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Thomas (Tom) Nolan
85 Newtown,
Maynooth.

Died 20th September 1993
Also

A Birthday remembrance 27th September
DAD,

I often lie awake at night,
When the world is fast asleep.

I think of the dad I lost,
With tears upon my cheek.

I cannot get over losing you,
No matter how I try.

I've got to go on living,

I know that is true,

But it is just an existence,

It's nothing without you.

I have so many precious memories dad,

And in my heart they will stay.

No amount of passing time,

Will ever take them away,

Lots of things have happened dad,

Since you went away,

Things you should have shared with me,

If only god had let you stay.

Memories I have, and in my heart,

They will stay of a dad,

Who meant the world to me.

Sadly missed by his loving daughter,
Elizabeth and Eddie xx

NOVENA

PRAYER TO VIRGIN MARY

(Never known to fail)

O' Most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel ,fruitful vine
splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God.

Immaculate Virgin assist me in this necessity,

O Star of the Sea help me and show me here you are
my Mother O Holy Mary Mother of God,

Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you
from the bottom of my heart to succumb to me in my necessity.

There are none that can withstand Your Power,

O show here you are my Mother,

O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have
recourse to thee (3 times)

Holy Mary I place this case in your hands(3 times)

Sweet Mother I place this case in your hands(3 times)

O thank you for your mercy to me and mine, Amen.

This prayer must be said for 3 days,after that the
request will be granted.

This prayer must be published.

Birthday Greetings

To Lorraine Conneely, Pagetown, Maynooth. Happy
7th Birthday. Lots of love from Mam, Dad, Stephan,.
Aeadeana, Amy and Cindy the Dog.

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Please note you can now E-mail
your notes to us at

maynoothcc@eircom.net

Editorial

The Newsletter would like to sympathise with the families of Holly Welles and Jessica Chapman on their dreadful loss and their continuing searing and painful ordeal that is set to continue. We can only imagine their hurt, pain and suffering. Maybe it will serve as a reminder of all those people who have gone missing in Ireland over the years and perhaps inspire someone to come forward to help the police in their enquiries. Our sympathies go out to all those in such circumstances. May Holly and Jessica rest in peace.

On a slightly more cheerful note we would like to heartily congratulate the Leaving Certificate students from Maynooth Post-Primary School on their examination results. As usual the students did extremely well and continue to perpetrate the reputation of the school as one of the best in Ireland. At a time when the education system is under scrutiny at all levels it is perhaps a salutary reminder to the town that we are extremely fortunate to have the services of such an excellent establishment to look after our teenager's education. Some students did extraordinarily well with 575-80 points being the top marks achieved. We wish them all the best of luck in their chosen careers whether in the recently maligned IT courses or the more traditional professions such as medicine, law and the arts.

We would also like to welcome our new students to the town. There will be well in excess of 5,000 students descending on the College within the next four to five weeks. Our town lives at two distinct rhythmic paces, the hectic packed term time when three schools and two Universities try to weave their way around the streets and the quieter summer rhythm although this is now much busier than days gone by. The arrival of term time for all educational establishments will bring to the fore again the traffic problems that this town faces. Hopefully, many will try to use the school buses and try to walk or cycle to school and College although our prevailing bad weather makes the latter options messy and difficult. Maynooth deserves more attention from the local authority than we have received heretofore. This town is entirely unique in Ireland and it has been continually neglected in this respect. It has been noted here already that two major developments are planned for the Dublin and Galway ends of the town and it seems appropriate that we insist again that the local authority provides the proper infrastructure to service these developments. Otherwise, the quality of life in this small but growing town will become intolerable. Increased prosperity is stunted by the prospect of a serious decline in the quality of life.

Finally we would like to draw attention to the fact that the Post Office is on the move again. It opened in the Tesco Shopping Centre on Monday 19th August in sparkling and bright new premises. This is far more suitable than the building they inhabited for the past number of years. Is our Post Office the most mobile in the country we wonder? How many times has it moved since it was situated on the Main Street in the mid-eighties? We reckon this is the fourth move but perhaps we are wrong. We are not infallible although we would sometimes like to consider ourselves so.

Poets Corner

The Chase

As I stood on a wet Saturday afternoon watching the thoroughbreds

Taking their place in the parade ring

On a track I was not familiar with

As they moved main parade ring

And jockey owners trainers gathered their wits

As I stood and watched across the parade ring

One horse took my eye

His name was the Illywhacker

He stood out apart from the rest

The power in his loins and shoulders

Came beyond my surprise that this

Animal could run and jump the fences

in front of him

As he stood sixteen two

He was a remarkable fine beast and

Proved himself on the home turf

His jockey had a natural instinct on

How to ride this animal

The bell rang for jockeys to mount

Jockeys on board he walked around the ring

In remarkable style

They file out on to the race track and

canter to the wire

With the Illywhacker going down last

Jockeys had the girths saddle

and bridle checked over

By the handlers at start

Finally in to line with the Illywhacker bursting

just in time

To be in line with the rest of the field

As they to to the first at a blistering pace

The Illywhacker is definitely in the race

As the race unfolds with three to go

It looks as do the Illywhacker has stolen the show

Four in a line and one to jump the Illywhacker

with enormous jump

Hits the front as the crowd in the stands

including myself

Hits the sky and the Illywhacker

shows his bright eyes

For another days racing now over the Illywacker is

once again in the clover

Martin Russell

Dawn where Fox gloves gather

Where blue bells ring

field mice clean their whiskers

and the cricket sings.

Circles on the water

Near the sleeping swan

sway the water lilies

On the moon lit pond.

Liam Murray

Kids Going To School

Another morning has arrived

As the little kids get out of bed

Just look at the innocent hardy child

Awaken from dreams with a sleepy head

Immediately they get ready for the day

With clothes neat and a hurried meal

With their little hearts full of play

They face another school time ordeal

To the school they hurry along

Not knowing the reason for it at all

In their fantasy world nothing is wrong

As they all line up at the whistle wall

Drawing, Arithmetic they have to learn

With curious eyes and a working hand

Sometimes alone for Mum they yearn

But when school is over all is grand

Their enchanting faces learning a lot

Will benefit them in future years

A good education their kids have got

May they learn with fun and little fears

Each child to grow strong and unique

With goodness, culture and caring ways

For future generations they will fear

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Patrick Murray

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When: 12th September 2002

Time: 8pm till 9.30pm

All are welcome! The first 100 people to arrive on the evening will receive a free gardening gift. Why not come along? Refreshments will be provided.

**Any queries, call
Evelyn Pender
Community Relations Manager
Intel Ireland
Tel 606 7305
Mobile 087 987 2786**

The Tully School of Irish Dancing

Siobhan Keogh T.C.R.G./A.D.C.R.G Colm Keogh T.C.R.G. Aisling Keogh T.C.R.G.

History of the Tully School

The Tully School of Irish Dancing has been in existence for 35 years.

The School was founded by the late Lil Tully in 1965. Lil qualified as a dance teacher in that year under the guidance of the famous Lilly Comerford. It was at this stage Lil began teaching in the Crumlin area and soon after in the Ballyfermot area. As well as teaching dancing Lil also performed as a dancer at the launch of our national television station R.T.E. at the Shelbourne Hotel. Lil also performed on one of the most famous radio shows, "Take the floor" with the best dance Master of them all Rory O'Connor.

These days however the school is run by her daughters Siobhan & Aisling Keogh and her son Colm Keogh all qualified teachers while Siobhan is also a qualified Adjudicator. Siobhan and Colm both teach in the Crumlin area and Aisling is now taking the school to Galway.

Siobhan has extended the Tully School to North Kildare since she moved to Maynooth 8 years ago by teaching in Straffan since she qualified in 1990, and the opening of the Maynooth class September 2000.

The school has visited all corners of the globe including most of Europe & America and more recently South Africa - thrilling audiences with their performances.

The School also participated in the Show 100% pure Irish Dance and the children were dancing to a sell-out audience with Twink in the Olympia Theatre, in which every child in the class performed.

The Tully school of dancing is one of the most established schools of Irish Dancing in the country. It is Siobhan, Colm and Aisling's ambition to keep the school up and running for the next 35 years.

The Class Times are as follows:

Monday	Straffan Hall	5.45 p.m.
Thursday	Straffan Hall	7.00 p.m.
Saturday	ICA Hall Maynooth	10.45 a.m.

