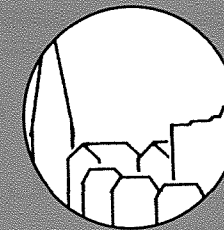




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## INSIDE



## Special Christmas - New Year Issue

This month's Newsletter is a bumper issue covering December and January, so there is plenty of reading for these long winter nights. Lots of clubs and organisations are gearing up for Christmas and it promises to be a lively holiday season in the town. There are full reports of all these planned activities in this issue. The Senior Citizens will have two outings to look forward to - their Annual Dinner on December 10th and a Christmas Party on December 12th. How do they keep up the pace? There is a special time of year for children and, as in previous years, we reproduce some of our local children's letters to Santa. For others it is a time for looking back and we reproduce some old photographs of Maynooth in times gone by in this issue - a feature we hope to continue with in the New Year. Msg. Stenson and Rev. Wilkinson have kindly contributed Christmas messages to remind us what the festivities are all about.

On local issues we feature the closure of Kavanaghs and there are also several contributions on the Draft Development for Maynooth - to be decided early in 2001.

To all our readers - a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

### IN THIS ISSUE:

- Letters to Santa, Predictions for 2001
- Pictures from the Past
- Christmas Messages from Local Clergy
- Flooding in Maynooth
- Tributes to Phil Brady & Dr. Cullen
- and much more . . .



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## DIARY DATES

9th December	A Craft Development Day Post Primary I.C.A
4th- 15th December	Art Exhibition in Library, Main St., Maynooth
19th, 20th, 21st, 26th 27th and 28th January 2001	Jack & the Beanstalk
10th December	Celbridge Abbey Christmas Fair, Santa's Grotto
11th December	Maynooth GAA AGM Club House's Moyglare Rd.
10th December	Senior Citizens Annual Dinner Straffan Lodge Hotel
12th December	Christmas Party Super Valu

## EDITORIAL

### The Plan

The Draft Development Plan for Maynooth is now back with Kildare Co. Council. The closing date for submissions on the draft plan was November 30th last and it is believed a number of local groups have proposed amendments to the plan. The County Manager and other Co. Council officials hosted a public meeting in the Glenroyal Hotel on November 20th which was designed to explain the plan to the public and provide an opportunity for local people to air their views. Our four local councillors also attended. The council officials will have left the meeting in no doubt as to the strong views held by the people of Maynooth regarding the draft plan and the Co. Council's past record in developing the town. Traffic, parking, flooding, litter and lack of facilities were just some of the issues which speakers identified as being inadequately addressed by the Council in the past. The draft plan to cover the year 2001-2006, aspires to provide new ring roads, additional parking, seven day street cleaning and new recreational and cultural facilities. And that is to be welcomed. But judging by the tone of the Glenroyal meeting, unless those aspirations are turned into reality the Co. Manager and his officials might be well advised to wear armour plating when they come to Maynooth in five years time to sell the next plan!

### Deaths in Maynooth

The Newsletter would like to extend its sympathy to the relatives and friends of Phil Brady, Allen Gaffney and Dr. John Cullen who all died recently. Phil Brady and John Cullen were long standing residents of Main St. and, in their different ways, had contributed much to the local community over the years. Allen's death at just 23 was particularly tragic. The huge attendance at his funeral reflected his popularity and the impact his sudden death had on the town.

### Shop Local

A feature in this month's Newsletter looks at shopping in Maynooth for that elusive Christmas present -something classy and inexpensive. And there is plenty to choose from. Why battle your way into Dublin, paying for transport and parking, and increasing your blood pressure, when you can shop in comfort here in Maynooth. Support your local businesses and, in particular, our advertisers, without whose support the Newsletter itself would be out of business!

### The Newsletter - Future Plans

Over the past few months we have experienced some difficulties in producing the Newsletter on time and to a standard with which we could be satisfied. As a result we have decided to publish a bumper Christmas / New Year issue rather than separate December and January issues. So the copy date for the next issue is Monday, January 22nd which will be in the shops in early February.

And finally - a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year to all our readers, contributors and advertisers.

**Note: copydate - Jan 22nd**

# Community Council Notes

## Co - options

Six new people were co - opted to the Community Council, representing Rockfield, Parklands, Parson Lodge, Senior Citizens Group and Maynooth Flower Club.

## Development Plan

At a previous meeting the Development Plan was fully outlined by Senan Griffin and John McGinley - a total of 150 acres to be rezoned for housing including 14 acres on the Dunboyne Rd, O'Neill Park 1.8 acres, Castledawson - Rathcoffey Rd - 32 acres; Moyglare Rd - 48 acres. Also in the plan is a 60 acre park at Carton Avenue, and a 7 acres park at Carton Court and Greenfield Drive. Ring roads are to be introduced to improve traffic circulation in the town including Old Dublin road to Celbridge Road and on to the Straffan Road and a major link from Laraghbryan to the Moyglare Road. This link is planned to be completed over several years. The plan also provides 10 acres for the GAA, and the schools 10 acres, Soccer Club - 10 acres, also land for the Gael Scoil on the Celbridge Road. Senan Griffin felt it was a pity that the Planning Alliance didn't send a Representative to the meeting so some of their concerns could be addressed. The Action Area Plan is to include the development of the Harbour Field but as this situation is not finalised nothing can be done yet.

## Meadowbrook Link

It was felt that it was important that this Link Road goes ahead. It was hoped that it would be developed to a high standard to take all the extra traffic that would come from all the housing that is planned.

## Floods in Maynooth

After the disastrous flooding in Maynooth it was felt that Kildare Community Council will have to make sure that all drains are kept clean. John Doogan said, he wants to know what K.C.C. is going to do so we will not have the same problems again on the motorway. It was stated that there is a pipe from the motorway going into the Meadowbrook stream. With all the new development planned where will all the surface water go? A letter was received from John McGinley stating that he has put a motion for Kildare County Council regarding the flooding in Maynooth.

## Parsons Lodge-Submission to County Council

A letter was received from Parson Lodge Residents Association objecting to the development of a four storey block of apartments to be built at Parson Lodge. It was agreed to support them with their submission to Kildare County Council.

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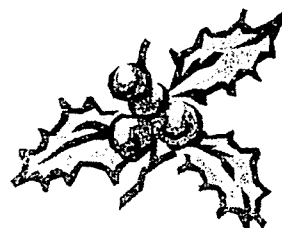
Maynooth Action Strategy has launched its new web site. It will be known as [www.maynooth-ireland.com](http://www.maynooth-ireland.com). It is hoped that all social groups, sporting bodies and all organisations in Maynooth will be on line soon. There is also a wealth of local information on the site. Congratulations to all involved in setting this project up and going.



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College Green - 2 seats, 1 vacant  
Carton Court 2 seats, vacant  
Castlebridge 1 seat, vacant  
Castle Dawson 2 seats, vacant

Greenfield 3 seats, 2 vacant

Kingsbry 5 seats, 1 vacant

Lyreen Park/ Nangle 2 seats, vacant

Meadowbrook 4 seats, 3 vacant

Moyglare Abbey 2 seats, 1 vacant

Moyglare Road/M. Meadows/ M. Village 4 seats, 2 vacant

Newtown/Woodlands/Ashley Court - 2 seats, 1 vacant

Newtown Court 2 seats, vacant

Outlying Area A 1 seat, vacant

Outlying Area D 1 seat, vacant

Parklands 5 seats, 2 vacant

Parson Hall 2 seats, vacant

Pebble Hill 2 seats, vacant

Railpark/ Straffan 1 seat, vacant

Railpark Estate 2 seats, vacant

Rockfield 5 seats, 2 vacant

Silken Vale 2 seats, 1 vacant

Town Centre 5 seats, 4 vacant

If you want to put yourself forward as a member please contact one of the councillors or Muireann Ni Bhrolchain, Secretary, Maynooth Community Office, Convent Road, Maynooth or ring the office 6285053

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Burns, Ann	Parson Lodge	Parson Lodge
Cahalane, Michelle	9 Parklands Cres	Parklands
Callaghan, Matt	14 Straffan Road	Greenfield Estate
Castillo, Eduardo	20 Parson Court	Parson Court
Connell, Peter	27 College Green	College Green
Doddy, Eugene	10 Parklands Rise	Parklands
Croghan, Paul (Pdo)	81 Moyglare	Moyglare Village
Doogan, John (Chm)	22 Meadowbrook Court	Meadowbrook
Dornan, Dorothy	17 Moyglare Abbey	ICA
Duncan, P.J.	52 Moyglare Abbey	Moyglare Abbey
Durack, Susan	158 Kingsbry	Kingsbry
Farrell, Richard	11 Greenfield Drive	Greenfield Estate
Fitzgerald, Mary	10 Parklands Sq.	Parklands
Flynn, Peter	21 Rockfield Grv.	Rockfield
Fox, Tom		Rockfield
Gallagher, Hugh	22 Rockfield Grn.	Rockfield
Gleeson, Marie	5 Straffan Road	Greenfield Estate
Griffin, Senan	Ballygoran	Outling
Hogan, Noel	Student Union	NUIM
Lennon, Joan		Senior Citizens
McCann, Gerald	102 Moyglare Vil.	Moyglare Village
McGinley, John	50 Greenfield Dr.	Greenfield Estate
McMullan, Tom	63 Cluain Aoibhinn	Cluain Aoibhinn
Moloney, Maeve	17 Woodlands	Woodlands
Mooney, Bronwyn	Kealstown	Outlying
Moynan, Patricia	209 Kingsby	Kingsbry
Ni Bhrolchain, M. (Sec.)	58 Laurence Ave.	Greenfield Estate
Nyland, Dominic	836 Old Greenfield	Old Greenfield
Oliver, Mary	18 Cluain Aoibhinn	Post Primary Pts. Ass.
O'Connell, Jo	8 Woodlands	Flower & Gdn. Club
O'Murchu, Pdraig	3 Woodlands	Local History Group
O'Rourke, Claire	233 Kingsbry	Kingsbry
Saults, Christina	9 Parson Street	Parson St.
Saults, Willie (Tres)	109 Kingsbry	Kingsbry
Waldron, Sean	56 Silken Vale	Silken Vale
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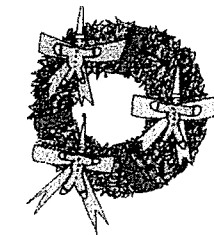
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# Community Council Notes

## WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Community Council have set up a waste management committee which hopes to work in conjunction with other groups in the area to raise awareness in the community as to the importance of reducing our refuse and trying, as far as possible, to reuse and recycle.

The Newsletter hopes to publish a short series on the various elements of waste management and to give tips on what is possible without too much trouble.

### Composting

This is a good time of the year to begin composting although you can begin at any time. As summer bedding plants die off and the leaves need to be cleaned up they can be composted instead of disposing of them in the garbage collection.

Any small garden can have a compost heap or bin. A compost bin is available from Kildare County Council for £20, they can be bought from the garden centres or you use an old container or simply leave it in the corner of the garden. Within a year it will produce brown, sweet, crumbly compost. This saves money on fertilizer and it can be spread in the late spring and early summer when your new bedding plants are put down.

### What can you put in?

Most perishable household rubbish can be composted and re-used in the garden such as vegetable peels, skins and food. Kitchen paper, paper, cardboard, newspapers in small amounts (the cardboard will compost better if they are torn up before being put into the compost)

Most garden rubbish can be added particularly grass cuttings, leaves, flowers, vegetables

Cigarettes butts

Ashes from the fire

Non-woody prunings.

What to avoid in the compost heap

Glass

Metals

Plastic (bags etc.)

Diseased plants, weeds, rose cuttings or plants with thorns or nettles

Meat

Used paper tissues

You can use the compost on flowerbeds, as a mulch, in pots or making up potting mixture for plants.

### Reuse / Recycle for Christmas

Bring your own shopping bags with you - refuse to take the plastic bags offered

Try to avoid packaged goods as much as possible

Keep wrapping paper and re-use. Open presents carefully so that the paper is not torn and fold it away for next year

Keep and re-use envelopes - if only among family members

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## MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The Maynooth Guild of the Irish Countrywomen's Association have organised a varied schedule of events for the coming months. New members continue to call in and are made very welcome. If you have always thought of joining the ICA now is the time; or if you are a newcomer to Maynooth come along to the meeting on the first Thursday of each month 8pm at the ICA Hall at the Harbour.

A craft development day for members will be held in the Post-Primary school on Saturday 9 December.

In November the delegates attended a county Kildare ICA federation meeting at Ballymore Eustace. Betty Farrell's elegant floral pedestal arrangements had a perfect setting at Saint John's Church in Kill. We congratulate Teresa Brennan on her very efficient organisation of the day at An Grianan Adult College, Termonfechin, Co Louth. Aileen Hayden's Christmas craft classes and Marie McGuirk's coker were admired. Mary McNamara's outing, with twenty members, to the Gaiety Theatre for the R. & R. with Carousel was treasured. Thanks to our very efficient driver, Eileen and Lambert Coaches. Friends gathered at the Glenroyal hotel in Maynooth Wednesday 22 November for a good-will lunch for a young Chanain student. the guild made a generous donation.

Next week the ladies begin Christmas celebrations with dinner at the newly refurbished Springfield Hotel.

Next year the guild

will contribute to [www.maynooth-ireland.com](http://www.maynooth-ireland.com). Other features are music, set-dancing and waltzing competitions, a quiz, knitting and photography.

Recent competition winners were  
 1. Teresa Brennan and Dorothy Dornan  
 2. Betty Farrell  
 3. Bernie King and Margaret Houlihan.  
 Raffle winners were  
 1. Maeve Moloney  
 2. Maryese Killian  
 3. Eileen Flynn.

On Mondays at 8 pm members meet for handcrafts; decoupage classes were well attended. Badminton in the Parish Hall on Tuesday mornings 10.30 - 12 noon.

## Remembrance services

In November we remembered, in a special way, our loved ones at our service of remembrance. Thank you to Eilis O'Malley for her empathetic co-ordination of the service. A federation memorial service was held in Kill church on Friday 17 November.

## Congratulations to Alison Williams

Congratulations to Alison Williams, daughter of Tyrone and Tina of Woodlands, on winning this terrific bike in the sponsored walk. Alison, who is learning to read very well, is a great Pokemon fan. Alison and her Daddy have twice climbed the Sugar Loaf mountain in Co. Wicklow. She swims at the Glenroyal Leisure Centre. She looks forward to cycling around Woodlands in the future (but only when her Mummy and Daddy say so!). Alison and her friends always wear their helmets when cycling. Her sixth birthday will be in March.

The other lucky winners were Jennifer Boyd, Clara Farrell, Nicole Feeney, Harpreet Gill, Nicola O'Hurley, Caitriona O'Malley, Aoife Reilly, Fiona Termain, Aisling Wall and Samantha Ward. They enjoyed their trip to Liffey Valley to spend their very welcome prize of £10 gift vouchers.



Presentation Convent National School Maynooth. Alison Williams, on her new bike, with lucky Liffey Valley £10 gift voucher prize winners.

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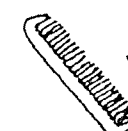
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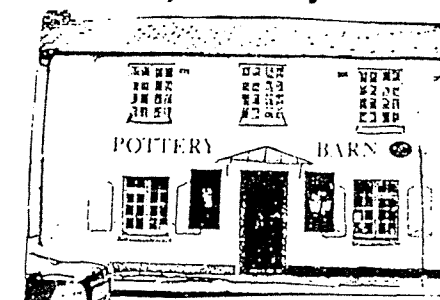
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### MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Paul Croghan, Secretary of Maynooth Tidy Towns reviews the tidy towns activities this year and looks at the groups plan for 2001

#### 2000 Busiest year ever for Tidy Towns

The first year of the new millennium has been one of the busiest years in recent times for Maynooth Tidy Towns. The small voluntary committee undertook a large number of projects this year including the special National Millennium Committee "Green Town 2000" Competition. As usual we participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Our Best Estates and Shop front competitions were also a big success this year.

#### What we achieved in 2000

Since the termination of our Community Employment project in June 1998, all work relating to tidy towns is completed on a voluntary basis. The purpose of tidy towns is not to undertake the daily maintenance of the town, but to promote and undertake projects that will enhance the town. The main work here relates to the flowerbeds and landscaping around the town. We increased our marks by six in the National Tidy Towns Competition 2000, continuing our upward movement in marks from 159 in 1996 to 184 this year. Our aim for 2001 is to break the 200-mark barrier. For comparison the results achieved by Celbridge this year was 204 marks and Leixlip 192 marks.

#### Community efforts were vital in 2000

This year we decided to write to about thirty local groups and organisations to seek their help with the work needed in the town to maintain our marks in the competition and improve our environment. Some of the people we need to thank are most residents associations for the work in their estates. Carton Court, Kingsbry, Greenfield and Parklands Residents Associations for their help with the weeding on the Straffan Road. Also the Maynooth Fianna Fail cumann for the work on the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road and the Labour Party branch for their help on the Straffan Road. The Gaffney Family for their help with the maintenance of verges on Convent Lane. The Post-Primary School and Kairos Communications and the Residents of Moyglare Meadows, for their work on the Moyglare Road.

Again this year, The Maynooth Flower and Garden Club worked with us on the shrub beds at the Church and the flowerpots at the Maynooth Library and in Carton Avenue. In particular our gratitude is due to Mrs Baxter and Mrs Desmond. We would also like to acknowledge Eddie Treacy for his help here. "Intel Involved", the voluntary community programme operated by Intel helped us again this year with the shrub beds at the Church and with tree planting near the Straffan Lodge Hotel on the Barberstown Road. To the many others who helped us, please accept our greatest appreciation for your efforts.

