

# MAYNOOTH NEWSLETTER



## Festival 2004



*Old Dublin Roaders Winners of the Interstate 7-a-side Soccer Tournament*



*Tully School of Irish Dancing giving a display on the Main Street*



*St Mary's Brass & Reed Band on Main Street*



*The Roost Team winners of the Tug of War*



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## Editorial

August! People are still in holiday mood. Enjoying the last few weeks before we return to a more strict routine of school going days. The festival feeling is mirrored here with plenty of photographs from the Maynooth Summer Festival. Highlights of the soccer tournament, the entertainment evening in the community library, traditional music, children's art exhibition and competition, children's disco and fun day in the harbour field and tug of war - to mention a few - are shown.

The festival is an important event in the community calendar and credit has to be given to the small festival team (under the auspices of the Community Council) who voluntarily help to make it a successful event. A special word of thanks goes to Andrew McMullon who did a large portion of the work in organising the Festival. Of course there would be no festival without the participation of Maynooth businesses, particularly the local pubs and hotels. TESCO, REMAX and L.S. Autos and Sean Donovan of Londis were the main sponsors of the event this year.

There is always room for improvement. More people are needed to get involved so that the festival can develop further and become an event equal if not better than some of the more well known ones that we all hear about and travel miles to attend.

Maynooth, an historic and university town with an ever increasing population has the potential to produce a festival of national significance at least. There is room for further development in Arts, Culture, Education and Entertainment. A festival of this calibre needs early planning and it is with this in mind that we invite the community to bring their ideas, expertise and skills to this worthy event. If interested please contact the Newsletter Office at Newtown Maynooth.

To the festival team - well done! and thanks to all who attended and supported the festival events.

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# Community Council July Meeting

The July meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on 12th July in the Glenroyel Hotel.

## **Auctioneers Signage Issue**

The issue of signs was raised. It was noted that when an estate has been taken in charge by Kildare County Council, it is then against the law to put up signs at the entrance to estates. It was also noted that there is a volunteer code agreed by local Auctioneers, but that not all Auctioneers are local.

## **Band Stand**

Maynooth Community Council has received a letter from Kildare County Council requesting comments about the site of the new Band Stand. The Band Stand is being erected under Kildare County Council's urban renewal plan. It was noted that other groups had also received letters from Kildare County Council. Paul Croghan, Tidy Towns, proposed that the Band Stand be moved to the Harbour Field. Cllr Senan Griffin said a lot of work has been done to facilitate the Band Stand and that it would prove very expensive to move it now. Other money would also be lost. It was stated that the base of the stand would be difficult to move. Its use as a park feature was raised by Paul Croghan.

It was generally felt that Residents of the area don't want the new Band Stand design and that they had made this known.

Maynooth Community Council would view the harbour Field areas most suitable.

## **Annual Collection**

Maynooth Community Council's annual collection will take place in September. Again we will be looking for volunteers

## **Festival**

Andrew McMullon thanked all involved with the festival. Main Sponsors Tesco's, L.S. Autos, Re-Max, organising Committee Soccer and U/8 Tournament. He thanked the executive, Marie Gleeson, Patricia Moynan for Family Fun Day, Hugh Gallagher for Table Quiz, Kay McKeogh and Fran Walsh for organising the Treasure Hunt.

Susan Durack, Children's Art Competition; Willie Healy, tug-of-war. The Kearney family. He also thanked the office for all their help and support.

It was noted that there will be a Special Festival Mass in St. Mary's on 25th July at 11.30. A Community Festival Programme will be delivered to all households.

## **Sub-Committees and Affiliates**

### **Tidy Towns**

Paul Croghan said that they were approached by Kildare County Council to clean up the area around the Geraldine Hall and that they have communicated a plan for the area, and as yet have not been asked officially to do the work.

### **Best Estate Competition**

Judging will take place late July - early August. He said all estates looked well now and urged people to keep up the hard work. Cllr. John McGinley was thanked for his work for Tidy Towns.

### **Office**

Paul Croghan said there are now a number of vacancies in the office. Applicants should be in receipt of Social Welfare payments for one year.

The office is working very well, and there is a very good training programme in place.

Best wishes to John Burke who is not well at the moment.

### **Newsletter**

The Newsletter will be celebrating 25 years this year, and they will be publishing an anniversary Newsletter before Christmas

### **Quarry Development at Mulhussy**

Paul Croghan attended a meeting on the quarry development. He noted the traffic route planned will affect Maynooth. He will keep Maynooth Community Council informed about further developments.

### **County Development Plan**

Councillor Senan Griffin said the County Development Plan will go on display early August.

### **Irish School**

Hugh Gallagher said that the school was looking for support for a pedestrian crossing. It was agreed to write letter of support.

Next Community Council Meeting—13th September in the Glenroyal Hotel.

P.R.O.

Marie Gleeson

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| 04/1459     | Colm & Martina Murphy          | 91 Moyglare village<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare           | P                | 21/06/04             | Single storey extensions at front and rear, two storey extension at side with roof lights (2 no.) in roof at side, attic conversion to storeroom with roof light at rear, retention of existing garden shed  | 91 Moyglare Village<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare          |
| 04/1462     | Huma Bloodstock Ltd            | Newtownmacabe<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                 | P                | 21/06/04             | The relocation and reorientation of offices already granted under file Kildare County Council 04/61 and all associated site works  | Newtownmacabe<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                |
| 04/1477     | Fred Leavy                     | Greenfield<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                    | P                | 22/06/04             | Demolish the existing single storey cottage and construct a terrace of three two bedroom two storey dwellings with associated public services connections and off street parking   | 87 Old Rail Park<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare             |
| 04/1498     | Albany Homes Ltd               | The Gables<br>Torquay Road<br>Foxrock<br>Dublin 18       | P                | 24/06/04             | Construction of a crèche in a two-storey and attic building with total floor area of 187.66sqm with associated 6 no. car parking spaces and private openspace  | Greenfield<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                   |
| 04/1503     | Thomas & Miriam<br>Kavanagh    | 8 Rockfield Rise<br>Railpark<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare  | P                | 25/06/04             | Demolish part of existing garage conversion to make provision for extended side entrance and to erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over remaining part of garage conversion, existing utility room and over proposed ground. | 8 Rockfield Rise<br>Railpark<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare |
| 04/1536     | Maureen O'Flaherty             | Kilmacraddock<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                 | P                | 29/06/04             | Two storey dwelling with Septech 200 domestic waste water effluent treatment system and percolation area and to use the existing dual entrance to the proposed dwelling  | Kilmacraddock<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                |
| 04/1546     | Michael Geraghty               | Hill Cottage<br>Newtownmacabe<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare | P                | 30/06/04             | (1) demolition of the existing dwelling house; (2) construction of new split level dwelling house on the same site, complete with associated site works , septic tank and percolation system   | Newtownmacabe<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                |
| 04/1565     | Tracey & Padraig<br>McLoughlin | Clounagh,<br>Johnistown,<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare      | P                | 02/07/04             | Construction of dormer bungalow with biocycle waste water treatment system and garage  | Clounagh,<br>Johnistown<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare      |

