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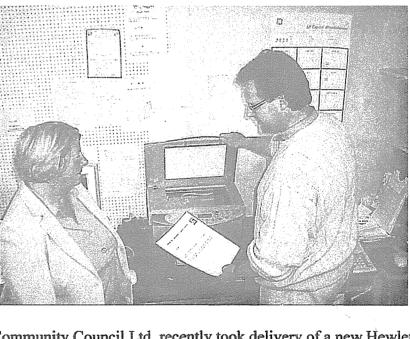
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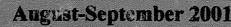


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Editorial

Maynooth had a great loss this August with the sad passing of Gearóid McTernan. Gerry was a member of the new Community Council and a great contributor to the Newsletter. We would like to extend our sympathy to his large extended family and his many, many friends in the town. He was a font of storytelling about his life in Maynooth and before his arrival here told with wonderful wit. He never forgot the various anniversaries in his family's life and celebrated them by his messages through the pages of this publication. He was generous with his knowledge and his photographs when asked to contribute to any articles on Old Maynooth. He was involved in so many of the town's activities and societies and always had a friendly word for all. It seemed strangely fitting that his mass was held in the College considering the many, many walks he took inside its walls. He will be sadly and greatly missed.

The Newsletter would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Leaving Certificate students on their excellent results. The Post-Primary must be very proud of Fergus Denman who achieved what appears to be the impossible – 900 points. We congratulate him in particular and hope to have a feature on him in next month's issue. Good luck to all the students, young and old, who begin the new school year this month.

The issue of what young people do in their spare time has again become an issue with the problem of underage drinking with the accompanying litter and anti-social behaviour. This is not just a problem for Maynooth; it appears to be endemic in all Irish towns. But there are activities for youngsters in the evening with the various clubs and societies, including a drama group and classes.

But there is a serious need for a youth centre for the growing number of teenagers who may not be interested in sport or drama etc. There is no community centre in the town despite the growing young population. No provision is made by the authorities for such an amenity, despite the desperate requirements for such facilities as these dormitory towns grow and grow around the greater Dublin area. It is to be hoped that the obstacles in this local area to the development of such amenities will be removed and that the Celtic Tiger economy has not deflated before the available resources are utilised. The Community Council will address the problem of underage drinking at its September meeting and perhaps some further progress will be achieved in this area.

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Community Council Notes

Maynooth Community Council Notes

The last Community Council meeting took place on the 15th July in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Intel Emissions Debate:

This meeting was to facilitate a debate between Intel ireland, Mr. John Colgan, Leixlip and Mr. Hugh Gallagher, Community Council.

However Intel declined to attend the meeting on the understanding that the time being allocated would not be enough for such a debate. Intel extended an invitation to hold the meeting down at their Leixlip base.

Mr. Colgan and Mr. Gallagher both delivered their submissions and as both reports were quite lengthy and technical they can both be viewed in the Community Council Office.

Mr. Colgan pointed out the high levels of cancer in the Leixlip area. He also noted that there is to be further expansion at Intel.

Mr. Gallagher noted that there were high levels of metal in the environment. He also stated that some acids, minerals, were well below the allowed levels.

However it was stated that Maynooth is to get two monitoring stations, this should be of some comfort to us all.

Bond Bridge:

At long last Bond Bridge is out for tender.

Summer Project:

Claire O'Rourke commented that the project had been a great success. It started on the 9th July for two weeks. 102 children enjoyed a great day to Fort Lucan as well as many other attractions.

Tidy Towns:

Richard Farrell complimented Kildare County Council on their quick action on upgrading the bus turning point on the Straffan Road.

It was felt that the 7 day cleaning in Maynooth is not satisfactory. Mary Fitzgerald felt that the litter machine would be better doing more work in the Town than around the estates. Tom McMullon said that areas should be allocated every week. However it was generally felt that the street cleaning was good.

Maynooth Development Plan:

The Maynooth Development Plan was up for discussion by Kildare County Council but as new proposals to combat the flooding problem were not

ready no decision was taken. Also that there would be a strong move for more rezoning for more housing stated John McGinley.

John also proposed that there should be a new school on the Rathcoffey Road or Straffan Road. This would involve closing the Girls School and making the Boys National School a Co-Ed.

Claire O'Rourke stated that the Principal, Peter Mullan was doing a great job with the school. She also felt that children should be mixed all the time.

Paul Croghan inquired regarding funding, would the school be fully funded.

Community Centre for Maynooth:

Maynooth Community Council is fully behind all efforts to gain a centre for Maynooth. Kildare County Council propose to build a swimming pool and complex in North Kildare. Maynooth would be ideally situated for such a centre. Tom McMullon stated that there is a lot of land available - re Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field land. There would have to be co-operation between local groups in Maynooth to get it supported. Paul Croghan wondered who was going to be involved in the centre. It was felt that it would have to involve all interested groups in the town.

Underage Drinking Problem:

Mary Fitzgerald stated that the harbour is a no go area after 7 o'clock in the evening.

It was felt that with 14 Gardai in the town something should be able to be done about the underage drinking, the law is there and it should be enforced. Gerry McCann, Moyglare Village suggested that a

forum should be formed consisting of chairpersons of Residents Associations. The forum could then highlight the problem in estates and build up a good relation with the Gardai.

It was generally felt that something definitely will have to be done about youth drinking.

Marie Gleeson, P.R.O.

The next meeting will be held on the 10th September in the Glenroyal Hotel

MAYNOOTH WALKERS

Ladies of any age wishing to join others for walks in the locality - Telephone 6106306

Features

Maynooth Local History and Civic Forum

Fóram Cathartha agus Staire Áitiúla Mhaigh Nuad Promoting local history and social debate

NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK

TWO LOCAL EVENTS IN MAYNOOTH

As part of the national effort to create and promote public awareness of the richness and diversity of our heritage, Maynooth Local History & Civic Forum are presenting two guided historical walks as follows:

The story of the buildings and the principle historical events of St. Patrick's College Maynooth

Assemble: The entrance gates, Old Campus gates. Date: Sunday 2 September 2001 Time: 2:15 p.m. Guide: Mary Cullen, historian

A guided tour of the streets, laneways, buildings, and residences of Maynooth's 18th century inheritance and a short section of the nearby Royal Canal, constructed in the 1790s.

Assemble: Entrance to Carton Avenue, Main Street Date: Sunday 9 September 2001 Time: 2:15 p.m. Guide: Rita Edwards, historian

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Fond Farewell to Gearóid Mac Teighrnáin (1916-2001)

At the funeral services in the College Chapel on 10th and 11th August, fulsome recognition was given by Fathers Stenson and Sinnott of Gearóid's role as husband, father, grandfather, Christian, railway worker, gardener and community activist. Complementing these qualities was Gearóid's commitment to Irish Republican ideals. Born on Easter Monday 1916, he was influenced in his native Leitrim by the then leading Republican. John Joe Mc Girl. Gearóid became an active member of Sinn Féin in Maynooth during the mid-1900s and often recalled with pride the occasion when he was chosen to deliver an annual Easter1916 commemorative oration at the Republican graves in Celbridge cemetery. He counted among his friends many of the Maynooth men who fought in the 1916 Easter Rising and supported efforts in the town to mark their contribution. During the recent Troubles in the North he did not support the activities of the IRA but never wavered from his principles and continued to proudly wear his tricolour badge in his lapel.

In the 1990s he was an active member of the Winchester Three Support Group; Maynooth Miscarriages of Justice Group; Maynooth Peace, Reconciliation and Justice Group; and the local contributions to mark the 75th anniversary of the 1916 Rising and the bi-centenary of the 1798 rebellion. More recently he supported the Local History and Civic Forum and contributed many nuggets of knowledge to the booklet *Exploring Maynooth - Five Self-Guide Historical Walks.*

A quite-spoken man, Gearóid's style was not to push his views, but rather to support and encourage those with whom he chose to work.

Sincerest condolences to his six sons, their wives and families.

Gearóid, may the good earth of Laraghbryan rest lightly upon your breast.

Gan dabht, ní fheicimíd do leithíd arís.

M.Q.



Gearóid and friends by the 1916 plaque in Pound Park, 1996

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July fundraising events

The Community Council would like to thank those who were involved in our fundraising events this July, namely the Barperson of the Year and the Table Quiz.

There was also the auxiliary poetry reading night held in the Library. This concentrated primarily on those writers who had their work published in the Book of Maynooth that was launched earlier in July.

Congratulations to the winner of the Barperson of the Year, Pauline O'Neill from Caulfields, second was Noel Browne of Dowdstown and third was Olan Allen We would like to thank all the pubs that took part: Caulfields, the Roost, the Glenroyal and Dowdstown.

We would also like to thanks Caulfields for their donation to the Council of £200 for which we are very grateful.

Congratulations also to the winners of the Table Quiz; John and Mary McGinley and Gerry and Olly Durack. Well done! It was agreed that it was a very well set quiz with many tables doing well. There were very few enquiries or arguments on the night. It was great to see Norah McDermott as the MC again and we would like to extend our thanks to her and all others who helped on the night, in particular Freda Kelleher. We would like to thanks our sponsors who donated prizes for the raffle on the night also:

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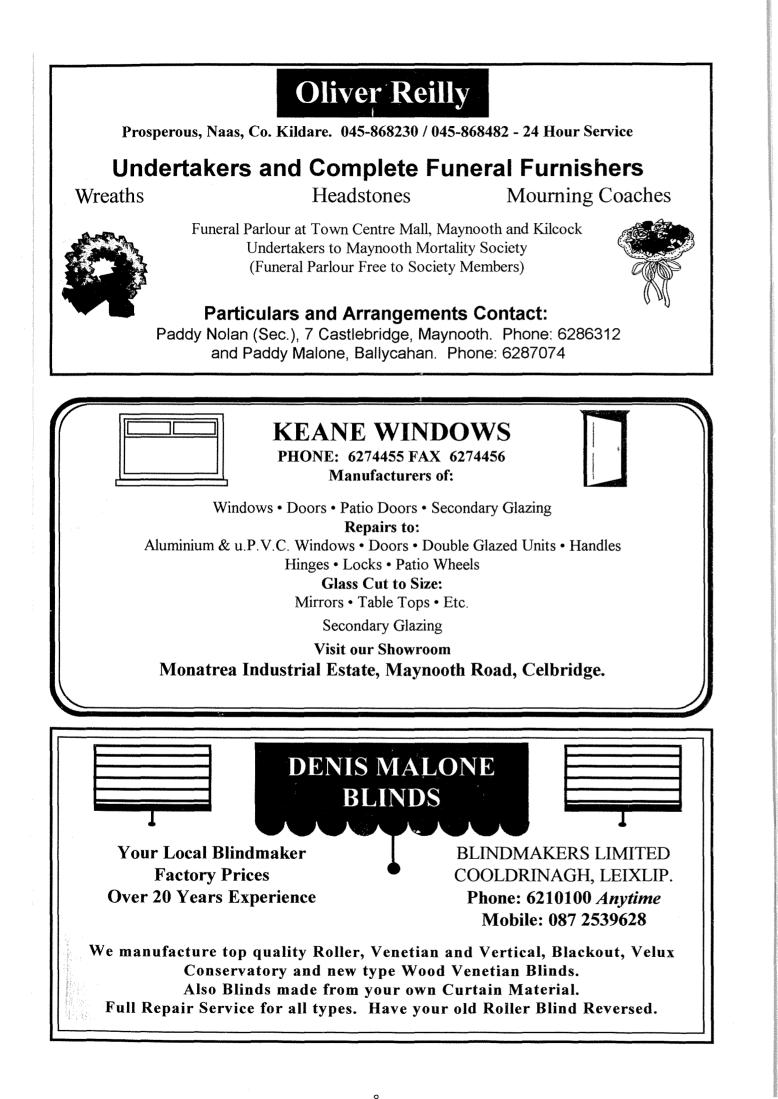
Pauline O'Neill, winner of "Barperson of the Year"



Noel Browne, runner up in "Barperson of the Year"



The Winning Table Quiz Team



Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Moyglare Village Residents Association

Campaign to be taken in charge in 2001

Moyglare Village Residents Association is to start a vigorous campaign to have the estate taken in charge in 2001. This development was built by Crewhill Properties Ltd a Company that was part of the Shannon Homes Group. Building commenced in 1988 and due to the poor housing market during that period the last house was completed in 1993, when the developer left the site. Since then, the residents association has pursued both Kildare County Council and the developer to have the estate taken in charge.

A major stumbling block for a number of years was the completion of a boundary with the Moyglare Road. The developer refused to make any contribution to the cost of a boundary wall and the issue was finally solved last year when alone, Cllr. John McGinley provided a share of his discretionary fund to pay for the stud fence boundary that is now in place.

Residents annoyed at not being linked to gas network

Moyglare Village Residents are annoyed that their estate is still not linked to the natural gas network in Maynooth. The Residents Association is to seek the support of all relevant parties to have this matter pursued with Bord Gais and Kildare County Council.

Moyglare Village/ Moyglare Abbey Residents Associations to co-operate

Moyglare Abbey has recently formed a new Residents Association for their area. Up to now the Moyglare Village Residents Association provided information to residents of Moyglare Abbey as well as residents of the Moyglare Road. Residents of the Moyglare Road can continue to be members of the Moyglare Village Residents Association.

Moyglare Village Residents Association has sought a meeting with the new association executive so that the two associations can work together on matters of mutual interest. These will more than likely include issues such as traffic dangers on the Moyglare Road and the future development of the area, as the Maynooth Development Plan 2001, includes proposals for the major re-development of this area.

Paul Croghan Hon. Secretary Moyglare Village Residents Association

Maynooth Tidy Towns

National Tidy Towns Result 2001 - How did Maynooth do this year?

The National Tidy Towns Competition 2001 results will be available around 10th September, the day when everyone involved in Tidy Towns finds out whether or not the marks for their town has improved or not. The score that Maynooth has achieved has been steadily improving over the last five years. In our five-year plan 1998- 2002, Maynooth Tidy Towns set a target of increasing our overall mark from 162 marks (in 1997) to 200 marks (in 2002). 184 marks were achieved last year, so we could be on target to reach the 200-mark figure by 2002.

However, in comparison with other North Kildare towns, we are not as successful. Leixlip achieved 192 marks in 2000 and with the incredible floral displays put in place this year; it would be unthinkable that Leixlip would not achieve a major increase in marks . Celbridge achieved 204 marks last year and should at least maintain that mark this year.

In Maynooth, the committee started the year in a confident mood, but we are now bracing ourselves for a possible reduction in marks this year. There are two main reasons for this pessimism. Firstly, the delay in the replacement of the bus turning points meant that we may have been judged before this work was undertaken. Secondly, the failure of Kildare County Council to put in place their much-publicised Parks Department programme.

