

Editorial

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The Newsletter apologises for the errors in the January issue. The pressure to have the Anniversary Issue completed by mid-December, to have the January issue completed and ready to print by 4th January, as well as other administrative end of year deadlines within the office culminated in an issue where the production quality suffered. Inadvertently an earlier version of the editorial was included for printing, an excessive amount of similar photographs were included and some other editorial decisions were omitted. The Newsletter Office aims to produce as high a quality publication as it can within its resources and we hope our readership will continue to support this worthwhile publication.

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Paddy MacNamara

Councillor Paddy MacNamara is running as a Labour candidate in the forthcoming Kildare North by-election. Father-of-two Paddy, who topped the poll in the Naas electoral area in the Local Elections, first cut his political teeth during the Mary Robinson Presidential campaign after joining the Labour Party in 1989. After studying for a degree in mechanical engineering in Trinity College Dublin, Paddy completed a Masters in the University of Limerick.

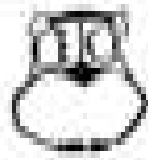
Originally from Cashel, County Tipperary, Paddy has lived in Naas since 1991. Being parents to four-year-old Michael and two-year-old Katie, Paddy and his wife Elaine, are only too aware of the problems associated with juggling and combining family and home life with busy work schedules. Paddy is a lecturer in Bolton Street College in Dublin, while Elaine, herself a native of Carbury, works with Hewlett Packard.

Like thousands of others, Paddy makes the daily commute for work from Kildare to Dublin where he lectures in Mechanical Engineering. It is this experience of commuting which prompted Paddy to become involved in the Naas and Sallins Rail Users Group (NASRUG). Now a PRO for the group, Paddy has campaigned for major improvements to the route, including the provision of extra trains, improvements to security and quality of service. Paddy is an active member of many other local groups including in the Sallins Community Council, the Naas Housing Cooperative where he holds the position of secretary and he chairs the Naas Area Committee in Kildare County Council.

As a councillor, Paddy has highlighted the gaps in infrastructure in Kildare associated with the rapid development of the commuter belt. Paddy has also been a vocal opponent to the underfunding of such important schemes

as the Disabled Persons Grant Scheme, the shortage of school places and facilities, the closure of health services, traffic chaos in the county and unaffordable housing.

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04/3040	Carton Demesne Ltd	Carton House, Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	17/12/04	For the change of use in three first floor rooms in the East wing of Carton House, from Hotel offices to bedroom accommodation, to create two bedrooms, involving the insertion of lightweight stud partitions, etc.	Carton House Carton Demense Maynooth
04/3079	Mr. Brian O'Connor	28 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildarae	P	22/12/04	First floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion with utility room extended below	28 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3108	David Thompson	354 Greenfield Cottages Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	22/12/04	Erection of dormer type of bungalow with connection to public services and use of existing entrance.	354 Greenfield Cottages Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3123	Laura Noone & Kenneth McGowan	Meaniaie, Laragh Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	23/12/04	To build dormer type dwelling, to be serviced with on site wastewater treatment system to current EPA guidelines, domestic garage, recessed entrance and all associated site works on my site	Laragh Demesne Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3125	Tracey O' Dean	Mainham Clane Co. Kildare	P	23/12/04	a dormer type dwelling with detached domestic garage, septic tank and percolation area, new entrance onto public road and all associated site works	Baltreacy
04/3132	Claire, Karl, Patricia and Alan Wall	Gleaneaston Green Leixlip Co. Kildare	P	23/12/04	Development consisting of 2 no. dormer style bungalows	Graigsallagh Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3144	Stephen Molloy	237 Kingsbry Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	23/12/04	Of two storey self contained granny flat as constructed in it's present form than that already granted under PL. Ref No. 1150/03	237 Kingsbry Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3145	Patrick Blount	15 Parklands Lawns Maynooth	P	23/12/04	The development will consist of first floor extension over existing ground floor study and utility to the side of existing dwelling house and all associated site works	15 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare

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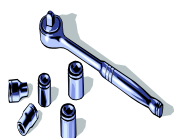
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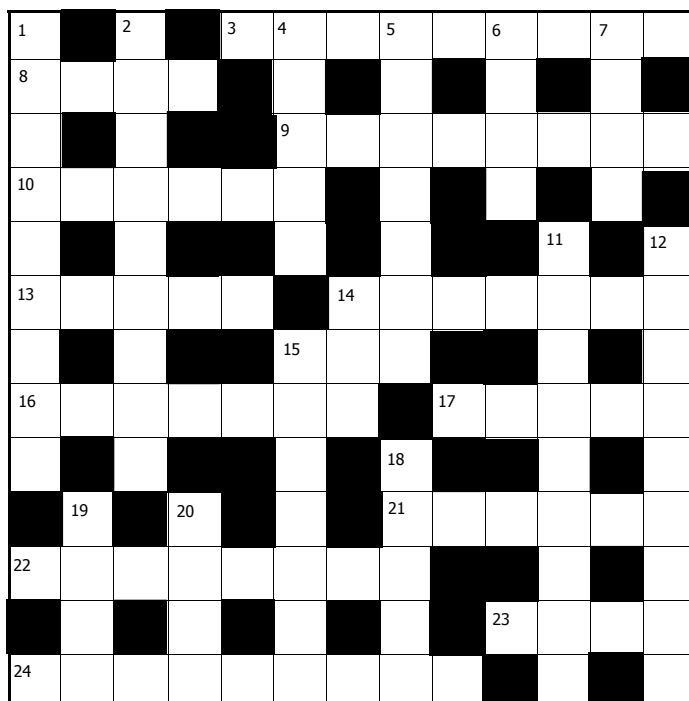
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Crossword

No: 30



Entries before: ? February 2005

Name

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Across:

3. Resort town in Lancashire (9)
8. Large sea-bird (4)
9. But a tale (anag) (8)
10. Russian currency (6)
13. Reluctant (5)
14. Fruitful (7)
15. Rodent (3)
16. Reveal (7)
17. Sow seeds (5)
21. Page size (6)
22. Boxing match organiser (8)
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6. Rod (4)
7. Promise (4)
11. Country bordering Honduras (9)
12. Wrecked (9)
14. Distant (3)
15. Boating event (7)
18. Renounce (5)
19. By mouth (4)
20. Idi _ _ . Ugandan despot (4)

Across: No 22

3. Quarterly, 8. Oryx, 9. Campbell, 10. Plaice, 13. Lyons, 14. Pen name, 16. Naughty, 17. Depot, 21. Excuse, 22. Defended, 23. Wise, 24. Wholemeal

Down:

1. Corpulent, 2. Synagogue, 4. Ulcer, 5. Removed, 6. Elbe, 7. Lily 11. Tarpaulin, 12. Gentlemen, 14. Pay, 15. Stardom, 18. Media, 19. Lech, 20. Well

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Useful Tips

Table Manners

- If you can't get at your food with a knife or fork without making a mess - when eating spare ribs, corn on the cob or shellfish, for example - use your fingers. Otherwise, when in doubt, follow your host's example or consider the formality of the situation.
- If you've bitten into something that can't be swallowed - such as meat gristle, a pip or a fishbone - remove it from your mouth the way it came in (generally with your fork) and put it on the side of the plate.
- If you find hair in your soup at a dinner party, or an insect in your salad, either remove the interloper and eat your food, or leave it untouched - but refrain from commenting on it.
- If you find an unacceptable object in food you order in a restaurant, send it back immediately.

Windscreen wipers

Are your wipers not working properly? Before buying new ones, clean both the glass and blades thoroughly. If you've had your car cleaned at the car wash, you may have to use a mild household abrasive cleaner to remove any silicone wax. If that still doesn't do the trick, try the following:

- Water beads are the result of grease or silicone build-up. Clean the windscreen with the solvent used for removing grease or silicone from bodywork.
- If the wipers are smearing only one direction or if they chatter, the blades may be frozen. Warm them between your hands or use a hair dryer; if that doesn't help, dip them in warm water.
- Chattering may also be caused by a bent wiper arm. In this case, stop the wipers in midstroke to see if they are parallel to the windscreen. If an arm is bent, straighten it with two pairs of pliers until it remains parallel to the glass when released. If the tip of the arm is bent, remove the blade before you straighten the arm. The problem may also be corroded joints. Free them up with penetrating solvent.
- Streaking may occur when the nozzle of the windscreen washer is blocked; insert a pin to clear it. Or the washer fluid may not be spraying in the wiper's path; adjust the position of the nozzle with a pin and keep checking until the spray pattern is on target. Some nozzles aren't adjustable; don't force them.
- Before driving in the rain, rub your wiper blades with bicarbonate of soda - you'll see better.
- If the blade on the driver's side isn't working, swap it with the other one on the passenger's side. This is a temporary measure only. Get the faulty blade fixed as soon as you can.

Nail biting

- When you're tempted to nibble at your nails or cuticles, keep your hands busy - and not in your mouth. Doodle on paper, knead a pencil river or finger some worry beads.
- Give yourself a weekly manicure; the neat appearance may deter you from biting your nails.
- Promise yourself a treat if you can grow one nail without biting it.
- Paint an anti-biting preparation onto your nails. These are available from chemists, and their bitter taste reminds you to stop nibbling.
- If your small child also bites his nails. Try giving him a small manicure set - it might encourage him to stop. Make sure you trim his fingernails after each bath-time, and reward the days when he doesn't bite them with a gold star or small treat.

Indigestion

- To relieve an attack of indigestion, drink a cupful of peppermint tea. Steep 1/2 oz of fresh peppermint leaves in 1 pint of boiled water for 20 minutes.
- Instead of a commercial antacid, try 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda in a glass of water (not recommended for those who must restrict their intake of sodium)
- Caution: a heart attack may be mistaken for indigestion. If you are in doubt, seek medical help.
- Prevention
- Stop smoking and don't chew gum. Cut out aspirin, alcohol, caffeine and carbonated drinks. Decline foods that don't agree with you.
- Make time for stress-free meals. Try eating four or five small meals a day slowly instead of wolfing down two or three large ones.
- Relax, sitting up, for 15 to 30 minutes after every meal.
- Sleep with the head of your bed slightly elevated or with a pillow

Head lice

If your or the school nurse finds lice in your child's hair, eradicate them with an over-the-counter preparation bought from the chemist. Comb your child's hair every night, strand by strand, with a fine-toothed comb until you are sure there are no more lice and you have combed out all their eggs. To prevent a recurrence, tell the child not to share combs, hats or ear-phones with her friends at school.

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Gardening tips for February

Spring Bulbs

Chionodoxa forbesii, *Ipheion uniflorum* (all), *Narcissus* 'Dove Wings', *Narcissus* 'Irene Copeland', *Narcissus* 'Jack Snipe', *Narcissus* 'Jetfire', *Narcissus* 'Minnow', *Narcissus* 'Mount Hood', *Scilla siberica* 'Spring Beauty', *Tulipa linifolia* Batalinii Group, *Tulipa praestans* 'Fusilier'

SPRING

Spring, the season when even those who are not into gardening on a permanent basis, enjoy the bulb's warm glow and ability to take the darkness and bareness of Winter out of the natural environment. For over two months you can have daffodils flowering in the garden. In the first weeks of the season, bulbs such as *Narcissus* 'February Gold' are ideal to reawaken your garden after the winter months.

How to grow the bulbs

Chionodoxa: (*Glory of the snow*)

This genus from West Turkey, Crete, and Cyprus is related to *Scilla*. These small bulbous plants are easy to grow in sun or partial shade. They soon seed profusely, flowering quickly from seed. *C. luciliae* (RHS Award of Garden Merit) has up to 12 small, starry, blue flowers per stem. A pink-flowered form is also available. The plant needs a mixture of shade sun and moist soil. The bulbs are full hardy and grow best at around -20°C/-5°F.

Ipheion

A small genus of bulbs from the eastern side of South America. They are related to onions and give off a familiar smell when the leaves are crushed, but the flowers, produced in spring, are often honey-scented.

I. uniflorum 'Wisley Blue' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is nearly fully hardy and well worth trying in colder gardens. *Ipheion* is small with light-blue, star-shaped flowers and dense, grass-like leaves. It multiplies quickly and is useful when planted between shrubs or at the edge of a rock garden.

Narcissus (*Daffodils*)

The range of daffodils on offer is vast. The shape and colour of each cultivar is clear from the illustrations in catalogues and garden centres. Equally important, however, is the height some large-flowered daffodils need plenty of space and require careful placing. The varieties listed here are mostly medium in stature, and easily cultivated. Buy daffodils as soon as they go on sale, because the roots will begin to grow in late summer.

'*Irene Copeland*' has a double flower with white outer petals and a bright yellow double trumpet. It grows to medium height and flowers in mid-spring.

'*Jack Snipe*' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a small plant with white outer petals and a lemon-yellow trumpet. It flowers well and bulks up very quickly.

'*Jetfire*' is also small and has a good contrast between its yellow outer petals and bright orange trumpet. At first the trumpet is quite pale in colour but soon darkens with time.

'*Minnow*' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a small, multi-headed, scented narcissus with pale yellow trumpets surrounded by cream outer petals. This daffodil is best grown in a large container or a raised bed.

'*Mount Hood*' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a medium-height daffodil with a cream trumpet and whiter outer petals. It has a mid-spring flower of good substance.

Others

Scilla siberica 'Spring Beauty', syn, '*Atrocoerulea*', is a little taller than *S. bifolia* and has deep blue, more pendent flowers in early spring. It looks very effective when planted around deciduous shrubs or in conjunction with white or red flowers. The bulb is best grown when it has a balance of sun and moist soil, and should be grown full hardy at -20°C/-5°F.

Bowl-shaped flowers

Tulipa linifolia *Batalinii* Group (RHS Award of Garden Merit). These are small to medium, early-flowering tulips that come in red, yellow, apricot, and bronze. They are very easy to grow if planted in a well-drained spot in a cold garden.

Tulipa praestans '*Fusilier*' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a barely medium-height tulip that is particularly easily grown and very reliable. It has several vibrant, red flowers, on each stem.



**Post-Primary School Maynooth
Musical Production—Parish Hall
February 2—6th 2005**

"Les Miserables"

This is an extremely ambitious production to be undertaken by the staff and students of the Post-Primary School Maynooth. Up to recently the "rights" for this musical were denied to all except those licensed by the "rights" owners and limited to top class productions in prestigious venues round the world. To the joy of many, these rights have been relaxed to allow fledgling musical societies like the Pos-Primary School in Maynooth to stage the production. Sinead O'Connell, a teacher of history and geography at the school and Director/Producer of the production is to be commended for undertaking such a daunting task. Anne Marie O'Farrell, Musical Director, and Rebecca Flynn, Choreographer ably assists her in her task. Sinead stated that the enthusiasm of the students, drawn mainly from fifth and transition year has made her job a lot easier. As an example of the commitment required, the cast were putting in a full day's rehearsal on a Saturday, normally a free day. Sinead is looking forward to the support of the parents and the local business community in making this musical production a success. It should be a great night out and well worth supporting. Tickets are available from the post-primary school.

The Story of 'Les Miserables'

'Les Miserables' is set in the Parisian underworld. The protagonist, Jean Valjean, is sentenced to prison for 19 years for stealing a loaf of bread. After his release, Valjean plans to rob Monsignor Myriel, a saint like Bishop, but cancels his plan. However, he forfeits his parole by committing a minor crime, and for this crime Valjean is haunted by the Police Inspector, Javert. Valjean eventually reforms and becomes, under the name of M. Madeleine, a successful businessman, benefactor and Mayor of a northern town. To save an innocent man Valjean gives himself up and is imprisoned in Toulon. He escapes and adopts Cosette, an illegitimate child of a poor woman, Fantine. Cosette grows up and falls in love with Marius, who is wounded during a revolutionary fight. Valjean rescues Marius by means of a flight through the sewers of Paris. Cosette and Marius marry and Valjean reveals his past. The story by Victor Hugo was made into a musical by Claude-Michael Schonberg and the librettist Alain Boubil opening in Paris 1980.

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We at the newsletter wish the Pearsons all the best in their new location.

Greally's Newsagents

Main Street, Maynooth

Greally's Newsagent is a new convenience shopping an newsagent facility recently opened on Maynooth Main Street. It is nicely located in the town centre between Coonans Estate Agents and the Permanent TSB Bank. It is also located beside the bus stop on main street thus facilitating commuters to Dublin. It is bright and airy and has a full range of sweets and confectionery available and also sells all the popular magazine titles and newspapers. It also stocks essential groceries that we all require after a week away or handy to pick up after work. You will never run short of tea, coffee or biscuits at this location. Another innovative facility is that this location sells postage stamps, and item fewer shops are carrying these days. The proprietor is Deirdre Greally ably assisted by Ruth Kilmartin. Deirdre is married with three children and is living in Maynooth for the past eleven years. Opening hours Monday to Friday, 6.30 am to 8.00pm., Saturday 7.30am to 8.00 pm, Sunday 8 to 8.

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Features

Fast, Effective and Fun!

By Serj Merzliakov

This morning I find myself into a very unusual setting – looks like a gym, but no treadmills, rowing machines or tanks of water, instead a very social place with pictures of parties and members. Curves, fitness chain established in 1992 in Texas by Gary Heavin, brings a difference into the world of training, exercise, and dieting. Today it has over 6000 centres worldwide, and the Curves club in Maynooth recently celebrated its first anniversary.



Fitness and fun

Curves is not a traditional fitness centre, explains **Orla Keane, the training technician**. As you may see it's a circular system of exercise designed exclusively for women, which uses hydraulic resistance. It is not a regular rigid workout – we encourage exercise as much as socialising, so in a way it's both, a fitness and social activity.

How would you compare Curves programme to the traditional gym?

Orla: As you might have noticed, there is no weight lifting involved, the exercises depend on reasonable strength training and are very safe. The equivalent of a standard 30-minute session is an hour and a half in a regular gym; however, these exercises are suitable for every age group.

Isabel Walsh, manager: Our best satisfaction is to see women's level going up, their losing inches and getting the feeling of self-worth. Ladies who come to us wouldn't go to the regular gym: we have neither dress code nor fashion; we want our members to feel at ease, and we enjoy the exercise. Even when we are weighing measure, it's only once a month and only if the lady wants to.



Amaze yourself!

If I asked you to describe the programme in 3 words, what would they be?

Orla: Fast, effective and fun – fast because it's only a 30-minute workout which suits our busy lifestyles perfectly, effective is due to the proven weight loss record, and fun because we have a lot of events after the exercise.

What will be the social aspects of Curves?

Isabel: We ran the mini Marathon in June 2004, we have a lot of parties, and our ladies are also involved in many charities and challenges.



Curves team at Mini Marathon

Orla: We might take our members for a day tour, we may organise a dog racing night and we encourage everybody to take part. Our next challenge is The Curves Tsunami Appeal, it's a 30 day challenge in order to lose a little to help a lot!

Over a year 600 members joined Curves and as I see new members signing in, I ask them about their expectations.

- Enjoy, get fitter, and lose a bit of weight!

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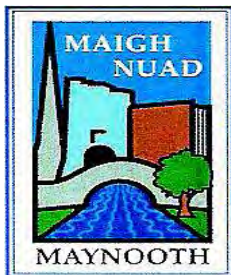
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A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes

Jackie Kyle (1926-)

For the title of world's best fly half in the post war era, Jackie Kyle has few rivals in world rugby. One of the few who could have matched his ability was the Welshman, Cliff Morgan. But to Irish rugby fans privileged to have seeing him play he was the greatest. Kyle's great attribute was not only was he a classic attacking back that could make match winning breaks with magical side steps and swerves his anticipation on defence was also uncanny. To the frustration of his opponents he was always there to block up holes in his teams defence that were caused by breakaways or a kicks ahead.

To his credit he is remembered as a great crowd-pleaser when much of his International career was spent in sides either not dedicated to open play (Ireland) or forced on defence(Lions in New Zealand). In his prime just after World War Two when Ireland were dominating the International Championship with a superb pack, his function was somewhat negative for such a talented back. His tactical kicking in support of his pack was brilliant but limited his opportunities to show what a wonderful talented fly half he was. However he was a key player in the most successful Irish team since the inception of the International Series at the end of the eighteen hundreds. The Irish team completed the "Grand Slam" in 1948 and repeated their Triple Crown success in 1949. He was selected for the British and Irish Lions tour in New Zealand in 1950. Although playing behind a beaten pack his class was evident. New Zealand rugby fans were impressed and put him on a par with Bert Cooke, which was praise indeed as that player was considered their greatest ever inside back.

When Jackie Kyle played against the 1951-1952 Springboks, Irish supporters said he was off form because of his preoccupation with his medical studies. Danie Cravan who managed the touring side said " my reply is that if Kyle is better than that he must be the best fly half who ever played rugby anywhere in the world"

Born in Belfast, Kyle played for Belfast Royal Academy and then for Queen's University. He showed no great talent at fullback and centre and it was not until the regular fly half of the Queens senior side dropped out through injury that he leaped to prominence. Tried out in that position, he at once made it his own. He went straight into the Ulster Provincial Side and when the International matches resumed in 1946 he was selected to play for Ireland. Except for injury he was never out of the Ireland team for the following eleven seasons. An indication of less demanding times was that he 46 caps represented a world record at that time.

B G Thomas described him as one of the nicest fellows he has ever met in rugby football. Schoolboys loved him. He was inevitably last to the dressing rooms after an international match, refusing to leave until all autographs asked for had been signed. His unselfishness is best illustrated by an incident involving a small £250 legacy. On receiving the maturing amount he promptly donated the sum to a children's charity

After his rugby career was over he virtually disappeared to (at that time) an out-of-the-way spot in Africa to work as a medical missionary.

J.W.Kyle

International Appearances.

Ireland: 46 caps

British and Irish Lions: 6

Ireland

V Australia: 1948,1958

V England: 1947, 48,49,50,51,52,53,55,56,57,58

V France: 1947,48, 49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57

V New Zealand: 1954

V Scotland: 1947,48,49,50,51,52,53,56,57,58

V South Africa: 1952

V Wales: 1947,48,49,50,51,52,53,55,56,57

British and Irish Lions .

V Australia: 1950 (2)

V New Zealand: 1950 (4)



Irish captain Jackie Kyle steadies himself before kicking for touch. Kyle's attacking genius was often stifled by team policies that required tactical kicking.

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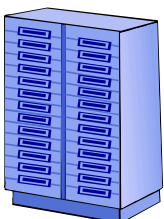
Ireland's greatest flyhalf, Jackie Kyle in trouble as he is tackled by England's J. Butterfield in an international. Kyle's spirited style of play greatly enhanced the post-war rugby scene.

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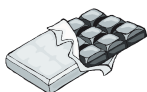
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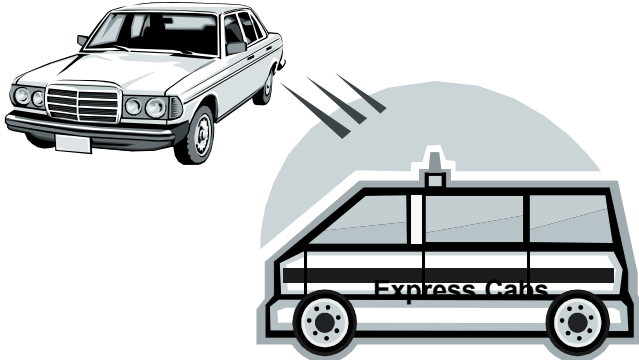
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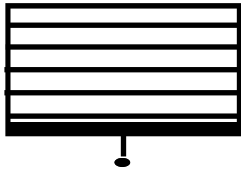
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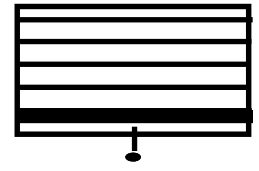


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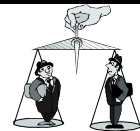
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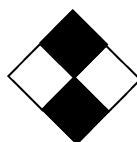
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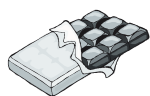
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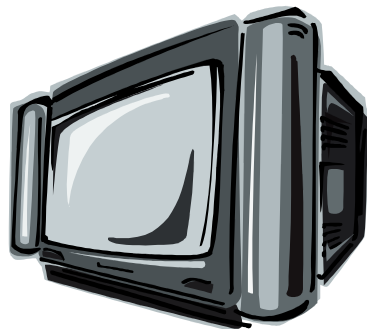


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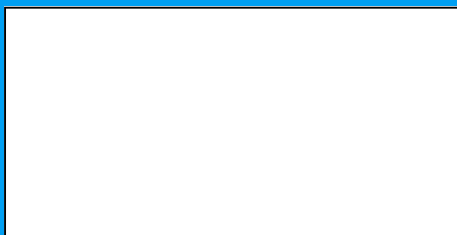
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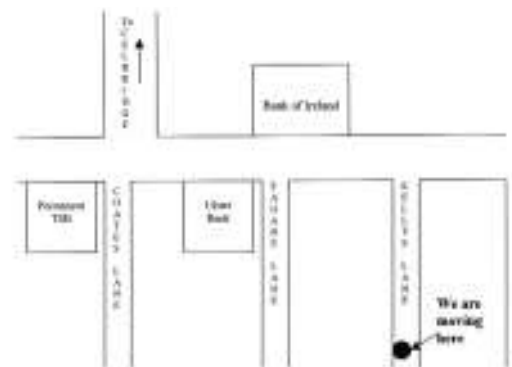
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February, the end of winter and cold,
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Along with millions of people all over the world we would like to express our sincere sympathy to people in countries swept away with grief as over 100,000 people lost their lives in the Tsunami Disaster. This tragedy will be remembered as the biggest disaster of the 21st century.

We are asking everybody to answer to this call and support the string of Tsunami fund-raising events. This much-needed funds will support rebuilding of the devastated Asian countries

Life goes on and with spring comes the new hope, as we are entering the time when children are making their Confirmation. Important to each of them, it is also a family holiday. Fancy ties, posh dresses and a smile on everybody's face.

February is also the time when all the college exams are over, and the students of N.U.I are back in town, with lectures starting as well as the cafés and pubs in Maynooth packed full.

The spring is another chance to remember one of our great traditions, as we get ready to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We would like to ask all the businesses, organisations, clubs and residents of the local community to help with the organisation of the festival and contact the Maynooth Community Council in relation to the arrangements.

Serj Merzliakov

Apology

The Newsletter apologises for the errors in the January issue. The pressure to have the Anniversary Issue completed by mid-December, to have the January issue completed and ready to print by 4th January, as well as other administrative end of year deadlines within the office culminated in an issue where the production quality suffered. Inadvertently an earlier version of the editorial was included for printing, an excessive amount of similar photographs were included and some other editorial decisions were omitted. The Newsletter Office aims to produce as high a quality publication as it can within its resources and we hope our readership will continue to support this worthwhile publication.

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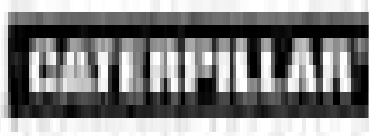
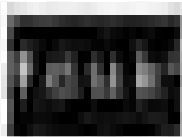
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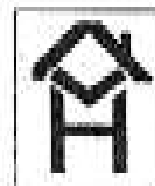
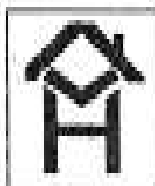
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04/3040	Carton Demesne Ltd	Carton House, Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	17/12/04	For the change of use in three first floor rooms in the East wing of Carton House, from Hotel offices to bedroom accommodation, to create two bedrooms, involving the insertion of lightweight stud partitions, etc.	Carton House Carton Demense Maynooth
04/3079	Mr. Brian O'Connor	28 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildarae	P	22/12/04	First floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion with utility room extended below	28 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3108	David Thompson	354 Greenfield Cottages Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	22/12/04	Erection of dormer type of bungalow with connection to public services and use of existing entrance.	354 Greenfield Cottages Maynooth Co. Kildare
04/3123	Laura Noone & Kenneth McGowan	Meaniaie, Laragh Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	23/12/04	To build dormer type dwelling, to be serviced with on site wastewater treatment system to current EPA guidelines, domestic garage, recessed entrance and all associated site works on my site	Laragh Demesne Maynooth Co. Kildare

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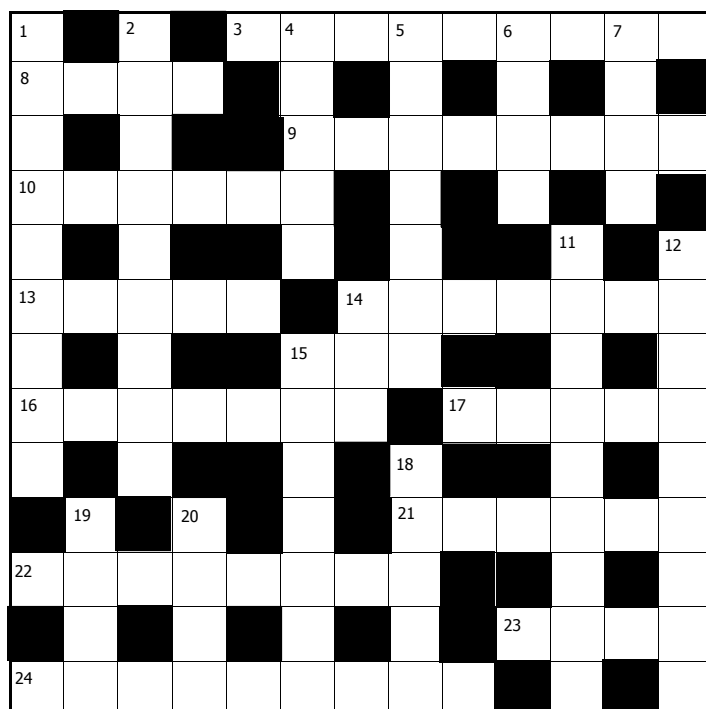
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13. Reluctant (5)
14. Fruitful (7)
15. Rodent (3)
16. Reveal (7)
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5. Ministerial assembly (7)
6. Rod (4)
7. Promise (4)
11. Country bordering Honduras (9)
12. Wrecked (9)
14. Distant (3)
15. Boating event (7)
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19. By mouth (4)
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Across: No 22

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Paddy MacNamara

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Originally from Cashel, County Tipperary, Paddy has lived in Naas since 1991. Being parents to four-year-old Michael and two-year-old Katie, Paddy and his wife Elaine, are only too aware of the problems associated with juggling and combining family and home life with busy work schedules. Paddy is a lecturer in Bolton Street College in Dublin, while Elaine, herself a native of Carbury, works with Hewlett Packard.

Like thousands of others, Paddy makes the daily commute for work from Kildare to Dublin where he lectures in Mechanical Engineering. It is this experience of commuting which prompted Paddy to become involved in the Naas and Sallins Rail Users Group (NASRUG). Now a PRO for the group, Paddy has campaigned for major improvements to the route, including the provision of extra trains, improvements to security and quality of service. Paddy is an active member of many other local groups including in the Sallins Community Council, the Naas Housing Cooperative where he holds the position of secretary and he chairs the Naas Area Committee in Kildare County Council.

As a councillor, Paddy has highlighted the gaps in infrastructure in Kildare associated with the rapid development of the commuter belt. Paddy has also been a vocal opponent to the underfunding of such important schemes as the Disabled Persons Grant Scheme, the shortage of school places and facilities, the closure of health services, traffic chaos in the county and unaffordable housing.

The Labour Party is confident that poll-topper Paddy will take a second seat in the by-election. Paddy has the proven ability and is the clear choice.



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Prawn and Fruit Cocktail

2 large red apples
2 large ripe pears
1 lemon
2 large sticks of celery
1lb of cooked prawns
2 bunches of watercress
1 pot of Greek yoghurt enough for 5 tablespoons
1small far of mayonnaise
For the dressing
5 tablespoons of Greek yoghurt
2 tablespoons of mayonnaise
3 tablespoons of ketchup
2 teaspoons Of Worcestershire sauce
4-5 drops of Tabasco sauce

Core and dice apples and pears, put into a bowl and sprinkle with lemon juice.

Trim celery and cut into slices and put into bowl, add prawns and toss altogether.

Wash and dry watercress, chill until required. Mix together yoghurt, mayonnaise, ketchup, Worcestershire and Tabasco, season and chill. Just before serving divide the watercress between 6 dishes, spoon over the fruit and prawn, then drizzle over the dressing.

If you are using frozen prawns remember that they close about half their weight when defrosted so you'll need to buy about 2lbs.

Main course

Lemon White Fish

Serves 4

Cooks in 3 minutes

Squeeze lemon juice over fish, season with salt and pepper.

Microwave for 3-4mins.

Sprinkle with capers and lemon rind.

Hey Presto!

Ingredients

4 x white fish portions - boned
Grated rind & juice of 1 lemon
Salt and freshly milled black pepper
2 teaspoons capers

Method

- Drizzle lemon juice over fish, season with salt and pepper
- Place in a microwave dish, cover and cook on highest setting for 3 minutes
- Allow to stand for 2 minutes
- Sprinkle with lemon rind & capers

To Serve

Serve with seasonal vegetables and new potatoes

Dessert

Pancakes

Ingredients:

125g/4oz Odlums Cream plain Flour

Pinch of Salt

1 Egg

300ml/1/2 pint Milk

Oil for frying

Method:

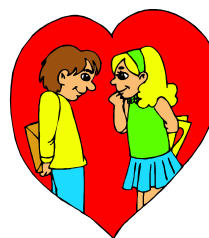
1. Sieve flour and salt into a bowl.
2. Make a well in the centre of the flour, break in the egg and add about a third of the milk. Beat well, gradually pouring in the rest of the milk and drawing the flour to make a smooth batter.
3. Pour batter into a jug and allow to stand for about 30 minutes
4. Brush a pancake pan or frying pan with oil. When pan is hot, give batter a stir before pouring a thin layer onto pan.
5. Fry until golden brown, turn and fry other side until brown also.
6. Stack pancakes on a large plate, as they are cooked.

Filling Suggestions

Pancakes or crepes may be filled and served in rolls, envelopes or used as wraps for various fillings.

Traditional filling.

1. Dust with caster sugar, add a squeeze of lemon juice, roll up pancake serve..
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Features

Cool Colin

A visitor to Maynooth over the Christmas would have been forgiven for thinking they were in the West End of London or Times Square in New York as all the talk was of Musicals and Acting. The boys of Maynooth B.N.S. had just presented the world premiere of Cool Colin. Over 120 boys from the school took part. The show involved two boys from a school hurling team traveling back in time to meet Setanta (Ben Connolly) who taught Nigel (Robert Fox) the true secret of hurling, apparently it's all in the wrists. The lead in the show Colin was played by Darragh FitzGerald. The show also included dance routines, seven original songs and not just one but two hurling matches live on stage. . The story which was based on the Irish legend Cú Chulainn was written by the cast and staff of the school .

Much praise must go to the excellent stage crew who had to move the very large and unique sets around. They also found time to set off two explosions each night.

All in all it was a great success and the question on everyone's lips is "When is the next one? |



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Table Manners

- If you can't get at your food with a knife or fork without making a mess - when eating spare ribs, corn on the cob or shellfish, for example - use your fingers. Otherwise, when in doubt, follow your host's example or consider the formality of the situation.
- If you've bitten into something that can't be swallowed - such as meat gristle, a pip or a fishbone - remove it from your mouth the way it came in (generally with your fork) and put it on the side of the plate.
- If you find hair in your soup at a dinner party, or an insect in your salad, either remove the interloper and eat your food, or leave it untouched - but refrain from commenting on it.
- If you find an unacceptable object in food you order in a restaurant, send it back immediately.

Windscreen wipers

Are your wipers not working properly? Before buying new ones, clean both the glass and blades thoroughly. If you've had your car cleaned at the car wash, you may have to use a mild household abrasive cleaner to remove any silicone wax. If that still doesn't do the trick, try the following:

- Water beads are the result of grease or silicone build-up. Clean the windscreen with the solvent used for removing grease or silicone from bodywork.
- If the wipers are smearing only one direction or if they chatter, the blades may be frozen. Warm them between your hands or use a hair dryer; if that doesn't help, dip them in warm water.
- Chattering may also be caused by a bent wiper arm. In this case, stop the wipers in midstroke to see if they are parallel to the windscreen. If an arm is bent, straighten it with two pairs of pliers until it remains parallel to the glass when released. If the tip of the arm is bent, remove the blade before you straighten the arm. The problem may also be corroded joints. Free them up with penetrating solvent.
- Streaking may occur when the nozzle of the windscreen washer is blocked; insert a pin to clear it. Or the washer fluid may not be spraying in the wiper's path; adjust the position of the nozzle with a pin and keep checking until the spray pattern is on target. Some nozzles aren't adjustable; don't force them.
- Before driving in the rain, rub your wiper blades with bicarbonate of soda - you'll see better.
- If the blade on the driver's side isn't working, swap it with the other one on the passenger's side. This is a temporary measure only. Get the faulty blade fixed as soon as you can.
- If you need to change your blades, check your car manual for details of the right size to use.

Nail biting

- When you're tempted to nibble at your nails or cuticles, keep your hands busy - and not in your mouth. Doodle on paper, knead a pencil river or finger some worry beads.
- Give yourself a weekly manicure; the neat appearance may deter you from biting your nails.
- Promise yourself a treat if you can grow one nail without biting it.
- Paint an anti-biting preparation onto your nails. These are available from chemists, and their bitter taste reminds you to stop nibbling.
- If your small child also bites his nails. Try giving him a small manicure set - it might encourage him to stop. Make sure you trim his fingernails after each bath-time, and reward the days when he doesn't bite them with a gold star or small treat.

Indigestion

- To relieve an attack of indigestion, drink a cupful of peppermint tea. Steep 1/2 oz of fresh peppermint leaves in 1 pint of boiled water for 20 minutes.
- Instead of a commercial antacid, try 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda in a glass of water (not recommended for those who must restrict their intake of sodium)
- Caution: a heart attack may be mistaken for indigestion. If you are in doubt, seek medical help.
- Prevention
- Stop smoking and don't chew gum. Cut out aspirin, alcohol, caffeine and carbonated drinks. Decline foods that don't agree with you.
- Make time for stress-free meals. Try eating four or five small meals a day slowly instead of wolfing down two or three large ones.
- Relax, sitting up, for 15 to 30 minutes after every meal.
- Sleep with the head of your bed slightly elevated or with a pillow

Head lice

If you or the school nurse finds lice in your child's hair, eradicate them with an over-the-counter preparation bought from the chemist.

Comb your child's hair every night, strand by strand, with a fine-toothed comb until you are sure there are no more lice and you have combed out all their eggs. To prevent a recurrence, tell the child not to share combs, hats or ear-phones with her friends at school.

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Gardening Tips for February

Spring Bulbs

Chionodoxa forbesii, *Ipheion uniflorum* (all), *Narcissus* 'Dove Wings', *Narcissus* 'Irene Copeland', *Narcissus* 'Jack Snipe', *Narcissus* 'Jetfire', *Narcissus* 'Minnow', *Narcissus* 'Mount Hood', *Scilla siberica* 'Spring Beauty', *Tulipa linifolia* Batalinii Group, *Tulipa praestans* 'Fusilier'

SPRING

Spring, the season when even those who are not into gardening on a permanent basis, enjoy the bulb's warm glow and ability to take the darkness and bareness of Winter out of the natural environment. For over two months you can have daffodils flowering in the garden. In the first weeks of the season, bulbs such as *Narcissus* 'February Gold' are ideal to reawaken your garden after the winter months.

How to grow the bulbs

Chionodoxa: (Glory of the snow)

This genus from West Turkey, Crete, and Cyprus is related to *Scilla*. These small bulbous plants are easy to grow in sun or partial shade. They soon seed profusely, flowering quickly from seed. *C. luciliae* (RHS Award of Garden Merit) has up to 12 small, starry, blue flowers per stem. A pink-flowered form is also available. The plant needs a mixture of shade sun and moist soil. The bulbs are full hardy and grow best at around -20°C/-5°F.

Ipheion

A small genus of bulbs from the eastern side of South America. They are related to onions and give off a familiar smell when the leaves are crushed, but the flowers, produced in spring, are often honey-scented.

I. uniflorum 'Wisley Blue' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is nearly fully hardy and well worth trying in colder gardens. *Ipheion* is small with light-blue, star-shaped flowers and dense, grass-like leaves. It multiplies quickly and is useful when planted between shrubs or at the edge of a rock garden.

Narcissus (Daffodils)

The range of daffodils on offer is vast. The shape and colour of each cultivar is clear from the illustrations in catalogues and garden centres. Equally important, however, is the height some large-flowered daffodils need plenty of space and require careful placing. The varieties listed here are mostly medium in stature, and easily cultivated. Buy daffodils as soon as they go on sale, because the roots will begin to grow in late summer.

'Irene Copeland' has a double flower with white outer petals and a bright yellow double trumpet. It grows to medium height and flowers in mid-spring.

'Jack Snipe' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a small plant with white outer petals and a lemon-yellow trumpet. It flowers well and bulks up very quickly.

'Jetfire' is also small and has a good contrast between its yellow outer petals and bright orange trumpet. At first the trumpet is quite pale in colour but soon darkens with time.

'Minnow' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a small, multi-headed, scented narcissus with pale yellow trumpets surrounded by cream outer petals. This daffodil is best grown in a large container or a raised bed.

'Mount Hood' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a medium-height daffodil with a cream trumpet and whiter outer petals. It has a mid-spring flower of good substance.

Others

Scilla siberica 'Spring Beauty', syn, 'Atrocoerulea', is a little taller than *S. bifolia* and has deep blue, more pendent flowers in early spring. It looks very effective when planted around deciduous shrubs or in conjunction with white or red flowers. The bulb is best grown when it has a balance of sun and moist soil, and should be grown full hardy at -20°C/-5°F.

Bowl-shaped flowers

Tulipa linifolia *Batalinii* Group (RHS Award of Garden Merit). These are small to medium, early-flowering tulips that come in red, yellow, apricot, and bronze. They are very easy to grow if planted in a well-drained spot in a cold garden.

Tulipa praestans 'Fusilier' (RHS Award of Garden Merit) is a barely medium-height tulip that is particularly easily grown and very reliable. It has several vibrant, red flowers, on each stem.



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John Byrne pictured here with Michael Flynn Jnr and Philip Doyle winners of the Owen Byrne Match Play Shield 2004

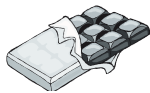
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Riverbank Arts Centre Events Diary

The Graham Ashton Brass Ensemble (USA)

18 February 2005

At Riverbank Arts Centre

Time: 8.00pm

Tickets: €13/10

Presented by Music Network: Graham Ashton, trumpet; Mark Gould, trumpet; William de Vos, horn; Jim Pugh, trombones

"In Graham Ashton's superlative realisations, no one can resist his spell." The Guardian

The Graham Ashton Brass Ensemble (GABE) encapsulates everything you could want from a classical contemporary ensemble - individual virtuosity, bold and innovative arrangements, intuitive group playing and an effortlessly stylish blend of old and new. Variety/ look no further than Mr. Ashton's eclectic band of brothers: the four brass masters on this tour have played with everyone from the London Philharmonic and the London Philharmonic and the San Diego Symphony Orchestras to Joe Lovano, Harry Connick Jr, Barbara Streisand and Celine Dion.

The leader's clean, rounded tone has made him an in-demand soloist for major orchestras on both sides of the Atlantic. Mark Gould, feted as "one of the truly great trumpeters of our time" by the New York Times, is Principal Trumpet at the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra. Trombonist Jim Pugh has appeared on Grammy award-winning recordings with Woody Herman and Steely Dan as well as composing for the New York Philharmonic and the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra. Australian-born horn player William de Vos has become widely recognised as one of the most outstanding horn players of his generation and performs with the Orchestra of St. Luke's, New York Virtuosi and Dicapo Opera.

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The Fureys and Davey Arthur Tour

4 February 2005

At Riverbank Arts Centre

Time: 8.00pm

Tickets: €20.00

The Fureys celebrated their 25th anniversary in 2003 with a series of concerts throughout Europe, the UK, Australia, New Zealand, the USA and Canada.

They were reunited on these concerts with their lifetime friend and former member Davey Arthur but for George, Eddie and Davey there was also a touch of sadness as they were without Paul who died in June 2002.

Due to the huge success of their anniversary tour Davey has stayed on with the Fureys on a permanent basis and will be lads on this tour. They are well known for numerous hits including; When you were Sweet Sixteen, The Green Fields of France, Red Rose Café, The Old Man, Steal Away, Her Father didn't like me anyway and Leaving Nancy.

They are responsible for some of the most stirring music ever to capture the public imagination. Their folk based music has received standing ovations in some of the biggest concert halls of the world and they credit their musical ability to their parents, Ted and Nora, who were well known musicians themselves. They encouraged their sons to play music from a very early age and there was live traditional music in their house almost nightly. As the lads have been heard to say it was either pick up an instrument or pick up a shovel!

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Fast, Effective and Fun!

By Serj Merzliakov

This morning I find myself into a very unusual setting – looks like a gym, but no treadmills, rowing machines or tanks of water, instead a very social place with pictures of parties and members. Curves, fitness chain established in 1992 in Texas by Gary Heavin, brings a difference into the world of training, exercise, and dieting. Today it has over 6000 centres worldwide, and the Curves club in Maynooth recently celebrated its first anniversary.



Fitness and fun

Curves is not a traditional fitness centre, explains **Orla Keane, the training technician**. As you may see it's a circular system of exercise designed exclusively for women, which uses hydraulic resistance. It is not a regular rigid workout – we encourage exercise as much as socialising, so in a way it's both, a fitness and social activity.

How would you compare Curves programme to the traditional gym?

Orla: As you might have noticed, there is no weight lifting involved, the exercises depend on reasonable strength training and are very safe. The equivalent of a standard 30-minute session is an hour and a half in a regular gym; however, these exercises are suitable for every age group.

Isabel Walsh, manager: Our best satisfaction is to see women's level going up, their losing inches and getting the feeling of self-worth. Ladies who come to us wouldn't go to the regular gym: we have neither dress code nor fashion; we want our members to feel at ease, and we enjoy the exercise. Even when we are weighing measure, it's only once a month and only if the lady wants to.



If I asked you to describe the programme in 3 words, what would they be?

Orla: Fast, effective and fun – fast because it's only a 30-minute workout which suits our busy lifestyles perfectly, effective is due to the proven weight loss record, and fun because we have a lot of events after the exercise.

Amaze yourself!

What will be the social aspects of Curves?

Isabel: We ran the mini Marathon in June 2004, we have a lot of parties, and our ladies are also involved in many charities and challenges.



Orla: We might take our members for a day tour, we may organise a dog racing night and we encourage everybody to take part. Our next challenge is The Curves Tsunami Appeal, it's a 30 day challenge in order to lose a little to help a lot!

Over a year 600 members joined Curves and as I see new members signing in, I ask them about their expectations.
- Enjoy, get fitter, and lose a bit of weight!

Good luck, and with Curves going nationwide with a new club opening in Clondalkin – keep it up!

Curves team at Mini Marathon

Features

Cllr Catherine Murphy

I am happy to assist with issues of queries, or to meet with individuals and associations.

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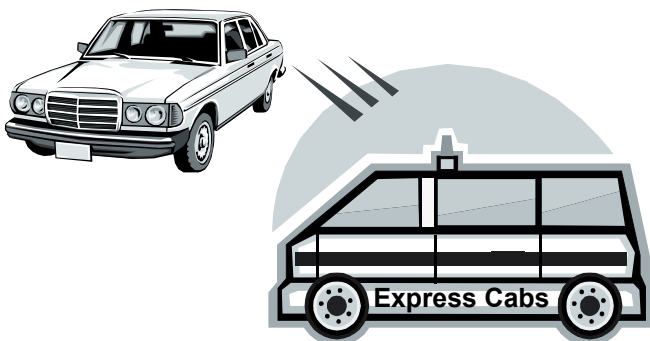
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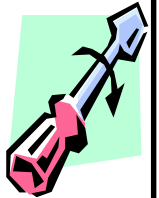


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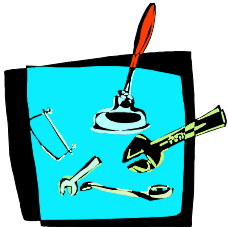
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Maynooth Post-Primary production of “Les Miserables”



Sinead O'Connell, Director/Producer, Anne Marie O'Farrell, Musical Director & Rebecca Flynn, Choreographer



Cast members of the chorus in “Les Miserables”



Post-Primary School Maynooth Musical Production Parish Hall February 2 - 6th 2005

"Les Miserables"

This is an extremely ambitious production to be undertaken by the staff and students of the Post-Primary School Maynooth. Up to recently the "rights" for this musical were denied to all except those licensed by the "rights" owners and limited to top class productions in prestigious venues round the world. To the joy of many, these rights have been relaxed to allow fledgling musical societies like the Pos-Primary School in Maynooth to stage the production. Sinead O'Connell, a teacher of history and geography at the school and Director/Producer of the production is to be commended for undertaking such a daunting task. Anne Marie O'Farrell, Musical Director, and Rebecca Flynn, Choreographer ably assists her in her task. Sinead stated that the enthusiasm of the students, drawn mainly from fifth and transition year has made her job a lot easier. As an example of the commitment required, the cast were putting in a full day's rehearsal on a Saturday, normally a free day. Sinead is looking forward to the support of the parents and the local business community in making this musical production a success. It should be a great night out and well worth supporting. Tickets are available from the post-primary school.