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| 04/1582     | Mary McGrath          | Berkeley House<br>17 Berkeley Street<br>Dublin 7  | P                | 02/07/04             | Reinstatement of stone boundary wall  | 8 Main Street<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                     |
| 04/1601     | Kieran O' Malley      | No. 1 The Green<br>Double Lane<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare   | P                | 06/07/04             | For the construction of a single storey sunroom extension to the rear of existing two storey dwelling   | No. 1 The Green<br>Double Lane<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare    |
| 04/1603     | P. G. Mulhern         | Timard<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare   | O                | 07/07/04             | Erect dwelling, secondary effluent treatment system and associated site works   | Timard<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                            |
| 04/1604     | J. W. Mulhern         | 22 Woodlands<br>Naas<br>Co. Kildare   | O                | 07/07/04             | Erect dwelling, secondary effluent treatment system and associated site works   | Timard<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                            |
| 04/1623     | Ciaran Gallagher      | c/o 4 Rockfield Close<br>Railpark<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare  | P                | 09/07/04             | One and a half storey dwelling house with integrated garage/poultry house, glasshouse and bio-crete wastewater treatment system   | c/o 4 Rockfield Close<br>Railpark<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare |
| 04/1625     | Denis Creighton       | 19 Parklands Court<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare   | P                | 09/07/04             | Extension to existing ground floor kitchen and utility room, a first floor extension over and to the side of existing single storey family room, utility and kitchen, to provide 2 bedrooms and 1 ensuite bathroom at first floor level, and new brick etc. | 19 Parklands Court<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                |
| 04/1633     | John & Fionna Merrick | 21 Rockfield Square<br>Railpark<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare  | p                | 09/07                | To erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over garage conversion with kitchen area extended below and also a single storey extension to rear  | 21 Rockfield Square<br>Railpark<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare   |
| 04/1641     | Tesco Ireland Ltd     | C/o John Crean<br>Cunnane<br>Stratton<br>Reynolds<br>Plunkett<br>Chambers<br>21-23 Oliver Plunkett St., Cork. | P                | 09/07/04             | New shop/kiosk at the permitted petrol filling station (Kildare Co. Council Ref 02/178)   | Cattlemart<br>Dublin Rd.,<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare         |
| 04/1667     | Emmet Savage          | 32 Charter House<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare   | P                | 14/07/04             | For a dormer bungalow, garage for domestic use and septech 200 effluent treatment plant   | Cormickstown<br>Maynooth<br>Co. Kildare                      |

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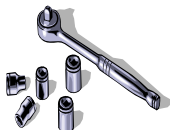
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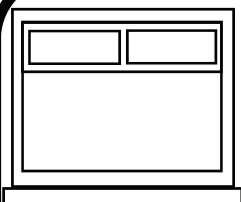


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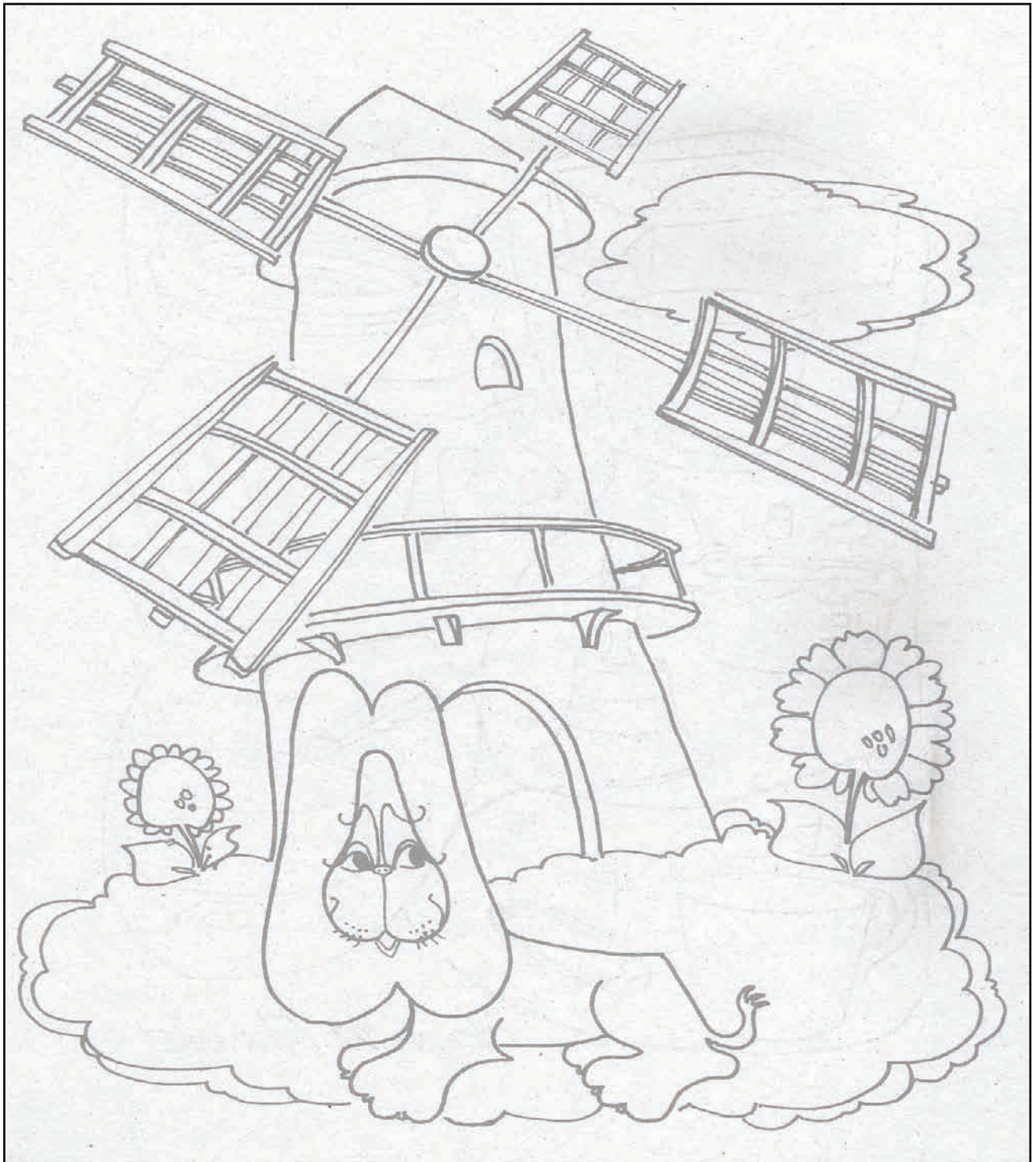
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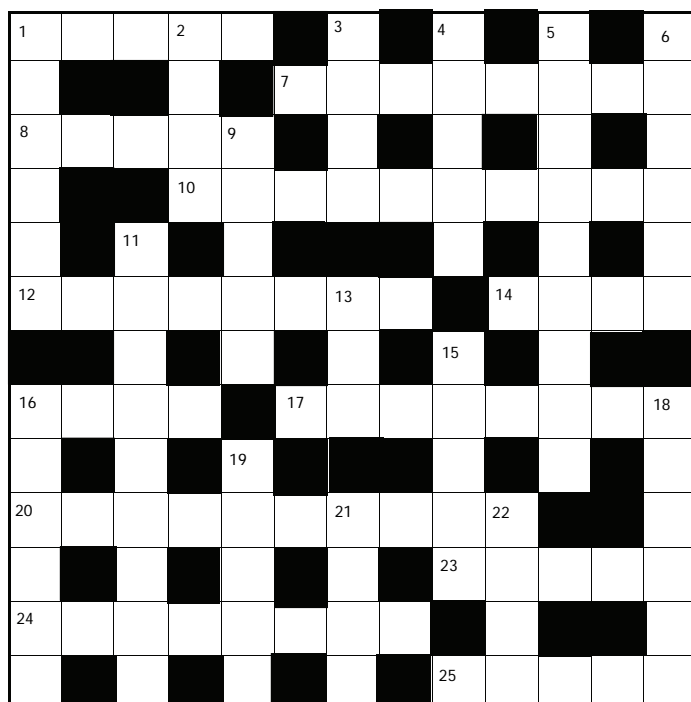
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## Across:

1. Obstruct (5)
7. Trinket (8)
8. Purloin (5)
10. Proportion of a hundred (10)
12. Stay Trevl (anag) (8)
14. Thoughtful (4)
16. Compassion (4)
17. Calm (8)
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4. Canonised person (5)
5. Dogged (9)
6. Listen (6)
9. Crowbar (5)
11. Room divider (9)
13. Seaman (3)
15. Scoundrel (5)
16. Acclaim (6)
18. Attorney (6)
19. Tough (5)
21. Stingray puppet, \_ \_ \_ Tempest (4)
22. Apiece (4)

### Across: No 22

1. Chasm, 7. Bachelor, 8. Gavel, 10. Delectable, 12. Telegram, 14. Fret, 16. Cook, 17. Skeleton, 20. Amalgamate, 23. Error, 24. Accolade, 25. Envoy.

### Down:

1. Cygnet, 2. Shed, 3. Rake, 4. Chute, 5. Elaborate, 6. Urgent, 9. Ledge, 11. Allowance, 13. Ask, 15. Plate, 16. Cravat, 18. Nearby, 19. Agile, 21. Made, 22. Erin.