#### Tommie Holmes- Maynooth Tidy Towns: Person of Year

Maynooth Tidy Towns were always wondering why the entrance to Parklands and Castlebridge is always litter free. Investigations revealed that one of Maynooth's most senior citizens undertook a daily clean up in this area. Quietly leading by example is how Tommie Holmes is showing us how to maintain the environment in Maynooth. Tricked into coming to our annual prize-giving ceremony in October, Tommie was awarded our special prize of Maynooth Tidy Towns Person of the Year.

Best Estates and Shop front Competitions sponsored by Coonan Estate Agents.

These competitions were again sponsored by Coonans and attracted keen interest from the competitors. The following picked up the prizes this year.

Best Shop Front:	Ua Buachalla
Runner up:	McCormack's Pharmacy
Most Improved Shop Front:	AIB Bank
Most Improved Small Estate:	College Green
Runner up - Best Small Estate:	Castlebridge
Winner - Best Small Estate:	Parsons Lodge
Most Improved Large Estate:	Castledawson
Runner up - Best Large Estate:	Parklands
Winner - Best Large Estate:	Rockfield

#### Green Town 2000

Maynooth Tidy Towns entered this millennium competition with a project around waste reduction and recycling. We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of a number of people in this project. Representatives of the schools were very helpful and a special thanks to everyone that took part in the spring-clean in May/June.

#### Woodlands - Litter Free Residential Area

As part of Green Town 2000, we held a competition for the Residential Area with the least amount of litter. The winner was Woodlands who scored full marks as the judges could not find a single piece of litter in Woodlands when they were judging this competition.

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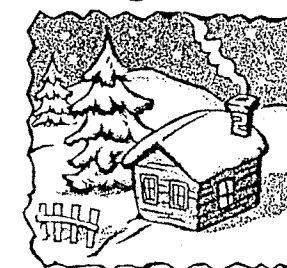
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## Clubs, Organisations and Societies

### Tidy Towns Recycling Wall chart – Education may encourage action

Almost every house in the town will have received a copy of our recycling information wall chart during November. Special mention must be given to Dr. John Sweeney, NUI, Maynooth, for his help in producing this wall chart. Full credit also to Mr. Dara Wyer, Local Agenda 21 Officer with Kildare County Council for his support and assistance with funding for parts of this project.

### Sunday Morning voluntary Clean up suspended

Maynooth Tidy Towns has arranged a voluntary Sunday Morning Clean up for the past five years. A group of eight people many who were not otherwise associated with Tidy Towns undertook a clean up of the town centre, mainly in the Main Street and Back lanes. We know that this was greatly appreciated by the Traders in the town, because no street cleaning took place between Friday and Mondays. However, with the increasing effort required and the fact that no new volunteers came forward, the eight people involved Richard Farrell (Greenfield), Des Matthews (Woodlands), Liam Hayes (Rockfield), Pat Dunne (Rockfield), Eddie McCarthy (Woodlands), John Gillick (Rockfield) John Sweeney (Moyglare Road) and sometimes Paul Croghan (Moyglare Village) deserved a break, so the clean up has been suspended. Some Residents of Parson Lodge still undertake a regular clean up in Parson street and the Harbour areas.

### Tidy Towns Plans for 2001

There are a number of target issues for 2001, which will be tackled early in the year. These include lobbying for a seven-day street cleaning service. More bins, in areas where none currently exist and an extension of the bin emptying service. We are grateful to Maynooth Credit Union for their offer to pay for more bins in the Main Street area. We will be looking to Kildare County Council to do more work with the approach roads to the town as well as the back lanes as these areas are bringing down the marks in the tidy towns competition. We will also be looking to Kildare County Council for a commitment to paying for some of the grass cutting costs in some open spaces, as we are unable to continue all of this work ourselves. The two most important areas are the two bus turning points on the Straffan Road which need to be redesigned as buses are driving over them despite the fact that we replanted them with community support this year.

### Robert O'Reilly, key to Tidy Towns effort

Without the efforts of our Chairman, Mr. Robert O' Reilly there would be no possibility of progress for Maynooth in Tidy Towns. Robert, who is retired, spends much of his time cutting Carton Avenue and the other green areas around the town during the summer. He takes particular pride in Carton Avenue and spends over five hours a week in keeping it as an attractive passive amenity area for the people of Maynooth. We in Tidy Towns, as well as the people of Maynooth owe him a personal debt of gratitude for his efforts.



Tidy Towns Awards Ceremony 2000 - Glenroyal Hotel  
Presentation of the Maynooth Tidy Towns Person of the Year Award to Mr. Tommie Holmes.

L - R Mr. Tommie Holmes, Paul Croghan, Mattie Callaghan, Robert O'Reilly, Richard Farrell and Mrs Holmes.



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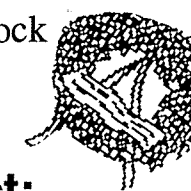
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### MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE

Our Annual Sale of work took place on Sunday November, 19th and was once again a huge success. Many thanks to all who contributed or helped in any way. A special thanks to Tesco Supermarket for their generosity to our ticket sellers and to Sean Donovan, Londis for his continual support. The sum raised was £6,780.18 for which we are very thankful indeed. Congratulations to all who won prizes on the day especially Teresa Doyle from, Ballymagillan who won our 'Monster Hamper.' (See results of draw elsewhere).

Our Annual Dinner will take place on Sun, December 10th at 5pm in the Straffan Lodge Hotel, (Formally Dowdstown) for which I trust you all have your names in by now. When everyone has sobered up from that event we will have another party on Tuesday Night December, 12th, courtesy of SuperValue. This has become an annual event to which we all look forward. Many thanks to Brian Murphy for his generosity. It is nice to see all the big stores in the area, while looking to the future, respecting the past. Well done to all of you.

Our morning club will close for holidays on Thursday December, 14th and will reopen on January, 16th 2001. Meanwhile, May I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and joy throughout the coming year.

Finally, it was with great sadness that I learned of the death of Dr. John Cullen. I first got to know John in the early 60s when, as a young teenager, I joined the newly formed Branch of the Red Cross and he was our Medical adviser. Out of this organisation John, along with Dr. Brendan O'Donnell, was instrumental in setting up our own Senior Citizens Committee in 1965. His foresight and expertise contributed in no small way to the firm footing on which it stands today. John was the conduit through which many good things happened and when they were up and running he quietly and unobtrusively slipped away. He has done just that one last time leaving a great void. We extend our sincere sympathy to Mary and all the Cullen family on their great loss.

"De dheis De go Raibh a Anam."  
Josephine Moore  
Chairperson.

### DRAW RESULTS

#### DRAW 1.

1st prize - Monster Hamper - Teresa Doyle, Ballmagillan

2nd prize. £100 Myles Burke, 12 Parklands Court.

3rd Prize. £50 Terry Rogers, C/o Just gifts. Maynooth.

#### DRAW 2.

1st Prize. C.D. Player. Matthew Westner, 4 Moyglare Abbey.

2nd Prize. Coffee Set. Mick Byrne. Carton Court.

3rd Prize. Wine Presentation Basket. Mary Hynes, Leinster Park

#### DRAW 3

1st Prize. Table Lamp. Marie K elly, Main Street.

2nd Prize. BtL. Whiskey. Brendan Glass, Dublin Rd.

3rd Prize. Btl. Vodka Brendan Glass, Dublin Rd.

4th Prize. Fruit Basket. Liz Stoll, Parklands.

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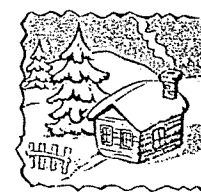


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### CASTLE KEEP ART GROUP ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

The Castle Keep Art Group held their annual exhibition on the 18th and 19th November in the Post Primary School Maynooth. The exhibition was opened by Ms. Maeve O'Brien, Manager of the County Arts Centre Newbridge, at a reception on the 17th November in the school.

There were 75 paintings on exhibit from 19 members of the group. The paintings covered a range of mediums oils, watercolours, acrylics, pastels and pen and ink and the subjects included landscapes, seascapes, still life, portrait and figurative works. Local scenes were also present.

The exhibition proved a great success. 200 people came to view and purchase over the two days. In all 30% of the paintings sold. Many favourable comments were expressed about the exhibition and a lot of people indicated an interest in knowing more about the art group. Also on display were 10 paintings from an art class under the tutelage of Susan Carr (a member of Castle Keep Art Group) based at the Flower Shop in Greenfield Shopping Centre. The classes have been on going for about 8 weeks. These are future members of the Castle Keep Group we hope! The viewing public showed great interest in these.

We would like to thank all the members for their hard work and commitment in getting the exhibition off the ground. Also our thanks to Sean Ashe, Post Primary School and the VEC for the use of the hall; the TSB Bank Maynooth, the Allied Irish Bank Leixlip and Ann Doohan for providing one of the prizes. We would also like to acknowledge the grant aid support from Kildare County Council which we received earlier in the year and our continued thanks to Peter Mullan of the Boys National School. Finally and by no means least we would like to thank Anne Tuohy and Sarah Murphy who are not part of the group but who gave a lot of their time to it.

The group meets every Thursday night in the Boys National School from 7.30pm - 9.30pm. The group will resume after Christmas when we hope to have visiting artists and workshops organised. Details of this and any other information will be published in our newsletter for members. If anyone wishes to find out more about the art group please contact Brian Tuohy at 6285993 or Susan Durack at 6289349. In the meantime to find out what is happening in the county art-wise check out [www.riverbank.ie](http://www.riverbank.ie).

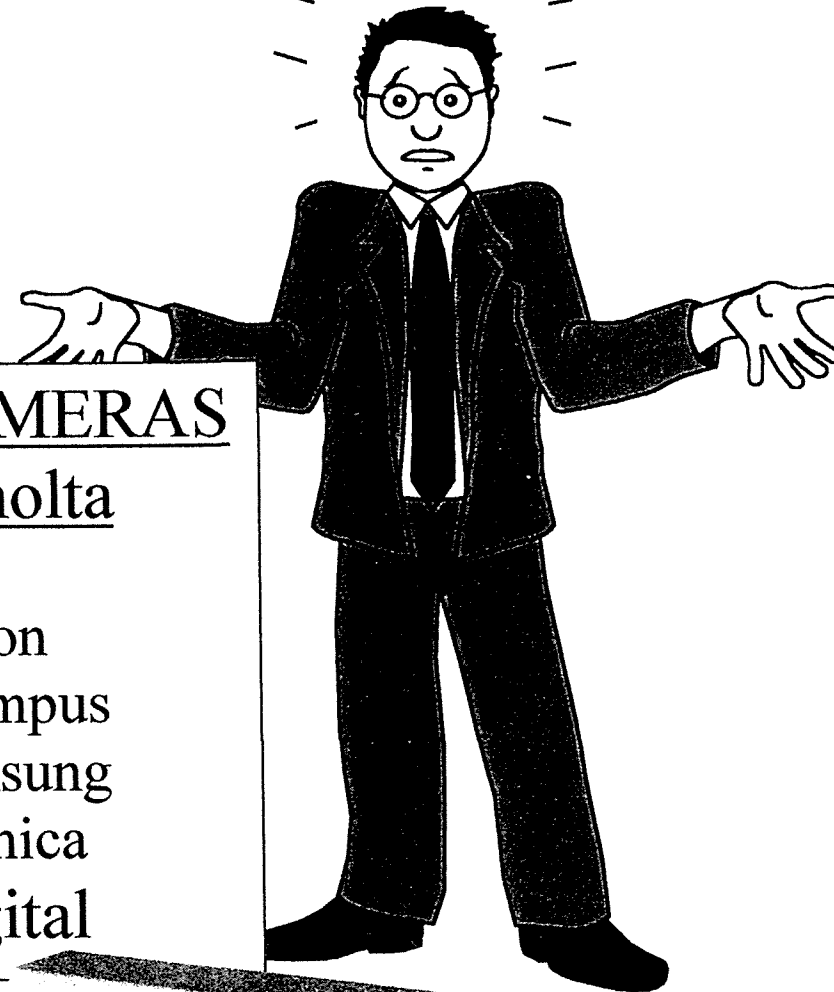
*L - R (Back Row) Lorraine Dunne, Ann-Marie Daly, Sr. Catherine, Paul Byne, Brian Tuohy, Caoilfhionn Quinlan-Murphy, Aileen Cunnle, Ursula Walsh, Regina Richardson.  
L - R (Front Row) Susan Durack, Betty O'Hare, Maureen Daly, and Susan Brennan*



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## Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

Our 20th AGM was held on October 17th. We said farewell to our outgoing Chairwoman, Margaret Howe and thanked her for all her hard work during her term in office. Subsequently our new committee was elected as follows:-

A new position for a special person,	
President	Felicity Satchwell
Chairwoman	Moirá Baxter
Vice Chairwoman	Imelda Desmond
Secretary	Amanda Harris
Assistant Secretary	Rosemary Smyth
Treasurer	Mary Cleary
Assistant Treasurer	Janet McCann
PRO	Jo O'Connell
Competition Secretary	Mary McInerney
Sales Table	Maureen Fagan
	Elsa Lalor
Charity Table	Margaret Howe
Aoifa Rep	Mary McInerney
Raffle	Carmel Owens
	Jo O'Connell
Library Table	Marguerite O'Brien
Tea Hostess	Toni Read
Plant Table	Anne Walker

Susan Mulvihill gave a most informative judging of our imposed class and afterwards our hostesses served tea and Mary Doyle's beautiful Birthday cake. Our gala Christmas Night was held in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth on Nov. 21. Fergus Hemmingway, an AOIFA demonstrator from Wexford arranged wonderful floral displays anecdotes of life in the country in his youth. Our bumper sales table was much appreciated by all, as were the refreshments served at the interval. All exhibits were raffled at the end of the night. A donation will be made to the Arthritis Foundation. Well done to the new committee for an enjoyable night to get us in the mood for Christmas.

Next date to remember is Tuesday December 5th. A social evening will be held with tea/coffee and mince pies. Competition: "Christmas" A petite exhibit. Artificial material allowed. Space - A, B, and C - 25cm X 25cm X 25cm plant competition: 1 stem of berried shrub

We hope to have a speaker from the Arthritis Foundation also to give us a brief synopsis of their work.

We are planning our Annual Dinner to be held in Moyglare Manor on January 16th. Details at our next club night. All meetings are held at 8pm on the third Tuesday of each month in Loftus Hall Maynooth College, (except where otherwise stated). Visitors welcome £3, includes refreshments.

The club wishes all its members and friends a very happy Christmas and a peaceful and bright New Year.

Jo O'Connell PRO.

## Maynooth Summer Project

It's that time of year again when we have to start organising next years project.

We held our AGM in October and as usual it was poorly attended with only one person, other than the sitting committee, attending on the night.

The incoming committee are as follows:

Chairperson:	Lorraine Butler
Vice Chair:	Mary Farrell
Secretary:	Claire O'Rourke
Asst. Sec:	Paula Tracey
Treasurer:	Madeline Stynes
PRO:	Sheila Hawthorne
Committee Member:	Rose Bermingham

At present we are working on the program of activities so if there is anybody out there with any ideas we would love to hear from them.

Our work will be ongoing throughout the year to ensure that Summer Project 2001 continues the high standards set in previous years. Nearer to July we will be looking for volunteers to help supervise the activities and outings. In the interests of safety and the childrens wellbeing we like to have a high ratio of supervisors. Therefore, if you have even a day to spare next July we would love to hear from you. Think about it.

Claire O'Rourke,  
Secretary.

## Inkling

Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately  
it kills all its pupils.  
(Hector Berlioz)

## Comment

Regarding the present housing problems in Ireland, why do the Health Boards pay rent allowances to Landlords who are already wealthy? This is just making the fat cats fatter and the poor mice poorer. One wonders why this laissez-faire attitude only applies to the less well off, and why don't the various Corporations, County Councils and Health Boards, with all this ready cash available, invest in decent housing for the people that really need it. Answers on a postcard.....!



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### Altar Servers

On Saturday 4th November two very brave men left Maynooth on a daring mission. Their mission, which they took upon themselves, was to entertain a busload of young people for the day.

Mons. Stenson and Fr. Sinnott filled a bus with altar servers and headed for the wilds of Blanchardstown. Once there, the children were treated to non-stop action with bowling, Quasar and every child's favourite - fast food lunch.

Our spies on the day tell us that Mons. Stenson needs more practise at the Quasar but he knows how to polish off his chicken nuggets.

On behalf of all those on the trip I would like to thank you both for taking on a task that would have other men quaking in their boots.

### Parent and Toddler Group

The parent and toddler group has been running in Maynooth very successfully for the last number of years.

The parent and toddler group is a great life line for parents at home with young children. It gives parents the chance to meet for a chat over a cup of tea/coffee and the children (0 - pre-school) can play with a large selection of toys and join in singing nursery rhymes. (Juice/biscuits provided).

It can help the shy toddlers to mix well with the security that mammy or daddy is not far away.

On the down side we have had on going problems with finding suitable premises which can provide a safe environment and store toys etc. As Maynooth does not have a community centre, we have had to rely on small community premises to help the parent and toddler group survive.

We are hoping to move into the priest's house (basement) in the New Year, which will be a permanent venue. We would like to thank the Glenroyal Hotel for their donation which was very much appreciated.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all the parents and toddlers a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The parent and toddlers group is currently in the;  
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**Miriam Harrison,**  
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### Inkling

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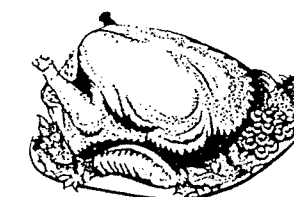
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# Residents' Associations

## Residents Associations and The Maynooth Development Plan.

The above Plan (in draft form) has been published and has attracted serious attention from all Residents' Associations, and other organisations in Maynooth. The plan has been on view in Maynooth Library for the statutory period of 3 months. Residents from all organisations and individuals have a right to make submissions, to Kildare County Council to either object to or agree with aspects of the plan.