The Story of 'Les Miserables'

'Les Miserables' is set in the Parisian underworld. The protagonist, Jean Valjean, is sentenced to prison for 19 years for stealing a loaf of bread. After his release, Valjean plans to rob Monsignor Myriel, a saint like Bishop, but cancels his plan. However, he forfeits his parole by committing a minor crime, and for this crime Valjean is haunted by the Police Inspector, Javert. Valjean eventually reforms and becomes, under the name of M. Madeleine, a successful businessman, benefactor and Mayor of a northern town. To save an innocent man Valjean gives himself up and is imprisoned in Toulon. He escapes and adopts Cosette, an illegitimate child of a poor woman, Fantine. Cosette grows up and falls in love with Marius, who is wounded during a revolutionary fight. Valjean rescues Marius by means of a flight through the sewers of Paris. Cosette and Marius marry and Valjean reveals his past. The story by Victor Hugo was made into a musical by Claud-Michael Schonberg and the librettist Alain Boubil opening in Paris 1980.



Cast members of "Les Miserables"

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Maynooth Citizen Information Centre Notes

Question

Can you please give details on the new rates for hospital charges that were announced recently?

Answer

From 1st January 2005 the charge for attending Accident and Emergency increases from €45 to €55. If you are a medical card holder or have a letter of referral from your doctor you do not have to pay this charge.

The charge for in-patient services in a public ward has also increased from €45 to €55 a day (subject to a maximum of €550, i.e. 10 days, in any 12 month period). If you stay in two or more hospitals in the course of the year and your stay exceeds 10 days in hospital you should bring this to the attention of the last hospital you attend.

Everyone is entitled to public in-patient services regardless of their income but subject to the statutory charge mentioned above. There are a number of groups who do not have to pay the statutory charge such as medical card holders, women receiving maternity services, children up to the age of 6 weeks and children suffering from prescribed long-term illnesses. In cases of undue hardship a Health Board may provide the service free of charge.

The charges for private and semi-private accommodation in public hospitals have also increased by 25%. There is one exception: Health Board District Hospitals charges are the same as in 2004. The daily rates for 2005 are:

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Health Board District Hospitals	€179	€153	€133

These charges are additional to the public hospital statutory in-patient charge given above.

Further information is available from the Citizen Information Centre below.

Question

I am getting an Old Age Pension. I also have a free television licence. I heard on the radio that I would have a free 'lifetime' television licence but I just got a renewal form in the post. How do I get a free 'lifetime' TV licence?

Answer

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The current situation is due to the changeover from annual licences, issued by An Post, to 'lifetime' licences issued by the DSFA. It should not recur after this year.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre below.

Question

I understand that the income thresholds for the Family Income Supplement have been increased in the Budget. Can you please give the details.

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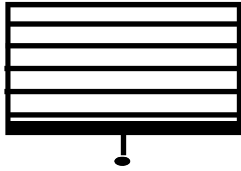
- You must be working 19 or more hours per week (39 hours a fortnight) and the work must be expected to last for at least 3 months. (Back to Work Allowance, Job Initiative, Social Economy Programme and Part-time Job incentive are eligible for FIS, (Community Employment is not). Where your spouse/partner is also working, your working hours can be combined in order to satisfy this condition.
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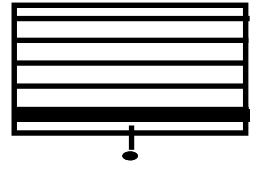
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2 children	€472
3 children	€497
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7 children	€601
8 children	€623

FIS is calculated as 60% of the difference between your average weekly family income and the income limit for your family size. The minimum payment is still €20. It is paid for 52 weeks while you remain employed for at least 19 hours per week (38 hours per fortnight). At the end of the 52 weeks you should re-apply if you think you are still eligible. Claim forms are available from your local Social Welfare Office.

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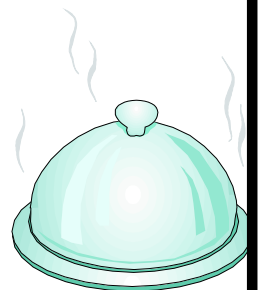
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Question

I am job-sharing in a company for the last year. My job-share colleague told me that there may be problems with my social insurance record because of the tax year. What does this mean?

Answer

The tax year, and therefore the PRSI contribution week, starts on the 1st January every year. As a result, the 'PRSI contribution week' can differ from the 'working week'. Because you are in a job-sharing arrangement you need to be fully aware of the implications particularly in the area of social welfare entitlements.

In 2004 the 1st January fell on a Thursday. Because the contribution week started in the middle of the week, if you worked every second week you still managed to pay a PRSI contribution in each contribution week. If you worked Monday to Friday for two weeks in a row you paid three PRSI contributions. So even though you had the one week off you still had paid work in each contribution week. Therefore you had the full 52 PRSI contributions paid for the year.

In 2005 the 1st January falls on a Saturday which means each PRSI contribution week is seven days from Saturday to the following Friday.

The 1st of January falling on a Saturday is particularly relevant if you are job-sharing with a week off as part of your work pattern because you will miss out paying a PRSI contribution towards the social insurance scheme for the week you are not working.

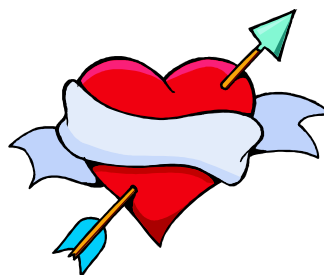
For example, if you work one week on and one week off, where previously you had 52 contributions paid in a year you will now have only 26 contributions for 2005. If you work for three weeks with one week off you will have 39 contributions for 2005.

This could effect your entitlement to an Old Age (Contributory) Pension later. The amount of Old Age (Contributory) Pension you will receive when you reach 66 is based on the average number of yearly PRSI contributions you have paid since starting work. It is therefore important that you have as many PRSI contributions as possible.

If your job-sharing arrangement requires that you work part of every week between the days Saturday to Friday you will still receive your full 52 PRSI contributions in 2005. If your job-share work pattern

involves you having one week off you could talk to your employer about changing your work pattern to a 'split week'. This involves you working at least one day of each contribution week so that you can have the full 52 PRSI contributions for 2005.

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Greally's Newsagents **Main Street, Maynooth**

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We at the Newsletter wish Deirdre the best of luck with her new venture as the Proprietor has kindly consented to stock our Publication for sale



Proprietor Deirdre Greally and assistant Ruth Kilmartin



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Features

Newtown Inn Bar and Restaurant

This new facility will prove a major boost for the residents of Beaufield and it's surrounding areas. The Murray family, Fiona, Ray and Tony have been working on this development for quite some time. The finished product is a credit to the family and the architects involved in the development. The first impression on entering the bar is the feeling of space with high ceilings and plenty of floor space. This means everybody is not on top of each other and will be comfortable with their own or their company's space. The bar area is subtly divided between a traditional drinking area and a modern, contemporary bar, which we are sure, will receive a very positive response from the younger generation. Speaking on behalf of the family Fiona outlined future plans for the bar and restaurant. A restaurant manager and a head chef has been appointed as well as the following bar staff Eoin Davis and Margaret Browne and manager John O' Rourke. Local people will be pleased to hear that Andrew is a newly appointed member of the staff and those who enjoyed his first class food in the Ryevale in Leixlip will now have an added incentive to support the new restaurant. While conscious of potential new business when the ring road is complete and support from the local university student population, the family is also determined to develop local community business. They hope to develop private functions and other anniversary type functions including christening parties and so on. The food will be available on an all day basis with a wide variety of bar food and carvery menu offering good fare at attractive rates. The restaurant will be available for more formal sittings in the evening.

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Bar staff Margaret Browne, Eoin Davis,
Andrew McMullon and bar manager John
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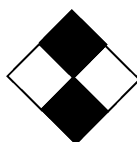
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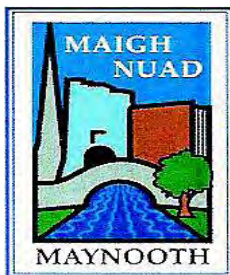


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Features

A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes

Jackie Kyle (1926-)

For the title of world's best fly half in the post war era, Jackie Kyle has few rivals in world rugby. One of the few who could have matched his ability was the Welshman, Cliff Morgan. But to Irish rugby fans privileged to have seeing him play he was the greatest. Kyle's great attribute was not only was he a classic attacking back that could make match winning breaks with magical side steps and swerves his anticipation on defence was also uncanny. To the frustration of his opponents he was always there to block up holes in his teams defence that were caused by breakaways or a kicks ahead.

To his credit he is remembered as a great crowd-pleaser when much of his International career was spent in sides either not dedicated to open play (Ireland) or forced on defence(Lions in New Zealand). In his prime just after World War Two when Ireland were dominating the International Championship with a superb pack, his function was somewhat negative for such a talented back. His tactical kicking in support of his pack was brilliant but limited his opportunities to show what a wonderful talented fly half he was. However he was a key player in the most successful Irish team since the inception of the International Series at the end of the eighteen hundreds. The Irish team completed the "Grand Slam" in 1948 and repeated their Triple Crown success in 1949. He was selected for the British and Irish Lions tour in New Zealand in 1950. Although playing behind a beaten pack his class was evident. New Zealand rugby fans were impressed and put him on a par with Bert Cooke, which was praise indeed as that player was considered their greatest ever inside back.

When Jackie Kyle played against the 1951-1952 Springboks, Irish supporters said he was off form because of his preoccupation with his medical studies. Danie Cravan who managed the touring side said " my reply is that if Kyle is better than that he must be the best fly half who ever played rugby anywhere in the world"

Born in Belfast, Kyle played for Belfast Royal Academy and then for Queen's University. He showed no great talent at fullback and centre and it was not until the regular fly half of the Queens senior side dropped out through injury that he leaped to prominence. Tried out in that position, he at once made it his own. He went straight into the Ulster Provincial Side and when the International matches resumed in 1946 he was selected to play for Ireland. Except for injury he was never out of the Ireland team for the following eleven seasons. An indication of less demanding times was that he 46 caps represented a world record at that time.

B G Thomas described him as one of the nicest fellows he has ever met in rugby football. Schoolboys loved him. He was inevitably last to the dressing rooms after an international match, refusing to leave until all autographs asked for had been signed. His unselfishness is best illustrated by an incident involving a small £250 legacy. On receiving the maturing amount he promptly donated the sum to a children's charity

After his rugby career was over he virtually disappeared to (at that time) an out-of-the-way spot in Africa to work as a medical missionary.

J.W.Kyle

International Appearances.

Ireland: 46 caps

British and Irish Lions: 6

Ireland

V Australia: 1948,1958

V England: 1947, 48,49,50,51,52,53,55,56,57,58

V France: 1947,48, 49,50,51,52,53,54,55,56,57

V New Zealand: 1954

V Scotland: 1947,48,49,50,51,52,53,56,57,58

V South Africa: 1952

V Wales: 1947,48,49,50,51,52,53,55,56,57

British and Irish Lions .

V Australia: 1950 (2)

V New Zealand: 1950 (4)



Irish captain Jackie Kyle steadies himself before kicking for touch. Kyle's attacking genius was often stifled by team policies that required tactical kicking.

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A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes



Ireland's greatest flyhalf, Jackie Kyle in trouble as he is tackled by England's J. Butterfield in an international. Kyle's spirited style of play greatly enhanced the post-war rugby scene.

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Maynooth Labour News

Kildare County Council Budget 2005 Agreed

Following prolonged discussions the Council's Budget for 2005 was agreed at a meeting on 4 January. Cllr. John McGinley and his Labour Party colleagues determined that the most crucial issues were:

- Waivers on Bin Charges for Old Age Pensioners and those on Welfare Payments.
- Increased allocation for those in need of Disabled Persons Grants
- Funding provision for the operation and maintenance of the new children's playgrounds being constructed this year.

Bin Charges

The County Manager proposed the following charges for domestic refuse collection:

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| (a) | 240 litre bin | | |
| (i) | Standing charge | €185 | |
| (ii) | Bin tag fee (From 1/3/05) | €7 each time the bin is emptied | |
| (b) | 140 litre bin | | |
| (i) | Standing charge | €140 | |
| (ii) | Bin tag (From 1/3/05) | €5 each time the bin is emptied | |

Cllr. McGinley and the other Labour Councillors made it very clear that without a waiver system being put in place for old age pensioners and those on social welfare payments they would not be supporting the Budget. Both the Fianna Fail and Fine Gael parties made it clear that waivers on bin charges was not an issue with them; while the sole Green Party member, Cllr. J.J. Power stated that he was totally opposed to waivers for old age pensioners and for anyone else for that matter.

Cllr. McGinley negotiated on behalf of the Labour Party and the Independent Councillors with the Head of Finance and the outcome was as follows:

- The standing charge would be waived for old age pensioners and those on social welfare payments.
- 14 free bin tags would be provide to these waivers applicants.

This means that that if those on waivers make full use of the recycling bin they should only need to put the refuse bin out for collection every two weeks and with 14 free tags they will only have to pay for the collection 8 times. Under the circumstances, with Fianna Fail against giving any waivers and Fine Gael reluctantly agreeing to them, it was a good outcome.

Cllr. McGinley and his Labour Party colleagues are calling on the Government to introduce a National Waiver Scheme for bin charges for those on old age pensions, those on social welfare payments and those on low incomes in order to reduce the financial hardship the new bin charges are causing.

Party Political

(Maynooth Labour News Cont'd.)

Disabled Persons Grant (DPG)

This grant is available to modify/extend a dwelling to facilitate a person with a disability. The maximum grant available is €20,320 or 90% of the approved cost, whichever is the lesser. Two thirds of each grant is recouped from the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. The local authority is required to pay the remainder.

It is the Labour Party's view this grant should be funded totally by Central Government as it is self financing in that it enables people to remain at home rather than occupy a valuable hospital bed. In most cases families provide a downstairs bedroom en suite so that the disabled person can live in dignity and with their family.

Because Kildare County Council gets less funding than most counties from Central Government in order to run the county it has been unable to meet the increased demand for DPG's. There is now a backlog of applicants in the county requiring funding of €5.1m.

In his draft budget the manager proposed an allocation of €500,000, which would give €1.5m when central government funding of €1m is added. Cllr. McGinley and most other Councillors stated that this was insufficient and that it had to be increased in order to go some way to clearing the backlog. The Head Of Finance stated that the only way to increase the allocation for the DPG's was to increase the general business rates. Cllr. John McGinley proposed that the business rates be increased by a further 1% and this was seconded by Cllr. Paddy MacNamara. The Head of Finance stated that if this proposal was agreed it would bring the total funding for DPG's to €2,250,000. However, when it came to voting on Cllr. McGinley's motion Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and the Independent Councillors, including Cllr. Catherine Murphy, voted against, with the Labour Councillors and Cllr. Tony McEvoy the only ones voting for. Regrettably, most Councillors were not prepared to back up their words with action and as a result the disabled have to suffer on.

Funding for Operation & Maintenance of Children's Playgrounds

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's successful motion the County Manager proposed that €1m be allocated for the provision of children's playgrounds in the major towns in the county. Cllr. McGinley welcomed this but stated that he was concerned that there was no allocation for the operation and maintenance of the playgrounds. Without such an allocation Cllr.

McGinley felt that there would be pressure on location communities to do this work themselves. Cllr. McGinley proposed that the €29,000 which was set aside for regional tourism be re-allocated for the operation and maintenance of playgrounds instead. The motion was passed despite the fact that all of the Fianna Fail Councillors voted against it.

Maynooth Library to open on Saturdays

At the Budget meeting Cllr. John McGinley stated that while the Library provided a great service to the community it was a pity that it was not open on Saturdays so that children could go there with their parents.

The County Librarian stated that she would be in a position to open the libraries in Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge all day Saturday following the opening of the new library in Leixlip at the end of January.

Deputy Emmet Stagg welcomes final approval of extension to Maynooth Post Primary School.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the announcement of the sanctioning of the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School.

The extension which was first sought in 1999 and for which planning permission was granted in December 2001 will now proceed to construction in 2005.

The extension will mean that the school will now be able to cater for a long term enrolment of 850 pupils and will ease the present overcrowding in classrooms and reduce dependency on temporary accommodation. The extension comprises 6 General Classrooms, Demonstration Room, Computer Business Machines Room, Special Tuition Room, 2 Lecture Rooms, Administration Rooms and a Physical Education Hall.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that whilst it was great news for the pupils, teachers and parents of pupils of the School it was incredible that it took 6 years to get the project to this stage.

Bus Shelters for O'Neill Park and opposite the Glenroyal

Cllr. John McGinley has been trying for some time to get Dublin Bus to erect bus shelters at the bus stops at O'Neill Park and opposite The Glenroyal. Planning permission has now been granted for shelters at both locations and Cllr. McGinley has asked Dublin Bus to get the them erected without any further delay. Incredibly, it took over a year to get planning permission for a such simple structures.

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Broken Public Lights at The Harbour on the way to the Train Station

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the public lights that were broken by vandals have been repaired by the ESB. Regrettably, one of the lights was again smashed a few days afterwards. The local Garda Sergeant is in agreement with Cllr. McGinley that this area is in serious need of proper lighting as it is the busiest pedestrian area in Maynooth. Unfortunately there is disagreement between the County Council and Waterways Ireland as to who is responsible for the provision and maintenance of the lighting. In order to try and resolve the impasse Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That the following policy be adopted for the existing and proposed new public lights at The Harbour, Maynooth:

- That Kildare County Council accepts responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the existing and the proposed new lights for the area.*
- That Waterways Ireland proposal for the 11 new lights from Straffan Road to the Harbour be accepted i.e. Waterways would contribute €8,000 and Kildare County Council would contribute €3,000 (see their letter to Cllr. McGinley dated 7 December 2004)*
- That Waterways suggestion that the opportunity also be taken to upgrade the existing lights from Leinster Street to the pedestrian bridge over the canal also be accepted."*

Lack of Pedestrian walkway at the back of the Health Board Houses

Since Newtown Grove was closed off to facilitate the building of new houses at Meadowbrook Lawns residents of Old Greenfield, Meadowbrook, Brookfield and College Green have to use the potholed road at the bottom of Old Greenfield and the mud path at the back of the Health Board houses to make their way to the Rail Station or Main Street. As hundreds of pedestrians have to use this "walkway" every day Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That a temporary footpath be constructed at the back of the Health Board houses at Newtown, Maynooth and that the potholes on the road outside Michael O'Riordan's house be repaired in order to facilitate the hundreds of pedestrians who have to use it daily as a result of the closure of the roadway at Newtown Grove. Furthermore, that levies from the new houses at Meadowbrook Lawns be used for this

purpose."

Bond Bridge looks set to start in May

A Titanic Struggle Spearheaded by Cllr. John McGinley looks set to finally close in May 2005 when construction work on Bond Bridge will commence.

The Realignment of Bond Bridge is the first project to be funded under the new Council Development Contributions Scheme.

Since October last John has been pursuing C.I.E. in relation to procedural issues associated with the construction work and C.I.E. have confirmed to John that the consents required have been furnished to Kildare Co. Council. The Co. Manager also advised John at the Budget Meeting of the Council on December 17th last that all procedural issues had now been cleared and that construction was to commence in May 2005 when the Meadowbrook Link will have been completed.

This is great news for the people of the Newtown Area and Maynooth in general and both Paddy Mac Namara and Emmet Stagg are proud to be associated with John's success on this campaign.

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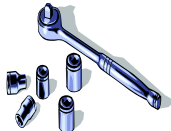
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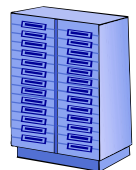
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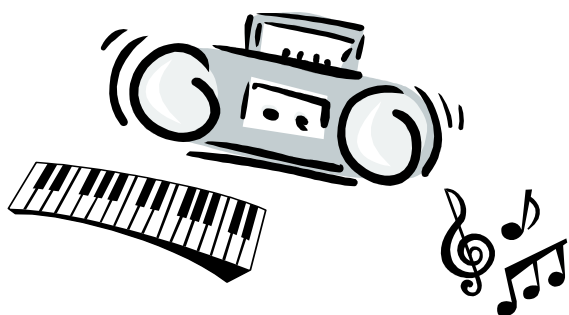
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Features

K 'N' B MUSIC **The Square Maynooth**

Recently relocated from the Main Street, Maynooth, proprietors Ben and Ken Pearson have opened a fine and spacious new music shop in the square. The new facility offers a comprehensive range of CD's covering Irish/Rock/ Pop / Hip Hop / R&B / Heavy Rock / Classic Rock / Chart Albums / compilations. The shop also stocks a comprehensive range of musical equipment including electrical guitars and drums.

We at the newsletter wish the Pearsons all the best in their new location.



Proprietor's of K' n B Ben and Ken Pearson



K' n 'B now located in The Square in Maynooth



Cllr Catherine Murphy
Independent

Independent Councillors seek N7 Express Bus Route Pilot

Kildare Independent Councillors, Catherine Murphy, a candidate in the upcoming by-election and Mary Glennon, welcome the recently announced initiative to open up the hard shoulders on motorways and dual carriageways to speed bus times into the city centre. They are calling on the Minister, Mr. Ivor Callely and the National Roads Authority to make the beleaguered N7 Naas to Dublin route the pilot for this study.

"There couldn't be a better time for this scheme to be introduced since the upgrading work is just commencing. There is absolutely no doubt in our minds that this move is essential on the Naas Dublin route to cut down dramatically on car use and to make the daily commute more bearable. "At the moment it is taking up to two hours each morning for the bus to get to Dublin, a journey of a mere 20 miles that less than ten years ago took 35 minutes.

Prior to the upgrade the busses were using the hard shoulder and the Gardai seemed to be sympathetic to the plight of the bus drivers trying to meet schedules as in the main they turned a blind eye to it. However it was not ideal as the surface was far from perfect and its narrowness meant that part of it was not suitable, so the buses were forced to move in and out of traffic if they were to meet their schedules. "But now because of the upgrading, the hard shoulder is not available and the hundreds of bus commuters are arriving late on a daily basis for work and study in the capital."

The Department of Transport has not yet announced to the NRA the actual detail of which roads are to be included in the pilot scheme. "We are listening daily to heartfelt cries for help from commuters who say that the N7 from Naas to Dublin is more like a car park than a dual carriageway. We think this is the opportune moment for the NRA to take the initiative and ask that this route be used as the pilot scheme. The work currently underway on the Naas Road allows for the hard shoulder width of three metres, which is the preferred width for bus usage. We are told by the firm who are commissioned to carry out pilot studies that this is ample space to allow for a bus lane. "If it is put on the long finger it will be both costly and a huge nuisance to commuters."

Catherine Murphy in her role of Chairperson of the Strategic Policy Committee on Transportation in the last Kildare Co. Council was a fierce advocate of the improvement of public transport. In line with this Councillor Murphy in Kildare Co. Council and Councillor Glennon at Naas Town Council level have both been active in promoting the idea of Park and Ride sites being identified as part of an overall package of measures to encourage people to switch from private car use to public transport. Quality queuing arrangements must also be provided along the route and this could be in place when the third lane opens. County Kildare and Naas Development Plans are nearing completion so this is an opportune time to identify suitable park and ride locations.

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Political Game Playing Disenfranchises Electorate

The constituencies of Kildare North and Meath have been deprived of full representation in the Dáil since the departure of Charlie McCreevy, Fianna Fail, and John Bruton, Fine Gael, last November.

According to Kildare County Councillor, Catherine Murphy, "this delay of almost three months in calling the by-elections to fill these vacancies seems to have more to do with party political games than upholding the democratic right of the public to be fully represented."

Party Political

The Constitution sets down the ratio of TDs to the population, but there are no fixed rules on the timing of by-elections. Indeed by-elections have been delayed for up to 18 months, solely for party political reasons.

Despite substantial resources at the disposal of the two largest parties, Fianna Fail and Fine Gael have not selected candidates for Kildare North. Neither party seems to be in a rush to have the Dáil pass the writ to hold the by-election.

Cllr Murphy sees this delay as a cynical, essentially anti-democratic exercise. It is designed to strengthen the position of the main parties prior to the next general election which will see additional TDs in both constituencies. Kildare North will expand from three seats to four, while Meath will split from one five seater to two three seater constituencies. The general election is due in 2007; therefore, even with the current number of TDs, the population in both constituencies is under represented. Delaying the by-elections only adds to that disadvantage.

In a democracy, the public decides who should fill the vacant seats. Yet, the main political parties act as if they in some way 'own' these seats. Cllr Murphy concludes that it is time to end game playing which denies the electorate their right to representation; the by-elections must take place without further delay.

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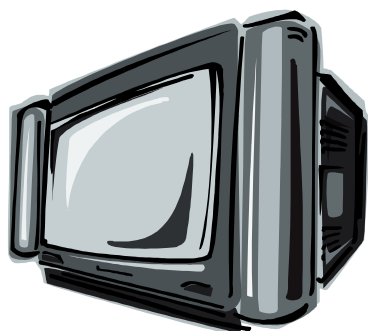


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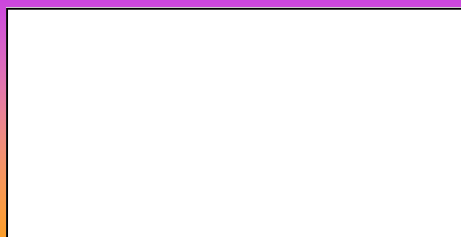
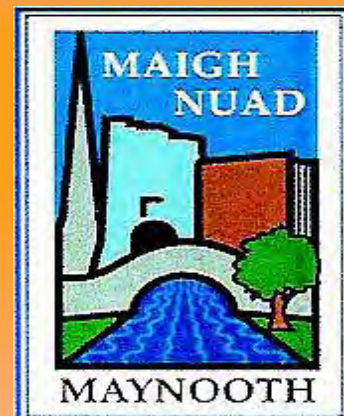
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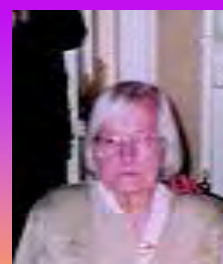
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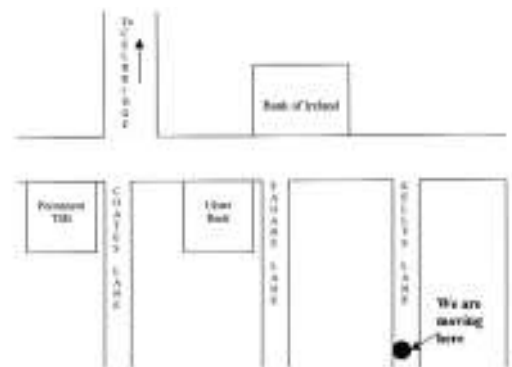
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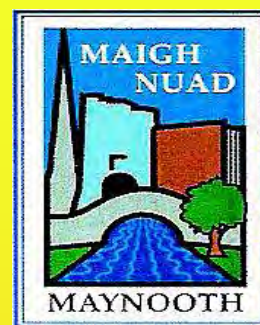


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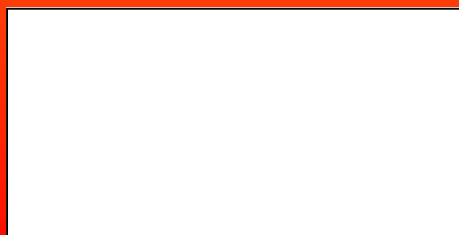
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Maynooth Swimming Club setting off
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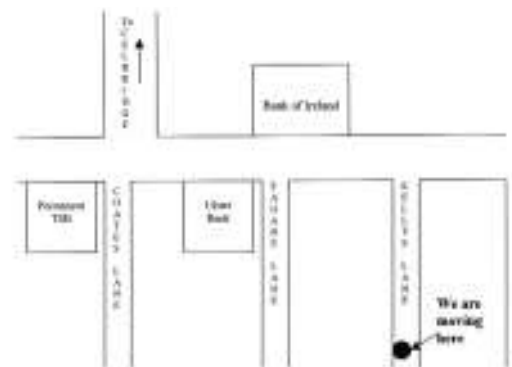
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Editorial

Now that the clocks have gone forward summertime looms, with plans for holidays being uppermost in everyone's mind. If your previous experiences have been good or bad you may want to share them with the Newsletter. We would look forward to receiving same.

The past month has been very exciting with the by-elections, the Community Council Annual General Meeting, St. Patrick's Day and Easter all sharing the one month.

The Newsletter would like to extend their congratulations to Catherine Murphy T.D. on becoming the first woman to hold a seat for the Kildare North Constituency and wish her well in the future.

Also our congratulations are extended to Brid Feely who became the new Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council. I am sure Brid is looking forward to her new challenge.

The cover of the Newsletter and the photographs within give some idea of the community enjoyment experienced at the St. Patrick's Day parade in Maynooth. Despite the fact that the number of floats were down, the quality of the participating floats was improved and it augurs well for the future.

A belated Happy Easter to our readers and I am sure that regardless of your religion it was sad to see that Pope John Paul 11 was unable to attend his Easter ceremonies as usual due to his ongoing ill health. Hopefully his health will improve and perhaps he will still be able to make his trip to Ireland.

The Newsletter has received some bad comments over the past few months. However, it is impossible to know what the people want unless they inform us. Therefore I would ask every local organisation or residents association to submit articles on a regular basis, so that we as locals will know what is going on in our area, after all it is not many communities who have the benefit of a monthly newsletter.

So why not use it?

Andrew McMullon

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Annual General Meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 14th March in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Bond Bridge

It now looks likely that the works on Bond Bridge will start on May 05.

The Ban on H.G.V

It was stated that signs should be erected at all entrance to the town also that the police should be enforcing the law. The question was also passed why are so many H.G.V using the Kilcock road and the Dunboyne road.

Newsletter-Editor

An appeal was made for more people to get involved .At the moment there are only few people on the editorial board however Terry Nealon and Brid Feely put themselves forward. It was also stated by Andrew Mc Mullan that the editorial were hoping to put forward a new format for the newsletter.

Chairpersons Report

Hugh Gallagher thanked all at the meeting for their support during the year, and also for promoting Maynooth Community Council. He thanked Christina Saults and the Office staff. He thanked the executive for their help and support during the year.

Secretary's Report

Muireean Ni Bhrolchain said meeting had been held every month with the exception of August also executive meetings. She also highlighted some events and concerns of Maynooth Community Council. Presentation on Community Centre from M.C.C.P also a Presentation from Maynooth Community Church. Submission on the Harbour area and Carton area action plan.

Town Council status

Geraldine Hall-secured

Meadow Brook link road

She noted Maynooth bad rating-Ibal Fair Trade Town.

She also noted that Susan Durack had resigned as Editor of the Newsletter and thanked her for her dedication. She also thanked Andrew Mc Mullan for his work with the Festival. The office staff and supervisor Christina Saults were also thanked.

Treasures Report

Willie Saults gave a detailed report. He said we were holding our own. He said he looked forward to being able to give something back to the Community re. Festival etc.Willie thanked all for their support.

Election of Officers

Chairperson- Brid Feely

Vice Chairperson- Tom Mc Mullan

Secretary—Muireean Ni Bhrolchain

Treasure—Willie Saults

P.R.O.-Marie Gleeson

P.D.O. -Paul Croghan.

Nissan Irish Open

The Nissan Irish open will take place in Carton House Golf Club from 19th-22nd May 05 with this event it will be celebrating 50 Years.

Hugh Gallagher said they had a meeting with Sandra Mc Mullan organising group and that they would like to meet with Maynooth Community Council-Re Traffic Plans will have to be in place also hoping to run events at night in the town, Meetings are on going.

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Paul Groghan Tidy Town's said that they will have the town looking great. They have already made a start, but a huge effort will have to be made to have it ready in time. Andrew Mc Mullan stated that we will have to arrange events and the Nissan people will come on board.

New Town Centre

A lot of question were asked hear. Kildare County Council have drawn up Draft Plans, with Leixlip Maynooth Celbridge and Kilcock as main towns for this. It was also noted that Maynooth College land was best suited here by Kildare County Council and consultants. However the Collinstown proposal is still being looked at it could prove more suitable at the Railway Station with car parking available for 2,000 cars. This will prove to be a New Town with huge Development Services, Theatre and Cinema. However Councilor John Mc Ginley said all clients

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES_(contd)

will decide on this. He also said if Maynooth is designated as a Major Town Centre the further rezoning could take place, out of this the town could get the infrastructure it needs. Tony Bean said he believed funds were in hands for a Community Centre. He said that he hoped that they could get Development funds. Séan Cushin said M.C.C. should lay out guides lines of what the town needs. He said we will have to get Developers to build a Community Centre. "This has being done in other town's" as no money is coming back to the town levies. The question was also raised as to what will constitute a town Centre. This will include Harbour Field Development, Tesco's, Delcedo-Kavanagh's Mill stated Councilor John Mc Ginley. This would be close to 60,000sq mts. This will come up again for further discussion Múireean Ní Bhrolcháin said that M.C.C. have already taken a decision to object to further Development until all Roads infrastructure is secured.

Next Maynooth Community Council Meeting
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P.R.O Marie Gleeson

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05/304	Albany Homes Ltd.	The Gables Torquay Road Foxrock Dublin 18	p	21/02/05	Construction of a crèche in a 3 storey with 3rd floor in foot space building with a total floor area of 167.66 sq.m with associated 6 no car parking spaces and private open space in compliance with condition no 5 planning Ref. 03/1192	13 Straffan Green Straffan Wood Maynooth
05/338	Shane & Patricia Clyne	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	24/02/05	Two bedroom Granny Flat dwelling adjacent to existing dwelling in lieu of double garage structure previously permitted under pl. ref 01/1698 and to include for a minor increase in size and minor change in location of previously permitted structure.	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/339	Pascal Dunne	292a Old Greenfield Road Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	24/02/05	(a) remove existing roof on existing bungalow and build up gable end walls. Raise the level of the roof by 2 metres to provide dormer style extension and living accommodation at first floor level. (b) proposed new porch and 3 no. dormer windows etc	292a Old Greenfield Road Greenfield Maynooth
05/340	Michael O'Riain	Crinstown Maigh Nuad Co. Cill Dara	P	24/02/05	Garaiste a thogail d'úsaid teadhlaigh amahain. An garaiste agus seomra leapa amahain, ata ann faoi lathair, a chuir in oiriuint agus dha seomra leapa en suite a dheanamh asty agus aon obair fo-ghabhalach a ghabhann leis.	Crinstown Maigh Nuad Co. Cill Dara
05/350	Catherine Kiernan	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	25/02/05	Construct a four bedroom dormer bungalow including all ancillary works and a mechanical aerated treatment plant with raised percolation area	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/367	Gerard Cooney	82 Moyglare Village Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	28/02/05	Single storey extension to the side of existing house, a single storey extension to the rear of existing dining room and a first floor extension to the rear of existing bedroom	82 Moyglare Village Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/368	Albany Homes Ltd	Estuary House New Street Malahide Co. Dublin	P	01/03/05	Associated 6 no. car parking spaces and private open spaces in compliance with condition no. 6 of planning permission reg. 03/1192	13 Straffan Green Straffan Wood Maynooth Co. Kildare

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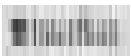
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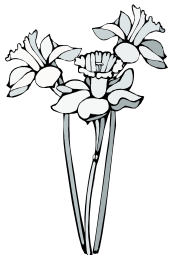
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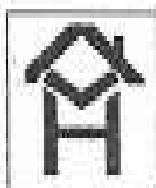
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FILE NUMBER	APPLICANT NAME	APPLICANT ADDRESS	APPLICATION TYPE	APPLICATION RECEIVED	DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT LOCATION
05/435	Brendan & Deirdre Whelan	2 Parklands Lawns Rail Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	08/03/05	Erection of first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion with kitchen area extended below and also single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling house	2 Parklands Lawns Rail Park Maynooth
05/440	Shane & Patricia Clyne	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	08/03/05	Single Storey (with habitable area in roof space) two bedroom Granny Flat dwelling adjacent to existing structure previously permitted under ref. 01/1698 and to include for a minor increase in size and minor change in location etc.	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/483	Kevin & Pauline Barrett	Dowdstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	11/03/05	Two storey family dwellin with connecting parent accommodation, three car garage, loft storage and provision for recessed gated entrance and installation of proprietary waste water treatment unit/drainage system and associated site works etc	Moneycooley Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/504	Barbara Hourihane	12 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	14/03/05	Conversion of existing attached garage to habitable room and for the provision of a window in place of existing garage door and permission for the widening of entrance gateway and the dished driveway from the public road	23 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/550	Tesco Ireland Ltd	Gresham House Marine Road Dun Laoghaire Co. Dublin	R	18/03/05	Retention of minor modifications for pl. ref. 02/177 to include addition of new windows on western and southern elevation ; new doorways on southern elevation, spiral steel staircase on southern elevation; garage doorway opening for delivery goods etc	Tesco Maynooth (Ire) Ltd Dublin Rd. Maynooth

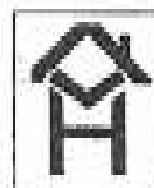
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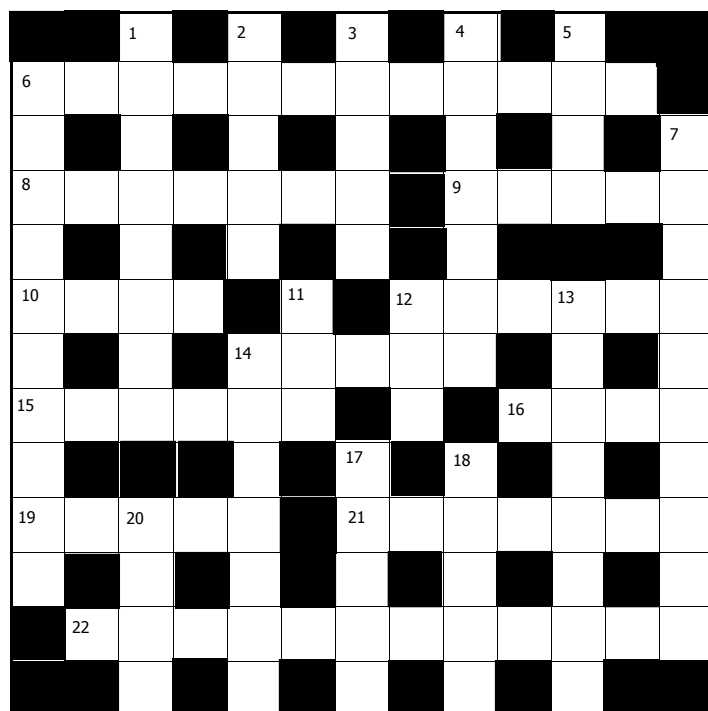
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Crossword

No: 32



Entries before: ?th April 2005

Name

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Across:

6. Ena Sharples actress in Coronation Street (6,6)
8. In poor condition (3-4)
9. Dirk Bogarde film, The _ _ _ Porter (5)
10. Country bordering Jordan (4)
12. US name for a tap (6)
14. US writer/producer, _ _ _ Allen (5)
15. Join up (6)
16. Weapons (4)
19. Composer of many Hungarian Rhapsodies (5)
21. Kris _ _ _, British hurdler (7)
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Down:

1. Undoing (8)
2. Dummy bird (5)
3. Plain cake (5)
4. Irish playwright, _ _ _ Behan (7)
5. Lengthy (4)
6. Slender macaroni (10)
7. Facts and figures (10)
11. Skill (3)
12. Healthy (3)
13. Ribbed fabric (8)
14. Pair of radioactive atoms (7)
17. Modelling wood (5)
18. Ranked (5)
20. One of the Channel Islands (4)

Across:

6. Penny Whistle, 8. Penguin, 9. India, 10. Laid, 12. Circle, 14. Wagon, 15. Ragged, 16. Taro, 19. Tacit, 21. Lorelei, 22. Abbreviation,

Down:

1. Unending, 2. Syrup, 3. Think, 4. Aspirin, 5. Sled, 6. Popularity 7. Caledonian, 11. Sad, 12. Cow, 13. Chaplain, 14. Western, 17. Glove, 18. Uriah, 20. Cube



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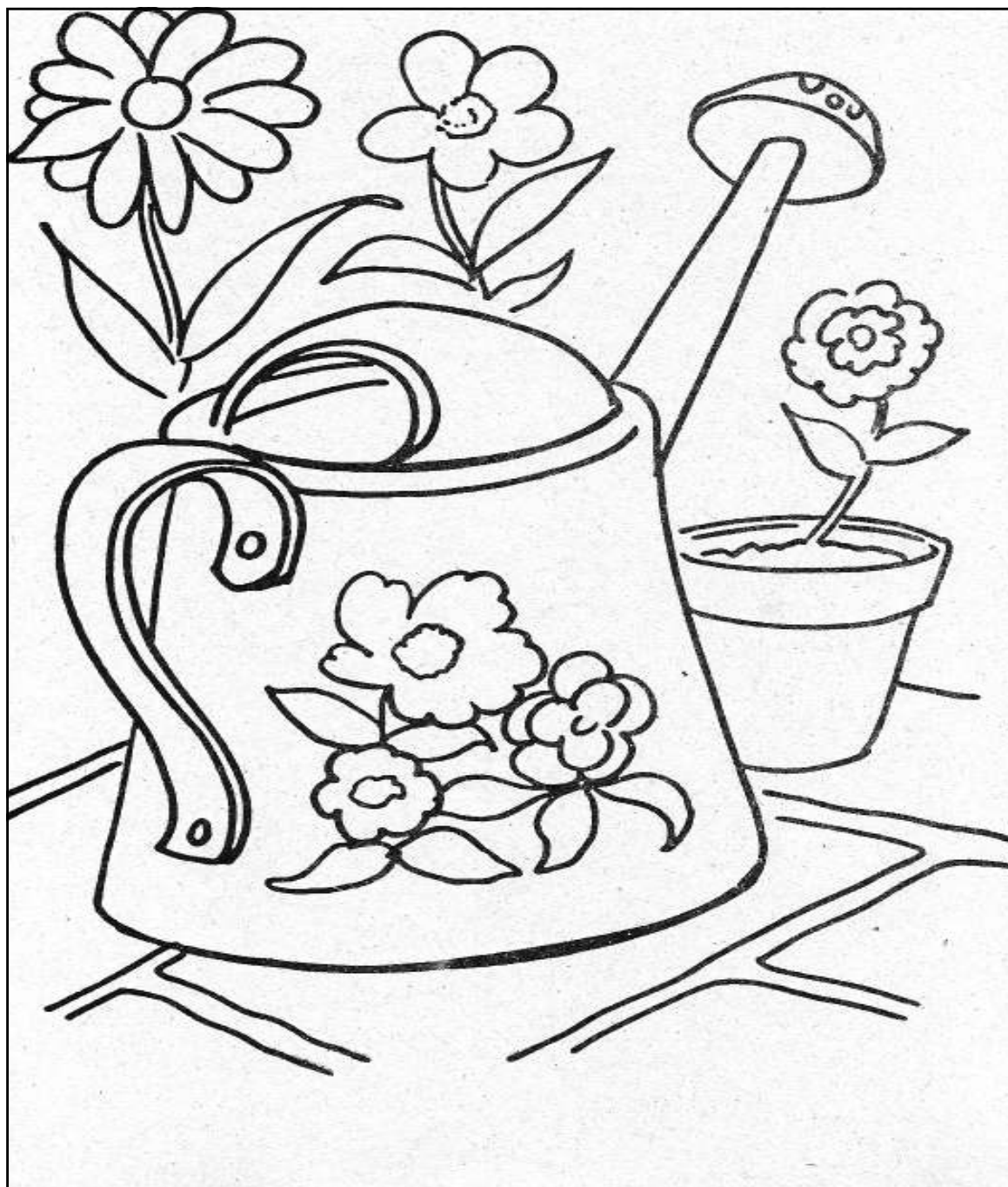
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Recipes

*G*arlic Mushrooms

Ingredients:

32 medium size mushrooms
3 cloves of garlic
Crisp iceberg lettuce
8 ozs of butter
8 stale slices of bread
2 whole eggs
1/3 pint milk
2 tomatoes
Flour

Method:

Clean and dry mushrooms. Make crumbs out of stale bread. Whisk eggs until frothy, add milk and whisk again. Set out your flour, egg, crumbs into separate dishes. Add mushrooms to the flour and lightly dust, then add to the egg mixture and finally to the crumbs and coat mushrooms.

Wash and dry lettuce and chop tomatoes and mix with the lettuce. This is only a garnish. You can add whatever you want. Heat a deep fat fryer, add mushrooms and cook until golden brown. Drain on kitchen paper and arrange on the plate. Chop garlic and add to butter and melt over a low heat. Add butter mix over the mushrooms and serve immediately.



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*B*read and Butter Pudding

Ingredients:

8 - 10 Slices White Bread (crusts removed)
Butter
450ml / 3/4 pint Milk
2 Eggs
50g / 2oz Caster Sugar
50g / 2oz Sultanas
Ground Nutmeg

Ingredients Tip

If your children don't like sultanas try using jam sandwiches. Cut them into triangles. Layer the dish with the sandwiches and then pour on the milk mixture!

Method:

- ◆ Butter the bread and cut into fingers or triangles.
- ◆ Grease a shallow ovenproof dish. Arrange a layer of the bread, buttered side down.
- ◆ Sprinkle some of the sultanas on the bread and dust with a little ground nutmeg.
- ◆ Arrange another layer of bread with sultanas and nutmeg.
- ◆ Beat the eggs, milk and sugar together and pour carefully over the layers of bread
- ◆ Allow to stand for about 10 to 15 minutes, and then transfer to a pre-heated oven 180°C / 350° F Gas 4 for about 30 minutes.
- ◆ Serve while hot with cream or custard.

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*F*usilli with Tuna and Tomatoes

This colourful and easy recipe with its tangy sauce of tuna, herbs and tomatoes, combines many of the Mediterranean's most popular flavours.

Ingredients

(Serves 4)

400g / 14oz fusilli
salt and black pepper
basil leaves, to garnish

For the Sauce

4 shallots
1 tbsp olive oil
400g / 14oz can tomatoes
4 sun-dried tomatoes
2 x 200g / 7oz cans tuna
1 tbsp chopped fresh
marjoram or oregano
75g/3oz stoned black olive,
optional

Ingredients Tip

Jars or packets of sun-dried tomatoes are available from delicatessens and larger supermarkets. They have quite a salty flavour so don't add extra salt to the sauce without tasting first.

Method

- ◆ Peel and finely slice the shallots. Heat the oil in a frying pan, add the shallots and fry gently for about 5 minutes until softened. Stir in the canned tomatoes and simmer for 10 minutes, or until the sauce reduces and thickens slightly.
- ◆ While the tomato sauce is simmering, cook the fusilli in a large pan of boiling, salted water until al dente (follow packet instructions)
- ◆ Cut the sun-dried tomatoes into thin strips. Drain the tuna and flake into chunks. stir the tuna and the sun-dried tomatoes into the tomato sauce and simmer for a further 5 minutes.
- ◆ Add the marjoram or oregano and olives, if using, to the tuna and tomato sauce. Season to taste with salt and black pepper.
- ◆ Drain the pasta and serve with the sauce spooned over. Scatter the dish with a few basil leaves.

Preparation: 15 min

Cooking: 20 min

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Tidy Town Clean up in 2005

Maynooth Tidy Towns' committee programme for 2005 includes a number of Clean Ups around the town. After the IBAL rating achieved in 2004 the committee felt that the best way to tackle the litter problem is to start with a once off clean up of the entire town. In January a clean up took place in the Maynooth Railway Station (29th Jan) and this was followed in February and March with clean ups on the Leixlip Road (Feb 26th), Rathcoffey Road (March 5th) and Moyglare/Kilcock Road (12th March). A special clean up took place over Easter at the junction outside the church. The remaining approach roads will be completed by early April. If you would like to get involved in upcoming clean ups on the Dunboyne Road and the Straffen Road please contact any member of the committee.