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# Gardening Tips for August

## An Invitation to Butterflies

One particularly rewarding aspect of gardening is the fact that given just a little thought, you can use even the smallest of areas to attract wildlife to enhance the garden.

A tree, for instance, a mountain ash, or a berry carrying shrub, will attract any number of birds, whilst a pond may attract either frogs and toads or dragonflies.

Most rewarding as introductions to those plants which, through colour or particularly through scent, attract bees and butterflies.

There are a number of wild flower collections of seeds which provide the wherewithal to do the trick, but it may be more rewarding to select and introduce plants or bushes, so as to allow one to plan for colour.

The most successful shrub in attracting butterflies is probably the Buddleia. Generally speaking one sees the more common lavender variety, but there are others to fit into colour schemes too.

Among the smaller border plants some of the best for attracting butterflies are scabious, phlox and the vibrant violet coloured Lunaria, beloved too of flower arrangers for the silky, silver, disc-like seed pods.

All of these add so much colour to the garden and attract even more.

## Work for the Month

- ◆ **COMPOST** The volume of waste material from the garden tends to increase at this time and unless diseased is useful for composting. Dry material should be moistened to speed decay, and a dressing of sulphate of ammonia or a proprietary accelerator helps the process.
- ◆ **STOP WEEDS** Keep the hoe going on a frequent basis to prevent weeds becoming established and seeding.
- ◆ **PLANT SEEDLINGS** Seedlings of wallflower, myosotis, digitalis and the like should be ready for transplanting. Dress the nursery bed with general fertiliser, which can be raked in. Then plant the seedlings 225mm (9in) apart in shallow drills 300mm (12in) apart. The drill will make watering easier until the plants establish.
- ◆ **REMOVE HEADS** Removing the seed heads from bedding dahlias will encourage them to continue producing flowers.
- ◆ **BLACKBERRIES AND LOGANBERRIES** New canes which will carry next year's crop of blackberries and loganberries should be tied in as they grow. New plants can be had by tip layering the older shoots.
- ◆ **WINTER SPINACH** Sow winter varieties of spinach in succession through August and September, to provide crops from October through to April.

- ◆ **PRUNE BLACKCURRANTS** As blackcurrants pass out of bearing, a proportion of the oldest stems can be removed by cutting back to the base. This will encourage younger shoots to develop and help keep the bush vigorous.
- ◆ **PAINT AND PRESERVE** Check over fences and structures and apply paint or preservative as required.
- ◆ **PAPER AND PEN** It is a good idea to always carry paper and pen to make a note of attractive plants seen in other places. At this time of year, with plants in flower and the likelihood of some travel, it is all the more important.
- ◆ **CLEAN GLASSHOUSES** Take the opportunity afforded by fine weather to move plants out of the glasshouse and give it a thorough cleaning.
- ◆ **GERANIUM CUTTINGS** A start can be made to making cuttings of zonal and ivy-leaved forms of geranium. Select shoots 125mm (5in) long without flower and take care to select them evenly from amongst the display.
- ◆ **HEDGE TRIM** Hedges of beech, chamaecyparis, thorn, thuja and yew which only need clipping once a year can be dealt with now.
- ◆ **IN THE GLASSHOUSE** There is now more of a nip in the air at night and more care is needed with glasshouse ventilation. In general the aim should be a day temperature of 16C (60F) and a night minimum of 10C (50F). Unless we have an Indian summer, shading can be removed in a couple of weeks.



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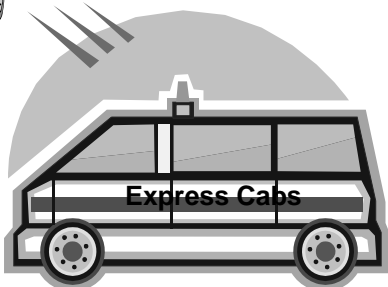
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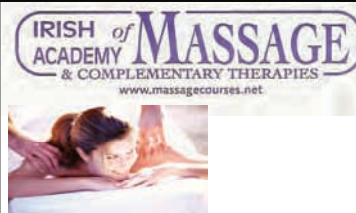
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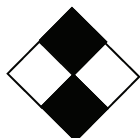
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# Andy Mac Thai and Chinese Simple Cookery

## Sweetcorn Fritters

### Ingredients

Serves 4

4 tbsp groundnut oil  
1 small onion, peeled and finely chopped  
1 red chilli, deseeded and finely chopped  
1 garlic clove, peeled and crushed  
1 tsp ground coriander  
325 g can sweetcorn  
6 spring onions, trimmed and finely sliced  
1 medium egg, lightly beaten  
Salt and freshly ground pepper  
3 tbsp plain flour  
1 tsp plain flour  
1 tsp baking powder  
Spring onion curls to garnish  
Thai-style chutney, to serve

- 1 Heat 1 tablespoon of the groundnut oil in a frying pan, add the onion and cook gently for 7-8 minutes or until beginning to soften. Add the chilli, garlic and ground coriander and cook for 1 minute, stirring continuously. Remove from the heat.
- 2 Drain the sweetcorn and tip into a mixing bowl. Lightly mash with a potato masher to break down the corn a little. Add the cooked onion mixture to the bowl with the spring onions and beaten egg. Season to taste with salt and pepper, then stir to mix together. Sift the flour and baking powder over the mixture and stir in.
- 3 Heat 2 tablespoons of the groundnut oil in a large frying pan. Drop 4 or 5 heaped teaspoonfuls of the sweetcorn mixture in the pan, and using a fish slice or spatula, flatten each to make a 1 cm/½ inch thick fritter
- 4 Fry the fritters for 3 minutes, or until golden brown on the underside, turn over and fry for a further 3 minutes, or until cooked through and crisp.
- 5 Remove the fritters from the pan and drain on absorbent kitchen paper. Keep warm while cooking the remaining fritters, adding a little more oil if needed. Garnish with spring onion and service immediately with a Thai-style chutney.

### Helpful Hint

To make a spring onion curl, trim off the root and some green top to leave 10 cm/4 inches. Make a 3 cm/1¼ inch cut down from the top, then make another cut at a right angle to the first cut. Soak the spring onions in iced water for 20 minutes and they open up and curl.

## Stir-Fried Salmon with Peas

### Ingredients

Serves 4

450 g/1lb salmon fillet  
Salt  
6 slices streaky bacon  
1 tbsp vegetable oil  
50 ml/2 fl oz chick or fish stock  
2 tbsp dark soy sauce  
2 tbsp Chinese rice wine or dry sherry  
1 tsp sugar  
75 g/3 oz frozen peas, thawed  
1-2 tbsp freshly shredded mint  
1 tsp cornflour  
Sprigs of fresh mint, to garnish  
Freshly cooked noodles, to serve

- 1 Wipe and skin the salmon fillet and remove any pin bones. Slice into 2.5 cm/1 inch strips, place on a plate and sprinkle with salt. Leave for 20 minutes, then pat dry with absorbent kitchen paper and reserve.
- 2 Remove any cartilage from the bacon, cut into small dice and reserve.
- 3 Heat a wok or large frying pan over a high heat, then add the oil and when hot, add the bacon and stir-fry for 3 minutes or until crisp and golden. Push to one side and add the strips of salmon. Stir-fry gently for 2 minutes or until the flesh is opaque.
- 4 Pour the chicken or fish stock, soy sauce and Chinese rice wine or sherry into the wok, then stir in the sugar, peas and freshly shredded mint.
- 5 Blend the cornflour with 1 tablespoon of water to form a smooth paste and stir into the sauce. Bring to the boil, reduce the heat and simmer for 1 minute, or until slightly thickened and smooth. Garnish and serve immediately with noodles.

### Helpful Hint

Sprinkling salmon with salt draws out some of the juices and makes the flesh firmer, so that it remains whole when cooked. Prior to cooking, pat the strips with absorbent kitchen paper to remove as much of the salty liquid as possible. Dark soy sauce is used in this recipe as it is slightly less salty than the light version. To reduce the salt content further, cook the noodles in plain boiling water without added salt.

