teams is dependent on sufficient mentors being available to look after each team. With 20 teams representing Maynooth Town this year it is now more vital that ever that the parents of the younger members assist and support the teams and the Club in what will be one of the most important years in the development of Maynooth Town Football Club. Notices of training times and venues will be posted locally. For further information contact **John Doogan 01-6289720** or any club official.



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Cassidy (nee Callagan - Gabrielle) of Leinster Cottages - Sons, Daughters - in - law, sister - in - law, Grandchildren, nieces, Nephews and friends.

Edwards (Nee Boyer Peggy) of Crewhill Maynooth - Sons, Daughters, Daughters - in - law, Son - in - Law, Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren, Relatives.

Kearney (Mary) of Moyglare Maynooth - Sons, Daughters, Grandchildren, sister, Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Ricci McTernan Laurence Ave, age 9 September 8th and cousins **Aileen McTernan** Moyglare Village age 15 September 22nd, **Keith McTernan**, Dunboyne September 9th. Best wishes from Mammies, Daddies, Grannies, Grandads, Brothers, sisters and all your friends.

Mrs. E. Nolan- The Green July 19th from all your family and friends - best wishes.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to Tony and Nula McTernan - Railpark who celebrated their 26th Wedding Anniversary July 17th. Raymond and Noelle McTernan of Moyglare, celebrates their 21th Wedding Anniversary August 19th. Peter and Jackie McTernan - Dunboyne, who celebrated their 29th Wedding Anniversary July 23rd. Paddy and Mary Nolan - Castlebridge Maynooth who celebrated their 42nd Wedding Anniversary August 27th.

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