Contact No. 6290127/086 8962008



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The Heritage Service

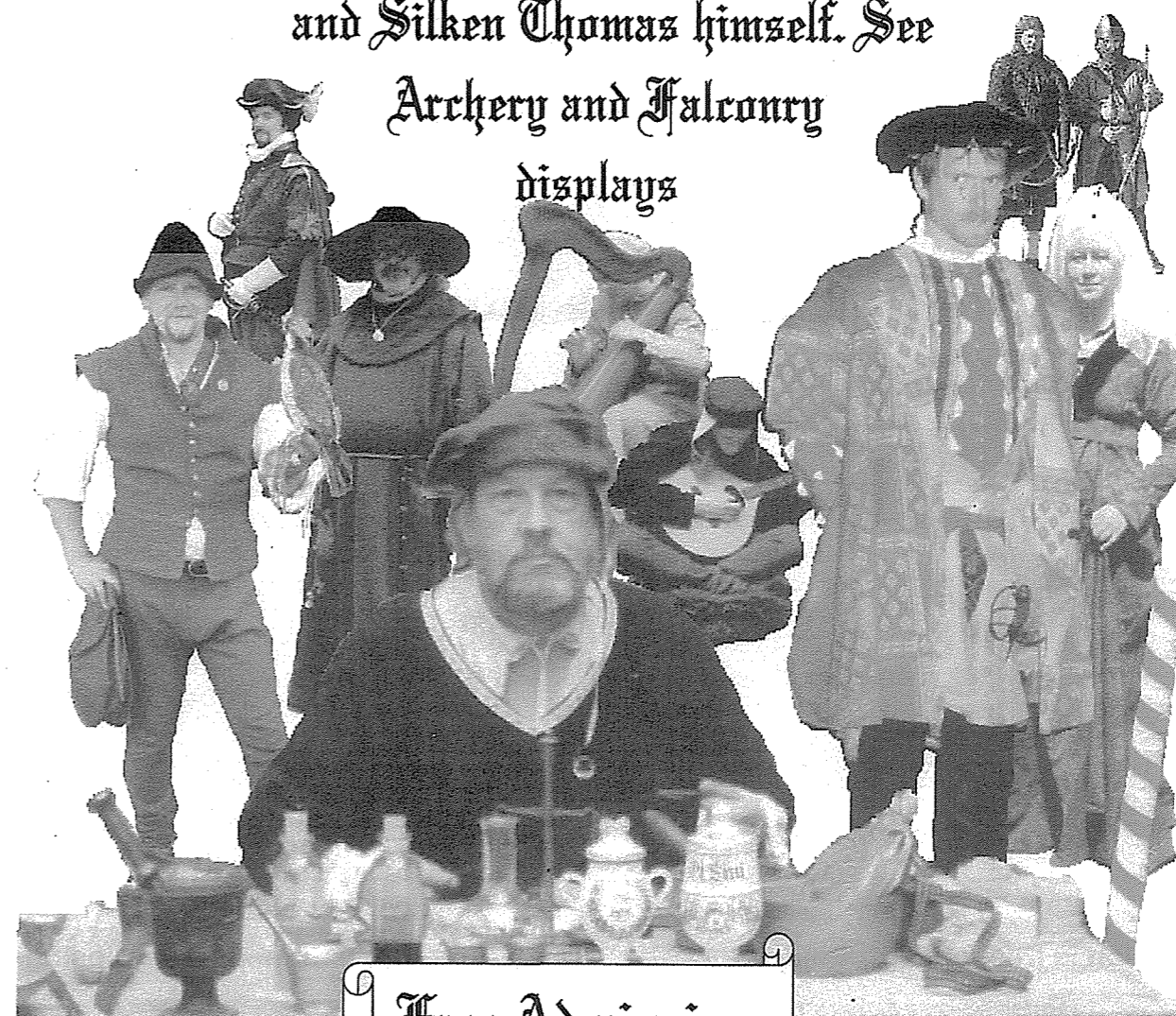
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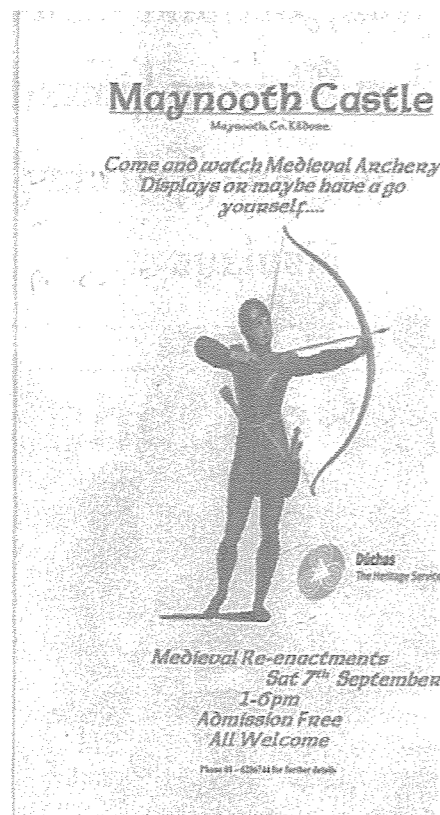
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Re : SATURDAY 7TH September 2002

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For further information contact Maynooth Castle or
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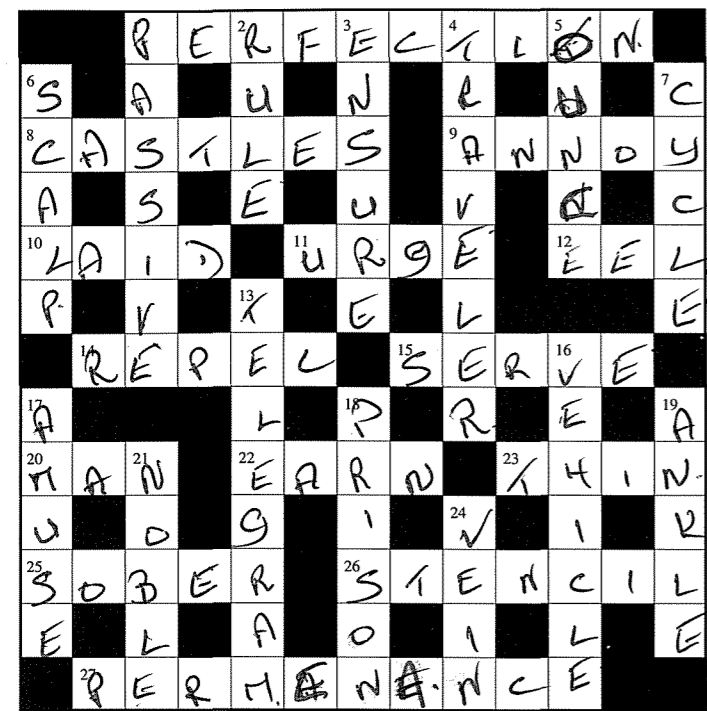
Jun 16th-end Sept: Mon-Fri 10.00-18.00, Sat & Sun & BH 13.00-18.00

Oct: Sun & BH 13.00-17.00

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Crossword

Crossword No: 4



Entries before: 14th Sept
Name _____
Address: _____

- Across:
- 1. State of being faultless (10)
 - 8. Historic buildings (7)
 - 9. Irritate (5)
 - 10. Have arranged table, dial back (4)
 - 11. Drive forcibly toward (4)
 - 12. Snake-like fish (3)
 - 14. Resist control (4)
 - 15. In tennis, its your turn to ace (5)
 - 20. A dogs best friend (3)
 - 22. Gain by labour (4)
 - 23. Slender build (4)
 - 25. Not drunk (5)
 - 26. Plate used for tracing letter and patters (7)
 - 27. Existence in the same form forever (10)

- Down:
- 1. Offering no active resistance (7)
 - 2. Line of conduct (4)
 - 3. Make safe (6)
 - 4. Person who rarely settles (US style) (8)
 - 5. Unit of weight (5)
 - 6. Over head; under hair (5)
 - 7. To ride a bike (5)
 - 13. Message sent by telegraph (8)
 - 16. From of transport (7)
 - 17. Keep happily occupied (5)
 - 18. House for crime (6)
 - 19. Foot joint (5)
 - 21. Person of high rank (5)
 - 24. Vessel that carries blood (4)

CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS
NO 3

Across: 1 Dashboards; 8 Instead; 9 Treat; 10 Grit; 11 Less; 12 May; 14 Debut; 15 Merit; 20 Tap; 22 Toys ; 23 Slur; 25 After; 26 Avenges; 27 Collateral.

Down: 1 Dislike; 2 Shed; 3 Bidder; 4 Artistes; 5 Dream; 6 Singe; 7 Stays; 13 Cultural; 16 Illegal; 17 Steal; 18 Tyrant; 19 Crisp; 21 Patio; 24 Dear .

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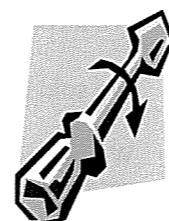
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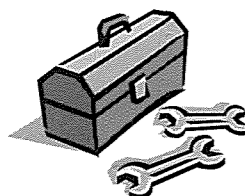
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File Number	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Application Type	Application Received	Development Description	Development Location
02/1383	Eamon S O Muircheartaich	Tunsion Kilcock Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	24/07/02	Extension to existing clinic of 20.25 sq. m.	Tunsion Kilcock Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1412	Dr. Linda Finley	97 Carton Court Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	26/07/02	Change of use of premises at the junction of main Street and Convent Lane, Maynooth from residential accommodation with signwriters workshop and store to chirpratic clinic and ancillary accommodation, the proposed development will consist of internal refurbishment	Main Street and Convent Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1442	Martin Bambrick	42 Maynooth Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	31/07/02	For proposed additional bedrooms over garage to side and single storey extension at front	42 Maynooth Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1445	Edward Frayne	Barreen Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/08/02	For two storey extension to rear of two storey house, erection of store for domestic use and installation of Septech 2000 effluent treatment plant	Barreen Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1446	Fionan Hardiman	The Plant Place Dublin Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/08/02	development will consist of the demolition of an existing two storey dwelling and greenhouses to the rear of the site and the construction of 16 no. 1 & 2 bed apartments with vehicular access from the Dublin Road	Dublin Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1450	Emma Fay	545 O'Neill Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/08/02	For domer bungalow to rear	545 O'Neill Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1453	Vincent Howley	72 Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/08/02	For new sunroom to rear	72 Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1457	Divine Word Missionaries	Mariavilla Moyglare Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/08/02	for two single storey rear extensions in the Service yard	Divine Word Missionaries Moyglare Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1464	Dermot D'arcy	Taghadoe Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	02/08/02	for the construction of dwelling house, domestic garage and biocycle waste water treatment system on site	Windgates Maynooth Co. Kildare

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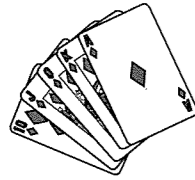
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Fri.	8 a.m.	-	9.00 p.m.
Sat.	8 a.m.	-	7.30 p.m.
Sunday & Bank Holidays	9 a.m.	-	6.30 p.m.