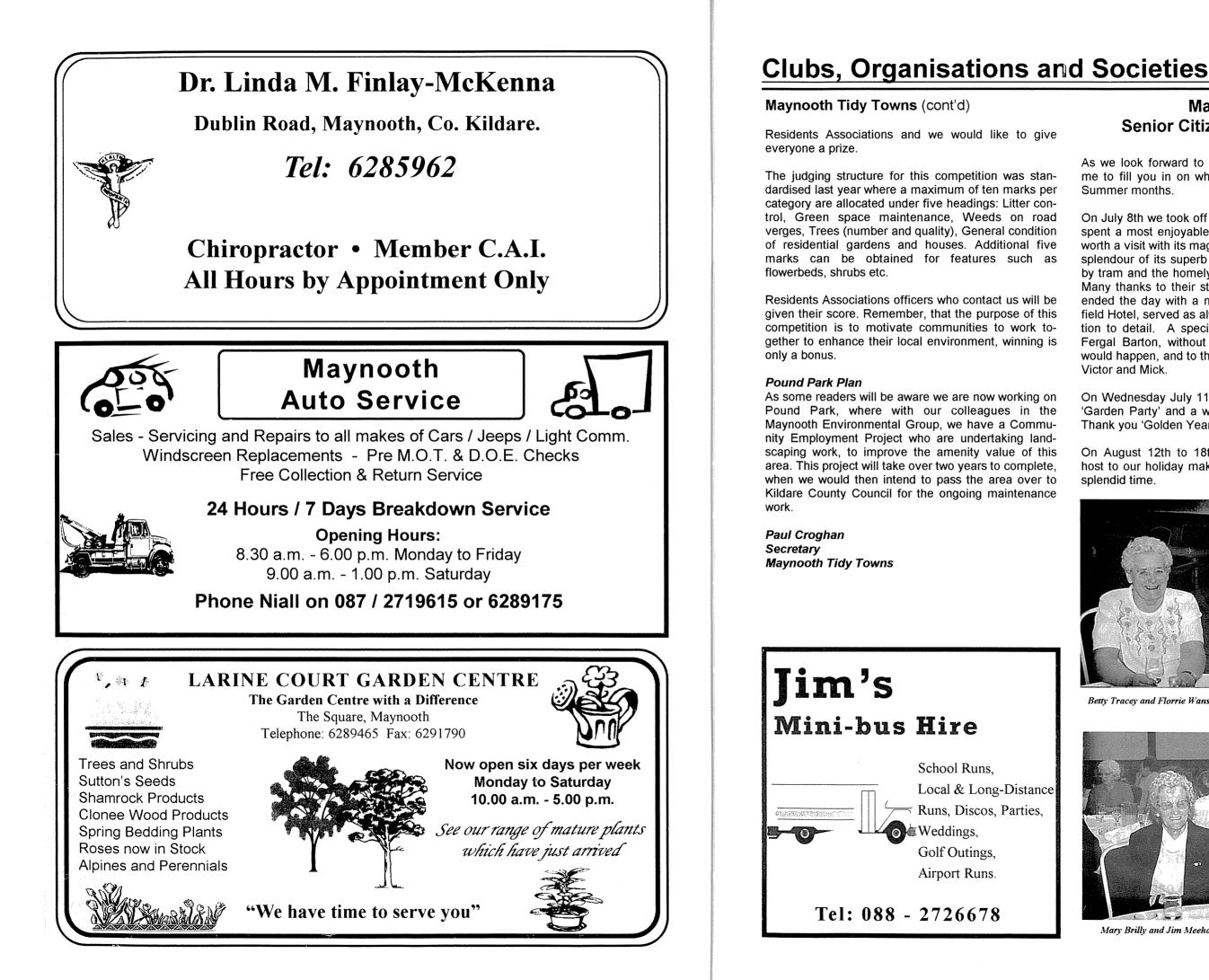
This meant that areas such as O'Neill Park and the Straffan Road were left unattended this year. Even in late August the £250,000 fund allocated by Councillors to maintain open spaces countywide had not been spent. Due to a shortage of volunteers, Maynooth Tidy Towns were unable to maintain these areas, also with a Parks Department fund; this work is now the responsibility of Kildare County Council. Because of these setbacks as well as a shortage of volunteers, we would not be surprised if our marks decreased. Let's hope that we will be wrong!

Best Shop front Competition 2001

This competition has been judged for 2001 at this stage and we are pleased to note that a number of businesses have made an extra effort this year. Results will be announced at our annual awards ceremony.

Best Estate Competition 2001

The preliminary judging for this competition has already taken place and the judges will be back to the residential areas within the next week to finalise the scores. A number of estates have made maior improvements, so that the prizes for the most improved estates will be had earned this year. Maynooth Tidy Towns are delighted with the efforts being made by



Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee

As we look forward to another year of activity, allow me to fill you in on what's been happening over the Summer months.

On July 8th we took off to Belvedere House where we spent a most enjoyable afternoon. This place is well worth a visit with its magnificent house and history, the splendour of its superb garden, its extensive grounds by tram and the homely atmosphere of its restaurant. Many thanks to their staff for all their kindness. We ended the day with a most welcome meal at Springfield Hotel, served as always with efficiency and attention to detail. A special word of thanks to Pat and Fernal Barton, without whose coaches none of this would happen, and to their kind and courteous drivers, Victor and Mick.

On Wednesday July 11th our people attended Leixlip 'Garden Party' and a wonderful time was had by all. Thank you 'Golden Years Club'.

On August 12th to 18th Kerdiffstown House played host to our holiday makers and they, as usual, had a splendid time.



Betty Tracey and Florrie Wansboro relaxing after the Summer Outing



Mary Brilly and Jim Meehan relaxing after the Summer Outing



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Back L-R: Sarah Burke and Mary Doyle Front: P.J. & Chris Daly and Eileen Kennedy



Garda Derbhla Mescal presents a cheque to Josephine Moore

Many thanks to all who raised money during the year on our behalf. The Roost from whom we received £801, proceeds of auction and raffle. Garda Derbhla Mescal who ran the women's mini marathon and raised £567, and Michael McGovern, Cam Dunne, Anthony Edwards and Eamon Gorey who raised £2120 in Brady's. How?, you well may ask. What started life as a joke turned into a serious fund raiser. On Thursday night, June 28th, Richard Mulligan performed an operation only equalled by an 'Aussie' sheep shearing contest. Just in case you missed the show, the above mentioned guys were 'de-bearded', all in the name of charity. Well done to all concerned. This is community spirit at its best.

Our club will reopen on Tuesday September 4th and we look forward to seeing all the familiar faces and perhaps some not so familiar. In the meantime, enjoy the break!

> Josephine Moore Chairperson

Maynooth plays the Waiting Game

Maynooth's Special Olympic Host -town committee now plays the long waiting game to the 01-11-01. This is the day when the Host Towns for the 2003 Special Olympics will be announced Nationally.

Since the Public meeting held on Tuesday 10th of July in the Genroyal hotel the committee has been busy to ensure that the application form was filled out with all question answered with the fullest of detail. The fully completed application form was then handed into the Headquarters of the 2003 Special Olympic on the 31-07-01.

As it stands Maynooth is one of 180 town looking for Host -Town status which would mean that we would Host a specific Olympics team for four days (16th-20th June 2003) before the Olympic Event. It also means that the Olympic torch would come through our town. This will be the 11th Special Olympics and the first to be held outside the U.S.A.

If successful another public meeting would be held to inform everyone of the team which we will host as well as ensuring that the committee and subcommittees will officially start to go about making this one of the most memorable events in the History of our Town. To ensure that this is the case, all schools, along with every organisation and club will be invited to participate in every aspect of what is centrally the community event of the millennium. At the heart of this community event we will also be asking the people of the town to host two Olympian athletics in their home over that four-day period. This aspect of hosting is central to 'Share the Feeling' ethos of the 2003 Special Olympic World Games. Already the response has been generous.

The committee would like to thank everybody who has been contacted for their time and interest with the application process. Already we would like to thank National University of Ireland, Maynooth who have already guaranteed the sponsorship of all sporting facilities within the university campus. We also look forward to working with all in our community over the next two-years as we hopefully will be chosen as one of the 2003 SPECIAL OLYMPIC HOST-TOWNS.

The committee consists of Ronan Barry (chairman), Elaine Bean (Secretary) Sean Mulipeter (Treasurer), Carmel Buckley. Paul Davis, Richard Farrell, Marie Glesson, Hugh Gallagher, Marie Kelly, Ann Kelly, and Melanie Oliver.

Ronan Barry

Club, Organisations and Societies

Glenroyal Hillwalking Club

Holidays are coming to a finish and now we are all getting back to work, school and whatever. It is time to get back into our routines. Don't forget to look after the well-being of the body. It is time to consider what activities you might like to renew or take up to restore your fitness? Perhaps hillwalking might be one such activity worth considering.

The hillwalking year runs from November 1st to October 31st. Now is an opportunity to get a sample of hillwalking experience. For those expressing an interest easy hikes are planned for September 9th and October 28th. Those interested together with new members must complete a number of easy hikes, and have the necessary equipment before progressing onto the more difficult hikes on the open mountainside. Regular attendance of our activities are sure to develop an interest and ensure a reasonable level of fitness. People will only be able to attend activities that met their level of fitness.

Tow members of the group have just returned from two weeks in the French Alps and Mont Blanc area with our hillwalking friends from the Commeraghs. One of these members took up hillwalking three years ago when the group started first and has just completed 11 days of walking in the French Alps. having tackled the peaks surrounding Mont Blanc including trekking through the snow in the month of July.

On Wednesday 4th July we completed an evening easy walk along the canal from Clonsilla to Maynooth. There was a good attendance of old hillwalking acquaintances and some new faces. The 8th August had us completing another evening walk around the picturesque Bull Island where in bygone days before the island grew was fought the Battle of Clontarf. I will let you guess the year. A bit before my time?? Unfortunately there were thunderstorms before the hike commenced which may have put some people off. Nonetheless, we completed the walk with a few dedicated members and did not let a bit of rain put us off. The beach was very quite and we had no learning motorists to contend with. A short stop at the Spa on the way home ended off a very pleasant evening.

Our next easy hike will be on Sunday September 9th departing from the front of the Glenroyal Leisure Club at 0845 am and driving to Bray to meet the 1015 bus for Newcastle, Co. Wicklow. We will walk the coastal path back to Bray, passing along the countryside of the famous Glenroe with the more adventurous tackling in Bray Head (if we have a spare leader with the group). The easy hike for October 28th will depart at 9 a.m. This will be on the open mountainside around the scenic area of Laragh and Ballyknockan at the rear of Blessington

The Club will be attending An Oige hikes to the Cooley peninsula and Glendalough over the next two weeks. These are geared for the more experienced walkers. A number of more difficult hikes are planned for September in the Blackstairs and October with a weekend of walking in the Commeraghs, but these will be restricted to Club members. The dates of these activities will be advised later.

Club membership details available on request.

Again, it should be noted that walking boots with good ankle support and grip are essential when going off road. Always wear suitable clothing for the outdoors and carry spare warm clothes at all times. Jeans and denims should be avoided at all times. A waterproof jacket, and overtrousers, headgear and gloves are essential irrespective of the weather on starting out. This applies throughout the four seasons of the year. There is a three degree temperature drop per thousand foot of climb and a further chill temperature drop with high winds. Please note that itineraries are subject to change and anyone interested should check beforehand with one of the contacts numbers below

Mountain Safety Notes:

Mountaineering and climbing are activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Those attending our activities shall be aware of and accept these risks and agree to be responsible for their own actions and involvement. Anyone on medication or with a medical complaint should inform the leader of the hike prior to leaving the agreed meeting point. If it is felt that the person should not take part on the activity they will be advised accordingly

Keep an eye out in future editions for further information. Contact numbers 6285367, 6290294, 086-2703348 or

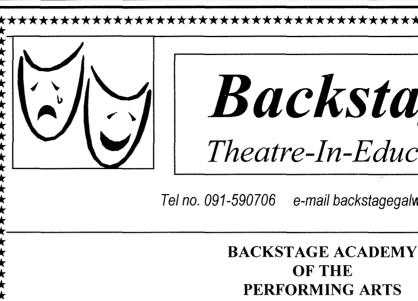
E-mail:- glenroyalhillwalking@hotmail.com E-mail queries can be answered with information on Club up to date activities. It is hoped that we will have a Web page by the next issue where you will be able to view some of the club photographs and keep up to date with Club activities.

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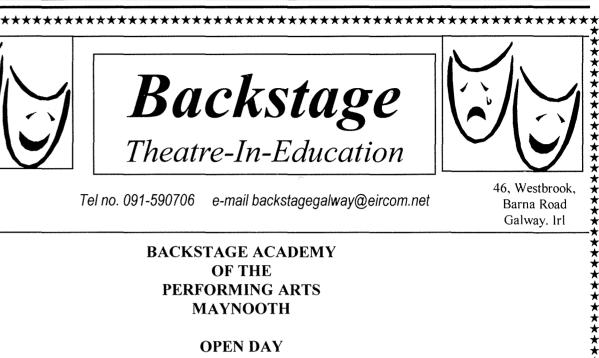
************************ **BACKSTAGE BEGINS NEW TERM**

This September, Backstage Academy of Performing Arts open a second workshop in Maynooth to cope with the increased numbers of young people waiting to join. The new workshop will run on Saturday afternoons at Maynooth Boys National School and it is open to young people in the 8-18 age range.

During the three hour session each week from 2 pm-5 pm, students will rotate subjects every 55 mins. These subjects include drama, mime, dance, singing, acting for tv/film and production

Th open day allows young people to come along and see what is on offer before joining. Entry to the open day is free of charge and parents are welcome along meet the staff. The company does not hold auditions for places as it's work is to teach all those who are interested rather than choosing the best only those who attend the open day may apply to join.

The academy is run by Backstage T.I.E., Ireland's largest professional theatre-in-education and performinforming arts training company.



Community "Cenacolo"

The Community Cenacolo is a Christian association I that welcomes lost, unsatisfied, delusioned, and desperate young people who want to find themselves again, to find joy in life, and to find meaning for their lives. It was founded in July 1983 from the insight of a woman, Sister Elvira Petrozzi, who wanted to give her life to God through helping drug addicts and lost youth. The Community today has 27 fraternities spread throughout Italy and the world (France, Croatia, Bosnia, Ireland, Herzegovina, Brazil, Austria, Dominican Republic, the USA, and Mexico) and accommodates about 600 young men and women. Its desire is to be a light in the darkness, a sign of hope; the proof that death doesn't have the last word. The youth are given the proposal to live a style of life that is simple, familial; that rediscovers the gifts of work, of friendship, and of faith in the Word of God.

We see every day smiles returning to faces that have lost all hope. Ours is not a therapeutic Community, but a school of life. The problem of drugs has its roots in the family, because only the family has the possibility to prevent this.

Often the thing that is common to many of our youth is the lack of a good teaching family; a family that transmitted or searched for dialogue, tenderness, or friendship. These are the things a son really needs. The families that reject God are defeated from the start, because they believe that they can substitute superfluous things for essential values. Thus, instead of love, they cultivate ambiguity, and the need to have everything right away. Often, when they discover that they have a child that is a drug addict, the parents are the last to admit it. Many justify and protect their boy only because of the judgement of the next door neighbours, of friends, or relatives. Thus they continue to believe that he will be a different type of drug addict.

The family has to rediscover unity without throwing guilt back in the faces of each other. Then they need to look again for a place or a person to whom they can go for a help. When the parents decide to place their son in our Community, we ask them to follow our rules to prepare him for this important decision.

For the first three meetings, the parents have to come alone, because we believe that the parents will be the persons who can help their sons in a more concrete way. In the beginning, they can help us; but their trust and obedience is needed towards the Community.

That they be aware of the problem from the beginning, in order to have a happy ending; they must make life difficult for their son. They can't give him money; he can't leave the house, or use the telephone. If the son doesn't accept these sacrifices, the parents have to force him out of the house. Only in this way he will encounter the true reality of the street. Loneliness. marginalization, fear, cold, and hunger - only like this can the drug addict decide to change his life. To allow the drug addict who doesn't want to change, to remain

in the house, is like helping him to kill himself.

After the entrance into the Community by the son, this behaviour of the parents must continue. If the son decides to leave the Community, the family must close the door on him. They also have to make sure that he doesn't find other comfortable arrangements from friends or relatives. If the son is welcomed back in the house, he can't return into our Community. Only if he returns here because he doesn't have anywhere to go. we will welcome him again with the certainty that the family believes in the Community; in fact when the parents don't trust, the children are the first to seize upon and exploit this weakness.

We don't ask for money from the parents but we are happy when the family is involved in the activity and the development of the Community. We offer the possibility to the parents to make a parallel walk with that of the son, having weekly meetings with other parents and some Community members. We ask for trust and a sincere conversion based on the truth. looking to put prayer in the first place in our lives.