We will be contacting the residents associations in these areas in the anticipation that we will be able to get some help.

An Taisce Spring Clean April 2005

Each year An Taisce co-ordinate the "National Spring Clean" campaign and it takes place for the month of April. In Maynooth, we will be co-ordinating the work of residents associations and other voluntary groups. We will be contacting residents associations with a view to arranging clean ups in their areas and to providing bags and other assistance for the work. We will also be featuring the various associations undertaking clean ups in our application for the National Tidy Towns Competition as well as a video and picture footage of our annual awards ceremony. ***When you are doing a clean up let us know***

Green Schools Projects

Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee is very pleased that all schools in Maynooth are now working on their Green Schools Projects. This is a wonderful achievement and much credit must be given to the school principals and teachers for promoting this very worthwhile educational programme. It is important to the students and we should all make sure that we give them our support and encouragement. also us

I also suspect that a little competition will take place between the students on achieving the coveted Green School Flag. Maynooth Tidy Towns arranged for the loan of a flag and it was proudly carried by students from the three primary schools as part of the Maynooth Tidy Towns float in this year's St. Patrick's Day parade.

"Most Topical Float" Maynooth Tidy Towns wins in St. Patrick's Day Parade

We are delighted to win the award for the "Most Topical Float" in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade. Needless to say a lot of effort went into putting the float together and it was a great team effort. As usual we would like to thank a number of people for their help:

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Presentation Girls' Primary School - Elaine Kelly, Katie Scanlon, Allison Williams

You can see it really was a team effort. Remember, you are always welcome to join this winning team.

***Paul Croghan
Maynooth Tidy Towns***

St Patrick's Day Parade



Tidy Towns



Vintage Cars

Gardening Tips for April

April is renowned for its variable weather and temperatures. As the days lengthen the sun's light and heat rays grow stronger, the plant world surges into the most active phase of its annual cycle. As a result plants are at their most vulnerable, since night temperatures, after days of clear blue skies and uplifting sun, can plummet below freezing point in damaging radiation frosts.

April often earns its reputation for showery, changeable weather, although statistically it averages out as a dry month. In many parts of Ireland it is the driest month of the year, and gardeners need to check that young plants do not dry out.

Differences in latitude in temperate regions are now of less acute importance in determining when best to do things. The month is a busy one of seed sowing, planting, and growth regulation, and in the colder localities of the north and on high ground.



Work for the Month

- **Weeds:** Any plant that grows where the gardener does not want it is a weed, but in practice in term defines non-ornamental varieties that are so vigorous that, left unchecked, would smother cultivated plants. Keep down weeds among crops and plants assiduously. Give seeds a good start by thorough preparation of the seed beds. The application of a pre-emergent weed-killer destroys germinating weed seedlings then loses toxicity before slower-germinating seedlings break through. Timing is critical, so follow the maker's in instructions precisely.
- Master the use of the hoe for weeding. Use a sharp Dutch hoe, with a shallow push-pull action to decapitate annual weeds and top-growth. Mix weed remains with the soil. Hand weed and for out perennial weeds or chop them out with a draw hoe.
- Use weed-killers carefully among plants carefully among plants, wedding the weed foliage and stems only, by means of a sprinkler bar or hooded sprayer held directly over the weeds. A paraquat-diaquat herbicide is most

effective against annual weeds and the green top-growth of most other weeds; dalapon can be used for couch and other grasses and 2, 4-d, mecoprop, or ioxynil for various broad-leaved weeds. Choose a dry, calm day when rain or frost is not imminent for using weed-killer solutions. Spot-treatment is essential in situations such as lawns and rockeries where the weed-killer must not fall on surrounding plant life. Weed-killer in gel form can easily be confined to weeds and should be applied with a brush.



The Fruit Garden

Prevent or reduce fungus infections such as early mildew, scab, canker and blossom wilt on apple and pear trees by spraying at the green bud stage with a systemic fungicide on a calm day when foliage and shoots can be covered easily and completely.

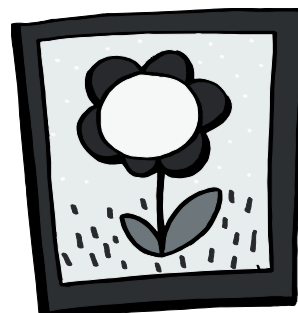
At the same time apply a systemic insecticide to control such pests as apple sawfly, moth caterpillars, aphids, capsid bug, apple blossom weevil, leaf weevils. Suckers and scale insects.

Repeat the spraying when blossom buds show white on pears, pink on apples, in late April or early May.

Spray gooseberry bushes when the flowers are about to open with a systemic insecticide or dinocap formulation, to control American mildew.

Examine strawberries for the presence of aphids or red spiders mites (under cloches) in warm dry late – April weather, and treat with a malathion insecticide if necessary.

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Maynooth Citizens Information Notes

Correction

We wish to apologise for an error in a recent Know Your Rights article on the requirement for landlords to register their tenancies with the Private Residential Tenancies Board. In the article it was stated that it is illegal for landlords to pass the cost of registration fee on to tenants. We wish to correct this statement. It is **not illegal** for landlords to pass the cost of the fee on to tenants, however, the statutory obligation to pay the fee rests with the landlord. If the landlord has included a clause in the tenancy agreement saying that the tenant has to pay this fee and the tenant has agreed to this, then the tenant is obliged to pay the fee or be in breach of their agreement. There is no statutory obligation on the tenant to agree to pay the registration fee. We regret any inconvenience this error may have caused

Question

My 16- Year- old son has started looking for a job. How many hours a week can he work?

Answer

The Protection of Young Persons (Employment) Act, 1996, sets limits on the maximum number of hours for young workers. Under the act a "child "means a person under the age of 16 and a "young person " means a 16 or 17 year old.

A child aged 14 may not work during the school term. He/she may do light work during school holidays for up to 7 hours a day and 35 hours a week.

A 15 year old may do light work for up to 8 hours a week term- time. During the holidays the same maximum number of hours apply as for 14 year olds.

Both 14 and 15 year olds are not allowed to work between 8 p.m. in the evening and 8 a.m. in the morning and they must be given a thirty-minute break if they work more than 4 hours. If working during the summer, they must get two days off a week, which should be consecutive where this is practicable, and a complete break of at least 21 days.

A young person aged 16 or 17 may up to 8 hours a day and 40 hours a week. However, in general, they should not work before 6 a.m. in the morning or after 10 p.m. at night. They are entitled to a thirty- minute break if working more than four and a half hours and two days off a week, which should be consecutive

where this is practicable.

Where someone has two or more jobs, the combined daily or weekly hours worked must not exceed the maximum permitted hours. While it is up to the employer to ensure that the law is not broken, a parent or a 16 or 17 year old who helps breach the law may be committing an offence.

If your son is offered a job he should request a contract of employment in writing. After one month on the job he is entitled to a written statement of his terms of employment. This is not, however, a contract of employment. His employer is also obliged to give him a summary of the Protection of Young Persons (Employment) Act 1996.

Further information is available from the Information Unit Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Davitt House, 6 A, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Tel:(01) 6313131, LO-Call1890201615 or from the Citizens Information Centre below.

Question

I believe that it is now easier to switch my bank account to a different bank. Why is this?

Answer

Since the 1st February, 2005, all major banks and building societies that are members of the Irish Bankers Federation (IBF) are operating under a new "Code of Practice on Switching Accounts" Under this code retail financial institutions have committed themselves to new step-by-step procedures that will make it easier for personal customers to switch accounts from one financial institution to another. The code covers current, deposit and savings account.

The institutions that have signed up to the code of practice are required to:

Explain to the customer each of the steps involved in the process of switching accounts and explain how long each step will take.

Have the customer's new account up and running within ten days from the bank's approval of the customer's application, in the case of the new bank.

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The code of practice is available on request in banks and building societies or can be accessed on the IBF website at www.ibf.ie.

You may, however incur some costs in transferring your account such as the double stamp duty charge which may arise from the switching of financial cards such as credit cards and ATM cards. The Finance Bill 2005 provides for an exemption from this double charge where you switch cards in the same year of charge. The Bill propose that the change in relation to credit cards and charge cards will take effect from 2 April 2005, while the change in relation to ATM cards, Laser cards and combined cards will take effect from 1 January 2006.

If you are considering switching your account, the Financial Regulation has published a Personal Current Account Cost Survey which may help you to establish if you can get a better deal from another financial service provided. It is available from the Financial Regulator, Consumer Information Department, P.O.Box 9138, College Green, Dublin 2 and its website at www.ifsra.ie.

Question

I understand that new applicants for Rent Supplement no longer have to be renting for six months to be eligible. Is this true?

Answer

You are correct. The requirement that an applicant must have been renting for a period of six months in the preceding twelve months has been discontinued.

Rent Supplement is paid to people living in private rented accommodation who cannot provide for the cost of the accommodation from their own resources. It is paid if they are eligible and do not have alternative accommodation available to them. The supplement is available under the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme through the Community Welfare Officers at local health centres.

Since the 1st February, 2005, to be eligible for the supplement new applicants must be already renting and must have been able to afford the rent from within their own resources when they started renting originally. They must also have had a reasonable expectation that they would continue to be able to afford the rent into the future. When applying they must have experienced a substantial change in their circumstances, such as illness or loss of employment, as a result of which they can no longer continue to pay the rent.

This requirement does not apply to certain people, such as those aged 65 or over, those in receipt of certain disability payments or those regarded by a housing authority as being homeless.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre below.

Question

What are the tax-free thresholds for gifts and inheritances under Capital Acquisitions Tax For 2005?

Answer

Capital Acquisition Tax (CAT) may have to be paid when an individual is left a gift or inheritance by another person. The tax is calculated on the open market value of the property making up the gift or inheritance, less certain deductions and reliefs. There are special rules for valuing farms and family businesses.

There are certain thresholds above which CAT applies. The appropriate threshold depends on the relationship between the donor and the beneficiary. The thresholds are increased every year in line with inflation. The thresholds given apply from January 2005.

Spouses

No tax is payable on inheritance from a spouse regardless of the amount involved.

Class A— Children

A threshold of €46,673 applies to gifts/inheritances made by a person to his/her child or to grandchildren under the age of 18 whose parent is dead. Children include adopted and step-children and long-term foster children.

Class B—Other relatives

A threshold of €46,673 applies to gifts/inheritances from certain relatives including uncles, aunts, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, grandchildren and grandparents.

Class C—Distant relative and non-relatives

A threshold of €23,336 applies to a successor who does not come under groups A or B.

If the gift or inheritance is received on or after 5 December 2001, then all inheritances and gifts received within the threshold category since 5 December 1991 are added together. CAT is charged at 20% on the amount above the threshold.

For gifts and inheritances of the family home taken on or after 1st December 1999 CAT may not apply depending on the circumstances.



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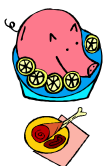
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Maynooth Golf Society

Maynooth Golf Society held their first outing of the 2005 golfing season at Kilkea Castle on Sunday 13th March. The sponsor for the day was Walmac. E. C. Demolition, 57 people played on the day, and conditions were dry and cold. The winner on the day was Don O' Sullivan with a score of 40 points. The rest of the results are listed below.

Walmac E. C. DEMOLITION

Overall Winner	Don O' Sullivan	40 points
2nd	Michael Flynn Jnr	38 (B. A)
3rd	John Carroll	38
4th	Terry Moore	37 (B .A)
5th	Dave Kinlon	37
6th	Barry Farrell	35 (B.A.)
7th	Colm Loftus	35
Front 9	Philip Doyle	19
Back 9	Gerry McTernan	22
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Feature

St. Patricks Day Parade 2005

Our Parade was small this year compared with past years. However, the quality of the floats more than made up for the smaller number of entrants. Many children took part and surely that is what the Parade is all about. Hopefully, next year business, clubs and organisations will make a major effort to make the 2006 Parade a colourful and fun event.

On behalf of the Parade Committee I would like to thank the participants and all those who helped with the organising of what was yet again a very successful Parade. We had a beautiful day and the biggest crowd that most of us can ever recall watching the Parade.

I would like to thank all the businesses who contributed to ensure that we were not at a financial loss. **In particular I would like to thank Willie Kiernan who provides, erects and operates his state of the art Public Address System every year free of charge. Our other major sponsors were:**

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I would also like to thank the following:

- Mattie Callaghan and Paul Kelly Transport for providing the reviewing stand.
- Elaine Bean, Leo Bean, Melanie Oliver, Matthew Callaghan, Liz Callaghan, Seamus Kennedy, Andrew McMullon, Willie Saults, Jamie Kelly and David Moynan for helping with the reviewing stand.
- Dominic Nyland for again taking on the task of Master of Ceremonies.
- George O'Connor for again providing the crash barriers free of charge.
- The Parish Hall Committee for providing chairs for the reviewing stand.
- Jim McManus for the power supply for the public address system.
- Our guests on the reviewing stand.
- Emmet Stagg T.D. or being our guest speaker.
- All the stewards who yet again performed their tasks very professionally.
- The Parade Committee and the members of the Community Council for their great help.
- The residents of Greenfield Estate for their continued co-operation.
- All of the business people who did such a splendid job of decorating their shop windows.
- Mary Doyle - Flowers for all Occasions, for providing flowers for the reviewing stand.
- Larine Court for providing plants for the reviewing stand.

- The Gardai for the great job that they did controlling the traffic

The Parade Prize Winners were:

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**Best Costumes-----
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**Most Topical-----
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**Best Youth Entrant-----
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St Patrick's Day Parade



St Patrick's Day Parade



Angela Leavey



St. Paddy's Swimming

Fun was had by all at this year's Saint Patrick's day parade. Especially those in the Maynooth Swimming Club that dressed in fancy dress. This added a wonderful splash of colour to the procession as it flowed towards the main street and then onto Tesco's.

Congratulations go to our winner's Michael Carton, Conor Byrne and Alanna Sweeney for the fancy dress competition.

Swimming starts back on the 2nd April. Don't forget this year Galas will take place on the 16th April for the Juniors and the 23rd April for the seniors.

Children that come by car, would parent/guardians please notify the person in charge that they are taking part.

Please, also tell the person in charge, if your child/children are coming back on the bus— when they had arrived by car. The children have been counted and there could be a mix up going home.

The club is full, however, if you are interested, names are being put on our waiting lists.

Contact: 1st bus—Siobhan Byrne, 6012974.
2nd bus — Mary Murray, 6244256.



First Prize Winner: Michael Carton



Second Prize Winner: Conor Byrne



1st: Michael Carton

3rd: Alanna Sweeney

2nd: Conor

St Patrick's Day Parade



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Useful Tips

Bleach spots

- If the garment is dark, disguise the spot by rubbing it with a fabric marker or paint that matches the fabric's marker or paint that matches the fabric's colour. Cover coloured areas with a piece of cotton sheet and iron at a hot setting.
- Treat non-colourfast fabrics with a pre-wash dye remover. For white or pastel-coloured fabrics, treatments for colour-run accidents can effectively bleach the whole garment a uniform pale colour.
- Sew an appliqué over the spot.
- Dye the garment a darker colour or tie-dye it.

Bruises

A small bruise requires no special treatment, but if bruising is extensive, remember,

RICE: Rest, Ice Compression and Elevation.

- R Rest the injured part.
- I Place ice or a cold compress over the bruise to help control bleeding and swelling and relieve pain.
- C Press your hand firmly over the injured area.
- E Elevate the bruised area to a level just above the heart.

Chapped lips

The skin on your lips is much more sensitive than the rest of your face, because it is actually just a membrane and is not naturally lubricated, unlike the rest of your skin. This means that it is prone to dryness, chapping and flaking in extremes of temperature, cold air, sun or wind.

Prevention

- Lipsticks usually smooth and lubricate as well as provide colour, while lip balms give colourless, quick relief from chapping. Many lipsticks and balms now contain ultraviolet light filters to protect against sunlight.
- Always cream your lips when you apply moisturiser to your face, morning and evening. At night, take off make-up with a moisturising and emollient cream or lotion and not soap. Which tends to be drying. At night, apply a lip ointment or petroleum jelly.
- Even though licking your lips seems to provide relief, resist the temptation; when the moisture evaporates, your lips are likely to chap even more.
- Treat your lips gently - don't rub them, and try not to pick the peeling skin.

Fire Safety

Fit smoke alarms on each floor of your home and in rooms where a fire is likely to start, such as the sitting room or bedroom. Don't fit one in a kitchen as steam or cooking fumes may set it off.

Be prepared for the event of a fire and plan your escape route. Draw a plan of your home (including stairs, windows, and doors) and plot two escape routes from each room. Study the plan with household members; assign someone to help children or the less agile.

Display the fire emergency number near telephones. Make sure everyone who may need to use a window for escape is able to reach and unlock it, and reach the ground easily. Check the safety of a porch or garage roof that may provide an escape.

Hold regular fire drills and designate a place to meet outside for a head count.

Every month check that your fire blanket or extinguisher is in place and has not been used or damaged. Get your non-aerosol extinguishers serviced once a year by specialists and replace aerosol extinguishers as suggested by the manufacture.

Always switch off electric blankets before getting into beds.

Fluff

Since clothes fluff easily catches onto other clothes, remove it before you put a garment in the cupboard.

If you don't have a clothes brush, use a strip of masking of sticky tape wrapped around your hand, adhesive side out, or a damp sponge.

You'll find that fluff is much easier to remove with a damp clothes brush than with a dry one.

To remove fluff from velvet, a sponge powder puff works well; on wool use a dry synthetic sponge.

Chrome

Clean chrome with any of the following, soda or mineral water, window cleaner, bicarbonate of soda, vinegar (cider or white) or lemon peel. Or use a solution of 1 part clear ammonia to 16 parts water.

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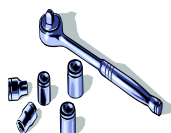
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Features

Les Miserables

On February 2nd - 6th 2005, Maynooth Post-Primary School performed the show of "Les Miserables". The 4th and 5th year students were involved along with two fantastic 1st years. The cast was excellent that I went and saw it four times. There were a number of leading roles. People such as: Harry Oliver, Eoin Corcoran, Simon Hanlon, Sean McTeirnan, Cassandra Kelly, Paul Clerkin, Daniel Hare, Jenny Dornan, Aoidh n McBride and Niamh Dillon. Played such lead roles.



Ciaran Egan (army officer)

I think you must be mad if you don't like it. I think a special word has to go to two first year students: Tara Fagan and Gillian Campbell. It takes some guts to go up on stage if you are a 4th or 5th year student but it takes a lot more if you are a 1st year. Personally I think everyone was brilliant and I can't single out the best.

The brains behind the whole show were Miss O' Connell and Miss O' Farrell. I have to say they did a brilliant job.

I will now hand you over to some pictures that my sister and I took.

I hope you liked it and I hope I didn't embarrass too many people.

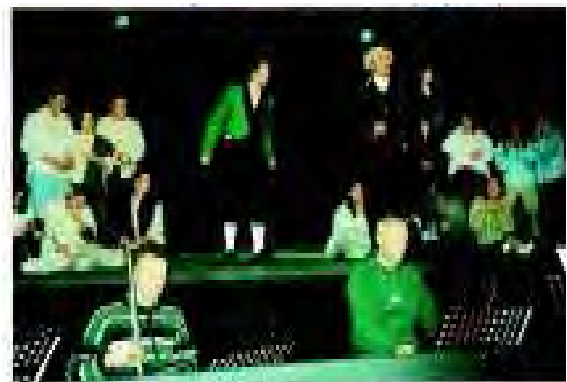
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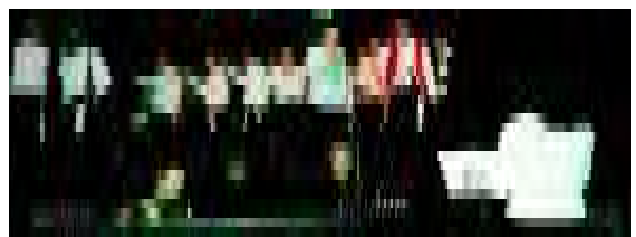
Gillian Campbell, Cassandre Kelly & Tara Fagan



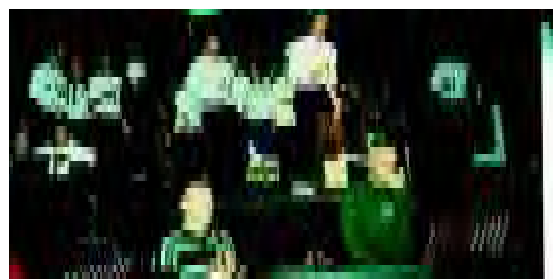
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Paul Clerkin, (Thernardier)
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A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes Diana Conolly-Carew and "Barrymore"

In the nineteen fifties and sixties Irish international sporting heroes were thin on the ground. In 1956 Ronnie Delaney had won Ireland's first Gold Medal since 1932 at the Melbourne Olympics Games. In 1957 the Irish International soccer team had been denied a place in the 1958 World Cup Finals held in Sweden by a last second English goal at Dalymount Park. The following year, Hard Ridden trained by Michael Rogers on the Curragh was the first Irish trained winner of the Epsom Derby since "Orby" in 1907. What made these international successes noteworthy was that they were achieved in spite of rather than with the help of the Irish Government, Civil Service or sporting authorities. In hindsight we can only imagine the inertia of our ruling mandarins with no ability or initiative that left the country virtually at a standstill for over fifty years after Independence. Good planning and application was sparse on the ground as the majority of the Irish people stayed in the same economic condition from the day they were born to the day they died, mainly grinding poverty. In all those years we can also lament the lack of support given to the Army show jumping team by the Department of Defence. Ireland renown for its horses and horsemen needed two Swiss Army officers to prod the Irish Government into forming an Irish military show jumping team in 1926. A prestigious and frontline sport that puts the country's horse industry on the international stage still has the Army Equitation School fighting for funds nearly eighty years after its inception. It is incredible that in the early 1970s the Irish Army's annual budget for buying horses was £10,000. This amount would not have bought one leg of any decent show jumper at the time. There were many great Irish show jumping heroes of the twentieth century. The great Army riders of the early years in Dan Corry, Ged O'Dwyer and Cyril Harty and their successors in Billy Ringrose, Ned Campion and Con Power. The Country was also privileged to have great Civilian show jumping heroes in Iris Kellett, Tommy Wade, Seamus Hayes and Eddie Macken.

With the interest of our readers in mind we focus on a local hero formerly associated with Castletown House, Celbridge who came to the fore in the mid fifties. Many of us growing up at the time will remember Diana Conolly-Carew and the indomitable grey "Barrymore". There is always genuine affection for grey horses by the public no matter what discipline of equine sport the animal is involved in. Perhaps this is part of the reason why both the Rider and the Horse are remembered more than others. Diana's ancestors were involved in the sport having bought the Champion Hunter at the first RDS show held on the lawns of Leinster House in 1868. Diana began her career as a member of the pony club. She was very successful being a prolific winner of pony and junior jumping competitions, winning International events in Belfast, Edinburgh and Dublin. Riding "Tubnnergat" she was unfortunate to lose the European Junior Championship at the White City London in 1957 due to a technicality. Sometimes progressing from junior to senior grade can be difficult in any branch of sport but in Diana's case her purchase of "Barrymore" eased the transition. Standing at only 15.3 hands, he may have been somewhat small in size but turned out to be a right pocket battleship. Purchased by Diana for £240 he was brought steadily through the show jumping grades before being selected for the Irish Aga Khan team in 1963. Diana joined three other show jumping legends on the Irish team in Tommy Wade (Dundrum), Seamus Hayes (Goodbye) and Billy Ringrose (Loch an Easpaig). The quality of the opposition was first class with traditional Nation Cup Competitors, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Britain sending their strongest teams. The RDS arena was packed to witness one of the sixties great sporting moments. Diana did her Country proud. "Barrymore" picked up four faults in the first round, having one fence down, but jumped a brilliant clear in the second. Tommy Wade and "Dundrum" brought the house down with their two clear rounds and Ireland won the Aga Khan Cup for the first time in fourteen years. In hindsight this was a great achievement. For decades Ireland had been selling its best jumpers and brood mares to emerging show jumping countries like Holland, France and Switzerland. In general individual owners can not be blamed. The economic reality was that people in the sport had to sell in order to survive. However some people in Government should have realised the benefit of our Defence Force having the best horses available and should have acted accordingly. Joining a mixed Army /Civilian team for an Autumn tour of North America, Diana Conolly-Carew added to her growing International reputation by finishing fourth in the New York Grand Prix. In 1964 she toured Spain and Portugal with Frank Kerins, Heather Moore and Patricia McKee. The team was quite successful, winning six events and finishing in the money on fifty-two occasions. Barrymore continued to hold his form. Diana was again a member of the Irish team that contested the Aga Khan trophy in 1965 and 1966. The Irish team of 1965, Billy Ringrose, Seamus Hayes, Ada Matheson and Diana finished second to an invincible British team. The following year brought another great success for the rider. Diana won the Dublin International Grand Prix at the RDS Horse Show. Selected for the Mexico Olympics in 1968 she and her team mates, Ned Campion and Ada Matheson were dogged by misfortune and injuries. Not carrying any "clout" in international circles they ended up on the wrong end of rules and regulations governing the event. In subsequent decades Irish sport has developed to such an extent that in many areas we do merit respect in International competition and the

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shameful behaviour of the Games officials in Mexico is now rarely experienced.

So as the sixties drew to a close so to did the careers of Diana and her contemporaries. The new kids on the block included the brilliant Eddie Macken, Paul Daragh and Con Power. Diana still had important contributions to make to Irish Show jumping. She acted as Chef d’Equip to the Irish Team that won its first ever European show jumping medals in 1969, Paul Darragh taking the individual junior silver at Dinard.

Jim Healy



Swan

Mother hen with head stern
Cygnets flow merrily along
Little creatures much to learn
Guided constantly with chirpy song

Sunshine days water ripple free
Guide loved ones on their way
Cob swan stern eyes see
Giving family as safe a day

Lovingly nurturing all their own
In safe a conduct as can be
One day soon be fully grown
Such a grace fly away free

Swans of white silken feathers glow
On a dismal pond a family
Soon take flight so far away
Gone forever to be free



Patrick Murray

Elvis

A rock ‘n’ roll hero was he
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A talented man many ladies choice
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Gained many of an admiring fan
Expressed personality in his smile
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His voice so nice soft or loud
Yes, he really and truly was such fun
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I.C.A Notes

We resumed our meetings in January after the Christmas break. Our president Mary welcomed everyone and wished them a very happy new year. Our competition for January was a slice of pudding

1st Margeret Houlihan

2nd Betty Farrell

3rd Rosemary Hanley.

Our guest speaker for February was Paula Moyes who gave us a very informative talk on skincare.

Some of our members attended the Federation Dinner Dance in the Ambassador Hotel Kill. Congratulations to Betty Farrell and Norah McDermot who received certificates 30 years membership certificates. Our competition for February was on the spot,

1st Mary Dunne

2nd Mary Halton

3rd Norah McDermott

At our March meeting, we had a fun quiz with an Ireland theme. This was organised by one of our members. The competition for March was hand - made Easter card.

1st Rosemary Hanley

2nd Eileen Flynn

3rd Imelda Delaney

Badminton continues in the Parish Hall,

Mondays 11.00 - 12.30 and

Thursdays 10.30 - 12.00.

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A Coffee Morning Cake and Bric-a-Brac Sale will be held in the I.C.A. Hall on April 8th, proceeds to Maynooth Community Centre (the Harbour) and Little Ways Drop in Centre (for Cancer Care) Clane.

The hall is available to let on most nights.

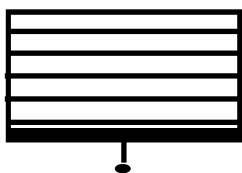
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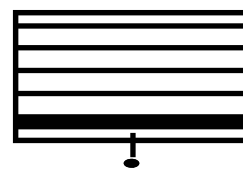
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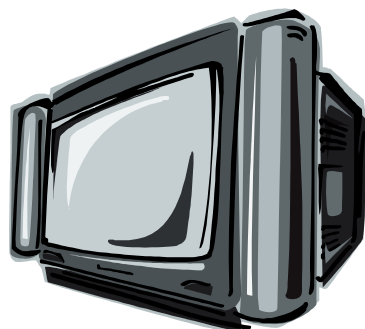


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Maynooth Fairtrade Campaign Continues to Gain Momentum

As efforts to achieve Fairtrade Town status for Maynooth continue, the national Fairtrade fortnight in early March was marked by a number of successful events in Maynooth and also by new Fairtrade retail outlets appearing in response to the growing demand for products.

Maynooth Fairtrade Steering Committee marked the national fortnight by organising a display of the recent highly successful schools' posters on Fairtrade in the local Library. The enthusiastic support of students members of the committee was also apparent in a very successful public meeting addressed by Colin Roach, Campaigns Officer with Oxfam and Ian McDonald from Comhladh, the Irish Association of Development Workers. Both speakers outlined the pressing need for Fairtrade and the tangible differences it can make to individual producers in the Third World. A video following the changing fortunes of a family engaged in coffee farming in Central America brought home to everyone precisely how our purchases here in Maynooth can make a difference to the plight of hard pressed farmers throughout the Third World. A range of products was also made available at a stall in the Students' Union throughout the fortnight and officers of the Students Union also spoke to the post primary school pupils about the Fairtrade movement.

New retail outlets in the town are becoming available for those wishing to purchase Fairtrade produce. In addition to Tesco and Supervalu who have for long stocked a good range of produce, the Glenroyal Hotel now serves Fairtrade coffee, as does Maynooth Community Church in Main Street. Perhaps the main accolade this month however should go to Castle Stores for their delicious hot (Fairtrade) chocolate! In the recent cold snap this was an excellent way of warming up!

The Fairtrade mark is the only independent guarantee of a better deal for Third World producers and is strongly supported by all the main Third World charities in Ireland, as well as by the Irish Congress of Trade Unions. There is surely no more appropriate town in Ireland to become a Fairtrade town than Maynooth, and Maynooth Fairtrade Steering Committee urges shoppers to make a conscious choice to support those local retailers stocking Fairtrade produce such as biscuits, bananas, chocolate, coffee and tea. Together we can help not just our own town of Maynooth, but also small farmers we may never meet but who will forever appreciate a levelling of their playing field as they seek to attain living standards we take for granted.

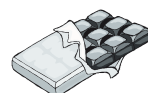
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Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

Children's Playgrounds Ready in June

Cllr. John McGinley's motion *"That General Development Levies be revised in order to cater for the provision of children's and teenager's playgrounds in towns where there is a demand for such facilities"* is now being implemented countywide.

The Director of Corporate & Cultural Affairs, Peter Minnock, stated at the Council meeting on 28 February that the playgrounds for Maynooth, Celbridge and Lexlip would be in place by June of this year. Planning permission (Part 8) was sought in early March and tenders were also invited then for the construction of the three playgrounds.

The Maynooth children's playground and teenager's recreation area will be located at the Harbour Field and it will have three sections to cater for 0 to 6, 6 to 12 and 12 to 18 year olds.

Great credit is due to Deirdre Bristow, Chairperson, Maynooth Playground Action Group and her committee for bringing the project to this advanced stage.

An Bord Pleanála Grants Planning Permission for 241 Dwellings at Rear of Castledawson & Parsons Hall

Regretfully, An Bord Pleanála have granted planning permission for 241 dwellings on the lands to the rear of Castledawson and Parsons Hall estates.

The only positive aspect of the Appeals lodged by the Residents' Association and by Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley is that An Bord Pleanála have included the following condition in the granting of planning permission:

"No house shall be occupied on the site until the Planning Authority have confirmed in writing that works on the realignment and improvements of Bond Bridge have been fully completed and commissioned."

This means that whilst construction can commence no houses can be occupied until the full completion of the Bond Bridge project in May 2007.

Major Town Centre/ County Development

The County Manager has selected Maynooth as the location for the Major Town Centre for North East Kildare. Councillors were given a presentation by two sets of Consultants, outlining the reasons for selecting Maynooth, at a Council Meeting on 4 March. Cllr. John McGinley was not impressed with their presentation especially their reply to his question on whether or not the necessary ring road infrastructure would be put in place first. They stated that more residential rezoning would have to take place to fund the construction of the ring roads.

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

"That Maynooth be removed as the Major Town Centre and that Collinstown be designated as the Major Town Centre instead."

Safety Measures at Kingsbry Estate

Following representations by Cllr. John McGinley the Council have agreed to erect barriers at the Kingsbry side of the walkway to Meadowbrook in order to slow down the motorbikes that use it.

Improvements Sought for O'Neill Park, Maynooth

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

"That the following improvement works be carried out"

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in O'Neill Park, Maynooth:

1. *Resurface the road at the entrance to the estate as the concrete is badly cracked.*
2. *Remove the stump of the broken bollard at the entrance to the estate.*
3. *Put a cul de sac sign at the entrance.*
4. *Refurbish the copings as they are in bad need of same.*
5. *Carry out proper resurfacing of the Square as there is flooding at both the left and right side at present.*
6. *Top the three beech trees on the grass verge within the estate.*

The "Bandstand" to be moved to Harbour Field

Following strong pressure by Cllr. John McGinley the Director of Planning agreed at a meeting with John on 25 February to remove the "Bandstand" from Pound Park and in a letter dated 28 February he stated:

"Further to my report which was considered at the last meeting of the Area Committee, I wish to confirm that, it is proposed to relocate the bandstand to a suitable area at the Harbour Field when the Area Plan for this location is finalised."

Improvements Sought for Pound Park (The Green)

Following a meeting with members of the Lyreen Residents' Association Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That the following work be carried out at the Council owned Pound Park, Maynooth:

1. *That the first nine trees be removed at the Band Hall side.*
2. *That the first seven trees at the bottom right hand corner be removed.*
3. *That the wall at the Band hall side be completely re-built for the full length of the Park and that development levies from the adjoining new apartments be used for this purpose."*

Inadequate Public Lighting in Carton Court

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

"Given the inadequate Public Lighting throughout Carton Court Estate, Maynooth, that the ESB be requested to survey same with a view to providing additional public lights."

Improvements Sought for Vehicles Exiting from Parklands/Castlebridge

Cllr. John McGinley has again asked the Council to provide a left turning lane and a yellow box for right turning traffic at the exit from Parklands/Castlebridge. John got the following reply:

I wish to inform you that the Area Engineer Ellis Murray has confirmed that the matter of a left turning lane and a yellow box will be passed on to our contractors with a view to examining the possibility of installing same."

Mud on Footpaths and Roadway from Building Sites

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to get the developers of Straffan Wood to wash away the mud on the footpath and roadway from their development on Straffan Road, Maynooth to the M4 and to get them to use a wheel wash as per the planning permission granted.

He has also asked for the same action to be taken with the developer on the Celbridge Road

Transfer of Amenity Lands to Maynooth GAA & the Schools

The transfer of these lands to the GAA and the Schools was part of the Maynooth Development Plan, which was agreed on 29 April 2002. Incredibly, it is three years later and the lands have still not been transferred even though the residential development has started.

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following "Progress Report" for the Area Meeting on 18 March:

"Under Section 47 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 Roger Satchwell agreed to transfer approx 8.78 h.a. of amenity land at Maynooth to the Council. This was confirmed by way of formal Section 47 agreement. At present the Council awaits submission of Transfer Deed from Mr Satchwells Solicitor. This transaction has been on going for a number of years and we cannot say, at this point, when the matter will be concluded.

Needless to say Cllr. McGinley finds this report completely unsatisfactory and he has again asked that the landowner or his representatives be called to a meeting to resolve the impasse.

Temporary Footpath at the Back of the Health Board houses in Newtown

Cllr. John McGinley got the following reply from the Council to his demands that a footpath be installed here as a matter of urgency:

Party Political

(Maynooth Labour News Cont'd.)

"This temporary footpath is in use as a result of Bond Bridge contract. Accordingly, members requested that gravel chips be spread on the path.

Action Taken: Work on the Bond Bridge scheme is due to commence in May 2005. I have requested the Road Construction Department to prioritise this request when works commence."

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

On Monday 28th February a re-convened A.G.M took place and the following officers were selected:

Chairperson: Joe Geraghty
 Secretary: Dave Collins
 Treasurer: Madeline Stynes
 P.R.O.: Margaret Houlihan
 County Delegate: Adrienne Lynam

Committee:

Liz & Mattie Callaghan, Marie Gleeson, Geraldine Feehan, Jim Fleming and Patricia McAuliffe

Helpers:

Lucinda O' Sullivan, Nuala Forde, Ann-Marie McKnight and Florence Cullinane.



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Update:

Annual Table Quiz took place in the Boys National School on Thursday 3rd February 2005.

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TEAM 1

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 Kieran Byrne
 Ben Dunne
 Ronan Gallagher

West

Conor Murphy
 Ben Connolly
 Luke Hare
 Cian Forde

Sub:

John Corcoran
 Roisin O' Riordan



Outgoing Chairperson,
Elaine Fleming signing
out for a well
deserved break

TEAM 2

East

Clodagh Coyne
 Tim Finnegan
 Siobhan O' Shea
 Denis O' Brien

West

Donal Connellan
 John Hogan
 Kevin Peelo

Sub:

Patrick Behan
 Stephan behan
 Dillon Haughney

Good luck to all in the county final on April 8th.



Bryan O' Malley and Colm Murhpy with
A. Lynam at the Table Quiz

UP COMING EVENTS

Weekend Collection: 8th/9th April
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Art Competition: Boys & Girls
 Friday 15th April: 3.00 - 5.00 B.N.S

Athletics
 Friday 27th May: 6.00p.m.
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Swimming

Practice sessions starting in early April in Maynooth College Pool, all boys and girls welcome. Please watch posters for this.

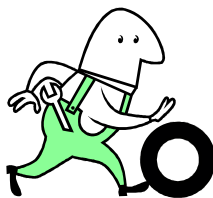
The next meeting of Maynooth Community Games is on Tuesday 5th April at 9 o'clock in Maynooth G.A.A Centre.

If anyone out there is interested in getting involved or to help out please come along.



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Features

Castletown House Opens on Easter Sunday

By Serj Merzliakov

A well-known historical estate and a former residence of William Connolly, Castletown House in Celbridge opened its doors after the continuing restoration on Easter Sunday, March 27th.

Classical Proportions and Exquisite Style

Designed by an Italian architect Alessandro Galilei, Castletown House dates back to 1722, when the construction began for the Speaker of the Irish House of Commons, William Connolly. Built in the classical style of the 16th century, the house boasts of the exquisite Palladian style and is said to have influenced the design of the White House in Washington.

After the death of the Speaker Connolly in 1729, the interior of the Castletown House remained unfinished. New heirs, Tom Connolly and Lady Louisa Lennox, finished the decoration work thirty years later. This influenced the interior of the house, which goes back to neoclassical style of the 1770s.

Lady Louisa was supervising most of the decoration work herself, and thanks to her efforts, we can admire the ambiance of the Dining Room, the Long Gallery and the only surviving Print Room in Ireland (dating back to 1765), as well as many other relics of the Georgian Era.

The members of the Connolly family were residing in the Castletown estate until 1965, when the house and the adjacent land were sold.

Obelisk

The Obelisk, built on the far end of the former estate is devoted to Speaker Connolly and can be seen from the rooms of the Castletown House. This Folly was constructed during the Small Famine in 1740 as part of the relief programme for the local inhabitants.

Restoration

The initial restoration of the Castletown House started in 1967, when Hon. Desmond Guinness purchased the house and made it the headquarters for the Irish Georgian



Castletown House

Society. It was then followed by the Castletown Foundation works. Since 1994 the estate has been in the state care and Duchas/OPW, the heritage services, have been undertaking an extensive renovation programme at Castletown House in recent years, which was re-opened to the public in April 1999.

The opening on Easter Sunday launches a new season for the guests and tourists who are welcome to visit this largest and finest Palladian style house in Ireland. Castletown House will be open all summer until late October.



Obelisk

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RESTAURANT REVIEW

Maynooth's newest restaurant just recently opened above the Newtown Inn is a very welcome addition to dining out in County Kildare.

Located in a very stylish room above the contemporary bar, Restaurant Nua has a comfortable and warm feel with leather chairs and stunning décor. To complement this stylish warm and comfortable feel it boasts an equally stylish menu cooked by Stephen Lowery, a 24 year old member of "The Panel of Chefs of Ireland" who is passionate about his food as are the proprietors David Walsh and Conor MacGreevy.

The team also includes restaurant manager Ian Kiely and assistant manager, Stephen Hoedt who with their staff have collaborated to produce a memorable dining experience for those in the thoroughbred county.

The menu features such starters as Marinated Crispy Duck, mixed vegetable compote with roasted pine nut or Crabmeat and Shrimp with lemon, diced beetroot and a cumin crème fraîche. However I chose the Puff pastry mille feuille with wild mushrooms and smoked bacon which was both ample and delicious. My wife chose the unusual, Roast haunch of rabbit with a cognac and raisin stuffing, creamed spinach, mango and coriander salsa which oozed flavour.

There is a choice of eight Main Courses with a varied selection including Pan Fried fillets of sea bass with a sweet pea puree and whipped potato or the hearty and extremely tasty sounding Medallions of beef fillet, spring onion mash, spaghetti of vegetables, béarnaise sauce and roast shallots. My choice on

the night was Herb Crusted fillet of Pork with an onion and sage potato cake, red wine jus. Herself had the Roast breast of Chicken stuffed with cream cheese and smoked salmon with a red ball pepper coulis on basil mash. All of the mains are individually garnished and indeed both starter and main course portions are generous.

All the desserts are homemade on the premises and include some stunners. I went for a tart of rhubarb and rosemary served with vanilla ice cream which was outstanding while my wife had the Warm Chocolate sponge with chocolate sauce and pistachio ice cream. She had to fight me off from her ice cream!

Restaurant Nua also has a novel idea when it comes to presenting their wine list. Firstly many of the wines on the list have been reviewed favourably. The wine list is laid out and explained according to the style of the wine making choosing a wine so much easier and the list more customer friendly.

They also brand their own mineral water which is a nice touch and encourage customers to take the bottle away with them for reuse.

Restaurant Nua also provide extensive bar food in the Newtown Inn lunch and evenings seven days a week.

Summing up the whole experience was a very enjoyable one and far less expensive than the norm for this standard of food and service. Our Bill including cappuccinos and water came to €74.10.

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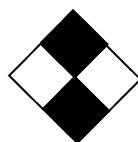
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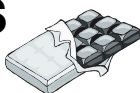


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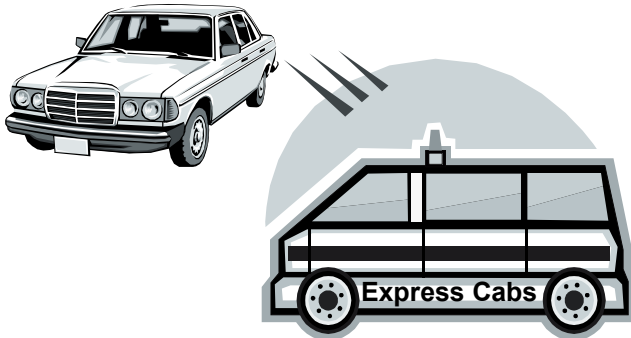
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We would also like to extend our sympathy to Michael, Patricia, Ken, Shane and Colin Hyland on the sad and tragic death of Stephen.



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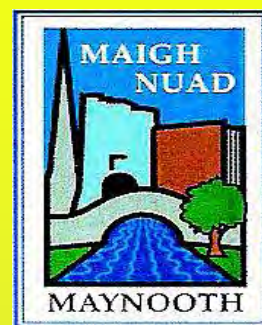
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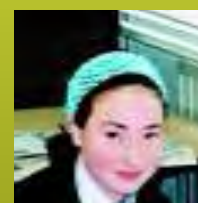
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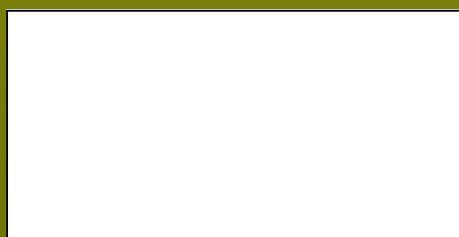
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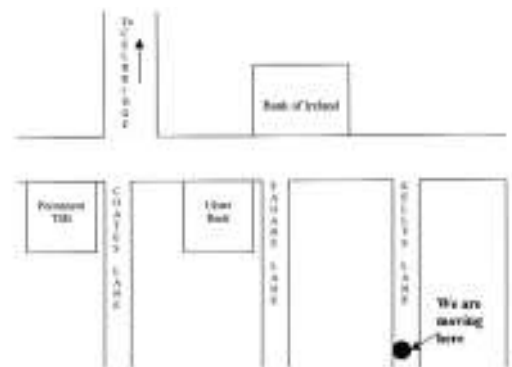
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Editorial

A "Big Hello" to all our readers and welcome to our May edition.

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Terry Nealon and I am the new Editor for the Maynooth Newsletter. I regard it as a great privilege to be associated with this publication which keeps the people of Maynooth informed of the good and the not so good in our ancient town. As our previous editor Susan Durack and her team covered so well in the December issue, the Newsletter has a long and colourful history. This goes back to the first edition in 1969 and our first editor Ted Kelly who was joined later by Liam Bean and John Read.

It is my intention to allow the Newsletter to reflect the changing times we live in and to encourage more debate from our local people, young and old.

Over the coming weeks Maynooth will be receiving a lot of exposure and coverage due to the Nissan Classic.

The town will be in "Festival Mood" with the pubs supplying music and bar extensions, An Nuadhá Players will premier Tina Reilly's new play "Is this Love?" and overall the "craic" will be great.

It would be nice with all of this exposure if the people of Maynooth could develop an even better sense of civic pride in their town. Maybe we could all take just a few minutes to think about what we and our families do with our bits of paper, cigarette butts, and cans etc. which are so conspicuous around the town at present.

We welcome all comments, articles, and letters.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Terry Nealon, Editor

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The April meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 11th April in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Chairperson Brid Feely called for one minute silence to commemorate the memory of Pope John Paul II and also in memory of Stephen Hyland. Michael Dempsey and Padraig Thorton.

New Chairperson Brid Feely thanked all for appointing her. She said she will work hard for the next year or so.

She said her objectives were:

- Community Centre for Maynooth
- Town Council status
- To get new residents and other groups to attend meetings.

She also commented that it was Brid Feely and not the Fianna Fail Party that was chair of the Maynooth Community Council. She said to make it clear Maynooth Community Council is a non political organization.

Nissan Irish Open

Andrew McMullon said that they are having ongoing meetings. He also noted that business people in the town are cleaning up outside their shops. Many pubs will be putting on entertainment. It is envisaged that the town will take on a festival appearance.

New Town Centre. Framework Plan

It was noted that nothing at present is final. Plans go on display soon. Senan Griffin stated that Kildare County Council Managers report was rejected. He said he could foresee difficulties with the plan

A number of points were raised:

Traffic - It can take up to 30 minutes to get from the motorway to the town.

People awareness - How best to get people to know what is going on.

Integrated Framework Plan for land and Transportation - This document was considered to have no resemblance to Maynooth or to sorting out the traffic problem.

Brid Feely suggested a Public Meeting, also that Kildare Councillors should attend. It was agreed that a Public Meeting should go ahead.

Maynooth Community Centre

A long discussion took place. There were a lot of points raised here.

Tony Bean—"Maynooth Community Centre Partnership", stated that a lot of meetings had taken place. He also noted that Maynooth Community Church got involved in 2004. While it was agreed that some people might be wary of church control, it was also noted that it was a good plan. Tony also said that MCCP have done a lot of work. He said that their plan and ideas were incorporated in the Community Church plans.

Sean Cushen raised the question that there should be money available from levies and from building developers to build a Community Centre.

Peter Connell suggested that meetings should take place and report to June meeting of Maynooth Community Council.

It was decided to have a meeting with all interested groups, while we have the Maynooth Community Church option. It was also felt that we could have more than one option through development funding.

Senan Griffin also noted that the transfer of these "Doyles" lands to Kildare County Council has still to be done.

Terry Nealon—Maynooth Drama Group raised his concerns regarding a theatre. He said the Harbour Field has been sited as a possible location for a theatre, but now there seems to be plans that a regional theatre could be put here. This would cater for the greater southern Dublin area as well as north Kildare.

In the submission by Maynooth Community Council for the Harbour Field area a theatre was also suggested.