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02/1466	Donal Kavanagh & Michelle Morley	15 Meadowbrook Court Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	02/08/02	For a two storey 4 bedroom detached house to the side of existing house	15 Meadowbrook Court Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1471	Joe Farrell	Moortown Maynooth Road Celbridge Co. Kildare	P	06/08/02	development will consist of the conversion of existing garage to home office, new garage/shed and extension to existing former dwelling	Moortown Maynooth Road Celbridge Co. Kildare
02/1477	NUI Maynooth	Nation Univesity of Ireland Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	06/08/02	for the construction of an extension to the existing students social centre at the National University of Ireland, Maynooth, comprising of offices, common room and ancillary accommodation at ground floor level, meeting rooms within roof space etc	NUI Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1483	Noel Foster	Barberstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	06/08/02	to erect a bungalow and bio-dsic small waste water treatment unit complete with percolation area	Barberstown Upper Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1490	Paul Murphy	2201 Highfield Estate Newbridge Co. Kildare	P	07/08/02	for a new, relocated entrance gateway in lieu of the existing to agricultural lands	Ballygoran Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1510	Aidan Sinnott	114 Moyglare Village Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	08/08/02	retention sought for the development consisting of single storey extension of utility room extended kitchen and sunroom to the side and rear of existing house	114 Moyglare Village Maynooth Co. Kildare
02/1523	Damien & Peter Cassells	Celbridge Road Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/08/02	Permission sought for 2 former bungalows and demolition of existing dwelling	200 Celbridge Road Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare
01/1532	Adrian & Patricia Sweeney	22 Parklands Close Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	13/08/02	Permission sought to erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house and continuance of use of existing garage conversion	22 Parklands Close Rail Park Maynooth

Dorin's Recipes

ROAST LOIN OF PORK

Serves 4-6

1/2 tbsp dried thyme

1 bay leaf, crumbled

Freshly ground black pepper to taste

1 tsp wholegrain mustard

3 tbsp fresh wholemeal breadcrumbs

3 lb unboned loin of pork, trimmed of all fat

Thyme sprigs, to garnish

Method:

Mix together the herbs, seasoning and breadcrumbs in a bowl. Spread the mustard evenly over the surface of the pork and press on the breadcrumb mixture so it sticks to the mustard and evenly covers the surface.

Place the meat on a rack in a roasting pan and roast at 190c, 375f, gas mark 5 for 2 hours or until juices do not run pink when joint is pricked with a fine skewer.

Garnish with thyme sprigs and serve hot.

GOODNESS GUIDE

FAT Roasting the joint on a rack allows a greater amount of fat to drain off during cooking.

SALT Coating the meat with the mustard and herbs provide ample flavouring without adding salt.

VITAMINS A first - class protein source, pork is also rich in B vitamins.

BAKED EGGS WITH MOZZARELLA

Serves 4

1 large ripe tomato

1 spring onion, trimmed and chopped 1/2 oz Mozzarella cheese, diced

4 stoned black olives, sliced

1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

3 fl oz double cream

4 eggs

Parsley sprigs, to garnish

Method:

Preheat oven to 190c, 375f, gas mark 5 and lightly butter 4 ramekin dishes. Skin and seed the tomato and finely dice the flesh. Mix with the spring onion, cheese, olives, basil and seasoning. Divide between the 4 dishes. Heat the cream in a small pan until almost boiling, pour over the tomato mixture and crack an egg into each dish. Place in a roasting tin and pour in enough boiling water to come two-thirds of the way up the sides of the ramekins. Bake for 10-15 minutes until eggs are just set. Cool slightly, garnish with parsley and serve with toasted bread fingers or Melba toast.

BLACKBERRY AND APPLE TART

Serves 4

4 oz plain wholemeal flour

4 oz plain flour

4 oz polyunsaturated margarine

FILLING

2 large eating apples

8 oz blackberries, thawed if frozen

1 tbsp apricot jam, melted, for topping



Method:

make the pastry, mix together the flours, then rub in the margarine and 1 fl oz water, adding an extra 1 tsp water, if necessary, to form a firm dough. Turn out the dough on to a floured surface and knead lightly. Wrap in cling film and chill for at least 1 hour. Unwrap, roll out and line a 8 inch loose-bottomed flan ring. Peel, core and thinly slice the apples. Sprinkle the blackberries into the flan case and surround with a neat arrangement of apple slices. Bake at 200c, 400f, gas mark 6 for 25-30 minutes or until pastry looks golden and crunchy around the edges. While still hot, brush with the jam. Serve hot or cold.

GOODNESS GUIDE

VITAMINS The tart is rich in vitamin C - blackberries are a good source. Vitamin C is vital for healthy skin and hair.

MINERALS The fruit has potassium.

FIBRE Soft fruit such as blackberries are an excellent and often ignored source of fibre. The use of wholemeal flour in the pastry increases the fibre content.

HAM IN WINE SAUCE

Serves 4

1/2 pint dry white wine

3 sprigs of tarragon

1 1/2 oz butter

4 thick slices ham

3 shallots

2 tablespoons vinegar

1 teaspoon crushed peppercorns

1/4 pint double cream

1 tablespoon tomato puree

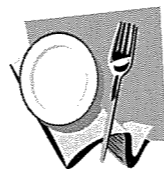
1 tablespoon butter and flour

Thickening (beurre manie)

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method:

Put the wine and tarragon (reserving a little for garnish) in a pan over a low heat. When beginning to boil, remove from the heat and leave to infuse for 10 minutes. Generously grease an ovenproof dish with the butter and place in the slices of ham. Pour over the strained wine. Cover the dish with buttered greaseproof paper or foil and put in a moderate oven 180c, 350f, gas mark 4 for 10 minutes. In a small pan boil the very finely chopped shallots with the vinegar and crushed peppercorns until the liquid is almost completely evaporated. When the ham is heated through, strain the wine into a saucepan and reduce by one-third. Add the shallots, cream and tomato puree. place over a medium heat and beat with a wire whisk. Thicken this sauce with the beurre manie (butter and flour worked together) and adjust seasoning to taste. Pour over the ham slices and sprinkle with chopped tarragon.



Dorin's Recipes Contd.

COD IN CURRIED CREAM SAUCE

Serves 4-6

2 lb cod

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

1 onion

4 shallots

1 1/2 oz butter

3 tablespoons brandy

2 tomatoes or 1 tablespoon tomato puree

1 small clove garlic

1 teaspoon curry powder

1/2 pint double cream

Pinch of cayenne

Garnish:

Chopped parsley

Method:

Wash and wipe the fish and cut into even pieces. Season. Fry the very finely chopped onion and shallots in a frying pan with the hot butter. When golden add the cod, and cook until firm over a high heat. Sprinkle with brandy and flame. Add the peeled and crushed tomatoes (or the puree diluted with a little water) and the crushed garlic. Season with salt, pepper and curry powder and cook for 10 minutes over a low heat, stirring from time to time. Drain the fish and keep warm. Strain the sauce through a conical sieve and place over a high heat. Add the cream and simmer for 2 minutes, beating with a wire whisk so that the cream thickens. Return the fish to the sauce, adjust seasoning and add a pinch of cayenne. Pour into a serving dish and sprinkle with chopped parsley.



CRAB STUFFED AVOCADOS

Serves 4

2 avocado pears

1 tablespoon lemon juice

1 can crabmeat

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Mayonnaise:

1 teaspoon French mustard

2 egg yolks

7 fl oz oil

Garnish:

Lettuce leaves

Paprika

Chopped parsley

Method:

Cut the avocado pears in half and remove the stones. Sprinkle the cut surfaces with half the lemon juice. Drain and flake the crabmeat. Prepare the mayonnaise by blending together the mustard and egg yolks, adding the oil a little at a time. When firm blend in the remaining lemon juice and season to taste. Season the avocado halves and fill each with a little crabmeat. Top with the mayonnaise and then the rest of the crabmeat. Arrange on a bed of lettuce leaves and sprinkle with paprika and chopped parsley. Serve well chilled.