In the meantime many meetings have taken place, allowing residents an opportunity to voice their opinions. The first meeting was held in late October by Parklands Residents' Association in Straffan Lodge Hotel. It was attended by approximately 150 people, including residents from other areas. Mr. Emmet Stagg T.D. & Mr John McGinley Co. Councillor, Mr. Senan Griffin Co. Councillor were present. The issue of Parklands Road not being described as a cul-de-sac in the Draft Plan was debated. It is at present a cul-de-sac, but fears were expressed that the danger of this Road becoming "a feeder" access to and from the Straffan Road to the proposed ring road were expressed; the problems this would create were the main subjects of discussion.

1. The imminent danger to children and pedestrians.
2. The noise and pollution levels.
3. The ensuing traffic problems
4. The effect it would have on the quality of life of the estate.

## Parents' Association St. Mary's B.N.S

The AGM was held in the school in October and a new committee was elected as follows:

Chairperson: Anne Daly  
Secretary: Clodagh Desmond  
Treasurer: Mark Colfer  
PRO: Claire O'Rourke

Committee: Leonard Hobbs, J.Bannon, Mary Oliver, Mary Corbally, Maurice Cowhey, Catherine Hare, Margaret O'Regan, Mary Molloy, Caroline Byrne and Sheila Hawthorne.

The meeting was well attended and it is great to see so many parents willing to get involved.

Finally, we would like to like to wish all students, teachers, parents and Fr. Sinnott a happy and peaceful Christmas.

CLAIRE O'ROURKE,  
PRO

## INKLING

" If you cannot have everything,  
make the best of everything you  
have"

## Art Group

Anne Doohan's Greenfields Art Group will hold their 1st Annual Art Exhibition in the Library, Main Street, Maynooth from December 4th to December 15th including during normal library hours. A catalogue is available at the reception desk in the library. A wonderful selection of pictures is on view and will make perfect Christmas gift ideas for friends or family. Any printing can be purchased by contacting Anne at 6291376.

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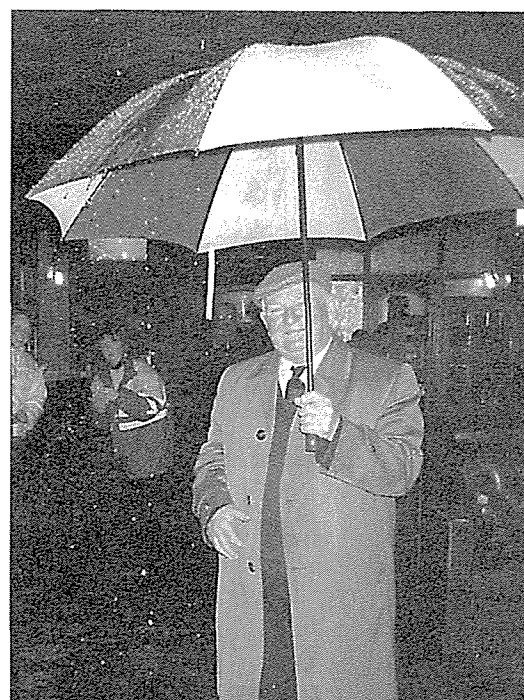
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## THE TWO CLIMATES OF THE ROOST

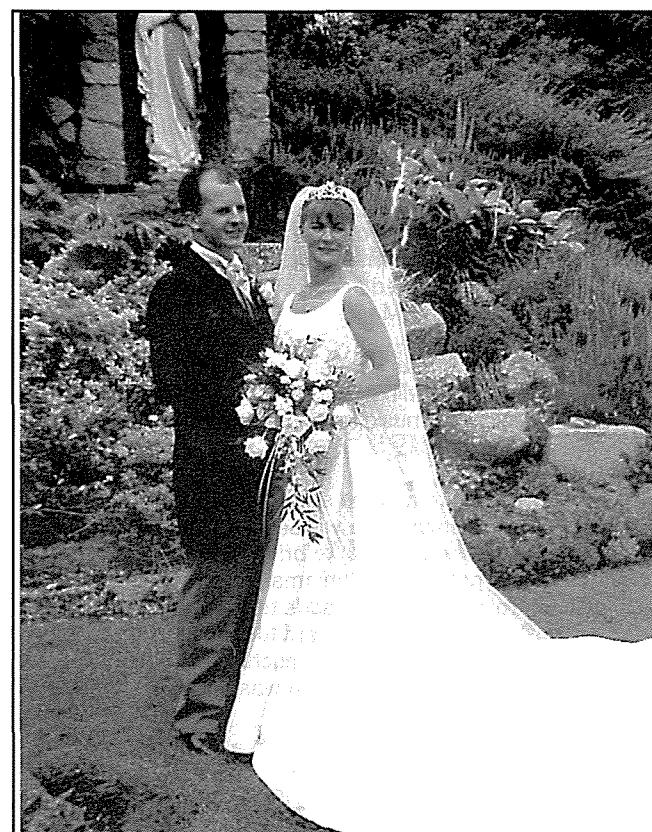
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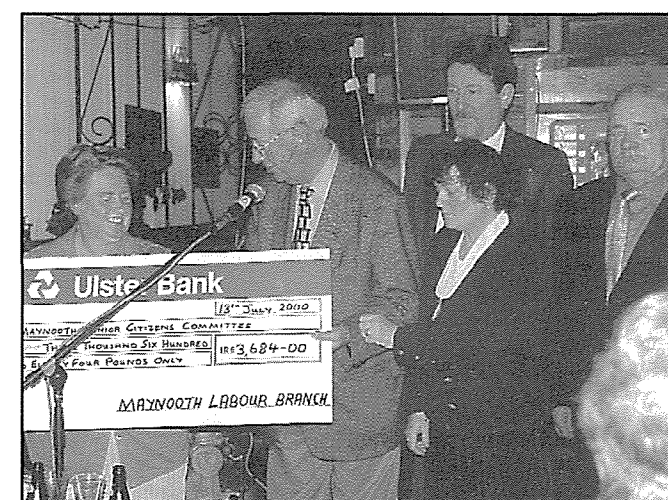
Catherine & James Cummisky



First Holy Communion - Colm Peelo, David Corbett



Daniel Moynan, Karen O'Reilly - Confirmation Day



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

## Features

### St Mary's Brass & Reed Band Notes

Attendees at our last Band concert in the Aula Maxima enjoyed the playing of our junior members who have been making progress over the past two years. In October, the Band was delighted to welcome three of these junior members formally into the senior band. This was another step for these enthusiastic young musicians in their musical careers and they were a proud group as they performed for the first time with the senior band at the opening of the new Tesco supermarket in the town.

Unfortunately we have to postpone our annual race night, traditionally held in November, over to the New Year because of pressure of other activities. Chief among these was our Mass for deceased members, which took place on Sunday 12th November. This was celebrated by Monseignor Stenson who could become the Band's chief historian with his impressive knowledge of its history, which he displayed at the Mass.

The other main event, which we are currently working towards, is our annual Christmas concert, which is scheduled for Friday 8th December in the Aula Maxima in St. Patricks College. This will feature both senior and junior bands. The mix of Military Band music and popular music should appeal to all music lovers and ensure a great night's entertainment and we hope to have a bumper attendance.

Mentioning our concert means that Christmas is almost upon us again. It seems like no time since we put away our carols last Christmas and were nervously awaiting the arrival of the new Millennium. We will be keeping with tradition, as always weather permitting, when we take to the streets (and shopping centres) to bring some festive music to the public in the run up to Christmas, and not forgetting of course our parade on Christmas morning (after 11.30 mass). We are often told that the sound of the Band playing carols out of doors adds to the Christmas atmosphere as people busy themselves in preparation for Christmas. We look forward to carrying on this long tradition in Maynooth only regretting the fact that because the town has expanded so much in the past few years, we cannot get around to playing in the housing estates as we used to when Maynooth was so much smaller.

As always, the Band would warmly welcome any wind instrument players who have recently moved to this area to make contact with the band with a view to participating in its musical activities at junior or senior level. We can be contacted through our secretary John Curran tel. 8252445 or through any band member.

Another link with the past was ended with the death of Phil Brady Clock House Maynooth in November. Phil was an integral part of the band for the past half century, serving as chairman and treasurer and he served as president for the past thirty years. Phil was a true gentleman and his kindness and willingness to help the band always exceeded his obligations as band officer and president.

Doubtlessly this Christmas Phil will be remembered at the gathering of the Band in the Band Hall after our Christmas morning parade in the town, when we start reminiscing about Christmas mornings past, for a few of us reaching back to the 1950s. No doubt the latter will particularly remember Phil's (liquid) contributions which were most important to these festive occasions. Fondly remembered was Phil, often accompanied by young members of his family, dropping in to wish band members a happy Christmas as we stood around the pot bellied stove in the Band Hall (still in working order) toasting each other with this liquid after our parade in the bracing air of a Christmas morning. The Band was proud to turn out to play at Phil's funeral mass and later as he went to his final resting place in Laraghbryan Cemetery. We extend our deepest sympathy to all of Phil's family at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

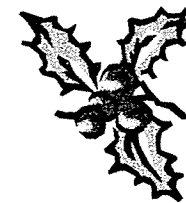
Finally we would like to take this opportunity to wish all our supporters and friends in Maynooth and elsewhere a very happy christmas and to thank you for your support and encouragement over the past year. We hope to see many of you on our Christmas outings and, in the first year of the new century, hopefully as we continue the tradition of playing out the year in the Square on New Year's Eve night.



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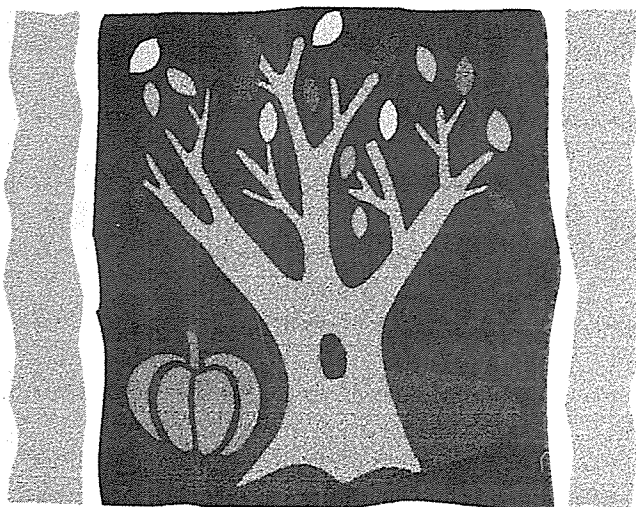
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## Features

### My Family Tree By Laura O'Brien

My mother was born in Anne's Hospital, Tralee. My father was born in Holles Street Hospital, Dublin. My mother lived in a two - storey house on a farm in Kilfalney in Kerry and my father lived in a two storey house in a cul-de -sac in 28 college Drive, Terenure, Dublin. Both my uncle live in each house. My mothers parents are both from Kerry they lived in Kilfalney and when my Granddad Florence died my Granny moved to Castleisland. My fathers parents are both from Wexford and before they had before they had Kids they moved to Dublin. My Granddad Patrick and my Granny Anastasia died when my dad was 17, Anastasia died of heart attack and Patrick died of cancer. My dads family was then raised by my great aunt Maura. My granny in Kerry got married on the 25th of April 1952, she was born on the 4th of July 1923. She lived in Dramulton in Currow as a child. As children my parents played rounders, blind-man buff, marbles, shopkeeper, skipping, hopscotch, cubby houses, football and they used to tie tin-cans to string and pull them around the yard. During the summer they saved-hay, stacked it, went to the bog to collect turf, went to market with the donkey and cart and my dad went to Wexford to help his uncle on the farm. my Granny learned to sing "Down by the Sally garden" and "Kerry Cow" and "I know what Mary wants" She remembers a lot about the food being rationed 1oz of tea, sugar, butter for each house hold. Today she said there is more money, more social life and more fobs. My great granddad called my granny Nellie Ban which means white Eileen. When my granny went to dances the priest used to chase them out of the hall. In those times they had no shoes and if they did they kept them for mass and school. They walked 3 miles barefoot and their big toes were always cut and sore. My mother's school had 2 classrooms, outside toilets and an open fire where the pupils brought in turf. The school is still standing in perfect condition in Currow in Farnfore.



### The No Name !Club Maynooth Kilcock

The New Maynooth Kilcock No Name Club is very active at present. Since the Club's Annual General Meeting last June. 1999, the new executive committee are extremely busy organising and running events for the youth of the locality. Since the AGM, the new committee, headed by Lila Flynn, have been tirelessly working hard. We run monthly disco's which are well attended by youths from Maynooth, Celbridge, Kilcock and the surrounding districts. Last September we recruited new Hosts and Hostesses. We have had intensive training for both adult leaders and the hostesses. The Catholic Youth Council gave great instruction over a Saturday and it was very well attended. We also had a talk on drink and drugs which everyone found to be most helpful. We made a trip to Spanish Point last September for the weekend. A wonderful time has had by all. We also made a trip to Kilkenny late last year for the 21st Birthday celebrations of the national No Name Club. On April 7th we organised our Annual basketball tournament in N.U.I. Sports Complex. School from Celbridge, Kilcock and Maynooth were represented and this year proved to be better attended and even more successful than any other year. The National Cabaret regional heats were held in The Aula Maxima on Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April. Six clubs took part and each set a very high standard indeed. Maynooth Kilcock club part on Sunday with an exceptionally well put together show. The show "A Look Back" was composed by the hosts and hostesses in the club and produced and directed by Ciara Baxter and Rebecca Flynn. We participated against Tuam, Leixlip, and Naas clubs and were very disappointed to be placed a close second to Tuam. The kids put everything they had into the show. The Cabaret finals and the National Youth Awards are being held in Portumna over the weekend of 29th and 30th April. We are bringing all the hosts and hostesses to stay over the weekend. The club now in its 8th year, is going from strength to strength, since the A.G.M. last year, when new members joined and a new enthusiastic and more focused executive committee took the reins of this vibrant club. Members who were involved from the beginning have left the club and moved on, making way for new interests and more innovative ideas. The committee would welcome any adults who are genuinely interested in lending a hand in organising and running events and outings for the youths of the locality. In particular, we are looking for volunteers to help at monthly Discos, to supervise both inside and outside the disco venue. **Please help, the club is for YOUR young people!** If you are interested, please contact any of the committee members for further information. Wishing all our club members, helpers and friends a very happy Christmas

## Features

### NEW TESCO STORE

On a beautiful sunny Halloween morning, the new Tesco Shopping Centre opened on the Leixlip Road. I was humming U2's 'Beautiful Day' as I strolled up to witness the event. A local hero, Mark Smith opened the Centre, and the new carpark was swarming with eager shoppers. Some of our old friends were there, Emmet Stagg and John McGinley among them. All the ladies received carnations, and there were crisps for all the kiddies.

Inside the doorway, which is pressurised especially to keep out the cold while preserving an ever. temperature at all times inside, you can stand and look out at the storms that rage as I write, and feel no breeze, no draft, no cold. Amazing!

The shopping centre itself is vast, filled with all kinds of wonderful things. I could get lost in a centre like that! I bought the U2 album, for about a fiver cheaper than any other record store, unfortunately, though Tesco's only stock the Top Ten.

There are a few small issues that I feel the town of Maynooth should raise with Tesco, however, such as their refusal to sell the local produce as they earnestly promised us they would when they bought Quinnsworth. This can only be evidence of a distinct lack of consideration and respect for the Irish shopper and business person. Is this another Intel, determined to come into our country and take take take?

About a week after the opening I was in Tesco again, and I noticed that the girls at the tills do not seem to be supplied with proper floats for their tills. At 10am on Monday morning this is ridiculous, and the queues this can cause will not please the shoppers, neither will the price of £1.50 for a tiny sausage sandwich, or leaks in the roof of the cafe. (Also, not to put too fine a point on it, where is the smoking section?)

OK, so the last couple of paragraphs may seem too nitpicky for some, but I only raise these points because I think they are valid to the consumer. Buy your bread in the Elite, keep local businesses, because these foreign companies will take our money till the economic boom dies down, and as history has proven, cannot be relied upon to stay.

With that word of warning, go forth and enjoy the shopping this Christmastime, but don't forget do some of your shopping locally, your neighbours need the business too!

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### FLOODING IN MAYNOOTH

The whole country is under siege by an intense rainstorm. Country wide reports of the storm have news broadcasts chock-a-block as I write. People have been missing work all over town. Closer to home: Monday 6th November will go down in history as one of the wettest November days in living memory around these parts. As if things weren't bad enough traffic-wise, we have the motorway outside Maynooth simply impassable and people in Beaufield, Brookfield and parts of Meadowbrook, completely drowned. People have had to leave their houses, and sandbags are in evidence all along the front driveways in a pathetic looking effort to prevent the problem getting worse. A local take-away was flooded last night, homes and possessions destroyed. In Leixlip people were forced to leave their homes at the bottom of the Captain's Hill. The village is now even worse than usual. And buses are finding it difficult to make it through. Celbridge seems OK, but Ardclough was totally impassable and leaving Celbridge over the bridge, dodgy enough on any other day, is now hampered even more by the Liffey bursting through to the Ardclough road. The roads between Maynooth, Celbridge and Straffan are impassable. The County Council were turning people away from all routes to Straffan this morning. Up in Brookfield, the field has become a lake, and local children are all at home today because the schools are closed. The people who live nearest the motorway are trapped inside their homes and under obligation to one or two neighbours who are lucky enough to own jeeps. Gone are the days when we laughed at proud owners of such four-by-four all terrain mobiles! today is most definitely the Day of the Jeep. For those of us poor enough to have to walk or take buses, wellies are the order of the day, galoshes, raincoats - whatever you can find. Put it on, and keep warm! For a county renowned for it's rainy weather - it has to be said, we don't know how to cope very well in bad weather. Pubs the length & breath of the country will no doubt be full.