Tidy Towns

Paul Croghan said their plan this year is to get to the 12 point mark. He said they have already started the clean-up. They are planning a clean-up on the Straffan Road and would be grateful for support.

Flower baskets will be ready to go out 1st May.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES_(contd)

Editor - Newsletter

Terry Nealon has been appointed as editor. Terry was congratulated. He said he is looking forward to the challenge.

Festival

Andrew McMullon said the festival will take place in July. Again lots of support will be needed. Anyone who wishes to come on board can contact the office 01 6285922, 01 6285053.

Person of the Year Award

Paul Croghan said it is planned to have this event organised for later in the year. Again we hope that people will put themselves forward to work on this project.

St Patrick's Day Parade

Chairperson Brid Feely thanked John McGinley and Committee and all involved with the St Patrick's Day Parade. It was generally felt that the Parade this year went very well.

Local Matters

Des Matthew, Meadowbrook, raised the point about the opening of the Meadowbrook link. Senan Griffin

said while there had been some problems, it now looked that the link road would be open early May.

Bus turning point, Straffan road

Cyril McAree, Carton Court, said there was a lot of damage done here and that it was repaired in concrete and not brick. It was agreed to write to Kildare County Council.

Next Maynooth Community Council Meeting:
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Members of the Tidy Towns Committee during the recent clean-up

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05/592	Brendan Neville	16 Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	24/03/05	Single storey extension to side and conversion of garage to habitable space	16 Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/597	S. Porter Siteworks Ltd	Oakley Park Kells Co. Meath	P	24/03/05	Modifications to previously permitted Development Plan ref. no. 04/767 to include 1 No. 1 bed apartment No. D33 and 3 No. 2 bed apartment No's D34, D35 & D36 at Second Floor Level at Block "D" and the inclusion of Accommodation Design within etc	Mill Street Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/169	Derrinstown Stud	29 Earlsfort Terrace Dublin 2	P	24/03/05	Demolition of the existing house and garage and the removal of the existing septic tank and the construction of a new staff accommodation comprising a two storey dormer house together with septic tank and percolation area	Ard Na Ri Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/624	John Murphy & Andrew Ryan	25 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	29/03/05	1st floor domestic extension consisting of construction of two rooms above existing playroom and utility room currently to side of house	25 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/628	Declan & Chris Grant	516 Newtown Cottages Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	29/03/05	3 bedroom bungalow with site entrance and associated site works	Newtown Cottages Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/651	Nollin O' Hora	112 Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	30/03/05	To demolish existing single storey garage to side, construct a single storey extension to side and rear, comprising three bedrooms two ensuite, kitchen, storm porch and internal alterations to existing house	112 Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/661	John Jeffries	ESB Jamestown Road Inchicore Dublin 8	P	31/03/05	To construct 2 no. 38kv 12 metre Line Termination Masts under the Leixlip-Mooneycooley 38kv Line	North Salt Dowdstown Co. Kildare
05/663	Shane & Patricia Clyne	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	31/03/05	Single storey (with habitable area in roof space) two bedroom Granny Flat dwelling adjacent to existing dwelling in lieu double garage structure previously permitted under pl. ref. 01/1698 and to include for a minor increase in size etc.	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/666	Carton Demesne Ltd	Carton House Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/04/05	Minor modifications to existing permission 91/441 as amended. The revisions include changes to internal configuration from two hotel suites as previously permitted, to provide three hotel bedrooms with en suite bathrooms etc	Carton House Carton Demesne Maynooth Co. Kildare

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05/686	John & Kathleen Fitzsimons	Kilmacredock Upper Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	04/04/05	Alter and extend existing tow storey dormer style dwelling house, including new canopy to front porch, new single storey extensions to front room and new family room to rear, alterations etc.	Kilmacredock Upper Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/696	Farrell O' Boy	Greenfield Mooneycooley Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	05/04/05	A) Demolition of existing sub-standard single storey rear extension to existing two storey and end of terrace house. B) Construction of two storey rear extension to existing two storey end of terrace house. C) change of use of existing two storey house etc	1 Pound Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/702	Kevin & Pauline Barrett	Dowdstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	05/04/05	Two storey family dwelling with connecting two storey parent accommodation, three car two storey garage with storage area and provision for new recessed gated entrance an installation of proprietary waste water treatment etc	Moneycooly Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/708	Martin & Valerie McHugh	15 Woodview Castletown Celbridge	P	06/04/05	Dormer bungalow with part front elevation being one and half storey with 3 no. loose boxes, tackroom and dungstead. Also to include a separate dormer style double garage with Biodisc system	Clonagh Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/714	Teresa Heeney	49 Parklands Crescent Railpark Maynooth	P	07/04/05	Erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion with kitchen area extended below and also a single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling house.	49 Parklands Crescent Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/760	Boldnote Developments	Carton Demense Carton Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/04/05	Revisions/modifications to approved tourism/leisure development scheme	Carton Demense Carton Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/780	Thomas Mc Keon	22 Kingsbry Maynooth Co Kildare	p	14/04/05	Conversion and extension of existing single storey dwelling to dormer style dwelling with rear dormer extension to include provision of dormer extension above existing garage and increase size of attached garage and upgrading of existing septic tank.	Wyndom Clpnfert Maynooth Co Kildare
05/757	Glenkerrin Properties	Glenroyal Centre Maynooth Co Kildare	p	12/04/05	Second floor extension over existing two storey conference centre and bedroom wing to contain an additional 14 bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms and ancillary accommodation to the south and rear of the existing hotel and leisure centre	Glenroyal Hotel Straffan Rd Maynooth Co Kildare

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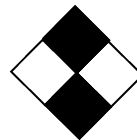
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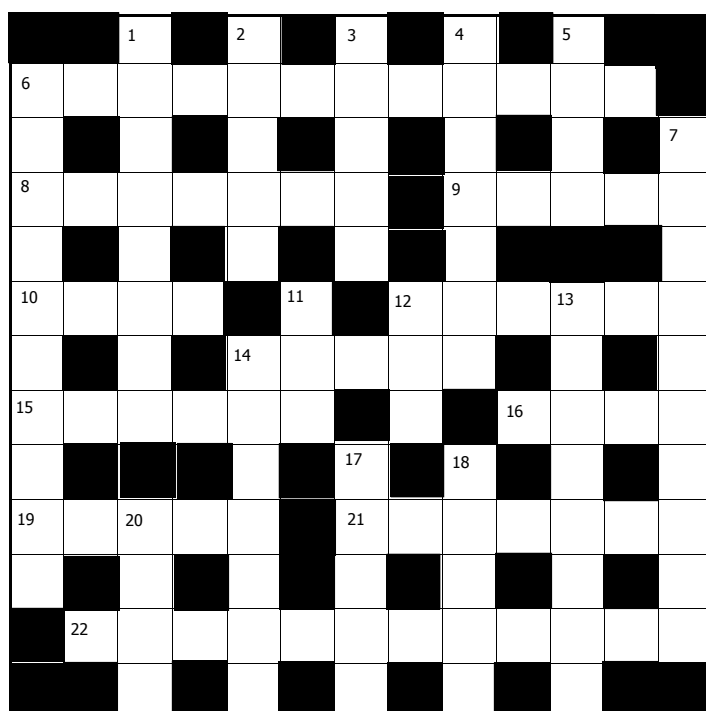
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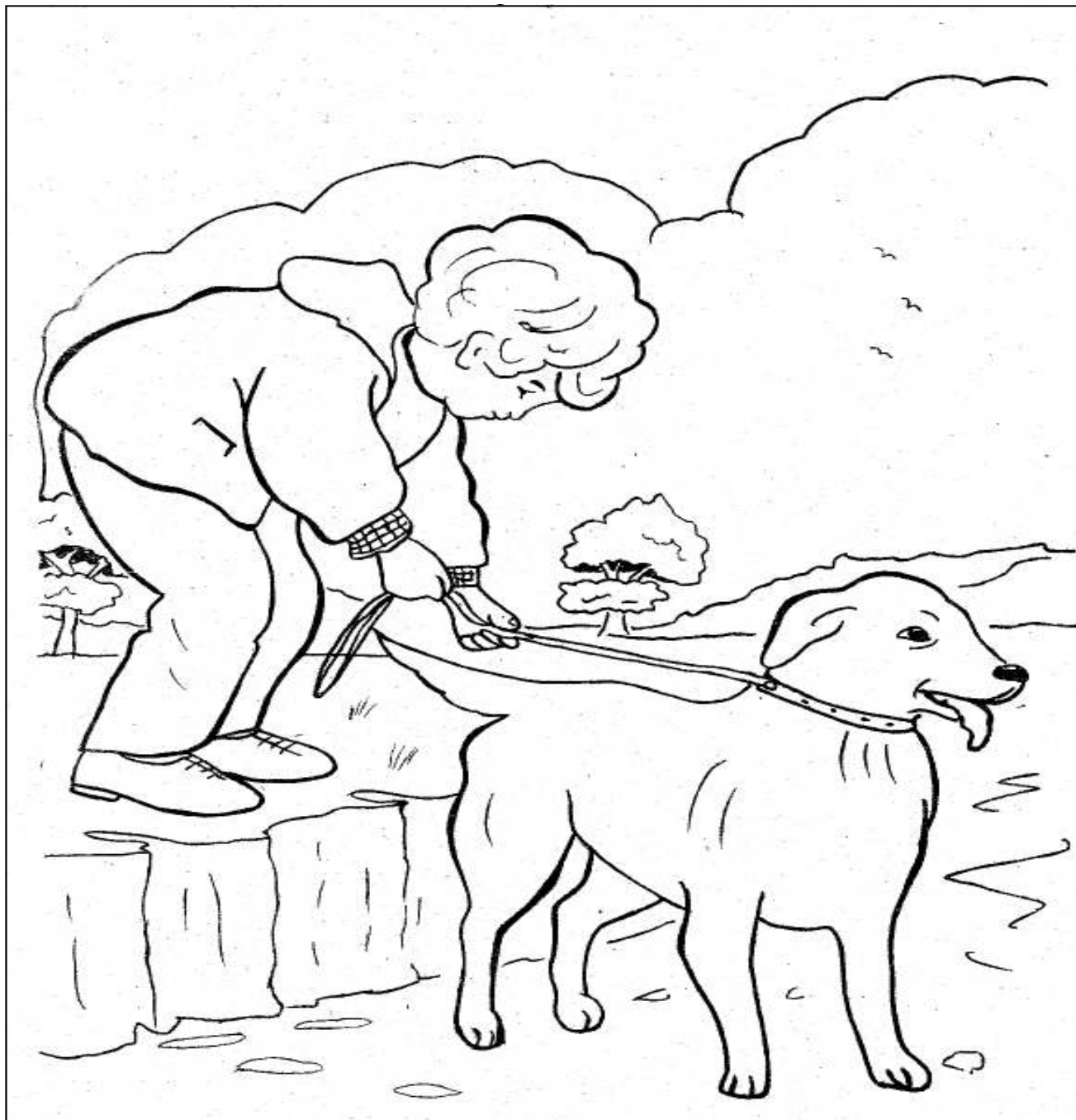
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by

TINIA REILLY

17th-21st May

Venue : The Band Hall

Features



IS THIS LOVE?

Local Author Martina Murphy, who writes under the pseudonym of Tina Reilly, hopes to have the same success with her new play as she has had with her novels. "Is this Love" adapted from her best selling paperback will be staged by An Nuadha Players and directed by Martina.

Dealing with the harrowing problem of domestic violence, secrets and lies, in a family that is definitely not the Walton's. Two sisters whose lives and loves have taken very different paths find themselves thrown together in their childhood home, forced to confront painful truths. Martina gives us a collection of characters spanning three generations, resulting in a family damaged and in denial. The play strikes a cord even in today's informed and progressive times.

Martina has completed her second book with the publisher Time Warner. "Wedded Blitz" is set in the world of hairdressing showing the strength of family ties and gives the reader some colourful and

memorable moments. It's in the shops and going well. She has just signed for a further two books with Time Warner, but as Martina likes to stay ahead, the next book is completed.

"Tracing Jason" looks at a single mother with an eight -year - old daughter who comes home crying from school. She is being taunted by the other children for not having a father. The mother sets out to find Jason even though she is not sure if she will be able to do so.

The story is about looking for Jason and is told in the present tense with a diary of events between the two characters being told in the past tense.

With looking after a young family, running the Maynooth School of speech and drama, directing with An Nuadha Players and writing a book every year, Martina / Tina would not have it any other way.

*Is This Love? will be staged in the Band Hall
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Starters

Parsnip & Carrot Soup

Serves 4 People

Ingredients

250g/8 oz parsnips, chopped

250g/8 oz carrots, chopped

1 onion chopped

600ml / 1 pint Chicken stock

Salt & pepper

Natural yogurt, to garnish

1. Place the parsnips, and the onion in a large saucepan with the stock and season with salt and pepper. Bring to the boil, cover and simmer for 20 minutes, or until the vegetables are tender.
2. Remove from the heat and allow to cool slightly, then purée in a food processor or blender until smooth, or press through a fine sieve.
3. Return the soup to the cleaned pan and reheat, serve hot in individual warmed soup bowls, garnished with yogurt.

Main Course

Stir— Fried Beef with Peppers

Serves 6

Ingredients

1 Tablespoon olive oil

1 Onion, thinly sliced

1 Large garlic clove, cut into thin strips

500g / 1lb fillet steak, cut into thin strips

1 red pepper, cored, deseeded and cut into matchstick strips

1 green pepper, cored, deseeded and cut into matchstick strips

1 tablespoons soy sauce

2 tablespoon of dry sherry

1 tablespoon chopped rosemary

Salt & pepper

1. Heat the olive oil in a wok or deep frying pan and stir— fry the onion and garlic for 2 minutes.
2. Add the strips of beef and stir- fry

4. Add the soy sauce, sherry, salt and pepper to taste and the rosemary, and stir—fry for a further 1– 2 minutes, serve piping hot.
5. Serve with brown rice or egg noodles for a satisfying meal

Desert

Melon Ice Cream

Serves 4

1 Large melon (Ogen or Charentais)

300 ml/1/2 pint natural yogurt

1. Halve the melon and scoop out all the seeds, scoop the melon flesh into a food processor or blender and work until smooth.
2. Mix the melon purée with the yogurt.
3. Transfer the melon and yogurt mixture into a shallow freezer container, and freeze until firm.
4. Serve the melon ice cream in scoops.
5. To achieve the 2 different colours, use 2 different types of melon: Charentais melon for peachy— orange ice cream and ogen for green.



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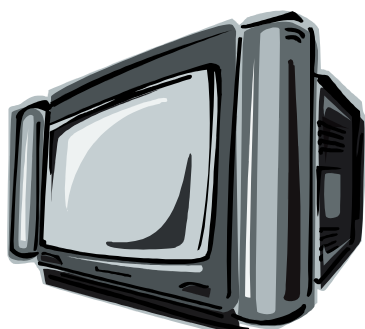


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Kildare Girls Secures 2005 All Ireland Handball Title



Roisin Gorey & Louise Walsh from Kildare (Maynooth G.A.A.) defeated the Mayo team (Mary Duffy and Stephaine Coleman) in the 40 X 20 U14 's All Ireland Doubles Final at Gortnamona in Belfast on Sunday 17th April 2005 in a well fought contest which went to a tie breaker with a fine score of 15-5, 14-15, 15-5 securing the title for the Kildare girls.

The girls held their composure and worked well together to win showing power and skill. They were unlucky not to have clinched the match in the second set having come back from being 6-13 down to go into the lead at 14-13 and loosing match point on a loose ball having broken the Mayo girls serve on three occasions. Their growing confidence showed in the tiebreaker leaving onlookers in no doubt that they were good enough to win the match. The Maynooth duo are certainly a pair to watch out for in the coming years.

Their pathway to the final was in defeating Carlow, Kilkenny, Westmeath and Wexford to secure the 2005 Leinster title. They went on to defeat Donegal in the All Ireland Semi-final at Leixlip G.A.A. Club.

Roisin Gorey also won the 2005 National Plate U13's singles in April 2005 and Louise Walsh will be competing in the U15's singles FBD National Final on 2nd May 2005 and we wish her every success.

All credit to the girls for an outstanding performance and many thanks to the Maynooth coaches and the coaching team of Vinny Rynn and Fiona Healy from our neighbouring club Leixlip who also gave the girls additional tuition.

Maynooth Post Primary School News

Post Primary School – Annual Concern Fast

Over the last eleven years students from Maynooth Post Primary school have participated in the annual Concern Fast. The Fast takes place in early December each year and it is part of a worldwide effort to support the work of Concern in many third world countries.

This year in school over 500 students fasted for twenty-four hours. After receiving sponsorship from family and friends, they raised Euro 7806.80, which is the highest sum raised to date. The whole effort was co-ordinated by the Religious Education Department and particularly by a group of transition year students.

These students volunteered to distribute cards, collect and count money – all very time consuming work. They can be proud of their efforts to assist in supporting Concern, and the very important work done worldwide.



L-R: Grace Lavelle, Brian Collopy, Karen Corrigan, Ms. Claire Doherty, Eoin Corcoran & Julie Harris (Concern)

Post Primary School Maynooth / Temple Street Children's Hospital

Local School turns trash into cash

Individuals and companies in Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge were urged to save office materials that normally end up in the bin - toner, printer cartridges and old mobile phones- helped to raise money for Temple Street Children's Hospital

The 2nd year students of Maynooth Post Primary teamed up with leading recycling company Eurosource in an innovative fundraising scheme. Every time someone donated a cartridge or old mobile phone, the hospital will receive a cash donation.

Maynooth Post Primary students said" throwing away an old mobile phone or printer cartridge is not very environmentally friendly. Some mobile phone batteries contain cadmium and other dangerous and toxic substances. Once dumped in landfill sites, the phone casings corrode and the cadmium can leak into the soil

Very few printer cartridges are recycled. The rest are buried in landfill sites. They have helped our fundraising efforts. It takes more than 1.5 pints of oil to make a new toner cartridge and in the last decade it is estimated that millions of Euro worth of printer cartridges were dumped"

Readers were asked to collect unwanted mobile phones, chargers and phone batteries, plus used inkjet and toner cartridges from friends, relatives and neighbours and from the workplace.

Cian Taylor.

The following supported the initiative by providing collection points. Post Primary School, Maynooth Credit Union, Maynooth Library, Maynooth Bookshop, Super Value and Nuzstop. The collection finished April 29th.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

I.C.A NOTES

Our April meeting was held on Thursday 7th with our President Mary presiding. We had a very informative meeting but it would be nice to have more members attending.

Bog Oak Classes commences on Wednesday 6th of April and will be completed in May.

Kildare week at An Grianan is from the 4th to the 8th of July.

Coffee Morning, Cake and Bric-a-Brac Sale was changed to Friday 15th due to the Popes death.

Crafts continue every Monday night at 8 p.m., and Badminton in Parish Hall

Mondays 11 - 12.30 p. m and

Thursdays 10.30 - 12 p. m.

Competition was on the spot.

1st Eileen Flynn

2nd Bernadette Raftery

3rd Jo O' Connell

Our Annual Outing is arranged for Saturday 28th May to the Folk Park in Omagh.

Our A.G.M. will be on 5th May at 8 p.m.

Looking forward to a large attendance

Maynooth Ladies Golf Society

The Maynooth Ladies Golf Society held their second outing of the 2005 season at Newbridge Golf Club on Saturday 9th April. 17 members of the society played. The winner on the day was Deirdre Glynn. The society has been in existence since 2003. It is open to lady golfers of all ages and abilities and is at present accepting new members. Beginners are especially welcome.

Group golf lessons are organised for beginners and improvers on an ongoing basis by the society in Celbridge Golf Range with Louise D'Arcy (Golf Professional).

The next outing is on Saturday 7th May in Elm Hall Golf Club, Celbridge. If you are interested in joining the society contact Deirdre Glynn, Chairperson at 086 8509725.

Maynooth Golf Society

Here are the results of the Maynooth Golf Society Outing on 16 April to South County Dublin Golf Course which was sponsored by David Mahony Heating & Plumbing.

1st Prize	Mick Fahy	40
2nd Prize	Gerry McTernan	37/B9
3rd Prize	Tom O'Haire	37/B6
4th Prize	Kevin Loftus (jnr)	37/B9
5th Prize	Niall Byrne	37
6th Prize	Dave Kinlon	36/B9
7th Prize	Derek Murray	36
Front 9	Tom Flatley	20
Back 9	Liam Farrelly	21
Visitors	M Shields	27
Nearest the pin	John Carroll	
2's	John Carroll-Sean Farrelly	

Next venue: Trim Golf Club on 14th May



Mich Fahy Overall Winner of the golf outing to South County Dublin being presented with his prize by David Mahone Sponsor and Kevin Loftus of Maynooth Golf Society

Gardening tips for May

May, like April has long sunny days that boosts plants into more active growth and warms the garden soil. But there is always the danger at night, however, of the frosts of spring to which the Irish climate is liable, and which can devastate tender leaves and flowers. Nevertheless, daily temperatures should be mounting above 16°C.



The Flower Garden

Make additional outdoor sowings of hardy annuals where needed as soon as possible. Use a seed-dressing to improve germination. Thin seedlings sown in April as soon as they are large enough to handle. Move hardy and half-hardy annual seedlings sown in the greenhouse to cold frames to harden off. Close the frames at night, but increase ventilation by day in step with the temperature, watering early in the day. Transplant to flowering positions in 2-3 weeks' time. Plant out hardened-off half-hardy annuals after rain, if possible, or in water in, from mid-May, but have cloches or some form of cover available if night frosts are expected. Delay planting out until late May or



early June in cold, exposed or northern gardens.

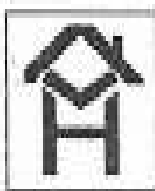
- Snip off faded flower heads from early-flowering bulbs and daffodils unless the seeds are needed. Leave the seed capsules on crocus and snowdrops which want to increase naturally.
- If spent early-flowering tulips must be lifted because their bed is needed, take them up carefully with roots and soil intact. Place in a prepared trench on spare ground, cover with soil and leave until the leaves wither, before sorting for storage.
- Replant indoor bulbs that have finished flowering outside in a shelter corner. Keep them intact and let them finish growing before sorting for size and storing for outdoor planting in the autumn. They will need two to three years of growing to make top-size flowering bulbs again. Small offset bulbs and corms need to be grown on separately in fairly rich soil.

David Slattery

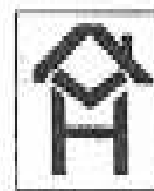
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A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes

Johnny Carey (1919-1995)

Captain: Rep. of Ireland and Manchester United

Dublin born Johnny Carey must rank as one of the best bargains in the history of association football transfers. Manchester United bought him for £250 from St James' Gate FC in November 1936 and in the following seventeen years he was to win almost every honour available to him in the game. His signing was purely by accident as Manchester United chief scout, Louis Rocca had been chasing Bohemians star Benny Gaughan but lost out to Glasgow Celtic. On a recommendation made by Billy Behan, Rocca then watched Carey playing with the "Gate", the rest is football history. Carey's first-team debut for United came on September 23, 1937. Tom Jackson wrote the following in the local Manchester newspaper of the teenage inside forward "those who saw the game were unanimous in their view that he has the makings of a valuable player; his footwork at times would have done credit to an experienced man"

In his first season he helped Manchester United to make an immediate return to Division One of the Football League and won international caps for the Rep. of Ireland against Czechoslovakia, Norway and Poland. He went on to play for Ireland on thirty seven occasions, but the highlight of his International career came in May 1947 when he was chosen to play at right-half and captain the rest of Europe against Great Britain in Hampden park Glasgow. A year later Carey took Manchester United to the Cup Final. They went in at half- time a goal down to Blackpool but a chat from the skipper in the Wembley dressing room steadied the side and they ran out winners 4-2. A league championship medal was longer in coming. For four consecutive seasons from 1948 to 1951, Manchester United finished second in Division One of the Football League. Johnny Carey missed only twenty matches in those four frustrating seasons. Reward finally came in 1952 when they took the championship by four points from Tottenham Hotspur. In the meantime Johnny Carey received another honour – in 1949 he was voted footballer of the year and impressed everybody with his address of thanks.

After the war Johnny Carey moved from inside forward to wing- half and then full- back where he consistently played a thinking, constructive game, his undoubted skills augmented by an excellent physique. How well Johnny would have fitted into the modern game where forwards come back and backs push up when possible. He was among the best all rounder football has ever known. Sir Matt Busby in his first season as manager of Manchester United appointed him as team captain. In style, technique and authority he was comparable to Sir Alf Ramsey who in the same period exercised a similar

influence in the Tottenham side. Sir Alf was later to manage the England team to win the World Cup in 1966.



Though a Dubliner and like many thousands like him, Johnny joined the British Army during World War Two. His duties took him to Italy where he found time to play with great success for certain professional clubs. He was known affectionately as "Cario" by the local fans. His versatility and his skills impressed the Italians, as were the fans at Stamford Bridge when, in a crucial game against Chelsea, he took over in goal from the injured Jack Crompton. United held on to win. Johnny Carey made 344 first team appearances for Manchester United (304 League) and would have made many more had the war years not intervened. He retired in 1953 and went into football management. After taking Blackburn Rovers to promotion to Division One of the Football League he went on to manage Everton for three years. He then joined Leyton Orient and was successful in winning promotion to the top division for the first time in the club's history. He subsequently managed Nottingham Forest for five seasons and then returned to Blackburn where he finished his managerial career. Johnny Carey was one of Ireland's best ever football players. He was highly respected at home and abroad and in the manner he played and thought about the game he was probably years ahead of his time.

Jim Healy

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Patrick Murray

Features

Lest we forget

Our debt to Germany and France: The driving force for CAP

To those of us born long enough ago to remember tenements in Kevin Street and industrial concerns employing more than a thousand people numbered in single figures, the last thirty five years has seen a total transformation in the Country's fortunes. Dublin City shopping started in George's Street, took in Grafton Street and ended generally in Clerys and Arnotts in the City centre. Money was scarce and people did not buy on credit. The clothes people bought were considered essential and were generally saved for before purchase. Genuine poverty was widespread and many people did not get the medical attention they deserved because they could not afford the doctor's fee. It was a time that many Irish people did not expect that their fortunes would change in their lifetime. Hope was thin on the ground and many thousands of people left for England, the States and Australia. As we all learned in school at that time Ireland was mainly an agricultural economy and there lay our main problem. We exported the bulk of our agricultural products to Great Britain. It is important at this juncture to remember the reality of our economic relationship with that country between 1800 and 1921 when we were part of the United Kingdom and also the relationship between the Republic of Ireland and Great Britain between 1921 and 1973. While we were supposed to be an integral part of the United Kingdom, Ireland was the poorest country in Europe and Dublin was the slum capital of the British Empire. The taxes and duties raised in Ireland by the British government were repatriated to London and only a proportion was sent back for the running of the Island. It was during that period of our history that our population was cut in half by the famine. From 1921 onwards the position did not change. Britain operated a cheap food policy and each year the Irish Minister for Agriculture had to go to London to be told what our export quotas for agricultural produce was going to be. The prices paid to Irish producers were also fixed at those talks. This price was below the Irish cost of production and represented just over break even for the advanced agricultural economies of Europe and the British Commonwealth. The Irish people were then expected to pay more for their food than their counterparts in Britain in order to subsidise the small farmers on the land. The effect of the British cheap food policy was to leave no funds available for investment in Irish farming and the industry remained stagnant for many decades. It is a historical fact that the price of agricultural land remained relatively unchanged for over four decades from 1916. The lack of money in agriculture seeped its way through the whole Irish economy. There were no funds available to invest in added value projects. Our

former colonial oppressor was no help. Instead of helping to develop the economy of the fledgling free state, their political and economic policies were used mercilessly to hinder our development. Political decisions taken during the "Economic War" brought Ireland to its knees while the conduct of British Multinational flour Companies in monopoly trading positions were also questionable. The conduct of the British was in complete contrast to the behaviour of France towards its former colonies in North Africa. Once the French left countries like Tunisia and Morocco they maintained good relations by investing and developing the economies of the new North African countries. To this day they continue to protect the interest of their former colonies within the European Union. Our policy of neutrality during World War Two was never accepted by our neighbour or by the United States. The fact that the Irish Government would never have been able to win acceptance from the Irish people for a change in that policy cut no ice with the allies. As soon as the war was over our "friends" the British and the Americans moved to exclude us from the developing international community. Ireland was excluded from the Marshall Plan which was a development fund set up by the United States to help rebuild the European economy. How we could have done with those funds and the technical expertise that backed up the aid programme. The international isolation of Ireland orchestrated by these countries was merciless in its execution. We were excluded from the United Nations and were not allowed join until the mid fifties. What is extremely puzzling was the ineffectiveness of the Irish lobby in London and Washington. There were many millions of Irish Americans living in the States and their failure to change American policy at that time does them no credit. Their performance in helping their homeland comes a poor second best to the American Jewish community in helping their homeland, Israel.

In all of this there was a development that was to have a profound effect on the lives and fortunes of the Irish people. On May 9th 1950 French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman issued the following historic declaration. "It is no longer the moment for vain words, but for a bold act – a constructive act". France and Germany had torn each other asunder on three separate occasions in a seventy five-year period between 1870 and 1945. Millions of their young men lay buried in the muddy battlefield of Belgium and Holland. In making this statement Schuman was indicating that there had to be a new way forward. Konrad Adenauer, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany was a willing listener. The new beginning started with a coal and steel free trade agreement and within a short space of time Holland Belgium and Luxembourg embraced the concept with the Italians joining later. The most

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exhilarating feature of the new concept was that it was to have no limits. Even at an early stage the participants were discussing a European Court of Justice, a European Commission and even a Federal Europe, their overriding aim was to eliminate conflict and hand a better future to the young people of Europe. Even at this stage our neighbour was making mischief. The French, although anxious to include the British, were convinced that the Government of the United Kingdom was not interested in participating in this new venture. A fundamental policy for the developing Union of States was the Common Agricultural Policy. A major industry in both Germany and France, agriculture was a major priority with both governments. They had a policy of making sure that the farmer got an economic price for his products and made enough money to keep himself and his family on the land. If that meant substantial subsidies from the European Union Finances, so be it. None of this was good news for the United Kingdom, learning nothing from their negative military involvement in Continental Europe down the centuries they continued to work against the coming together of European Nation States. Charles de Gaulle delayed Ireland's entry to the Common Market, as it was conditional on the United Kingdom also gaining admission. This great Frenchman recognised the British potential to destroy this great adventure and continually vetoed the United Kingdom's application for entry for over a decade. It was only after he left office that France relented and Ireland was accepted for membership in 1973. For the next twenty-five years Ireland gained a new life. Successive Irish political leaders had warm and good relations with their counterparts in Germany and France. Ireland was perceived as pro European and grants from the European social fund necessary to develop our roads and rail services were giving generously. The changes brought about by the introduction of the Common Agricultural Policy into Ireland were fundamental. There was now a lot more money in circulation. We saw the development of the Irish multi national food industry. More people were getting jobs in their own areas as the country entered a new era in prosperity. Our entry to the Common Market was the best thing that ever happened to the Irish nation. Our economic misery when tied to our neighbouring island is now a thing of the past. It would be well for those elements within the current Government, who wax lyrical about the advantages of the "free market" as played out in Britain and the States, to remember where we came from, and who our real friends were when we needed to be taken out of our economic bog. There

is no doubt that America and Britain have made important contributions to the development of Irish society. The investments made by American information technology firms have been substantial and have resulted in thousands of jobs. The success of many Irish people in the United Kingdom shows that provided you were good enough there were no barriers put in your way. We should be appreciative of that and thankful that both countries provided so many jobs for our emigrants. Our culture for better or for worst is now firmly entrenched in the Atlantic axis of Britain and the States. In the final analysis however it was Germany and France and the other members of the European Union who changed Ireland for the better. It was the economic policies of the Union especially in relation to the Common Agricultural Policy that made such a dramatic impact on the people of Ireland. For that we should be forever thankful.

Jim Healy

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Farewell, the People's Pope

By Serj Merzliakov

Pope John Paul II, who died after a long-term illness on April 2, was an exemplary priest, a progressive Catholic and an extraordinary person. Ever since his coming to Papacy in 1978, he became known as the People's Pope.

Together with people all around the world, we are lamenting his death and in memory of the People's Pope, we would like to go back in time to autumn 1979, when the Pontiff came over to Ireland. It was an unforgettable time and it is particularly memorable to us due to his visit to Maynooth on October 1, 1979.

During his 26-year pontificate John Paul II constantly travelled and visited over 100 countries. He was bringing over the message of peace and reconciliation, and acted as an ambassador, reuniting churches and peoples all over the world.

His visit to Ireland was a short 3-day stay, but will be remembered by two and a half million people who attended the Masses in Dublin, Killineer (Co. Louth), Galway, Knock (Co. Mayo), Maynooth and Limerick. The Mass in Dublin's Phoenix Park alone gathered over 1.25 million people, and it was assisted by nine cardinals and a hundred bishops.



Statue of John Paul II

The message the Pontiff was bringing was the one of peace, and in the Ireland of 1979 this message was truly welcome and taken to the heart. The visit of John Paul II happened shortly after killings in the Donegal Bay, and the Pope addressed this in his appeal against violence:

"On my knees I beg you to turn away from the paths of violence and to return to the ways of peace <...> Further violence in Ireland will only drag down to ruin the land you claim to love and the values you claim to cherish. <...> To Catholics, to Protestants, my message is peace and love."



*Young people of Ireland
I love you.*

John Paul II

Handwritten message from John Paul II



Pope John Paul II in St. Patrick's College
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The controversial situation and security reasons prevented the Pope from visiting Northern Ireland, and this called off the Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Armagh. This again was reflected in the Pontiff's appeal to the young people at a youth Mass in Galway:

"Do not listen to voices which speak the language of hatred, revenge, retaliation <...> The true courage lies in working for peace."



Foundation Stone blessed by the Pope

During his visit to St. Patrick's College in Maynooth, John Paul II addressed the seminarians, religious brothers and sisters, and thousands of priests who gathered there. The Pope spoke about the mission of the priest and recalled the life of Saint Patrick:

"The destiny of an entire people, – your people – was radically affected for time and eternity because of the fidelity with which St. Patrick embraced and proclaimed the word of God, and by reason of the fidelity with which St. Patrick pursued his call to the end." He concluded: "To all of you I say: this is a wonderful time in the history of the Church. This is wonderful time to be a priest, to be a religious, to be a missionary for Christ."

The Pontiff's visit to Maynooth was also marked by the blessing of the foundation stone for the new library. This stone of the blue limestone was donated to the college by the community of the Cistercian monastery of Mount Melleray in Co. Waterford.

The John Paul II Library, which today proudly bears the name of the late Pontiff, became an important place for seminarians of the college and lay students who pursue their education at the university of Maynooth.

Speaking of the future of St. Patrick's College, the Pope addressed it as **"a school of priestly holiness, an academy of the theological learning, a university of Catholic inspiration"**.

The Pope's visit to Maynooth was long-awaited and was attended by over 70,000 people who came over for a vigil night and the Mass. Although it did not last long, the visit of the Pope John Paul II is remembered today, over 25 years later.

Mass services all over the country were served to commemorate Pope John Paul II. Millions of people from all over the world came to Rome to say farewell to the People's Pope. The Church officially mourned the death of John Paul II for nine days and his burial took place on April 8.

People from the local community who have attended the Mass in 1979 shared their memories of the Pontiff's visit:

Marie Kelly, local resident:

They had opened the college grounds on that day. It was a misty morning and his arrival was delayed. The Pope was brought over by the helicopter and was driven to the Chapel.

Firstly, he went over to speak to all the students and professors and after that went over to the red podium installed at the back of St. Mary's. The Pope was not talking for a long time and his stay in Maynooth was not long either. But everybody was afraid he wasn't going to visit us, and when he arrived it was truly great!



*John Paul II Library, NUI Maynooth
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Monsignor Alexander Stenson:

In fact, I was in both, Dublin and Maynooth during the Pope's visit. In the Phoenix Park, I was responsible for the Holy Communion on that extraordinary day. The Pope's visit gathered over a million people.

I have a very special memory of our Maynooth visit. At that time I was a staff member of the Clonliffe College. We travelled down to Maynooth on the morning of October 1, 1979. I was in the Chapel with the students. James Galway with the New Irish Chamber Orchestra was playing that morning. The night before there was a vigil prayer from 11 pm until 7am in the morning. Students and priests were up all night praying.

As I recall, there was a delay in the visit and everybody was afraid the Pope wouldn't arrive. Nevertheless, when he entered the church doors and the students gave him a huge reception. They welcomed him so enthusiastically, and I thought they would never stop. Then the Pope gave them what I would call 'a powerful look' and finally managed to get them quiet.

I believe we were truly graced to have such a great Pope, in his person we had a living embodiment of Christ, the priest, the teacher and the shepherd.

May be it will be interesting to know about the return visit, which happened in 1980. As you know, the Pope had such a great welcome in Ireland, so the young Irish people were welcomed to come over to Rome, and thousands of them went. Late Archbishop Ryan and Bishop Forristel accompanied these young adults during the visit. Many priests went as well and were all given groups of 30-40 people to look after. I myself lived in the Vatican for 3 years, and like many of us was a guide to all the young people. Within a week, we visited Rome, concelebrated mass with the Pope John Paul II and were at the Barbecue in the Papal Palace.

Special Thanks to Susan Durack in NUI Library, Peter Thursfield in The Irish Times and Monsignor Alexander Stenson of St. Mary's Ladychapel for help in collection of material and photographs.



Barbecue at the Papal Palace in Italy, 1980

Useful Tips

Grease spots

- If you're in a hurry to remove a grease stain, apply shampoo to the stained fabric, then rinse and blow-dry.
- Absorb the grease from a fresh stain with corn flour or talcum powder. Leave on the spot for up to 12 hours, brush off, then wash the fabric.
- To remove grease stains from washable fabrics, wash in a detergent solution as hot as the fabric will bear. Use a commercial stain remover on carpets or on stubborn stains.
- Get rid of grease stains on white shoes with nail polish remover. (Be careful not to remove the shoe's finish.) For other colours, use a commercial shoe stain remover.
- Wash car oil from hands with laundry detergent and water. Swarfega Hand Cleanser works too, and can be rubbed into heavy grease marks on fabrics before washing. Rub away grease and tar on hands with cooking oil.
- To remove greasy heel marks from vinyl or linoleum floors, try silver polish or furniture wax.

Ring stuck on your finger

- Don't try more than a couple of times to pull the ring off your finger. If you inflame the knuckle it will swell and make the ring more difficult to remove. Simply moistening your finger in your mouth should do the trick.
- Drip some olive oil around the ring, massage some petroleum jelly into your skin, or rub soap around the ring and wet it slightly. Then try to ease it off.
- If your finger or knuckle has swollen, soak it in iced water to reduce the swelling, or put an ice pack around it.

Mice

- Block up your mouse holes! Gaps around pipes, broken air-bricks and ill-fitting doors will all let mice through.
- Kill them with kindness, with a bait of mouse killer. Some brands send them to sleep before they die.
- If mice persist, call your local Environmental Health Officer or a pest control company.
- If you use standard snap traps, don't fall for the old cartoon cliché of baiting them with cheese. Use small pieces of peanut butter, nut chocolate or cooked bacon instead; mice seem particularly fond of them.

Dog chasing

- Cyclists and joggers can take a few precautions to protect themselves against being chased by dogs.
- Carry a folding umbrella to shoot open in the animal's face.
- If you can't outdistance a pursuing dog on your bike, dismount and use the bike as a shield. If necessary, try squirting the dog in the eyes with your water bottle.
- Keep dog treats, such as biscuits, in your pocket. Throw one in the direction of an approaching dog - as far as you can.
- Carry a personal 'dog alarm'. This is a pocket-sized alarm which emits a high-pitched noise that arrests the dog's behaviour. It is an aerosol and is sold with refills.
- Speak to the dog in a commanding but calm tone.
- Draw the owner's attention to the fact that his dog is a nuisance and it is his responsibility to put the dog on a lead or train it not to chase people.

Puffiness

- If your hands are puffy, hold them over your head for a couple of minutes; repeat at least three or four times a day. Lift swollen feet and keep them raised for a minimum of 15 minutes.
- If too much sun causes your lips to swell, use a sunblock (spf 15) specifically designed for lips.

Around the eyes

- Since many moisturisers plump up the skin, apply them sparingly around your eyes or try using a special eye cream.
- The cause of your puffiness may be water retention; cut down on salt and eat more bananas and grapefruit, which are natural diuretics. Raise the head of your bed or sleep on two pillows to keep your head elevated.
- Apply soothing compresses of cold milk, cucumber slices, borage tea, or a mild astringent over your eyes for 15 minutes at the end of each day.
- Throw away your frosted eyeshadow - it accentuates puffiness.





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Make a wish foundation

N.C.N.A.

National Children's Nurseries Association

Since its foundation in 1988, the NCNA has worked to support and improve the quality of day-care in Ireland and to increase awareness nationally of the importance of quality in the provision of childcare.

The aims of the NCNA

1. To emphasise the importance of early childhood experiences through education, information and support of all involved in the sector.
2. To work consistently to improve the quality of day-care in Ireland.
3. To highlight the need for and the value of nurseries in providing support for families.
4. To increase the standards of provision of daycare by educating owners, staff and parents and legislators.

The NCNA currently has over 600 members countrywide. A listing of these member nurseries is available from the NCNA office and web site:

WWW.NCNA.NET

Each of these member nurseries has passed very strict membership criteria and receives an annual visit from their regional support worker.

Sharon Regan
Kinder Crescent Nursery



Jade Davis, Annmarie Cawley, Lorraine Gaffney & Sharon Regan



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Make a wish foundation photos

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Kinder Crescent Nursery / Make-A-Wish Foundation

Sharon Regan kindly organised a pyjama party morning at the Kinder Crescent Nursery on Friday the 15th April to support the work of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The tiny tots were in great form and cheerfully smiled for the photos, some of which are on the following pages. The aims and objectives of the Make-A-Wish Foundation are shown hereunder. We are also pleased to publish the aims and objectives of the National Children's Nurseries Association. The letter from Eoin beautifully captures the joy and the happiness brought to children with life threatening illness by the activities of the Foundation.

Make-A-Wish Foundation

It all began in 1980 when a seven-year old boy suffering from leukaemia wanted to be a policeman. His local police force granted his wish by giving him his own badge, custom made uniform and helmet. They even gave him a miniature motor bike. From that one small child's delight, the Make-a-Wish foundation was born

Mission Statement

To ensure that every child, who is living with a life threatening illness is given the opportunity to have their wish granted.

Make-A-Wish around the world

- Make-a-wish around the world operates in 28 affiliate countries
- The purpose is to grant a special wish for any child living with a life threatening illness
- 25,000 volunteers around the world
- 120,000 wishes granted worldwide.

Make-A-Wish Ireland

350th Irish wish granted in July 2004

Wishes

Typically, wishes fall into 1 of 4 categories:

1. I wish to go
2. I wish to meet
3. I wish to be
4. I wish to have

Granting Wishes

A wish referral can come from

- The child
- The child's parent(s)/ legal guardian(s)
- Doctor, nurse, social worker or carer.

Who is eligible?

Any child aged 3 to 18 years of age living with a life threatening illness.

Identifying the Wish

Wish team visits the child and asks a simple question.

"If you could have one wish what would it be?" and then the magic begins.

How you can help

Become a volunteer

Make a donation

Donate gift or services

Tell people about Make-A-Wish

A Wish Child's Letter – Eoin McCaith

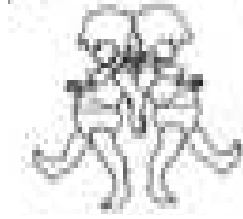
"My trip to meet Tom Morello (Guitarist of Rage Against the Machine and Audioslave)"

When I was asked what my wish would be I was certain straight away. One of the best moments was when my parents told me it was actually going to happen. I was so happy my family was overwhelmed as well. We flew to LA a few days later and on the day of the wish I woke at 6.00AM. The limo picked us up at 12.00 and when we got to the studios I was uncontrollably shaking.

I could hear guitar playing from outside. The minute the door was opened Tom was there. He jumped out of his seat and hugged me. We took out our guitars and then he said, "do you want to play mine" I took it and held it as if it was worth its weight in gold. We played and experimented for about two hours. He showed me his famous techniques and how to make my guitar sound like DJ's deck. Then he stood up and said "we have a few things for you." He said, "I hear you are a fan of Metallica" and took out a box of autographed merchandise and a letter. He gave me an Audioslave bag full of CD's, DVD's and clothes.

He then took out an Ibanez guitar!!! It was all black and signed with a message from Tom. And then he took out an Audioslave Platinum Album framed and with my name on it. These are the framed discs that only the band get when they sell a million copies of their album. He got this specially made, just for me, indescribable. We keep in touch with each other and if Audioslave come to Ireland then we have invited them to our house. It was the greatest week of my life and I have learnt from the indescribably generous and thoughtful man that is Tom Morello. So, thank you Tom, thank you Make-A-Wish for making my greatest wish come true, I will never forget it.

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Castle Keep Art Group Maynooth 7th Annual Art Exhibition 2005

The Castle Keep Art Group held its 7th Annual Art Exhibition in the Post Primary School on 2-3 April. There were 100 paintings on display in various media. It was an impressive output by 15 local artists. A diverse range of subjects was represented—landscapes, seascapes, still life, as well as flower, figure, equine subjects and local scenes. Over 50% of the works on display were sold including commissions. A local gallery owner identified and requested other art works for display at her premises. Over the weekend a good number of visitors took the opportunity to spend some time to leisurely view the works on display.

We are grateful to Mr. Terry Nealon, Chairman of the Maynooth Arts Forum and a member of the Nuadha Players in Maynooth, who formally opened the exhibition on the Friday night. Appropriately, he outlined need for an Arts Centre in the town and highlighted progress made so far. A large number of invited guests attended and it proved to be a very enjoyable night for everyone.

Carton Golf Club, Remax Maynooth and the Glenroyal Hotel sponsored the event and Kildare County Council provided grant aid. This support was very much appreciated and certainly gave the group a boost to see local businesses taking an interest in and backing cultural development in the town.

The continued support of the Post Primary School has played a large part in the group's survival—thanks to VEC and Senan Griffin for providing the venue. Also thanks to Brain, Caroline and Sheila for their help with the arrangements in the school.

We are very thankful to all those who visited and supported the exhibition and you will be glad to know we are already planning for next year! Keep an eye on the calendar, our exhibitions happen on the week after Easter.

Members of the group get together on a weekly basis for a 'meet and paint' session. Whenever possible some tuition is organised throughout the year. If you wish to join the group or want to find out more about us please contact Susan at 6289349. We welcome new members.

Susan Durack
Secretary
Castle Keep Art Group

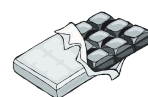
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G.A.A Race Night

As part of its Fundraising Activities Maynooth GAA Club is holding it's Annual Race night on Friday May 6th in GAA centre, Moyglare Road. The cost of sponsoring a race is €250 while the purchase of a horse costs a mere €25. The club caters for Football, Hurling, Camogie and Handball and has a flourishing underage section. The cost involved in running these activities imposes a significant financial burden on the club. We would ask the local Community to please support the Race Night.

Intermediate Hurling League

Date 31/3/05

Ardclough 1-14 Maynooth 0-7

Maynooth Intermediate League campaign got off to a disappointing start when they were well beaten by Ardclough. The game was a very even affair for the first 20 minutes and at that stage Ardclough held a slender one point advantage with the score at 0-4 to 0-3. However in the remaining 10 minutes Ardclough completely took over and added a further 6 points while Maynooth just raised one more white flag from T. J Curran. Leaving the half time score Ardclough 0-10 Maynooth 0-4, Maynooth were unable to reduce the deficit in the second half and when Ardclough scored the only goal of the game midway through the second , the game was over as a contest.

In fairness to Maynooth, they never stopped hurling and were just beaten by a more accomplished side.

In addition the beaten side were short a few of their regulars and did not have the substitutes available to make any changes during the course of the game.

Maynooth Team was:

Damien Travers, Seamus Cummins, Fergus Devereux, Peter Sheehan, Fergal Scully, Colin Cushen, Mark Nugent.