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# Andy Mac Thai and Chinese Simple Cookery

## Classic Vanilla Ice- Cream

This creamy vanilla ice-cream is made with a custard sauce. It's delicious on its own, or makes a great base for other flavoured ice creams.

Serves 8

Preparation time: 20 minutes plus freezing time.

Cooking time: 5 minutes

16 fl. Oz / 475 ml milk

1 tsp vanilla essence

6 egg yolks, size 3

4oz / 100g caster sugar

8fl oz / 225 ml double cream

1. In a pan, heat the milk and vanilla essence to boiling point. Remove from the heat.
2. In a bowl, whisk the egg yolks and sugar together for 3 min. until light and thickened. Gradually stir in the hot vanilla milk (1) Mix well.
3. Return to a clean pan and heat gently, stirring with a wooden spoon, until the mixture has thickened slightly and leaves a clear trail when

you draw a finger across the spoon. (2).

Don't let the custard boil or it will curdle

4. Remove from heat and strain into a cold mixing bowl (3). Cover with dampened geaseproof paper to prevent a skin forming. Leave to cool.
5. Pour the custard into a freezer-proof container and freeze for 2 hours until slushy.
6. Lightly whip the cream until softly peaking. Turn the custard into a cold mixing bowl and lightly beat with an electric or hand whisk to break down any ice crystals. Fold in the whipped cream, combining thoroughly. Return to the container, seal well and freeze for 3 hours until solid.

### Tips:

1. An hour before you start, set the freezer to fast freeze. The quicker the ice-cream freezes, the smaller the ice crystals will be and the smoother the texture of the ice cream.
2. The more times you whisk the ice-cream during the freezing process, the better its texture will be.

### Secrets of Success:

1. Take ice cream out of the freezer and pop it into the fridge about 30 minutes before serving this will allow it to soften slightly.
2. For maximum flavour, let ice cream mature in freezer for a day before serving. It can be kept for a month in the freezer, but tastes best if eaten within 2 weeks.

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# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## Citizens Information Centre

### Question

I hope to start a course next September. Could you please tell me who is eligible for the back to education allowance?

### Answer

The back to education allowance (BTEA) is paid by the department of social; and family affairs (DSFA) to unemployment people; lone parents and people with disabilities who wish to do approved second or third level courses of education. To be eligible for the allowance you must be;

- Aged 21 or over 24 or over for a postgraduate course and for the previous 6 months (15 months for a third level course) have been receiving a social welfare payment such as unemployment assistance/benefit or one parent family payment.
- Aged 18 or over and for the previous 6 months (15 months for a third level course) have been receiving a disability payment such as disability allowance or Invalidity pension[ receiving disability benefit for 3 years].
- Aged 18 to 20, out of formal education for 2 years, and for the previous 6 months (15 months for a third level course) have been receiving One Parent Family Payment or Unemployment Assistance/ Benefit

An adult dependant of someone who is eligible may qualify if a Qualified Adult allowance is in payment. Periods spent on unemployment schemes, training courses and in prison may count towards qualifying period.

Courses you can attend include full-time second level courses certified by the department of education and science (DES) or approved by the Further Education and Training Awards council (FETAC), such as the leaving certificate or post leaving certificate course and full-time third level courses approved by DES for its maintenance grant schemes or courses which have Higher Education and Training awards council [HETAC] recognition.

When you have been accepted for a course you should apply to DSFA for the allowance on form BTE 1. You will be paid the allowance instead of your social welfare payment at a rate equivalent to the maximum of your current social welfare payment. If you were previously getting an unemployment payment the BTEA will not be paid during the summer period between academic years,

Those who had been receiving other payments will continue to receive the BTEA during the summer.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre below.

### Question

I understand there is a new organisation that deals with compensation? Claims following an accident at work. how do I claim compensation?

### Answer

The personal injuries assessment board [PIAB] is a new statutory body set up to provide independent assessment of personal injury compensation for those involved in workplace, motoring or public liability accidents. From June 2004 all claims for compensation involving workplace, accidents must be submitted to the PIAB before taking out legal proceedings. This will be extended to other type of accidents in due course,

If you feel you are entitled to compensation you should make a claim directly to the party that injured you. If you fail to reach a settlement you must submit your claim to the PIAB.

You apply to the PIAB on an application form which is available on their website at [www.piab.ie](http://www.piab.ie) or from their helpline at locall 1890 829 121. with your application form you should send the following;

- Medical report form completed by the doctor treating you [when your case is settled you will receive 150 towards the cost of the report]
- Copies of any correspondence between you and your employer relating to the accident.
- Confirmation from your employer of your loss of earnings.
- Receipts for any other financial loss you may have incurred.
- Any other correspondence or documentation relevant to your claim.
- A cheque or postal order for €50 made payable to the PIAB. [you can also pay by credit card].

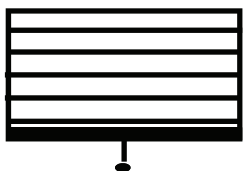
Your application should be sent to the PIAB at box 8, Clonakilty, Co Cork. When the PIAB receives your completed application form and other documentation you will be sent a letter explaining the next steps. If your employer wishes to argue legal issues you will be given an authorisation allowing you to take your case to court, subject to the statute of limitations. If there are no legal issues an assessor will be assigned to your case who determines the award. You have 28 days to decide if you will accept the award you will be authorised to take the case to court if you wish.

### Question

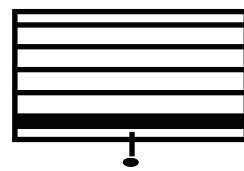
A friend of mine from northern Ireland is hoping to get work as a shop assistant in the South while still living in the North. Where does he pay his tax and social welfare contributions?

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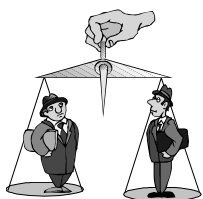
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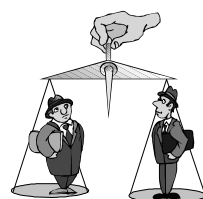
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## Citizens Information Centre (contd)

### Answer

Your friend may have to pay tax in the North if he has other income in the North. However, he will pay tax on the income from his job down here and not in northern Ireland, he will receive the full standard personal tax credits in the south provided at least 75% of his income is taxable here.

Under a double taxation agreement with the UK he will not have to pay tax on the same income again in the North. If he is liable for tax on other income in the North he will receive a tax credit for the tax he has already paid in the South. If he has no income in the North he will not have to pay any tax there. He may pay his pay related social insurance (PRSI) contributions down here which will entitle him to certain benefits. He will need a personal public service number (PPS NO) which he can obtain through a local social welfare office down here. He will require the following when he is applying for it.

- Current valid passport or birth certificate (long form preferred) and valid photographic ID e.g. full driving licence, employment ID (WITH PHOTO)
- Evidence of either work, social welfare claim, residency, tax liability or education history in Northern Ireland
- Evidence of his address.

### Question

I heard that there is a back to school allowance. What is it?

### Answer

You are probably referring to the back to school clothing and footwear allowance which is a special payment for parents to assist with the cost of children's school uniforms and footwear at the beginning of the school year. It may be claimed for a child aged 18-22 in full time education for whom a child dependant increase is payable.

Families claiming a social welfare payment (including family income supplement) or a health Board payment are eligible for this scheme if their income is below certain threshold as follows;

|                       | Lone Parent | Couple  |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------|
| 1 child               | €238.90     | €348.10 |
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| Each additional child | € 21.60     | €19.30  |

Those taking part in a vocational training opportunities schemes (VTOS) or in receipt of back to Education Allowance are also eligible.

The allowance is also available to people on employment schemes such as community employment. Back to work allowance, and Revenue Job Assist who retain their secondary benefits, (i.e., gross weekly household income is less than €317 .43) if they do not meet this condition they can apply under the normal income limits.

The allowance is €80 for each child aged 2-11 and €50 for each child aged 12-22.

The scheme runs from 1st June to September and is administered by the Health Board as part of the supplementary Welfare Allowance scheme. Families should apply to the community Welfare Officer at their local Health Centre,

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre. Ph. No. 01—6285553.