The aim of the Community is to renew the family; to help the families meet Jesus Christ, Saviour and Redeemer. Drugs can be a cross that kills or a cross that saves. We love life, and we believe with all of our heart, that the smile of a young man who is "alive" has more value than all the golf in the world.

Don't think that a drug addict who enters into the community feels the need to pray right away. In the beginning he prays because, in a strong way, the Community proposes the healing of our hearts through prayer by putting ourselves on our knees all day. If for a good Christian or a normal boy it would be difficult to accept, imagine for a drug addict!

But a young man who enters in Community is not in a "normal" situation, and many times it is not his personal choice. Almost all of us were forced to enter because we didn't have a home anymore. Many of us had problems with the law. In short, we were in a desperate situation. We arrived at the point that no one wanted to hear of us, and despaired of our having any future direction or hope. We despised life, but the Community became the only beam of light. In this situation it is easier to say yes to prayer; even if we didn't believe and didn't understand. Ours is not a therapeutic Community. Our only therapy is called "Christotherapy"

With the light of prayer, we discover that the problems are not outside of us. The main problem is not the drug or dependence on everything, but the lack of knowledge of live. The drug is only a consequence of a mistaken life, without Christian values. The evils we battle every day are called: selfishness, indifference, hate and arrogance. The simple life of Community helps us to put all our problems tot the test. First, however we learn to be better people, because if you are good you are happy.

Our day begins at six o'clock in the morning, and the first important appointment is in the chapel, where we recite first 5 decades of rosary. One young man takes



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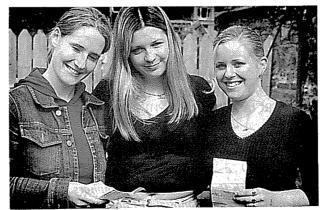
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a turn to read and comment on the Scripture of the day. After this all freely share about their own lives, speaking about their problems, or their difficulties in overcoming the fear to speak freely, and to make themselves know in the light of the truth. The sharing is also an important moment where we can ask pardon for our negative reactions, freeing us of compromises that could influence the day and asking help for our problems.

After breakfast, the work day begins. Everyone is occupied with the responsibility of his own work. There are no external persons or specialists who come to work in the Community. We do everything ourselves; bread, cleaning the house, masonry work, the garden, woodworking, etc. The main labour is what we build inside us, and for this it is not important what we do, but how we do it. The work is a means to know ourselves, to use our talents together, and we never work alone for this motive.

At noon we eat lunch, and ending a one-thirty we have free time, in which we dialogue, stay together, and often, each man washes his own clothes. In the afternoon, while working, we pray the second part of the rosary. In general, the work activity ceases at 6 o'clock, and then there is an afternoon snack. After washing up and changing clothes, we go in the chapel to recite the third part of the rosary. Then we share our lives, taking our cue from the Gospel of the day. At eight p.m, we gather to eat dinner, having once again a free moment for dialogue and to stay together. After this we go to bed, and at 10 o'clock turn out the lights.

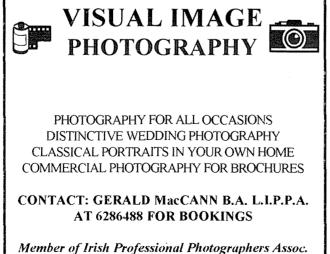
In our fraternity, there is no pharmacy or substitute treatments on the basis of psychopharmacy. Also the crisis of abstinence for the new man is not cured with medicines, or any type. Our "medicine" is called a guardian angel that, in specific terms, is a young man who has lived in the Community already for some time, and has received some healing within himself. He has the responsibility to pass on to the style of life of the Community to the new arrival; to live by his side twenty-four hours a day; to work for the new man who in the beginning is without will; to suffer and cry with him who struggles against the calls of evil and drugs. it is an important moment for the life of both; for the guardian angel, who in the sufferings learns to love; and for the new man, who perhaps for the first time finds a true friend - someone who is concerned for him without any interests. In this way, the Community teachers the essentials of life that before we had always refused to learn and no one ever taught us. For us it was normal to confuse pleasure with joy. In our life we have always pursued the immediate pleasure; we never thought that joy could be born in sufferings. We thought they meant we were weak, fragile, and inferior. But now we are are learning that behind every suffering there is a joy. Only those who have suffered know how to understand, to love, or to help another who is not doing well. Our walk in Community lasts around three or four years - there doesn't exist any definite period.

Sister Elvira says that we can proclaim ourselves ready when we will have chosen prayer for all our lives. Life in Community is in reality very simple, but also very rich. One lives the life of prayer in a concrete way, based on a friendship free from any interests. material things influence us little, and we learn that the person comes before fleeting material goods, money, or career. We face our weaknesses, asking help from Jesus who is manifested also in the brothers next to us. We learn to love and to live life in the grand school of the Cenacolo.

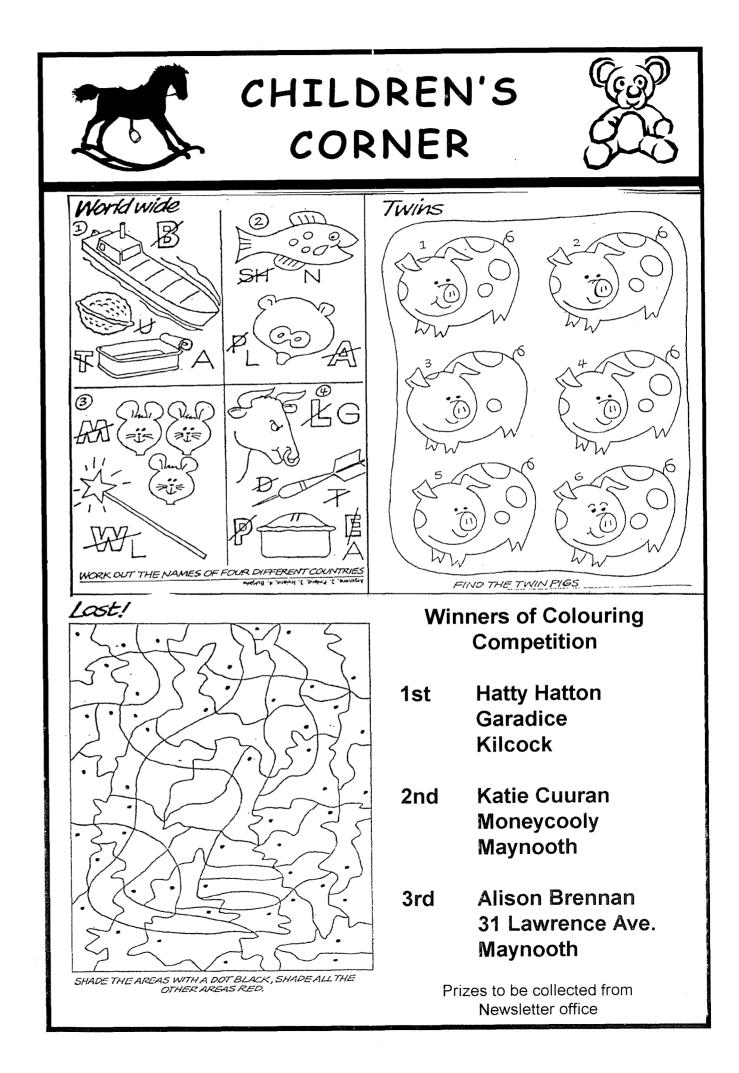
At the end of their walk in Community, for most of the youth a desire to form a family has been created. For a more profound experience of love and a contribution of ourselves, the Community offers to the youth the chance to spend a period of time in our houses in South America-Brazil, Mexico or the Dominican Republic. These three fraternities were opened to welcome the "Children of the Street". This situation is a big problem in Latin America. Through daily contact with the children, our men have the possibility to grow in important virtues like patience, love freely given. and understanding. These are fundamental values needed to become (later on) a good father and spouse of his own family. To choose to put one's own life at the disposal of the weak and wounded is an act of courage and of real Faith, to which the goodness of God responds with Joy and Peace.

For further information contact: Community Cenacolo Our Lady of Knock

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Maynooth Golf Society

Our outing to Woodlands Golf Club took place on Friday 6th July. Yet again we had a good turnout with 34 players competing for the honours. Owen Byrne triumphed on the day with a score of 36 pts beating Dominic Nyland on the back 9, closely followed by Sam Feeney in 3rd place. Our thanks to the Glenroyal Hotel for sponsorship towards this outing. The following are the list of winners:

Overall Winner 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th	Owen Byrne Dominic Nyland Sam Feeney Norman Kavanagh Mick Hegarty Gerry McTernan Pa Conway	36pts(Back 9) 36pts 35pts 34pts 31pts 30pts 29pts
Front 9 Back 9	Tom O'Haire Sean Nyland	15pts(Back 6) 18pts
Twos Club	Owen Byrne	
Nearest The Pi	n Gearoid Harrington	
Visitors	Martin Doyle	30pts

Captain's Day

Our Captain's (Mick Flynn) prize took place at Killeen Golf Club on Sunday 22nd July. We had our biggest turnout of the year so far with 43 players competing. Willie Moore came out on top bringing in a fantastic score of 40 points.

Congratulations to Mick for a most enjoyable and successful day. Finally we would like to thank our many sponsors on the day. The following are the list of winners:

40pts 1st Overall Willie Moore 35pts Matt Carroll 2nd 34pts(Back 6) Noel Brady 3rd 34pts Norman Kavanagh 4th 33pts Gerry Kelly 5th 32pts Liam Farrelly 6th 31pts Terry Moore 7th 30pts(Back 9) **Dominic Nyland** 8th 30pts Sean Nlyand 9th Barry Desmond 28pts 10th 18pts Don Sullivan Front 9 19pts Mick Flynn Back 9 36pts Jason Coscadden Visitors 1st Jonathan Flynn 33pts 2nd

Twos Club Norman Kavanagh - Tom O'Haire				
Nearest The Pir	Michael Flynn (Jnr)			
Longest Drive	Liam Farrelly			
Par 3's	Tom O'Haire			
Par 5's	Sean Moore			
Past Captains	Willie Moore			

The Society would like to extend its deepest sympathy to Gerard, Raymond and all the McTernan family on the sad loss of their father Gearoid. May he rest in peace.



Our Captain, Mick Flynn, (right) presenting Willie Moore (overall winner) with his prize.



Society Members on the First Tee on Captain's Day

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Citizens Information Centre

Question

It was announced in the 2001 Budget that entitlement to a medical card would be extended to those aged 70 or over. Has it happened yet?

Answer

Yes. From the 1st July 2001 the Department of health and Children has extended entitlement to the medical card to all people aged 70 or over without the need to undergo a means test.

Entitlement to medical care services will only apply to the medical cardholder. It will not apply to his/her spouse or dependent children. They will be subject to the medical card income guidlines which will continue to apply to people under 70 years of age.

To obtain the medical card you must send in an application form that has been signed by your doctor. If your spouse is also aged 70 or over he/she will have to apply separately. Application forms are available from your local health board.

If you have an occupational pension and your employer has been deducting the 2% PRSI health Contribution from it, you should inform your employer that you are now a medical card holder and that you are no longer liable for the contribution.

Question

I believe the income limits for third level grants have increased. Can you give the details?

Answer

The Higher Education Grants Scheme provides means tested grants to eligible students who are pursuing approved courses. The grant is paid by your local authority. For the academic year 2001/2002 the application must have been with the local authority by Friday 27th July 2001. The income limits for 2001/2002 are as follows:

Number of Depen- dant Children	Full maintenance and full fees	Part maintenance (50%) and full fees	Full fees only	Part fees only (50%)
Less than 4	£21,513	£22,791	£25,667	£27,158
4 - 7	£23,643	£24,921	£27,797	£29,288
8 or more	£25,667	£27,158	£29,927	£31,418

The above limits can be increased by a further £2,420 where there are 2 children attending full time third level education, £4,840 for 3 such children and so on, increasing by £2,420 for each additional child. The maintenance grant rates are as follows:

	Non Adjacent Rate	Adjacent Rate
Full maintenance	£1,882	£753
Part maintenance(50%)	£940	£376

All grant-holding students will be awarded an additional grant of up to £312 for the charge for student services, registration etc. on courses where free fees apply. This grant will be paid directly to the college/institution by the local authority.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre at 6285477

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Maynooth Irish Countrywomens' Association

The final meeting of the guild for 2000/2001 was held in the Harbour Hall on Thursday 7th June 2001 at 8 p.m. New members are welcome to attend the next meeting of the guild on Thursday 7th September 2001. If you are new to Maynooth or if you now have time to take up new hobbies and make new friends we hope to meet you then. We wish all the members a healthy, enjoyable and peaceful holiday. We were represented at the Annual General Meeting of the Irish Countrywomen's Association at the Newpark Hotel in Kilkenny city at the end of June. The incoming president of County Kildare Federation is Ms. Kelly of Two Mile House guild. Maynooth guild are the craft promoters for the Federation for the coming year. Entries for the Muriel Gahan Rosebowl competition for Italian Quilting and for the Inter-Federation Cup for watercolours close in September. A tour of Scotland is planned for May 2002. The vice-president Mary O'Gorman was in the chair at the guild meeting. Helen Dovle acquainted us with the C.F. Shaw trust fund. Viva Kerins, Bernie King and Madeline Stynes were winners at badminton. Badminton mornings will resume in September. The guild members meet for a walk thrice weekly during the Summer. Betty Farrell and the Alzheimer's Society appreciate the magnificent sum of £670 donated to the Alzheimer's Society from her Tea Day in May. Sympathy was expressed with the families of the late Rev. David Boylan and Jackie Bergin (Kill guild).

If you are interested in a career in horticulture or greenkeeping there are vacancies, funded by the ESF, on the residential two-year National Council for Vocational Awards certified course at the ICA Horticultural College at Termonfechin, County Louth. The college is beautifully situated beside a golf course and miles of unspoiled sandy beach. The proliferation of golf courses throughout the country means excellent employment prospects for graduates.



Maynooth ICA Presidents 2001 Rosemary Hanley (Outgoing) Mary McNamara (Incoming) (Citizens Information Centre contd.)

Question

I have been called for jury service. I am working and I believe jury service can last for several weeks. Will I be paid when I am unable to work?

Answer

You will be paid but not by the court.

If you are called for jury service you must attend unless you are excused. The Juries Act 1976 requires an employee to be given time off to attend the court. Some groups such as doctors, nurses and members of religious orders are entitled to be excused from jury service as of right. if you are ill or for any other good reason you do not wish to serve, you can apply to the County Registrar to be excused.

When you are attending for jury service you will not be paid by the court, nor will you be paid expenses. Should you actually serve on a jury your lunch may be provided. However, you are entitled to be paid by your employer as you are considered to be in employment and you should not lose any other employment entitlements such as annual leave.

If your employer requests proof that you did attend court you can obtain a certificate of attendance from the jury office.

Question

I have a disability and I am interested in doing a vocational training course with FÁS. Will I keep my Disability Allowance while attending the course?

Answer

Up to July 2001 you would have retained your Disability Allowance while on the training course. However, from the 2nd July 2001 FÁS are introducing new arrangements for people with disabilities in vocational training.

If you are getting Disability Allowance or Blind Person's Pension it will be suspended while you are on the course, but you will keep your secondary benefits such as medical card, travel pass etc. You will be paid a FÁS training allowance of £85.50 or an amount equal to your social welfare payment, whichever is the greater. You will also receive a training bonus of £25.00 per week.

If you are unable to complete the course or do not have a job at the end of the course, your entitlement to your social welfare payment will be restored.

However, those in receipt of Disability Benefit or Invalidity Pension will retain their social welfare payment as well as their secondary benefits while on a training course. They will also receive the standard FÁS training allowance of £85.50, but they will not be paid the £25.00 training bonus.

People with disabilities who are not receiving a social welfare disability payment will be paid both the FÁS training allowance and the training bonus.





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Maynooth Town F.C.