TURNIPS WITH PARSLEY SAUCE

1 1/2 lb small turnips

2 oz butter

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

1/4 pint thick cream

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

6 tablespoons finely

Chopped parsley

Method:

Scrub the turnips clean. If they are really tiny, leave them whole. Otherwise cut them in halves or quarters. Cook until tender in lightly salted water, and drain. Dry put over a very gentle heat, then stir in the butter, mustard, and cream, adding salt and pepper to taste. Stir in the chopped parsley and serve with lamb, duck, beef or chicken.



DEVILLED STEAKS

Serves 4

1 tablespoon olive oil

4 fillet steaks, about 4 oz each

Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

2 tablespoons sherry vinegar

6 tablespoons dry red wine

4 tablespoons strong beef stock

2 cloves garlic, chopped

1 teaspoon crushed fennel seeds

1 tablespoon sun-dried tomato puree

Large pinch chilli power

Chopped fresh parsley and parsley sprigs, to garnish

Method:

Heat oil in a non-stick frying pan until smoking, then add the steaks. Cook for 2 minutes, turn over and cook for a further 2 minutes for medium/rare steaks. Cook for a little longer if well-done steaks are preferred. Remove from the pan, season and keep warm

while making the sauce. Pour vinegar, red wine and stock into the pan and boil for 30 seconds. Stir in garlic and fennel seeds. Whisk in the sun-dried tomato puree and chilli powder, to taste. Simmer until the sauce is syrupy. Place steaks on warm plates. Pour any juices into the sauce, bring to the boil, taste and season. Pour sauce over the steaks. Garnish with chopped parsley and parsley sprigs and serve with grilled tomatoes and roasted diced potatoes.

CAULIFLOWER WITH CHERVIL

1 medium cauliflower

Mayonnaise

4 tablespoons thin cream

3 tablespoons chopped chervil

Method:

Clean the cauliflower, divide it into sprigs and cook in boiling water until barley tender; drain. Thin the mayonnaise with the cream. Stir the chopped chervil into the mayonnaise and mix lightly with the cooked cauliflower. Allow to cool. Serve soon after cooling; do not chill. This is best served as an hors d'oeuvre.



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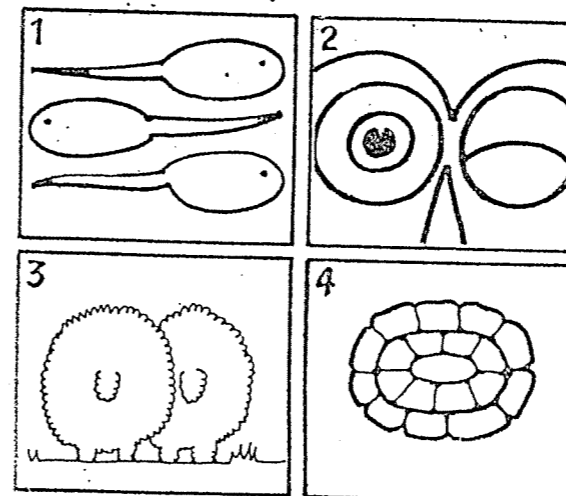
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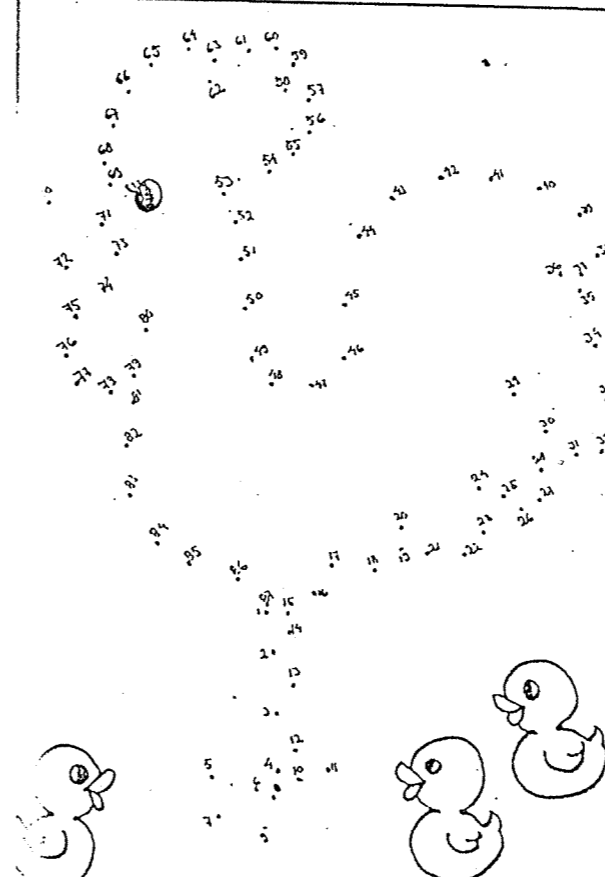


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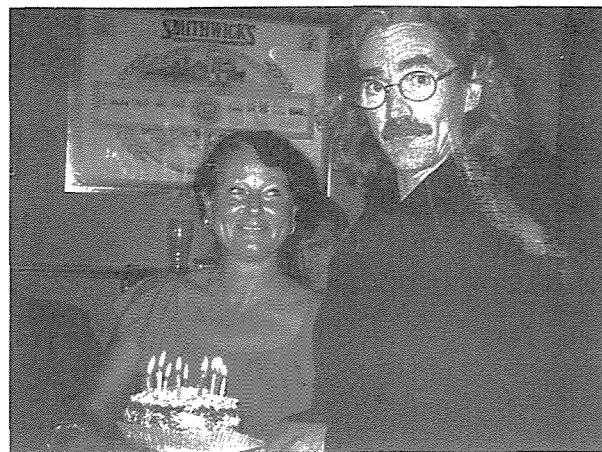


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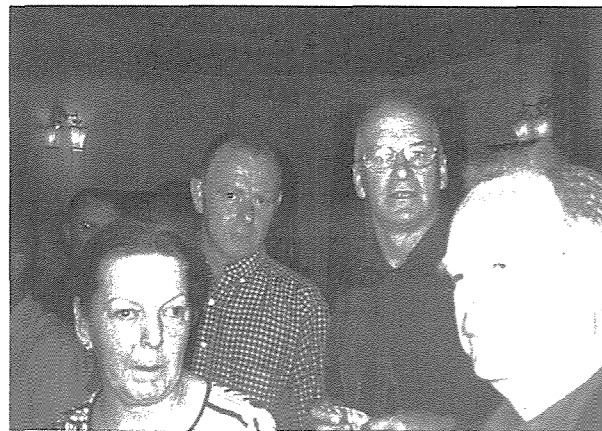


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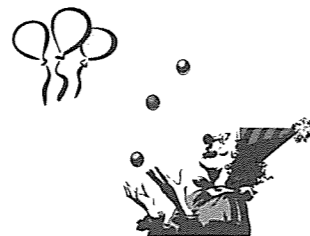


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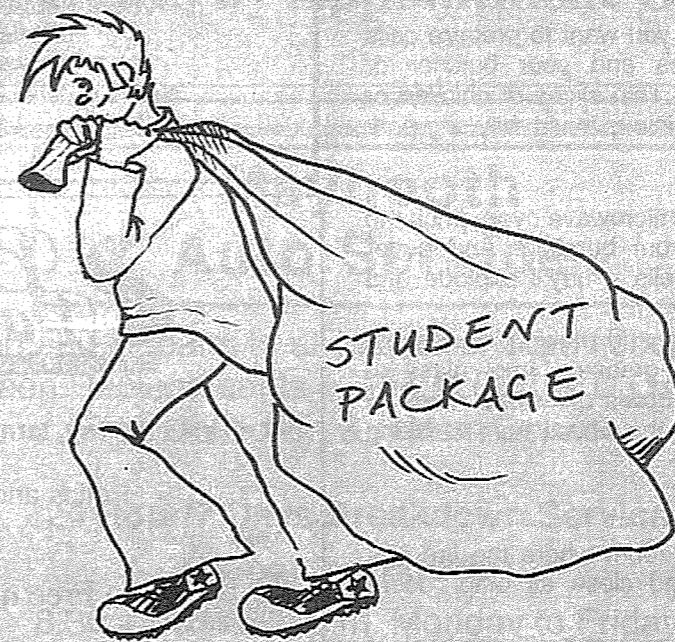
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- . Use humour (hey, do you want to cause an accident?) or distraction ('please add up the miles to the turnoff')
- . Turn up the volume on the radio or tape deck, without saying it's to drown out unwanted advice.
- . Sing while you drive, you may even inspire your passenger to sing along with you.
- . Take the other passengers aside before setting out and ask them to keep up an active conversation.

Chicken breasts

- . Don't give up if the recipe you want to prepare calls for pork or veal escalopes and your butcher or supermarket is out of them. Thin slices of chicken or turkey breast are equally delicious in virtually any pork or veal dish.

Eggs

- . When you cook eggs in a microwave oven, prick the yolks first to keep them from bursting. And never microwave eggs in their shells - they'll explode and make a mess.
- . When whisking egg whites and making meringues, whisk them up in a clean, grease - free, glass or porcelain bowl. Do not use bowls or whisks made of plastic - the plastic prevents the whites from whisking properly.