Alan Sweeney (0-1) Eoin Nevin

Mark Cummins (0-2) Donna Hoolin (0-1) Paul Meyler, Sean Lennon, T J. Curran (0-3) Morgan Sweeney

Intermediate Hurling League

Date 7/4/05

Maynooth 0-12 pts Naas 2-7

It was a game that Maynooth should have won but failure to take scoring opportunities cost them dearly in the end. The game was played at st Mary's Park in winter- like conditions with the howling breeze making hurling difficult for both sides. Maynooth got off to a better start and were leading by 0-4 pts to 0-1 midway through the first half.

The Crom Abu side were dominant in most sectors of the pitch but their full forward line in particular were guilty of missing relatively easy changes and in addition the Naas goalkeeper brought off a number of excellent saves. Against the run of play Naas drew level in the 2nd minute with a goal after the Maynooth defence failed to clear their lines. This goal had the effect of bringing the best out of the Maynooth side and they added a further 3 points before half time from T. J. Curran, Mark Cummins and Morgan Sweeney leaving the score at the interval Maynooth 0-7 pts Naas 1-1 pts Within 3 minutes of the restart Naas had drawn level with their 2nd goal.

Maynooth and Naas shared the next 4 scores to level the sides level 2-3 to 0-9 pts after 12 minutes of the second half. For the first time in the game Naas began to get a grip in midfield and in the half forward line and scored some fine long range points to ease into a 3 point lead with 5 minutes remaining. Maynooth did not relent however and 2 points from T.J. Curran and Alan Sweeney left the minimum between the sides.

The home side were unable to get on level terms despite having a number of changes and so Naas held on for victory.

Maynooth Team

Fergus Devereux, Pierce O' Reilly, Colin Cushen, T.J. Hogan, Eoin Power, Eoin Nevin, Peter Grannel

Alan Sweeney (0-2) Paul Meyler

Mark Cummins (0-3) T.J. Curran (0-5) Donna Hoolan, Morgan Sweeney (0-2) Seamus Cummins, Mark Nugent

SUBS: Shane Devereux for Mark Nugent
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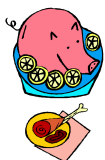
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SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE

Confey Too Strong For Maynooth

Maynooth 0-8 pts Confey 2-12 pts

The result does not reflect the closeness of this contest, yet Confey were fully deserving of their
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Intermediate Hurling League

St Mary's Park Maynooth 3-11,
Eire Og/Corrachoill 0-8

After 2 consecutive defeats Maynooth got their league campaign back on track with an impressive victory over EIRE OG/CORRACHOILL PLAYED ON 14/4/05. Both teams were not at full strength but Maynooth backboned by Colin Cushen, Eoin Nevin, Alan Sweeney, Noel Carey and T.J. Curran never allowed their rivals settle and it was obvious from an early stage that they were more likely to emerge victorious.

SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE

victory. One of the main turning points in this game was the dismissal of Maynooth centre back Eoin

Powers in the 20th minute of the first half. Up to that point Maynooth showed great composure and determination matching Confey in every sector of the pitch. The reduction to 14 players completely upset their rhythm and gave Confey the impetus to express their hurling prowess and go on to win the match.

Confey led by 1-5 to 0-5 pts at half time. A second goal by Daragh Nolan sent Confey 7 points clear midway through the second half and for the remainder of the game Confey held the upper edge.

Although Maynooth created a number of scoring opportunities but were unable to avail of them.

Maynooth team and scores

Seamus Cummins, T. J. Hogan, Colin Cushen, Peter Sheehan, Eoin Nevin, Eoin Powers, Alan Sweeney Noel Carey, Hugh Nevin (0-1)
Fergal Molloy, Conor Diggins (0-1), Mark Nugent, David Comerford, Morgan Sweeney (0-1), Mark Cummins (0-5)

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Question

Can you please give the new rates of payment for Child Benefit?

Answer

Child Benefit is paid monthly by the Department of Social and Family Affairs for each qualified child normally living with you and being supported by you. You must satisfy a habitual residency condition or be entitled to it under EU law. Generally, if you have been resident in Ireland, Northern Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man for the two years immediately prior to applying you are considered habitually resident.

To qualify a child must be dependent on you and must also be:

- Under age 16 or
- Aged 16,17 or 18 and attending full-time education or a FÁS Youthreach course or have a physical or mental disability.

The payment is generally made to the mother of the child. Where the parents are living separately it is paid to the parent with whom the child lives the majority of the time. If the child is not living with or being maintained by the parents, the it may be paid to the person who is caring for the child. From April 2005 the Child Benefit rates are as follows:

Number of Children	Monthly Rate
1 Child	€141.60
2 Children	€283.20
3 Children	€460.50
4 Children	€637.80
5 Children	€815.10
6 Children	€992.40
7 Children	€1,169.70
8 Children	€1,347.00

Child Benefit claimants paid by electronic methods receive the increased rate in full from April 2005. those on book payments receive the increased rate through a special payment in May, backdated to April.

Application for Child Benefit is made on Form CB1 for children under 16 years of age and on Form CB2 for a child aged 16 or over. Claim forms are available from your local Social Welfare Office, Post Office or from the Child Benefit Section, Social Welfare Services Office, Tel: LoCall: 1890 400 400.

Question

I heard there are changes to the means test for Carer's Allowance. What are they?

Answer

Carer's Allowance is a means tested payment from the Department of Social and Family Affairs for carers of 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 normally resides with the person being cared for, but a non-resident carer may qualify for the allowance. The carer must also satisfy a habitual residency condition.

There are a couple of changes to the means test for the payment the most significant of which is the change to the assessment of capital/savings. From the 7th April 2005 capital/savings are assessed as follows:

Capital	Weekly Means Assessed
First €20,000	Nil
Next €10,000	€1.00 per €1,000
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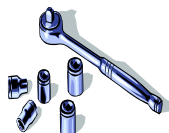
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(This formula for assessing capital/savings will be extended to all other social welfare payments apart from Supplementary Welfare Allowance from June 2005.)

Under these new rules a single person with no other income can have savings of just under €28,000 and still get a full Carer's Allowance. This is doubled in the case of couples. The maximum rate of payment for 2005 is €153.60 if caring for one person and €230.40 if caring for more than one, plus extra amounts for child dependents.

The other change relates to income from work. A carer receiving Carer's Allowance can work for up to 10 hours per week, providing they get approval from the Department. From April 2005, the weekly income disregard increases from €250 to €270 for a single person and from €500 to €540 for a couple.

In June 2005 recipients of Carer's Allowance will receive a Respite Care Grant of €1,000 for each person being cared for.

Applications forms for Carer's Allowance are available from you local Social Welfare Office, Post Office and LoCal Leaflet Line: 1890 202 325.

Question

My son occasionally misses school. Am I obliged to inform his school about his absence? How many days can he be absent in a year?

Answer

Yes, you must inform the school. The Education (Welfare) Act 2000, which set up the National Education Welfare Board (NEWB), places certain legal obligations on both schools and parents in relation to school attendance. The Act also raised the minimum school leaving age to 16 or on the completion of 3 years of post-primary education, whichever is later.

Under the Act, where your child is absent from school on a school day you must notify the principal of the school of the reason for the absence. It is best to do this in writing. Schools are required to keep a daily record of attendance for each student attending the school, including the reasons for non-attendance.

If a student is missing for more than 20 days in a school year the school principal must inform the NEWB. If your child is sick or is absent for other

good reasons, the NEWB will take no action. However, if there is concern about your child's attendance at school or about the reasons given, you may be visited by an Educational Welfare Officer who will discuss your child's education with you. The role of the NEWB is to ensure your child receives his entitlement to an education.

Further information about the NEWB and school attendance is available from the NEWB's LoCall Education Helpline 1890 363 666, or on their website at www.newb.ie and from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

We have to buy certain specialised equipment such as aids for eating for my son who has a disability. Can I get any financial assistance towards buying them?

Answer

You should be able to get a refund of the VAT you have to pay for the specialised equipment.

Under the Value Added Tax (Refund of Tax) (No. 15) Order, 1981 a refund of VAT is available on certain aids and appliances bought for use by a person with a disability. The aid or appliance must be for the exclusive use of the person concerned. Where the refund of VAT is claimed by another person with a disability and is in his/her sole possession.

The relief applies to the purchase of goods, which are aids and appliances designed to assist a person with a disability to become more independent in daily living and work. Examples of eligible goods range from eating and drinking aids designed solely for the disabled to large items such as specialised hoists and lifters. You can also claim a VAT refund on a computer required so that a person can pursue a course of education or carry out duties at work.

You can obtain a claim form (VAT 61A) from: VAT (Unregistered) Repayments Section, Revenue, Kilrush Road, Ennis, Co. Clare

Tel: (065) 684 9000 or LoCall 1890 202 033

It can also be downloaded from Revenue's website at www.revenue.ie.

You will have to submit the original invoices for all goods in the claim and medical evidence of a disability may be requested.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

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Citizens Information is also available online at www.oasis.gov.ie and from the Citizens Information Phone Service LoCall 1890 777121

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Maynooth Community Games

Maynooth Community Games

On Friday 15th April the Art Competition was held in the Boys School. Lots of boys and girls came along to enter these exams.

Results as follows:

Boys—Maynooth West

U/8

- 1 Óisín Devereaux
- 2 Fiachra O'Sullivan
- 3 Peter Donaldson

U/10

- 1 Seoirse Murray
- 2 Óisín O' Sullivan

Girls—Maynooth West

U/8

- 1 Amy Walsh
- 2 Katie Geraghty

(results contd)

U/10

- 1 Sophie Geoghegan
- 2 Eleanor Geraghty
- 3 Aoife Richardson, Louise Ng

U/12

- 1 Meabh Donaldson
- 2 Laura Donaldson
- 3 Chloe Devereaux

U/14

- 1 Clara Murray
- 2 Grace Soon
- 3 Niamh Richardson, Roisin O'Riordan

U/16

- 1 Jennifer Feehan

Boys—Maynooth East

U/8

- 1 Conor O'Reilly
- 2 Thomas Feeney
- 3 Jack Gallagher, Conor Dooley

U/12

- 1 Dylan Lynam

Girls—Maynooth East

U/8

- 1 Aoife Horan
- 2 Sophie Gitzgerald
- 3 Molly Lynam

U/10

- 1 Sarah Curran
- 2 Niamh Feeney
- 3 Sarah Jennings

U/12

- 1 Katie Curran
- 2 Bronagh Fitzgerald
- 3 Holly Meade

Congratulations and **well done** to all. Good luck to any who represent Maynooth in the Kildare County Final in the Curragh on May 28th.

Date to note

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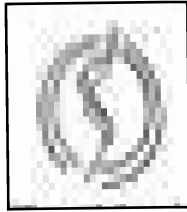
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Maynooth Tidy Town Notes

Maynooth Tidy Towns enter National competition 2005

The application to participate in the National Tidy Towns Competition 2005 has been received from the Department for Environment, Heritage and Local Government and the closing date for entries is May 11th. The application is used by the committee to sell the best side of Maynooth and to identify and propose solutions to solve environmental and heritage issues in the town. The Tidy Towns judges will visit Maynooth on one occasion between the 1st June and July 31st and appraise the town under the various categories in the competition and award us a score. The committee is aiming for a score of 232 points this year an increase of 14 over our 2004 score. It is down to what the judges find when they come to town, so your support particularly for those eight weeks would be very much appreciated. The whole town benefits when the score is good.

Tidy Towns Clean up in 2005

Maynooth Tidy Towns' committee programme for 2005 includes a number of Clean Ups around the town. After the IBAL rating achieved in 2004 the committee felt that the best way to tackle the litter problem is to start with a once off clean up of the entire town. Clean ups continued in April with a major clean up on the Straffan Road behind the wall. This area is a bit of a dumping ground and we are looking at putting forward plans to Kildare County Council to deal with this unused area. The Clean up took place on Saturday 9th April and started at Manor Court and extended up to and included Silken Vale. The photographs capture some of the work in progress. The committee and friends sorted all the waste that was gathered up and recycled all the bottles and cans in the recycling centre in the town car park. Remaining clean ups will take place on the Dunboyne Road and Celbridge Road later. Then it will be back to repeat the process throughout the town again. If you would like to get involved in any of the upcoming clean ups, please contact any member of the committee. We will be contacting the residents associations in each area in the anticipation that we will be able to get some help.

Hanging Baskets in 2005

The committee is making plans to provide the attractive floral displays that have been in place for the Summer months in past two years. However, the cost of undertaking this project has escalated substantially over last year's amount. In addition, the committee had hoped to put them in place earlier than previous years because of the Nissan Irish Open taking place in mid – May at Carton. However, we need the financial support from the businesses in the town to undertake this plan and we will be contacting our generous supporters again this year. The committee has also applied to Kildare County Council for a grant towards this project and we are awaiting a response.

Residents Association work is welcomed by Maynooth Tidy Towns

Maynooth's score in the National Tidy Towns Competition has remained reasonably constant in terms of the points awarded for the condition of residential areas. This is due to the ongoing quality standard of maintenance supported by residents. We know that the funds for this work are coming directly from residents and congratulations to everyone for their support. One estate that comes out for special mention this month is Cluain Aoibhinn estate who undertook a revamp of their entrance. Well done to all and the photograph has been submitted as part of the Maynooth Tidy Towns application.

Paul Croghan Maynooth Tidy Towns



Maynooth Tidy Town Notes



Features

Where Siva meets Medb

Leinster Print Studio exhibition in Riverbank Arts Centre, Newbridge, County Kildare

Thursday, 6th April—Saturday, 7th May

Leinster Printmaking Studio, with the patronage of His Excellency, the Indian Ambassador, Mr Kumar, has organised a travelling fine-art contemporary art exhibition on the theme of cross cultural connections between Ireland and India. This exhibition begins its tour in Riverbank Arts Centre, Newbridge, where it is on display from Thursday 7th April to Saturday, 7th May.

The show, titled *Where Siva meets Medb*, celebrates two of the great legendary figures in the respective mythologies of the two people. The manner in which the individual artists have responded to the challenge of the Indo-Celtic *Where Siva meets Medb* theme, are as various as art itself, veering from the art-historical to feminist, to the environmental.

This is a pioneering venture for an Irish print studio in looking beyond the conventional preoccupations of Irish art, towards a multicultural world.

Catalogues available.

The Leinster Print Studio

The Leinster Print Studio, founded in 1998, follows in a type of succession in the proliferation of Irish printmaking studios, as artists who have learned their craft in one major studio, leave to establish a new studio somewhere else in the country. In this manner, Margaret Becker, as one of the founders of the Leinster studio herself, began printmaking at the Graphic Studio in 1972 and worked there for many years. Each studio as it becomes more professional, develops certain areas of interest, either in traditional print practices or in new media. Both approaches can be seen in this exhibition, where the more familiar media of intaglio and relief prints are shown side by side with carborundum and digital media, newcomers to the field of printmaking.

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Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

Collinstown Major Town Centre in Amended County Development Plan

Despite massive opposition from the County Manager and his Consultants, Cllr. John McGinley's and Cllr. Paul Kelly's motion, "that Collinstown be the major Town Centre instead of Maynooth", was passed overwhelmingly by the full council.

The Amended Draft County Development Plan has gone on public display until April 29 so that the public will have a further opportunity to make their views known.

The Council must approve the new Plan before May 22.

Meadowbrook Link Road

As residents will be aware the scheduled opening date from the new link road was the end of March. Cllr. John McGinley expressed his disappointment at the Leixlip Area Meeting on April 15 that the deadline had not been met and he demanded that the Council do everything possible to have it opened before the end of April. The link road is being constructed by Albany Homes in lieu of development levies on their Straffan Woods houses and Cllr. McGinley was advised that there was no contract in place. The Council are relying on the condition in the planning permission that states "The road and all associated works are to be completed and opened to the public before any of the proposed development units are occupied." At Cllr. McGinley's insistence the Council Officials have agreed that in future there will be a written contract for such works i.e. work in lieu of levies. The "Taking in Charge" process of the link road was advertised in the local papers on April 14.

Dumping at the Maynooth Recycling Centre

Cllr. McGinley proposed at the Area Meeting of the Council on April 15 that the recycling centre in the Council car park in Maynooth be closed down unless a proper management structure is put in place immediately. That means that CCTV cameras must be erected and the Council must follow up and fine the people who are doing the dumping. Cllr. McGinley has asked the Council to approach Tesco with a view to getting a state of the art recycling centre at their complex on the Dublin Road.

The Avenue entrance/Dublin Road/Doctors Lane

Cllr. John McGinley has been campaigning for some time to have the work at the Avenue entrance completed and to have the hard shoulder and footpath reinstated from Hands Corner to Leinster Park entrance. John got the following progress report at the Area Meeting on April 15:

" This matter was addressed by the undersigned at a meeting of the Area Committee some time ago. In brief terms, there were three drawings circulated.

- (a) Charter House Scheme – Proposed bus lay-by and traffic calming*
- (b) Proposed one-way system for Doctor's Lane*
- (c) Dublin Road – proposed pavement and parking scheme.*

A total of €90,000 was available from development levies as reported previously. It had been hoped that the Charter House scheme would be grant aided by the Dublin

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Transportation Office and that the levy funds could, therefore, be used to carry out a further phase of development. Regrettably, as previously pointed out, D.T.O. funding was withdrawn and the levy was spent in its entirety on the Charter House Scheme. The total cost of the scheme was estimated at €105,000, the balance of €15,000 being defrayed from revenue sources. Copies of the relevant drawings have been forwarded to the Meetings Administrator. These two further schemes remain prioritised but are contingent on funding being identified”.

Cllr. McGinley stated that there is no shortage of funding for such work in Maynooth and that he did not want the issue of funding being used as an excuse. He pointed out that there are levies available from developments in the area to cover such works i.e. Tesco, Glenmoy Developments on the Dunboyne Road (€756,000) and the Apartment Development at Charter House.

Drawings were produced for the introduction of a one way system at Doctors Lane, inwards from Dublin Road to Geoghegans Lane and two way from there to Straffan Road. Cllr. McGinley asked if the proposal was consistent with the Integrated Framework Plan for Land Use and Transportation (IFPLUT) for Maynooth. The Officials agreed that this was an important issue and they will check the INPLUT proposals for this location.

Cllr. McGinley would appreciate if members of the public made their views known to him.

Transfer of Amenity Lands to the GAA & the Schools
At the time of writing it would appear as if the long awaited transfer of lands on the Moyglare Road from the landowner to the Council has now taken place. Hopefully, there won't be much delay in drawing up leases so that the GAA and the Schools can use the land.

There will be a report for the next Area Meeting on the progress being made on the transfer of lands between Carton Avenue and the Boreen to the Council for the new public park.

Harbour & Carton Action Area Plans

A meeting has been scheduled for the May 4 in order to agree on the outstanding issues arising from the submissions from the public. Cllr. John McGinley has stated that there should be no

approval of the Action Area Plan until the land at Carton Avenue is transferred to the Council.

There will be a meeting at the end of May to consider the submissions on the Harbour Action Plan.

Improvements Works at O'Neill Park, Maynooth

As a result of Cllr. John McGinley's motion the Council have agreed to carry out the following works at O'Neill Park:

1. Put a cul de sac sign at the entrance.
2. Remove the stump of the broken bollard at the entrance to the estate.
3. Top the three beech trees on the grass verge within the estate.

The Council will investigate the following additional works asked for by Cllr. McGinley:

1. Resurface the road at the entrance to the estate.
2. Refurbish the copings
3. Resurface the Square

Moyglare Abbey "Taking in Charge"

It was agreed at the Area Meeting on April 15 that Moyglare Abbey estate would be taken in charge. The decision will go for full Council approval on April 25.

Dumping of Rubbish at Kingsbry behind the bus stop
Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to remove the rubbish dumped here and to fine those responsible.

As requested by the Residents' Association John has asked the Council to remove the shrubs from this location and also to remove damaged trees and any others that are deemed necessary. The shrubs have completely overgrown and are out onto the road in front of the houses. Their removal should deter people from dumping rubbish here.

Dumping Rubbish at the Obelisk

Following a request from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have agreed to remove the rubbish dumped at the Obelisk at Barrogstown. John has also asked that the OPW be asked by the Council to ensure that the area is kept litter free in future.

Rat Run Through Railpark Estate

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Road Markings at Kilcock/Moyglare Roads Junction

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to put the box junction and the other road markings in place without any further delay at this very busy junction.

Cllr. John McGinley can be contacted at:

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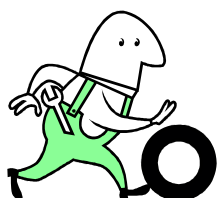
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New Book By Maynooth Authors

Hanging Crimes: When Ireland used the Gallows

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Stories come from Kildare, Kilkenny, Cavan, Roscommon, Tyrone, Dublin, Wicklow and Sligo ranging from 1799 to 1893. The narratives deal with those crimes which have an 'agrarian' context and those so called 'ordinary' crimes. Each story has been researched using a variety of primary sources. The narratives give a valuable insight into the lives and communities of ordinary people and the landlord class. Raymond Gillespie, NUI Maynooth, provides a valuable introduction that set the stories in context.

The 'agrarian' tales of Sean Bagnall, Joe Clarke, Frank Sweeney, Margaret Urwin and Patrick Vesey share striking common characteristics. Poverty and destitution form a backdrop in which a downtrodden tenant community strove to survive under the harsh treatment and scrutiny of an overbearing landlord or land agent, be it man or woman. An incident or event finally pushed tensions to their limit that acted as a catalyst which resulted in violence and prosecution. With the exception of Margaret Urwin's story, 'approves' were instrumental in the undoing of the assailants.

In the 'ordinary' murder cases and rape cases personal motivation was the underlying impetus, although economic circumstances played its part. Theft, dispute over land, relationship difficulties, and insanity in the stories of Catherine Mullan, Susan Durack, Austin Stewart, Seán Ó Sullivan and Edward Wylie-Warren proved to be motives that had catastrophic consequences for the individuals, families and communities involved.

All of the stories give some insight into the legal procedures in dealing with such crimes during the nineteenth-century. Comparisons in the extremes of treatment and outcome are best showed in two stories. The evidence against the accused in Austin Stewart's story, Thomas Lidwell, of Osberstown House, a well-connected man of property was accused of the rape of Sarah Sutton, wife of his

friend. After long consideration the jury found Lidwell guilty but recommended mercy. He was sentenced to hang, which was later commuted to transportation for life. There is no record that he ever served his sentence. Certain lines of questioning were not pursued at the trial that leave the reader with a doubt about the crime and the parties involved

About the crime and the parties involved. Evidence from other studies suggest that for the higher classes it was not the guilty verdict that was shameful but the actual serving of a sentence with common criminals which was frowned upon. Family honour and the protection of property were the overriding concerns.

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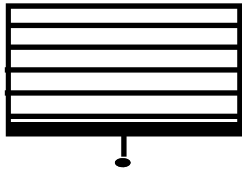
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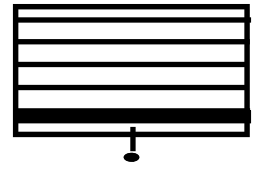
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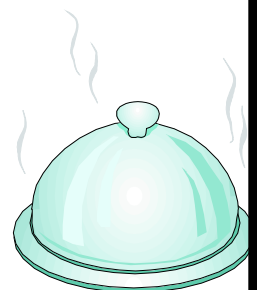
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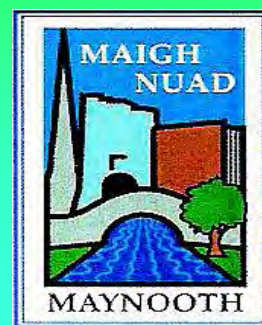
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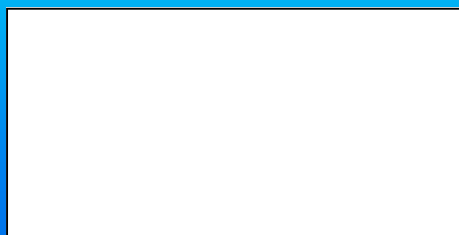
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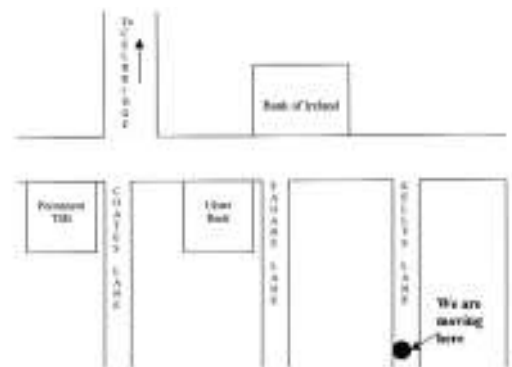
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Editorial

I am writing this article just after the Nissan Irish Open Golf Tournament which by all accounts was an outstanding success.

The reports from the large numbers of local golfers who attended seem to indicate that the standard of play was very good, the finale very exciting with a playoff to decide the ultimate winner and the large attendances a testimonial to the popularity and accessibility of the venue.

The announcement made so soon after the conclusion of the tournament that the historic venue would once again be host to the 2006 Nissan Irish Open must be welcomed by all those of us who reside in Maynooth and environs.

What a fantastic opportunity to showcase our beautiful and unique town to the world.

This is a rare chance to seize all the opportunities which will arise once again – an opportunity to learn from any mistakes made this year.

The residents of Maynooth, along with their local representatives, and our forums such as the Community Council, Maynooth Business Association etc have a long run-in to the 2006 Tournament and of course to the prestigious Ryder Cup 2006 to ensure that maximum benefit and exposure is obtained.

We must all adopt a positive and pro-active approach to ensuring an even bigger success in 2006.

We congratulate the Mallaghan family who have worked so hard to successfully open the historic venue not just to the local residents but to the world. And didn't Carton House look magnificent as the backdrop to all those TV interviews.

We thank the sponsors, public relations company, and all the many bodies who operated shuttle buses, trains and other facilities throughout the tournament.

Finally we congratulate the Publicans, Restaurants, Café's, Hotels and other businesses who made the effort to provide hospitality during the days involved.

The presence of the Gardai patrolling the streets throughout the day and night was particularly noticeable, effective and certainly appreciated by the residents of Maynooth. We also thank Ray Grehan who provided machinery and man power to help the Community Council erect and take down the bunting on the Main Street at no cost in terms of hire, labour or insurance.

Well done everyone – and please remember to support our own local Festival due to take place in late July – lets keep the positive spirit going !!!!!!!

Brid Feely

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The May meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on 16th May in the Glenroyal Hotel.

There were two new co-options to Maynooth Community Council

Margaret Tyrell - Leinster Park
Mary Jennings - Moyglare Abbey

Nissan Irish Open

The Nissan Irish Open will take place in Carton House Golf Club from 19th - 22nd May. A lot of hard work has been done in the town to have it looking great for the event. Andrew McMullon said that there will be entertainment in the pubs every night. The square will also be used for entertainment. There will be Irish dancing and Maynooth Brass and Reed Band will also perform.

Community Centre

A special meeting has taken place for a Community Centre. Chairperson Brid Feely out-lined this meeting. The meeting attendance included Maynooth Community Church, Maynooth GAA and Community Councillors representing Residence Associations. She also said this meeting was not very well attended. These meeting will be on going.

Tidy Town

Eddie Tobin told the meeting that the judging has taken place. Maynooth is listed 37 out of 57 towns. Eddie expressed their disappointment at results. He also noted the work done at Railway Station, a huge clean up was done here. He also said the staff at the station were now getting involved and were putting up bins and flower beds.

The baskets in the town were complimented. It was generally felt that litter is a problem and chip shops contribute to this. The local authority need to enforce the litter laws, and wardens need to be around the town more.

Robert Wilson echoed the good work done by Tidy Towns. He said some business people make a huge effort to clean-up outside their shops.

Matt Callaghan said people are dumping stuff everywhere. The entrance to some estates are very bad with rubbish dumped behind walls. He also noted that they are still finding the odd election posters. He also said that the cable ties should be taken down as well as the posters.

Mary Clougher noted that a lot of drink bottles left at Carton Avenue. The guards are to be asked to check into this.

Newsletter

Terry Nealon is the new editor. A new format for the Newsletter is been looked at.

Festival

Andrew McMullon said plans are coming together for the festival. It's hope to have the street closed off on the Sunday.

Looking for more people to get involved.

Community Games

Matt Callaghan said the games are going well. The athletics will be held in the GAA grounds.

Kingsbry Estate

Robert Wilson said they are having trouble with some students. It was suggested by Tom McMullon to get in touch with the Irish Tenants Board. It was also noted that all landlords should be registered with the I.T.B.

Moyglare Abbey

John O' Connor said he was mystified as to what is going to happen with all the traffic in Maynooth. He said with 500 new houses on the Moyglare Road planned and also new apartments. He said what with all the planning we will have to find out what "Traffic Management Plan" Kildare County Council have for road improvement in Maynooth in great detail.

Weston Airdrome

Cyril McAree raised his concern about air traffic from Weston. He said traffic is flying very low at times. He said there were plans to make Weston bigger. He also felt that there may be commercial flights working out of Weston. It was agreed to look into this.

Marie Gleeson P.R.O.

News Release - Maynooth org. site been redeveloped

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05/843	James and Maura Caffrey	48 Parklands Crescent, Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	21/04/05	To erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion with family room below, porch to front of existing dwelling house and also a single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling house.	48 Parklands Crescent Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/844	Gary Corrigan	39 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	21/04/05	To convert existing garage attached to existing house to a living room, permission to erect first floor extension to consist of 2 no. bedrooms over existing garage and erect domestic shed to the side of existing house and all ancillary works etc	39 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/940	Ulster Bank (Irl) Ltd	11-16 Donegal Square East Belfast BT1 5UB	P	29/04/05	Regarding of existing footpath and ancillary site works, giving level entry to main entrance to front facade	Ulster Bank Main Street Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/964	John Murphy & Andrew Ryan	25 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	04/05/05	First floor domestic extension consisting of construction of two rooms above existing playroom and utility room currently to side of the house.	25 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/982	Sean & Fiona Molloy	17 Beaufield Gardens Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	06/05/05	The development will consist of the demolition of existing single storey converted garage and the construction of a two storey dwelling house and associated works	17 Beaufield Gardens Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/986	Siobhan & Chris Walsh Cahill	23 Parklands Rise Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	06/05/05	A first floor extension above existing single storey structure to side of existing house	23 Parklands Rise Maynooth Co. Kildare 3

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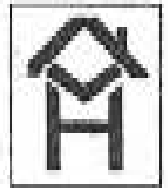
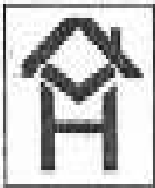


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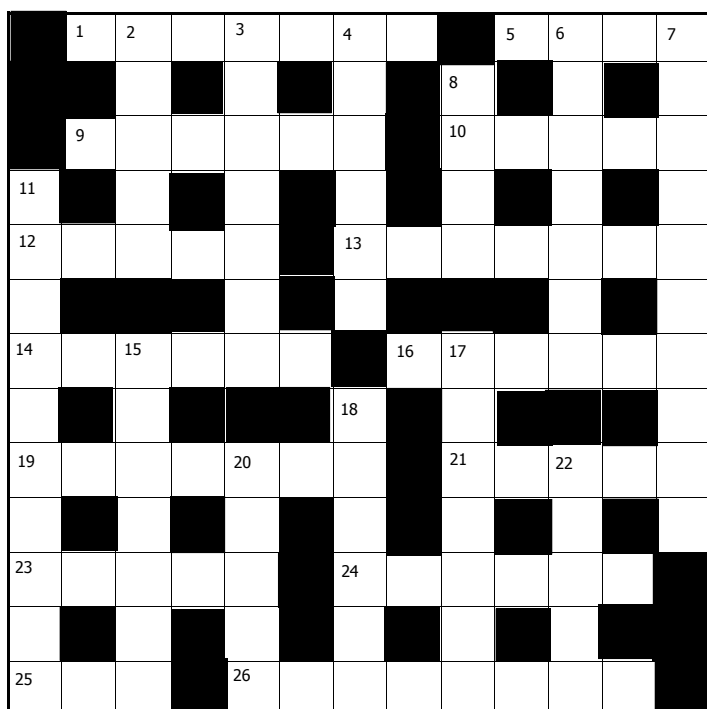
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23. Actor, _ _ _ Marx (5)
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11. Christian clergyman (10)
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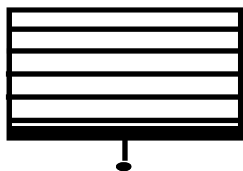
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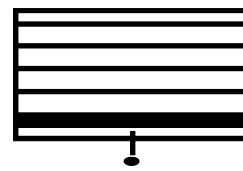
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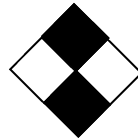
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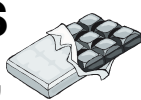
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Maynooth Golf Society

Maynooth Golf Society held its May outing to Trim Golf Club on 14th. 43 players competed for the Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup. Eddie a past captain and founder member of the society was remembered with great fondness on the day. The weather on the day was sunny and windy and Trim Golf course was in great condition. The eventual winner was Mick Flynn Snr. Who defended this title he also won last year from our Captain Tom Nolan who was leading in the club house for a long time.

Results

Trim Golf Club Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup

Sponsor: Kevin & Bronagh Donovan

1st	Mick Flynn Snr	45 pts
2nd	Tom Nolan	43 pts
3rd	John Byrne	40 pts
4th	Joey Edwards	38 pts B9
5th	Philip Doyle	38 pts
6th	Tom Flatley	37 pts B9
7th	Liam Farrelly	37 pts
Front 9	Gerry McTernan	20 pts
Back 9	Johnny Thompson	18 pts

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Overall Winner, Mick Flynn Snr. being presented with the Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup by Kevin & Bronagh Donovan

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Nissan Irish Open

By Serj Merzliakov

The Nissan Irish Open, which was played on the Carton House Golf Club grounds on May 19-22, has taken all attention of the nation towards golf. With a number of world's top golfers, there was a lot of speculation and tense moments for both players and spectators. For the whole week since the first official practice day on Monday 16th, we have been looking at these tremendous players and supporting them.

Carton House

It has been indeed an honour for Carton House to host this professional golf championship. The Carton House course is set within a 1000 acre walled estate, and has been widely praised in golfing publications, including being named Best New Course of 2004 by Golf World. The 7,300-yard course has been designed by Colin Montgomerie in conjunction with European Golf Design. It features rolling fairways, gently undulating greens as well as steep faced, deep and cavernous bunkers. Montgomerie noted that the course represents the biggest honour he has received in the game: "It is a brilliant golf course and I look forward to seeing what Europe's best can do there."



Waterford Crystal Trophy

Ireland's Best

Most of the public attention was concentrated on the Irish players and it surrounded mainly the couple Harrington (Ireland) - Clarke (Northern Ireland). Both outstanding players, **Padraig Harrington** (World ranking 9) and **Darren Clarke** (World ranking 13), worked hard against changing weather conditions including whipping wind and lashing rain, following them even at the 18th hole. Despite all, the cheerful crowds who surrounded the pair right from the start were rewarded with an outstanding game.

During the press conference, home favourite Padraig Harrington said that there was a big desire to win Irish Open. "It would be probably the most pleasing tournament of my career - if I came out and won it".

Addressing the home fans, Darren Clarke said: "Come back tomorrow and hopefully [I] get off to a decent start and get myself right up there and give them something to cheer about." There were, indeed, many brilliant moments, great shots and nice puttings!



Home favourites Harrington and Clarke

Features



Padraig Harrington and fans

Irish Open Winner

Stephen Dodd who came with a result of 279 (9 under par) received the Crystal Trophy and the title of the winner of Nissan Irish Open 2005. Harrington was 5th with six-under 281, and Clarke was number 17 with two-under 286. Another home favourite, Paul McGinley finished at 36th position with a one-over 289.



Darren Clarke smiling after 18th

Features

Community Support

Maynooth residents were supporting and assisting the golf championship. Along with regular Carton House staff, they worked as stewards and marshals on the grounds as well as helping in administrative and catering aspects of the championship.

After meeting a group from Maynooth, I ask them about the impressions of golf championship.

Denise Rearden, Mary Fox and Marianne Magraire:

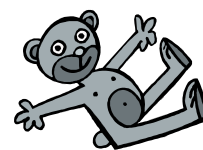
It's very successful, and very well presented. We are supporting Paul McGuinley. He's a brilliant putter and just needs a bit of luck. We also give our help by assisting as marshals during the game and that is really exciting.



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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES RESULTS

Event	Place	East	West
Girls U/8	1st	Laoise Miller	Aoife Walsh
	2nd	Aisling Monaghan	Roisin Ford
	3rd		
Girls U/10 Freestyle	1st	Niamh Feeney	Maeve Walsh
	2nd	Jane Finnegan	
	3rd	Donna French	
Girls U/10 Backstroke	1st	Jane Finnegan	Maeve Walsh
	2nd	Sian Miller	
	3rd	Niamh Feeney	
Girls U/12 Freestyle	1st	Heather Collins	
	2nd	Laura Skelly	
	3rd		
Girls U/12 Breaststroke	1st	Heather Collins	
	2nd	Maura Skelly	
	3rd		
Girls U/14 Freestyle	1st	Gillian Behan	Siobhan Kelly
	2nd		
	3rd		
Girls U/14 Backstroke	1st		Siobhan Kelly
	2nd		
	3rd		
Girls U/14 Breaststroke	1st	Gillian Behan	Siobhan Kelly
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	3rd		
Girls U/16 Freestyle	1st	Claire Skelly	
	2nd	Laura Bedley	
Boys U/8	1st	Joseph Carton	
Boys U/10 Freestyle	1st	Shane Monaghan	Eoin Burke/Tadgh Ford
	2nd	Jack French	Luke O'Malley
	3rd	Eoin McCormack	
Boys U/10 Backstroke	1st	Shane Monaghan	Tagdh Ford
	2nd	Jack French	Eoin Burke
	3rd	Eoin McCormack	Luke O'Malley
Boys U/12 Freestyle	1st	Sean McKnight	Cian Ford
	2nd		Cian Walsh
	3rd		David Kelly

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES RESULTS (CONTD)

Event	Place	East	West
Boys U/12 Breaststroke	1st		Cian Ford
	2nd		Cian Walsh
	3rd		David Kelly

The local Maynooth Community Games swimming competition was held in the Maynooth College Pool on Sunday 24th April.

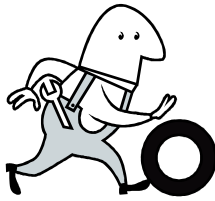
Boys and girls turned out in great style.

Well done to all the boys and girls and good luck in the County Final in Athy on Saturday 14th June.



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Question

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Answer

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- Standard ten-year passport for people aged 18-64
€75
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There are additional fees for urgent and for out-of-hours emergency applications.

The application form (APS 1) for people living within the State is available from your local Garda station and from post offices. With your application and fee you must provide:

- Two recently taken passport photographs - the back of each photograph and the witness section of the form must be signed by a Garda Síochána.
- Proof of citizenship—if it is a renewal application your most recent passport is sufficient.

If you were born in Ireland and it is your first application or you are under 18 years of age the long form of your Irish Birth Certificate is required as proof of citizenship. Children born in Ireland since the start of this year and people born outside Ireland will require additional or alternative forms of proof. Information on what is required depending on your circumstances is supplied with the application form.

You can apply in person to the passport office for a passport or by post. You can also apply via the "Passport Express" service, available through the post office, which guarantees receipt of a passport within ten working days where applications are completed correctly with proper documentation. The

additional fee for this service is €7 per application or €10 for up to four applications sent together for a family.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

Is it true that the minimum wage has increased?

Answer

Yes, it is true. From the 1st May 2005 the national minimum wage is €7.65 an hour.

The National Minimum Wage Act 2000 was introduced in April 2000 setting the minimum hourly rate of pay. Since February 2004 the rate has been €7.00 per hour and now it has increased to €7.65. The rate applies to virtually all employees over age 18. Close relatives of the employer and statutory apprentices, such as apprentice carpenters and electrician, are excluded.

Employees under age 18 are entitled to 70% of the national minimum wage (NMW) which amounts to €5.36 per hour. If they continue to work in the same employment once they reach 18 they must be paid €6.12 per hour (80% of NMW) for the first year and €6.89 per hour (90% of NMW) for the second year. Those over the age of 18 who are starting employment for the first time are entitled to 80% or €6.12 per hour for the first year, and 90% or €6.89 per hour for the second year.

In both cases, they are entitled to the full rate after two years. Employees undergoing training or a prescribed course of study are entitled to a percentage of the national minimum wage for hours worked.

If you have a dispute with your employer about the national minimum wage you can try to resolve the matter with your employer directly and if it is still unresolved you can refer your dispute to a Rights Commissioner of the Labour Relations Commission.

Question

I am working but I find it difficult to get to work due to my disability. Is there a grant available to help me buy a car?

Answer

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If you avail of the grant you will not be eligible for Mobility Allowance from the HSE for three years from the date of the grant.

Further information from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

What is the European Health Insurance Card.

Answer

The European Health Insurance Card allows you to access public healthcare for treatment when visiting certain European countries should you become ill or get injured. It replaced the E111 and other E forms which had previously been required.

If you are going on a short stay to an EU country (excluding the UK), and EEA country (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) or to Switzerland it is advisable to have a card to cover you and your family for public healthcare. The card is valid for up to two years and each person travelling will need a card.

You can apply for the card online at www.ehic.ie if you already have a Medical Card or a Drugs Payment Scheme Card. You can also download application forms from the website or get them from your local Health

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You should apply for the Card at least ten working days before travelling. If there is not enough time to get a card you can get a Temporary Replacement Certificate from the Health Service Executive instead for each person travelling, which will cover you.

Apart from people going on holidays, other people who should apply for the card are:

- Those going on business trips
- Those going to look for work
- Those posted to work in one of the countries mentioned, temporarily, but still paying tax in Ireland.
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Maynooth Swimming Club Awards



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The Instructors



Seamus O'Shea



Darragh Byrne



Catherine Murphy T.D. with the
instructors and children from the 2nd Bus



Ciaraín Gallagher



Ciaraín's sister

Maynooth Swimming Club Awards

Newly elected TD Catherine Murphy attended Maynooth Swimming Club Awards

Maynooth Swimming club had another successful year. The swimming club is at it's full capacity and we are still taking names for our waiting lists. This year our junior gala was on the 16th April. The starters and the improvers had organised races across the pool. All the children received medals, to everyone's delight.

We were proud to have Catherine Murphy TD, our newly elected deputy to North Kildare attending our senior gala. She watched the seniors competing in their races. Later she spoke in the foyer in Stewarts Hospital swimming pool, about how she used to bring her own children to this pool on a Friday evening for lessons. Then she gave out the certificates of distance award to the children.

The Maynooth swimming club would like to take this opportunity in thanking Catherine for giving up her Saturday afternoon for us.

Back to business, the term ends the 18th June. There will be an annual AGM in the GAA Moyglare on Monday June 13th at 8:30 pm. All parents are

welcome to attend.

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Catherine Murphy T.D. and children



Catherine Murphy T.D. and children



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The Kidnapping of Shergar

On the evening of Feb 12th 1982 a number of vehicles, driven by armed masked men entered the gates of Ballymany Stud near Newbridge Co. Kildare. The stud farm owned by the Aga Khan housed the dual Derby winner, the brilliant Shergar who was in the infancy of his stud career. The gates were unguarded as this was a different Ireland than we have to day. The vehicles drove through the darkness up a long winding drive to a small cluster of barns and cottages at the centre of the stud. At least two armed men knocked on the door of the house belonging to Jim Fitzgerald, the head groom at Ballymany. Bernard, Jim's son, opened the door to be greeted by masked men armed with automatic pistols. Having pushed their way into the living room they immediately intimidated the other six members of the family. Jim, hearing the commotion came running from another part of the house and was also taken captive. The father and son were then taken to the stallion barn and forced at gunpoint to identify Shergar. The horse was loaded into a horsebox and Jim was taken as a hostage to be released four hours later somewhere along the Naas dual carriageway. The horse was never seen alive again. Jim Fitzgerald advised the Gardai that the kidnappers has requested a two million pound ransom for the safe return of the horse. This ransom demand was repeated two days later by a phone call to Ghislain Drion, who looked after the Aga Khan's interests in Ireland. His owner had syndicated Shergar for ten million pounds and thirty-four individuals took up the shares offered. The names of the shareholders represented "a who's who" of racing. Captain Tim Rogers and John Magnier from Ireland, Lord Derby and Lord Howard de Walden from the UK and Paul Mellon and John Gaines from the United States. With so many people involved there was always going to be difficulties in getting agreement as to how the matter should be handled. First there was no clear idea as to who was involved. There was little evidence available as to who carried out the abduction of the horse. It was reported at the time that initial Garda and Special Branch investigations indicated that it was not an IRA operation. It was also reported that His Highness, the Aga Khan, as spiritual leader of his people, had powerful enemies who would have had the motive to commit the crime. Another foe who stood up and identified himself, was Wayne Murty an American who had purchased the Boussac Estate including fifty-six horses from Marcel Boussac. Later a French court declared elements of the sale invalid and the Aga Khan ended up with the horses. Wayne Murty was livid and freely admitted, at the time, he was prered to get justice from His Highness. He denied involvement in the kidnap and no evidence was ever produced linking him with those who kidnapped Shergar. Secondly, the sheer number of shareholders involved put a block on attaining agreement on how the matter of ransom money was to be dealt with. Lord Derby in particular was not in favour of making such a payment. Thirdly, it was reported at the time that Superintendent Jimmy Murphy, the senior Garda in charge of the operation did not get the full disclosure of information or full co-operation from a number of the parties involved. Despite the thousands of words written and the claims of some journalists to have contact with people on the "inside" of the abduction, the trail went cold. The expert opinion now is that the horse was probably slain within days of his kidnap. Expert opinion also states some elements of an IRA gang helped a group of criminals to carry out this crime. Some one knows where he lies. It is hoped that a day will come when his remains will be finally laid to rest in the green pastures of Kildare, marked by a granite headstone where all good racing men can meet and reflect on the life of a great racehorse.



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The Kidnapping of Shergar (contd.)



Shergar born 1978 : by Great Nephew out of Sharmeen

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25th April 1981	Sandown Park	Classic Trial	1st
5th May 1981	Chester	Chester Vase	1 1/2 miles. 1st
3rd June 1981	Epsom	Epsom Derby	1 1/2 miles. 1st
27th June 1981	Curragh	Irish Derby	1 1/2 miles. 1st
25th July 1981	Ascot	King George	1 1/2 miles. 1st
12 September 1981	Doncaster	St. Leger	1 3/4 miles. 4th

Tribute from Richard Stone Reeves (Renown American Equine Artist)

"Shergar was one of the kindest horses I ever knew. He first posed for me at Michael Stoute's yard in Newmarket after he had completed his racing career at the end of his three-year -old season. I then proceeded to Ireland ten days later to do my final studies at his new home at the Aga Khan's Ballymany Stud. He was such a pleasant horse that when the stud manager, Monsieur Drion, had brought him out of his stall, he allowed my wife Martha, to come up and stroke his head and muzzle. He loved the attention. When we arrived earlier that day at the farm and looked in on Shergar , Monsieur Drion's two young sons were in the stall with him, petting and grooming him. I have never seen a young stallion just out of training so gentle and friendly. He would be one of the most memorable commissions that I ever undertook".

Jim Healy

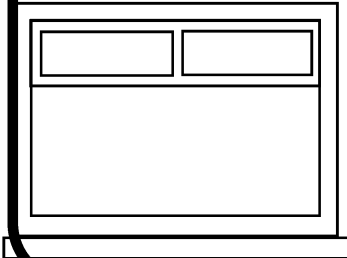
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Maynooth Tidy Towns

Maynooth will be in full bloom again this Summer



Thanks to the continuous financial generosity of the business community in the town Maynooth Tidy Towns has been able to plant and maintain the hanging baskets and floral displays in the town again this year. The Committee wrote to one hundred and ninety five businesses in the town and to date over one hundred and eighty have responded positively. This year for the first time we managed to secure a grant from Kildare County Council for this project. The flowers will be watered at least twice a week depending on the weather. As usual we are indebted to the Larine Court Garden Centre, in particular to Paul and Tina. More on this subject next month.

New Litter Awareness signage

In previous months we advised that we intended to raise awareness of litter in the town. To this end we put together a project which involved the purchase of six litter bins and signage at a total cost of €5,700 which was part funded by Kildare County Council. The new signage is intended to encourage people to use the litter bins rather than just dropping litter on the street. The new bins and signage will be erected on our behalf by Kildare County Council within the next few weeks.