### MAYNOOTH SOCIAL & WELCOMING COMMITTEE

Unfortunately, due to falling attendance we have decided to curtail our activities for the present but we are not going away and will continue to make ourselves available where necessary.

The monthly tea and coffee after mass has stopped while we reassess our role.

At present we are part of the Resource Group that are doing up the basement of the parochial house. As many of you will be aware, Mons. Stenson has made this available for the use of many groups within the parish. The renovations are coming along well thanks to all the volunteers who have put so much time and effort into it.

By Claire O'Rourke P.R.O.

A genealogist is one who traces your family back as far as your money will go.



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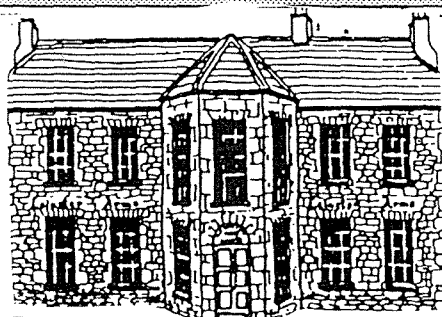


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## **Features**

### **The Kavanagh's Story**

The Kavanagh Family came to Maynooth in 1831 when they bought the Mill from the Duke of Leinster. They originally came from Wicklow but had their milling business in Smithfield in Dublin. They lived in the Mill House when Edward Kavanagh died in 1890 leaving a young family and a young widow. His wife Margaret ran the business until Joseph was old enough to take over. The Mill prospered under Joseph until his death in 1967. Tom Senior took over then and with the help of a Manager, Paddy Feelay, ran a very tight ship until Tom Senior's retirement and Paddy's death about 5 years ago.

Did the Mill go into decline after that? Seemingly not, as between the three remaining Kavanaghs they had directorships in many companies. Edward had directorships in 25 companies, Thomas had directorship in 15 and Willie had directorship in 14. They are mostly involved in grain, farming, pig production and investment companies.

Why are there up to forty workers angry? They are angry that they were told they would get a decent redundancy package. At a union - management meeting they were promised 6 weeks per year severance pay. Six of the 'last in workers' received this payment of up to £12000.

The longer serving workers were kept on even though there was no production. Some of these men were there for up to 35 yrs - most had more than 20 yrs service. So instead of receiving what they were promised they will now receive approximately 8 per cent of it. Between the payment of the lesser time workers and the proposed payment of the longservers and provisional liquidator was sent in. This left the workers with little hope. In the Independent of the 7/11/00 it was reported that the four directors Ted, William Thomas and Edward receive a salary increase of 22% in the thirteen months to September 30th 2000 to bring their salaries to £380,813 when they showed a pre tax loss of £6.1 million.

The Independent of Saturday 11th November reported that Edward Kavanagh had withdrawn plans to put a scheme of arrangement to creditors. This means that the Revenue and Banks take their share leaving the government to pay the workers their pittance.

A rich businessman was quoted recently saying a business must pay its dues to the community in which it thrives. As one Sunday Newspaper puts it "questions answered and answers questioned".

Why is the government, who seem to be so fond of tribunals not look into it?

Charlie McCreedy, Emmet Stag and Bernard Durkan have met the workers. Mr Stag has called on the banks to include the workers on the creditors list (some chance!)

Our politicians should be taking this up in Leinster House not in local newspapers.

Pius Kelly

#### **CELBRIDGE ABBEY**

Don't forget the Christmas Fair Sunday 10th December, 12-6pm. There will be Christmas Hampers, Christmas Puddings, Cakes Preserves and lots of craft items to include: Pottery, Hand Crafted Wood items, Irish Crochet Lace/ knitwear and multi sewing craft items. Come and visit Santa in his Grotto from 2 - 5pm, carol singing by Celbridge church choir. Prizes presented for colouring competition and mulled wine with mince pies served throughout.



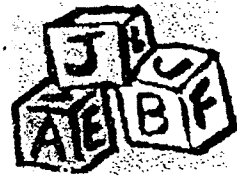


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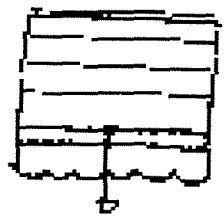


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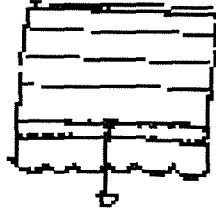
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## Features

### Pictures from the Past



This group of lads was one of many who were employed by Carton Estate to cut thistles  
From left to right: Christopher Waldron, Jimmy Burke, Jack Murphy, Jack Weafer, Stephen Fitzgerald, John Coyne, P. Lettis, Dick Leavey, P. Corrway, one unknown, Tape Carney (at back) was the ganger



Una Coughlan, Ita Burke (R.I.P.) and  
Bridie Brady, standing on the top step  
of the boat house in Carton.  
(Photo circa. 1942)



Bridie O'Brien

Our thanks to Bridie for allowing us  
to publish these photographs  
There will be more in the next issue

## Features

### Christmas Gift Ideas

The following is a short list of gift ideas around town. We would like to thank everyone we approached for their help in compiling it. It includes gifts from £10 to £25.



#### Maynooth Book Shop:

##### Best Sellers:

One Voice-my life in song" by Christy Moore - £20stg.  
Scarlet Feather" by Maeve Binchy £16.99 stg.  
The Beatles Anthology" by The Beatles £35.00stg.  
The Guinness Book of Records" £18.00 stg.



#### Just Gifts:

Pottery and Glass, including pottery by Stephen Pearce, Ballydoogan, Hillary Jenkinson. Also Galway Crystal, Candles. For men: Tie Racks, Desk Sets and Gift Vouchers.



#### Maynooth Jewellers:

A wide range of Silver from £10 to £15. Watches from £13. Also a selection of 9 and 18 carat gold jewellery from £25 and Gift Vouchers.

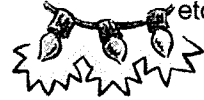
#### Cameo:

Gift vouchers for amounts as required.



#### Lime Mobile Telephones:

Most makes of mobile phones plus accessories i.e. cases, hands-free kits etc.



#### Maynooth Photos:

Have a wide range of Photo Albums from £12, Picture Frames from £12, Cameras from £25 and Gift Vouchers.



#### McCormack's Chemist:

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#### Callagy's Pharmacy:

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#### Hula Bou:

Gift vouchers and Scarves etc.

## Features

### Dr. John Cullen

One of Maynooth's most distinguished residents, Dr. John Cullen, died on November 19th last. John was born in 1929 and lived at 90 Haddington Road with his parents. He started school at the Holy Faith Convent, Haddington Road, and progressed to St. Michael's CBS, Dun Laoighaire and subsequently to UCD in 1946 where he commenced study of medicine. During these studies, John was awarded 2 gold medals (one for oratory and one for the best student paper). He graduated as a medical doctor on July 17th 1952. After internship at the Mater Hospital, and later at Grangegorman Mental Hospital, at the end of 1953 he went to Cambridge as Registrar in Psychiatry at Addenbrookes and Fulbourn Hospital. John married Mary Vale in Cambridge on February 17th 1954. Also in 1954, he was awarded a UK Medical Research Council scholarship to Cambridge University for post-graduate studies and research. He became a member of Clare College, Cambridge. In subsequent years he was first appointed to Medical Council staff at the University and then as a don at Cambridge. He was awarded MA (Cantab.) "by right of office" and later the Master of Science (Cantab.) degree. John and Mary had five children - Deirdre, Kevin and Mark all born in Cambridge and Finar and Paul, born in Dublin. They returned to Dublin in 1960 when John commenced work at St. Brendan's Hospital, where he was appointed consultant

psychiatrist and developed some of the earliest psychiatric out-patient clinics in the country. In 1968 he was appointed Clinical Director for developing research. He was also awarded membership of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in London and became an examiner for the College for many years. Additionally, he was appointed senior lecturer in the Medical School of UCD and taught there until 1992. He was instrumental in setting up a research unit at St. Brendan's and the Clinical Psychology services of the Eastern Health Board. He carried out research for the Department of Health, the EHB and other studies, which included examination and testing of all prisoners who were tortured in Northern Ireland during internment in the 1970's. He also set up a custom-built research unit at St. James' Hospital where research was conducted for the European Community, the World Health Organisation and NASA in the USA. In 1980 he was awarded an honorary Foundation Licence by the Faculty of Occupational Medicine at the Royal College of Physicians in Dublin in recognition of his services to the development of occupational health studies in Ireland. He has published a number of books and scientific studies. In 1997 John was instrumental in setting up the Maynooth Action Strategy Group, a partnership organisation promoting the town.



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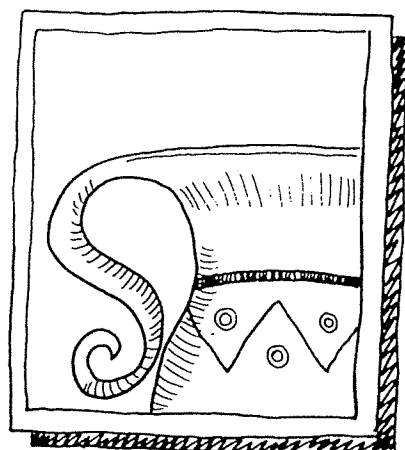
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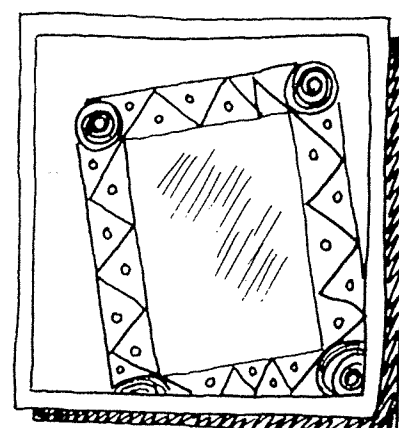
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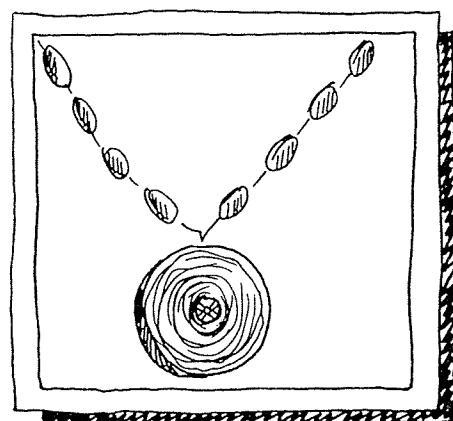
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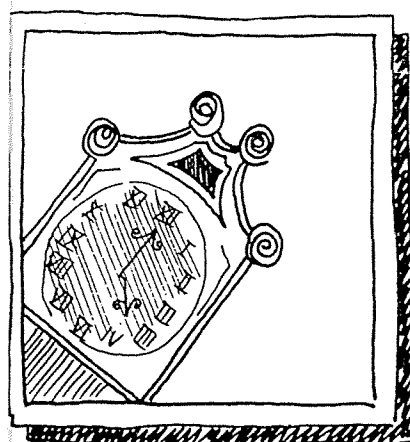
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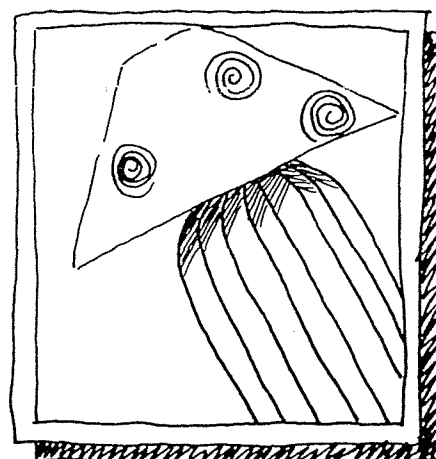
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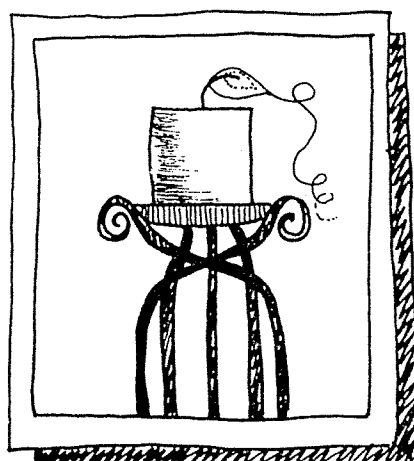
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## Features

### Maynooth County Champions

SCÓR NA NÓG 2000-2001

Scór nÓg is a talent competition run by the G.A.A. for children under 16 years of age. There are eight events and one competes against different G.A.A. clubs within Kildare. On Saturday November 18th Maynooth took part in the Kildare semi-finals which took place in Allenwood. We were represented in all eight events by children from Maynooth, Céili-Dancing, Solo Singing, Music, Novelty Act, Question Time, Recitation, Ballad Groups and Set-dancing. We got through to the County Finals in five of the eight events.

We travelled to Rathcoffey on Friday November 24th for the County Final. Here one representative from each competition is picked to represent Kildare in the Leinster Semi-Final. It was a close Competition and very enjoyable. Maynooth had plenty of supporters on the night cheering and shouting encouragement. Our Céili Dance team won their competition and now go forward to represent Kildare in the Leinster Semi-final which will take place on Saturday December 9th in Ballymore. May we wish them the best of luck and maybe KILDARE might get to another ALL-IRELAND !!!!!

May I thank everyone who came along on the two nights to cheer us on. Thank you to all the competitors. You put on a great performance for Maynooth. Thank you to all the adults who coached the various competitors. To all the parents who gave up their time to bring along the children to the competition.

Well done Céili team, Maynooth will be cheering you on.

After Christmas we will be preparing for Senior Scór. Anyone over 17 years of age who can dance, sing, tell a story or who is good at answering questions on G.A.A. and General Knowledge and who would like to be part of the Maynooth group, please ring Rita Doyle at 6286169 A.S.A.P or leave your name and phone number in Maynooth G.A.A. Club. It is all a bit of harmless fun.

Thank you to all the following competitors who took part in Scór Na nÓg.

#### Céili-Dance Team

(County Champions)  
Eimear Flynn, Michelle Kearney, Aisling Dunne, Karen Bracken, Katherine Oliver, Ailbhe Flynn, Anna Piggott, Aisling O Connor

#### Solo Singing

Aisling Dunne

#### Music

Ruth Ní Harcain, Aodhan Ní Giollabhride, Edel Ní Churraín

#### Novelty Act

Niamh Mc Dermot, Sarah Furey, Eileen Ryan, Aisling Byrne, Conor Murphy, Justine Cullinane, Ross Cullinane, Ben Finnegan

#### Question Time

Conor Heneghan, Stephen Cassels, David Scally

#### Recitation

Aoife Dunning

#### Ballad Group

Yvonne Lee, Emily Mc Greall, Elaine Pollard, Grace Fox, Martha Oomkens

#### Set-Dancing Group

Jessica Mc Grath, Eimear Flynn, Sharon Lyons, Roisín Hoban, Deirdre Mulcahy, Helen Downes, Karen Corrigan, Laura Bennett

If you cannot have everything,  
make the best of everything you have



# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## Background

The Aisling Drug Awareness Group is a voluntary, self help organisation, founded in 1990 and now a National Charity. Our headquarters is in Navan, Co. Meath. It was set up as a response to the ever increasing problems associated with drug/alcohol use among teenagers, and has gone from strength to strength.

## Aims and Objectives

1. We promote an environment antipathetic to drugs by heightening public awareness through public talks, national and international conferences, seminars, etc.
2. We facilitate our Drug Prevention Programme informing and empowering communities.
3. We oppose the legalisation of all drugs and support the Law Enforcement Agencies.
4. We develop cluster groups throughout the North East and Nationally and are affiliated to International communities such as;

- \* European Cities Against Drugs
- \* Drug Prevention Alliance
- \* Drugwatch International
- \* Europe Sans Drogues
- \* National Families in Action.

The Aisling Group is also linked to Statutory and non Statutory Bodies throughout Ireland.

5. We provide a non residential, Drug Free Recovery Programme, for young people, 17 yrs upwards. It will assist them in becoming active, working members of their community, living to their full potential, drug free. It includes counselling services and family participation.

6. There is also a support/self help group on a weekly basis, for those who have someone experimenting or addicted to drugs/alcohol.

7. We hope to research the cause and effects of drug/ alcohol use and the links with poverty. We hope also, to research into proven methods and new methods to help combat the communities problems and monitor the effectiveness of these situations in our programme.

## Problem

Drugs know no class, creed or barrier. They have destroyed the lives of millions of young people, decimated families and cost society dearly in crime, violence and filling prisons. They are a very real part of today's society and are in a young person's environment, should he/she decide to experiment.

Ireland is purported to have the youngest drug using population in Europe and the most common drugs of choice are alcohol and cannabis, both of which are very underrated.

The key factor in combating the drug problem is an informed and active parent. Every child has a right to a drug free life and the only ones that have the time, influence and the inclination to do it are the parents- they encourage, discipline and supervise their children with love and pass on their own values and self esteem and not that of the street. Prevention

centered on Parents is vital, we are who we are today because ordinary people loved and cared about us!

All people need to work together or our communities will be as we have never known them before.