Fires

Making an escape:

- . If you can, get out of the room where the fire has started. Close the door, and close all other doors behind you.
- . Before opening a closed door, test it with the back of your hand for warmth. Do not open it if it feels hot or if smoke is seeping out from under it, because this means there is fire on the other side.
- . Get everyone out of the house, if they have not already vacated it. Don't try to find or pick up your valuables or any other possessions. Get out quickly, staying low if there's smoke - smoke can also kill.

Salt substitutes

- . Try this blend of herbs: 1 teaspoon garlic powder and 1 teaspoon each dried basil, oregano and celery salt. Use a mortar and pestle to grind them together; transfer to a salt cellar. Add a few grains of rice to keep the mixture dry.
- . a specier salt replacement, use 1 teaspoon each ground cloves, black pepper and crushed coriander seed mixed together with 2 teaspoons paprika and 1 tablespoon rosemary.

Washing machines

- . If your washing machine doesn't work, check the plug first, then the socket outlet. Next, see if both the hot and cold taps are turned on. (turn them off when the machine is not in use; constant pressure on the hoses eventually makes them leak) Check that the control switches are properly set.



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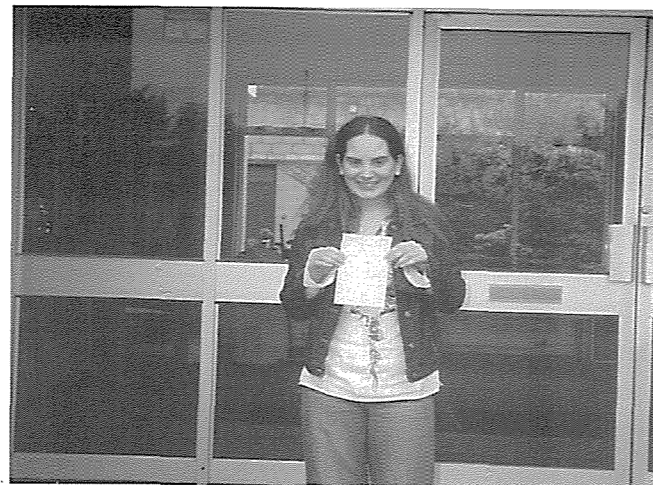
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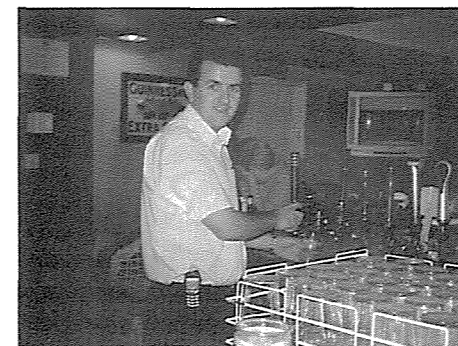


David McDermott, Jenny Taaffe & David Cox

Features

Challenge of the 9 dragons – sponsored walk in aid of the Butterfly Children

(Interview by Muireann N  Bhrolch  n)



Paul O'Rafferty was serving in a crowded Caulfields when I first tried to do this interview with him but we managed to have a quiet chat the following morning, quite early, over a cup of tea. Paul represented Caulfields in the Festival's Barperson of the Year and came a very creditable third considering the small premises and lesser clientele since renovations began some months ago. He told me then that he was interested in some publicity for a cause that he had recently espoused due to hearing a radio interview about the 'Butterfly Children'. He donated his prize money from his win to this fund.

Paul is about to undertake the walk of his life, a total of 200 km over an eight-day period of time in Hong Kong. He wants to raise money for children suffering from a disease known as Epidermolysis Bullosa, EB for short. This is a dreadfully distressing and painful genetic skin disorder that causes skin layers and internal body linings to separate and blister at the slightest touch. This is why they are called the Butterfly Children – the slightest touch can damage them.

The photographs in the leaflets that he brought with him were horrific and heart wrenching to see. Little bodies covered in blisters, tales of premature death and above all, the pain endured constantly on a daily basis.

EB effects about 1 in every 18,000 newborn children and it is a genetic condition that can run in families. It appears in all populations, race groups and in both sexes. It ranges from a relatively mild form with localised blisters that still cause significant distress to the most severe forms that cause external scarring leading to general debilitation, deformity, cancer and premature death. It costs  256 to fund a highly skilled researcher for one day and a donation of  32 could bring an effective treatment an hour closer.

This disease means that parents cannot hug, touch or comfort their children in case it makes matters worse, morning can bring more blisters simply from turning in bed, swallowing can mean tearing the skin in your throat when you swallow. For those of us without experience of such an illness, it does not bear thinking

about.

Paul will be raising money with sponsorship cards and also going around the town with a bucket, he needs a total of  3,000 as his contribution to the walk. This money will go towards the development of a specialist national service for adolescents/adults that is being developed at St. James's Hospital and towards the simple changing of dressings for the blisters. There is a society devoted to this cause **DEBRA** – the Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa Research Association that was founded in 1988 by a group of parents whose children suffered from EB. They are developing an EB nurse specialist service in Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin, the EB clinic there is supported by a Debra team of EB specialists and they give support, advice and help with welfare services and respite care.

There is some hope for a cure or at least treatment and a lot of the work is carried out by the Department of Genetics, Trinity College, Dublin. There is a plan for a research and wound healing section in Cork University Hospital.

Paul leaves Dublin on November 21st and arrives in Hong Kong on the 22nd. The walking begins on the morning of the 23rd with the first of nine ridges in the area that are known as the 9 dragons, hence the title Challenge of the 9 dragons. This section of the walk lasts three days and then the 26th remains a free day. Between the 27th and the 30th of November he will walk the remaining 6 ridges in the area of Kowloon, the new territories, and then there is some little free time before returning to Dublin on December 2nd.

He is no stranger to foreign climes however. Although he now lives in Kilcock, he is a native of Moyglare, just one mile inside the Meath border and is an ardent Meath football supporter. His parents still live in the family home. His grandparents ran the Post Office when it was on the Main Street until the mid-eighties. He went to school, both primary and post-primary, in Maynooth but he left for the Isle of Man, spending 7 years working in bars and restaurants. He says that he loves the bar and catering trade but he changed careers for a time. He got a call from a friend who was going to Abu Dhabi; Paul dropped everything and took off. He described coming off the plane into 30 degrees heat and 95% humidity and wondering what he was doing there. But he adjusted and spent 4 years there working with air freight. When things began to change there, he decided to come home and he has been here since February 2000 and working in Caulfields since November 2000. The pub will be closing temporarily in about three weeks time for a period of approximately 10 weeks for major renovations but Paul hopes to be serving pints again in early December and Stephen's Day should be celebrated there in traditional fashion in 2002 as usual.

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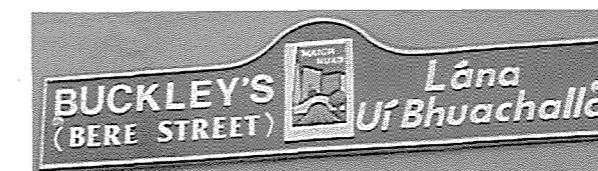
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Early Irish Society (Contd. from last month)

Two elements of early Irish law may surprise us in the 21st century where we think that we have discovered such concepts as sexual harassment. Both sexual harassment and rape were legislated for under early Irish law.

Two different types of rape were recognised and fines were paid for both. Although the terms for the payments are different – the accumulated price seems to be the same for both. But to discuss then the two different types of rape, one was called *forcor* (forcible rape) and the second is called *sleth* (rape without violence). *Forcor* is the term used for forcible rape but the second, *sleth*, describes intercourse with a woman who is drunk, asleep or unable to give consent for various reasons. This might be described as their equivalent of date rape. Marital rape can hardly have been recognised, certainly the law makes no mention of such an occurrence and wives were seen as the property of their husbands.

The word *sleth* appears to come from the Old Irish noun *seilid* that means 'creeps'. (From this comes the word for a snail in Irish, *seilide* 'that which creeps'.) If there is a connection between the two words then *sleth* may mean 'creep'. How appropriate! One wonders if this is more than coincidental, the early Irish were wordsmiths of quality and this kind of word play is part of the language.

Early Indian law also distinguishes between forcible rape and the seduction of a sleeping girl or if she is intoxicated or suffers from a disordered mind.

One text suggests that *sleth* meant incomplete intercourse but this is found nowhere else. Indeed the existence of the term *mac sleithe* (a child begotten through *sleth*) indicates that this act could lead to conception.

The honour price mentioned concerns the rape of a young girl of marriageable age, of a *cétmuinter* (principle wife) or of a nun who has not given up the veil. The fine for the rape of the second wife, the recognised woman, was half the price of the principal wife as usual.

But there are women who cannot claim any compensation for rape – a practising prostitute, women who arrange meetings in bushes or in beds, the married woman who agrees to meet with another man and the woman who conceals her rape.

The law says:

'This is when sexual intercourse by stealth perpetrated on a woman is not actionable and is without wergild (*éraic*) i.e. if the woman fell asleep at a fair or in an ale-house without a witness to testify there is no wergild for sexual intercourse by stealth'.