As we approach the start of a new season most teams are already back in training. A lack of match fitness in the past has cost many teams early points and ultimately their chance of a league title. The club has entered 14 teams this season. Two men's senior, six schoolboy/girl 11-a-side and six schoolboy/girl 7-aside teams. This will ensure we can cater for all age groups from as young as 7 year old through to senior level. As in the past the schoolboy section of the club will only survive and thrive if we get the regular support of the parents. It is unfair to expect the same few adults to pack large numbers of children into their cars to travel to games week after week. It is also unfair on the youngsters who have in the past arrived to play away matches cramped and generally not feeling the best. We would ask this year that all parents make an effort to take their turn in supplying transport. It is actually an enjoyable experience to watch the games and the lads will welcome the support.

Maynooth Town F.C. **Under 8's Festival of Football** June 30th – July 1st

This specially organised tournament brought together Maynooth Town's youngest squads to celebrate the recent Lotto grant to the club. The spectacle served up a feast of fine football and plenty of goals over the two days. Saturday morning saw the proceedings kick off with a 5:2 victory for Man Utd over Liverpool. Hughie Faherty put in a fine eye catching display here to score a hat trick for the winners. He was well supported by both Ciaran Kearney and Ronan Kirwin. Best for the opposition were Conor Glyn and Neil Flynn who battled hard to gain the upper hand for their side.

Maynooth Town F.C. Weekly Lotto Results

Date	Numbers	Jackpot	3 x £25 Weekly Winners			
24-Jun-01	5,15,27,28	£3,200	MARTY BYRNE	CHA'	DAVID DUARTE	
1-Jul-01	7,10,14,28	£3,250	TRISH FITZPATRICK	F. NOLAN	P. SLATER	
8-Jul-01	1,5,11,19	£3,300	MILES BERRY	GEORGE GALLAGHER	MICK Mc GOVERN	
15-Jul-01	18,20,22,26	£3,350	DON FOLEY	NOREEN DOOGAN	LYNDA CONWAY	
22-Jul-01	12,15,20,21	£3,400	NUALA FARRELLY	MAGS GANNON	DON FOLEY	
29-Jul-01	5,7,9,27	£3,450	EDDIE HALLIGAN	LOUISE SAULTS	TONY Mc TIERNAN	
5-Aug-01	4,5,15,18	£3,500	M. O' DONNELL	M. DURCAN	B. KENNY	

- The other semi-final saw Arsenal dispose of Aston Villa 8:1. Despite what looked a wide margin this was a more keenly fought contest than would seem. Striker Andy Foxe showed great predatory skills to score a hat trick. The solid and assured defending of Garvan Dowling was a major contributor for the victors. Villa tried manfully to stem the tide and were best served by John Comerford, Barry O' Reagan and Lee Cairns.
- Events got under way on Sunday with the 3rd/4th place play-off. This was an exciting encounter between Liverpool and Aston Villa. Liverpool emerged the winners by 5:1. Conor Glynn who displayed a cool head and deadly accuracy in finishing scored the goal of the match. Neil Flynn, Owen Cullinane and Colm Faherty were other to shine for the victors.
- Next up was a challenge match between the mothers of the youngsters. Each one of the ladies should be applauded for a very entertaining game with some fine goals, lots of commitment and plenty of skill. (Some future managers in the making?) Well done to all the ladies who took part.
- The final itself between Arsenal and Man Utd was a fine example of open attacking football. Brimful of energy, confidence and skill both sides strived for dominance. The difference between the sides was Andy Foxe as he grabbed a hat trick to see off the opposition. Six goals in two games was a fine return by this cunning young striker.
- Well done to everyone who competed and the parents, families and friends who supported the tournament in such large numbers. Thanks to Rita Flynn who sponsored the medals and Caulfields Lounge who donated the minerals and crisps for the teams. On behalf of the club and all concerned a very special word of thanks to Tommy Daly who co-ordinated the two days of fun.

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Boys School Parents Association

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We would like to welcome back all the teachers and boys, especially the junior infants and other boys who are starting in the school for the first time this year. We hope that your time in the school will be a happy one.

We are the Parents Association and we meet once a month to try to raise funds and help out where necessary. Our A.G.M. will be coming up soon and all parents are welcome. A note will be sent with the boys as to when it will be on.

Claire O'Rourke P.R.O.

Alzheimer's National Tea-day 2001

I wish to thank all who gave donations, to all who called and so generously subscribed in various ways. To my loyal helpers and to the I.C.A. for use of the hall my sincere thanks. Total amount collected was £650.00

Betty Farrell.

Legion of Mary

The Legion meets every Thursday night at 8 p.m. in St. Catherine's New Campus. The main work of the Legion members is house visitation; Nursing home visitation and selling Catholic newspapers and religious goods after Sunday Masses. Junior members (7-14) meet on Monday nights at 7.15 p.m. at the same venue.

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Placenames Sláine (Slane/Slaney)

As we have seen with the Boyne etc. people's names were commonly used for placenames. The famous Hill of Slane, the site of modern day concerts was also named for a prehistoric king *Sláine*. It is said that he was king of the mythical *Fir Bolg* and acted as their judge. He is credited with the clearance of the woods around the hill of Slane. He died some time later at *Duma Sláine* (the mound of Sláine) and therefore the hill of Slane was named for him. The *Dinnshenchas* (History of famous Places) has a verse to him:

Here died Sláine, lord of troops, Over him the mighty mound is reared, So the name of Sláine was given to the hill Where he met his death in that chief residence.

Secondly there is the river Slaney that was also named during the period of the mythical Fir Bolg. It is reputed to have appeared due to a flooding of the land, a frequent explanation of rivers and lakes. A band of the Fir Bolg arrived to Ireland led by Sláine and landed at Inber Sláine (the rivermouth of Sláine) hence the name. But a further related incident led to the naming of Loch Garman (the lake of Garman, Wexford). The Fir Bolg held a feast in Tara at Hallowe'en (Samain) as was the custom of the time. These feasts are said to have lasted for seven days. Samain itself, three days before and three days after. It was understood that no theft, manslaughter, no fighting took place during this period. Anyone committing such a crime would be put to death immediately. A champion named Garman, while drunk, stole the queen's diadem and escaped from Tara to Inber Sláine. The king, Cathaír, followed him with his household and overtook him at the mouth of the river. Just as they caught him a spring burst from the ground, drowned Garman and became a green and broad lough. Thus the naming of Loch Garman situated next to Sláine.

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Early Ireland – children

In the early Irish period, children were mainly the concern of the father, his kin and to a lesser extent, the family of the mother. We have less information on girls than boys. Until the age of 14 no child, male or female, was considered independent. They had no independent legal rights or legal responsibility. Their parents or fosterparents, particularly the father and his family were responsible for their actions. The child's agreement was legally valid only if he is exchanging articles of equal value with another child for example. Children between 12 and 17 are still dependent and they are termed by the law as'thief of restitution'. This means that are required to restore any article stolen or its equivalent and there was no further penalty.

At 16/17 they are considered marriagable. In the case of girls this probably depended on the onset of the menstrual cycle and their ability to have children themselves. There is no such concept as teenagers here – they are married much earlier than we would expect today.

The Church may have effected the position of children within early Irish society. Every independent individual had an honour-price, and that of a child from baptism to 7 was equal to that of a cleric. There were heavy penalties for injuries to children regardless of class. The child's price then was half that of the father or guardian and this remained the case as long as they were dependent. If the father's honour-price fell for any reason this did not effect the status of the child.

Sometimes a mother only was responsible for her child; this depended on the status of the father of the child she bore. If the father was a slave, they were not considered responsible citizens, or a satirist, or a man expelled by his family. If the father were a dependent son or an unlaicized priest he was not responsible but if he was laicized then he was. If a man were a *cú glas* (alien) – an individual who came from another country – he cannot be responsible because his family is not around to support him. If the woman is a prostitute (*báitsech*) she alone is responsible for her children.

The father alone is responsible when he impregnates another man's wife, the mother is a servant (*banamus/ cumal*), if he takes a woman by stealth or rape, if she is an outcast of the family, if she is a female satirist of if the mother dies. Sometimes a lawful wife can lose responsibility for the rearing of the children. If she becomes ill or insane, blind, deaf, maimed in one hand or leprous she is exempt from looking after the child. (Leprosy was relatively common in Ireland and they worried about the child becoming infected.)

In the case of an unweaned child and a dead mother the father must find a wet nurse immediately. But there was a legal procedure described by the law as 'distraint to enforce the removal of a child from the dead breast of its mother'. This wording suggests that they recognized a very special relationship between mother and child.

There were some odd arrangements for children who may have been conceived and born outside normal

Early Ireland (cont'd)

marriage relationships. When the child is by another man rather than the husband the law says 'every cuckold has a right to his son, until he be purchased from him'. Therefore the husband is seen as the father, but the biological father can buy the baby if he so wishes. As we have seen above, a rapist and his family are entirely responsible for the upkeep of a child born of such a crime.

The relationship between parents and children may not be the same as our concept today either. A dutiful son may repudiate the bad contracts of the father, and vica versa. A father must answer for the son's liabilities if the latter has no assets. A son must support his mother in old age but the obligations to a father are more grave, one of the seven fugitives beyond protection by human or divinity is a man who evades filial duty to his father and a woman who evades filial duty to her mother.

A son must support his mother in old age - particularly important in a society where divorce was so common and women could be left without a husband. Sons are entitled to a part of the honour-price for mothers and the liability by a mother falls 2/3 on her sons. The maternal kin may interfere if a father neglects his son. If a child were born of a slave it was relegated to a lower class (fuidir). It also says that it is not possible for a child with a slave-mother to become a lord because 'his vices are as serious as those of his mother'. Another case is that of the son of a female satirist, it is said that 'it is not endurable that a sharp-tongued wordy person should have lordship'. (Continued next month - the most common childhood upbringing fosterage)

Murder of the Month – September Murderer identified by an elephant!

On Saturday September 19th 1903 a woman called Fannie Porter was found in a pool of blood in a small hotel room in Louisville, Kentucky. She was naked and her head had been partially removed from her body.

Although she was only 25 she had been married twice. Her first husband died and she had married for the second time only 8 months before but had already left her second husband, Frank Porter who was a fireman. Coming from a comfortable background where she was used to parties, dancing and the theatre she had become quickly bored because her new husband worked at night. She did not want to spend her life sitting at home waiting for him. Her friends wondered why she had married below her in the first place and were not surprised when she left him. Fannie hoped that he would come to his senses and beg her to return but he didn't and she began drinking to show him that

she could have a good time without him. This didn't work either: and as a former teetotaller she did not handle alcohol well and soon she gained a reputation as being easy and was seen often in and out of drinking houses and hotels. Eventually her friends slipped away from her. Men found her attractive and she had no trouble finding them but her wanderings came to an end abruptly on that Saturday evening.

She had been seen entering the hotel that day with a man at 4 p.m. They ordered room service twice and she left instructions that she was to be called at 10 p.m. saying that it was important. The waiter said that he heard a man but did not actually see him. When the hotel-owner knocked on the door at 10 p.m. as she had requested, there was no answer. He assumed that she had left already. Later that night he was letting a guest into another room and decided to use his passkey to get into Fannie's room. There he met the grisly sight described above.

The police launched a search for her killer and found that she had been to the circus earlier that day with a man described as about 30, well dressed, attractive with a moustache. They were seen by one of Fannie's friends. both she and the animal trainer said that the man had given a chew of tobacco to one of the elephants, Susie, and that it made the elephant very angry indeed.

One of the suspects was a man with whom she had been seen dancing some nights before. They had trouble having him identified and then the circus trainer made the strange suggestion that they bring the man to Susie the elephant! They did and she stood motionless as he stroked her trunk. The trainer maintained that he could not be the killer because Susie would have tried to attack him.

The police of course interviewed her husband Frank Porter to see if he could give them any information on former boyfriends. He told them of a man called Will van Dalsen. Her friends confirmed that she knew him well and that this Will had wanted to marry her himself. As it happened he also fitted the description of the man at the circus and at the hotel, except that he did not have a moustache. They found out at a later date that he had shaved a moustache off recently. By now the circus had moved from Louisville.

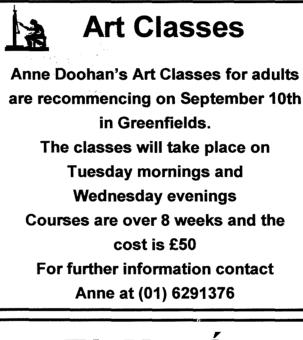
While talking to more of Fannie's friends they established that Will had been somewhat obsessed with Fannie and had tried to stop her marrying Frank. He found her drinking in one of her haunts after the break up of her marriage. After a couple of drinks, as usual, he brought her to a hotel room and afterwards threatened to tell her husband. He wanted her to marry him or at least to live with him. The police felt that they had enough to arrest him and immediately another of Fannie's friends came forward to accuse him of further crimes. She had been afraid of him but once he was arrested she felt more secure. She said that he had killed a man some years ago and indeed there was one unsolved murder in Louisville. This was James Clark who had been shot four years before. The police brought Will van Dalsen to the animal

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Murder of the Month (cont'd)

trainer In Lexington. He thought it might be the man with Fannie but he could not be sure. However he suggested that they bring him to Susie the elephant to see if she remembered him. She was asleep but when Will spoke she woke up. Standing up she attacked him straight away and only for the fact that she was tethered she would have injured him. The police led Will away while Susie tried to escape her chains to attack him. She hadn't forgotten what he had done to her! He was convicted and hanged on January 19th 1906 after two years of appeals.

It appears that no one ever found out why she had wanted to be called at 10 p.m. the night she was killed.



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Chicken with mustard and tarragon

You will need: 2 chicken breast fillets Olive oil for frying 2 shallots, finely chopped 2 fl oz dry white wine 9 fl oz chicken stock 4 fl oz cream 1 oz wholegrain mustard Chopped fresh tarragon To serve 4 oz pasta shapes such as penne Olive oil or butter finely chopped parsley

Method:

Heat up a tablespoon of olive oil in a small frying pan and brown the chicken breasts on both sides. Transfer to a covered dish and cook for 5 to 10 minutes longer until the chicken is cooked through. Keep warm. Meanwhile add the shallots to the frying pan and fry until soft and golden. Add the wine, and boil down to concentrate the flavour. Stir in the chicken stock and simmer for 5 to 10 minutes until syrupy. Add the cream and cook gently for 5 minutes more before stirring in the mustard. Chop the tarragon and stir in the sauce. Check the seasoning. Toss the freshly cooked penne pasta with a little olive oil or butter and some chopped fresh parsley. Divide between two plates, top with the chicken breasts and pour the sauce over the chicken. Serve with vegetables of your choice. (for a smoother sauce you may like to strain it before adding the cream.

Tasty burgers

Serves 4

- You will need: 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 red onion, peeled and finely chopped
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and crushed
- 1 tsp cumin seeds
- 2 tbsp mango chutney or any other
- 1 lb lean minced beef
- 1 large egg, beaten
- 2 oz fresh breadcrumbs
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- (instead of cumin, you can try 1 tbsp horseradish sauce)

Method:

Heat the oil in a small pan and add the onion, garlic and cumin. Fry for 2-3 minutes over a low heat until softened, but not browned. Remove from the heat. Place this mixture in a bowl with the mango chutney, mince beef, beaten egg and breadcrumbs. Season to taste. With clean hands, combine the ingredients, then divide into four and shape each piece into a burger. Grill for 3-4 minutes per side. Serve hot, either in burger bun or with chips, salad and relish.

Cod with dill cream sauce Serves 4



You will need:

2 1/4 lb new potatoes, peeled or scrubbed, cut into chunks 3 oz butter 4 tbsp single cream or full-fat milk sea salt and freshly ground black pepper 1 red onion, finely chopped 3tbsp olive oil 4 x 5 fresh cod fillets 1/2 pt cream 2 tbsp chopped fresh salad leaves.