## Recommendations

Community based, pro active action is what is advocated by the Government Strategic Task Force (Fianna Fail National Policy, '97)

The Aisling Group are doing this by training and empowering parents/ others to work on a self help basis, providing the basis for community response. Parents/others will be given the core information and skills needed to

- \* get children through adolescence relatively drug free.
- \* recognise early drug related behaviour - and take appropriate action.
- \* address the more serious behavioral and addiction behaviour.
- \* become motivated into seeking the appropriate treatment.

Parents/others will be trained to run their own programmes in their own neighbourhoods. For the families with both the beginnings of a behavioral problem and the more seriously addicted youngsters - a parent support group will be formed - these will be problem solving groups with a firm theoretical and practical basis. Referrals will be advised to appropriate treatments.



## Safe Passage Programme, Scoil Dara, Kilcock.

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## Thought for the Day.

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Peter Clarke, author of the *Royal Canal - The Complete Story* and a leading member of the Royal Canal Amenity Group presented an informative and entertaining public lecture and slide show, to approximately 25 people in the Library on 9 November last. The canal was constructed between 1790 and 1817; is approx. 90 miles in length from Dublin to the river Shannon at Cloondara, Co. Longford; its main source of water is Lough Owel, near Mullingar, is 44' wide at the top and 22' at the bottom, lined with special thick clay and is 6' deep at the centre; and has 47 locks and service locks. Despite gross engineering and financial mismanagement, Parliamentary inquiries, shareholders' interference and bankruptcy, its eventual completion was the culmination of a huge project much bigger than the present day M50.

'Long' John Binns, a silk merchant of 59 Dorset Street, was the main driving force behind the Royal Canal Company. Digging commenced in 1790 at Cross Guns Bridge, Phibsboro (alongside today's Des Kelly Carpets) and proceed eastwards towards the Liffey and westwards to Ashtown. 2,000 Irish and English navvies were paid 10d per day, to manually work in primitive conditions and live in mud huts. They soon struck for higher pay and the rate was increased to 18d per day. Two major difficulties between Dublin and Kilcock were the limestone quarry at Carpenterstown, near Clonsilla and the routing of the canal via Maynooth, alongside the entrance to the Duke of Leinster's Demesne (he was a major shareholder) at Carton. The quarry, which should have been avoided, resulted in delays and huge costs for blasting and the Maynooth route required the building of the Rye aqueduct to carry the canal one hundred feet above the Rye Water at Leixlip.

Passenger and goods service between Dublin and Kilcock began in 1796 with two boats, The Camden and The Phelan. Fares (at 1s-1d first class or 6d second class for Dublin to Leixlip) were cheaper than by coach, canal travel was more comfortable and passengers were able to dine on board. The major attraction was Leixlip, where the scenery at the Salmon Leap and the discovery of a spa by workmen digging the canal in 1791 ensured a steady tourist trade.

With the extension of the canal to the west traffic increased but by the 1820s road improvements and more efficient road carriers drew passengers from the canals. To compete 'Fly boats' were introduced in 1833. These boats were 70' long by 5'6" wide, were made of lightweight iron, carried 110 passengers at a speed of 10 miles per hour and were towed by two horses who galloped each stage of eight miles. The journey time from Dublin to Mullingar was cut from twelve to eight hours. Night boats were exclusively used by the 'lower classes' at 1d per mile.

In 1845 the canal was bought by the Midland Great Western Railway Company who planned to close it and construct a railway on its bed. Luckily, they were precluded from this by an Act of 1818 which required them to maintain it as a separate transport system. The last of the freight boat operated until 1951 and when it was closed by C.I.E. in 1961 its future seemed bleak. Proposals were made to fill it in to build a motorway but in 1974 the voluntary Royal Canal Amenity Group set about its restoration. Thanks to their commitment to and love of the Royal Canal, it has been saved for future generations as a wonderful amenity and wildlife haven.

Noel Spain, national chair of the RCAG, who accompanied Peter, paid public tribute to Matt Kennedy and Declan O'Connor and all associated with the Maynooth branch of RCAG which has achieved so much with reconstructing the walls, harbour, etc. and he stated that he looks forward to the day when boats and barges will use Maynooth for modern canal services.



**Flooding in Maynooth**

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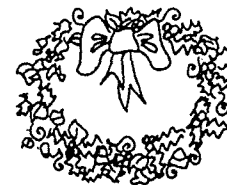
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**Greetings**

## Feature

### Christmas Message For the Newsletter

I really appreciate the kindness of the Editor of the Maynooth Newsletter in asking me to provide a Christmas message. My immediate reaction was of surprise! Already! Where has the year flown? It seems no time since I penned a few thoughts for last Christmas. And now here we are on the verge of Christmas 2000 with all the bustle and planning that it entails.

At Christmas time we recall the truth – the almost unbelievable fact that some two thousand years ago, God, in the words of Betjeman, “became Man in Palestine”. Jesus, born of Mary, was and is the Word made flesh. He is God the Son, revealing to us in human form the love of the Father: “God so loved the World that he gave his only Son (Jn. 3:16). Jesus, in turn, shares his divine life with each of us through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit particularly through the Church and the sacraments. This is the Good News! No wonder the angel could proclaim to the shepherds that first Christmas night: “I bring you *good news* – news of great joy – a joy to be shared by the whole people” (Lk: 2:11).

Christmas is never meant to be a mere repetition of what has gone before. Rather, God is saying to each one of us “No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed .....” (Is 43: 18-19). In simple terms God is telling us that he is making *new* persons of us. He is in the process of transforming us through His power and our co-operation into his own likeness. So it isn’t simply “Me yesterday, today and the same forever; as I was in the beginning, am now and ever shall be, faults without end, Amen”. No! This Christmas God comes to renew us and make new persons of us. That is what makes this Christmas so special and not like any previous one for you or me or our Parish Community. This Christmas is a *grace* given and a grace sought.

May Jesus the Prince of Peace bring abundant blessings to you and yours and may you have a Holy and happy Christmas.

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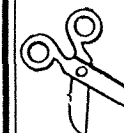
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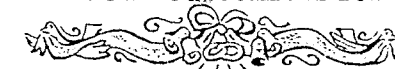


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### Passing of Phil Brady

Maynooth has lost one of its most loved and favoured sons in Phil Brady. A native of Calan he came to Maynooth in 1923 to work for Mrs Pitts in the pub and grocery trade. He took over the business in 1933. He later married Breda Connlay who worked in the college. Always proud of her Waterford background, she was lovingly known as "Mammy" to all who knew her as no one left that house hungry whether or not one could pay. Sadly she predeceased Phil by a couple of years. Their generosity was known country wide as I found out in my travels. No matter where you went from Kerry to Donegal, Galway to Dublin, mention Maynooth and surely someone would ask of Bradys. 'How are Phil and Mammy?' 'They looked after me well when I was stuck' was always what you heard. The children of Maynooth would also have fond memories of Phil, as no child ever entered the shop without being supplied with a glass of lemonade a bar of chocolate and a bag of crisps. His generosity to the band, the GAA Club, Soccer Club or any other organisation in Maynooth is widely appreciated. He also had a great love of greyhounds and was well known in Clommel Shelbourne Park, Harold's Cross or anywhere greyhounds were involved. The older generations of Maynooth will tell you of the bad years when the area was not as well off and times were hard. The Bradys were there to help out whether in bereavement, unemployment or any other troubles one could come up against. Thank God Phil had a long, healthy and happy life, dying just short of his 94th birthday. May the Lord have mercy on his soul R.I.P. To the Brady family, immediate and extended, the community Council would like to offer their deepest sympathy on their great loss.



Phil and Breda Brady R.I.P.

### Book of Maynooth

Months ago a local writers group got the idea from one of their members Stuart Jane to produce a Book on the lines of the great Book of Ireland under the auspices of the Maynooth Arts Forum they advertised for Poets, writers artists to submit their work to be included in same, this will now be hand-written by the authors on Vellum and will be illustrated by a local neighbouring artist. It will be leather bound with a silver adornment and displayed locally. Its permanent home is yet to be decided. It is hoped all this will be completed early soon.

Hilda Dunne  
Writers group



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## Features

### MAYNOOTH IN CANADA

While on vacation in Ontario, Canada in September 1999, we drove north from the city of Peterborough en route to Madonna House at Combermere. We stopped for lunch in a town called Bancroft. I had for some years worked in the community in Tallaght in west Dublin, and very close to the old village was a lovely housing estate called Bancroft. Thus on coming across a town of same name in what I suppose we think of as the New World, I wondered about who might have first settled there and named the place, or indeed where the name had come from for the residential estate in Tallaght, was there any connection. Just the normal little musings one has time for while on vacation.

Imagine my surprise when the next town we came to was called Maynooth! I had been told that there was a town of that name in the province of Ontario but had absolutely no idea of its location and had no idea that we would pass through it on that day. Much to the amusement of my travelling companions I insisted on stopping and taking some pictures. Unfortunately all that I had with me on the day was a little disposable camera and so the quality of the pictures is not wonderful.

The town is a typically small Canadian/North American rural town, quite a distance from Bancroft, which could not be described as very large, and many miles from the city of Peterborough. On the day of my passing through the town looked very pretty, clothed in the magnificent colours of fall and basking in wonderful autumn sunshine. One wondered though, what it might be like during the harsh Canadian winters, and we all agreed on the day that one could feel quite cut off in such weather.

### WINE CELLAR

Work is ongoing at the Mill Wine Cellar in Maynooth, the already amazing selection of wines, spirits and beers has been further increased with the welcome extra space created by the new extension.

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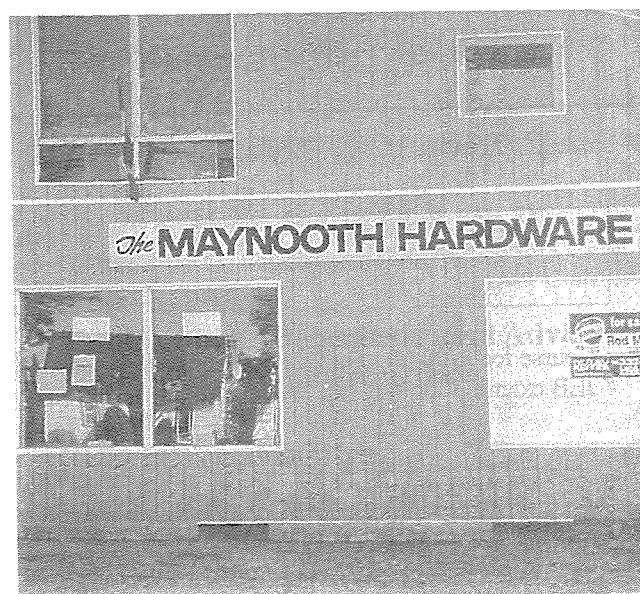
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# Features

## Christmas Message

From: Adrian Wilkinson

Recently I came across a book I received as a Christmas present several years ago. It was a collection of poems compiled by some secondary school pupils. They had written to a number of well-known people in the country asking them to send them a copy of their favourite poem and say in a few lines why they liked it. Flicking through the pages again I came across one poem that had been submitted. It was on the morning of Christ's Nativity by John Milton. Written several centuries ago its language is still very vivid today. The first verse reads:

This is the Month, and this the happy morn  
Wherein the Son of Heav'ns eternal King,  
Of wedded Maid, and Virgin Mother born,  
Our great redemption from above did bring  
For so the holy sages once did sing,  
That he our deadly forfeit should release,  
And with his Father work us a perpetual  
peace.

We are all well versed in the secular countdown to Christmas: cards, presents, invitations, food... But how do we rate on the spiritual front? Is there someone that I promised I would visit and have found time... is there a verse that I heard read in church that is prompting me in a particular direction .... is there someone I need to forgive or to ask forgiveness from? We are given the four precious weeks of Advent as a time of spiritual preparation. Milton's poem reminds us about whom we are preparing to greet at Christmas. We all deserve a 'quiet time' every now and again to reflect on these things.

May I take this opportunity to wish all readers of the Maynooth Newsletter a peaceful, safe and blessed Christmas.

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## Jack & The Beanstalk Comes to Maynooth

An Nuadha Players are well under way with their preparations for next January's presentation of their pantomime, *Jack and the Beanstalk*. Skillfully directed by Martin Higgins the cast are being put through their paces. Martin is no stranger to the entertainment world, having been successfully involved in *Tops of the Towns* for many years before going on to write scripts for the Gaiety pantomime and for one of Ireland's top comedienne, June Rodgers. The musical direction is provided by Colin Sloan, himself no stranger either to the world of pantomimes and musicals. The cast have been very impressed to date with his professionalism and cheery sense of humour. Grace McGrath, as choreographer, has been proving to many people who were convinced they they had two left feet, that they have indeed inside them hidden realms of grace and elegance. She has also put together a troupe of young female dancers who will no doubt charm audiences with their performances. The cast of Jack and the Beanstalk see the return of some of the faces from last March's production of *Say Cheese* but also sees the introduction of some new and very talented performers. Mark Watson plays the part of the slightly dim-witted Jack with Fiona Tuohy playing his long-suffering mother. Eimear O'Meara sparkles as the beautiful Princess Cassandra, held captive by the evil giant (Bill Eliffe) and sharing her confinement with an "endearing" goose (Catherine Swords) - Dustin eat your heart out! Carmel Reynolds plays Peggy, the giant's house keeper, Pete Butler keeps every one in check as the policeman, Darren Crawley gives all landlords a bad name, Bridget Keon makes us

understand why politicians have a reputation for shady dealing and Mary Higgins and Ann Kelly as the town gossips Dolores and Rita, keep us up to date on all the goings on in the town!

As you can imagine a lot of work has to go into a production of this size, not only by the cast but also by a dedicated backstage crew without whom such a show is not possible. We are still looking for people to help with costumes, props, set building, set painting, make-up, advertising, front of house on the performance nights etc. If you think you could help us in any way we would be delighted to hear from you. Of course the most important thing is that people come along to the performances - there is nothing like a packed house ready to roar back "Oh, yes he will" or "oh, no he won't" as the case may be, to get a pantomime off to a flying start. So keep 19th, 20th, 21st, 26th, 27th and 28th January 2001 in your diaries and watch out for posters around the town. Enjoyment for all the family guaranteed! Contact: Roberta Carey - 6291309, Catherine Swords - 6286483, Mary Higgins - 6290817, Ann Kelly - 6289705

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MY FAMILY TREE

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Scoil Mhuire na Toirbhirte,  
Maigh Nuad.

Dia duit,

My name is Fiona Rogers and I did a project on my family tree. It was very interesting and exciting. For instance I did not know that the Rogers family motto was *"always ready"* and that in 1273 there was a Florence Tiernan, Bishop of Kilfenora. In my project I did an interview with my granny and that was very educational. I found out that she had a pet lamb. Her favourite subject was maths and she got married in 1952 to Patrick Tiernan. I also did an interview with Eilish Landers my Aunt. She adopted a chinese baby. My mums great grand parents names were Malachy Greally and Margaret Nangle that I found out too.

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My name is Anna McNevin

Christina McGarrell (commonly confused withMcArdle) was born on December 13th 1918, the second youngest child. Maureen, her eldest sister died of cancer when she was in her twenties. Then Came Bridie, James, Granny and Peig. Christina was born at home, close to the shore of Lough Ree, Glassan, Athlone. Granny's father was a very fine boat builder who spent a lot of time away, travelling the length and breadth of the Shannon from Carrick on Shannon, Lanesboro, right down to Limerick, was involve d in racing and fishing on the midland lakes. At a time when few could read, great grandad McGarrell had a great love of books and especially poetry. Granny told about when her father would return home after his many adventures on the Shannon himself and his friend would tell stories long into the night by the open fire. Granny who slept in the "settle bed" in the kitchen would fall asleep while listening to these. Granny's mother was a great woman to make dinners, her door was always open to the poorer families that lived close by. They were never short of fowl, fish, potatoes and buttermilk. Granny told of how, as children after the long winter they would look forward to their first "dip" in the Shannon waters from Easter onwards. The highlight of Granny's life was school and she loved and respected her teacher Ms. Duffy and after finishing 7th class in Ballinaccliffey N.S. granny reluctantly left school. She went nursing in Athlone Hospital and had many stories to tell of the patients she meet there.

The Islanders.

When granny was growing up on the shores of Lough Ree there were several little islands on the lake that were inhabited. She often helped her brother James (who was a fisherman) to transport cattle for the islanders. She told of being given the job of sitting at the back of the rowing boat and holding the reins high to keep the cows head above the water as it swam along after the boat. Granny Chris was never fond of water, due , no doubt to her many hair raining experiences when mid journey the lake winds would suddenly whip up waves as tall as mountains from previously calm waters. Granny's father, John McGarrell spent many a night on these islands, He would always be sent for, to make a coffin for the island wakes, most of the time he did it in return for a few drinks as the islanders were mostly very poor. The Connell family were the last inhabitants of Lough Ree. Granny tells of them rowing over to first Mass on Sundays. One very bad winter they had to break the ice the whole way over in front of the boat and when they came out of Mass the lake had frozen over again and they had to repeat the process and all on an empty stomach. I chose to do this extract from my family tree project because granny died on 15th Aug 1999 and I found this part of her story interesting.

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Aisling Byrne  
Age 11

I thoroughly enjoyed doing my family tree project. I learned a great deal more about my family and ancestors. I hope that some of my grandchildren in the future will use the information and photographs I collected.

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Serves 6.