Another text states:

'I discharged an action for sexual intercourse by stealth (*sleith*) perpetrated upon a single woman in a mead-house. It was technically incorrect, but it was equitable, because it was wrong for a woman to be amongst a houseful without her partner to watch over her'.

Therefore, in the case of a woman who has been in a drinking-house alone she cannot claim compensation either.

The law says again: 'There are seven women in Irish law who are liable in their encounters and who are not entitled to penalty (*díre*) or honour-price (*enechlann*) for their *sleith*; they are not entitled to fine (*fiacha*) or body-fine (*éraic*) for rape whosoever may have done so: a whore who offers her body to all, until she becomes chaste, a woman who observes that she is the (keeps quiet about it) victim of *sleith* (and does nothing about it), a woman who conceals her rape, a woman who is raped in a town and who does not cry out until the rapist has got away, a woman who agrees to have illicit intercourse in despite of her husband, a woman who trysts with a man in the bushes or in bed, a woman who involves a body-surety, cleric or lay, by the offer of sexual favours, a woman who offers herself for something trivial. These are seven women who are capable of giving their bodies in sexual intercourse, provided they do not fail in their duties. Their children do not belong to the family and they are not entitled to the profits arising from cohabitation'.

Normally, if a child is conceived due to the rape, it is the rapist himself who is responsible for the upkeep of that child. He is responsible not the woman's family. It is not clear where the child lives, whether with the responsible father or with the woman's family.

Commentary to the law says that a woman who does not complain within three days cannot claim compensation either.

The connection with the Old Testament here is indicative of the close relationship between the native and Christian tradition. As noted before all literature, whether Brehon law or Christian law, was recorded by Christian monks in monasteries. Deuteronomy 22:23-27 says of rape:

'If there is a betrothed virgin and a man meets her in the city and lies with her, then you shall bring both of them out to the gate of that city, and you shall stone them to death with stones, the young woman because she did not cry for help though she was in the city, and the man because he violated his neighbour's wife; so you shall purge the evil from the midst of you. But if in the open country a man meets a young woman who is betrothed, and the man seizes her and lies with her, then only the man who lay with her shall die. But to the young woman you shall do nothing; in the young woman there is no offence punishable by death, for this case is like that of a man attacking and murdering his neighbour; because he came upon her in the open country, and though the betrothed young woman cried for help, there was no one to rescue her'.

This is nearly repeated by early Irish law:

'I granted wergild (*éraic*) to a woman who did not cry out at her rape. It was technically incorrect but it was equitable, because she was raped in a desert place'. The woman sleeping with everyone is included in the seven types of women who cannot seek compensation

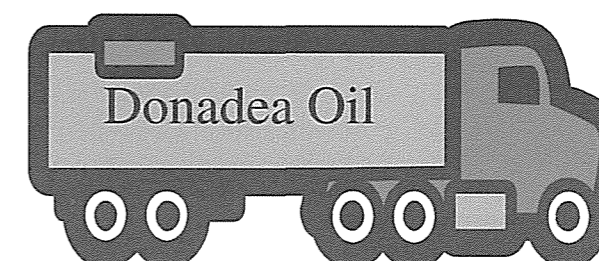
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from anyone. The law states:

'There are seven women in Irish law who are not entitled to penalty-fine (*dire*) or honour-price from anybody: a woman who thieves, a woman who lampoons every class of person, a woman who betrays, a tale-bearer until her slanders are off paid for her family, a whore in the bushes, a woman who slays, a woman who refuses hospitality to every class of person'.

Finally there is the case of what we call sexual harassment. The native law says that there is full honour price for kissing a woman against her will and a gloss refers to lifting a woman's skirt to shame her but here is no mention of the penalty for this.

The church law, in this case the Law of Adamnán (*Cáin Adamnáin*) instituted by the St Adamnán anglicized as Eunan, there is a fine of 10 ounces of silver for touching a woman or for putting a hand inside her girdle, and there is a larger fine for putting a hand under a woman's dress to defile her.

One can only imagine the outrage if there was an attempt to institute such a law within today's permissive society.

However, the practice of offering compensation to rape victims is something that modern day law is slowly beginning to consider again. The Law Reform Commission is including the Brehon law in its deliberations for the first time in hundreds of years. It is felt that there is much that can be learnt from the wisdom of our ancestors who legislated for the practical situations that they encountered and not for the ideals as we seem to do today.

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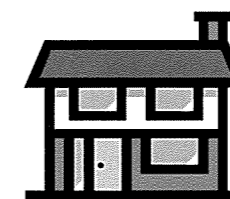
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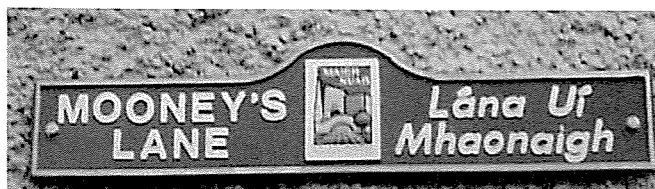
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Murder of the Month – the Nag's Head Pub

Sometimes we forget that murder is not confined to the recent dramatic events like the modern serial killer and that senseless killings occurred in the past as well. In 1944, during the war, on September 21st, a Thursday, such an event was discovered. England was in the throes of rationing and even beer shortages. The Nag's Head pub in Bradford was closed the previous night due to this shortage and its landlady, Mrs Jane Coulton, a widow, slept alone above the premises. Her husband had died 8 years before and she lived alone.

Early on the morning of the 21st, her neighbour, a Miss Hilda Granger, heard a dog barking. It was Mrs Coulton's little dog and when Miss Granger got up she saw that the light was on in the kitchen of the pub. She was puzzled by this and awoke her brother and both of them went to see what was amiss. But they got no answer to their knocking and when they saw that one of the windows had been broken they immediately notified the police and sent for the cleaner. They knew that she had a key to the premises.

Mrs Summerfield, the cleaner, let them in and they went upstairs where Mrs Coulton was seen lying on the bed. A stocking was wrapped around her neck and it emerged that she had been strangled. Blood on the bed was of a different group to Mrs Coulton's and the police suspected that the killer had injured his hand when he broke the window. It became evident that the motive was theft as her purse had been emptied and some items of jewellery were missing. These were three rings and two brooches along with scissors and a torch. But the killer had overlooked £119 that was locked in a drawer.

It did not take long for the police to find a suspect but tracking him down took a little longer. A soldier had gone AWOL from the station in Bradford on the night that the murder occurred. His name was Lance Corporal Arthur Thompson, 34 years old, described as 5 feet 9 inches, dark hair, grey eyes, swarthy and heavily built. He was a Liverpudlian and on September 22nd he was tracked as far as Burnley. It emerged that he had been in trouble all his adult life and he had a long string of convictions for robbery and house-breaking and he had spent some time in prison.

He had been injured recently in a brawl with another soldier and had spent some time in the nearby Westwood Hospital. He had visited the Nag's Head, with some other patients, while he was recuperating. He had told his friends that he was short of cash. He was finally discharged on September 20th and went to town to celebrate. He spent the night on a pub-crawl until he hailed a taxi and went to Horton Bank Top. Although he said that he was returning to the hospital, the police suspected that he went to the Nag's Head, broke in and stole the items named above. Whatever his movements, he was back in the hospital by 2 a.m. and behaving suspiciously. He gave one of the

patients 11 shillings saying that won the money playing cards. He gave the same amount to another patient saying that he was paying a gambling debt. There was no debt.

He left the hospital and the police traced his movements afterwards. When Thompson hitched a lift, he was aided by Police War Reserve Constable Fredrick Coldwell who had just delivered an injured airman to the hospital. Thompson told him that he had been discharged from the army and that he was going to Leeds. The policeman did not know at this stage that he had a wanted murderer in his car! He dropped Thompson at the YMCA and drove off. Later, it was found that he had hidden some of the stolen jewellery under the floor mat of the car!

At 6.30 a.m., the 21st September, Thompson was seen getting on a bus. He arrived in Hebden Bridge and there he left his big army coat and bought a coat from a farmer. Then he bought more civilian clothes in Burnley and tried to sell the remaining jewellery.

He went on to Morecambe on the following day where he took a room under an assumed name and exchanged one of the rings for a watch in Lancaster. Then he sold the watch for £4.10s to the wife of a shopkeeper in Morecambe. He was arrested on September 24th in Overton, near Morecambe and taken to Heysham police station. He was found with £2.4s.6d on him and also the torch and scissors from Mrs Coulton's house. At first he denied who he was but eventually admitted his identity. His fingers were cut and his blood group matched that found on Mrs Coulton's bed.

The trial began on December 6th 1944 and immediately he challenged the presence of a female juror. He maintained that she would be prejudiced against him. She was replaced immediately with a male juror.

A string of witnesses described his movements. The hours between 12 midnight and 2 a.m. were never accounted for but the evidence of the torch, scissors and the jewellery in the car was unarguable. The patients from the hospital, the farmer who had bought his coat, the shopkeeper who sold him the civilian clothes, the watchmaker with whom he had exchanged the ring – they all appeared in the witness stand against him.