Method:

Boil the new potatoes for about 15 minutes. Drain and mash with butter, single cream or milk and seasoning. Meanwhile, fry the onion in oil in a large frying pan for 2 minutes. Add the fish and cook for 3-5 minutes on each side, until it begins to flake. Remove the fish from the pan and keep warm. Add the cream to the pan, bring to the boil then simmer for about 3 minutes, or until reduced thickened. Stir in the dill and check the seasoning. Divide the potatoes between four serving plates. Top with the fish and pour over a little dill cream sauce. Quickly shallow-fry a few salad or spinach leaves in oil and scatter on top.

Hot sweetcorn toasties

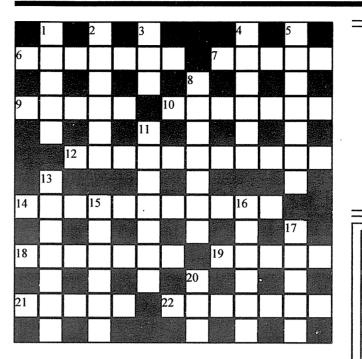
With chicken, pork or tuna Serves 4

- You will need: 1/2 oz butter 1 small onion, chopped 1 tbsp plain flour 4-5 fl oz milk 2 large fresh sweetcorns
- Dash Worcestershire sauce
- Dash Tabasco sauce
- 1 egg yolk
- 6 slices bread
- 2 slices cooked chicken, cut into small dice
- 6 slices cheese
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method:

Melt the butter in a saucepan, add the onion and cook slowly for a few minutes. Add the flour and mix well, then stir in the milk and bring back to the boil, stirring, to make thick sauce. Simmer for 1 minute but do not allow to burn. Cut off the sweetcorn from the husk by cutting the corn in half then shaving down the sides with a sharp knife.Add the corn to the sauce along with the Worcestershire and Tabasco sauces, season well and cook for a further minute. Remove from the heat and cool for 10 minutes.

Crossword No: 159



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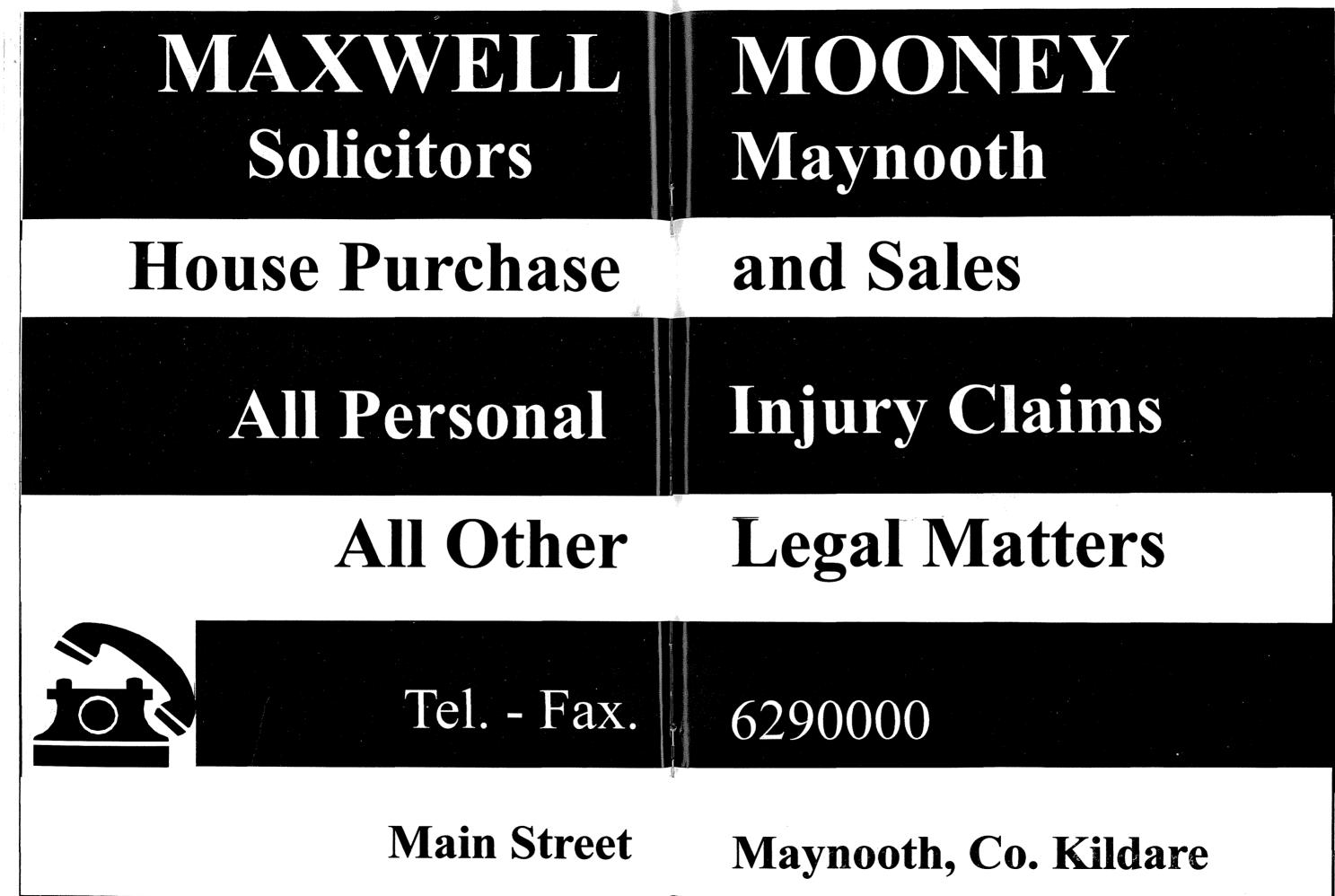
Down:

- 1. Response (5)
 - Feast (6)
 - Attach (3)
- 4. Strain (6)
- 5. Vanity (7)
- 8. Quick look (7)
- 11. Attribute (7)
- 13. Communication (7)
- 15. Beat (6)
- 16. Disorderly (6)
- 17. Foam (5)
- 20. Embrace (3)

Solution to Crossword No. 158

Across: 6 Display; 7 Ruler; 9 Jar; 10 Reference; 12 Complaining: 15 Discourtesy: 17 Impudence: 19 Sly; 21 Gnash; 22 Flaccid.

Down: 1 Vital; 2 Opt; 3 Wane; 4 Quietness; 5 Rescind; 8 Depart; 11 Concourse; 13 Paused; 14 Diamond: 16 Plait: 18 Call: 20 Act.



Dorin's Recipes

Add the egg yolk and beat well and allow to cool completly. Cover well with cling film, then chill. Pre-heat the grill and toast the bread on one side. Add the chicken to the cooled sauce, then spread over the uncooked side of the bread. Top with a slice of cheese and put back under the grill until bubbling and prowned. Cut into triangles serves.

There is no need to cook the sweetcorn before adding to the sauce if its very fresh and sweet. You can use inned sweetcom instead, but make sure you drain it well before use. Toasties are ideal for a light lunch or supper, with a glass of wine.

Broccoli stuffed potato

You will need:



1 teaspoon dairy spread

- 1 tablespoon chopped onion
- 2 oz cooked, chopped fresh or frozen broccoli, pureed
- 1 fl oz chicken stock
- 5 oz baked potato, cut in half lenghtways
- 1 oz Cheddar cheese, grated
- Pinch of sea salt, freshly ground black pepper and paorika

Method:

Heat the spread in a small non- stick frying pan until hot. Add onion and cook briefly, about 1 minute. Add the broccoli and stock and stir. Remove from the heat and set aside. Preheat the oven to 400f, 200c, Gas mark 6, scoop out the potato halves into a small bowl. reserving the shells. Add the broccoli mixture, cheese and seasoning to the bowl and mash until thoroughly blended. Divide the mixture into the reserved shells and bake for 20 minutes until lightly browned. Servewith a small green salad. Serves 1

Mint and avocado mayonnaise

You will need:

- 2 ripe avocados, halved, stone, and peeled
- 4 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 tablespoons chopped fresh mint leaves
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method:

Mash the avocado flesh smoothly with the lime juice and beat in the olive oil gradually. Stir in the mint and season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve at once with a green salad or potato salad. Fresh basil can be used instead of the mint to use with a tomato salad.



Smoked trout and rice salad 4 main cource servings

You will need: 7 oz long grain rice Juice of 1/2 fresh lemon 1/2 teaspoon sea salt 3 inner sticks of celery, sliced 5 oz green peas, cooked and drained 2 smoked trout, about 8 oz each 8 cherry or baby plum tomatoes, halved Lettuce leaves

Vinagrette dressing:

3 tablespoons tarragon vinegar 5 fl. oz vegetable oil or olive oil 2 teaspoons wholegrain mustard

Method:

Put the rice to cook in boiling salted water with the lemon juice. Cook until just tender 10 to 12 minutes. Drain well. Meanwhile prepare the vinaigrette by whisking the vinegar, mustard, and oil together. Season to taste with the salt and pepper. Pour most of the vinaiorette over the rice and leave to cool. Skin and flake the trout. Add to the cooled rice with the peas and tomatoes and the remaining of the dressing. Toss lightly together. Line a salad bowl or individual plates with the lettuce leaves, top with the rice salad and garnish with sprigs of parsley or watercress and lemon wedges if desired.

Individual kiwi cheesecakes

Serves 6



You will need:

7 oz reduced-fat digestive biscuits, crushed 2 oz low-fat spread, melted 1x 200g tub half-fat soft soft cheese 4 oz reduced-fat creme fraiche Juice and finely grated rind of 1 lime 6 kiwi fruit, peeled and sliced

Method:

Mix the biscuits crumbs and low-fat spread until well combined. Press into the bases of 6 individual loose bottomed flan tins and chill until needed. Meanwhile mix the soft cheese, creme fraice and lime juice and rind until well combined. Spread the cheese mixture over the biscuit bases and chill again until the cheese mixture is firm. When ready to serve, top with the kiwi slices.

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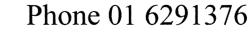
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01/1061	Alex To	Royal City Restaurant Mill Street Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/06/01	sought for first floor and ground floor rear extensions together with alterations to front fascia/canopy	Royal City Restaurant Mill Street Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1089	Michael McHugh	12 Rockfield Square Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	14/06/01	sought for a garage for car storage, change of use from playroom to bedroom, bathroom, TV room, kitchen/dining to side, conservatory to rear and internal alterations.	12 Rockfield Square Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1097	-Roberta Hines	Rowanstown Bungalow Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	14/06/01	part change of use from residence to Nursery Montessori and after school club and new extension to residential area	Rowanstown Bungalow Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1112	Henry & Janet Leavey	351 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	Р	20/06/01	sought to build a dormer bungalow and detached garage	351 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1114	Eastern Vocational Enterprises Ltd.	c/o Garrett O'Neill Emmet House 138-140 Thomas Street, Dublin 8	Ρ	20/06/01	sought on behalf of the Eastern Vocational Enterprises Ltd for a two storey extension, including retail use with shopfront to public car park, to existing resource centre	Larine Court The Square Maynooth
01/1154	Kevin Regan	Unit 3 Gandon House Main Street Lucan	Ρ	26/06/01	sought for retention on converting the attic space of the existing building into office space (further to grant of permission 99/1329)	Fagans Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1161	The Board of Management	Presentation Girls Primary School Dunboyne Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	27/06/01	sought for the erection of a new single storey pre-fabricated 3 no. classroom building to the north/rear of the existing school	Presentation Girls Primary School Dunboyne Road Maynooth Co. Kildare.
01/1168	Kevin & Brona Donovan	48 Rockfield Court Maynooth Co. Kildare	Р	28/06/01	sought for two storey house and garage for domestic use	Newtown Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1195	Gerry & Susan Gallagher	55 Silken Vale Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	02/07/01	sought for extension at first floor comprising 2 bedrooms, extension to rear at ground floor comprising utlity room, change of use of ground floor study to garage, elevational changes to front elevation at	55 Silken Vale Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1207	Glenkerrin Group	Glenroyal Centre Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	03/07/01	is sought on a previously permitted dev. ref. no. 99/2073 for building uses only to include the following: offices, science & technology & office based industry at any of the following blocks: A, B, C, D, & E inclusive Etc.	Maynooth Business Campus Moneycooley Maynooth

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Maynooth Dancers in Slovakia

On Friday June 22 teen dancers from Scoil Rince Dhubhaill embarked on a wonderful trip to Slovakia. They represented Ireland as part of the Junior Dance Team of the Irish National Folk Company which is a non-profit making Government approver Arts and Cultural Organisation.

The team travelled to the High Tatra mountains and stayed in Poprad which is in North Slovakia. The first festival they visited was in Kezmarok, called the "Festival of Dolls" where each folk group exchanged dolls with each other. Ailbhe Flynn aged 10 from Maynooth who was our youngest dancer represented Ireland at this presentation. The girls were photographed throughout the festival and they appeared on television in Slovakia

The girls stayed with families of the Poprad dance group during their stay. This was a great cultural experience for them as these people lived a totally different life than our own. They got to try out different food, and learn a little Slovakian. The Slovaks eat a lot of rice and vegetable and fruit.

A s part of our trip we spend a day in the High Tatra mountains in Strbske Pleso. Here the girls travelled the peak of the 2093 metre Soliska mountains in ski lifts. We saw were World Ski Championships take place, We performed that evening in one of the Hotels renowned for its health and relaxation.

We also took a trip to the Demanovska Caves which are one of the finest caves in Europe. The girls thoroughly enjoyed this trip. We also travelled to Zakopane in Poland which is very near to where our present Pope comes from.

The girls performed at many other places entertaining the Lord Mayor and many other dignitaries. The highlight of the trip for me was when I travelled down the river by raft to the Festival Zamagurske. This was a wonderful experience as each group travelled together on the specially made rafts and sang and played music along the way

I don't think the girls from Maynooth will ever forget this trip. Without the donations and help from all the shops and business in Maynooth, who were so kind with their sponsorship this trip would not have gone so well I would like to personally thank everyone who helped in any way.