You will need;

- 400g can of black or red cherry pie filling.
- 2 egg whites, size 2, free range if possible
- 4 oz of caster sugar
- 1 teaspoon white wine vinegar

Method:

- Preheat oven to 200c/400f/gas mark 6
- Divide the pie filling between six small oven-proof dishes, about 3" in diameter.
- Wipe a mixing bowl to remove any grease, then place the egg whites into the bowl and allow to stand at room temperature for a few minutes.
- To achieve maximum volume, whisk the whites with a hand mixer set on speed 1 for one minute, then increase the setting to 2 and whisk for a further minute. Finish on speed 3 until the whites form soft peaks.
- Once the whites have formed soft peaks, whisk the sugar and the wine vinegar into the whites.
- Spoon the meringue into a piping bag and pipe the soft peaks onto the fruit filling. Bake for 10-12 minutes until golden brown and crisp to the touch. Serve immediately.

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Toasted Turkey Sandwiches

Cooking time: 3 Mins

- You will need:
- 4 slices wholemeal bread or any of your choice.
  - 1 tbsp whole grain mustard.
  - 4 slices cooked turkey breast, each about 1 oz.
  - Fresh ground pepper to taste.
  - 4 rings of canned pineapple each weighing about 2 ozs.
  - 2 oz cheddar cheese, grated.
  - Watercress sprigs to garnish.

Method:

- Spread the slices of bread with half the mustard and put 1 slice of the turkey on each. Spread the turkey with the remaining mustard and season to taste. Place the pineapple on top of each sandwich and sprinkle with the grated cheese.
- Cook under a hot grill for about 3 minutes or until the cheese melted and bubbling. Serve the sandwiches and garnish with the watercress sprigs.

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## Features

### Turkey Fillets with Mushrooms (serves 4).

Cooking time: 40 min

You will need:

4 turkey fillets, about 5 oz each  
2 tbsp olive oil  
1 onion, skinned and finely chopped  
6oz mushrooms, chopped  
1 garlic clove, skinned and crushed  
1 tsp finely grated lemon rind  
2 tsp chopped fresh thyme or 1 tsp dried  
Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste  
1/2 pint hot chicken stock  
2 tbsp lemon juice  
1 tbsp chopped fresh parsley  
Lemon slices and fresh parsley sprigs to garnish

#### Method:

1. Cut each turkey fillet in half crossways and place each half between sheets of greaseproof paper. Beat well until the fillet measures about two inches.
2. Heat 2 tsp olive oil in a non stick frying pan and cook the onion and mushrooms for 5-10 min over a gently heat until excess moisture has evaporated. Remove from heat and add the garlic, lemon rind, thyme, and seasoning, mix well.
3. Divide the mushroom mixture into 8 and spread over the fillets. Roll up and secure at both ends with string.
4. Heat the remaining olive oil in the non stick frying pan just large enough to hold 8 rolls. Cook the rolls 4 at a time for about 5 mins each batch, turning until pale golden on all sides.
5. Return all the rolls to the pan with the stock and lemon juice. Cover and simmer gently for 20 mins.
6. Transfer the rolls to a serving plate, remove the strings and keep warm. Boil the pan juices until reduced, then stir in the parsley and pour over the turkey rolls, serve garnished.

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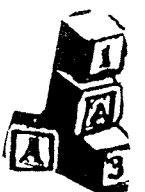
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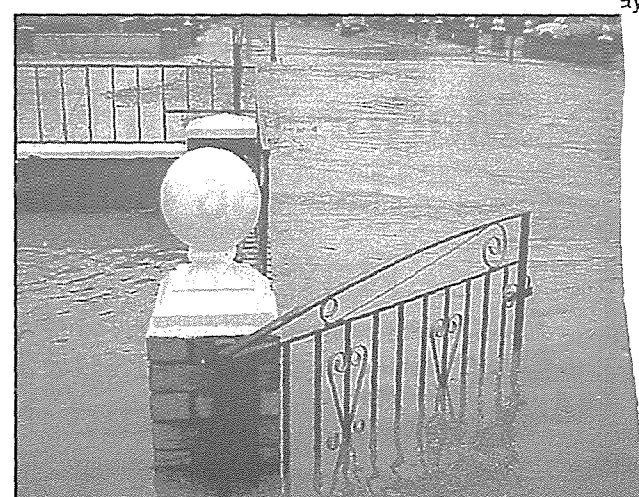
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Flooding in Maynooth



## Feature

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Features

PREDICTIONS FOR 2001

January

The Maynooth Development Plan is finally agreed by Kildare Co. Council. Part of the plan involves flooding all the main roads in the area and encouraging people to travel by boat around the town. 'The minor flooding that took place in Maynooth in November gave us this idea', said a Co. Council engineer. 'For example, traffic in the Meadowbrook area fell by 100% during the floods', he added, 'and we think that if people travel by boat it would help ease traffic congestion in the town. What with global warming and everything, Maynooth is going to be under water anyway so we may as well make the most of it'. Local taxis firms are planning to provide a gondola service around the town and Maynooth is to be marketed as 'the Venice of the north (Kildare)'.

February

The new Roost opens its doors to the public. As the largest pub in Co. Kildare, 17,000 people cram into its 34 different bars on opening night, breaking the previous record for a crowd in the Roost by 17. Customers are issued with a map as they enter but 436 are still reported missing after the first night's drinking. The Maynooth Students Union President welcomes the opening and says students have been saving up their money for the last year and not a drop of alcohol had passed their lips for months as they waited for the re-opening of the Roost.

March

The St. Patrick's Day Parade committee comes up trumps in 2001 when they succeed in getting a star musical lineup for the parade. Fat Boy Slim, the Three Tenors and the Kilfenora Ceile Band agree to act as supporting acts for Danny McCarthy in a musical extravaganza to be performed from the back of a truck in the Main Street.

April

In a revolutionary move announced on April 1st, the price of drink in Maynooth is to be cut by 50%. In a statement local publicans indicate that they have been making too much money for the last few years 'The price of drink is just too high and we feel it's time we gave something back to the punters', says a spokesman for the Licensed Vintners Association. '£1.50 is a fair price for a pint and anything higher than that is a rip-off. Anyway, what we need is far more competition in the pub trade'. The statement also commits the publicans to improving toilet facilities in the town's pubs. Day long celebrations in the town are cut short when publicans issue a further, two word statement - 'April Fool'.

May

The new train service from Maynooth to Dublin is opened. High speed trains are to run from Maynooth to Connolly Station every ten minutes when there is not a strike. Brendan Ogle is due to perform the opening ceremony but backs out at the last minute when he claims the use of a scissors to cut the ribbon at the opening would be unsafe what with the sharp blade on the scissors and everything. The schedule is disrupted when a leaf is spotted on the track near Clonsilla. 'We are just not equipped to deal with a leaf on the track at this time of year', says a C.I.E. engineer. 'We plan to import a specially built leaf clearing machine from Japan in 2006', he added, 'but in the meantime trains may be delayed'.

June

The World Championship Slow Bicycle Race is held in the Harbour Field. 'We fell this is a very appropriate venue for the championship because time seems to stand still here', the championship organiser states. 'At other venues there's a buzz of activity, things are happening and that tends to distract the riders and they fall off their bicycles. In the Harbour Field every thing happens very slowly and that helps the riders'. Following the championship an archaeological dig carried out in the field uncovers several skeletons which are said to date from the 13th century. 'Given the position of the bodies we think they may have been attending a meeting, possibly they were planning the future of the area, but we'll never know', commented one of the archaeologists on the dig.

July

Global warming comes to Maynooth. As temperatures reach 40 degrees centigrade, Maynooth suffers desert-like conditions. Well known TV star and chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, John Doogan, calls for immediate action from Kildare Co. Council. 'What we need in Maynooth is water and lots of it', he states. The Meadowbrook area is particularly badly hit with sand storms trapping people in their houses. Local residents shovel the sand into bags as they will need them to stave off the floods next winter.

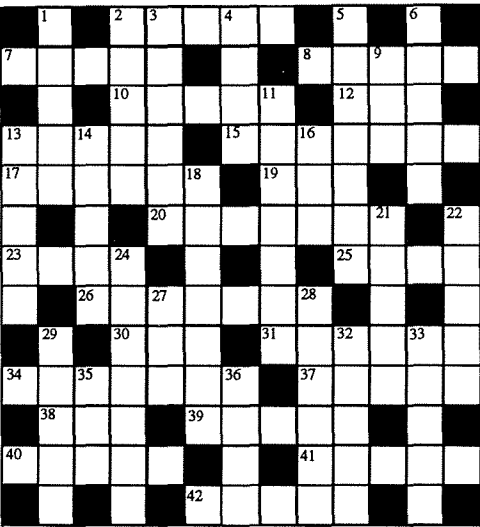
August

The first hangings are carried out in the Square for speeding on the motorway. At Kilcock Court Judge Brophy orders eight people to be hung for breaking the 70mph limit. 'I've been lenient for far too long', says the judge, 'hanging is too good for them'. Amnesty International pleads for clemency on behalf of the accused and two people have their sentences commuted to a life sentence of watching Oireachtas Report. They opt to be hung.

September

Carton is reopened. Maynooth is to be turned into a theme park where residents at the newly opened hotel and leisure centre can be amused and entertained. With accommodation prices ranging from £20,000 per night the hotel attracts only the creme-de-le-creme including Liam Lawlor, Ray Burke, ex-President Marcos (deceased), Des Traynor, Emperor Bokassa (former owner of the Congo) and Bill Gates. The Emperor is appointed official hangman in Maynooth.

Crossword No. 154



Entries before: 22-02-2001

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Across

- 2. Shore (5)
- 7. Brutal (5)
- 8. Demon (5)
- 10. Drain (5)
- 12. Rug (3)
- 13. Sober (5)
- 15. Dedicated (7)
- 17. Whimpered (6)
- 19. Tune (3)
- 20. Dishearten (7)
- 23. Swear (4)
- 25. Resound (4)
- 26. Ousted (7)
- 30. Coach (3)
- 31. Erase (6)
- 34. Wandering (7)
- 37. Promised (5)
- 38. Obtain (3)
- 39. Pick-me-up (5)
- 40. Repulse (5)
- 41. Space (5)
- 42. Spree (5)

Down:

- 1. Veracity (5)
- 2. Start (5)
- 3. Evaded (6)
- 4. Frigid (4)
- 5. Contrition (7)
- 6. Located (5)

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No: 153**

- 9. Tank (3)
- 11. Longed (7)
- 13. Perspire (5)
- 14. Pointed (5)
- 16. Strive (3)
- 18. Lodge (7)
- 21. Twist (5)
- 22. Enciphered (5)
- 24. Discounted (7)
- 27. Place (3)
- 28. Invent (6)
- 29. Impelled (5)
- 32. Regional (5)
- 33. Singer (5)
- 35. Material (3)
- 36. Centre (4)

Solution to Crossword No..152

**Across:** 1 Scream; 5 Demean; 8 Frighten; 9 Drip; 10 Wig; 12 Loped; 15 Sum; 17 Lea; 18 Rip; 19 Spa; 20 Rogue; 21 Ilk; 22 Dog; 23 Art; 24 Eye; 26; Owned; 29 Err; 33 Safe; 34 Narrator; 35 United; 36 Treaty

**Down:** 2 Corgi; 3 Edge; 4 Motto; 5 Dense; 6 Mode; 7 Adieu; 10 Waste; 11 Glade; 12 Largo; 13 Pagan; 14 Dread; 15 Spite; 16 Maker; 25 Yearn; 27 Waned; 28 Egret; 30 Roost; 31 Deft; 32 Wade



## Features

### October

Following a General Election, both Al Gore and W.J. Bush fail to win seats in North Kildare despite spending millions of pounds in their campaigns and having eleven re-counts. Bush succeeds Emperor Bokassa as Maynooth's official hangman. 'I guess I've got more experience at that than as a politician', he says.

### November

The Maynooth Newsletter goes on-line and following phenomenal success is floated on the stock market. The Editorial Board suddenly become dot com millionaires but they continue to selflessly serve the community - although they do move their headquarters to the newly opened Carton where the staff tend to their every need.

### December

It is the end of the Celtic Tiger. House prices drop, inflation falls, traffic congestion eases off, people are under less pressure at work. 'This is an absolute disaster', says local businessman, 'Maynooth is like a quiet, peaceful village. We'll be all ruined'. In a break with tradition, Christmas doesn't start until mid-December and shops close at six 'o clock. It is the end of just another year in Maynooth.

### MAYNOOTH-IRELAND .com goes live

Maynooth Action Strategy unveiled their long-awaited Maynooth Town web site in October. As part of its mission after the town's creditable performance in the Information Age Town competition of a few years ago, Maynooth Action Strategy was tasked with the preparation and launching of an internet community access facility. The purpose of this was to highlight the advantages of the world-wide-web to the people of Maynooth and provide an information facility which could aid community cohesion in this rapidly growing town.

Logging on to [www.maynooth-ireland.com](http://www.maynooth-ireland.com) provides a wealth of information of use to both the resident and tourist in Maynooth and the site should become a 'must see' feature as it grows and develops over the coming years. For the resident, the site can help with bus and train timetables, useful phone numbers, church services, local news items and announcements. There is also a small ads section where items for sale or wanted can be advertised for free. Want to sell your car or find out if anyone has Pokemon card to swap? There is also a bulletin board to send messages and comments. Maybe you want to discuss the happenings in Coronation Street or just beef about the train service? Or maybe you live in Sydney and want to say 'hi' to your old pals in Parklands. A photo gallery has a selection of local photos in which you may even figure! Maybe though you won't want to be figuring in the rolling news service provided by the Liffey Champion!

Each club and organisation in the town is facilitated with their own web page and an easy to use facility to enter their latest news, results or match report. It will be the place to go for the latest updates. For tourists, the site provides a comprehensive guide to local and regional attractions. How to get there; whether there's an entrance charge, when they're open etc. Maynooth Action Strategy's recent joint publication with the Local History and Civic Forum of a number of guided walks around the town is also accessible. Activities from golf to fishing, traditional music sessions to drama are also detailed. The site has been devised by a core group including Tony Bean, Peter Connell, Paul Croghan, John Dolan, Tom Moore, John Sweeney and Peter Van der Burgt. The intention was to produce an easy-to-navigate sequence of pages which takes you where you want to go without undue delay or complications. Its crisp design also includes one of the first views of the new town logo for Maynooth. Local web company Innovate Ltd of Maynooth host the site and exciting plans for further development and maintenance of the site are being implemented by Maynooth Action Strategy.

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Dear Santa  
thank you for  
the lovely presents you  
gave me last year

this year I would like  
a Barbie Cash Register  
Mermald Barbie hair-c  
reations and a little son  
Fise please

could you bring a small  
gift for my brother  
or sister

I have been a very good  
girl all year

Daniella Carney

Girl's N.S.  
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Dear Santa I would  
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Slayer t-shirt

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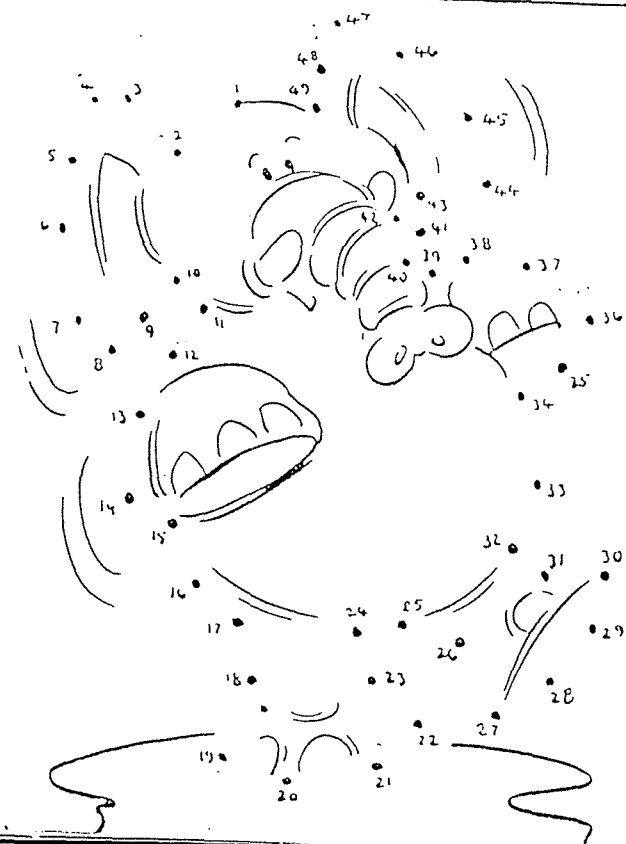
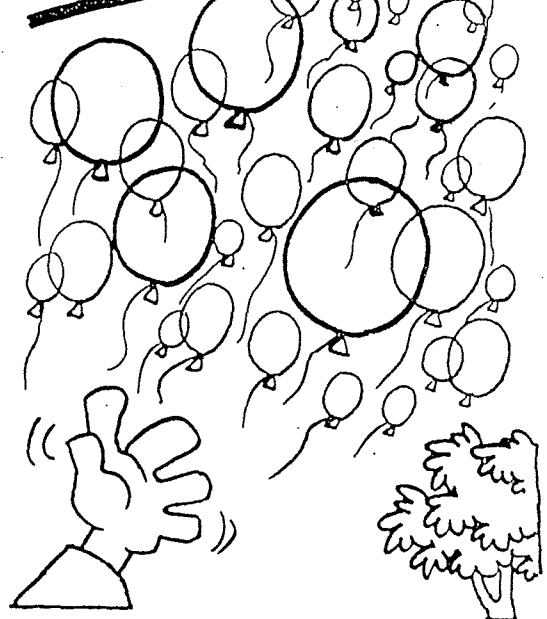
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my presents last time. may I have  
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The above school has been in operation in Maynooth for the past four years, The school is going from strength to strength and has a very strong team for Community Games at local level and even stronger for County level. This year in the County finals, held in Athy, members of L.S.G. in the girls under ten took the top six places which goes to show the hard work and dedication of the gymnastics. At National level, in Mosney members of L.S. G. won the gold medal in the boys under eight last year and won gold, bronze and fourth place certificate this year.