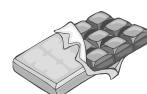
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# Features

## On The Run



*Run, Eire, Run!!!*

Women's Mini Marathon 2004 sponsored by Flora, which took place on June Bank Holiday became a big event in Dublin - thousands of women were running it in their desire to help those in need. Louise Duffy and Jacinta McPartlin, who both work in Maynooth are known in our community. The girls were doing the run in order to raise money for Marie Keating Foundation.

*What was it all about?*

**Jacinta:** The marathon brought women from all over Ireland, to run together and support each other as well as raise funds for different charities and foundations. We participated for Marie Keating Foundation ([www.mariekeating.com](http://www.mariekeating.com)), which is established in order to make people more aware about breast cancer and how to prevent it, reflecting the motto of the foundation: 'Not to frighten, but to enlighten'.

***I also took part as I was told it was good craic, and it really was!!!***

*What made you come and participate in the event?*

**Louise:** I decided to do the marathon for a number of reasons. Firstly, I enjoy walking and keeping fit. Secondly, I knew a charity would benefit from my sponsorship. I chose the charity 'aware' who support people whose lives are affected by depression. The money I raised will go towards maintaining the services they provide which include 60 support groups nationwide, 24 hour local helpline, schools education, public lectures and research. I also took part as I was told it was good craic, and it really was!

*What was your best impression?*

**Jacinta:** A good time and exercise along with everybody else, as we were running at our own pace. Even some men participated in it (dressed in colourful women's sportswear), which added more fun to it.



Most memorable was getting the medal!!!

*Medals for Louise and Jacinta*

*Would you do it again?*

**Louise:** Definitely, I had so much fun, met loads of people as well as had some exercise. I'm looking forward to next year and hope to beat my time from this year. Also I will try and get more of my friends to take part so we can encourage each other. So, if

**Maynooth Newsletter welcomes articles from Residents Associations, Clubs, Organisations and Individuals— upcoming events, book/CD reviews, restaurant reviews, family celebrations or anything you might think would be of interest to our Readers**

Any of the above can be submitted to our office at

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# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## Maynooth Tidy Towns Caring for our Environment

### Best Estates Competitions 2004

Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee would like to inform residents associations that judging in the "Best Estates Competitions" will take place during August. The committee invites residents associations to write to us outlining details of the environmental enhancement work that you have carried out in your estate in 2004. A standard questionnaire is available for completion and your representative should contact us for same. Entry Forms are not essential, but it helps the judges to award points for the work undertaken by the residents association.

The competition is running since 1995 and is arranged in two categories:

(1) Best Small Estate (less than 100 houses) and (2) Best Large Estate (100 houses or more)

There are three main prize categories:

(a) Most Improved (b) Runner –up and (c) Winner

Judging is based on five criteria: (1) Open Space maintenance, (2) Presence of Weeds, (3) General condition of houses (4) Condition and quantity of trees and (5) condition of features (e.g. flowerbeds shrubs etc.)

### Best Shop Front Competition 2004

No entry form is required as all business premises are automatically included in the competition. There are three main prize categories: (a) Most Improved (b) Runner –up and (c) Winner.

Judging is undertaken under a number of criteria such as general decorative condition, Absence of Litter and shop window design.

### Other Prizes include:

**"Senior Volunteer of the Year"** (not open to Tidy Towns Committee members)

**"Junior Volunteer of the Year"** (Under 18 yrs old and not open to Tidy Towns Committee members)

**"Litter Person of the Year"** (not open to Tidy Towns Committee members)

**"Best Local Community Group"** (The group that did most to support the Tidy Towns efforts in 2004)

**"Person of the Year"** (The individual that did most to support the Tidy Towns effort in 2004 and is not open to Tidy Towns members)

**"Tidy Towns Volunteer of the Year"** (confined to members of Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee)

The committee welcome nominations for these prizes and such recommendations should include details on why you are nominating the person as well as proof to support your proposal. Closing date for nominations is Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2004.

**If you want to contact Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee on any of the competitions, please contact Paul Croghan, Tidy Towns Competitions Co-ordinator at 6286709.**

## Some of the people who attended the Festival Bingo in the Straffan Court Hotel





# Features

## WE ARE SURVIVORS

THIS IS AN ARTICLE FOR THOSE BORN BEFORE 1950.

We were born before colour television, sugar lump immunisation, frozen foods, Xerox, videos, Frisbees and the Pill. We lived before credit cards, split atoms, laser beams, dishwashers, tumble dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, DRIP dry clothes, and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together, (how quaint can you be)?

We thought fast food was what you ate in Lent. A "Big Mac" was an oversized raincoat, and crumpet we had for tea. We existed before house husbands, computer dating, dual careers when a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins, and sheltered accommodation was where you waited for a bus.

We were before Day Care Centres, Group Homes and disposable nappies.

We had never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt, and young men wearing earrings.

For us "time sharing" meant togetherness, a chip was a piece of wood or fried potato - hardware meant nuts and bolts, and software wasn't a word.

Before 1948 "made in Japan" meant junk; the term "making out" referred to how you did in your exams; a stud was something that fastened a collar to your shirt, and going "all the way" meant staying on a double decker bus until it reached the depot.

In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable; grass was mown, coke was kept in the coalhouse; a joint was a piece of meat you had on Sundays, and pot was something you cooked it in.

Rock music was a grandmothers lullaby, El Dorado was an ice cream; a gay person was the life and soul of the party and nothing more, and aids just meant beauty treatment or help for someone in trouble.

We who were born before 1950 must be a hardy bunch when you think of the ways in which the world has changed and the adjustments we have had to make. No wonder we are so confused and there is a generation gap!

BUT - - - BY THE GRACE OF GOD WE HAVE SURVIVED

ALLELUIA

## AGE

Just a line to say I'm living  
That I'm not among the dead  
Though I'm getting more forgetful  
And mixed up in my head.

I've gotten used to my arthritis  
To my dentures I'm resigned  
I can manage my bifocals  
But "Oh God" I miss my mind!

For sometimes I can't remember  
When I stand at the foot of the stairs  
If I must go up for something  
Or if I must come down from there.

And before the fridge so often  
my poor mind is filled with doubt  
Have I just put the food away  
Or have I come to take some out?

So if it is my turn to write to you  
there's no need for getting sore  
I may think that I have written  
And don't want to be a bore.

So remember I do love you  
And wish that you were near  
But now its nearly mail time  
So I'll say "Goodbye" my dear.

There I stood beside the mail box  
With a face so very red  
Instead of mailing you my letter  
I had opened it instead.

ANONYMOUS



## Festival 2004



The participants of the U8 Soccer Tournament





## Festival 2004

### Tug of War on Main Street





## Festival 2004 Children's Disco



Jamie McEvoy, Michael McGee & Elliott Leavey



Brian McTeigue enjoying the disco



Shannon Thompson and cousin



Sharon & Clodagh



# Features

## Useful Tips

### Babies' name

The name you choose for your child must last for ever (unless he or she changes it when adult). So consider the names carefully.

- Choose a name which can grow with the child and suit it as an adult.
- Write down the name to see how it balances with the surname.
- Consider how many other 'Emmas' and 'Marks' you know. You might prefer to be more unusual.
- When drawing up a short list of middle names, check that the initials don't result in odd spellings. Include plainer middle names in case your child hates the more original first name.
- Think of possible nicknames and abbreviations.
- Imagine calling the name at the top of your voice to summon your child.
- Check that the name goes well with that of any brothers or sisters.

### Camping in rainy weather

- Wear a waterproof jacket and trousers.
- Rain gear works better and feels more comfortable when it fits loosely. Air spaces provide ventilation and allow your body to dry.
- Any camper who has endured the tedium of a rainy day knows that a paperback book can be an important first aid for boredom. Travel-size board games (draughts, chess, backgammon, Scrabble) and a pack of cards are also lightweight, easy-to-carry protection against the dreary monotony of a soggy campsite. Writing letters will take your mind off the rain.