Here to the next trip

Rita Doyle T.C.R.G

Dancers Memories of Slovakia

When I found out I was going to be dancing in Slovakia I was so excited. What follow were hours & days of practise. When the day of our departure arrived we were dying to get on the plane and get there. We finally arrived at about midnight, and were asigned to our families mine was really nice and friendly. After that we were extremely busy dancing. We only had one day free. Some days we went on trips. The highlight of the trip for me was the day we went into the mountains. We went up in a cable car. We got to the top and the view was spectacular. Overall it was the most fun I have ever had and it was brilliant to see a different way of life and culture **Anne Mc Nevin**

On the 22th of June 2001, I travelled to Slovakia with 24 other dancers. We stayed in a town called Poprad. We want on a day trip to Zakopane in Poland. We travelled to many different towns to dance and to see other groups perform. We also danced in a hotel in the High Tatra Mountains. We made lots of new friends and were sad to leave. The trip was exciting and fun and we all had a great time **Karen Bracken**

I a great time in Slovakia. I would like to thank Rita, Angeline, Frank, Brian and Pat and especially our host familys. Slovakia is a beautiful country with nice people. Maybe one day I Will return. Jessica Mc Grath

My Favourite part of our dancing trip to Poprad Slovakia was going up in the cable car to the Tatra Mountains. I also enjoyed singing solo on stage. It was a great experience. The food was very different there. The people were very nice to us even though most of them couldn't speak English. **Aisling Dunne**



Dancers' Group Photo in Slovakia

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01/1282	Eugene Sheehan	28 Leinster Cottages (Double Lane) Maynooth Co. Kildare	Р	13/07/01	Renovation and extension of cottage with enlarged attic bedroom and driveway to side	28 Leinster Cottages Double Lane Maynooth
01/1305	Paddy Doyle	Moyglare Nursing Home Moyglare Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	17/07/01	sought for retention of a two storey extension containing 2 bedrooms and office at rear, a single storey office to front & a single storey extension to an existing bedroom	Moyglare Nursing Home Moyglare Road Maynooth
01/1314	Maureen Downes	Arronbeg B & B Moyglare Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	18/07/01	2 directional signs, (1) at junction of main Street and Leinster Street (2) opposite the Catholic Parish Church	Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1304	Henry Graham	Killgraigne Dunboyne Co. Meath	P . ,	17/07/01	To convert part-completed bungalow to two storey residence	284 Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1319	William Boyd	517 Newtown Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	18/07/01,	Retention of extension to existing dwelling house and all associated works	517 Newtown Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1358	Alex Stenson	c/o Brady Shipman Martin 40 Upper Grand Canal St Dublin 4	Ρ	20/07/01	For redecoration and refurbishment works to the interior of a protected structure, consequential on general repairs and protective work to the fabric improvements to safety and comfort conditions and liturgical requirements, including new lighting	St. Marys Catholic Church Maynooth Co. Kikdare
01/1361	D & N Taverns Ltd	47 Sundrive Road Kimmage Dublin 12	P	23/07/01	sought for renovations to shop front & reconstruction and extension of two storey licensed premises	Caulfields Bar Main Street Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1367	Paula Ferrari	11 Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	24/07/01	sought for change of use of rear dining room of residential house to montessori pre-school	11 Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1450	Siobhan Kellet	23 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	03/08/01	sought for single storey kitchen and dining room extension to rear and for two storey bedroom extension over existing bedroom and utility room to side/front of house	23 Rockfield Greer Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1451	lan Mullaty	14 Rockfield Grove Maynooth Co. Kildare	Ρ	03/08/01	sought for single storey kitchen extension to rear and for two storey bedroom extension over existing playroom and utility room to side/front of house	14 Rockfield Grove Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1483	Laraville Properties Ltd.	Palmerstown House Palmerstown Dublin 20	P	03/08/01	sought for change of use of 1 app. 2 storey apartment at first & second floor into apartments, to retain & complete 2 two bedroom apartments at second floor level & to build one extra 2 bedroom apartment together with ancillary open space etc.	The Roost Public House Main Street/Leinste Street Maynooth

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Dancers Memories of Slovakia (cont'd)

Slovakia was great. I like staying with a Slovakian Family. We went to visit the mountains, and we also visited Poland. We of course did a lot of dancing and enjoyed ourselves. **Maortye**

A trip to Slovakia

On the 22th of June, flew to Slovakian with 24 other girls. We were part of the Irish National Folk dance junior team . I have great memories of the trip. My best memory was when we went up the High Tatra Mountains on ski lifts. From the ski lifts you could see some ski slopes. There was no snow at this time of year on the mountains. It was a very special trip for me and the people in Slovakia were all very nice to us all **Róisin Hoban**

On the 22nd of June, Seventeen Girls from Maynoooth and eight girls from St Enda's in Rathfarnem travelled to Poprad in Slovakia. We stayed with host families in well kept flats. they had a very different way of life and culture. We travelled around the area dancing and sight-seeing. It was a great experience and we had a great time and made loads of friends

Eimear Flynn

My favourite memory of Slovakia was in Kosice Airport. We were saying goodbye to all Slovakian girls we had met there. They were all really nice and they gave all of us gingerbread hearts, but then all the Slovakian girls and Nina, started crying. I started crying but onlly a little bit. When we were getting on the plane we saw all the Slovakian girls on the tarmac waving white tissues and jumping up and down, the airport had let them go out there. When we were all on the plane we all got whatever we could find what was white and waved them in front of the window and kept them there till we were up in the air

Aisling O Connor Aged 12

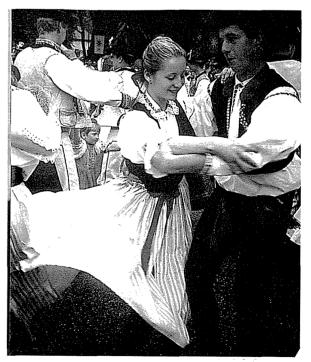
Trip to Slovakia

I went on a trip to Slovakian with 25 other girls 17 from Maynooth and 8 From Ballinteer in Dublin. We stayed in a city called Poprad. I found that there culture was different to Ireland. We went to visit Poland. We danced in Popread. We all had a great time **Sharon Lyons**

We had a lot of fun in Slovakian . The food wasn't very nice but tried most of it. We enjoyed the bus journeys the best because we laughed, joked, sang and mixed with Slovakian chidren. We danced nearly every day and most of our performances went well. Over all I enjoyed our ten-day trip to Slovakian **Helen Downes** On the 22th of June 25 dancers travelled to Slovakia. We have a brilliant time we got to travel to Poland and go up the mountains in the cable cars. We also made lots of new friends. We had a great time in Slovakia but we were glad to be home **Karen C**



Ailbhe with Doll from Popraa



Traditional Sovakian Costume

National Photographic Archive

The National Photographic Archive houses the photographic collections of the National Library of Ireland. The photographic collections-previously located in the Library's Kildare Street premises-were moved to the new Archive building in the late 1998/early 1999.

The Archive building incorporates a substantial storage area, which is controlled by an air plant system, together with darkrooms, and a conservation area. The provision of a Reading Room, an Exhibition area and a small retail space combine to enhance access to the collections in the care of the National Photographic Archive.

The collections in the Archive comprise approximately 300.000 photographs, the vast majority of which are Irish. While most of the collections are historical there are some contemporary collections. Subject matter ranges from topographical views to studio portraits, and from political events to early tourist photographs.

The Archive maintains an active collecting policy, often by way of generous donations from various sources.

In addition to the large collections of negatives in the Archive, there are substantial numbers of loose prints and various smaller collections which include particularly good coverage of events during 1916, the War of Independence and the Civil War, as well as other political and social events in Irish history.

Services

For general information on photographs, visitors to the Archive should consult Reading Room staff. Staff will also take telephone queries, although we ask that more complex requests be made by letter, fax or e-mail.

Reading Room

Readers are requested to obtain a Readers Ticket on admission. These tickets may be obtained by personal application at the National Photographic Archive. An appointment may be necessary to view certain unsorted or fragile matrerial.

In order to improve our collections, photographs onto the Library OPAC system. The Keogh collection has been catalogued in this way, as has a section of the Poole collection, together with the Eason, Valentine and Wiltshire collections. Selected catalogue entries will be accompanied by images on screen for ease of assess. Initially, assess to these images will be available only on the OPAS in both Library locations. However, it is planned that by late 1999 access to the images will also be available through the Internet.

The greater part of the Lawrence collection can be consulted on microfilm in the Reading Room.

Also available for consultation in the Reading Room are current indexes and in the case of certain smaller collections, copy prints of images. A number of general reference sources on photography are available for consulation.

Where surrogate images are available-for example digitised images, microfilm copies or copy printsoriginal photographs will not be produced in the Reading Room.

Reprographic Services

The National Photographic Archive offers a range of reprographic services including photographic prints (of various sizes, black & white and colour) slides and transparencies. Details of these services and the scale of fees are set out in a separate leaflet.

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Retail area

There is a small shop in the exhibition area at which the general range of National Library of Ireland publications is on sale as well as postcards from our photographic collections, and some popular prints.

COLLECTIONS

Ongoing indexing, copying and cataloguing projects ensure that the photographs in our care are becoming increasingly accessible to the public. However, it should be noted that there are a number of collections which cannot be made available to researchers at the present

There follows a listing of some of the better know collections in the Archive, together with information regarding the available catalogues indexes and/or surrogate copies. It should be noted that unless otherwise stated indexes and catalogues are available in the National Library's main Reading Room and in the Reading Room of the National Photographic Archive

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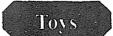


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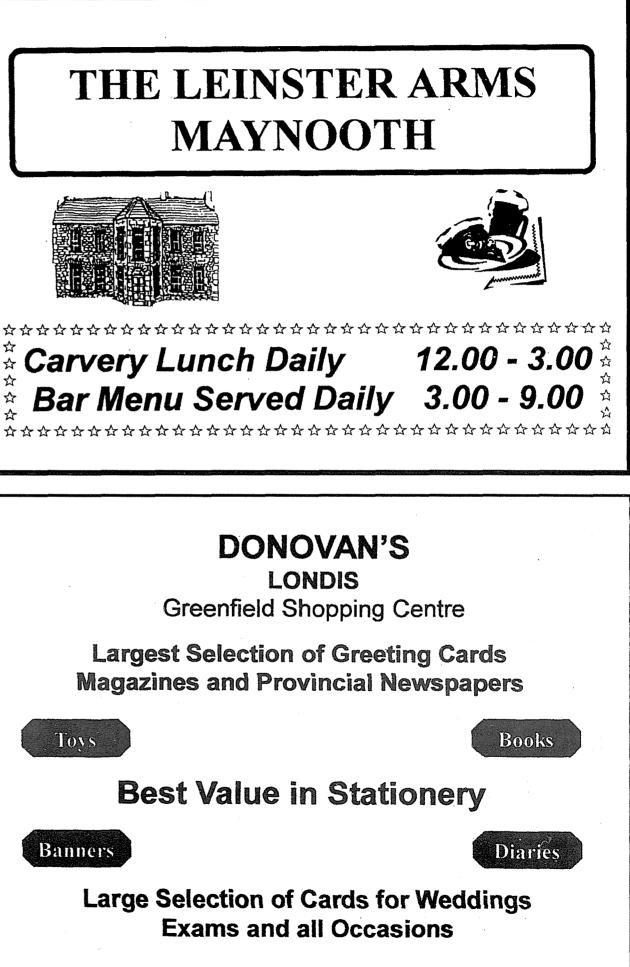
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Large Collections

These collections comprise the material produced by the postcard and portrait studios that were in operation in many town cities of Ireland at the turn of the century. The glass plate negatives were often acquired following the closure of these establishments, although a few remained in business until relatively recently.

Lawrence Collections: The Lawrence Collections consists of 40,000 glass plate negatives from 1870-1914. The images were produced commercially and capture scenes throughout Ireland for the period. A very successful business, the bulk of the outdoor images were taken by Robert French, the Lawrence's chief photographer. An index to the collection is available and most images may be viewed on microfilm. Part of the collection, the New Series, is not on microfilm but a comprehensive index of that part of the collection is forthcoming has been catalogued onto the Library's OPAC system and these are accompanied by scanned images of the photographs

Elba Collections: This early collection of 3,000 glass plates is a precursor to the Lawrence Collections and many of the images were later used by the Lawrence studios. The original card catalogued has been copied and is now available for consultation.

Eason Collections: The images in this collection created for the Irish postcard trade by Eason & Son. The collection consists 4,000 negatives dating from 1900-1940 and there is an index to the collection arranged by county

Valentine Collections: Valentine Collections comprises 3,000 negatives from the period 1900-1960. It is catalogued by county, for the 26 counties of the Republic of Ireland. The topographical images were generated for the postcard trade particularly in the years from 1929 until 1950s.

Poole Collections: This large collection of material provides images of the south east of Ireland, spanning the years 1884-1954, depicting social and economic life as well as a huge collection of studio portraiture. The family of A.H.Poole operated as commercial photographers in Waterford for the years 1884-1945. The original index books have been microfilmed. They provide details of all 65,000 glass plates. Some of the collection has been catalogued onto the Library's OPAC system and a selection of images accompanies these records

Keogh Collection: This collection was created by the Keogh Brothers of Dorset Street, Dublin, during the period 1915-1930. The photographers provide excellent coverage of political figures and event of that time.

Although the collection consists of just 330 glass plates, many of which are studio portraits, it is of great value to researchers. A catalogue is available on the OPAC and images also accompany the entries.

Morgan Collections: These aerial views of Ireland, taken during the mid 1950s by pilot Captain Alexander Campbell Morgan, provide a birds eye view of Ireland. The collection comprises medium and low altitude black- white aerial views of places and events, many of which were commissioned by clients. Many of the images were published in the Irish Independent in weekly Views from the Air series. Tragically Captain Morgan was killed in a plane crash in January 1958. A catalogue to the collection is available indexed by place within county.

Cradle Collections: The Cradle collection comprises 5,000 negatives and some matching postcard taken during the1950's and 1960's. It has recently been sorted and a detailed index to the collection is available.

Wiltshire Collections: The Wiltshire Collections of 1,000 negatives and 300 prints spans a twenty-year period from 1951. The bulk of the images feature Dublin, providing a view of life in the capital during that period. They were take by Elinor and Reginald Wiltshire of the Green Studios in Dublin. Surrogate reference copies of the prints are prints are available in the NPA Reading Room. Detailed catalogue entries can be found on the Library's OPAC system

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Other important photographic collections available by application to staff in the National Photographic Archive, are as follows:

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Albums: There are some 300 photographic albums in the collections of the National Photographic Archive, covering a wide range of subjects from political to family albums. An index to this material is available in the Archive Reading Room.

Clonbrock: The Clonbrock Collection contains 3,500 glass plates spanning the years 1860-1930. The photographers were members of the Dillon Family, Barons Clonbrock, of Ahascragh, Co. Galway, a family of enthusiastic amateur photographers (particularly Gerald Dillon and his wife Augusta Crofton Dillon) The images provide a substantial and varied pictorial record of life on a landed estate

O'Dea: The O'Dea Collection contains 4'200 photographic prints (with corresponding film negatives) covering all aspects of railway transport in Ireland between 1937-1966. The photograph were all taken by James P O'Dea a devoted railway enthusiast and subjects include locomotives, railway stations and bridges

as well as railway staff and passengers

Wynne: Thomas J.Wynne was the proprietor of Wynne's Newsagents in Castlebar. Co Mayo and from 1867 was photographer to the community in the town and surrounding countryside. This Mayo collection is similar in style to the larger Poole Collection. The 8,000 glass negatives cover the period 1867-1960 and document social life in Mayo



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Good Times Past

N ot too long ago in the town of maynooth and all over Ireland the pub was a place for conversation and craic. After the required amount of pints someone would be asked to sing an auld song which reluctantly after some cajoling they would perform. Once the first song was sung the ice was broken and songs would flow. Willie would give "The Yellow JCB" or the "Transit Van", Eamon with "The Crab", Eugene with his "Boston Rose" and if "Lily the Pink" was there we got a performance with the song. There were many others including the Fitz sisters who were better than the Spice Girls or the Nolans. Their father, God rest him, was also a beautiful singer with many songs we never heard before.

What happened. The Sky sport took over the soccer so we now have about three matches on Sunday and almost every evening of the week, so instead of one or two a week we are now being infested with them. "Be quite they are watching the match", that put an end to the sing song.

Then along came another disaster to the pub, the mobile phone. Start a conversation now and whoever you are talking to disappears out the door to answer one of those infernal sounds that goes off every minute in the pub. "Ban both from the Pub".

Even the private house has suffered badly. As a youth when televisions were scarce everyone visited everyone else a couple of times a week, gathering in one house for a game of cards a chat or maybe a sing song as well. Even the houses that had a television we went to see an odd programme such as "The Fugitive" but then the television was turned off for the game or the song. If older people were there you would hear their old songs and stories, mostly lies and if you were walking home in the dark they would always stick in a few local ghost stories to frighten the life out of you. Changed times.

In finding an old song book I came across an old song"an unusual one" we used to sing. I may have one every month to bring back memories to older folk.

The Juice of the Barley

In the sweet County Lim'rick one cold winter's night, All the turf fires were burning when I first saw the light; And a drunken old mid-wife went typsy with joy

As she danced round the floor with her slip of a boy.

Chorus

Singing banya na mbo is an gabhana And the juice of the barley for me

Well when I was a gassoon of eight years old or so, With me turf and me primer to school I did go; To a dusty old school house without any door, Where lay the school master blind drunk on the floor.

Chorus

At the learning I wasn't such a genius I'm thinking, But I soon bet the master entirely at drinking, Not a wake or a wedding for five miles around. But meself in the corner was sure to be found.

Chorus

One Sunday the priest thread me out from the altar, Saying you'll end up your days with your neck in a halter.