L.S. G. trains every Monday in the Parish Hall, Maynooth and has a very well equipped hall. Floor matting, vault, safety and landing mats, trampette, asymetic bars etc. give the gymnast ample opportunity to improve their fitness, flexibility, stamina etc. while also improving their gymnastics elements.

New members are welcome to the school. Inquiries can be had from Leonard on 087-2462885. I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of myself and my assistant Sarah, to wish all gymnasts, parents and friends of L.S. G. a very successful 2001. Also many thanks to all the parents, for all their help and support throughout the year.

Many thanks, Leonard.


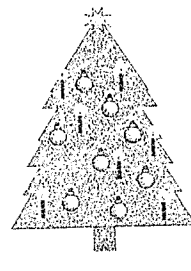
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Tour America has a trip to Captiva, just off the west coast of Florida. The narrow island is six miles long, surrounded by beaches of very fine white sand. It offers a quiet calm holiday far from hustle and bustle. People gather outdoors to watch the setting sun which brings the island from glorious sunshine to total darkness in minutes.

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## Features

### Behind the scenes

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### David Kelly : actor

As busy now as ever, David Kelly had to turn away work after the success of *Waking Ned* - 'I'm now booked for about a year'.

David considers himself primarily a theatre actor. He first trod the boards in the Gaiety Theatre in 1941 in a production by the Rathgar and Rathmines Musical Society.

Later he attended the Abbey school of Acting and then started to get parts in the Abbey and Gate Theatres.

### Samuel Beckett's plays

This autumn sees David Kelly back on stage doing his seventh tour of the USA. He returns to Samuel Beckett's play *Krapps Last Tape*, a role he first played in 1959. Recently he took part in major Beckett project in which all 19 Beckett plays were filmed

### Television and cinema career

He is famous to television audiences for roles like Rasher Tierney in *Strumpet City*, O'Reilly the builder in *Fawlty Towers*, and Sylvie Dolan in *Glenroe*. The runaway success of *Waking Ned*, the best known of his recent films, led to offers from Hollywood, a Golden Sunshine Award in 1999 and a nomination (alongside James Coburn and Robert Duval) for a Screen Actors Guild Award.

Fans can expect to see him on the big screen soon in *Green fingers* starring opposite Helen Mirren. It will be premiered at the Canadian film festival this year.

### Painter

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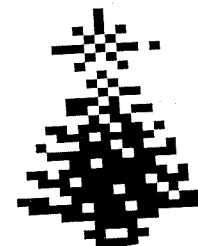
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## Features

### WASTE NOT, WANT NOT!

In nature all species produce waste, virtually all of which is recycled, not by that species itself, but by other forms of life. But we as a species have begun to create waste that far outstrips the capacity of the natural environment to absorb or reuse it anywhere near the rate at which it is produced.

Hence we have to recycle, but it's not as easy as it may seem. Many have found that products manufactured and packaged for the market place often have features that reduce or even prevent the possibility of recycling. Some newspaper supplements and many magazines have glossy surfaces that cannot be recycled. Many plastic containers have built-in components that make recycling prohibitively expensive and complicated. Most packaging is designed for its usefulness in marketing the product with no thought to the space that it consumes in landfills or the toxic chemicals it releases into the air when burned.

A lot of manufactures are locked into a pattern of purchasing virgin raw materials and are not equipped either by habit or machinery to use recyclable raw materials even though they might well be cheaper.

Even the daily paper isn't as easily recyclable as one would hope, as many large paper consumers and manufactures throughout the world have investments in forests and are hence loath to use recycled paper. Instead they make additional profit by cutting the trees in which they have invested in and in a lot of cases, receive large tax subsidies.

Before you even think about it, burning doesn't work either. Dioxin generation can occur during the burning of waste. There's a lot of evidence out there suggesting that the global dioxin burden is due primarily to plastics such as polyvinyl chloride (PVC), chlorinated solvents, chlorinated pesticides, chlorine-based bleaching agents, etc.

For this reason, the elimination of dioxins at the source is best achieved by substituting chlorine-free alternatives. Indeed, many economically competitive cleaner products and processes already exist.

And what about handing our waste over to the professionals, well bear in mind that Britain's Environment Agency (EA) compiled a league table (known as the Hall of Shame) of businesses that were found guilty of offences against the environment in 1998. Among the top offenders (2nd, 3rd and 5th place) cited in the agency's league table were waste management operators. The Environment Agency's director of operations expressed concern that three of the worst offenders were waste management companies.

*Businesses in waste management sector should be well aware of pollution issues, after all, they are meant to be there to clean up the environment.*

So, we all have to find ways to deal with our waste. Just think of the 3Rs;

Reduce  
Reuse  
Recycle

Reduce; try not to buy products that have loads of extra packaging, use your own bags and not the shops. Reuse; if you must get a plastic bag - reuse it. Put those wine bottles etc to use as candle holders. Recycle; if all else fails, don't just dump it, send it for recycling. At almost any supermarket can be found bottle banks, just get into the habit of bring back the empties when shopping for the refills - saves you petrol as well.

At the end of the day, the marketing people will tell you that, the amount of packaging and the type of material used are what you want. Why don't we tell them what we really want is an environment that all our children can enjoy and that manufacturers should start to take an active role in allowing that to happen.



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### New Business

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### North Kildare Tennis

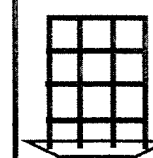
In the summer of 2000 North Kildare went through to the final of Kit Kate Tennis in St. Anne's Park in Raheny. The Kit at team was coached by Phillippa Pentz and caters for all ages 7 - 17. Pictured receiving their trophies are as follows:



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Mary Molloy P.R.O.

# Features

## THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

As any child will tell you at this time of year, the wise men were lead to the birth of baby Jesus by a star and if you don't believe them there's always Matthew;

"Behold there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying where is he that is born king of the Jews. For we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him". (Matthew 2:1-2)

The star of Bethlehem as "his star" has come to be known has for years brought forth debate and discussion as to its origin. Astronomers and historians alike, continue to look for evidence, both for and against the presence of the star or phenomenon at the right spot and time.

Meteors or "shooting stars" are one event that for a long time were regarded as the answer, but it commonly accepted that the wise men had some knowledge of astronomy and would not have regarded a meteor as having any great significance on its own.

During the reign of the Chinese Emperor Ai - Ti, a chronicler named Pan Ku recorded, around the time in question; the appearance of a "Hui hsing" that lasted for 70 days which is usually taken to mean a comet or even a nova. But it is the nova theory that has the greatest possibility as further evidence from another Chinese source shows. The Chinese Ho Peng Yoke catalogue records the appearance of an object in the Aquila constellation that may have been a supernova.

With the use of star maps and powerful computers, astronomers have extrapolated the nova remnants back to around the time of the first Christmas and have shown that it may well be the most likely candidate for the star of Bethlehem.

Bear in mind that we don't have an exact date for the birth and even with the best resources available, there's still some factor of error, hence astronomers and scientists alike will only give the "possibility" and "the weight of evidence shows" etc in their answers.

In any case, there doesn't seem to be one perfect candidate for the star and it may well come down to personnel preference. Was it a comet, a meteor, a nova or even an angel, what ever the answer is, knowing it will never make this time of year any less special for all.

Merry Christmas

## NOW FOR THE SCIENCE BIT!

I'm sure the last piece has raised some questions as to just what stars, comets and the like are, well this is where the science comes in. We'll begin with the stars themselves.

They are a spherical mass of gases held together by gravity, born inside huge clouds of gases and dust. The process begins when a region of a cloud increases in density. The gases are pulled towards the star's centre where they become densely packed causing them to heat up. This can be triggered by a shock wave passing through the cloud due to a supernova, more about that latter. Under gravity, hydrogen gases the core, are hot enough to undergo nuclear reactions that releases energy. The energy counterbalances the effect of gravity allowing the star to be stable.

Each star has a life cycle of several stages during which its size and temperature change dramatically. The more massive a star the more quickly it burns up its gases in the nuclear reactions and one of the most massive types of stars known as a supergiant ends its life in a huge explosion called a supernova. Basically the gases are used up, the nuclear reaction ceases and gravity causes the star to implode in on itself generating the massive explosion that is so energetic that it can appear as a new very bright star from Earth.


so with the death of one star, we have the birth of many more.

Comets though, are relatively small objects that follow a long, eccentric orbit around the Sun and consist of dust and ice. Most orbit far beyond the planets at distances of up to 9,000 billion miles or 15,000 billion km, but should it come close to the Sun, it partially vaporises, producing a bright head of dust and gas and one or more tails. The best known is Halley's comet, which comes around every 76 years.

A meteor or shooting star, is the streak of light produced when a meteoroid or lump of rock, burns up in the atmosphere. On a clear, moonless night, about 10 meteors an hour can normally be seen, with the number peaking at around 4 a.m. in the morning; no one said astronomy was easy. They are best seen as a meteor shower, which occurs when the earth passes through a trail of dust left by a comet. There are around 20 meteor showers each year, one due around the 7th to the 16th of Dec. in the Geminids constellation and another around the 1st to the 6th of Jan. in the Quadrantids constellation.

The area of astronomer is vast and there is just not enough room here to delve into it in any great detail. There are various books available of both general interest and more in depth knowledge in most bookshops and libraries. A good starting point would be to join a club or society, the best known being Astronomy Ireland. If you just want to look at the stars, start off with a good pair of binoculars, excellent for looking at the moon. If money is available then the next step is a telescope, but beware, there are a lot of telescopes out there that are just not suitable. A good benchmark is a 3" lens for a refractive telescope and a 6" mirror for a Newtonian telescope.

Remember a telescope is not only just for Christmas, but for life and don't forget the warm woollies.



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# Party Political

## FIANNA FAIL CUMANN NOTES

Once again this has been a very busy month in Maynooth Fianna Fail. In this edition of the Newsletter we will kick off with a report on the Public Meeting organised by the Cumann in Maynooth and addressed by Dr. Martin Manseragh, Special Adviser to the Taoiseach on Northern Ireland.

### PEACE PROCESS - DR MARTIN MANSERAGH

The Meeting was well attended and the audience listened attentively to the speech given by Dr. Manseragh on "the History of the Peace Process". As his reputation preceeded him, the speech was a very orderly and detailed journey down the road to peace from where Dr. Manseragh himself dated its inception i.e. the aftermath of the Enniskillen bombing, to the present date. Many other historians dated the start of the Peace Process from the mid 1970's when the English first started a dialogue with the IRA secrtly, others marked the Anglo Irish Agreement as the starting point. In the early 1980's John Hume and Charles Haughey started work on a frame work for both communities to work together in co-operation. In 1988 Dr. Manseragh himself and Dermot Ahern T.D. met with Gerry Adams with the aim of drawing up a consensus among Nationalists in which the best progress could be made.

This ultimately led down the path to a Draft which was handed over to John Major in June 1993, culminating in the Joint Declaration between the Irish and British Governments in December 1993 - led by Albert Reynolds, John Hume, Gerry Adams and John Major. Consequently Section 31 of the Constitution was lifted, the republiian movement was given access to the media, a 48 hour Visa was granted by the United States to Gerry Adams etc. While in Dr. Manseragh first opinion, Charles Haughey's main contribution was to help create a constitutional Republican position, therby doing much to contain and even diminish more militant republicanism from gaining groun Albert Reynold's role in the period leading up to and after the Joint Declaration was nothing short of magnificent. During a vital and sensitive period, no effort was spared or proved too much for Reynolds. He took every opportunity given to go on T.V., radio, print interviews etc in order to explain, clarify, reassure and push the content of the Declaration.

This was followed by the ceasefire, border roads being re-opened, security on streets being reduced, and examination of how foreign investment could be generated leading to a more prosperous economy in which all communities could benefit. Dr. Manseragh applauded Albert Reynolds very recent settlement which he won against the Sunday Times for an article which t'ey printed after the fall of the Reynolds government.

Dr. Manseragh followed up with a systematic account of the sequential events that followed, the difficulties experienced in 1995 with the 'slow bicycling' policy pursued by Patrick Mayhew over decommissioning, the breakdown of the IRA ceasefire, the British and Irish General Elections in May and June 1997, respectively, leading eventually to the Good Friday agreement of 1998. Dr. Manseragh praised the part played by Bertie Ahern, particularly his ability to relate to people without being confrontational.

He has built up very good personal relationships with David Trimble, among others, being the first first Fianna FAil leader to go into Unionist Party offices and also the first Fianna Fail leader to visit Republican West Belfast since DeValera.

In conclusion, Dr. Manseragh focused on the dynamism of the process presently highlighting the work being done by the North/south bodies in particular.

At the end of the Question and Answer session which folliowed, Dr. Manseragh was presented by the Maynooth Cumann with a symbolic present of Waterford Cryrstall Goblets, issued for the Millenium to toast Peace.

### BUDGET SUBMISSION TO CHARLIE MCCREEVY by MAYNOOTH CUMANN

The Maynooth Cumann presented its budget submission to the Minister last weekend. The Cumann wrote to all its members in Maynooth inviting them to submit ideas for inclusion in the submission. The Cumann officer board then met on a number of occasions to discuss and agree on the issues to be included in the submission. The general theme of the submission was summarised by officer board member Noel Brilly as "giving something back to the people without having an adverse effect on inflation". The Cumann have put forward proposals in relation to the following topics.

- 1) Pensioners - proposals related to concessions regarding car tax, vouchers towards the cost of the National Car Test and increased fuel allowance.
- 2) Fixed income recipients.
- 3) Carers - people looking after family members. unable to fend for themselves at home, should perhaps be able to receive significant allowances.
- 4) Students - parents of students paying rent for accommodation should be able to receive a significant relief on their tax allowances. Also maintenance grants for students should be increased as no increase has been received for a number of years.
- 5) Home working incentives to be introduced and strengthened.
- 6) Green issues - tax incentives should be introduced for recycling processes.
- 8) Childcare - Benefits for working parents to be introduced to hepl towards the cost of childcare, which in turn will help release more people into the workforce.

After some time discussing the various proposals with the Cumann Committee Charlie McCreevy praised the Cumann for its initiative and he said he would consider them during the preparation of the budget.

### MINISTER MCCREEVY MEETS WITH SENIOR IARNROD EIREANN PERSONNEL IN MAYNOOTH NEW STATION

Following meeting held in the Glenroyal Hotel and on site, Minister McCreevy and Cumann members accompanied the Minister to the new Rail Station currently being completed in Maynooth.

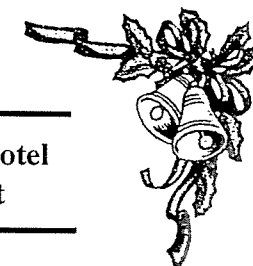
There the Minister met with senior representatives of Iarnrod Eireann including Acting Station Master in Maynooth Mr. Stephen Mangan, Christy Stapleton, Operations Manager with Iarnrod Eireann and Mr. Barry Kenny, Public Relations officer with Iarnrod Eireann and resident of Maynooth himself. Congratulations to Barry on his subsequent Wedding !!!!!!!!!!!

The Minister announced that the upgrade and increased facilities and frequencies of services would be a welcome addition to the residents and commuters of Maynooth, both present and future, an area which has expanded so rapidly and consistently over the last 10 years in particular. Cont'



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## Party Political

The Minister toured the new Station building itself which will be opened at the end of October or beginning of November and on which £20 million has been made available for its construction. A further £20 million will have been spent on providing 20 new longer diesel cars with greater capacity. The new Station will have new PA systems, mobility impaired access, new lighting, passenger help points, closed circuit television and real time information.

The new facilities and new tracking and signalling put in place will enable a much improved frequency of services with trains departing every 30 minutes during off-peak periods and every 20 minutes during peak-time. There will also be a service available during the small hours of the morning/night which again will be a welcome safety addition to the residents of Maynooth who travel to and from the City Centre on a regular basis. While the new Station and its facilities will be open by the end of October, the increased frequency of trains will be starting in January.

### LOCAL NOTES - CHARLIE MCCREEVY T.D. AND CLLR. PAUL KELLY

A) MR. DERMOT AHERN T.D. MINISTER FOR SOCIAL, COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AFFAIRS has written to Minister McCreedy detailing Grants which have been approved under the 2000 Scheme for local based Community and Family Support Groups to bodies in the area. Bodies concerned include among many others, Newbridge Access Group, Nass Adult Centre for Education, Network - Kildare, Maynooth Adult Daytime education and Leixlip Womens studies.

B) MR. DAN WALLACE T.D. MINISTER OF STATE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT has written to Minister McCreedy giving details of Grants being made to 122 projects under the 2000 Environmental Partnership Fund. The increased number of applications to this fund shows that awareness has been heightened of the importance of environmental protection schemes. Among the local groups to be successful in their applications were:-

-KIWI, Kilcock - based on local partnership effort concept and will make a significant difference in delivery on the core objectives of the Departments National waste Initiative.  
- Leixlip Integrated Waste Initiative - formed to reduce the amount of waste leaving Leixlip.

C) Charlie McCreedy has welcomed the announcement by BOBBY MOLLOY T.D. MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL of the approval for 43 3-bedroomed houses, 11 2-bedroomed houses and communal facilities under the Departments Rental Subsidy Scheme at Caragh road, Nass. The estimated cost will be £5.4 million and allocation will be made to households on the Local Authority housing waiting list. Minister McCreedy declared that the Government is currently working very hard to increase the supply of serviced land to ensure more of these types of developments will be made available.