IBAL Score improved – but is still bad

After last year's disastrous result when Maynooth was designated as a "Litter Blackspot" and Ireland's third dirtiest town, the committee awaited with some trepidation the result of the first IBAL Litter League judging for 2005. Last Year the league consisted of thirty towns and in 2005 that has increased to fifty seven towns. The IBAL league is not a competition for Tidy Towns Committees; it is a competition for local authorities, so we do not receive the reports.

The good news is that Maynooth has improved to a designation of "Seriously Littered" and came in thirty seventh out of the fifty seven towns in this year's league. The judge's comments included that St. Patrick's College/NUI, Maynooth was "litter free" which is a designation that was also awarded to them last year. The Railway Station was described as being an area that appears to be neglected. The Main Street was "badly littered" at the time of judging and in the Pound Park, a number of youths were committing acts of vandalism when the judges were doing the survey.

Back in January as part of our annual plan Maynooth Tidy Towns set as a priority the achievement of a major improvement in our IBAL score which means the elimination of litter blackspots. We have arranged in excess of twenty clean ups around the town in some areas such as behind the wall on the Straffan Road which had not been done for many years. Some areas have been cleaned several times. We even spent a total of forty hours cleaning up the Railway Station Car Park and the Canal Bank as seen in the photographs in last month's Maynooth Newsletter. In addition the substantial efforts of Kildare County Council staff in keeping the town centre litter free means that a lot of resources go into this work. The one area that is not being tackled is enforcement by the ongoing absence of a litter warden.

Cameras on the Recycling Centre in the Council Car park

Maynooth Tidy Towns is aware that the erection of cameras is imminent at this site in an effort to end dumping. Technicians were on site last week and the cameras are currently in safe storage in the town awaiting the erection of a pole. The power source has been secured so it will hopefully be action and take before too long. Maynooth Tidy Towns had called for the removal of the recycling centre unless action was taken to prevent it contributing to the litter problem in the town.

Paul Croghan
PRO/ Projects Co-ordinator
Maynooth Tidy Towns

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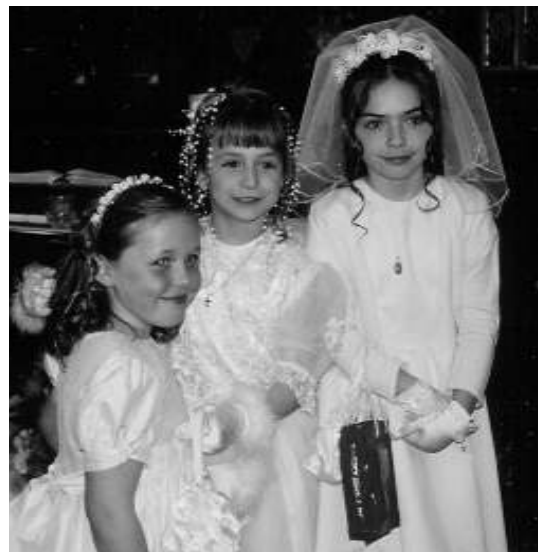
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Lauren Edwards, with her mum and dad, sister and aunt Sandra Moran



Sinead with sister Mairead, mum and dad



Sarah & her mum

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Jack Kerrison, with Mum, Dad & Sisters



Jack Doyle & Family

St. Mary's Band loses long serving member

In the early hours of Holy Saturday, St. Mary's Band, Maynooth lost one of its longest serving members when Mick (M.C) Dempsey passed away. His sudden death came as a tragic shock to family and band members alike as he had taken part in a number of parades in the previous week and was busy rehearsing for the upcoming National Band Championships.

Mick will indeed be sadly missed by the band and was one of only six remaining members from the group of young schoolboys who joined in 1954. He felt privileged to have been involved in band appearances with numerous presidents of Ireland and the King and Queen of Spain to Maynooth College and the Papal Visit to the Phoenix Park among other important events and was proud to be a part of the band when they won the best band award in the Kansas City St. Patrick's Day parade in 1998. Mick always had a great sense of pride in

the Band and in his uniform and was always one of the best turned out members on parade. His enthusiasm really came to the fore on the fundraising front and he was one of the most enthusiastic workers for flag weekends, race nights, Christmas carols and in the distant past, weekly whilst drives and the sweep on the Galway Plate which were the band's main fundraisers in the sixties and seventies. He would have been so proud of the send off given him, as tradition bestows a full Band funeral for current members, and in



particular the music in the Church for the funeral mass. In his own special way he has shown the younger members who turned out in force on this sad occasion the importance of the traditions of St. Mary's Band to the town of Maynooth, which over the past ten years, has grown so much. As long as Mick's beloved band keeps playing it will remain a very special link with the town he knew so well.

"When the Saints go marching in through those pearly gates Mick Dempsey will surely be in there blowing his favourite silver cornet".

The committee members of the Band would like to extend their deepest sympathy to his wife, Marie and family.

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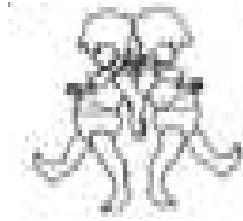


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Useful Tips

Wine Stains

- If you spill wine on your clothing or a tablecloth, blot it up immediately with an absorbent cloth, and then sponge it with carbonated or warm water. If the fabric is washable, stretch the stained area over a small saucepan (hold it in place with a rubber band), and pour hot water through it. Wash normally, as soon as possible.
- On non-washable fabrics, sponge the stain with a cloth wrung out in warm detergent solution, followed by clean water. Dry-clean as soon as possible.
- If red wine is spilled on your carpet, sponge it with carbonated water. Blot well, then dab with a cloth wrung out in warm detergent solution, followed by clean water. If a stain remains, a 50-50 solution of glycerine and water can be left on the stain for up to an hour, then rinse it off and blot well.
- If you don't have a soft cloth to buff shoes with, use cotton wool or kitchen paper.
- To clean suede shoes, scrape off mud and remove excess dust with a vacuum cleaner attachment. Use a special suede cleaner or shampoo and follow the manufacturer's instructions. If the pile on suede shoes has flattened, hold the shoes near the steam from a kettle, and then brush the skin gently to raise the pile. Leave to dry.
- You can dye light suede shoes bright colours and black dyes that are specially formulated for suede. Light leather shoes can also be dyed, but dye colours are limited to black, brown and navy. If you want to change dark coloured leather to light colours, use shoe paints. These can also be used for plastic and fabric shoes, and come in a wide range of colours, but are not suitable for suede.

Vases

- If there's a whitish film on the inside of your vase, fill it with vinegar or a weak solution of chlorine bleach and water.
- To remove water rings, rub them with salt. If the vase is narrow and you can't reach them, fill it with a strong salt water solution and shake until clean.
- Coat inside of a leaky vase with hot wax and leave it to harden. Or, if the vase is opaque, put a glass inside it to hold the water.
- Many household items make pretty vases. Teapots, carafes, copper kettles and pitchers are especially attractive. Put single stems in a wineglass or goblet. Let wild flowers or daisies spill out of a basket (first put them in a small waterproof container that won't show). For dinner parties, put a tiny bunch of violets or lilies of the valley in a small bottle at each place setting.
- If your vase has a wide mouth and the flowers need support for a neat arrangement, crisscross the opening with transparent tape - it will hold your arrangement in place.
- Use a cotton bud to get polish in that space between the uppers and the soles.
- Cover spots on black suede by sponging a little black coffee on them; on white suede, use chalk.
- Take spots off the white rubber on trainers with steel wool dipped in detergent.
- If your polish gets hard, heat it in the oven or add a few drops of turpentine or white spirit to soften it.
- To keep your hands clean while polishing shoes, wear old gloves or cut the pockets out of old trousers and use them as mittens.

Shoe polish

- At a pinch, you can shine your leather shoes with floor wax or spray-on window cleaner.
- If you have run out of polish for dark brown and black shoes and boots use spray-on furniture polish.
- Rub real patent leather with milk - this really brings up the shine. Use spray-on glass cleaner for plastic patent. A thin film of petroleum jelly works well too.
- For a high shine, squeeze a few drops of lighter fluid into your solid boot was - it will spread more easily and penetrate better. Or rub lemon juice into the leather after it's polished, then buff
- Look after your physical needs. Get a good night's sleep, avoiding the temptation to cram last-minute revision far into the night. Eat a carbohydrate-rich breakfast, or lunch if the exam is in the afternoon. Take some boiled sweets to suck on when your energy flags.
- Read all instructions twice before you begin. When reading the questions, underline key words such as 'not' and 'except'.
- Budget your time. Divide the total number of questions by the allotted number of minutes to determine how long to spend on each question. If you're taking too long on one, leave it and go on to the next.
- If you can make an 'educated guess' between two or three choices on a multiple-choice question, do so; the odds favour you - even if the exam has a penalty for incorrect answers. But if you haven't a clue, don't guess wildly between five or six choices.
- Begin with the easiest essay questions. If you don't have time to complete an essay, try writing an outline adding the explanation 'Ran out of time'.

Exams

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12Th JULY - 24th JULY

Team Name: _____
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Contact Name _____

Phone No: _____

PLAYERS NAMES: _____ (Block Capitals)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

**On behalf of the above team I agree to abide by the rules of the
Competition and the Committee's decisions at all times.**

Signed: _____ Team Captain/Manager

**N.B. Completed Entry Form together with entry Fee of €50 must be lodged with
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Maynooth Community Festival

7-A-Side Soccer Tournament 12th - 24th July Rules



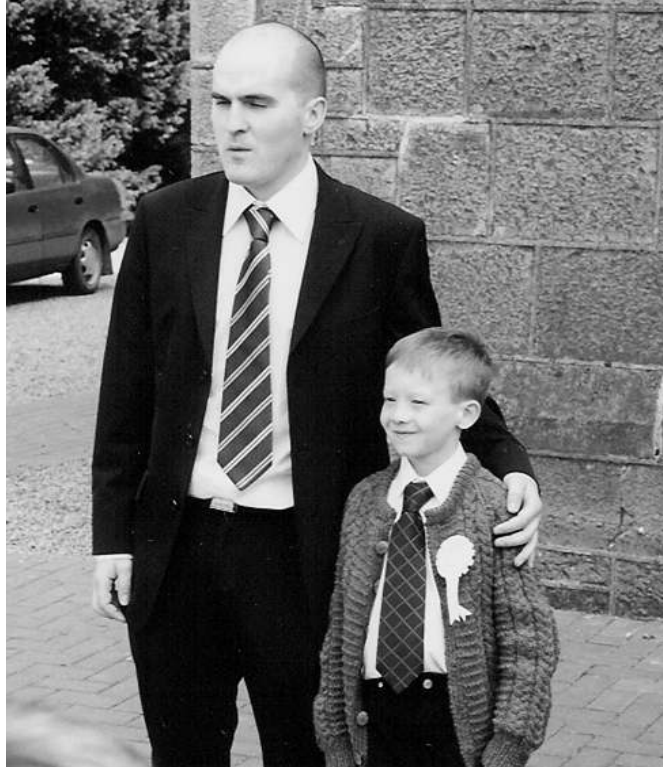
- 1 Each panel will consist of not more than ten players. A player may play for only one team in the tournament. Each player must be resident in the Maynooth area at least three months.
- 2 The committee reserve the right to refuse any entry.
- 3 Teams to consist of players not currently playing competitive soccer. (Currently means this year.)
- 4 Names of players and entry fee must be submitted with the official entry form. The team must be named after a housing estate e.g. Old Greenfield.
- 5 Fifteen minutes will be played each way and three substitutes may be used.
- 6 The format of the competition will be decided by the committee.
- 7 All games must start at the stated time, in the event of a team being late the match will be awarded to the opposition, under no circumstances will any postponement be given.
- 8 Any team playing players not included in their entry form will be removed from the tournament.
- 9 The organising committee will not be responsible for any articles lost or damaged.
- 10 The organising committee will not be responsible for any injury to any player.
- 11 All protests will be dealt with by the organising committee.
- 12 Protest, together with fee of €10.00, refundable if protest is upheld, must be lodged with the Secretary of the organising committee within thirty minutes of the finish.
- 13 Teams will not be included in draw unless entry fee is paid €50.00
- 14 In the competition studs may be worn but must confirm to F.I.F.A. standards. Shin-guards must be worn. Match referee's decision will be final in this matter. Flat footwear must be of proper standard, be safe for wearer and not constitute a danger to other players. Referee's decision is also final in this matter.
- 15 In the event of an objection it will be up to the team allegedly guilty to prove that they are innocent.
- 16 In the event of a walk-over or an objection the other team will be rewarded a 2-nil win.
- 17 The committee's decision is final in all matters.

John McGinley (Phone 6285293) Secretary Organising Committee
Entries before 1ST JULY 2005

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Shane Roche



Gregory Duncan with his teacher Mr. Noel Davis



Gerard Hegarty with his teacher Mr. Davis



Ciarán Flood with his Mum and Dad, Mary and Ivan, Sister, Fiona and brothers Feargal and Niall

Gardening tips for June

The garden comes into its own in June, and apart from watching everything grow and blossom, keeping the weeds at bay and watering if necessary are the most time-consuming occupations this month.

Watering. Water if possible *before* the plants show signs of flagging or wilting, and aim to soak the soil rather than merely wet the surface. Again, if possible, let the water fall like rain through the air, gathering oxygen and a little warmth; the finer the spray, the better the effect. Water in the cooler morning and evening hours of the day to make every drop count. If the use of a hose, sprikler and overhead irrigation is banned and the watering can must be used, add a little soluble fertiliser to make the water go further in meeting the needs. Ordinary domestic waste water from the bathroom or kitchen can usually be used - let it stand for 34 hours to settle and use the clearer top water.



The Flower garden. Keep an eye on annuals and water in the early morning or evening in dry weather. Hardy annuals coming into flower this month should include anchusa, bartsia, candytuft (*Iberis*), Californian poppy (*eschscholzia*), gypsophila, larkspur (*Delphinium ajacis*), toadfax (*Linaria*), poppy, night-scented stock (*Matthiola bicornis*), morning glory (*Convolvulus major* syn. *I. pomaea purpurea*), love-in-a-mist (*Nigella damascena*), and Virginian stock (*Malcolmia maritima*). Among half-hardy annuals quick off the mark are ageratum, African marigold, French marigold, lobelia, mesembryanthemum, nasturtium, nicotiana, petunia and verben; and biennials such as Canterbury bells, stocks and sweet william. To keep them flowering from June to September, dead-head frequently.

The Vegetable Garden.

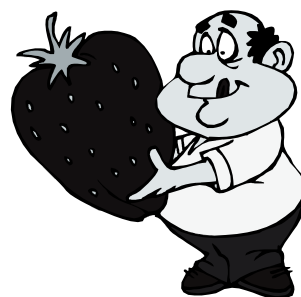
Sowing. Continue to sow the following: French beans and runner beans can be sown this month and up until early July in the south. Savoy cabbage ('January King', 'January Queen'); and cabbage ('Winter Monarch') for next spring's crop. Carrots 'Chantenay Early Red Core' and 'Early Nantes' for autumn crops. Successional sowing of lettuce ('All the Year Round', 'Arctic King', 'Avondefiance', 'Winter Density', 'Little Gem'), salad onion ('White Lisbon') and turnip ('Snowball').

Endive ('Green Batavian') for unusual winter salads. Parsley thinly on humus-rich soil after rain. Dress the seeds with bone flour and allow at least 4 weeks for germination.

The Fruit Garden. Net strawberries and bush fruits not grown in a fruit cage for protection against birds.

This gooseberry fruits when they reach marble size. Use them for coking and let the rest grow on to dessert size.

Thin fruits on pear trees about mid-June to 2 or 3 fruits per cluster, to a single fruit on young trees or trees with only moderate foliage. The more leaves, the bigger the crop that can be carried



Flowers and vegetables for June. (flowers) Aethionema, Achillea, Ballota, Baptista, Carmassia, Cornflower, Delphinium, Gerum, Iris **(vegetables)** Asparagus, Beans, broad, broccoli, cabbage (spring), lettuce, Onion, peas, potatoes, Radish, Spinach.



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Maynooth GAA News

Junior Camogie League

2 4th April 2005 - at St Mary's Park
Maynooth 7-9; Moorefield 0-0

Maynooth got their league campaign off to an impressive start with a comprehensive win over Moorefield. In fairness to the losers they are in a process of rebuilding and most of their squad range between 14 to 16 yrs. Nevertheless the Maynooth players can be proud of their performance and some of their scores and workrate were of the top drawer variety. Playing against a swirling breeze in the first half Maynooth settled early never letting their opponents get into their stride and 2 opportunistic goals from Anne Comerford and Elaine McNamara gave them the confidence to go on and play with a swagger that was lacking heretofore. Further points from Mags Farrell, Eimear Connolly and Nicki Carew put Maynooth in a commanding position and when Anne Comerford added on a further goal just before half time there was no way back for Moorefield. Maynooth led by 3-5 to no score at half time.

Maynooth continued to dominate in the second half and added on a further 4 goals and 4 points without reply. Overall the team performance was impressive but the foundation for success was laid by the defence and midfield sector who provided the forward line with a regular supply of the sliotar. Their next game against Broadford will be a far more difficult match

Team and scores:

Jenny Reid, Naomi Devereux, Sharon Malone, Marian Hennessy, Annemarie Farrell, Mary Hawkins, Claire Barry, Niamh Mulready, Michelle Gillick. Nicki Carew (2-1), Eimear Connolly (1-2), Margaret Farrell (0-2), Elaine McNamara (2-2), Anne Comerford (2-2), Caoimhe Ni Neill.

Subs: Tara Concannon for Caoimhe Ni Neill

2 May 2005 - Played in Broadford
Maynooth 4-7; Broadford 0-0

The Maynooth Junior camogie team achieved an impressive victory over Broadford, played in dreadful conditions. The foundation for this success was the domination by the half back line of their opponents. Eimear Connolly at centre forward was a constant thorn in the Broadford defence and scored 2 superb points inside the first 8 minutes. The pressure exerted by the Maynooth forward on the Broadford defence finally yielded a goal in the 18th minute

following great interplay between Eimear Connolly, Elaine McNamara and Claire Barry with Anne Comerford on hand to strike the sliotar to the net. In fairness the fact that Maynooth did not add to their tally of goals in the first half was largely due to the brilliance of Anna Dorgan in the Broadford goal who brought off a number of splendid saves. Further points by Elaine McNamara and Michelle Gillick left the half time score Maynooth 1-4; Broadford 0-0.

The second half continued the same pattern as the first with Maynooth continuing to dominate possession and further goals from Caoimhe Ni Neill and Nicki Carew put the game beyond the reach of Broadford. Anne Comerford capped a fine display in the 24th minute when her free from 40 yds went all the way to the net. Maynooth play Celbridge in their next league match and this display will be a great booster in playing one of the stronger sides in this league.

Maynooth team and scores

Jenny Reid, Naomi Devereux, Sharon Malone, Marion Hennessy, Annemarie Farrell, Mary Hawkins, Margaret Farrell, Niamh Mulready, Michelle Gillick (0-1), Nicki Carew (1-0), Eimear Connolly (0-3), Claire Barry, Elaine McNamara (0-1), Anne Comerford (2-2) Caoimhe Ni Neill (1-0).

9th May 2005

Maynooth 4-3; Celbridge 2-2

Maynooth's league campaign continued on a positive note with a hard earned victory over Celbridge played in St Mary's Park. It was a game full of endeavour, slick stickwork and two teams who fought to the bitter end to gain success. The match was evenly poised for the first 20 minutes of the first half with the sides level at 0-2 pts each. Good interplay between Mary Hawkins, Eimer Connolly and Claire Barry enabled Maynooth full forward Brid Byrnes to cut through the Celbridge full back line and drive an unstoppable shot to the net. Celbridge came out with all guns blazing at the start of the second half and by the tenth minute were leading by one point. Maynooth showed their true mettle and replied with a superb point from centre back Mary Hawkins and a goal from Eimer Connolly. Their four point lead was whittled down to one 3 minutes later when Maynooth conceded a rather soft goal. For the remaining 10 minutes both sides had their period of dominance but Maynooth always looked the more likely to score. Nicki Carew and substitute Denise Bambrick struck for 2 goals and so Maynooth held out for their 3rd victory in the league.

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(Maynooth GAA News Cont'd.)

Team and scores:

Jenny Reid, Naomi Devereux, Sharon Malone, Marion Hennessy, AnneMarie Farrell, Mary Hawkins (0-1), Margaret Farrell, Niamh Mulready, Eimear Connolly (1-0), Nicki Carew (1-0), Anne Comerford, Claire Barry, Elaine McNamara (0-2), Brid Byrnes (0-1), Caoimhe Ni Neill.

Sub. Denise Bambrick (1-0) for Caoimhe Ni Neill.

Camogie U/14 Feile Final

A bridge too far for Maynooth

Johnstownbridge 5-1; Maynooth 2-3

This match, played at Raheens on Sunday 8/5/05, gave a lie to the notion that camogie is not alive and well in Kildare.

Both teams served up a recipe of skill, high fitness levels, passion and commitment and in the end it was the goal scoring power of left corner forward Emma Doran that turned the tide in favour of Johnstownbridge. Maynooth playing with the advantage of the breeze in the first half withstood. Strong pressure from the bridge in the early minutes of the game. Gradually Maynooth came more into the game and backboned by the midfield pairing of Louise Walsh and Claire McNamara they went into a 3 point lead by the 18th minute. The winners got on level terms when Miriam Murphy found the net but Maynooth replied 3 minutes later when following good interplay between Roisin Gorry, Ailbhe Flynn and Stephanie Gavin, Samantha Ward struck an unstoppable shot to the Johnstownbridge net. Against the run of play a long free from Miriam Murphy took a wicked deflection and ended up in the net to leave the sides level at half time, Maynooth 1-3; Johnstownbridge 2-0.

Kerry Flaherty gave Maynooth a tonic start on the resumption when she took advantage of some sloppy play in the opponent's defence to deftly stroke the sliotar to the net. The wind gained momentum in the second half and for the remainder of the game Johnstownbridge began to dominate. To their credit Maynooth defended stoutly with Louise Walsh now thwarting many attacks. In the 45th minute however Emma Doran scored a further 2 goals to ensure victory. Maynooth will be disappointed with losing but the players can take heart from the fact that they held a superb 'Bridge team for so long and they hurled with courage and bravery right through the 60 minutes. One abiding

memory to take from this game was the pure hurling artistry and skill of Maynooth's Louise Walsh. Put simply, she was a joy to watch.

Maynooth team and scores:

Katy Burke, Laura Tierney, Susie Farrell, Ellen Stack, Aoife Dunne, Roisin Gorry, Sarah Ryves, Louise Walsh ((0-2), Claire McNamara (0-1), Ailbhe Flynn, Amy Morrissey, Stephanie Galvin, Therese Barry, Samantha Ward (0-1), Kerry Flaherty (1-0)

Maynooth GAA Race Night

The race night originally scheduled for 6th May was re-scheduled for Saturday 28th May in GAA Clubhouse, Moyglare Road.

Thomas Coffey

Joint PRO Maynooth GAA

Maynooth GAA Club

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Poetry

Tonight

I rest on my bed tonight
With my thoughts flowing free
Many dreams to be sought
Within this room and me
The night passes slowly by
Deep in my private solitude
My heart with yearning cry
With all my wholesome truth
I pray at this very night
That my mind will drift away
To end all my weary plight
And deep in sleep I stay
I will arise the following morn
Awoken to a brand new day
So until the next day reborn
My life will be OK

Patrick Murray

The Rose

The rose is a beautiful flower
But one day it will decay
It will take many of a shower
To bloom at another day
You are this sweet tender rose
And life is short you know
What's tomorrow no one knows
So let's make our love grow.

Patrick Murray



Righteous Lady

An old lady on her rocking chair
In constant thought of time passed by
Her delicate hands wrinkled with care
Lost in her memories and ready to die
Just herself in her dark shadowed room
Where once her family played in fun
Knowing that her final day be soon
To a Heavenly tomorrow that dreams
just begun

The heart burn fire twinkles its light
Casts its weary shadows on the wall
A photo frame of her wedding a
precious sight
Time alters everything as the years
fall

Once where children trod on the kitchen
floor

Is now vacant hearing the lonely wind
Now she is ready for our Heaven's door
With a good soul that has little sinned.

In silence she sleeps with her prayers
Of life's emotions past in her mind
A sunken dream with God she shares
Into tranquillity her soul soon find
Yes she passed away in the silent night
Her hands clenched firm and cold
So an end to all her earthly plight
So is her destiny as life's pages fold

Patrick Murray

Recipes

Breakfast Booster

Serves 1

50g Odlums Porridge Oakflakes
125g yoghurt
75g fresh fruit
Honey to drizzle

- 1 In a tall glass, layer oats, yoghurt and fresh fruit and repeat with a second layer.
- 2 Drizzle honey over the top and serve.

Lunch or Dinner

Potato and Vegetable Bake

Serves 4-6

225g carrots
1 large onion
30g butter
Salt and black pepper
1kg potatoes
125g grated cheddar cheese
250ml fresh cream

1. Peel and slice the carrots thinly, chop the onion and put both in a pan with the butter, salt and pepper. Add a little water and cook gently for 15 minutes.
2. Preheat your oven to 180°C/gas mark 4. Butter a flameproof dish. Peel and slice the potatoes thinly and arrange in layers with the carrot mixture.
3. Season well between each layer dotting with butter and sprinkling with cheese. End with a layer of potatoes, butter and cheese.
- 4 Pour cream over the top and bake for 1 hour until brown.

Serve with any meat or fish main meal.

Dessert

Apple and Rhubarb Crumble

Serves 4

4 Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored and quartered
1tsp ground cinnamon
60gms brown sugar
125ml water
1 bunch of rhubarb, trimmed and rinsed well
40g of sugar
½tsp ground ginger
100g self-raising flour
60g unsalted butter, softened

1. Preheat the oven to 220°C/gas mark 6. Cut apple quarters into 3 pieces. Spread in a greased baking dish and sprinkle with cinnamon and half the brown sugar. Pour over 125ml water and bake for 10 mins. Cut the rhubarb into 5cm lengths, add to the baking dish and sprinkle with the remaining brown sugar. Bake for 7/8 mins until rhubarb is soft but still holds its shape
2. Combine raw sugar, ginger and flour in a bowl. Rub in the butter until mixture resembles coarse breadcrumbs.
3. Butter a large ovenproof dish and place on a baking tray. Put the apple and rhubarb mixture into the dish and drizzle with any pan juices. Sprinkle crumble mixture evenly over the top and bake for 25/30 mins until lightly golden. Allow to stand for 5 minutes.
Serve with cream.



Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Scouts News

Bag Packing in Tescos

We wish to thank everyone that helped out either by contributing time or money during our bag packing a few weeks ago. As a voluntary organisation and a charity, events like these are our only means of funding the day to day running of the group. Over the three days many ventures, scouts, cubs, parents and leaders helped out, and everyone had a great time.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

This year Maynooth scouts decided to go all out in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. We decided that we had to have a float so one of the scouts parents Miles Behan provided us with a trailer. Little did we know how serious he was. The night before the parade the truck and trailer arrived, it turned out to be nearly 80ft long and was unable to turn into the den, so it had to go to get shortened to two-thirds its length. This was going to be the biggest float in the parade by far! The scouts stayed late that night and along with the leaders from the group, they assembled the gadgets. The Cubs had been working hard for the previous 4 weeks on the mountain for the float and on banners as had the Beavers. The night before the parade some of the leaders kept an all-night vigil to mind the float and started at 6am to put the finishing touches. The next morning we all met at Londis and were joined by the Salesian scouts and scouts from Confey. We had some scouts in full rock climbing gear and even one in a miniature canoe. The ventures were out in force in their hiking gear, advertising their trip later this year to the US and handing out information leaflets about the group. It turned out to be a brilliant day the weather held off and everyone had a great time. To top it all though we won the prize for Best Community Float (The Owen Byrne Perpetual Trophy). Thanks to everyone who got stuck in!



Cubs sleep over and day out in Dublin

In preparation for camping out later in the year the cubs had a sleepover in Kilcock Scout Den and a day of activities in Dublin the following day. After getting some sleep (but not much) we headed into Dublin on a Bus Eireann bus. Upon arriving in Busaras the cubs were split up into two groups and everyone was given a map of Dublin. The challenge was to get to Iveagh Gardens. Each group were to figure out a separate way of getting to the playground in St. Stephens Green before the others (under the guidance of leaders of course!). The cubs had to use the map to direct the group and they had to come to a group decision about where to go at each junction. Needless to say it took a while to get to St. Stephens Green!

Next after some snacks and time to check out the playground in St. Stephens Green we headed to find the entrance into Iveagh Gardens located behind the National Concert Hall. In Iveagh Gardens we tried to figure out where the Elephant was buried (honest!) and we checked out the maze. Since the maze was quite small, the cubs had to blindfold themselves and then figure it out! After this we headed back to Grafton Street and got some grub and then went onto the National History Museum on Merrion Street where we were given a special tour. Having thoroughly examined everything we headed to go shopping! Each cub was allowed to bring a maximum of €5, and it continuously amazes the leaders how much they can get with than! (some even managed to get cowboy hats!). Finally we caught our bus back to Maynooth (we were meant to go to Kilcock, but that's a whole different story.....).



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Maynooth Scouts News cont'd.

Project on Japan

During April, the Beaver scouts are working on a project on Japan. We are most fortunate that one of the beaver leaders, Anna Fitzpatrick, lived in Japan for four and a half years. She has a wealth of information on Japanese clothes, music, art including Japanese painting which the beavers really enjoyed doing. Maynooth Beavers will also be finding out about what activities that beaver scouts in Japan take part in.



Creating a garden at the Den

Beaver scouts have started working on what will be our garden in front of the Den. The beavers have planted two Japanese plants in the garden after doing initial ground preparation work including weeding and digging-in compost. Beavers are then going on to plant seeds to create a wildflower garden.

Day trip to Lullymore on April 23 2005

Beavers went on a day trip to Lullymore Heritage Park, Rathangan, to explore nature of peat and bogs. This included a guided tour of the bog/woodland area as well as fun in the indoor "funky forest" play area, heritage area and road train.

New website.

Maynooth Scouts have a brand new website:
www.maynoothscouts.org

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An Nuadha Players

Is this Love?

An Nuadha Players first night of Tina Reilly's new play "Is This Love" proved a great success.

The night started out at the "Twist Café", where playgoers sipped wine while Jean and Trevor Best welcomed all to the show. It was a full house at the Twist with all proceeds going to the Vincent de Paul. Trevor thanked St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band for the use of the Band Hall and looked forward to a time when Maynooth will have its own theatre.

"Is this Love" is a play which deals with the subject of domestic violence. A play high on drama and emotion which can be harrowing in parts, this performance resulted in a rewarding night at the theatre for all involved. As a result of "word of mouth" the theatre was full for the remainder of the run.

Thanks to An Nuadha Players, the Twist Café and Tina Reilly for a great night out.

Let's hope Tina continues to write for the theatre.



Hilda Dunne and Una Kiernan getting into theatre mode



Jenny Nealon, John and Betty Bean enjoying the "Twist"



Claire Martin and Sinead Murphy before the show

Maynooth Scouts Venture Forth!



Two of our Venture scouts, Stephen and Darryl will be representing Maynooth on the Explorer Belt which is taking place in the United States of America in July. More news next month.

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Clubs, Organisations and Societies Clubs,

Maynooth I.C.A Notes

The A.G.M., was held on the 5th May and Mary O'Gorman starts her second year as President. The Guild raised €3147.00 on Daffodil Day and everyone was congratulated on it being such a success. At a recent coffee morning €582.00 was raised and will be divided between the Community Care Centre, Maynooth and Little Way Cancer Support Centre, CLane. Secretary gave a very full report on the year. Craft nights ran very successfully every Monday night and Badminton took place twice a week during the year. We also had a week in An Grianan I.C.A college last July and a weekend there in October last. Our Summer Outing was a day trip to Dublin visiting museums and places of interest. Out week in An Grianan in 2005 is from 4th to 8th July and out weekend is 4th, 5th and the 6th of November. The I.C.A. College is situated in Termonfechin, Drogheda, Co. Louth and well worth a visit.

We had our Christmas dinner in Springfield and we attended the Federation Dinner dance in the Ambassador Hotel in February. We had a service for deceased members at our November meeting organised by Eilis O' Malley. Thanks Eilis.

Some guild ladies completed their Equal Skills Computer Course and received Certificates for same. So ladies as you can see we had a very busy year and there is something for everyone in I.C.A. Subscription for the coming year is €36.00 and the minutes of the monthly meetings will go out to each paid up member. Competitions coming up are Murial Gahan Rose Bowl for rush work and Spring Summer Federation Competition for photography. Winner of the guild yearly competition was Rosemary Hanley and runner up was Margaret Houlihan with Mary Halton taking third place. Congratulations to Betty Farrell who took second place in the Healthy Eating Competition. Best wishes were sent to Bernie King who has moved to Dunboyne.

This years summer outing is a trip to Omagh to visit the Folk Museum and takes place on Saturday 28th May leaving Maynooth at 9a.m and there is still a vacancy or two to be filled. The ladies who received Equal Skills Certificates in Computers are Mary O'Gorman, Teresa Corcoran, Norah McDermott, Madaline Stynes, Margaret Houlihan, Rosemary Hanley, Grainne Kelly, Marian O'Donnell and Bernadette Rafferty, thanks must go her to Jo O'Connell who is a gukld member and who was a great tutor and had patience above and beyond the call of duty. Thanks Jo.

The incoming committee are Veva Kerins, Mary Dunne, Rosemary Hanley, Madeline Stynes, Norah McDermott, Nell McLoughlin and the president Mary O'Gorman. We would like to see some new

members join us in September and our meetings take place on the 1st Thursday of the month at 8pm and in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour.

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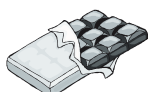
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Features

A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes - Ronnie Delany (1936-)

Sometimes we expect too much. It does not do justice to our Nation that our sporting exploits are celebrated only in song and verse. The history of Irish sport is worthy of a symphony to honour the achievements of a small country. With a population numbering not more than five million people north and south, the sporting achievements of the Irish have far outshone countries much larger than our own. We have reached a point where it is now a major disappointment if we do not qualify for the final stages of the soccer or rugby world cup. Our world rankings in these sports are an astonishing testament to the versatility and professionalism of our talented sportsmen and women. Our horse racing and breeding industry dominates Europe and the Coolmore thoroughbred breeding operation spans the globe bringing recognition and respect for the Irish blood horse. It is also the golden age for Irish jockey as Kinane; Fallon Spencer and Murtagh are much sought after to ride the Classic favourites. Padraig Harrington is ranked in the top ten of world golfers. It is in that sport that Darren Clarke achieved a mighty feat and one for which he has never being given the proper credit. His feat in defeating Ernie Els, David Duval and Tiger Woods in the final rounds of the World Match-Play Championship may never be equalled by another Irish golfer. The National Games of hurling and football backed by a history of cultural and social development have now developed to a point where they are perhaps the two best field games in the world. The GAA Championships are eagerly awaited, and for those who long for the "good old days" must know in their hearts that the standards have never being higher with the demands on fitness and commitment peaked to a professional level. But when we seek out our sporting heroes, their performance has got be special, unique, and stands the test of time. In all probability they have reached sporting heights that may never be equalled.

Ronnie Delany won the 1500 metres gold medal in the 1956 Melbourne Olympic Games. In winning this premier middle distance event Ronnie was the last Irishman to win a track and field gold medal at the Olympics. There followed a golden age of great middle distant runners from Australia and New Zealand, Herb Elliott, Merv Lincoln and Peter Snell. The superb British pair, Coe and Ovett followed them. But now the balance of power has swung to North Africa and Kenya. Like the great Afro-Americans who have dominated the 100 and 200 metre sprints since Berlin in 1936, the North Africans imbued with their natural ability have taken a hold on the middle distance races. Their dominance in the middle distance events, 800, 1500 metres is total and it is hard to see either Europe or Australia/ New Zealand ever regaining their former grip. It is appropriate that we recall the career of Ronnie Delany

and that momentous day in Melbourne when he skated by the best milers in the world and brought the Gold Medal home to Ireland. Nearly fifty years have elapsed since that win and although John Tracy and Sonia O'Sullivan have gone close with silver medals, Ronnie's feat has never being equalled by another Irish athlete. A native of Arklow County Wicklow and student at CUS Dublin, he was fortunate to have Jack Sweeny as his coach. Jack, a teacher of mathematics at the school, made a tremendous contribution to Irish athletics. Ronnie Delany first came to prominence early in 1954 when at nineteen he won the Irish AAU 880 yard title in 1 minute 54.5 seconds, an Irish record time for the distance and was subsequently entered for the European championships. At Berne he exceeded all expectations by recording a personal best time of 1 minute 51.5 seconds in a qualifying heat. He then improved further to record a time of 1 minute 50.5 seconds in the semi- finals. He eventually finished 8th in the final. A month later he accepted a scholarship at the American University of Villanova where he came under the eye of track coach Jim "Jumbo" Elliott. "Jumbo" at that time was recognised as one of the best athletics coach in the world. The training schedule at Villanova was demanding. Each weekend from January to June indoors or out, Ronnie would race. He was



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particularly successful indoors, developing a shrewd tactical finish. It was this tactical acumen that was going to be deployed with such devastating effect in Melbourne. On his return to Ireland the following summer he recorded a new national record for the half mile (1.50.00) and the mile (4.05.8). But he really broke into the front rank a year later at Compton, California when he became, with a time of 3 minutes 59 seconds, the seventh man in history to beat 4 minutes for the mile. The following evening he recorded 1 minute 49.5 second for the half mile. Returning to Dublin, he lost his form due to an injury he picked up at a meet in Paris. In the summer of '56 Ronnie returned early to Villanova to prepare for the Melbourne Olympics to be held in December of that year. " Jumbo" prepared him with a 10-12 week programme of training over the terrain of golf courses, intermixed with speed endurance work on the running track. This programme, together with intensive gym work provided a solid basis for Delany's quest for the gold medal. However in the beat tradition of "Irish officials and green blazers" they nearly messed up again. Ronnie Delany was selected for the Irish team by a majority of one vote. He was notified at the very last moment and joined the remainder of the team as they prepared in Berkley California.



In the Olympics 1500 metres qualifying heat he qualified quietly in third place. For the final he joined more than a dozen runners of whom Hewson(GB), Richtzenhain (Germany), Tabori (Hungary), Jungwirth (Czechoslovakia), and Nielsen (Denmark) were strong finishers. In the race itself Ronnie trailed behind in tenth and eleventh place as Murray Halberg and Merv Lincoln set a scorching pace. At 800 metres he was 1.2 seconds down on Lincoln and at the end of the third lap before the bell he was still 0.7 of a second behind. Then his finishing speed was revealed as one runner after another was cut back and overhauled. He met the tape in 3 minutes 41.2 seconds. He was so relaxed he had time to smile. Richtzenhain was second and John Landy third. He did run faster races like a 3 minute 58.8 second mile in finishing runner up to Derek Ibotson.(GB). Ronnie Delany also took centre stage as Dublin witnessed one of the great mile races of the century at Santry(Morton) Stadium in August 1958. Billy Morton of whom words can not do justice for his contribution to Irish athletics organised the mile race of the century. Herb Elliott broke the world record by three seconds. Merv Lincoln in finishing second also broke the world record, Ronnie Delany ran a personal best in finishing third (3 minute 57.5 seconds) and the fourth and fifth broke 4 minutes. Ronnie Delany was perhaps one of the classiest athletes Ireland ever produced. He subsequently went on to win 34 consecutive indoor mile races in the United States and broke the world record time for the event. The manner of his victory in the 1956 Olympic 1500 metres was stunning and it is unlikely in view of the North African dominance of this event that we will ever see another Irishman repeat his feat.

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Bond Bridge

At the Council meeting on 25 April the County Manager sought approval for increased funding for the Bond Bridge project, up from €5.6m to €6.788m. Cllr. John McGinley proposed that the increased funding be approved and this was agreed unanimously.

In his report the Director of Services that:

"I am pleased to inform members that all outstanding matters have been resolved and the Council are now in a position to sign the construction contracts as well as the agreements with Iarnrod Eireann and Waterways Ireland in order that works can commence. It is also pleasing to note that the Meadowbrook Link project, which is a prerequisite to this scheme, is very close to completion. As previously pointed out, it will be necessary to commence the scheme in May/June 2005 in order to finalise all preparatory work on site in order to make full use of the canal closure period which extends from November to February. Indeed, this timing requirement renders matters more complex."

Amended Draft County Development Plan

Councillors will be considering submissions received in respect of the Amended Draft County Development Plan at a meeting of the full Council on 16 May. The decisions on the submissions will be made by the County Manager if Councillors don't reach agreement by 22 May.

The most crucial submission, as far as the residents of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge are concerned, is that of Tom Phillips and Associates on behalf of The Trustees of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. They make the case for 392 acres of College

land on the Kilcock Road, Maynooth to be designated as the Major Town Centre for North East Kildare, instead of the lands at Collinstown. In the vote on the Amended Draft County Development plan it was agreed by 17 for, none against and 3 abstentions that the lands at Collinstown were the best for the Major Town Centre. It would seem highly unlikely that Councillors will reverse that decision at their meeting on 16 May.

Children's Playgrounds Funding Approved

The Development Contributions Scheme agreed last year set a levy of €3,500 per new residential unit and €5 per square metre new commercial units for County Council capital spending on Recreation, Amenity & Community facilities. Cllr. John McGinley was successful in his proposal that these contributions should be ring fenced for use in the areas in which they were raised.

Cllr. McGinley proposed at the Council meeting on 25 April that the first use of these ring fenced funds should be for the proposed Children's Playgrounds in Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge. John's motion was agreed and Planning Permission under the Part 8 process was also agreed. The Manager also agreed to Cllr. McGinley's proposal that the debris at the entrance to the Harbour Field be cleared up and that a secure gate be installed.

Public Lighting at The Harbour Area, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has been trying for the past six months to get Waterways Ireland, Iarnrod Eireann and Kildare County Council to install proper public lighting in this highly pedestrianised area of Maynooth. In reply to his motion at the Area Meeting of the Council on 21 January Cllr. McGinley was given an undertaking by the Meetings Administrator that he would organise an on site meeting of the three parties in order to

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get agreement on this public safety issue. Cllr. McGinley stressed that the funding required was miniscule and that if it involved hundreds of thousands of euro it would probably be easier to get a decision. When Cllr. McGinley asked for a progress report at the following Area Meeting he was told by the Meetings Administrator that no meeting had taken place. To say that Cllr. McGinley was annoyed would be putting it mildly and he demanded that the Council Officials get their house in order before the next Area Meeting. In order to focus their attention Cllr. McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Area Committee:

" That the following policy be adopted for the existing and proposed new public lights at The Harbour, Maynooth:

- That Kildare County Council accepts responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the existing and the proposed new lights for the area*
- That Waterways Ireland proposal for the 11 new lights from Straffan Road to The Harbour be accepted i.e. Waterways would contribute 8,000 euro and KCC would contribute 3,000. (See their letter dated 7 December 2004)*
- That Waterways suggestion that the opportunity also be taken to upgrade the existing lights from Leinster Street to the pedestrian bridge over the canal also be accepted.*
- That funding from this year's Pubic Lighting allocation be used for this purpose"*

Traffic Management in Maynooth

Council Officials have stated that the Integrated Framework Plan for Land Use and Transportation (IFPLUT) is intended to resolve Maynooth's Traffic Management problems. However, if the final report is anything like the consultants Interim Report we should not hold our breath. With this in mind Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That a co-ordinated traffic management plan be implemented for Maynooth, without any further delay, taking into account the Dulcedo Developments Proposed Traffic Management Layout dated 20/7/02, the Proposed One Way rch 2004 and the Integrated Framework Plan for Land Use and Transportation (IFPLUT), yet to be finalised."

Action Area Plans for The Harbour and Carton

A meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee was held on May 4 with a view to progressing these two Action Area Plans. It was agreed that no advancement of the Carton Action Area Plan would be made until the landowner transfers the land for the public park and the Community Centre to the County Council. Cllr. McGinley stated that he was still opposed to the high densities proposed and to the height of the proposed dwellings.

The planners stated that it would be the end of May before further progress could be made on the Harbour Area Action Area Plan as they are awaiting a new design for the proposed tunnel to the underground car park.

Tree Pruning

In addition to the tree pruning that he requested at Pound Park, Kingsbry Estate and Maynooth Park, Cllr. John McGinley has, at the requests of the Residents' Associations, also sought tree pruning at Beaufield Estate, Carton Court Estate, Railpark Estate/Straffan Road junction and at Newtown cul-de-sac (Houses 509 to 512).

Sign at Mizzoni Pizza Ltd.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to get the owners of the new "Mizzoni Pizzas" (opposite the Bank of Ireland) to remove the massive ugly sign that they have erected. Such signs belong to a bygone age and should have no place in modern Ireland.

No Public Recycling Centre at ALDI

The planning permission granted for the ALDI store on Kilcock Road, Maynooth, had a condition that a public recycling centre be put in place. As the store has been opened for months and the recycling centre is still not in place Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to take action.

Deputy Stagg & Cllr. McGinley Object to Restaurant at 1 Pound Lane

Deputy Stagg & Cllr. McGinley have objected to the planning application of Farrell O'Boy at 1 Pound Lane, Maynooth, for a change of use from Residential to Restaurant and construction of a two storey extension. Some of their reasons for objecting are as follows:

- The proposal is for a large restaurant, which includes a wine bar. It is intended to locate the restaurant in one of the last untouched residential enclaves off Main Street, Maynooth ; namely Pound Lane. The area in question is residential, with 8 terraced

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- houses and no commercial premises.
- The proposed Restaurant and Wine Bar will cause serious reduction in residential amenity for the residents of this area.
- It will have a negative effect on the quality of life of the residents of the area.
- It will cause noise and odour nuisances.
- It will increase traffic in the area. Patrons will park nearby causing further nuisance to residents in the area as no parking is possible on the site.
- It is contrary to para 4.1.12 of the Maynooth Development Plan 2002 which states "The Council will seek to ensure that new development does not cause an unacceptable increase in noise and pollution levels affecting surrounding properties."

Extension to Maynooth Presentation Convent to proceed to Advanced Architectural Planning

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the announcement by the Minister for Education on April 20th that the required extension to Maynooth Presentation Convent will proceed through advance architectural planning.

The required extension comprises additional classrooms, resource rooms and a new General Purpose Room.

Architectural Planning for this extension commenced in 2001 and the announcement by the Minister means that the advanced architectural planning can now be completed.

Deputy Stagg stressed that it was important that once the planning for the project was completed that capital funding was sanctioned and he will continue to monitor progress on the project.

Maynooth Post-Primary Extension

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to pursue the provision of the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School.

The Minister for Education advised Deputy Stagg in the Dail on April 12th that Co. Kildare V.E.C. were responsible for progress with the project following the Capital Funding approved on January 10th under the 2005 School Building Programme.

Deputy Stagg was in contact with Co. Kildare V.E.C. who indicated that advertisements will be placed in

newspapers in May seeking expressions of interest from contractors who want to tender for the project.

The extension will mean that the school will now be able to cater for a long term enrolment of 850 pupils and will ease the present overcrowding in classrooms and reduce dependency on temporary accommodation. The extension comprises of 6 General Classrooms, Demonstration Room, Computer Business Machines Room, Special Tuition Room, 2 Lecture Rooms, Administration Rooms and a Physical Education Hall.

Deputy Stagg will continue to monitor progress on the Extension

Electrification of Maynooth Railway Line

Deputy Emmet Stagg supports Iarnrod Eireann's proposal to electrify the Maynooth suburban rail line and has passed this issue along with the building of a new train station at Spencer Dock, which is critical to increasing the frequency of services on the Maynooth Line, with the Minister of Transport.

At present the Minister is assessing Iarnrod Eireann's proposals and Deputy Stagg will continue to apply pressure on the Minister and the Government to accept the plan put forward to Iarnrod Eireann.

Council decision to allow 4 & 3 storey development on former pitch and putt course a disgrace

Deputy Emmet Stagg has blasted Kildare County Council for granting planning permission for 80 dwellings on the former Pitch and Putt Course on Dunboyne Road, Maynooth. The proposal includes three 4 storey blocks of apartments and two 3 storey terraced blocks of houses.

Deputy Stagg had objected to the proposal along with his colleague Cllr. John McGinley last July in support of the Residents of Leinster Cottages and Dunboyne road.