Thompson strongly maintained his innocence and agreed to be questioned. He said that he dealt in jewellery before the war and was associated with a man called Buck who gave him Mrs Coulton's jewellery. They met later in Wormwood Scrubs prison. They had chanced to meet again in a pub in Bradford just before the murder. They had agreed to meet again on the night of the 20th September. His friend Buck had turned up late with an injured hand Thompson maintained and had handed over the contents of Mrs Coulton's house. Thompson said that if he were found guilty that Buck would come forward but of course no such thing occurred. His barrister said that he could not be found guilty, there was no evidence that he had been in the Nag's Head that night; all the evidence

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evidence that he had been in the Nag's Head that night; all the evidence was circumstantial. But the jury had no doubts concerning his guilt and returned their verdict after an hour and a half. He was sentenced to death; the date was set for January 31st, 1945.

The court strongly suspected that Buck was a figment of Thompson's active imagination but as it happened – he did actually exist. But he had the strongest alibi that a man could have, apart from death. He was in jail on the night of September 21st for breaking into a pub in Manchester. The perfect alibi.

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August was a lazy month. Because a lot of members were on holidays during the month, it was kept free. Due to unforeseen circumstances our trip to Donegal had to be cancelled at the end of the month. However at the time of going to print it is planned to have a Moderate hike for members in the Glendalough area on Sunday 25th August.

Sunday 8th September we will re-commence after the holidays with an introductory easy hike in the Dublin mountains above Balinteer and Stepside along the Wicklow Way a distance of 9 miles with an ascent of 600 ft. So why not take advantage of the last few Easy hike of this years walking calendar and prepare to take out membership in November for next seasons events.

Sunday 15th September we are planning an outing to Mount Leinster and the Blackstairs. At this stage two hikes are at the planning stage. As both these will be more difficult, this outing will be limited to members only.

Please note that weather conditions may restrict our activities. Itineraries are subject to change and anyone interested should check beforehand closer to the activity with one of the contact numbers below.

Please Note: Most of our Easy Hiking activities cover at least 8 miles with ascent of up to 1,000 ft. In cases where there would be less ascent we may have longer hikes. Anyone attending our outings can expect to be walking got up to 4 hours and at a reasonable brisk speed. Only attempt our outings if you are fit to maintain this speed and distance. If it is felt that a person would not be able to complete an activity, would delay an activity, or is not properly equipped for the occasion, the activity leaders ruling on the matter will be final. Remember in the mountains in a lot of cases there are no quick exit routes back to the car or bus.

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Maynooth Tidy Town Notes.

At time of writing we are awaiting the results of the national tidy towns competition. The full results will be given in next months competition. Maynooth tidy towns

would like to thank all the business and estates for their effort and support. We would like to thank the Glenroyal and Leisure Club for sponsoring our competition. Results of the competition and a presentation evening will be given at a later time possible October/November. We would like to thank Intel Ireland Limited for their support in tidy towns, also for their initiative in sponsoring the hanging baskets which were maintained by Maynooth tidy towns committee members with the help of Bob O'Reilly's water machine. Our thanks to Ronan Barry for his supply of water and for storing the water spraying machine.

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Maynooth Citizens Information Centre News

Question

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

Answer

The Higher Education Grants Scheme provides means tested grants to eligible students who are pursuing approved courses. The grant is paid by your local authority. For the academic year 2002/2003 the application must have been with the local authority by Friday 30th August 2002.

The scheme has been extended to full-time students who are attending medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and teacher training courses in publicly funded third-level institutions in other EU Member States.

The income limits (for the period 6th April - 31st December 2001) are as follows:

Number of Dependant Children	Full maintenance and full fees	Part maintenance (50%) and full fees	Full fees only	Part Fees only (50%)
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8 or more	€25,805 IR£20,323	€27,304 IR£21,504	€30,088 IR£23,696	€31,586 IR£24,877

The limits can be increased by a further €2,615 (IR£2,059) where there are 2 children attending full time third level education, and €2,615 for each additional child.

	Non Adjacent Rate	Adjacent Rate
Full maintenance	€2,510	€1,004
Part maintenance (50%)	€1,254	€501

All grant-holding students will be awarded an additional grant of up to €670 for the charge for student services, registration etc. on courses where free fees apply. This grant will be paid directly to the college/institution by the local authority.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre. Phone 01 6285477.

Question

My uncle needs hearing aids. Can he get any help towards paying for them?

Answer

If your uncle is working and paying PRSI Class A, E, H or P then he may be eligible for assistance from the Department of Social and Family Affairs. If he has a Medical Card his Health Board will provide hearing aids free of charge.

Under the Department's Treatment Benefit Scheme the Department will pay up to half the cost of a hearing aid or repairs to a hearing aid. The maximum amount it will pay for each hearing aid is €350.

To qualify for benefit your uncle must satisfy the PRSI contribution conditions of the scheme. If he satisfies the

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PRSI conditions when he reaches the age of 60 or age 66 he will remain qualified for life. If he is eligible for benefit under the scheme his dependant spouse is also entitled to benefit unless she qualifies in her own right. A person that qualified on their spouse's insurance record at the time of his/her death will retain his/her entitlement as long as the person remains widowed.

To claim Treatment Benefit your uncle must apply to the Department on claim form MA 1 (MA 2 for a dependant spouse) which is available from hearing aid suppliers and from:

Treatment Benefit Section, Department of Social and Family Affairs, St. Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

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Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre. Phone 01 6285477.

Question

I have been looking after my brother who needs full-time care for the last six months. I only heard about Carer's Allowance recently and I have applied for it. If I am eligible for it, will it be backdated to when I started looking after my brother?

Answer

Carer's Allowance is a means tested payment from the Department of Social and Family Affairs for carers who are looking after certain people in need of full-time care and attention. The person must have so severe a disability as to require continuous supervision and frequent assistance throughout the day in connection with their normal personal needs and to require the care for at least 12 months. A carer will normally reside with the person being cared for, but a non-resident carer may qualify for the allowance.

Generally, the allowance is paid from the date your application is received. However, if you feel you met the conditions for qualifying for Carer's Allowance prior to the date on which you claimed the allowance, you may be entitled to have the date of award backdated for up to 6 months where you can show "good cause" for the delay in making a claim.

You must be able to prove that you satisfied the

qualifying conditions for receipt of the allowance during the period. Good cause may exist where you failed to make a claim due to incorrect or insufficient information having been given to you by the Department. Another reason for a late claim could be illness or some circumstance which prevented a person from making a claim at the correct time. Not being aware of the Carer's Allowance Scheme is not a valid reason to have the award backdated.

You may also request a review of the claim/award. Where a request for a review of the date of claim is made and the original claim was made after June 2000, the review is governed by Social Welfare Law. The review is carried out by a Deciding Officer in the Department and a decision can be appealed to the Chief Appeals Officer. Where the original claim was made before June 2000, the review is not governed by Social Welfare Law and is carried out by a Department Officer on an administrative basis. Such decisions cannot be appealed to the Chief Appeals Officer, but can be reviewed by a Higher Officer.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre. Phone 01 - 6285477.

Question

A couple of my workmates are about to receive long service awards. Will they have to pay tax on the awards?

Answer

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Maynooth Town F. C. Notes

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As the start of the seasons fast approaches work on the Rathcoffey Road development progresses at a pace. Despite the recent wet weather the removal of top-soil and the 'ripping' of the sub-soil has been completed. Currently the installation of the drainage piping and back filling has commenced. These photographs give some idea of the of the work being carried but it well worth a drive over the motorway bridge to see first hand the extent of the development. From a safety point of view we would ask that you do not enter the site and ensure all our younger members are aware of the dangers of doing so. Sufficient funds have not yet been raised to complete Phase 1 of the project and we would ask anyone who see the project as one worthy of support to do so now. Once completed and matured this facility will be a top class surface and the envy of many visitors to Maynooth.



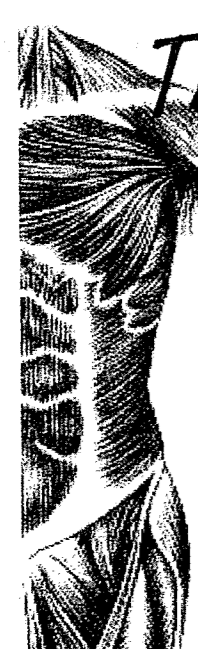
Away from the development side there have been some issues in finding a suitable temporary playing surface to replace the Rathcoffey Road pitches. This has been compounded by the unavailability of the Harbour Field for pre-season training due to problems with the grass cutting. The club are working to overcome the issues and we would ask managers, players and parents to be patient and work with us to resolve the situation. It is hoped that any disruption to early season fixtures will be kept to a minimum however some disruption now seems inevitable. Should you require any further information on Maynooth Town F.C. please contact Gerry Folan (6286994) or John Doogan (6289720)

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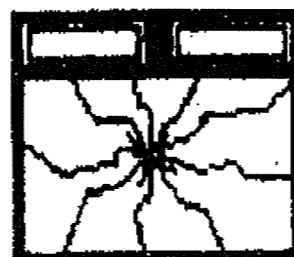
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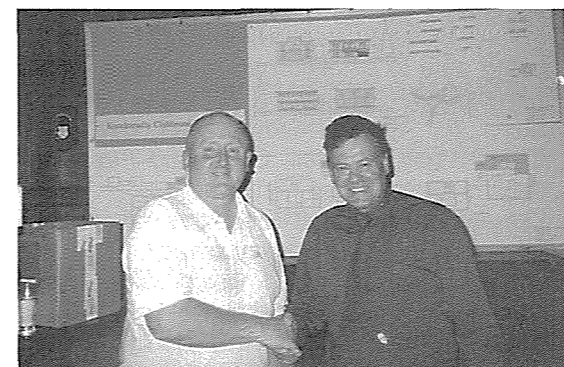
Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Golf Society

Our outing on the 16th August to Knockanally was the President, Noel Brady's, Prize and the following are the results.