### SILKEN VALE

Minister McCreedy and Cumann members had a walkabout in Silken Vale on Saturday 7th October, and met with representatives of the Residents Association concerning their objections to Iarnrod Eireann's application for access maintenance gate in Silken Vale. Minister McCreedy has been engaged in on-going representations to Kildare County Council and an Bord Pleanála on behalf of the residents. Decision due date from An Bord Pleanála is 7th December.

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### CASTLEDAWSON ESTATE

Again Charlie McCreedy has made on-going representations to Kildare County Council regarding the Rathcoffey road design, having met with a representatives of the Residents on 7th October in the Glenroyal Hotel..

### MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL - EXTENSION GIVEN GO AHEAD

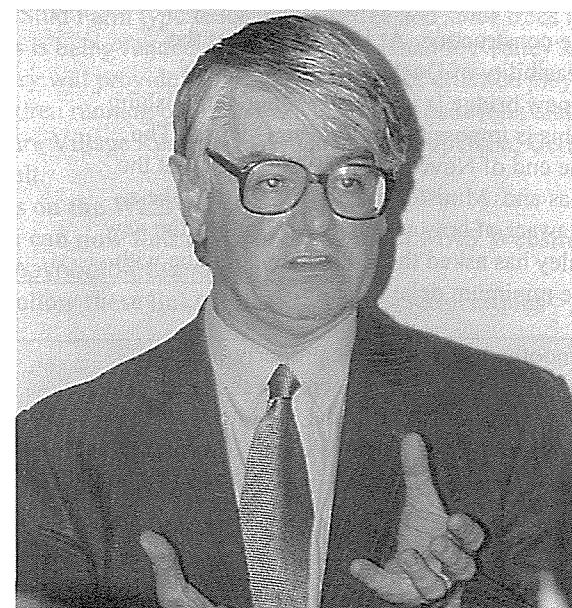
The Chairman of the Cumann, Gearoid Lohan was delighted to receive news that the Department of Education under Minister Michael Woods has sanctioned the extension to Maynooth Post Primary school. The extension will allow accommodation for an extra 850 pupils, and work is expected to begin early in the New Year. Minister McCreedy was also very pleased to learn of the go-ahead having made representations on behalf of the school to the Minister, Michael Woods.

### CAIRDE FAIL DINNER - November 3rd

The annual Cairde Fail Dinner Dance will take place this year on Thursday 30th November in City West Hotel. An Taoiseach Bertie Ahern will attend and the Maynooth Cumann intends to have a table on the night. Anyone interested in attending should contact myself at the number below. Tickets cost £40.00 each and music entertainment will be provided by Paddy Cole.

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*Gealoid Nolan outlining  
the Cumann's submission  
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Action Required to Prevent a Recurrence of the Flooding:

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's proposal it was agreed at the Special Council Meeting on 20 November, that time would be set aside at the Monthly Meeting of the Council on 27 November to consider the Council's report on the flooding. Cllr. McGinley also asked that a member of the National Roads Authority (NRA) be in attendance.

Cllr. McGinley has also put forward the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That the following action be taken in order to prevent a recurrence of the flooding in Meadowbrook, Brookfield, Newtown and Parson Street:

1. That an alternative, to the Meadowbrook Stream, be found for taking the Motorway surface water drainage e.g. Lagoons.
2. That the grills on the pipes at the bridges on the Meadowbrook Stream be removed immediately as they contributed to the flooding.
3. That the culverted of the Meadowbrook Stream, which has already been agreed by the Council, be speeded up.
4. That the boundary wall between the Joan Slade River and Parson Street be rebuilt completely as the flooding in Parson Street was caused by the holes in the existing wall.
5. That enough sand bags be retained in the Council Yard in Maynooth for any future such emergencies.

Proposals for Work to be Funded from Development Levies:

The Council are at presents compiling a list of work to be carried out using Development Levies already collected. Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following list for inclusion:

- \* Finish the Maynooth Town Improvement Works as outlined in the O'Neill 1996 Plan.
- \* Finish the Road Restoration Programme for Leixlip as outlined in the O'Neill 1995 Plan.
- Realign the Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth and include footpaths and cycle paths. The footpath should extend beyond the motorway bridge to accommodate the new soccer pitches.
- Finish resurfacing of roads in Carton Court and Cluain Aoibhinn
- Resurface all of the Back Lanes in Maynooth.
- Provide traffic route public lighting and a footpath on the Celbridge Road, Maynooth, from the Straffan Road to the new Gael Scoil.
- Realign Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road, Maynooth and remove the 'green' strip.
- Rebuild completely the Parson Street boundary wall with the Joan Slade River.
- Culvert the Meadowbrook Stream.
- Repair the footpaths in Carton Court and College Green, Maynooth.
- Repair the roads and footpaths in Avondale Estate, Leixlip.
- Prune trees, and remove where necessary, in all housing estates in Maynooth and Leixlip. All removed trees to be replaced with appropriate mature trees.

Bond Bridge Construction Held up by Duchas:

Duchas are still holding up progress on the new Bond Bridge construction. At Duchas request the Council employed a **Conservation Architect** to evaluate the feasibility of Duchas proposals which effectively called for the building of the new bridge, where the new bridge is located, without demolishing the old bridge. Anyone with common sense would realise that this is impossible, but no so Duchas. The Conservation Architect's report to the Council is due before the end of November and it is likely that the Council will accept the recommendations. It is then up to Duchas and Minister Sile de Valera to make a fast decision. Emmet Stagg T.D. has already made the Minister aware of how essential it is to have the new bridge constructed without any further delay. Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to continue with the design work so that the tendering stage can proceed with the minimum delay.

Resurfacing of Back Lanes in Maynooth:

Cllr. John McGinley has asked that the Back Lanes off Maynooths Main Street be properly surfaced, using development levies collected in the area, without any further delay. The resurfacing of the lanes has prevented double yellow lines from being painted on one side of them as agreed in the Parking Bye Laws. Hopefully when this work is completed there will no longer be any problems for the Wheelie Bin truck gaining entry.

Carton Avenue and Top of Main Street, Maynooth

Council officials advised Cllr. McGinley at the Area Meeting on 10 April last that they had £198,000 in funds to extend the Main Street Improvement Works to take in the entrance to Carton Avenue and the top of Main Street area. Since then the Maynooth Action Strategy (MAS) group have produced there own proposals for the Avenue and the entrance to it. They have also secured a further £100,000 funding from the Minister for Finance. Cllr. McGinley submitted a motion asking that the scope of work be agreed and co-ordinated without any further delay. He also demanded that a Council Official take over responsibility for the project with a view to seeking tenders for the work early in the new year. It would be a disgrace if this funding was lost to Maynooth through the inaction of Council Staff.

Carton Court:

Following representations from the Residents' Association Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

" That the resurfacing of the roadways, begun in Carton Court, Maynooth, last year, be completed without any further delay and that the Area Engineer carry out a survey on the condition of the footpaths and that a remedial works plan be drawn up."

In addition Cllr. McGinley has allocated £8,000 of his Discretionary Funding to carry out repairs to the worst sections of the footpaths before the years end.

Cllr. McGinley has also asked EIRCOM to remove the Phone Box as requested by the Residents' Association.

Wall at the Bottom of Greenfield Drive:

Cllr. John McGinley has allocated £2,250 of his Discretionary Funding for the rebuilding of the wall.

Rockfield:

Following representations from the Residents' Association Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to introduce safety measures at the junction of the footpath from Rockfield Lodge and Rockfield Avenue.

Pedestrian Footbridge—Maynooth Rail Station

Arising from representations from commuters, Deputy Emmet Stagg contacted Iarnrod Eireann concerning the dangerous footbridge linking the platforms at Maynooth Rail Station. A number of the steps were broken. Iarnrod Eireann have responded indicating that the Bridge will be examined and repaired.

Increased Frequency on Maynooth Suburban Line

Following the doubling of the rail line from Maynooth to Clonsilla, Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised that increased services will be available in early 2001. There will be additional services at peak and off peak times and also a Sunday service will be in operation.

Extension of Quality Bus Corridor

In response to enquiries from Dublin Bus commuters Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the extension of the Lucan Quality Bus Corridor to cover both the Lucan and Chapelizod By-passes.

Moyglare Village Boundary Agreed

Cllr. John McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg are pleased that agreement has now been reached with Moyglare Village Residents' Association on the provision of a boundary on the front green of their estate. A double Stud Farm type fence with a hedge and some trees in the middle will be provided at a cost of £7,000 and this is being funded in full from Cllr. John McGinley's Discretionary Grant. The provision of the boundary will provide a safe environment for children playing in the front green and will eliminate the risk of children running out onto the Moyglare Road. John and Emmet would, in particular, like to thank Moyglare Village Residents' Association Chairperson, Gerry MacCann, who was instrumental in achieving the result.

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*Wishing all our Constituents*  
*a Happy Christmas*



MAYNOOTH TOWN F.C. NOTES

With the new pitches coming on stream on the Rathcoffey Rd this is an exciting time for Maynooth Town Football Club. The first Sunday of fixtures on the new site was a great success with Pat Moynan's under 11's side winning the first ever game. We gained some valuable experience from this trial run. Our thanks to Paul Davies and all at NUI Maynooth for the use of their pitches while we installed a car park for visitors. This was seen as an urgent requirement to avoid cars parking on the road. The pitch has also been verti-drained, fertilized and 25 ton of sand is to be spread on it to improve the surface. A turfcare consultant has been employed to advise on how best to bring the surface to a standard to provide a playing pitch until the state of the art pitches are developed.

New temporary dressing rooms are also now on site and permanent goal posts have been installed. These are all short term measures to see us through the current season. In the longer term, surveyors have already been to survey the grounds and their brief is to put together a draft plan for a final layout of the site. It would be the club's intension to consult with all who may wish to have an input before drawing up the final layout. It is hoped that we will gain a facility that will be more than just a home for soccer in Maynooth but an asset to the larger community.

The improvements to date have cost in the order of £10,000. This finance in the main has come from our weekly Lotto draw and we would encourage all supporters of our plans to support our fundraising efforts in any way possible. Finally we would ask all to be patient in this time of major transition and on behalf of the committee, managers and players of Maynooth Town F.C. have a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

DDSL Under 8B1

Marino Boys 1 v Maynooth Town 3

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These Maynooth Town cubs will not be denied their determined march to the championship. They met stout and stubborn resistance from strong opposition in Marino Park but rose to the occasion well. A fine first half lob from John Comerford separated the teams at the interval. Changes at half time did not disrupt the Town's pattern of play.

Weekly Members Lotto Results

Date	Lucky No's	Jackpot	3 x £25 Winners		
23-Jul-00	1,12,18,24	£800	PAULA O' CONNOR	IMELDA DOWLING	SHEA O' SULLIVAN
30-Jul-00	5,9,10,14	£850	JOAN CARROLL	MARGARET DEMPSEY	KARL c/o Caulfields
6-Aug-00	7,10,15,21	£900	JACKIE NOLAN	EDEL HARKIN	LAUREN EDWARDS
13-Aug-00	9,19,20,24	£950	BERNIE WALSH	JACKIE NOLAN	ROSEANNA BYRNE
20-Aug-00	10,11,19,21	£1000	DES KANE	JOSIE KIERNAN	DAN O' DRISCOLL
27-Aug-00	13,21,27,28	£1050	MICHEAL RYAN	RACHEL CASSIDY	PAT KILKENNY
3-Sep-00	5,8,9,20	£1100	MICK FAHEY	B. NURNEY	BER FAHEY
10-Sep-00	3,4,5,27	£1150	WILLIAM FARRELLY	DECLAN COYNE	M. DALY
17-Sep-00	10,16,18,28	£1200	KARL c/o Caulfields	KATHLEEN DEMPSEY	EAMON CARTY
24-Sep-00	1,5,8,15	£1250	GERRY Mc TERNAN	EILISH ASH	EUGENE FITZPATRICK
1-Oct-00	5,12,18,27	£1300	KEN HYLAND	BERNIE FAHY	COLM NEARY
8-Oct-00	3,9,12,27	£1350	DON FOLEY	MICK GERATHY	SUZANNE FARRELLY
15-Oct-00	5,6,10,21	£1400	CIAN O' HAGAN	TRIONA CAHILL	DON FOLEY
22-Oct-00	1,14,16,21	£1450	COLM LOFTUS	KEVIN WALSH	JOHN DRIVER
29-Oct-00	13,14,20,25	£1500	LISA KEALY	GERARD HEGARTY	NIAMH MONGEY
5-Nov-00	1,14,16,21	£1550	MARGARET GANNON	MICK FANNING	T. KIRBY

Martin O' Connor typified this confidence with a fine run and long range strike which put his side 2-0 up. Still the game was evenly balanced and Marino were dangerous on the break. Shane Hawthorne linked well with David Burgess to score goal number three. The home side did manage to score a consolation goal near the end which they deserved for their fine efforts. Maynooth from: James Walsh, Christopher Hobbes, David Murray, John Comerford, Paul Carey, David Burgess, Andrew Foxe, Conor Glynn, Ciaran Kearney, Martin O' Connor, Colm O' Neill, Shane Hawthorne and Conor Sauls

DDSL Under 8D

Maynooth Town 3 v Palmerstown Rangers 5

Maynooth's newest recruits got off to a slow start in this under 8's clash with Palmerstown Rangers. Having conceded two solid goals the Town began to dominate midfield but missed a solid kick just before the break leaving them trailing at half time. The second period began well for the home side as substitute Theo Riva brought the sides level courtesy of two excellent free kicks. Several substitutions meant the game lost its flow and the home side began to surrender the midfield advantage. Once again Rangers got the upper hand and converted three easy chances despite several good saves from home keeper Tom Donoghue. Theo Riva completed his hatrick following an unstoppable run from his own half but Maynooth were unable to close the gap any further.

Maynooth from: Tom Donoghue, Ronan Kirwin, Luke Essex, Desin O'Brien, Garvin Dowling, Hughie Faherty, Andrew Corbett, Theo Riva, Neil Flynn, David Toner, David Scanlon, O'Callaghan, Ciaran Cunningham, Ruari Brett and Lee Cairns.

A Merry Christmas &  
A Peaceful New Year to All  
From  
Maynooth Town Football Club

MAYNOOTH UNDER 11

Maynooth under 11 footballers saved their best performance till their last game in the autumn league. Against a determined and well trained Sallins team playing against a strong breeze they kept in touch and were only three points behind at half time.

After the half time talk they came out and eventually got the better of their opponents winning the game by three points. Once again the support of the parents was great to see at the game and the trainers are always grateful for their support.

**The team was:** Alex Cash, Seamus McGhillobhríde, Sean Moore, Dare Walsh, Cormac O'Reilly, Damien Greavy, Thomas Donnellan, Eoin Curran, Cathal Farrelly, William Reynolds, Emanuel Ali, Joe Dempsey, Danny Finnan.  
**Subs:** Ben Finnegan, Karl Lynch, Sean Barrett, Philip Corbally, John Devine, Rian Glynn, Colin McClean, David O'Grady.'

Despite a disappointing run of results in their autumn league Maynooth under 11 trainers Dennis Dempsey and Kieran Finnegan remain optimistic for the future. Half of the panel are under age next year.

The team was unlucky to lose star forward Francis McDonald in the summer and he is wished good luck in the playing fields of Westmeath. The support of the parents was great to see at the games and the trainers are always delighted to see parents support their children.

The panel is as follows:  
Emmanuel Ali, Sean Barrett, Alex Cash, Barry Connellan, Philip Corbally, Brian Cowley, Eoin Curran, Thomas Donnellan, Joe Dempsey, John Devine, Ciaran Egan, Danny Finnan, Garrett Farrelly, Ben Finnegan, Rian Glynn, Damien Greavy, Karl Lynch, Colin McClean, Seamus MacGhillobhríde, Sean Moore, David O'Grady, William Reynolds, Sean Senchnya, Cormac O'Reilly, Darragh Walsh.

Maynooth Gaelic Football Club renewed old friendships with Edenderry G.F.C. on Saturday last. A coach departed from Maynooth club house bringing both under 11 and under 9 teams to play two challenge matches. Despite the poor weather both games were very competitive with a draw in the under 9 game and a one point defeat for the under 11s.

Afterwards the Maynooth club treated the boys to a well deserved meal. Both teams have been training throughout the year. The under 9 team, for the second year in a row won their North Kildare League.

The trainers of both teams would like to thank the parents who helped to make the day a great success. Also the Edenderry club for the welcome they afforded them. Training will resume in February.

By Kieran Finnegan

Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately  
it kills all its pupils. (Ulrick Ruffert)



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### Alan Gaffney, (deceased)

The community council and staff wish to extend their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Alan Gaffney on his recent tragic death. He died in a horrific accident in Tipperary on his way home from his employment in Cork. Cut down at the start of his life with a great career ahead of him and, with his personality, a very enjoyable life as well. very enjoyable life as well. I first met him when he was hurling with Maynooth in Celbridge. New to Maynooth I knew very few of the players and when the match got very scrappy I shouted from the sideline to 'get ye'r two hands on the hurls and pull'. Meeting him apologetically after the match, he just laughed and put me at my ease. That is the type of lad he was "May the lord have mercy on his soul".

**Malone** (Maynooth) Donald, formerly of Greenfield, died Oct, 8- 2000, in London. His death is mourned by his sister, brothers, relatives and friends. "May he rest in peace "

**McCarthy Michael** - Oct 11- 2000 (peacefully), aged 91 years, Killeaney, Maynooth, Co. Meath (late of Killreelig, Ballinskelligs, Co. Kerry); deeply regretted by his loving wife Mary, daughter Mary (Mauren), sons Donald, Micheal and Sean, brothers, sisters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law., sister-in-law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

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Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked for many favours. This time I ask you for this special favour (mention your request).

Take it dear hear of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your Father sees it.

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