### Coffee

- Instant coffees can taste and smell just like the real thing. The secret is to cover the cup or mug with a saucer after you've added the hot water, then let the brew steep for a full minute.
- To preserve its fresh flavour, always store ground coffee in the refrigerator or freezer.
- Freeze very strong leftover coffee in ice cube trays. When you want a cup put a couple of cubes in a mug, top up with water, and heat in a microwave.
- Stretch 1lb/450g of coffee by adding 30z/85g of roasted chicory; it increases the yield by about ten cups. If the pleasant bitterness of chicory suits your taste, add still more - up to 8oz/225g.
- Instead of decaffeinated coffee, try one of the coffee substitutes on the market. They are made from roasted grains, nuts, chicory or dandelion root. You can mellow their taste by adding a vanilla bean to the grounds.

### Litter for cats

- Instead of commercial cat litter, you can use sand, wood shavings or peat. Don't use peat for long-haired cats, however; it sticks to their coats.
- To deodorise any type of litter, mix 1 part bicarbonate of soda into 3 parts litter; cover the bottom of the cat tray with a layer of bicarbonate of soda.
- Use cut-up plastic bin liners as litter box lines.
- Better still, make a 'pillowcase' for your cat tray: slip the whole box into a heavy duty rubbish bag (or two thin ones - claws can punch tiny holes) and pour the litter onto the surface of the bag. When it's time to dispose of the contents, simply turn the bag inside-out over the litter and lift it out of the tray.

### Picnics

- If you are planning a picnic but have no coolbox or bag, make your own by lining your picnic basket or box with cold beverages; and then pack the food in the centre. But remember that the cold cans are no substitute for ice; only use this trick if you have a short distance to travel and your food is unlikely to spoil.
- A clean shower curtain makes a good picnic cloth, because spills are easy to wipe up.
- Carry your food to the picnic site in sturdy cardboard boxes; once you get there, remove the contents, turn the boxes upside-down and cover them with a shower curtain or waterproof cloth to create a miniature table.
- To keep ants out of food, use aluminium foil or plastic film. Or pack food in containers with lids that you can close after each serving. You could also buy dome-shaped nets to cover plates and bowls.
- If you are worried about food poisoning, avoid egg salad, potato salad and fish and pasta dishes, especially on hot days. Instead, make sandwiches out of luncheon meats, tinned meats or cheese. And spread the bread with mustard (a fairly good preservative because of its acid content), butter or margarine instead of mayonnaise.
- If it is a very hot day indeed, freeze puddings, yoghurt and sandwiches without salad. Then pack them into a coolbox, if you have one, with ice packs (or cubes in a plastic bag); by the time you're ready to eat, the food should be defrosted.




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## Tug-O-War comes Home to Roost

At 5 p.m. on Sunday July 25th last, watched by a large attendance, men and women, Tug-O-War pullers took to the street to provide an exciting climax to Maynooth Community Festival 2004.

In the first pull of the evening a hastily put together Brady's team took on a stronger and determined Caulfield's team. Brady's puller Anthony (Guy) Maloney got the crowd going with his enthusiasm and good humour. Bradys put up good resistance but the Caulfield's team coached by John Gallagher piled on the pressure and won two pulls in succession to claim all three points.

### Women's Competition

During a break in proceedings an impromptu women's competition was held. After much encouragement two teams emerged and delighted the crowd with very tenacious and spirited struggles. There was one foul pull when a man assisted one of the teams. At the end of the third pull the women had given their all and a very popular drawn result was declared and medals were presented by George Gallagher.

When the men's competition resumed a very well organised and physical Roost team took on the Brady's team, by now very popular underdogs of the tournament. Bradys put on the brakes but the soles of their shoes got hot as they were dragged past the marker. In the second pull Bradys were hoping to find a crater, pothole or even bog-hole to get into but alas there were none of these on the main street. The Roost team heaved and jumped backwards to claim full points.

### Third Round

In the third round of the tournament the birds had fled the wires and the shouting could be heard as far away as Pike's Bridge when the Roost and Caulfields engaged in battle for the top prize. The crowd pressed ever closer sometimes blocking the line of vision of referee George Gallagher who did an excellent job officiating on the day. Despite strong pulling by John Murray, Kevin Connolly and their team-mates, the Roost got their rhythm going and won the first pull. In the second, Caulfields made their last stand, gaining some ground and going into holding mode. However their brave resistance was overcome by the physically fitter Roost team of Darren Mooney, coached by Niall Neville, who emerged as tournament winners.

**Winners: The Roost:** Darren Mooney, Garret Fitzgerald, Alan Brannigan, David Rossitor, Donal O'Sullivan, Trevor Brannigan, Fiacre Cunningham, Emmet Brady, Niall Neville (Manager).

**2nd Place: Caulfields:** Martin Gormley, John Nevin, Francis Conlon, Gary Groarty, Eddie Connolly, John Murray, D. Kinsella, T. Nichols, M. Carthy, M. McGee, John Gallagher, Manager, Anto Edwards, Assistant Manager.

**3rd Place: Bradys The Clock House:** Geroid Higgins, Tony McMahon, Barry Farrell, Anthony Maloney, Paul Byrne, Danny Byrne, Mick Byrne, Tony Byrne.



*The Roost Winning Team*

## Festival Report by Andrew McMullon

I would like to thank the following people for their help and support during the Festival. I would especially like to thank Christina Sauls for her help and keeping me sane during the week. I would also like to thank the following Community Councillors for their help: Marie Gleeson for organising the Family Day, Paul Croghan, Dominic Nyland and Brid Feely for their help on the Family Day. Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Peter Connell, Dominic Nyland and Hugh Gallagher for helping with the Table Quiz. I would also like to thank the office staff, Norah McDermott and Freda Kelleher.

My thanks also to my Dad, Dave Moynan and the staff of Caulfields for their help in closing off the Main Street. Without their help it would never have happened. Thanks also to Willie Kiernan for providing the sound system at such short notice, Noelle McGovern, Tully School of Irish Dancing and St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band for keeping the crowds entertained. Caulfields, Bradys and The Roost for their Tug of War teams, George Gallagher and Willie Healy for organising the Tug-of-War, Kay and Fran for organising the Car Treasure Hunt.

Thanks also to our sponsors, Tesco, Remax, L.S. Autos, Sean Donovan, Londis, Rehab for their help in creating posters and putting them up.

If I have left anybody out, I apologise.

# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## Maynooth Town F. C. Notes

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### Maynooth footballers clinch U11A Spring league in thriller with Clane.

**Maynooth 1 - 8 Clane 2 - 1**

Maynooth U11A footballers secured the North Kildare spring league in a thrilling match against Clane on Monday June 28th.

Clane were unbeaten going into the final match of the league against Maynooth. They had won 5 games and drawn 1.

Maynooth lost the opening match of the season against Sallins but recovered excellently and recorded five wins in a row against Sarsfields, St. Kevins, Celbridge, Leixlip and Naas. Clane needed to win so the stage was set for a cracker!

The pace of the game was hectic from the throw in. Maynooth got off to a great start with a blistering goal from Denis O' Brien.

Maynooth added a further point before Clane settled and came back strongly with two goals. Both sides added more scores with Clane leading by a point at half time. (2-1 to 1 3). The scene was set for a nail biting second half.

Maynooth levelled the game early after the restart with a free from Sean Higgins. Neil Flynn who moved to centre forward had a great second half for Maynooth adding four points to their tally. Maynooth now lead 1 - 8 to 2-1.

The final few minutes were hectic as Clane pressed hard for scores. The standard of football was excellent with great blocking skills in particular on display from both sides. Maynooth held fast to protect the lead and secure the win.



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# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## I. C. A Notes

At the AGM in May, Mary MacNamara stepped down as president of Maynooth guild and handed over to the incoming president Mary O'Gorman, and her new committee.

The winner of the overall competition for the year was 1st Mary Halton, 2nd Veva Kearins  
3rd Rosemary Hanley.

The guild are on summer break at the moment but will be back in September with their monthly meeting on Thursday 2nd at 8pm. All activities such as Crafts on Monday nights and Badminton on Monday and Thursday mornings will resume. We would love to see new members come to join us, they are always welcome.

Copy date for the  
September Edition of  
the Newsletter is  
Monday the 16th  
August 2004

## Festival Barperson of the Year Competition



*3rd Place Richie Flanagan representing The Roost*



*2nd Place Alan O'Keeffe representing Caulfields*



# Festival 2004





# Features

## Children's Books—Information for Parents

### Selecting the right books

This is an area of concern for most parents. An enormous amount of children's books are published each year, and it is easy to feel intimidated by the range of titles available. Try to look for books which reflect your child's own interests, hobbies and abilities.