And you'll dance a fine jig between heaven and hell, And his words they did frighten me the truth for to tell.

Chorus

So the very next morning as the dawn it did break, I went down to the vestry the pledge for to take, And there in that room sat the priests in a bunch, Round a big roaring fire, drinking tumblers of punch.



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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Swimming Club

We have now come to the end of another successful year with the swimming club. I would like to thank the committee for all the committment during the year and especially like to thank Lorraine Rush for her work as secretary over the last 5 years. This year starting in Sept. We will have a new secretary and new P.R.O.(details next issue)

This first day of the term starts on the 8th Sept 2001. All buses at the same times anybody wishing to put their child's name on the waiting list may contact one of the committees members or bus supervisor any Sat at Greenfield Shopping Centre 4.45 pm

We have some vacancies especially for older children

M. Molloy 6285790

Parklands Residents Association

Parklands 5 - A - Side Football

July 9th saw the start of the long awaited five a side tournament, and by all the positive feed-back I have received it was a great success.. due mainly to all of the wives and children who came out to see their Dad/ Hubby re-live his days of glory and the chance for the guys to show the wives the skill that hasn't been lost, but just shelved, a mortgage and two kids ago.

The Crescent, The Rise, The Lawns, The Court, And The Grove were all represented and unfortunately there were one or two roads who left it too late and missed the dead line to compete.

Though the Crescent, the Grove and The Lawns fought hard for the honour of their road they failed to make it to the final. They did so with grace and dignity but crashed and burned none the less!!! and as always there can only be two finalists, the clash of the titans were the Court, captained by Lar French and The Rise captained by Alan Millet. The Final was a great game and the Court showed more of the stuff that got them through to the Final, but in the end The Rise stuffed the Court and won by a length.

And so to the presentation which was held in the Straffan Lodge Hotel (Home of fine guisine and excellent ales! Sunday lunches are also highly recommended) who, cough! cough,! ahem!, generously sponsored both teams, finalists and organisers to drinks, The Final was shown on the wide screen T.V. in the lounge and every highlight was shown and reshown but the most requested replay was of whatsisface? ending up head first through the goal net when on a run.

Apparently his brakes failed to stop him just outside the Courts penalty box. It is agreed by all that some of the best football took place in the lounge, where the hurler on the ditch knows everything until he actually puts on his boots. All in all it turned out to be a great night well supported, and it was agreed that this tournament will have to run again some time in the future.

Thanks are due, in no small way to Conor McNulty without whom the tournament would not have run so smoothly. I should also like to thank Eamon Boland for his support every evening in setting up the pitch, also Martin Sweeney who stored the goal posts every night. Also the Straffan Lodge Hotel for their generous sponsorship. And last but not least the Referee Les Kellet who should be nominated for chairperson of the United Nations for his patience and coolness under fire!

So just as football is a team sport, the organisation of the tournament was also a team effort. Many hands make light work, but many feet make many yards.

Paul Burnell.



Residents and Children enjoying the Fun



Newly appointed Junior Litter Wardens

Cubs, Organisations and Societies

RESIDENTS' FUN DAY

The Fun day which was held on 1st July was a great success. We would like to thank all those who supported the day and especially the residents of Parklands Grove for their co-operation.

A big thank you also goes to:

The Face painters Harry Montgomery, Liz Stoll and Christine Cleary (Tel 046 36546 or www.clearys@gofree.indigo.ie for bookings). Joan Brannigan for dressing up and judging the fancy dress competition. ary Fitzgerald for organising the raffle and the ticket sellers Ginine, Shauna, Niamh, Lia and Nicola, Owen Byrne, Lord Mayor of maynooth for officiating. Paul Coyle for the use of his truckGlen for doing goalie for the penalty shots and Liz Power for refereeing. Andrina, Eileen and Mary from the Mother and Toddler group for the use of their toys. Colm and Tina Lawless for the use of their slide. James and Caroline Pedley for the use of their basketball hoop. Barbara and Damien for donating the balloons. Maynooth Gardai for the traffic cones. Laura, Michelle, Emma and Stephen for picking up litter. Laura, Michelle and Gemma for delivering the notices.

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We would like to congratulate all the winners of the various competitions, including:-

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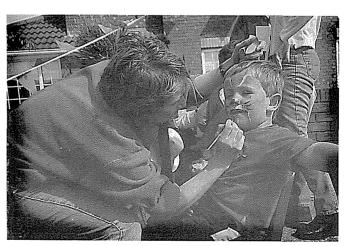
Treasure Hunt

Adult -	1st - Owen Byrne
	2nd - Barbara O'Connor
Teenager -	1st - Lisa Shiels
	2nd - Ginine Power
Child -	1st - Lisa Hewson

Basketball

Shauna Coscadden Nicola Murphy

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Liz Stohl Face Painting at Parklands Fun Day

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*I*aynooth Community Games 2001

congratulations to all the children who participated in the County Finals of Kildare Community Games. Vell done to the medal winners:

1st Boys U8 100m

4th U14 Modelling

Bymnastics

Ciara O'Sullivan	3rd Girls U8
Colm Pello	2nd Boys U10
Ciaran Kearney	3rd Boys U10
Padhraic McMaghnus	4th Boys U10

Athletics

James Durkin

Art & Modelling

Eoghan McCartan

Swimming

Aisling Wall	2nd U10 F/S
Sinead Connolly	3rd U14 B/S
Eimear Connolly	3rd U12 Breast/S
Colm Peelo	2nd U10 F/S
Gavin Doyle	1st U12 F/S

The Girls Squad U13 came in second place.

Maynooth West

Ailbhe Durkan, Eimear Connolly, Susan Fay, Aisling Wall and Emma Fox

The Boys Squad U13 also came second.

Maynooth East

Sean Barrett, Gavin Doyle, Justin Cullinane, Daire Walsh and Sean Cox.

Once again congratulations to all and good luck to james Durkin and Gavin Doyle in Mosney.

Congratulations to David and Patricia McAuliffe on the birth of their son.

Margaret Houlihan



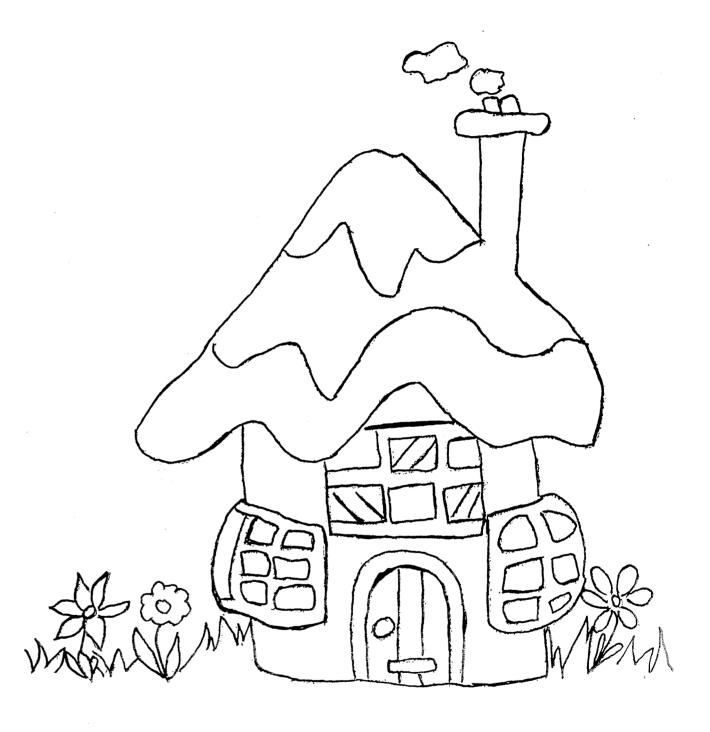
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At time of writing it is just after the visit to Maynooth of an Taoiseach Mr. Bertie Ahern T.D. along with our Minister for Finance Mr. Charlie McCreevy T.D. on Friday 6th July 2001. We will have a full report in the next issue of the Newsletter. The day was packed with engagements right throughout the North Kildare Constituency, and involved visits to Celbridge, Leixlip, Kilcock, Naas, Clane etc. The Taoiseach visited Maynooth twice during the day, in the early afternoon to open the Maynooth Science Park on the Straffan Road and later during the early evening in the Glenroyal Hotel to attend a Reception hosted by the Maynooth Cumann and present Certificates of Merit to longstanding members and supporters of Fianna Fail in the area spanning the last 30-40 years.

This month's article for the Newsletter will be very short due to holidays and preparation for the very busy schedule we have this month, which in addition to an Taoiseachs visit also included a visit by Ms. Sile de Valera.

Minister Sile de Valera visit to Maynooth Wednesday 11 July

Sile de Velara visited Maynooth on the above date to carry out a number of functions. At 5p.m. the Minister officially handed over the keys of Maynooth Castle to the Castle Committee and this was followed by a reception in Maynooth College. Later the Minister met the Cumann members in Carton House. Finally the Minister fulfilled the main purpose of her visit which was to officially launch the Book of Maynooth at approximately 7.05p.m. in Reneghan Hall, Maynooth College.

The launching of the Book of Maynooth was hosted by the Maynooth Arts Forum. More details will be in the next Newsletter.

Maynooth Soccer Club

The Cumann would like to congratulate the Soccer Club for their successful receipt of a grant of $\pounds 100,000.00$ recently following their meeting with Minister McCreevy on the issue.

Cllr. Paul Kelly Welcomes £6.5 Million for Camp Project.

Cllr Paul Kelly has welcomed the announcement from Minister for the Environment Mr. Noel Dempsey that he is to approve a £6.5 million contract for the provision of a new Fire Brigade East Region Control Centre in Townsend Street, Dublin. This will consist of a Command, Control and Mobilising System for the Computer Aided Mobilisation Project (CAMP)

" This centre,, when operational, will cater for all the fire authorities in Leinster and the Eastern Regional Health Authority in the Dublin area " said Councillor Kelly.

" This announcement follows on last February's announcement of a new fire engine for Kildare County Council fire Service Initiative Programme " said Councillor Kelly. " This new system for CAMP will help to improve fire services in Kildare and ensure that we have one of the highest quality fire service in the country."

Provision of New Leixlip Library with £2,040,000 Grant

Minister Charlie McCreevy recently informed the Cumann of the provision of a grant of £2,040,000.00 for the provision of a new branch Library at Newtown House in Confey from the Department of Environment and Local Government. This follows on meetings between Kildare County Council and Minister Noel Dempsey to address a shortfall between the previously announced grant of £1.2m and the actual up to date cost of provision. The shortfall resulted due to an increase in the final design costs and the inclusion of additional facilities by Kildare County Council. Cllr Paul Kelly expects the tender documentation to be ready soon and a contractor appointed. In addition to the reading facilities expected, we also expect the services to include fostering the arts in Leixlip with facilities for exhibitions and lectures etc.

Minister McCreevy Visits Carton Demesne Golf Club

The Minister for Finance Mr. Charlie McCreevy T.D. recently visited the new development taking place in Carton Demesne. This involves the provision of a 136 bedroomed Hotel along with restaurants etc. There will also be a number of Golf Villas built on the vast estate somewhat along the lines already existing in the K Club. Straffan. The development centres around the provision of 2 Championship Courses, one designed by Mark O Meara the internationally renowned golf player and the other designed by Colin Montgomerie, recently crowned Irish Open Champion. This week, Colin Montgomerie visited the Carton Golf Course to check on the development of his 7,200 yard course. The Mark O Meara course is due to open next year while the "Monty" course will not be open until another 2 years. The Carton Golf Demesne development will be a major advantage to Maynooth and provided great opportunities for tourism and employment prospects. It is expected that almost 300 people will be employed eventually. Maynooth, sandwiched as it is between the

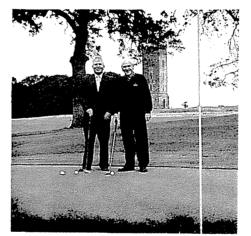
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K Club and Carton Golf Club will be well positioned to take advantage of the world wide publicity that will ensue from the televised coverage of all major Golf Tournaments due to take place in the two areas.

Below we have two photographs showing the Ministers recent visit, which was very kindly hosted by Mr. Lee Mallaghan and his family, owners of the Carton Estate during which the Minister was brought on a tour of the Estate and the two Golf Courses. Mr. Mallaghan confirmed that the development will be open to the public to explore which will of course be a wonderful amenity for the people living in Maynooth and the greater North Kildare area.

Looking forward to reporting on our most recent events in the next issue of the Newsletter and happy holidays to all in the meantime. Anyone wishing to contact the Cumann, please phone myself Brid Feely at 087-2052649 or Gearoid Lohan at 01-6289187.

Brid Feely, Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann Secretary and PRO.



Minister McCreevy T.D. with Mr. Lee Mallaghan pictured in front of the "Tower" which will be the new logo for the Carton Demestie Golf Club



Cllr. Paul Kelly and Minister McCreevy listen to Lee Mallaghan's plans for Carton Estate

Doubling of capacity of Maynooth trains a boost for Kildare:

Cllr. Paul Kelly has welcomed the announcement by larnrod Eireann that passenger capacity on the Maynooth rail line is to be doubled from the 13th August.

"This is a great boost for all those living in Kildare who use the train service everyday. Peak-time capacity will now rise to over 4,000, with two extra services, while off-peak services will also be improved with a Sunday service being introduced" said Cllr. Paul Kelly.

"The improved train service will be a boost for the thousands of people from North Kildare who rely on public transport. The majority of the trains, which service commuters in Castleknock, Coolmine, Clonsilla, Leixlip and Maynooth, will operate to and from Pearse Street Station," he added.

This route has recently undergone a £20 million refurbishment under a Government investment programme to upgrade tracks, signalling and passenger amenities.

Internet access to Leaving Certificate Results for the first time ever:

Councillor Paul Kelly reminded students today, 10th August, that for the first time ever, Leaving Certificate students have the option of obtaining their examination results through the Internet.

This facility is one of a number of steps taken by the Minister for Education, Dr. Michael Woods to improve information for students on their examinations. It builds on the hugely successful automated Dial-Up system introduced last year, which was used by some 24,000 students from at home and abroad to obtain their results. This service will be continued this year in addition to the new Internet service.

Students will be able to access their results on either the Dial-Up facility or the Internet by using a PIN Number and their Examination Number. Results will also be available through schools in the normal way. Dr. Woods said that the new services are important customer service initiatives to facilitate those students who for whatever reason are unable to or do not wish to make it to the school.

Both of the new services will operate from 12 noon on the day that the results are issued, Wednesday 15th August 2001. The Internet address for the access to results via the Internet is www.examinations.ie.

Fine Gael News

Maynooth Development Plan:

The proposed Maynooth Development Plan was considered by local Area Councillors at their recent July meeting. The last plan was published in 1985, and as such is now sixteen years out of date. The new plan cannot be finalised without due consideration of the flooding problems arising in the Joan Slade and Lyreen River catchment areas of Maynooth.

The County Engineer Mr. Jimmy Lynch, outlined the contents of the flooding report carried out by Tony Cawley of Hydro Environmental Engineering Consultants. The report found that the majority of the flooding came from agricultural land in the Joan Slade and Lyreen River catchment area. The report also noted that the transfer of flooding from the Lyreen catchment area on to the Meadowbrook area was a major factor in the flooding of November 6th last year. In an effort to resolve this flooding issue, the consultants have recommended the following:

- All the culverts be increased in size and the Joan Slade river to be completely cleaned along Parson Street.
- Lands east of the Straffan Road be prevented from draining in to the Joan Slade river.
- The third eye (Mill race) at Kavanagh's be opened and that the point of confluence of the two rivers be widened. This will result in the demolition of the corner of the Mill building.
- If any further rezoning were to take place in the Rathcoffey Road area, attenuation (i.e. ponding of surface water in an open space) would have to take place.