Criticising the decision by the Council, Deputy Stagg stated that the proposal was unsuitable for the following reasons:

- The proposed 4 storey blocks of apartments were monotonous and ugly, and were more suitable for the inner city of Dublin rather than Maynooth Village. The 3 storey terraced houses were similarly unacceptable in design.
- The 4 storey blocks and 3 storey terraced houses will overlook the rear gardens of dwellings in Leinster Cottages and Dunboyne Road and will block a view of the Lyreen River

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for the residents of Leinster Cottages which has existed for 200 years.

- The excessive heights proposed will impact on views from Pound Park.

The area borders the Architectural Conservation Area of Maynooth Town, as such the Historic Core of the Town. The proposal ignores the unique character of development in the area and as such damages its Architectural heritage.

Deputy Stagg stated that the Leinster Cottages area of the Town was as old and unique as the Main Street area and he described as inexcusable the Council's decision to grant planning permission for this development.

Deputy Stagg will discuss the decision with local resident and vowed that he would fight the decision in An Bord Pleanála.

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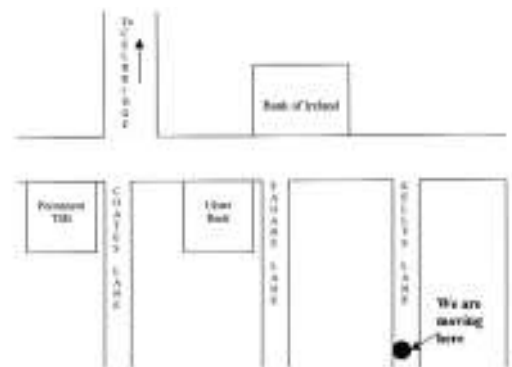
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Editorial

Well the stressful time of the exams is over and we congratulate the students in the schools and the colleges. There are parents as well as teachers and professors on the end of another year .

You all did great so enjoy the summers holidays. We would like to wish the Leaving cert. students well in whatever course of action they take in the future.

Maynooth Geraldine Community Festival July 21st to July 24th

This year Maynooth has a fun packed festival from music nights to singles night. This is your festival so I would ask you to get involved and support the festival . For more details see inside.

Children's Playground

Maynooth has a new playground and is being built in the Harbour Field. It is going to cost €355,000 and it is the centre piece of Kildare. We are very lucky to have it in our town and for the younger generation of Maynooth to use. It is hoped to have it built by the end of August of this year. Congratulations to Deirdre Bristow and the Maynooth Playground Committee for the hard work that they have put into it.

The Maynooth Newsletter is going through a revamp and I would encourage all of you to send in your comments and ideas that you might have as it is your Newsletter and for your enjoyment.

Andrew McMullon

*Please support your
local festival from
21st - 24th July, also
the Tesco 7 a side
inter-estate soccer
tournament from
12th July - 24th*

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The June meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 13th June in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Festival

Festival Committee to be organised. Andrew McMullon gave an outline of events:

Festival 21 July—25 July.
The 7 a side soccer—starting 11th July.
Roost: 25 Card night.
Table Quiz.
Car Treasure Hunt.
Family Day—Harbour Field
Council Car Park Market—International theme.
Bar-person of the year—Sponsored by Caulfields.
Drama Group will do a tour of the pubs.
Tug of War—Council Car Park

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Ryder/Nissan Classic 2006

While it became clear there were mixed feelings about the benefits to Maynooth from the Nissan Irish Open 2005, it was decided to form a committee. For next years event it was suggested that maybe the business people in the town might lead this with assistance from the Community Council.

Senan Griffin thought Maynooth got world attention, he said you have to look at the bigger picture. A lot of work went into this.

Andrew McMullon thanked Brid Feeley, Cyril McAree, Ray Grehan, for help putting up and taking down bunting in the town, this was done at 5 o'clock in the morning. It also gave an insight as to the huge amount of trucks that are passing through the town at this time of the morning.

Community Centre

We are still waiting for sign over of land to Kildare County Council. Senan Griffin told the meeting that there is a hold-up of transfer of Doyle's land. Councillors won't talk until land is in the hands of KCC.

John McGinley said that we should push on with plans for the Geraldine Hall, also decide on what type of building we want here.

Playground for Maynooth

John McGinley showed a very impressive plan of the playground.

The playground will cater for children 0-6, 6-14 yrs. The playground will be finished by end of August 05, with a cost of €355,000. This is in conjunction with Playdate and Kildare County Council. It was also noted that the local playground action group were very involved with this.

Weston Air Drome

Cyril McAree and John O Shea expressed concern about air space activity over Maynooth.

Cyril said Maynooth is being used as a flight path. It was also stated that the run-way is being extended to have big planes landing there.

It was suggested that a meeting should take place between MCC, Minister Willie O'Dea, KCC, Irish Aviation Authority and South Dublin County Council.

It was also noted Dublin Airport Traffic low flying. All this is causing great disturbance to people of Maynooth. It was suggested that we should talk to people in Lucan and Leixlip.

Rubbish Collection

Sean Cushen pointed out that people are calling to homes offering to take people's rubbish away. It was felt that these people are dumping rubbish around the area—so be warned! Hugh Gallagher also noted that Waste Collectors should have permits.

Laraghbryan Graveyard

People were advised at the meeting that it was not safe for people to go to the graveyard on their own as a person has been reported hanging around there intimidating people

Sub Committee

It was suggested by John O'Connor that Maynooth should twin with some town in Africa. A small group was set up to look at all aspects of it.

Tidy Towns

Paul Croghan said their collection went very well, way up on last year. He also thanked Tesco for work done here. He said the next 7 weeks are very important. The Committee is very committed to this work.

It was suggested that business people could put out flower baskets.

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Sean Cushen said that 5 bags of rubbish were taken from the canal. A plea was sent to young people not to throw bottles in the canal.

Paul also said that there are new bins around the town. These were funded by Tidy Towns supported by Kildare County Council.

Community Games

Matt Callaghan said their collection went very well. Matt asked for more people to get involved with Community Games.

Next Meeting—11th July—Venue Glenroyal Hotel

Marie Gleeson, PRO

News Release - Maynooth org. site been redeveloped

Maynooth.org today is been redeveloped, due to the large number of information and User as well as visitors to the site. Maynooth.org Forum is now up and working and in the coming weeks the main site will be working.

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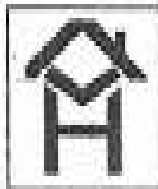
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05/997	John William Mullhern	22 Woodlands Naas Co. Kildare	O	09/05/05	Sought to erect dwelling, secondary effluent treatment system and associated site works	Timard Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1033	Peter & Margaret Gisbey	22 Parklands Lawns Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/05/05	To erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house with kitchen area, extended below, garage converted to a habitable space, a single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling house and single storey extension to front etc.	22 Parklands Lawns Rail park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1035	Barton Enterprises	Straffan Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/05/05	The removal of conditions no. 3 and 12 of planning permission granted for Bus Park (Reg.ref.04/1275).	Greenfields Maynooth Co. Kildare
	Newtown Inn & Restaurant Ltd	Ardfield House Old Lucan Road Lucan Co. Dublin	R	13/05/05	Incorporation of the existing adjoining unit 8 of Newtown Shopping Centre as part of an extension to the Newtown Inn Public House. The unit has been modified and extended at the rear to provide additional toilets for the public house etc.	Newtown Public House Beaufield Rd., Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1052	Colm Kennedy	Apt 23 Phoenix View St. Laurences Park Chapelizod Co. Dublin	P	13/05/05	Two storey extension at the side including a single storey kitchen extension at the rear	1 Meadowbrook Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1052	Com Kennedy	Apt. 23 Phoenix View St. Laurences Park Chapelizod Co. Dublin	P	13/05/05	Two storey extension at the side including a single storey kitchen extension at the rear	1 Meadowbrook Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1054	Don & Kate Moore	13 Woodlands Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	16/05/05	To construct a single storey extension consisting of ensuite bedroom and utility room etc	13 Woodlands Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1091	Boldnote Developments Ltd	Carton Demense Carton, Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	20/05/05	Revisions/modifications to approved tourism/leisure development scheme PA ref.441/91 and An Bord Pleanala PL 9/5/88418. and associated outhouses, stables and yards are currently listed under the development plan and are protected structures etc.	Carton Demense Carton, Maynooth Co. Kildare

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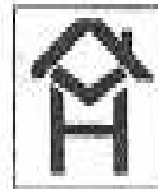
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05/1098	Sheila Higgins	24 Parklands Close Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	20/05/05	Extensions to side and rear of existing house at ground and first floor level and for retention of single storey extension to rear of existing house etc.	24 Parklands Close Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1226	Andrew and John Murphy Ryan	25 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	31/05/05	First floor domestic extension consisting of construction of two rooms above existing playroom and utility room currently to side of the house.	25 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1239	Deidre & David Leahy	7 Parklands Close Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/06/05	A first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion and also a single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling house	7 Parklands Close Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1243	Peter Kennedy	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/06/05	A dormer bungalow, Puraflo treatment system and septic tank and retention of temporary accommodation subject to the completion of doemer bungalow, Puraflo treatment system and septic tank etc	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1246	Padraig McCabe	63 Rockfield Lodge Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/06/05	Development consist of a first floor extension to the side of existing house	63 Rockfield Lodge Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/996	Patrick Mullhern	Timard Maynooth Co. Kildare	O	02/06/05	Sought to erect dwelling, secondary effluent treatment system and associated site works.	Timard Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/997	John William Mullhern	22 Woodlands Naas Co. Kildare	P	02/06/05	Sought to erect dwelling, secondary effluent treatment system and associated site works	Timard Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1261	Emmet Savage	32 Charter House Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	03/06/05	Bungalow and Septech 200 effluent treatment plant etc	Cormackstown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1320	Mary Murphy	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	09/06/05	One and half storey house and Septech 200 effluent treatment plant etc	Mooneycooley Maynooth Co. Kildare



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Features

Opening Doors to Learning By Serj Merzliakov

Maynooth Adult Day-time Education (MADE) is celebrating the 20th anniversary this year. Started in early 1985, MADE helped many people to go back to learning and even to grow through it.

Today I am meeting with **Lise O'Farrell, the Chairperson of the Maynooth Adult Education Committee.**

Lise, could you please tell how it all began?

Lise: It all started 20 years ago, when a group of people were doing a part-time course in Maynooth college and decided to establish a day-time education centre to help others to return to education. Their efforts grew with time and finally they managed to start MADE with the help of Kildare VEC. Today it is run by a committee of volunteers from the local community.

Originally, the Maynooth Education Centre ran over 10 classes a week – classes in French, Spanish, Maths, History, various art classes, Creative Writing and others. Sharing large facilities allowed us to vary courses as well as being open to the needs of people. This, in particular, resulted in opening a course in computer literacy, which we managed to run using computers in the local school.

What is the idea behind Maynooth Daytime Education Centre as opposed to evening classes?

Lise: Originally, the aim of MADE was to get people to learn something, to make new friends and better

themselves in some way. One of the classes was called "Get out of the house!" and gave a chance to many women to go back to education. I would like to mention that in some cases MADE helped them progress in their learning – some of them went to third level institutions and graduated with college degrees.

I know that recently you had to change your location, could you tell us about it?

Lise: The prefab next to the Post-Primary school, which we used to occupy, was a good facility and thanks to grants, we managed to maintain it. We would like to thank Intel, Kelt and Kildare VEC for helping us to do it. However, the situation changed and we had to relocate. For over a year we did not run courses, and finally restarted in September 2004. We are located in the building behind 'Three Pin Electrical' and run classes on the second floor of ACOL House.

What courses do you run now and who will be your students today?

Lise: At present, we run two classes – English for Non-Nationals (Mondays) and Yoga Classes (Wednesdays). We welcome students from any background and of any lifestyle, as it helps to have a diversity of people. We have students of all ages - our senior student is 80 years old and enjoying the yoga classes – we are glad to have such a mix! In the future, we are planning to open more classes, and hope to grow.

As you have touched upon it, what will be your aspirations?



Opening Doors to Learning at MADE

Features

Lise: At present we need more people on the committee and will welcome any help. As for the future, I hope that when a Community Centre in Maynooth is built it will help us to run more courses.

I would like to thank you for the interview; I sincerely hope that the Community Centre will be built in our town soon.

Lise: I would like to thank you, my colleagues Bernadette Duffy and Mary Farrell as well as Maureen Spain, co-ordinator of Community Education from Naas.

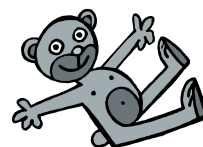


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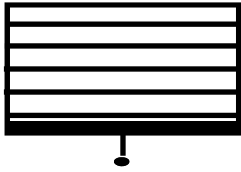
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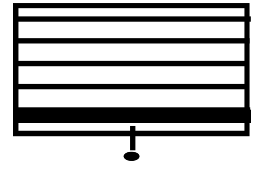
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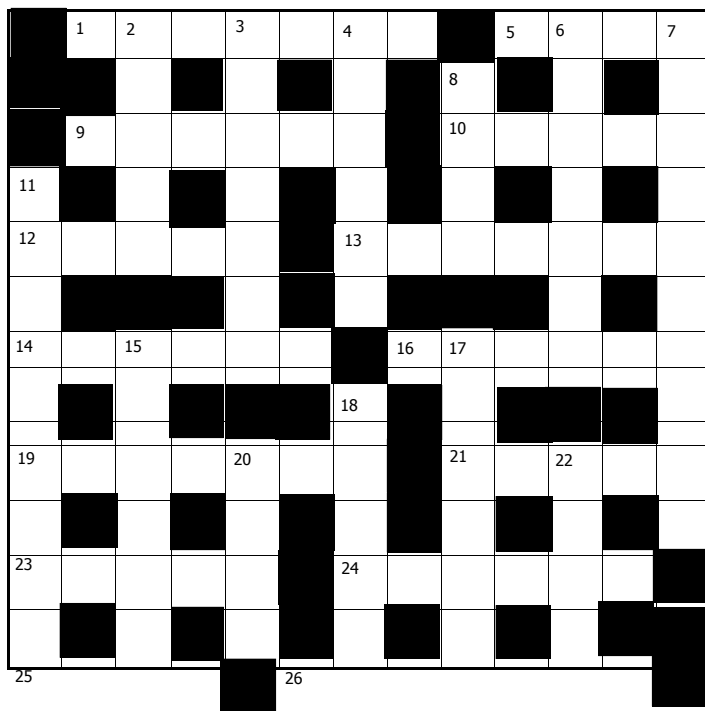
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3. Abscess in the mouth (7)
4. Placard (6)
6. Slippery (7)
7. Nasty (10)
8. Consumer (4)
11. Man-made (10)
15. Metal Cutter (4-3)
17. Pad (7)
18. Disconnect (6)
20. Arm bone (4)
22. Expertise (5)

Across:

1. Food seasoning (7)
5. List of meals (4)
9. Top (6)
10. Postage levy (5)
12. Cowboy competition (5)
13. Smokeless explosive (7)
14. Breathe in (6)
16. Entry (6)
19. Comprise (7)
21. EastEnders actress, _ _ _ Tully (5)
23. Author of the play, Hedda Gabler (5)
24. Sour-tasting (6)
25. Grassed area (4)
26. Shore pebbles (7)

Across:

1. Obviate, **5.** Acid, **9.** Weaken, **10.** Hates, **12.** Romeo, **13.** Embrace **14.** Hasten, **16.** Tanker, **19.** Ivanhoe, **21.** Rifle, **23.** Harpo, **24.** Behind, **25.** Pawn, **26.** Crumpet

Down:

2. Bream, **3.** Irksome, **4.** Tandem, **6.** Cut-back, **7.** Dishearten, **8.** Ahab, **11.** Archbishop, **15.** Sparrow, **17.** Abraham, **18.** Member, **20.** Hook, **22.** Fence.

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New Orleans:

In the US state of Louisiana and situated on the Gulf of Mexico, New Orleans is one of the most fascinating cities in America. The city is famous for it's French influenced architecture, Cajun recipes, scenic cemeteries, voodoo tours and annual Mardi

Gras parades. Like most parts of the South, the people are more laid back and have more time for tourists as opposed to their northern counterparts. The streets are lined with scenic buildings done in the style of 17th century France, and as quaint as San Francisco's famous colonial "painted ladies". If you prefer older cities than modern high rise ones such as New York and LA, New Orleans is a good choice. Giving it's European influence it has retained it's original skyline unlike many of it's Anglo-Saxon counterparts in the rest of the country. Restaurants are plentiful and cheap, with Cajun serving restaurants never out of reach. The city is famous for it's jazz scene, with jazz musicians performing on the streets as well as in bars and clubs. The city also has voodoo tours which take you around the city and through the beautiful scenic cemeteries. Even if you find the idea laughable, it's still a great experience and you'll learn so much about the city and it's past. Jackson square is another must see in the city, with it's famous church. You can also tour the Mississippi river in the old 19th century style steam boats, with their famous large turbine wheel at the back. If you want to get out of the city for a while, Cajun country to the north is well worth a visit. For more information on the city of New Orleans search the travel agents and internet.

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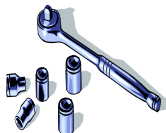
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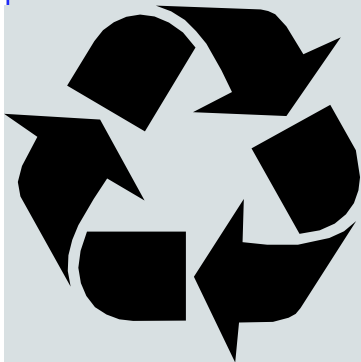


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- 1 Each panel will consist of not more than ten players. A player may play for only one team in the tournament. Players must have been reared in Maynooth or have lived here for the last 12 months.
- 2 The committee reserve the right to refuse any entry.
- 3 Teams to consist of players not currently playing competitive soccer. (Currently means this year.) Does not apply to players who are under 18.
- 4 Names of players and entry fee must be submitted with the official entry form. The team must be named after a housing estate e.g. Old Greenfield.
- 5 Fifteen minutes will be played each way and three substitutes may be used.
- 6 The format of the competition will be decided by the committee.
- 7 All games must start at the stated time, in the event of a team being late the match will be awarded to the opposition, under no circumstances will any postponement be given.
- 8 Any team playing players not included in their entry form will be removed from the tournament.
- 9 The organising committee will not be responsible for any articles lost or damaged.
- 10 The organising committee will not be responsible for any injury to any player.
- 11 All protests will be dealt with by the organising committee.
- 12 Protest, together with fee of €10.00, refundable if protest is upheld, must be lodged with the Secretary of the organising committee within thirty minutes of the finish.
- 13 Teams will not be included in draw unless entry fee is paid €50.00
- 14 In the competition studs may be worn but must confirm to F.I.F.A. standards. Shin-guards must be worn. Match referee's decision will be final in this matter. Flat footwear must be of proper standard, be safe for wearer and not constitute a danger to other players. Referee's decision is also final in this matter.
- 15 In the event of an objection it will be up to the team allegedly guilty to prove that they are innocent.
- 16 In the event of a walk-over or an objection the other team will be rewarded a 2-nil win.
- 17 The committee's decision is final in all matters.

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Entries before 1ST JULY 2005

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PLAYERS NAMES:

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2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

**On behalf of the above team I agree to abide by the rules of the
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Signed: _____ Team Captain/Manager

**N.B. Completed Entry Form together with entry Fee of €50 must be lodged with
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Maynooth Citizens Information Notes.

Question

I understand the Respite Care Grant is being extended to all full-time carers. Can you please give the details?

Answer

The Respite Care Grant is paid once a year to certain carers of people in need of full-time care and attention. In previous years it has been paid by the Department of Social and Family Affairs to those getting Carer's Allowance, Carer's Benefit, Constant Attendance Allowance or Prescribed Relative's Allowance. It has also been paid by the former Health Boards to those getting Domiciliary Care Allowance.

From June 2005 the grant of €1,000 will be paid to those getting one of the payments mentioned above as well as certain other carers providing full-time care. To qualify, if you are not receiving one of the payments, you must be:

- Aged 16 or over and ordinarily resident in the State
- Caring for the person on a full-time basis
- Caring for the person for at least six months - this period must include the first Thursday in June e.g. 2nd June 2005
- Living with the person being cared for or, if not, be contactable quickly by a direct system of communication e.g. telephone or alarm

You do not qualify if you are working more than 10 hours per week outside the home, if you are getting an unemployment payment or if you are signing on for unemployment credits. You also do not qualify if you are living in a hospital, convalescent home or similar institution.

If you are caring for more than one person a grant is paid for each of them.

The person being cared for must have so severe a disability as to require full-time care and attention and must not be receiving it from someone else. He/she must not normally live in a hospital, convalescent home or similar institution. Attendance at a non-residential training course or day care centre is allowed.

If you are receiving one of the above carer's payments you will be sent the grant automatically. If you are not, you should apply on Form TDG1 which is available from your Social Welfare Officer or

Citizens Information Centre. If you are caring for more than two people you will also require Form RCG1 (a).

Further information on this and other carer's entitlements is available in the new edition of Comhairle's publication *Entitlements for People with Disabilities* which is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

I will be claiming a full Contributory Old Age Pension from the Department of Social and Family Affairs shortly. My wife has no income in her own right but has capital of 60,000. Will I be able to claim for her on my pension?

Answer

Although the Contributory Old Age Pension is not means-tested pension, you will only receive a payment for your wife, called a Qualified Adult payment, if her weekly means are assessed as do not exceeding €220.00 per week. How much you receive will depend on how much her weekly means are assessed by the Department to be. Means include income and any capital or savings.

The formula used for the assessment of capital/savings for all means-tested social welfare payments, including Qualified Adult payments, changed from June 2005. Under the new formula, capital/savings are assessed as follows:

First €20,000 is disregarded

Next €10,000 assessed at 1 weekly means for each €1,000

Next €10,000 assessed at 2 weekly means for each €1,000

Balance assessed at 4 weekly means for each €1,000

Note: this formula does not apply to Supplementary Welfare Allowance.

Under this formula your wife, who has capital of €60,000 and no other income, will be assessed as having a weekly means of €110.00. Under the previous formula she would have been assessed as having €124.43 weekly means.

To receive a full Qualified Adult payment the maximum capital your wife can have is just under €55,000. As your wife has capital of €60,000, you should get a reduced Qualified Adult payment of €97.90 if your spouse has not yet reached her 66th birthday or €113.70 if she is 66 or over. Prior to the change you would have received €87.10 or €101.30 respectively. Anyone already receiving a social

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Maynooth Citizens Information Notes. (contd.)

welfare payment on the basis of the assessment of capital should qualify for an increased payment following this change in the formula for assessing capital/savings.

Question

I have an elderly aunt who lives alone. Am I entitled to any tax relief if I employ a carer for her?

Answer

You may be entitled to claim a tax allowance if you employ a carer to care for a family member who is totally incapacitated. You will not be eligible for the tax relief if the carer is employed as a housekeeper only.

The Tax Allowance for Employing a Carer is claimed at your highest rate of tax (i.e. 42 % or 20 %) and you can claim for the cost of employing the carer less any amount recovered from a Health Board/Health Service Executive, etc. Where two or more persons employ the carer the allowance may be shared between them.

Since January 2004, the maximum amount that can be claimed is the lower of either .

The actual cost incurred or

- €2,500 for each month the person was totally
- incapacitated i.e €30,000 for the year.

Previously the person had to be totally incapacitated for the whole year to be eligible for the tax relief. This is no longer the case.

The carer may be employed on an individual basis or through an agency. Any member of the wider family who engages the carer may claim the tax allowance against their own income. The wider family includes a blood relative, a relative by marriage or a legal guardian.

To claim the allowance you should complete Form HK 1, available from your local tax office. If you are a PAYE taxpayer, your Certificate of Tax Credits will be increased to include the relief due. If you pay tax under self-assessment, the Form HK1 should be attached to the tax return and relief will be given in your Notice of Assessment.

As it is necessary for you to employ a person to qualify for the allowance you will have to register as an employer, and deduct PAYE/PRSI. In certain circumstances, where the care is provided by an agency and the agency pays the carer directly, the agency will normally be responsible for deducting PAYE and PRSI. You will still be eligible for the allowance and should submit your claim on Form HK1 as usual.

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Question

I am leaving school and starting my first job next month. What should I do so that I do not have to pay too much tax?

Answer

To ensure your tax is dealt with properly and that your employer deducts the correct amount of tax there are two things you must do.

- You should give your employer your Personal Public Service Number (PPS No.). This number is your unique person identification number for the public services in Ireland. Your employer should then let your tax office know that you have started work and that they are your employer. If you do not know your PPS No. or you wish to apply for one contact your local Social Welfare Office.
- You should apply on a Form 12A for a 'Certificate of Tax Credits and Standard Rate Cut-Off Point' to your district tax office. If your employer does not have a Form 12A, you can get one from any tax office or by telephoning LoCall 1890 306 706.

To ensure that your employer and the tax office have time to have everything sorted out before your first pay-day, it is advisable to do all this as soon as you accept an offer of a job (even for part-time or holiday employment). The tax office will forward you a detailed statement of your tax credits.

Your own personal circumstances dictate the amount of tax credits you are entitled to and therefore how much tax you must pay. All workers have tax credits - for example, a single person has a Personal Credit of €1,580 and an Employee Credit (previously PAYE Credit) of €1,270 in the tax year 2005. If you are single your tax is calculated on your gross pay at 20% of your earnings below €29,400 and at 42% of the balance. This gives you your gross tax liability. Your tax credits are then subtracted from this figure and the remainder is the amount of tax you will pay. The tax you pay is spread over the tax year so that you receive approximately the same wages each week.

Further information for school leavers starting work is available in the new edition of Comhairle's leaflet *Information for School Leavers* which is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

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Citizens Information is also available online at www.oasis.gov.ie and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, LoCall 1890 777 121.

Attention!

If any clubs or organisations would like to submit any upcoming events, would they please contact the

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On Saturday 12th March, Seamus Byrne was awarded the Vatican Award for good Merit, the Benemerenti Medal and Certificate. Cardinal Desmond Connell presented the award to Seamus after evening mass which was concelebrated by Monsignor Stenson, Fr. P. Coyle and Fr PJ O'Connor.

Seamus received the Benemerenti Medal for his fifty years service to Maynooth Parish. He was involved in the running of the bingo in the Parish Hall for over 41 years, and also organised fund raising events for the Parish. He also helped with the dances and plays held in the parish over the years. Seamus would drive around Maynooth passing out envelopes for the weekly envelope collection and served at mass.

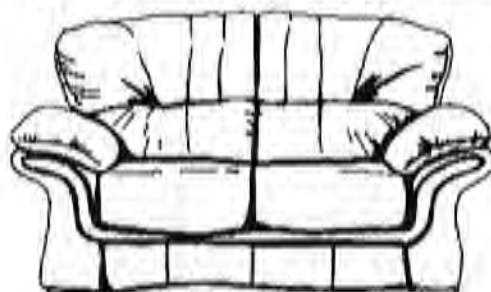
Seamus' sons, daughters, grandchildren, sisters, brother, sister in laws, brother in law and many friends were with him to celebrate this special occasion. Seamus was honoured to receive the Benemerenti Medal a week before Pope John Paul passed away.

A reception was held in the Parochial House by Monsignor Stenson for Seamus and his family after the mass.

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Useful Tips

Tents

- Before taking a new tent on a camping trip, practise putting it up and taking it down. You may arrive at your campsite at night and you will need to know how to assemble it.
- Check your old tent for tears before setting out. Mend them with a patch of ready-proofed nylon, sewn on with polyester thread. Cut the patch about 2in/50mm bigger than the hole and stitch it to the inside of the tent. Do not pin the patch to the tent first, because this will puncture the fabric more than you need to. On the outside, cut the corners of the excess material diagonally, no more than 1in/25mm, turn the fabric under to make a hem and stitch it all round. Treat the stitches with wax and seal the edges of the patch with seam sealant.
- When you go camping, carry nylon repair tape, seam sealant and patches of ready-proofed material with you for temporary repairs. Beeswax or a stick of lip salve will seal small leaky areas where the hole is not visible. Patch any holes from the inside, except near or over seams - these should be patched from the outside.
- If your tent has a multi-section frame or poles, devise a system of marking the ends that fit together with coloured adhesive pvc tape. Either use the same colours on matching sections, or wrap the same number of tape strips around the ends that go together.
- Every 3 years or so, reproof your tent with a waterproofing product. Spread out the tent, outside up. Dip a brush into water and then into the reproof and brush on the solution. Allow it to dry and then finally work wax sealant into the outside seams.
- Avoid mildew or mould by folding up your tent only when it is completely dry. If this is not possible, make sure you put up the tent within the next 2 days and let it dry out.

Improvising a tent You can improvise a fairweather tent with a 10 x 10ft/3 x 3m waterproof groundsheet, a 10ft/3m rope, and a couple of poles, waterproof capes and shoes laces. Remember that this tent will be fragile and unable to withstand high winds or heavy rain.

- Drive a pole (a straight, sturdy 5-6ft/1.5 - 1.8m stick will do) into the ground so that it stands erect. Centre the groundsheet over the pole and lash a shoelace around the top.
- Weigh down one edge of the groundsheet with rocks. Place the other pole under the opposite edge of the groundsheet to form a door; lash it with the other shoelace.
- Guy the top of the front pole to the ground with rope. (If you don't have a peg to secure the guy rope, tie the end to a stick and bury

it.)

- Secure the sides of the groundsheet with more rocks.
- Drape both capes over the door, hanging them by their hoods from the pole.

Sea sickness

There's no cure for sea sickness once it strikes, but there are measures you can take to prevent it from happening or to relieve it.

- Take travel sickness pills half an hour before you start your journey. Check with your doctor or chemist that any medication you are already taking is compatible.
- Don't drink alcohol and don't travel on an empty stomach. Eat bland, easily digestible food.
- Try to keep yourself occupied by talking, playing games or listening to music.
- Get up on deck if possible. Fresh cool air and wind help to reduce nausea.
- Try eating crystallised ginger - it settles the stomach.
- You can buy wrist bands with a little knob that presses on a point on the inside of the wrist just above the hand. These are said to be based on Chinese methods of treating illness by using pressure points. They are available from chemists.

Nicotine stains

- Are your fingers stained with nicotine from cigarettes? Rub lemon juice onto them, or gently scrub the skin with a pumice stone. Then smooth on some hand cream.
- Has the nicotine from heavy smokers marked your walls and ceiling? Scrub the surfaces lightly with a soft brush and diluted washing-up liquid. Do the ceiling before washing the walls. If it is not possible to shift the discoloration, you may have to cover the surfaces with aluminium sealer and then paint the room again.

Mattresses

- To keep a mattress from sliding around on its foundation, put a nonslip rubber mat between the two.
- To even out the wear, turn a new mattress over and reverse it end to end every 3 weeks for 3 months - and every couple of months thereafter.
- Don't use the handles on the mattress to lift it. They're not designed to take the full weight but only to move the mattress around while it's on its base.
- Air a mattress in the sun occasionally to keep it fresh and clean smelling.

Poetry Corner

Priesthood

A true follower of God is a priest
Spreading Gods bible word of truth
As for Apostles of last supper feast
I give all my thoughtful youth

Preaching the word of God to everyone
Is the duty that he portrays
Preparation until the soul is gone
So begins mankind's happy days

A man of faith in every way
Preparing for heavenly place
It is of his heart to pray
To make all evil finally cease

Yet he is just an ordinary man
With a voice to speak his mind
He tries to do best he can
For a more close and peaceful mankind

O' Father I say to you my friend
May your message be true to all
So the word of God will never end
In your voice I hear God's call

THE VILLAGE STREET

Busy cars travel all day in the street
Buses, trucks and vans are on their way
Local people in friendship fondly greet
With warm hearts and plenty for to say
A busy bridge holding traffic without fail
Where the Liffey flows inevitably gushing
along

Its rippling waters with scenery tell its tale
Gazing into the river my whole self is gone
Many shops are in trade for each family
Buying groceries and many odds and ends
Constant chat and going on seem forever to
be

Everyone in peace and harmony seeking
friends

But what a bore is my familiar street
With routine ways that just get me down
A sense of comfort is there without
defeat

It is at times familiarity makes me
frown

Sweet papers blow everywhere on the
pathway
While stray dogs feed on remnants along

the ground

It seems that my street is forever to stay
As I walk along with nowhere really
bound
The future time I cannot foresee at all And
what will happen to my busy place
This street is indeed so very small
But a sanctuary for the local to embrace

Pony Girl

Trot along my friend on your way,
Along the ripe meadows onward go,
A faithful creature you always stay,
More of your presence long to know,
We will gallop along a grassy trail,
Just me and you as nature provide,
To reach our destination without fail,
You really make me feel good inside.

Ride along Lady with utmost delight,
With adventure your senses flow,
You really look such a wonderful sight,
Your four-legged friend treasure so
Down by the river glen speedily along
On such a canter a joy to be
Together in unity you both belong
On a brisk bright morning a joy to see.

As graceful to me as can be,
Each gallant move tells its tale.
Your presence I am on one bended knee,
Do all I say without fail.
With trust we live in harmony,
My fond one, you are my pride.
When I ride my spirit is free,
Galloping along the whole country wide.

So unique pony girl, my previous one,
So distinctive in a special way
A mistress like you, nothing goes wrong.
Your natural beauty all to say
Ride with the wind both you go.
On to your stirrups hold tight,
A task you so easily undergo
By the riverside peaceful and bright

Patrick Murray

Gardening tips for July

If the warm summer days are not too dry, even masochistic gardeners should be able to enjoy the fruits of their labours and relax.

Compost: A compost heap started now and carefully managed will be ready for use when digging in the early winter. This means gathering and economically and efficiently rotting down the organic and plant waste of garden and home into humus-forming manure. Raw materials are organic animal and plant residues, soft plant stems, leaves, lawn mowings, soft prunings, spent flowers, discarded leaves and stems of crops, hay, straw, shredded newspaper, kitchen waste, crushed eggshells, wool, even sawdust - but now flowering or seeding weeds, tough perennial weed roots, diseased plants, woody plants or prunings, man-made fibbers, plastic or metal.

Build the heap square in shape. A 1.5m (5ft) cube is a good size to aim for in most gardens. Make a container of wire netting attached to corner posts, or use one of the ready-made compost bins. It is important to admit enough air all around the heap. Water each layer and treat with an activator to speed up the process of decomp -

sition. Use a proprietary substance according to the manufacturer's instructions or sulphate of ammonia at 15g (½oz) per layer. Put a layer of weed-free soil on top.

The Flower garden:

Lift tulip bulbs as their foliage fades. Dry them off in an airy shady place, and sort through them for replanting in October-November. Discard and burn any bulbs showing signs of tulip fire- rotten tissue and black fungus-bearing spores. Dust healthy bulbs with thiram before storing.

Lift and divide old clumps of bearded irises as soon as flowering is over, replanting the younger rhizomes and roots immediately in moist, organically enriched soil. In dry weather, however, leave the plants alone until autumn.

The Vegetable garden:

Lift garlic and shallot bulbs as the tops turn yellow. Choose a fine day; dry out in the sun, and store in a cool shed.

Plant out seedlings of 'Late Purple' sprouting broccoli, savoy cabbages and cauliflowers.



Recipes

Sweet potato fritters

Serves 4 - 6

450g sweet potatoes and boiled
2 large eggs, beaten
3tbs chopped fresh coriander
or parsley
1tsp lemon juice
1/2tbsp ground cumin
1 -2 tbsp plain flour
salt and black pepper
vegetable oil for deep frying
sweet chilli dipping sauce

Method

Drain the sweet potatoes. Mash them, and stir in the eggs, coriander, lemon juice and cumin. Add 1 tbsp flour and season. Heat oil in a deep fryer or a wok over a moderate heat until it reaches 186°C. Drop in a few spoonfuls of the mixture and fry until golden. If the fritters start to break apart as they cook, stir another tablespoonful of flour into the batter and fry in spoonfuls. Drain well on crumpled kitchen paper and serve hot with a sweet chilli dipping sauce.

Pork fillet with mojo sauce

Serves 6

125ml olive oil
up to 8 cloves of garlic, crushed
125ml freshly squeezed orange juice
125ml fresh pineapple juice
1/2tsp chopped fresh oregano leaves
salt and black pepper
1kg pork fillet
fresh coriander or parsley to garnish

Method

Make the Mojo sauce first. Heat the oil in a saucepan. Add the garlic and stir until it turns a light golden colour. Add the orange and pineapple juices and the cumin. Bring to boiling point, then take off the heat and add the oregano. Season to taste. Put half the sauce in a shallow dish and add the pork fillet. Cover and set aside for 2 hours, or leave overnight in fridge. Preheat your oven to 200°C/gas mark 6. Transfer the pork and the sauce to an ovenproof dish. Roast for 40 minutes, or until cooked through. Cut the pork into thin slices and drizzle with the reserved sauce. Garnish with fresh coriander or sprigs of parsley.

Roasted Vegetables

Serves 6

12tbsp olive oil
2 medium - size aubergines, cubed,
salted and rinsed
2 red peppers, seeded and cut in strips
1 punnet baby corn
sprigs of oregano
pinch of ground cumin

1tsp ground coriander

2 cloves of garlic, crushed

salt and black pepper

sweet potato fritters or pork fillet

Method

Preheat your oven to 200°C/gas mark 6.

Heat 3tbsp of the oil in a roasting tin in the oven.

Take it out of the oven and add the aubergine cubes. Toss well. Return the tin to the oven and roast for 15 minutes.

Take the tin from the oven again and add the peppers, baby corn, oregano, cumin, coriander and garlic. Toss well to coat in the oil. Roast for a further 25 - 30 minutes until all the vegetables are tender.

Season to taste and serve hot.

Passionfruit creme brulee

Serves 6

500ml cream
vanilla pod, split
5 eggs yolks
4tbsp sugar
2tsp cornflour
caster sugar

Method

Preheat the oven to 150°C/gas mark 2.

Place the cream and split vanilla pod with seeds into a small saucepan. Bring to the boil, remove from heat and allow to infuse for 20 minutes.

Beat the egg yolks and sugar together for

3 - 4 minutes until pale and thick. Beat in the cornflour, then stir this mixture into the cream

Pour into a small bowl, place over a saucepan of simmering water and stir slowly and continuously until the custard thickens. Keep custard well under simmering point. Remove from the heat and stir for 1-2 minutes to cool. Strain and stir through the passionfruit pulp.

Pour into 6 small ramekins and stand them in a shallow baking pan filled with water 1/3 of the way up the sides of the ramekins.

Lift carefully into the sides of the ramekins. Lift carefully into the oven and cook for 30 - 40 minutes until set and a thick skin forms on top. Do not allow to colour.

Refrigerate overnight or for at least 4 hours.

Sprinkle surface of custards lightly and evenly with caster sugar. Caramelize with a domestic blowtorch or under a hot grill. Allow sugar to melt and form a toffee glaze.

Serve once the Caramel is set.

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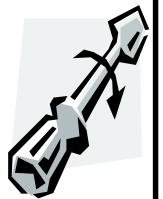


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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Ladies Golf Society

The Maynooth Ladies Golf Society held their fourth outing of the 2005 season at Kilcock Golf Club on Thursday 9th June. Twenty one of the thirty three members played. The society has been in existence since 2003. It includes members from Maynooth and outlying areas including Leixlip, Celbridge and Lucan. It is open to lady golfers of all ages and abilities and is at present accepting new members. Beginners are especially welcome. Group golf lessons are organised for beginners and improvers on an ongoing basis by the society in Celbridge and Lucan.

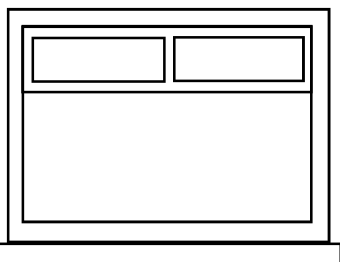
It is open to lady golfers of all ages and abilities and is at present accepting new members. Beginners are especially welcome. Group golf lessons are organised for beginners and improvers on an ongoing basis by the society in Celbridge Golf Range with Louise D'Arcy (Golf Professional). The next outing is on Thursday 7th July in Ladyhill Golf Club. If you are interested in joining the society contact Deidre Glynn, Chairperson at 086 8509725

The results of the Kilcock outing are as follows:
Overall Winner: Karen Kelly (33)
Category A Winners: Anne Connellan (32) and Brigid Kirwan (27)
Category B Winner: Sheila Lee (21)

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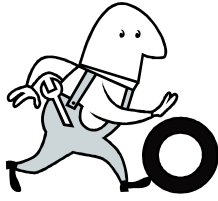
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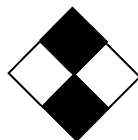
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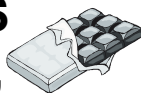
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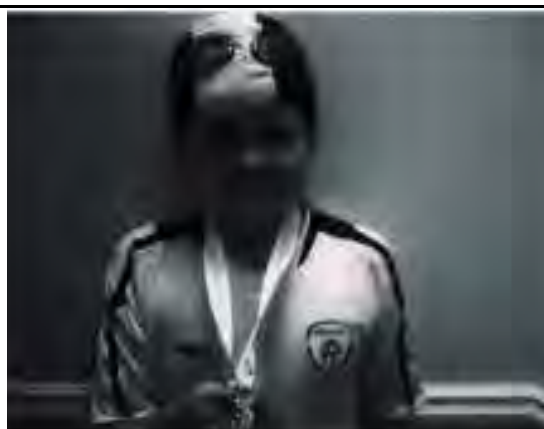
Event	Place	East	West
Boys U10 200m	1st	Louis Harnett	Darren Maguire
	2nd		Cal Gaffney
	3rd		Oisin O'Sullivan
Boys U12 100m	1st	Tim Finnegan	Robert Maguire
	2nd	Fawaz Oduyebo	Alex Birchall
	3rd	Patrick Murray	
Boys U12 600m	1st	Tim Finnegan	Robert Maguire
	2nd	Fawaz Oduyebo	
Boys U14 100m	1st	Brian Murray	Andrew Birchall
	2nd	Credo Hemryhing	David Toner
	3rd	Shane Lynch	
Boys U14 800m	1st	Credo Hemryhing	Andrew Birchall
	2nd	Denis Stewart	
	3rd	Shane Lynch	
Boys U 13 Walking Race	1st	Tim Finnegan	
	2nd	Fawaz Oduyebo	

Good luck to all athletes in the County Finals weekend 24th/25th June in Newbridge.

Art Competition

On Saturday 28th May boys and girls headed off to the Curragh for the County Finals bringing home the following results.

U14	Clara Murray	Gold Medal
U14	Grace Soon	Certificate
U12	Katie Curran	Bronze Medal
U16	Jenifer Feehan	Silver Medal
Congratulations and well done		



Eoin McCormack age 9 who won the Under 10's backstroke swimming competition in Athy. He will compete in Mosney All Ireland representing Kildare in August.

Swimming

On Saturday 4th June boys and girls packed their bags and headed off to Athy Swimming Pool for the County Finals and did Maynooth proud. The following are the results.

U8 Freestyle	Laoise Miller	Bronze
U10 Freestyle	Shane Monaghan	Gold
U10 Freestyle	Tadhg Forde	Bronze
U10 Backstroke	Maebh Walsh	Bronze
U10 Backstroke	Owen McCormack	Gold
U12 Freestyle	Sean McKnight	Gold
U12 Breaststroke	Cian Forde	Bronze
U14 Breaststroke	Siobhan Kelly	Gold
U16 Freestyle	Claire Skelly	Certificate

Well done to all the boys and girls who competed and good luck to all the gold medal winners who will be competing in Mosney at the end of August.

Maynooth Community Games 2005

Maynooth Community Games held the local athletic events on Friday May 27th at 6 o'clock in Maynooth GAA Centre.

Lots of boys and girls turned up to enjoy a lovely evening. All the tiny tots enjoyed running their events and went home with medals to encourage them as future athletes.

Results as follows

Event	Place	East	West
Girls U8 60m	1st	Edel Murray	Sarah Toner
	2nd	Sophie Milner	Katie Geraghty
	3rd	Elaine Healy	Ann Ward
Girls U8 80m	1st	Edel Murray	Sarah Toner
	2nd	Sophie Milner	Ann Ward
	3rd	Elaine Healy	Katie Geraghty
Girls U10 100m	1st	Katie Milner	Kelly Cooke
	2nd	Ciara Hewson	Laura Cooke
	3rd	Jane O'Connor	Louise Qualter
Girls U10 200m	1st	Katie Milner	Kelly Cooke
	2nd	Ciara Hewson	Laura Cooke
	3rd	Jane O'Connor	Louise Qualter & Eleanor Geraghty
Girls U12 100m	1st	Elaine Kelly	Heather Gaffney
	2nd	Emily Milner	Aoife Dunne
	3rd	Ruth O'Connor	Katie Cooke
Girls U12 600m	1st	Emily Milner	Heather Gaffney
	2nd	Ruth O'Connor	Katie Cooke
	3rd		Lorna Noone
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	3rd		Aoife Reilly
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I.C.A NOTES

Last meeting before summer holidays took place on 2nd May 2005.

An invite to attend the 40th celebrations of the senior citizens was received by the I.C.A and the President and another member will attend.

A donation was made to the Little Way Cancer Support Centre and Maynooth Community Unit following a bring and buy sale. This was greatly accepted by both parties. Maynooth I.C.A. run a yearly function for charities.

Federation quiz will take place on 28th June 2005 in Kill. We will have a team or two in this competition. The National competition for I.C.A Pitch & Putt takes place during June 2005.

Fifty five members will set off from Kildare for the I.C.A. college for a weeks holiday the first week in July 2005. Each member will also take part in a course - e.g. Pitch & Putt, Line Dancing, Painting and Cookery etc., during the week. A similar weekend will take place in October 2005 in the I.C.A college - An Grianar, Termonfechin, Co. Louth.

For the interested person the I.C.A has lots to offer so why not join us on the first Thursday in September 2005 when we return after the holidays.

The weekly craft class and playing of badminton will also start back.

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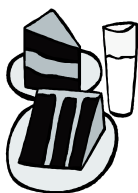
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PRESS STATEMENT!

Murphy keen to see Town Council status conferred on Maynooth and Celbridge.

Deputy Catherine Murphy has sought a commitment from the Government on when the establishment of Town councils in Celbridge and Maynooth is likely to be facilitated.

In response to a question by the newly elected North Kildare TD, the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government stated that he "will be pursuing consultations with local government interests" with a view to setting up a local government commission which will, in turn, oversee the Town Council creation process.

In a separate statement Deputy Murphy, while expressing some disappointment at the Minister's failure to provide a specific timeframe for the Town council creation process.

In a separate statement Deputy Murphy, while expressing some disappointment at the Minister's failure to provide a specific timeframe for the Town Council application process, found Deputy Roche's response "encouraging".

Murphy went on to say "the Minister has clearly demonstrated a personal commitment to and belief in the expansion of the Town Council network and the local government system in general, which is a very positive place from which to start the ball rolling".

A veteran of the local government system, Deputy Murphy was one of the original members of Leixlip Town Commission in 1988 where she remained a member until required to resign due to her election to Dáil Éireann in March of this year.

In a determined response to the Minister's invitation to speak about the issue "outside the House", Murphy candidly remarked that she has "every intention of accepting the invitation sooner rather than later".

Details of the full Dáil debate can be had if you log onto the following website:
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Minister's commitment to investigate illegal air traffic movements at Weston

Commenting on the Minister for Defence, Mr. Willie O' Dea's commitment to further investigate alleged illegal aircraft activity at Weston Aerodrome, backweston, Co. Kildare. Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) welcomed the Minister's response and agreed to provide documentation and video evidence to assist in his enquiries.

Speaking in the Dáil yesterday, Deputy Murphy (Ind) asked the Minister for Defence, what contact his Department has had with the Irish Aviation Authority, South Dublin and Kildare County Council's, and what sanctions are available in the event that unauthorised use of the facility is proven to be taking place.

In his response, the Minister expressed surprise and concern on learning that unauthorised use of the stopway/clearway for runway purposes was taking place.

Mr O' Dea, TD went on to inform the House that although his department had been aware of a dispute regarding unauthorised developments at the facility (the resolution of which falls within the remit of the local planning authorities concerned) he had not been aware that illegal air traffic activity had been taking place.

He went on to request that Deputy Murphy forward any documentation in her possession that could shed light on the situation, and demonstrate that illegal aircraft movements were taking place. The newly elected North Kildare TD agreed to co-operate fully with the Department of Defence in this regard.

Weston Aerodrome is currently licensed to operate a class 1 runway, the length of which may not exceed 799 metres. However, due to the recent addition of a paved stopway/clearway to the existing runway, the new length is 1410 metres.