When selecting for younger children, you will probably also want to pick a book which you like – after all, you may have to read it again and again! It is important not to pick books which are either too easy (and may be boring for the child) or too advanced (and will put the child off). Don't be afraid to ask for advice from the experts – children's librarians represent a particularly good source of knowledge and expertise.

### It's never too early and It's never too late

You can introduce children to books from a very early age. Sharing books with babies is a companionable and enjoyable activity.

Don't panic if you haven't thought much about books. There is no right or wrong age where books and storytelling are concerned. After all, most adults enjoy discussing books they have read.

### Making it fun

One sure-fire way to turn children off books is to try to force them. Reading should be an enjoyable leisure activity, not a chore. If your child is tired, hungry, unhappy or just not 'in the mood', don't force it – try again another time when s/he is more receptive.

### Participation

Encourage young children to join in with the story – guessing what happens next, pointing, repeating words and phrases, discussing the pictures and asking/answering questions. You might try to be creative and make up your own stories together – or re-tell stories you remember from your childhood.

### Variety

Try to make as wide a choice of books as possible available to your child. Don't assume that s/he will like all the same books as you – or the ones you read when you were a child. Children soon develop their own tastes – and the more they have to choose from the better. However, it's also quite common for a child to want the same story repeated time and time again and the repetition can help him or her learn.

Sharing books is a rewarding and enjoyable activity

for parent and child alike. As a parent/carer you can play an extremely valuable role in encouraging your child to feel confident with books and helping them to develop a life-long love of books

### Book Choice for Primary Schools

*Book Choice for Primary Schools* was published in 2001 and edited by Rosemary Hetherington and Claire Ranson. *Book Choice for Primary Schools* lists over 1,000 titles recommended for primary school children, divided into age groups. Each title has a key code, to enable adults to ensure that the books they select are suitable for their intended readership. A selection of annotations and cover images are also included. The publication contains the Department of Education and Science's recommendations on School Libraries and lists of resource organisations, recommended books and journals and information about series fiction.

This publication was commissioned by the Department of Education and Science and is a collaborative project of Children's Books Ireland and Dublin City Public Libraries. *Book Choice for Primary Schools* was funded by the National Reading Initiative and the National Development Plan. Copies of the guide were distributed to all primary schools in the Republic of Ireland on publication.

Copies of *Book Choice for Primary Schools* are available from the Department of Education and Science and Children's Books Ireland. Copies of *Book Choice for Primary Schools* are free. Contact us at [info@childrensbooksireland.com](mailto:info@childrensbooksireland.com) for further details.

### Book Choice for Post-Primary Schools

*Book Choice for Post-Primary Schools* was published in 2003 and was edited by Claire Ranson and Julie Rowan. *Book Choice for Post-Primary Schools* lists recommended titles for secondary school students, divided by age group. All titles are key-coded and the publication contains a range of annotations and cover images. The booklet contains the Department of Education and Science's recommendations on School Libraries and lists of resource organisations and recommended books and journals.

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# Festival 2004

## **Maynooth Festival 2004 Children's Art Competition and Exhibition**

The children's art competition and exhibition, which was organised by Maynooth Castle Keep Art was held in the Community Library. It proved to be a great success again this year. The artwork submitted was divided into three age categories 4-6, 7-10, 11-13.

The prize giving took place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July in the library where the artworks were on display during the festival week. Certificates of appreciation were given to all who entered and there was a first, second and third prize given in each age category. Our thanks to Clodagh Kelly who judged this year's entries. Clodagh, who studied printing at the Dublin Institute of Technology, is an experienced Children's Art Teacher and Facilitator and has run workshops and in mask making, clay and painting, (to mention a few).

A lot of work and effort was put into the various art works and it was obvious that there was great enjoyment in creating them. There was a diverse range of subject matter – animal studies, buildings, street scenes, cartoon characters, people and abstract studies. There were pencil drawings, paintings, mixed media and collages. Thanks to all who took part and made the event such a success. Next year lets hope there will be even more entries.

We appreciate the help we received from the Community Library in mounting the exhibition and our thanks to TESCO Maynooth for their sponsorship and to Clodagh for her help and encouragement to all who entered.

Winners and runners up

### **4-6 Category**

1. Máire Hogan
2. Cormac McKinsley
3. Lorna Brennan

### **7-10 Category**

1. Sarah Jennings
2. Philip Kenny
3. Noelle Brennan

### **11-13 Category**

1. Aileen Mooney
2. Katie Fleming
3. Johnny Curran

Susan Durack,  
Castle Keep Art Group.



# Features

## Children's Books—Information Parents (contd.)

### ***The Big Guide 2: Irish Children's Books***

ISBN: 1872917062

*The Big Guide 2: Irish Children's Books* was published in 2000 and edited by Valerie Coghlan and Celia Keenan. *The Big Guide 2* features a range of authoritative articles on contemporary Irish children's literature and is illustrated in full-colour. *The Big Guide 2* is a companion publication to the original Big Guide and provides a wealth of information.

The book is divided into four sections: Books, Classrooms and Curricula; 'The Past is a Foreign Country ... ' Writing about History; Culture, Identity and Image; and Awards and Research.

The following articles are included in the Big Guide 2:

- 'Encouraging the Reluctant Reader' by Irene Barber
- 'Real Books in the Lower Primary Classroom' by Gillian Perdue
- 'Poetry in the Classroom' by Lucy O'Dea
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Copies of *The Big Guide 2: Irish Children's Books* are available from Children's Books Ireland at a cost of €14.60/£10.10stg/\$18.00

Information on books for children courtesy of *An Leabharlann/Library Association of Ireland*.

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All application forms should be submitted to the office in either hard copy format to Ann Marie Conneely, Community & Enterprise Department, St Mary's, Naas or by email to [educbursary@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:educbursary@kildarecoco.ie). Closing date for applications is Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2004.

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# Features.

Feile na Gael, as the name suggests, is a festival of Gaelic sport. U14 teams from every County are invited to participate in Camogie, Hurling and Handball. Meath, Westmeath and Kildare have hosted the festival for the past two years. Maynooth had both boys and girls handball teams participating. With the experience gained in last years competition the teams were expected to do well in 2004. The boys played in Leixlip against the home side and Liscaul. They were very unlucky not to progress to the play off stages. The teams members were Colm Peelo (Captain), Leo Cooney, the O'Regan twins Barry and Niall, and Kevin Peelo.

The girls team Captained by Louise Walsh exceeded all expectations. Their qualification group consisted of Friary Abbeyside (Waterford), Killala (Mayo) and Windgap (Kilkenny). Each match consisted of two games to 21 aces with one point awarded for each game won. In their first game against Killala the points were shared. Likewise the Windgap round resulted in each gaining 1 more point. The final group match against Friary Abbeyside also resulted in a draw. Maynooth were fortunate to make the semi-finals mainly due to the dominance of Killala in their remaining group matches. Windgap and Friary Abbeyside were eliminated at this stage of the competition. Clooney Quin and Carrickmore also qualified for the semi-finals.

In the first semi-final Clooney Quin (Clare) emerged winners from a tough battle with Killala. The second semi saw Maynooth pitted against the in form team of the tournament Carrickmore (Tyrone). With the Maynooth girls having played three camogie matches in addition to their three handball matches in less than twenty four hours they had a tough task ahead.

First to play for Maynooth were Louise Walsh and Ellen Stack. With Ellen showing great coolness and Louise leading her team by example they took the first game on a 21 – 14 scoreline. Eimear Connolly and Roisin Gorey gave of their best but were defeated 21 –13. With both teams now having one point each the match went to a tie breaker. Each team were allowed to play any two players in the 11 point tie breaker. Maynooth played Louise and Roisin together in the tie breaker. As they had won the U13 Leinster Doubles Championship together they were always going to provide formidable opposition for the Carrickmore girls. With Louise's power serves, Roisin's cross wall serves and their doubles experience together standing them in good stead they had an excellent 11 – 4 win to take them to the final.