The County Engineer stated that he would not recommend attenuation because of safety problems. He instead recommended that the land on the Rathcoffey Road should not be zoned until such time as the combined flooding of the Joan Slade and the Lyreen rivers are solved. The County Manager agreed with and accepted this conclusion. This left the Councillors with no other choice but to accept the County Engineer's advice.

In accepting the professional advice, Cllr. Senan Griffin stated that it was now time for the Development Plan to be completed. However, some Councillors claimed to have inadequate information, and as such the final decision has been postponed until the September meeting of the Local Area Councillors.

Cllr. Senan Griffin stated that the Development Plan was now going to become a political football thanks to the Labour Party. Cllr. Griffin outlined his position to local Fine Gael members at a recent meeting, where he stated that he has been consistent in all his views on the Plan. Cllr. Griffin reminded members that the Labour Party stated in 1997 that they would not zone a single acre in Celbridge. However, on July 30th this year they proceeded to zone about 95 acres of land in Celbridge. Cllr. Griffin had given his word not to vote

for further zoning in Celbridge and honoured it on the dav.

During early August, it has come to the attention of Cllr. Griffin that the Labour Party has been attempting to discredit his stance on the Development Plan. The residents of Maynooth will doubtless remember that in 1997, it was Cllr. John McGinley who proposed the zoning of 250 acres of land for Maynooth. It was Cllr. McGinley who then proceeded to make it into a political football by playing games over Carton Avenue. The Development Plan is too serious a matter to be playing politics with.

Carton Avenue:

On July 30th, seven caravans and vans made an illegal entrance to Carton Avenue. Cllr. Griffin was informed of the situation at about 5pm, where upon he contacted the County Manager and the Gardai. The Council officials, together with the Gardai (under the director of Sqt. Michael Desmond) promptly issued the newly arrived Travellers with an order to vacate the Avenue.

On Tuesday morning, the pressure increased on the Travellers to vacate the Avenue, which they did at about midday. The pedestrian users of Carton Avenue are grateful to the Gardai and the Council for their speedy response to this issue.

As an interim measure, the Council have put some top soil at the entrance to Carton Avenue and also at the Blacklion end. Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested KCC to put in place more acceptable bollards in order to prevent a reoccurrence, whilst at the same allowing access to, e.g. machinery to cut the grass.

Fagan's Lane:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has requested KCC to issue an order on the developer to restore Fagan's Lane to its former standard. Cllr. Griffin has also requested that the developer be forced to cease work until the Council Planners have adjudicated on his request for the retention of planning permission of unauthorised work on the site. Cllr. Griffin has informed the Council that the residents and pedestrians are being unfairly treated by this particular developer through his actions.

Traffic Calming:

Cllr. Senan Griffin has allocated finances for the provision of traffic gateways at the Moyglare Road and the Celbridge Road. This form of traffic calming is very effective and should remind motorists that school children are in the vicinity and that care should be observed. The increase in the number of fatal accidents over the past few weeks should remind all road users to slow down and take heed.





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NOTE: It is not essential for children to know their letters

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Litter: The increase in the number of refrigerators, cookers and mattresses, beer cans and household rubbish dumped along the various ditches in rural Kildare is of major concern. Cllr. Senan Griffin has called on the public to be vigilant and report offenders to the litter warden. Kildare County Council have appointed a second litter:traffic warden for the north of the county. The warden will examine the offending material and if evidence is available he will deal with the polluter. Bus Turning Bay: Having fought with KCC for the past four years to	 J.W. Mulhern & Co. Chartered Accountants B. Mulhern, B. Comm. F.C.A. Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors Fees discussed before any assignment 13/14 South Main Street, Naas, Co. Kildare Tel: (045) 866535/866521 (01) 6286751 Fax: (045) 866521
correct the mistake in the design of the turning bays Cllr. Senan Griffin is now pleased with the quality of the finished product and the council are to be complimented on doing a good job. Pity it took so long. Speed Tables Moyglare Road:	MULLIGAN'S GARDEN SHEDS, KILCOCK 01 6287397
The senior engineer has promised Cllr. Senan Griffin that the speed tables for the tow schools on the Moyglare Road will be in place by the time the students return to school. The table at the national school is to have the pedestrian crossing point for the younger children.	TOP QUALITY SHEDS AVAILABLE FROM £159 ALSO SUPER-LAP FENCING PANELS 6' x 6'
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Maynooth Labour News

Draft Maynooth Development Plan:

The Leixlip Area Committee met on the 20th July to further consider the Draft Maynooth Development Plan. Progressing the Plan had been deferred until the Hydrological Investigation of the Meadowbrook River was available. The need for such a report arose as a result of the flooding in the area last November. This report was finalised on 10/07/01 and Councillors got it on the 19th July---the day before the meeting.

One of the Reports conclusions was that "In the interests of the long term urban development a policy of storm water attenuation should be introduced for all new developments." Storm water attenuation normally means ponds or underground culverts.

In the light of this conclusion the County Engineers advice to the Councillors was that there should be no new rezoning in the Meadowbrook catchment area. Under the Draft Plan it is proposed to rezone 50 acres in this area. It was agreed to defer all decisions until the 4th September when the Amended Plan would be finalised. The County Manager also recommended that there be no rezoning in the Newtown area and that a clause be inserted in the Plan stating that rezoning of the land in this area be deferred for two years when the conditions under which rezoning could be considered should be met and/or known.

Councillor John McGinley would advise the public to be very alert as it is likely that the Fianna Fail and Fine Gael councillors will try to rezone a further 50 acres elsewhere in Maynooth to "compensate" for the two vear loss of the 50 acres in the Newtown area. Cllr. McGinley can assure the public that the Labour Councillors will oppose any such proposals.

Amendments to Draft Plan:

Among the amendments that Cllr. John McGinley will be seeking are:

- That a road, parallel to the M4, be included as an objective, from the Straffan Road (ESSO Station) to the town side of the motorway bridge on the Rathcoffey Road.
- That the ring road from the Celbridge Road to the Straffan Road be parallel to the M4 and that it joins the Straffan Road between Noones and the M4.
- That a site be allocated for a new Primary School between Noones and the M4 on the Straffan Road or in the Newtown area (See below on alleviating Maynooths traffic problems)
- Retain the existing cul-de-sacs in Parklands, Rockfield and Parsons Hall so that they cannot be used as vehicular access points to adjoining lands.
- That the rezoning of land opposite the mart be reversed unless the 60 acre Public Park comes

into Council ownership before the Plan is approved.

- The new road servicing the rezoning in the Moyglare Road area must be in place before any houses are built and vehicular access to these new houses must be off the new road.
- Major new Residential Areas such as that . proposed for the Moyglare Road shall have a modern childrens playground as a condition of Planning Permission.

Maynooth Swimming Pool Complex:

In the Fine Gael Notes (July Issue) Cllr. John McGinley was attacked over his efforts to have a Swimming Pool Complex built in Maynooth. We stand over our Notes and its time Cllr. Griffin got a grip of himself and started telling the truth.

It is a fact that Cllr. Griffin stated at the County Council Meeting held on April 30th 2001 that Maynooth did not need a swimming pool.

Progress:

The County Manager advised Cllr. McGinley at the Council Meeting on 25th July that he expected that the in-house study that he instigated as a result of the passing of Cllr. McGinley's motion should be completed by the end of September. Residents Associations/ Clubs/Organisations should make their case for Maynooth being the location before then.

Bond Bridge:

The County Engineer has advised Cllr. John McGinley that the tender documents will be ready before the end of August and that he expected that construction of the new bridge should begin early in the new year.

Alleviating Maynooths Traffic Problems:

During discussions on the Draft Maynooth Development Plan Cllr. John McGinley has put forward the suggestion that consideration be given to changing the location of St. Mary's Girls School to a new site South of the canal. The existing location is too far removed from the main population centres and this results in serious traffic congestion at school opening and closing times. If a new school was built off the Straffan Road or Newtown Road it would help reduce the traffic problems and improve safety for children. Going a step further and making the new school a co-ed and changing the Boys School also to a co-ed would make an enormous difference to traffic levels at peak times.

The Council has written to the Principals and Board of Management of both schools seeking their views. A decision should not be rushed and time should be





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taken to give this radical suggestion serious consideration.

Rathcoffey Road Re-alignment:

The re-alignment work has been held up for a number of reasons, however, the Council engineers have now advised that work will definitely begin on 20th August and that it is estimated that it will take three months to complete.

Traffic Calming in Parklands and Movulare Road:

Council engineers advise that contractors will begin work on these and six other traffic calming projects on 3rd September.

Parks Maintenance Programme Agreed:

Labour Councillors submitted a Section 4 motion compelling the County Manager to provide the Councillors with a Draft Parks Maintenance Programme by the end of July in order that the £250,000 allocated in this years estimates may be spent in the way envisaged by the Council. The motion was successful and the battle has been won. The Draft Programme proposes to engage landscape contractors locally to carry out the work, with Direct Labour assistance where appropriate, commencing in July. The Kilcock Road approach and O'Neill Park is included. Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley will be demanding that Pound Park and Old Greenfield also be included.

"Travellers" on Carton Avenue:

So called "Travellers" broke in to Carton Avenue on the afternoon of 30th July. Cllr. John McGinley immediately contacted the Council and after many phone calls with Council Officials and the Gardai a strategy was agreed and led to the travellers leaving the next day. Cllr. McGinley would like to thank Garda Sgt. Mick Desmond and Kildare County Council's Mick Rogers and Dermot Brennan for their swift action and co-ordination in moving the travellers.

Maynooth is the only town in Ireland that looked for a halting site and it has proved to be very successful with its residents acting as good neighbours and integrating well locally. It is of great concern that these roaming travellers think that they are above the law and can do as they please. Unfortunately, the inaction of senior national gardai is not helping to resolve the problem. Despite written requests from Deputy Emmet Stagg they have failed to advise him on what law changes are required to prevent such invasions of

public and private lands. The Minister for Justice has also refused to amend the law to deal with these Merchant Travellers.

In order to prevent further break-ins to Carton Avenue Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to come with an aesthetically pleasing barrier at the town end of the Avenue.

Development at Fagans Lane:

The developer of the shops and offices in Fagans Lane is breaking every Planning Law in the book including illegal road closure. Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to send him a Solicitors letter giving him seven days to get his act together and if not the Council will get an injunction to stop the work.

Parson Lodge:

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Council following representations from the Residents Association:

"That the process for the taking in charge of Parson Lodge Estate be started and furthermore that the Estate be designated Residential Parking Only."

Traffic Lights at The Roost:

Councillors were given the following report at the July Meeting of the Area Committee:

"There has been little progress since the last meeting regarding this issue due to lack of resources and the number of projects currently being supervised by the KCC Road Construction Section. However a detailed report should be available for the next meeting once resources have been freed up."

Cllr. McGinley has advised the engineer concerned that he is completely unhappy with the inordinate delay in getting these safety lights in place.

Harbour Field/Geraldine Hall:

Last June the Councils Solicitor sent a Draft Lease to the Trustees of the Harbour seeking their agreement so that this property can come into public ownership in order that it can be developed for the use of the people of Maynooth. The Area Committee has invited the trustees and the Maynooth Development Association to its next meeting on 7th September in order to speed up the resolution of this long outstanding issue.

Parklands:

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

"That the following works be carried out in Parklands Estate in order to improve safety:



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- (a) Create a left exiting lane at the junction with the Straffan Road by moving the footpath to where the green is at present.
- (b) Mark the roadway at the junction of Parklands Place/Parklands Lawns so as to clearly define who has the right of way."

The Council have agreed to (b) and the Road Design Section need further time to ascertain if sufficient width is available to create a left turning lane in relation to (a).

Rockfield:

Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion to the Area Committee:

"That the Council take Court action against Patrick Mooney under Condition 26 of 1128/91 and require him to reinstate hedgerows which were destroyed by him on 27th and 18th May 2001."

The motion was discussed at the July Area Meeting, but no decision was reached as one Councillor questioned whether or not the hedgerows were part of Rockfield or on Mr. Mooneys property. Deputy Emmet Stagg has since confirmed that the hedgerows are part of Rockfield and that Mr. Mooney acted illegally in destroying them.

Traffic Calming in Carton Court:

Following representations from residents Cllr. McGinley has looked for traffic calming in the vicinity of House No.112 Carton Court in order to slow down cars turning up by the houses facing Noones.

Progress on Environmental Improvement Works for Greenfields:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been pressing Kildare County Council to provide Environmental Improvement Works in Greenfields, Maynooth following the completion of Remedial Works to houses in the area over the past number of years.

The reason Deputy Stagg is pursuing the Council for funding was the decision by Minister Molloy to refuse to fund the necessary works even though the repairs to the houses themselves had been funded by the Department following Deputy Stagg's tenure as Minister of State for Housing.

The County Architect has now advised Deputy Stagg that proposals for the Environmental Improvement Works in relation to Greenfields, Maynooth will be brought before the September Leixlip Area Committee meeting. The proposal will also cover the funding of the scheme through the provision of 2/3 council houses on a vacant site in the estate.

Deputy Stagg stated that the Environmental Improvement Works were necessary to enhance green areas including the provision of new footpaths and roads. He looked forward to the successful completion of the works.

Chorus Maintenance Fee:

Following the decision by the Regulator of Telecommunications, that the maintenance fee of $\pounds 2.50$ per month imposed by Chorus on their customers was in breach of their licence conditions, Deputy Emmet Stagg raised the issue of refunds to customers who had paid the maintenance fee for fear of losing their overall service.

The Director has responded to Deputy Stagg indicating that if customers paid the maintenance fee in the mistaken belief that it was compulsory, they should contact Chorus seeking a refund or credit to their account.

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Rejection of 120 Apartment Proposal At Parson Street:

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed Kildare County Council's decision to refuse planning permission for 120 apartments in 6, 4 storey blocks at Parson Street, Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg in welcoming the decision stated that the proposal would have been entirely inappropriate for this historic part of the Town which includes Maynooth Castle, St. Mary's Church, St. Patrick's College and the Harbour Area. The 4 storey blocks would have had a negative impact on the historic sites and would have dwarfed the nearby Parson Lodge 2 storey houses. The application was also premature pending the adoption of an Action Area Plan for the area as proposed in the Maynooth Draft Development Plan 2000.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley are also pleased to report that no appeal has been lodged by the developers to An Bord Pleanala in relation to the Council's refusal of planning permission.

Finally we would like to congratulate the Community of Maynooth and in particular the parson Lodge Residents Association on their success in blocking this development.

Disappointment at Newtown Pub Decision:

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have expressed their disappointment at the decision by An Bord Pleanala to grant Planning Permission for a Public House at Newtown Shopping Centre, Maynooth.

Given that this area is zoned Neighbourhood, Community and Educational in the Maynooth Draft Development Plan 2000, (which excludes Public Houses) and given the fact that An Bord Pleanala

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previously refused permission for a 14 bedroomed hotel, lounge bar and restaurant on the same site it is hard to take on board this decision. The decision is even more surprising as the An Bord Pleanala Inspectors Report recommended a refusal in line with the objections of the residents of the area and Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley. The Board overruled their own Inspector and Deputy Stagg has now sought a copy of the Boards Direction in relation to this planning decision.

The only possible further action would be a judicial review of An Bord Pleanala's process in arriving at the decision. However this would be a most difficult and costly exercise to follow.

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SYMPATHIES

On behalf of Maynooth Community Council and Newsletter Staff we would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Gearoid McTernan, No. 1 Parson Street, who died recently. May he rest in peace.

To the Gallagher family and friends on the death of their mother, Monica. May she rest in peace

THANK YOU

Imelda Farrelly would like to thank all her family for the surprise 80th birthday party they gave her in the Straffan Lodge Hotel and for all the neighbours and friends who were there. Also to those who could not make it for different reasons, thanks for all your presents which were very much appreciated. A thank you to Josie Moore, President of the Senior Citizens and the committee for their kindness and for all the pleasure they give us through the years. God Bless you all.