1st Overall	Liam Farrelly	43 pts
2nd	Emmett Savage	40 pts (B.9)
3rd	Sam Feeney	40 pts (B.6)
4th	Barry Desmond	40 pts
5th	Pa Conway	39 pts
6th	John Tiernan	37 pts
7th	Mick Flynn	36 pts (B.9)
Front 9	Don Sullivan	22 pts
Back 9	Gerry McTernan	19 pts
Nearest the Pin	Mick Flynn	
Two's Club	Don Sullivan	
Visitors	Eamon McAuley	34 pts

Our next outing is to Athlone on the 7th September. Deposits for weekend by this date. Next round of Match Play to be completed by 7th September.



Liam Farrelly Overall Winner receiving his prize from President Noel Brady



Noel Brady, Sam Feeney, Jim O'Keeffe & John Tiernan on the Outing to Knockanally



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Features

NORTH KILDARE TO REJECT NICE TREATY RERUN

On June 7th of last year the electorate of North Kildare, in similar fashion with the rest of the country, rejected the Nice Treaty by majority vote. In the aftermath of that decision we asked the Government to accept and respect the decision of the people and inform our EU partners accordingly. It is a political tragedy that Taoiseach Ahern and Minister Cowen did not stand up to the pressures put upon them by the other EU States at Gothenburg last year to re-run the Nice referendum instead of insisting on re-negotiating the Treaty. In so doing Bertie Ahern showed that he is no Eamonn De Valera - during World War Two, a much more difficult time than now, the Irish Government resisted huge pressures from Britain and the USA to abandon neutrality and side with them in the war.

Rerunning Nice means that an Irish Government is siding with other EU governments against its own people, in an attempt to overthrow a perfectly valid referendum result. This is truly an awesome moment in our constitutional history. Fundamental to the Nice Repeat is whether the Irish people control the Government or the Government controls the people. That is why all Irish democrats - Yes side voters, No - side ones and those who did not vote - should vote No on democratic grounds in October to make the Government do the constitutional duty it failed to do last year, and foil the constitutional outrage it is currently engaged in.

When related referendums were held previously - on abortion, divorce and proportional representation - those referendum proposition were in some way different on the second occasion from the first. Nearly ten years had also passed between each such occasion. That is not the case with Nice. The two clauses in the constitutional amendment to ratify Nice will be identical in October to what they were last year. The extra clause inserted by the Government to the effect that we must have a referendum if we wish to join an EU defence pact, has nothing to do with the Nice Treaty and is irrelevant spin-doctoring. According to former Irish Attorney General and Senior Counsel, Mr John Rogers, "this will make no difference to the legal effect of Nice and it will obviously not address the issues of democratic deficit and the flaws identified in the Treaty".

In further cynical manipulation the Government has removed from the neutral, publicly-funded Referendum Commission the function of setting out the Yes-side and No-side arguments on Nice, which it gave last year. This fundamental change to the referendum rules was made in an amendment to the Referendum Act that the Government put through all stages of the Dáil and Seanad in one day on the eve of rising for last Christmas, with just one day's notice to the opposition!

The purpose of this was to clear the way for massive advertising by private interests in the Nice Repeat, who will have vastly greater money than the No side. Unlike the Referendum Commission's publicly funded advertisements, moreover, such private advertising need not be grounded in the facts of the Nice Treaty. We can see the Yes-side advertisements concentrating on irrelevant material - for example that a rejection of Nice will imperil Irish membership of the EU, when of course it does no such thing. So in an effort to concentrate on the real issues in the Nice Treaty we pose below the seven pointed questions that go to the heart of Nice:

- 1 Do you want an EU where the Irish Taoiseach and Government can no longer decide who is Ireland's Commissioner, but where that is decided by majority vote on the EU Council of Ministers, where the Big States have the decisive say?
- 2 Do you want an EU where Ireland periodically loses its EU commissioner and could be un-represented on the body that proposes all EU laws for as much as a quarter of the time?
- 3 Do you want a two-class two-tier EU where Ireland loses its veto on the Big Member States being able to establish an inner-core EU State, with its own Constitution, Army and harmonised taxes for the eurozone, and use the EU Commission, Council, Court and Parliament to call the shots for the rest of us?
- 4 Do you want an EU where the national veto is abolished in 30 new policy areas?
- 5 Do you want an EU which takes over the running of the 60,000-soldier Rapid Reaction Force, to which Ireland has pledged 850 men, and which is empowered to undertake offensive operations outside the EU area without a United Nations mandate?
- 6 Do you want an EU where the Government seeks to overthrow last year's decision of the Irish People to reject the Nice Treaty, under pressure from the Big EU States, so that it is no longer the people who control the Government, but the Government which controls the people?
- 7 Do you know that Nice is not primarily about EU enlargement? It is about dividing Europe, shifting voting power to the big states, centralising more decisions in Brussels, and militarising the EU.

We believe that the people of North Kildare will resent this cynical attempt by the Government to bully the electorate into bending the knee to the wishes of the Brussels bureaucrats, commission commissars and are confident of Ireland reaffirming its No to Nice.

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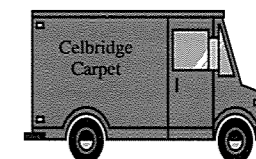
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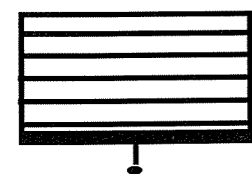


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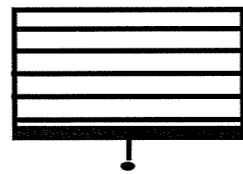


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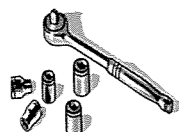
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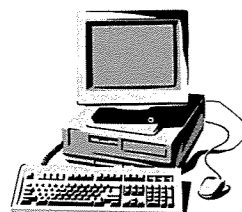
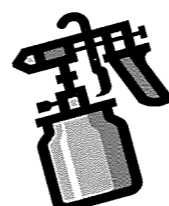


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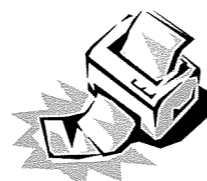
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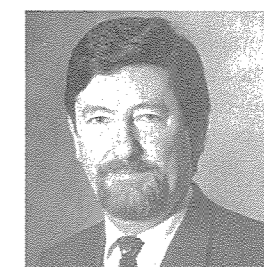


Party Political

Maynooth Labour News



Emmet Stagg, T.D.



Cllr. John McGinley

Bond Bridge / Meadowbrook Link Road

The County Engineer made a verbal report to the Special Leixlip Area Committee Meeting held on 29 July. He stated that he could not give the written report as the County Manager had not seen or approved it as he was on holidays and it would be inappropriate to make the report public in these circumstances.

In his verbal report he stated that there was very little funding in the Bond Bridge account as the money had been used for road improvements in the area e.g. the Rathcoffey Road at Castledawson. Cllr. John McGinley stated that this was incredible as there should be around £1.1m in the account and secondly the money collected in Special Development Levies for Bond Bridge should not have been used elsewhere. Other funding had been identified for the roadworks at Castledawson.

The County Engineer stated that he wanted both projects (Bond bridge and the Meadowbrook Link Road) to proceed and that it was now up to the County Manager to decide whether or not the Council could finance both. In the absence of the report and the County Manager's views it was pointless continuing to discuss the matter and Cllr. McGinley asked for a meeting with the County Manager for 2 August or the earliest possible date after that. Both Cllr. McGinley and Deputy Emmet Stagg want to assure the people of Maynooth that they will do everything possible to ensure the completion of these two essential projects.

Carton Avenue

The Council have agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's request to tidy up the entrance to Carton Avenue in the short term and to speed up the implementation of the proposed works for the Avenue and the top of the town.

Tree Pruning in Maynooth Housing Estates

Following requests from Residents' Associations Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following tree pruning/removal to the council:

Greenfield Estate

Prune, or remove if necessary, the 6 poplar trees along the wall between No.1 Straffan way and No.1 Greenfield Drive as they are very overgrown.

Remove completely the 16 Leylandii trees at the side of House No.24 Greenfield Drive as they are an eyesore and they are blocking the light from the occupants of the house.

Railpark Estate

A survey of all trees is needed in this estate as many of them are overgrown.

Main Street, Maynooth

Following requests from residents living in Main Street Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council.

"That an Action Area Plan be drawn up for the houses on Main Street, Maynooth, with a view to protecting their residential status."