The Clare girls from Clooney Quin having defeated Killala in the first semi final this set the stage for a Maynooth Clooney Quin final. With Louise buoyed up from her semi – final win and Ellen showing no final nerves Maynooth started the first game well with Louise making nine points on her first serve. With the

score at 20 –10 Ellen showed her determination by making her best serve of the tournament to put Maynooth a game up in the final.

Maynooth were now looking for a big game from Roisin and Eimear. With finals experience in multiple sports Eimear was never going to be found wanting for determination. It was soon obvious that she had reserved her best handball for the final and with Roisin playing to her full potential Maynooth had no intention of allowing the match to go to a tie breaker. Both girls combined well and covered every inch of the court to record a comfortable win. With a scoreline of 21 – 9 they created handball history by becoming the first Maynooth team to capture the St Augustine's College shield.



*Maynooth 2004 girls Féile Handball Team  
Left to Right*

*Therese Barry, Ellen Stack, Róisín Gorey, Louise Walsh(Cptn), Eimear Connolly and mentors  
Clooney Quin 2004 girls Féile Handball Team*



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Your eyes have seen a lot  
Reared each child from birth  
A previous heart you have got  
My mother of this earth

2.  
I love you real deep inside  
Although it may not show  
My emotions I tend to hide  
But deep down I cherish you so  
Your caring ways and familiar voice  
Is so very nice for to hear  
If I had riches of any choice  
To have you forever Mother dear

3.  
Bless those caring hands  
Have toiled at our call  
You may search over many lands  
But your Mother is best of all  
Praise be to your presence now  
Lady of your gentle grace  
There is no other way now  
Anyone can take your place

Patrick Murray

## Memories

I am sitting here now  
And feeling so sad  
And thinking of the time  
When I was a lad

When I played in the meadow  
And ran through the fields  
And let my fair hair  
Be blown by the breeze

I would rise up in the morning  
And be off like a lark  
To run helter skelter  
From morning till dark

The birds were a singing  
The flowers were in bloom  
The corn was a ripening  
The trees looked so fine

I could play all day long  
And sure sing a song  
Be happy and free  
Like a young bumble bee

But time moves along  
And then I grew up  
No more I did play  
Because I started to work

So if you are young  
Go out sure and play  
And make sure you enjoy it  
From day to day.

Patrick Mooney.



*John McGinley, Richard Brady with fiancée Aoife and his mother Maura at Law of the Land during Festival*



*Maurice Carthy tuning up prior to playing with Law of the Land during Festival Week*

## Festival 2004



*Members of UPRISE playing in the Square*

## Having fun in Caulfields during the Festival





## Festival 2004



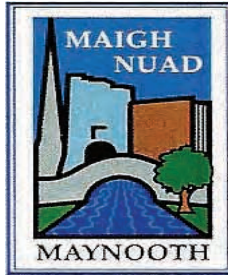


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*Lenny Murphy and Family after the presentation of the Joe Murphy Memorial Trophy in the Harbour Field on Sunday 25th July*

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## Maynooth Labour News



*Cllr. John McGinley*

### **Pedestrian Crossing on Celbridge Road for Gaelscoil Pupils**

Cllr. John McGinley's motion for the pedestrian crossing was discussed at the Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council on 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Despite the fact that the Council advised John by letter dated 9 June 2004 that they were going to carry out a pedestrian and traffic count, they still had done so. They stated at the meeting that they would do the count during the next school term. Cllr. McGinley stated that this would be too late and that the crossing needs to be in place for the next school term. He also said that it was not necessary to carry out a traffic or pedestrian count as the parents and the school authorities would not ask for such a crossing unless there was a need for same.

Cllr. McGinley had the full support of the other three Councillors and they asked that the officials proceed with the work and that funding could come from development levies on the new houses being constructed in the area. The Senior Engineer, Des O'Connor, agreed to have another look at it and get back to the Councillors in the near future.

### **Bus Bays at the Girls' School**

The design for the bus bays has been revised and the scheme will now include bus bays at the school side of Convent Lane and exclude those proposed for the opposite side.

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by the Council's Senior Engineer, Des O'Connor, that it is proposed to carry out the work in August and that he has a commitment from the contractor that the work will be completed by the end of the month.

The Council also intend to carry out the Environmental Improvement works at the entrance to Carton Avenue at the same time, so that the new parking regime will be in place for the school opening on 30<sup>th</sup> August.

### **Recycling Information**

Residents who got their recycling bin prior to May of this year may not be aware that tetrapaks and plastic bottles can now be put in the green bin. Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by the Council that they are working with Thorntons on a leaflet drop for all customers who got bins before May. A third bin for organic waste will be introduced next year. A decision has yet to be made on whether the system will be pay by weight or pay by volume from next January.

### **Mycete Planning Application for 538 Houses on Moyglare Road, Maynooth**

The decision by Kildare County Council to grant planning permission for 526 dwellings on the Moyglare Road has been appealed to An Bord Pleanála by Cllr. John McGinley. Appeals were also submitted by Moyglare Abbey & Moyglare Village Residents' Associations and by Mr. John Sweeney. There was also a first party appeal from the Developer, Mycete Construction.

Cllr. McGinley was advised by An Bord Pleanála on 13 July that it is their intention to make a decision before the 14<sup>th</sup> August 2004.

# Party Political

(Maynooth Labour News Contd.)

## **Completion of the Ring Road from Moyglare to Moygaddy**

At the June meeting of the Area Committee Cllr. McGinley asked for a progress report on the discussions that Kildare County Council were having with Meath County Council on the construction of the Meath section of this much needed ring road. He was given the following incredible update at the Area Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July:

"Arrangements have been made to meet with Meath County Council at an early stage. The members will be kept informed of progress."

Needless to say Cllr. McGinley dismissed this totally unacceptable and inaccurate report (Cllr. McGinley is aware that a number of meetings have already taken place between engineers of the two Councils) and asked for proper updates at each monthly meeting from now on.

## **County Development Plan 2005-2011**

The Draft County Development Plan 2005-2011 is being debated at special Council meetings during July. This is a very important document as it sets policy for the future development of every town and village in the county. In other words it determines the quality of life for all of us who live in the county.

The Council is obliged by law to take account of the Regional Planning Guidelines for the county. In these Guidelines a total of 16,950 new houses have been allocated to county Kildare for the duration of the plan. Cllr. John McGinley has pointed out that, as there are over 2,700 acres of residentially zoned land in the county, there is no need to rezone any more land under the new Development Plan. The average density of houses under construction at present is 12 per acre, which means that there is enough land already zoned residential to accommodate 32,400 houses.

Cllr. McGinley will be proposing that a clause be inserted in the plan stating that:

*"No further land will be rezoned for housing in the County for the duration of the Development Plan in order to comply with the Regional Planning Guidelines"*

## **The "Bandstand" in the green at Pound Park**

The Council has written to relevant organisations in Maynooth seeking their views on the "bandstand", i.e. does Maynooth need a bandstand and where should it be located. The Council has asked for comments before the end of July.

## **Traffic Calming at Newtown Shopping Centre and Beaufield Road**

Residents will be aware that Cllr. John McGinley has asked that traffic calming ramps be installed at Newtown Shopping Centre and along Beaufield Road to cater for the increase in traffic as a result of the closure of the road at Newtown Grove. Cllr. McGinley was given the following extraordinary progress report at the Area Meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July:

*"It is expected that traffic volumes will decline substantially when the Meadowbrook Link is open to traffic. In the interim, the Area Engineer will endeavour to effect short term improvements in terms of enhancing signage and lining arrangements."*

Cllr. McGinley pointed out that ridiculous replies such as this make the life of a Councillor very difficult. Everyone (except the individual who wrote the progress report) knows that the opposite is the case and that traffic volumes will increase significantly when the Meadowbrook Link is open to traffic. Cllr. McGinley again asked that immediate steps be taken to put the necessary traffic calming measures in place.

## **Children's Playground**

The design for the children's playground at the Harbour Field is at present being drawn up in consultation with the Maynooth Playground Action Group. In order to ensure that the ongoing maintenance is not a burden on local communities Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Full Council:

*"That an appropriate allocation be made in the budget for 2005 to cover the Operation and Maintenance of the proposed new children's playgrounds."*

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