Any use of this portion of the paved surface for landing and takeoff purposes, according to correspondence received by Kildare County Council in April 2005, is "contrary to the planning permission granted" and "would constitute unauthorised use of the facilities"

In further correspondence to Kildare County Council it was stated that "the GOC Air Corps, in his role as Director of Military Aviation, would have a major light

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PRESS STATEMENT (contd)

problem in relation to the larger aircraft which "facilitated by use of the stopway/clearway for runway purposed, a co-ordinated effort involving improved communication between each authority concerned is required to ensure that Weston operates with the terms of its license.

Unconvinced of Government's commitment to tackle obesity problem.

Minister John O' Donoghue has confirmed in the Dáil that grant aid has been approved for only 1 swimming-pool project this year, and that, general applications for swimming-pool funding have not been accepted by his department since 31st July 2000.

In a reaction to this statement, Deputy Catherine Murphy has expressed dissatisfaction at the level at the level of service provision of developing areas like her North Kildare constituency, asserting that "social and leisure facilities must be planned for and provided in line with with population growth, not just a reaction to it".

While the Minister informed the Dáil that "55 projects have or are being dealt with" only 15 have been completed, with another 10 at construction stage. This "is simply unacceptable" said Murphy, who went on to express concern that "it takes 18 months to build a swimming facility but only 15 projects have been completed in the last 5 years"

In light of the high cost of using private swimming facilities (The National Aquatic Centre costs €12 for adults and €10 for children under 12, students and pensioners) and the low number of public swimming pools, concern has also been expressed regarding the governments commitment to counteracting rising levels of obesity in Ireland.

"On one hand, they repeatedly broadcast concern at rising obesity levels, and on the other drag their feet in providing facilities that will encourage increased activity levels among people of all ages, abilities and social backgrounds" said Murphy in a statement commenting on Mr. O' Donoghue's answers to two parliamentary questions she had tabled earlier.

The re-opening of the swimming pool programme is, according to Minister O' Donoghue, likely to be considered following an Expenditure Review, the conclusion of which is expected to occur at the end of the year.

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"Any review of the programme must also consider the estimated €500 million spent, by Health Authorities, an obesity related illness annually. We have to think ahead, increased activity will help prevent such illnesses and wind up saving money for the exchequer as opposed to creating additional costs", concluded Murphy.

Move to 'Pay by Weight' Bin Tax saves Government Millions in Tax Refunds.

The government is set to save millions in Tax Refunds as a consequence of the move to pay a by weight system according to Deputy Catherine Murphy.

The Kildare TD cited the example of her own constituency where the Local Authority charge's in 2004 for a standard bin were €380 and the entire amount attracted tax relief at the standard rate.

Due, however, to the move towards a pay by lift system, as introduced earlier in 2005, the amount considered for tax relief is now capped at €195 despite a sizeable increase in the cost for a similar level of service to last year.

In response to a parliamentary question tabled by Deputy Murphy, the Minister for Finance, Mr. Brian Cowan informed her that the estimated cost of refuse charge tax relief in 2002, to the exchequer, was €5 million (2002 figures being the most recent relevant information available).

The pay by weight system is set to reduce considerably the amount refunded to individual taxpayers according to the Deputy.

Deputy Murphy, in a statement, has called on the Government to invest without delay the savings made from tax relief reductions in development and management of recycling facilities. Last year, for example, Kildare developed a recycling facility in Athy, which lay idle for much of the year because the Council did not have the resources to staff the facility.

If taxpayers are not to be short-changed by the reduction in tax relief available to them the revenue retained by the government must be re-invented in the development of locally based recycling opportunities.

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PRESS STATEMENT (contd)

Special Needs Assistants in Employment Limbo

Special Needs Assistants (SNA's) have expressed uncertainty at whether their jobs will continue to exist after June 2005.

At a SIPTU organised public meeting held in Naas and attended by approximately 500 people, SNA's, teachers and the parents of children with special needs highlighted the problems such uncertainty causes. Particular concern was raised about the non-specific, temporary nature of the SNA's contracts and of the Department of Education's failure to inform them of whether or not their jobs will continue to exist into the next school year.

Many of these SNA's, who have invested their own resources in further developing skills, accused the State of minimising their role by failing to give certainty of tenure. Another sentiment that was strongly expressed was that although the work carried out by those Education workers is vital to the development of children with special needs, the government has placed little value on the work performed.

Deputy Catherine Murphy, having attended the meeting, accepted that the number of SNA's has grown considerably over recent years. However, stated that the inclusion of children with special needs in main-stream education cannot be "done on the cheap", instead insisting that a long-term investment would pay off for all.

The North Kildare TD Called on the Minister for Education to put in place a structure that gives some certainty to SNA's. "It is simply unacceptable that people who have built up valuable experience in the classroom and who have invested their own funds in training should face such an uncertain future", said Murphy, "SNA's are clearly here to stay, structuring their employment is a must.

Minister for Finance and FF MEP publicly disagree over reallocation of C.A.B profits.

Mr Eoin Ryan TD and MEP (FF) yesterday called

Minister Cowen, in response to a parliamentary question tabled by Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) earlier this month, candidly stated "if it were agreed that projects in communities affected by drug abuse should be funded by ring fenced revenues, it would set a precedent that would make it very difficult to refuse other representations that might be made in the future to earmark revenues."

Murphy (Ind) has strongly backed Deputy Ryan's (FF) call for reinvestment of the proceeds of yesterday's auction involving, notorious criminal, Martin Cahill's former residence into community programmes, stating that she wants to see similar profits devoted to drug prevention and rehabilitation programmes throughout the country's worst affected areas.

"It is imperative that we begin to shape behaviour instead of just reacting to it. If we reinvest the monies collected by the C.A.B. in facilities that, in turn, will help to reduce the instance of drug related crimes, surely the savings to the state and society will far outweigh any initial monetary investment." stated Murphy (Ind) today.

While admitting that she was "encouraged" by Deputy Ryan's statement, Deputy Murphy affirmed that, even in the absence of such sentiments, she is fully committed "to the ring fencing of C.A.B. receipts for community focused projects" citing a holistic approach to crime prevention "as a necessity, should the government truly wish to see a long-term reduction in crime figures".

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Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

Contracts for Bond Bridge Due for Signing on Friday June 17.

Unfortunately, the signing of the contracts was called off at the last minute as one of the signatories stated that he was unable to attend. Hopefully, any problems can be resolved speedily.

Kildare, Meath and Wicklow to make Joint Case for More Funding from Government.

Kildare County Council is one of the poorest funded local authorities in the country. The County Manager and his Director of Finance have been making the case to Government for increased funding for many years now without any degree of success despite the fact that the Minister for Finance, Charlie McCreevy, was from the County. The adjoining counties of Meath and Wicklow are also coming under severe resource pressure in keeping up with the level of services required by an expanding population.

At the June meeting of the Mid-East Regional Authority (MERA represents Kildare, Meath and Wicklow) a proposition was made by the three County Managers that a joint submission be made to Government for increased funding to meet the needs of the counties over the coming years. Consultants will be engaged to prepare the case and to support and strengthen the submission it will be necessary to undertake a well-defined analysis of the issues involved. The study will encompass the unique geographical, social, service and quality of life issues that prevail in the Mid-east Region and will be the first of its kind to specifically examine Local Authority needs on a Regional basis.

Cllr. John McGinley, who is a member of MERA, in seconding the proposal, asked that the submission

be presented to the three County Councils before it is submitted to Government in September.

Contract Signed for €355,000 Children's Playground

The contract for the state of the art Children's Playground at The Harbour Field, Maynooth was signed in mid-June following a presentation on the design to the Maynooth Playground Action Group. Cllr. John McGinley also attended the presentation by the designer/contractor and Kildare County Council staff. The playground will initially have two modules i.e. one for 0 to 6 year olds and one for 7 to 13 year olds. The contractor stated that it was his intention to make the Maynooth Playground the benchmark for the country and that it would be similar to the playground provided by Mo Mowlan in the grounds of Stormont Castle in Belfast.

Everything going according to plan the playground should be opened for use in September.

The intention is to add the third module for 14 to 17 year olds next year when Council staff will have a better idea on what is required. Cllr. John McGinley advised Council staff that in his view it should incorporate skateboard areas in addition to "hang out" areas. John would welcome the views of teenagers and parents on what should be included in the third phase.

Harbour Action Area Plan

Getting agreement on the new road and underground section is still causing a delay in finalising the Harbour Action Area Plan. A meeting has been scheduled between the Planners, Roads Design and the Developers for June 22 and if agreement is reached it is hoped that the Leixlip

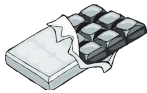
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Area Committee would meet before the end of June to finalise the Plan.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked that Maynooth Scouts be provided with a site for their new den/hall. Following discussions with representatives of the scouts, John has advised the Council Planners that the area behind where the Canal Amenity Group containers are at present would be the most suitable location.

Meadowbrook Link Road

Despite the fact that Cllr. John McGinley alerted the Council, last September, of the need for safety measures on the Beaufield Road, when the Meadowbrook Link Road opens, the Council have still not carried out a safety audit. It borders on the ridiculous that the Council should wait until the Link Road is nearly completed before carrying out the safety audit on the Beaufield Road.

An Independent Consultant carried out a safety audit in May on the new road and the Council will be obliged to implement the findings before opening the Link Road to traffic. Of course if they had carried out the safety audit on the Beaufield Road when Cllr. McGinley asked them to do so last September the Link Road would now be opened to traffic, thereby making life much easier for motorists and pedestrians at the Roost junction.

Problems for Drivers with a Disability at Public Car Park behind Caulfields

Cars are illegally parking on the platform beside the two Spaces for drivers with a disability in the car park behind Caulfields and this is stopping wheelchair users from using the dish to the platform.

In order to stop this anti-social activity Cllr. John McGinley asked for two bollards to be installed either side of the dish to the platform. This will prevent cars from parking on it while still allowing wheelchair users access to and from the car park. The Council's Area Engineer has agreed to John's request and the bollards will be installed ASAP.

Pedestrian Crossing on Celbridge Road, Maynooth

Despite the fact that approval was given last year for this much needed pedestrian crossing from Rockfield to Laurence Avenue the Council are still dragging their heels. Cllr. John McGinley has been raising the issue at all monthly Area Meetings of the

Council and at the May meeting he was told that the Council

"have prioritised this work as part of the 2005 traffic schemes."

In order to get the lights in place before the Gael Scoil re-opens for the new school year in September Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the June meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee.

"That confirmation be given to the Area Committee that the much needed pedestrian lights for the Gael Scoil on the Celbridge Road, Maynooth will be installed and operating before the new school year begins in September 2005."

The reply given at the meeting was positive.

Northern Relief Road from Moyglare Road to Meath/Dunboyne Road

Residents will be aware that work is progressing steadily on the MYCETE houses at Moyglare Hall. In order to establish what progress has been made on providing the much needed Northern Relief Road Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following question for answering at the June Leixlip Area Committee Meeting:

"What progress has been made on the Northern Relief Road from Moyglare Road to the Moygaddy Road in Meath e.g. particularly on the CPO of the land in Meath? "

The reply was that significant progress has been made but that CPO of the land won't come into question until the final design is agreed.

Back Lane to Houses in Old Greenfield

The proper drainage and re-surfacing of the Back Lane was part of the contract for the two new Council houses at Old Greenfield. The houses are completed and Cllr. John McGinley was advised by the Council's Director of Services that the work on the road would be completed in April. As this has not happened John has submitted the following question for answering at the June Leixlip Area Meeting:

"When is the Back Lane, that services the two new houses in Old Greenfield, being resurfaced?"

The reply given at the meeting was that the work will be carried out at the end of June.

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Recycling Centre in the Public Car Park at Super Valu

In a reply to a motion from Cllr. John McGinley the Council stated on 30 March 2004 that they would be purchasing CCTV equipment for this re-cycling centre in the very near future. It is now 15 months later and there is still no sign of the cameras. Shamefully uncaring people continue to dump their rubbish at will. It is Cllr. John McGinley's view that the only way to stop this crime against the community is through hefty fines. John has submitted the following question for answering at the Area Committee meeting on June 17 and if the answer is not to his satisfaction he will again be asking that the recycling centre be moved to the Council depot at the Harbour.

"When are the CCTV cameras being installed at the Recycling Centre in Maynooth and what additional steps are being taken to stop the indiscriminate dumping that is taking place there continuously at present?"

The reply given at the meeting was that the CCTV cameras would be in place in a matter of weeks.

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley Appeal Lyreen Partnership Decision to An Bord Pleanala

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have appealed the appalling decision of Kildare County Council to grant planning permission for 4 storey apartment blocks on the former pitch and putt course at Dunboyne Road, Maynooth. It is their view that the proposal will cause irreparable damage to Maynooth village's unique architectural heritage and that the scale and shoddy design of the buildings is simply unacceptable.

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Features

Maynooth Golf Society

Maynooth Golf Society played at Portarlinton Golf Club on Saturday 4th June.

42 players attended, which was a large outing for a bank holiday weekend. The winner on the day was Steve Greenwood with a score of 39 pts, runner up was Vice Captain Philip Doyle with 35 pts. The weather was pleasant except for one bad shower of rain during the round.

Barry Desmond who sponsored the outing, presented prizes in Brady's that evening. Thanks to all who attended.

Next outing at Kilcock GC on Thursday 23rd June for Joe Murray Cup.

1st Prize	Steven Greenwood	39 pts
2nd Prize	Philip Doyle	35 pts
3rd Prize	Joe Edwards	B9 34 pts
4th Prize	Liam Farrelly	34 pts
5th Prize	David Weafer	B9 33 pts
6th Prize	Tom Flatley	33 pts
7th Prize	Gerry McTernan	B9 32 pts
Front 9	Marty Maguire	19 pts
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2's	Gerry McTernan	



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Maynooth G.A.A News

Junior Camogie League

Maynooth flattered by victory margin.

Maynooth 4 - 3 St. Laurences 1 - 2

Maynooth advanced by the Junior League final with an unconvincing victory over their long time rivals played at St. Laurences on 16/05/05. In the first half the standard of camogie was mediocre and Maynooth took a long time to get into their stride. Their cause was helped by the concession of the two rather soft goals by the St. Laurences net minder who failed to deal with 2 ground shots from Anne Comerford and Brid Byrnes. Two further goals from Elaine McNamara and Claire Barry gave Maynooth a commanding lead at half time on a score of 4 - 0 to 0 - 1. Maynooth improved their performance in the second half but a change of goalkeeper for St. Laurences kept the Maynooth forward line at bay as she brought off a number of excellent saves. Maynooth added a further 3 points to their tally in the second half and defended stoutly to prevent any St. Laurences revival. However they will have to improve significantly on this performance if they have ambitions to claim the league title.

Team and Scores

Jenny Reid		
Denise Bambrick	Sharon Malone	Marian Hennesy
Annemarie Farrell	Mary Hawkins	Margaret Farrell
Niamh Mulready		Eimer Connolly

Elaine McNamara 1 - 0
Michelle Gillick Claire Barry 1 - 0
Anne Comerford 1 - 1 Brid Brynes 1 - 2
Caoimhe Ni Neil

Subs: Tara Concannon for Caomhe Ni Neill

First Honours of 2005 for Camogie Team

Junior Camogie League Final

Maynooth 3 - 4; Celbridge 1 - 0

The Maynooth Ladies brought the first silverware to the club with an impressive victory over arch rivals Celbridge played at Straffan on 30/05/05. Defences were on top early on in this game and a tight reign was held on both forward lines. However, Maynooth had the greater number of scoring opportunities and eventually got on the score sheet courtesy of 2 excellent points from Elaine McNamara and Nicki

Carew. Celbridge tended to come more into the game in the latter stages of the first half but they squandered a number of scoring changes and the Maynooth 0 - 2; Celbridge 0 - 0. Maynooth midfielder Michelle Gillick increased her teams lead early in the second half when she latched onto a pass from Ann Marie Farrell and from fully 50 yards slotted over an excellent point. The first real goal scoring chance fell to Celbridge in the 8th minute and they duly converted the opportunity with aplomb. Maynooth realising that Celbridge were not going to give up easily raised their game in all sectors of the field and 2 goals from Brid Byrnes and Ann Comerford gave them the cushion which they would never relinquish. A further goal direct from a free by Brid Byrnes and further point by the same player put the icing on the cake and though Celbridge played heroically to the end Maynooth were not to be denied and there were scenes of jubilation and delight among the Maynooth players and supporters when Captain Anne Comerford received the cup from camogie chairperson Joan O' Flynn.

Team and Scores

Marian Hennesy		
Naomi Devereux	Sharon Malone	D e n i s e
Bambrick		
Ann Marie Farrell	Mary Hawkins	M a r g a r e t
Farrell		
Niamh Mulready	Michelle Gillick 0 - 1	
Nicki Carew 0 - 1	Brid Byrnes 2 - 1	
Anne Comerford 1 - 0		

Subs: Caoimhe Ni Neill, Tara Concannon
From Thomas Coffey, Joint Pro Maynooth GAA

Maynooth GAA Club

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Maynooth Fianna Fail News

Maynooth Presentation Girls National School gets go-ahead to progress through the Architectural Planning Stage.

Aine Brady has been informed by the Minister for Education Mary Hanafin, TD that the proposed extension to the Maynooth Presentation Girls NS has being authorised to progress through the architectural planning process with immediate effect.

'I am delighted that the Minister has given approval for the proposed extension to the Maynooth Girls school to progress to the architectural planning stage. Great credit is due to the Principal Breda Boylan for her focus and persistence and the parents for continuing to highlight the requirement for this extension' Aine Brady stated.

Taoiseach Visits Maynooth to thank Fianna Fail Canvassers

An Taoiseach Bertie Ahern TD visited Maynooth on Friday 6th of May to thank the Fianna Fail supporters that canvassed in Aine Brady's by-election campaign. A large crowd of over 200 attend. The Taoiseach paid tribute to Aine Brady and hoped she would be on the Fianna Fail ticket the next time. She deserved great credit for topping the poll after just three weeks campaigning.

Aine Brady thanked the canvassers for their time during the by-election campaign. She said that she had a great foundation laid for the next general election and hoped to be a candidate again. She was greatly heartened by the response she received from the general public.

Contact Aine Brady – aine@ainebrady.com 087 2881000 or 01 6285269.

Cumann Organise Community and Sporting Groups to meet Minister for Arts, Tourism and Sport, John O'Donoghue TD.

Maynooth Football Club John O'Regan and Club officials outlined their plans to develop their

current facilities to the Minister. Cumann members Maurice Cowhey and John Dolan attended the meeting.

Maynooth GAA Club's Fergus Deveroux and club officers met and outlined their future plans for the club. Fianna Fail Cumann members Brid Feely, Michael Caden and Peter Finan attended the meeting.

The Community Centre Action Group under the chairmanship of Tony Bean meet with the Minister to press for a Community Centre for Maynooth. Cumann Members John Conroy and Mark Jennings attended the meeting.

A delegation, headed by Cllr Paul Kelly, from the Leixlip Amenities Group also meet with Minister to discuss their plans.

The Maynooth Cumann with Aine Brady, Cllr. Paul Kelly and Brid Feely will continue to highlight with Minister John O'Donoghue the requirements for Maynooth.

Maynooth Cumann working for the Community on the following issues:

- A playground for Maynooth
- A Community Centre for Maynooth
- Adequate footpath (on Rathcoffey Road)
- Traffic Calming measures
- Car Parking in Maynooth
- Balanced Development for Maynooth

Would you like to join the Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann ?

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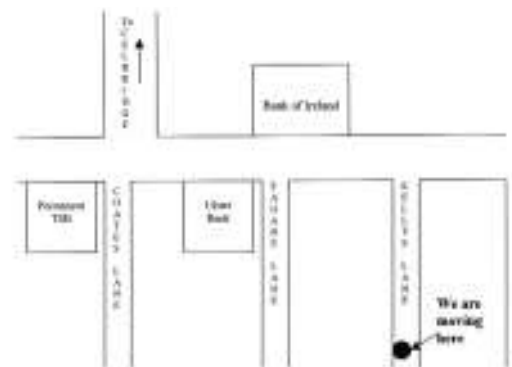
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Editorial

Even though, or maybe because of, the long dry and sometimes sunny evenings, time marches on and already we are facing into our last summer month of 2005. At this time of year there are plenty of events and activities not to mention holidays on the boil and generally everyone is trying to fit as much as possible into that time. The same is the case for the Community Council.

1) Hot on the heels of the Nissan Open Golf Classic, we have just enjoyed our own **MAYNOOTH FESTIVAL**. By all accounts the numbers attending were certainly increased on last year's Festival and no doubt this had something to do with the better weather and also with the fact that the Festival Committee (thanks to Christina and all in the office) along with primarily Andrew McMullon and Marie Gleeson printed a Festival booklet detailing full timetables of all planned events. This gave everyone the opportunity to see in advance what was coming on and make arrangements to attend. Also the banner which was put across the centre of the Main St added to the atmosphere in the town.

I attended a Table Quiz in the Newtown Inn which was extremely well attended and a great success and the Family Day held on Sunday in the Harbour Field was also a success with plenty of children's activities, football, face painting, bonny baby competition etc.

However if we are to look ahead and make plans for the future which is what a Community Council is about, we need to build on our present in order to achieve the phenomenal success enjoyed by our sister town Leixlip with their annual festival. Their Festival is a year-round planned event with plenty of extensive commercial sponsorship which has evolved over the years thanks to extraordinary work by many community members on the Festival Committee.

2) There is no doubt that this success is greatly helped and enhanced by the fact that Leixlip town enjoys TOWN COUNCIL STATUS and as such have funds with which to contribute throughout the year to the community and the advancement of the town as a whole. As they say, "success breeds success" and nothing occurs in isolation. Other examples of how Town Council status has benefited Leixlip include the monies available for Christmas lights. As we know, here in Maynooth, the Christmas lights erected last year were as a result of a mammoth effort made by members and associates of the Maynooth Business Association- small and larger businesses in Maynooth- all of whom responded so positively to my requests for a special effort. We can't keep going back to the same pot. MAYNOOTH NEEDS TO ACHIEVE TOWN COUNCIL STATUS ASAP. With this aim which I have targeted during my year as Chairperson of the Community Council, I intend to write to all our political representatives calling for maximum pressure to be exerted on the Minister for the Environment to bring forward the necessary outstanding legislation so that our application for Town Council status can be processed. I have contacted the Minister's office and initially received a positive response but I will pursue this issue so that we can meet the Minister and discuss our concerns and plans with him.

Were we to achieve Town Council Status, so many other plans that we might have for Maynooth would be so much easier to achieve.

Brid Feely
Chairperson
Maynooth Community Council.

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The July meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on 11th July in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Ryder Cup 2006

A sub-committee was set up to look at what benefits Maynooth could gain from this golfing event. It was felt that a lot of work will have to be done. Tony Bean said it is important that Maynooth proves it has something to offer, if this does not happen we will be passed over.

It was felt that the Ryder Cup people were not really interested in Maynooth, so we will have to put Maynooth on the map ourselves said Tony. Tony Bean, Ed Tobin and Andrew McMullon put themselves forward for this committee.

Person of the Year Award

Andrew McMullon said it was hoped to have this event ready to go by Christmas. Coonan Auctioneers have sponsored the prize money. The Maynooth Person of the Year will then go forward to the Kildare Person of the Year. It was thought that this could become a huge annual event in Maynooth.

Newsletter

New editor Terry Nealon has some good ideas to change the format of the Newsletter. The July issue of the Newsletter carried a new style cover. The Newsletter area always looking for interesting articles.

Tidy Towns

Sean Cushin said judging had probably taken place. He said the town is looking very well and hoped that Maynooth would do well this year. Sean also said they are continuing their Saturday morning litter collection.

The amount of broken glass in the Harbour Field was raised. Sean said what with the new playground going in there, something will have to be done.

Twinning

John O'Connor and Hugh Gallagher are both working on this project. The plan is to have twinning links with an African community or some other community. They are looking more into the process to see where it goes.

Festival

Andrew McMullon gave a full outline of events. He said that there was a lot of fun events planned. A specially produced brochure listing all events will be delivered to all households. Andrew asked that all come out and enjoy the festival.

Local Matters

Community Centre

Disillusionment and frustration were the feelings used at the meeting, at the lack of progress to gain a Community Centre for Maynooth. It was noted that land for this project is still not transferred to Kildare County Council. Tony Bean said a lot of people not helping in Kildare County Council. He also said Peter Merrick is the most helpful person on this. He said its so hard to move process forward. It was generally felt the Kildare County Council have let Maynooth down very badly. It was also noted that Maynooth have two councillors that work very hard and have the same difficulties with Kildare County Council.

Estate Clean-up

Tom McMullon said we are urged to clean up our estates, we get very little help from Kildare County Council. We get black bags, gloves and have to wait weeks for stuff to be collected. He said Kildare County Council must be the worst council in Ireland.

Auctioneers Signage

It was agreed to write to all auctioneers in Maynooth re. not putting for sale signs at entrances to estates.

Town Council Status

Chairperson Brid Feely said we will write to the Minister on the matter of Town Council Status. Brid said she hopes to see Maynooth gain town council status during her term as chairperson.

Castle Committee

The Castle Committee are looking for funding to improve facilities at the Castle.

Also noted Heritage Week 4th - 11th September

Next Community Council meeting is on 12th September 2005.

P.R.O. Marie Gleeson

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05/1360	William Boyd	517 Newtown Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	15/06/05	Development will consist of proposed construction of a detached dormer type dwelling house with proposed new drive-way entrance in existing rear garden of existing dwelling house and all associated site works	517 Newtown Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1403	North City Builders	Millrace Manor Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	20/06/05	Alterations to Block 1 of previously approved residential development 03/2340 including minor change to previously approved ridge height, changes to north elevation as follows: addition of 9 no. velus rooflights, omission of 2 no. permitted dormer etc	Cois Abhain Clane Co. Kildare
05/1442	Ciaran & Josephine Hurley	22 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	23/06/05	Development will consist of a front porch and first floor extension to the side of existing house	22 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1457	Dulcedo Developments	RBK House Irishtown Athlone Co. Westmeath	R	24/06/05	Development for the retention of amendments to a previously permitted development (Kildare County Council) reg.ref.2220/01 An Bord Pleanala ref.PL09.130667) relating to the basement ground and first floors and minor elevational amendments etc.	Manor Mills Mill Street Kilcock Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1498	Damien & Barbara Hourihane	12 Parklands Crescent Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	30/06/05	House over existing garage conversion with kitchen area extended below, porch to front of existing dwelling house and also to widen existing entrance	12 Parklands Crescent Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1543	Robert & Martina Dunning	1 Parklands Square Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	04/07/05	To erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion and also a porch to front of existing dwelling house	1 Parklands Square Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1555	Taghadoe Ltd	Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	04/07/05	A ground floor apartment in lie of the previously approved childcare facility	No. 4 Ard Evan Avenue Ard Evan Gorteenooona, Monasterevin
05/1557	Taghadoe Ltd	Maynooth	P	04/07/05	Ground floor apartment in lie of the previously approved retail unit	No. 1 Ard Evan Avenue Ard Evan Gorteenooona, Monasterevin

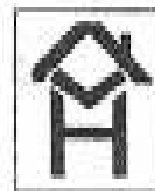
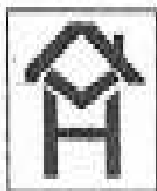
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05/1690	Harry & Anne McCauley	64 Maynooth Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	15/07/05	Porch and toilet at the front of the house and the conversion of the existing garage at the side of the house to a bedroom and bathroom and also extending it to the front of the house and the removal of the garage at front of house	64 Maynooth Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1700	John & Marie Lawless	Dowdstown House Dowdstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	18/07/05	Residence of approx. 425 sq mts and a detached single storey stable building of approx. 40 sq mts with O'Reilly Oakstown Environmental Ltd. BAF effluent treatment system and all associated site works	Shortwood Daars Sallins

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In a previous issue of the Maynooth Newsletter (April 2005) we put forward the case that Ireland's future was irrevocably tied to the European Union. We stressed the importance of the Common Agricultural Policy to the Irish economy. We believed that the European social model with modifications was the best suited for the advancement of the Irish people. We also suggested that the British had domestic and international priorities that would clash with the further development of the European Union. We questioned their commitment and goodwill towards the further integration of the Union. Following the Brussels summit it gives us no pleasure to say that our misgivings were not misplaced. It is important for us at this juncture to understand what the British are trying to do, so that our Government can join with others to protect the strong agricultural base and workers rights which are a feature of most European countries.

After the failure of the Brussels summit, the British gave a number of reasons why they would not agree to the 2007 budget. Bertie Ahern, in a formal statement to the Dail, described the British position in relation to the Community Budget as being "dishonest". The definition of the word "dishonest" covers a number of more stronger terms. "not honest or fair" "deceiving or fraudulent" diplomatic language could not be more clear. The Taoiseach was effectively saying that the British were not telling the truth or playing fair with their fellow European partners. We now believe that we can identify three main areas where the British will mount diplomatic attacks in the coming months to protect their own interests.

- Common Agricultural Policy
- New European Constitution
- Deregulated Labour Market

If the UK were to be successful in achieving any of the above objectives it would be a serious matter for Ireland. It is likely that the British Government would pay little attention to submissions made by the Irish Government in respect of the importance of CAP to the Irish Economy. Our relations with France and Germany, not as warm as in previous years, would prove vital in protecting this economic and social policy for our small farmers.

Britain never liked the Common Agricultural Policy. For centuries it enjoyed cheap food from its colonies, as a result many of its own small farmers were forced off the land. Land reforms granted to Irish tenant farmers at the end of the eighteenth century were never extended to England. As a result farm units in England tend to be far bigger, running in many cases, into thousands of acres. These large size units could supply

cheap food at prices Irish or French small farmers could not match. Forced to pay an economic price to keep European farmers on the land when entering the common market 1973 they have continually railed against the cost of CAP. France, Germany and Ireland for example share the same interest on this issue. Both countries have many small farmers. Not only the countryside but also many hundreds of small villages and towns in these countries depend on the small farmer staying on the land. In France many villages are inhabited by the older generation that have lost their young to the cities because the land could not give them a living.

These hamlets and villages close down for the winter and are only brought to life in the spring and summer when the young return for holidays and tourists boost activity in the valleys. The French Government supported by its people cannot allow the countryside to die and will defend the community farm budget. It is recognised that personal relationships between Irish and Continental leaders have not been as warm as in the Jack Lynch or Albert Reynolds era. Continental leaders believe that Ireland is becoming socially and economically more tied to the UK than to its European partners. This perception is due, in part, to the continuing attempts by the British and Irish Governments to settle the Northern issue. The fact that Mr Ahern and Blair are seen so often at post Anglo-Irish meetings press conferences probably sends the wrong messages to other European leaders. It might be prudent for the boys in Iveagh House to re-establish our credibility in Paris and Berlin.

Europe is up against an experienced negotiator in Mr. Blair who is adept at getting what he wants and what he wants here is to effectively open up the European food market to all comers. The effect of this policy would be to lay waste millions of acres of productive farmland in Europe. It would also drive millions of rural Europeans into the already overcrowded cities. This is not what the European Community is about. In so far as it is possible the Union has always had the best interests of its people at the centre of its policies.

It is ironic that Mr. Blair who lectures Europe on the need for change, recently advised his own people that state pensions may in the future be paid only to those reaching seventy years of age rather than the current sixty five. His Government also suggested that "Congestion charges" might now be added to rail and underground fares at peak travelling times. In other words people who have discarded their cars in favour of public transport are now going to take an additional "hit" for the privilege of going to work. Is this a suitable "vision" for the future development of Europe?

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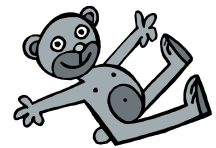
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Features The fall-out from the Brussels Summit. (contd)

There is no doubt that British policy has unsettled Europe. If we had a sustained period of instability over the annual budget its possible that young Irish mortgage payers could end up paying higher interest rates. If the Euro was put under pressure because of a failure to negotiate the 2007 budget and European leaders failed to agree a new structure for the Commission, the European Central Bank might be forced to intervene and raise interest rates to protect the currency. Mr Blair protected by a strong currency in Sterling might not be worried about the fall out from such an eventuality. It is now clear that by attacking CAP, undermining confidence in European institutions and doing little to protect workers right the British are pursuing a very selfish agenda.

Many years ago General Charles de Gaulle repeatedly blocked the entry of Britain into the Common Market. Time and again during the sixties and early seventies he vetoed the application by the United Kingdom. He believed that they were not "truly" European, did not share European values and had no interest in developing institutions for closer integration among the nations. He also believed that once in, the British would turn out to be constant source of trouble. His misgivings have proved correct. It was at the insistence of Britain that the European Union opened discussions with Turkey for entry to the European Economic Community. This was a mischievous move, as Turkey has nothing in common with Europe, as we know it.

The rapid expansion of the European Union towards the East has left most Western Europeans behind. This was one of the reasons why the French and Dutch voted against the new European Constitution. Mr Blair has been running like a Group One racehorse, winning all before him. It is time that our fellow Europeans pulled one out of the stable to steady him.

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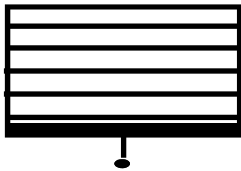
The absence of conflict in Western Europe for the past sixty years has been the major blessing for those nations who constitute the European Union. The fact that international disputes between European Nations have been settled in the conference rooms of Brussels and Strasbourg has been another step in our civilisation. The events of July 7th in London show just how far the rest of the world has to go. Our sincere sympathies go to the citizens of London who experienced the terror perpetrated in their midst. London is a city where many Irish people have found employment and a metropolis, which is always a pleasure to visit.

Jim Healy

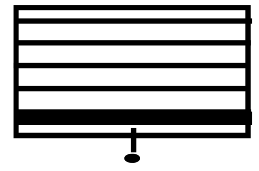
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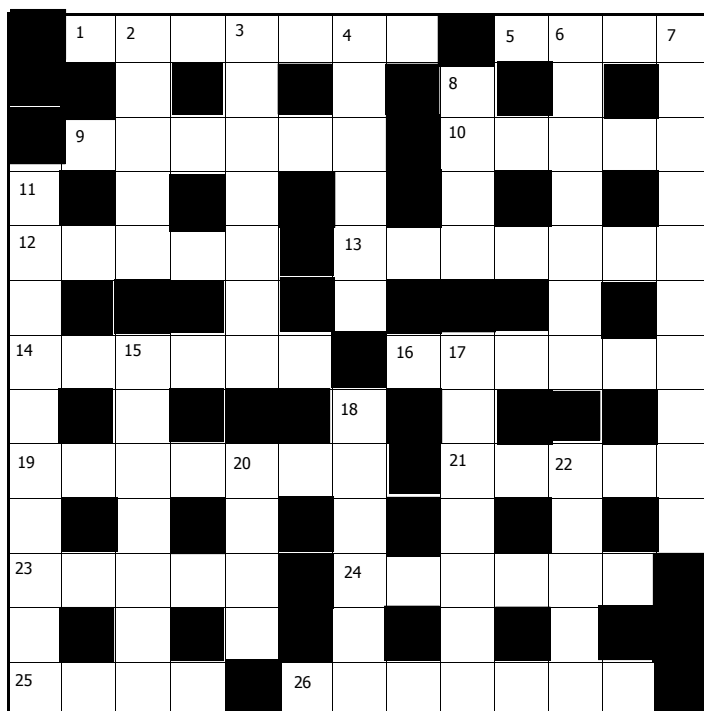
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16. Fate, destiny (6)
19. Madman (7)
21. Orange-yellow (5)
23. Ribbed cloth (5)
24. Early counting device (6)
25. Anger (4)
26. Commanded (7)

Down:

2. Egg producing organ (5)
3. Envisage (7)
4. Detonate (3,3)
6. Element, symbol U (7)
7. On the whole (10)
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20. Discussion (4)
22. Madness song, _ _ _ of Fun (5)

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Down:

2. Round, **3.** Gumboil, **4.** Notice, **6.** Evasive, **7.** Unpleasant, **8.** User, **11.** Artificial, **15.** Hawk-saw, **17.** Cushion, **18.** Detach, **20.** Ulna, **22.** Skill.

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Terrorism

By Serj Merzliakov

It was an ordinary busy Thursday morning in London as people were hurrying doing their errands, going to work, meeting their friends, and getting ready for the weekend. This Thursday, however, would become a symbol of sorrow, a day of unendurable pain as the world has rediscovered a new notion for terrorism. These ordinary people, like you and me were yet to face the loss of someone they loved, held dear, knew and saw every day.

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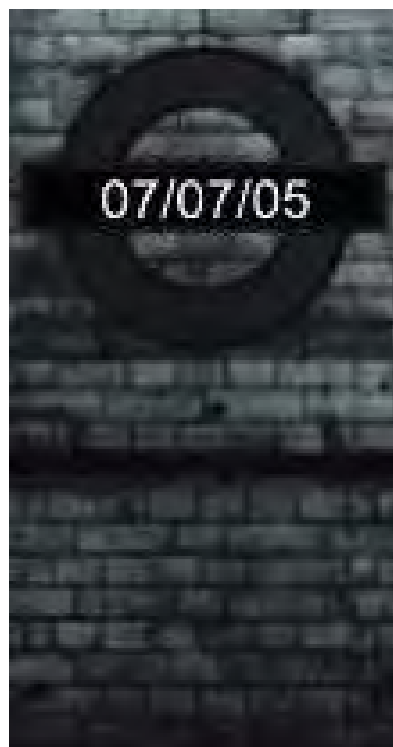
July 7th will become in our hearts and minds the term synonymous with terrorism, similar to what 9/11 means for people in the US today. We have yet a chance to realise how serious the threat is and what are the true goals of those who stand behind the attacks on New York, Madrid and London.

Four blasts which occurred almost simultaneously in the busy spots of London City have taken away over 50 lives and left over 700 civilians injured. This tragedy has united the nation as numerous hospitals and centres have opened to everyone who needed their professional help and assistance. The police estimate the current situation in London as stable and insist, "London is open for business".

July 7th showed us that things would never be the same again. Despite all attempts to unite people of all race and creed, the uniting forces behind the European Union, the threat is there.

What is terrorism?

Contrary to common sense terrorists do not value the lives of people. For them, civilians are merely tools for expressing their intentions and a means for fighting for what they believe in. Here, in Ireland, we have successfully managed to move away from gun shots and bomb explosions and towards talks of peace and resolution of the long established controversies. However, America and Europe have only started to realise the danger of terrorism and what it brings to everyday life.



Funded by organised crime and the black market, terrorist forces plan and implement attacks, which have only one aim – to show people that they cannot be safe in the modern world and that they cannot exercise their rights and freedoms. They want to make us believe that whatever we live and work for every day can be destroyed in one explosion and that our society cannot protect us. They have destroyed the Twin Towers in New York, derailed trains in Madrid and blasted buses in the streets of London.

Hope

But there still is hope.

As the people of London lament their beloved ones, family members, friends, they share the hope that the sick masterminds behind the attacks will be stopped. They must be stopped because they are fighting against our human right to enjoy freedom, to share a peaceful existence with other nations and religions, to see our children and grandchildren grow in peace and happiness.

On behalf of the people of our community we extend our sincere condolences to the families of the people who suffered as a result of the attack on July 7th in London City and we share their hope that peace will prevail.

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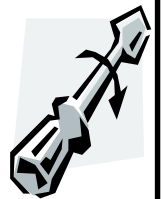
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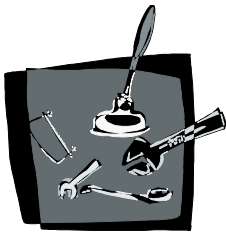
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Maynooth Citizens Information Notes.

Question

I believe I can get help with the cost of my child's clothes for school. Can you please give details?

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 costs of children's school uniforms and footwear at the beginning of the school year. You may also claim for a child aged 18 - 22 in full-time education for whom a payment is included in your social welfare payment.

Families claiming a social welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement) or a Health Service Executive payment are eligible for this scheme if their income is below certain thresholds as follows:

	Lone Parent	Couple
1 Child	€250.90	€368.10
2 Children	€272.50	€387.40
3 Children	€294.10	€406.70
4 Children	€315.70	€426.00
Each additional child	€21.60	€19.30

Those taking part in a Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) or getting a 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 €80.00 for each child aged 2 - 11 and €150.00 for each child aged 12 - 22.

The Scheme runs from 1st June to 30th September and is administered by the Health Service Executive as part of the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme. Families should apply to the Community Welfare Officer at their local Health Centre.

Question

My 16-year-old son has been offered a job for the summer holidays in a local hotel. How late can he be expected to work?

Answer

The Protection of Young Persons (Employment) Act 1996 sets out the employment rights of young people in relation to maximum working hours, rest intervals and late night work. In addition there are regulations concerning the employment of 16 and 17-year-olds in licensed premises such as restaurants and bars.

Under the Act, 14 and 15-year-olds can work up to 35 hours a week during school holidays. The work should be light work which is not harmful to their health and safety, and they are entitled to a 21-day break from work during the summer. They can only work between the hours of 8.00am in the morning and 8.00pm at night and cannot work more than 7 hours a day. They are entitled to 2 days off a week, which should be consecutive if it is practicable.

Young people aged 16 and 17, such as your son, can work up to 40 hours per week and are also entitled to 2 days off a week, which should be consecutive if it is practicable. They can work for a maximum of 8 hours a day and, in general, they can only work between the hours of 6.00am in the morning and 10.00pm at night.

Regulations have been made permitting 16 and 17-year-olds to work at "general duties" in licensed premises up to 11.00pm at night where they do not have to attend school the next day. In this case they should not start work the following day until 7.00am at the earliest. General duties does not include supplying alcohol to customers from behind a bar counter or supplying it for consumption off the premises.

Further information on employment rights is available from the Employment Rights Information Unit, Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Davitt House, 65A Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 631 3131. LoCall 1890 301 615 or the

Question

Is it true that you can now claim from the Department of Social and Family Affairs for dental treatment carried out in another EU country ?

Answer

Yes, it is now possible to claim for dental treatment obtained in other EU countries under the Department's Treatment Benefit Scheme, providing you qualify for the scheme.

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To qualify for the scheme you must satisfy certain Pay Related Social Insurance (PRSI) contribution conditions which vary depending on your age. You are also eligible if you are the dependent spouse of an insured person or a dependent widow or widower whose spouse was qualified at time of death. If you satisfy the PRSI conditions when you reach age 60 you will remain qualified for life.

Under the scheme you can qualify for Dental, Optical and Aural Benefits whereby the Department pays some of the costs of various treatments, such as dental filling and extractions, eye examinations, glasses, contact lenses and hearing aids. You can now claim these benefits if your treatment, spectacles, etc., were obtained in another EU country.

Before going abroad you should contact the Department's Treatment Benefit Section. Tel: LoCall 1890 400 400 (ext 4480) for an application form and details of how much the Department pays for various treatments. When abroad you pay the full amount for the treatment, but you should ask the dentist, optician or audiologist to complete the application form. To claim benefit when you return to Ireland, send the application form to the Treatment Benefit Section, Department of Social and Family Affairs, St. Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

Question

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 unemployed people, lone parents and people with disabilities who wish to do approved second or third level course 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* have been receiving a social welfare payment such as Unemployment Assistant/Benefit or One-Parent Family Payment.

Aged 18 or over and for the previous 6 months* have been receiving a disability payment such as Disability Allowance or Invalidity Pension.

In receipt of Disability Benefit for at least 3 years.

Aged 18 to 20, out of formal education for 2 years, and for the previous 6 months* have been receiving One-Parent Family Payment or Unemployed Assistant/Benefit.

*It is 12 months for a third level course from September 2005.

Periods spent on employment schemes, training courses and in prison may count towards the qualifying period. If you are eligible, your spouse/partner may qualify providing you are getting a Qualified Adult Allowance for them with your payment.

Courses you can attend include full-time second level courses certified by the Department of Education and Science, or approved by the Further Education and Training Awards Council (FETAC) or the Business and Technology Education (BTEC), such as the Leaving Certificate or a Post Leaving Certificate course. Also eligible are full-time third level courses approved by the Department for its maintenance grant schemes or 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. You are entitled to a Cost of Education Allowance (€400.00 in September 2005) at the start of each academic year.

Question

I am going back to college in the Autumn and I want to know if I will be able to get a grant?

Answer

The Higher Education Grants Scheme provides means-tested grants to eligible students on approved courses. Application forms are available from your local authority which administers the grant. For the academic year 2005/2006 the application must be with the local authority by 31 August 2005.

The scheme is also available 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.

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The income limits (for the period 1 Jan - 31 December 2004 are as follows:

Number of dependent Children	Full maintenance and full fees	Part Maint. (75%) and full fees	Part maint. (50%) and full fees	Part maint. (25%) and full fees	Part Fees (50%) only
Less than 4	35,485	37,695	39,915	42,130	44,350
4 - 7	38,990	41,430	43,865	46,305	48,740
8 or more	42,335	44,980	47,625	50,265	52,910

The limits can be increased by a further 4,295 where there are 2 children attending full-time third-level education, and a further 4,295 for each additional child.

The maintenance grant rates are as follows:

	Non-Adjacent Rate	Adjacent Rate
Full maintenance	3,020	1,210
Part maintenance (75%)	2,265	905
Part maintenance (50%)	1,515	605
Part maintenance (25%)	755	305

The Adjacent Rate is paid if you normally reside 15 miles or less from your college. Mature students will receive the Non-Adjacent Rate in all cases.

The Special Rates of maintenance grants for 2005/2006 are 5,355 for the Non-Adjacent Rate and 2,145 for the Adjacent Rate, equivalent to a top-up of 2,335 and 935 to the standard rates respectively. The income limit for these grants is 15,626. you must be receiving an eligible social welfare or other payment.

Question

I heard that a "GP Visit Card" had been introduced. Can you please give the details?

Answer

The new GP Visit Card allows you to attend your family doctor only free of charge. For all other health services you are treated the same as a non-Medical Card holder and will have to pay the appropriate charges.

To qualify for the GP Visit Card you have to pass a means test. The means test is similar to the means test for the Medical Card, however, the income guidelines are about 25% higher.

The income guidelines for 2005 are as follows:

Age	Single Person Living Alone	Single Person Living with Family	Married Couple
Up to 66 years	192.00	171.00	277.50
66 - 69 years	210.00	181.00	311.00
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First two children	39.50	41.00
Third and subsequent children	42.50	44.50
In full-time third-level education and not grant-aided		81.50

There are also allowances for certain expenses incurred in respect of childcare costs, rent/mortgage payments and travel to work.

Where the income of yourself and your spouse exceeds the income guidelines, a card may still be granted to cover your whole family or an individual member on the grounds of financial hardship, if you have exceptional medical expenses.

You apply on the same form you apply for a Medical Card. The application form is available from your Local Health Office or Health Centre. It can also be downloaded from the Health Service Executive's website at www.hse.ie

Question

Can I make a complaint about a solicitor in connection with family law case?

Answer

Yes you can. Until recently you could not due to the "in camera rule" in family law cases. However, this rule has now been relaxed with the coming into force of certain parts of the Civil Liability and Courts Act 2004.

If you have a complaint with a solicitor you should first write to the solicitor expressing your dissatisfaction and what you want him/her to do. You should send a copy of the letter to the senior partner of the firm if there is one.

If your are not satisfied with the response from your letter to the solicitor you may be able to make a complaint to the Law Society which investigates complaints of misconduct, inadequate professional services and excessive fees made about solicitors by members of the public and other solicitors. If cannot deal with complaints that relate to services provided more than five years previous. In general, only a client can make a complaint about his or her own solicitor but there are exceptions and the Society will tell you whether you can make a complaint.

If the Society can deal with your complaint, write to the Complaints Section and give as much detail as possible about your complaint. Include the name and address of the solicitor and enclose copies of any relevant documents. Do not send original documents.

The Society will send a copy of your letter to the solicitor. If you just want guidance at this stage indicate this on your letter and the solicitor will not be contacted.

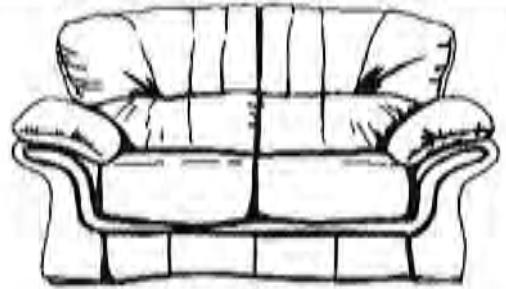
If, however, you feel that you are entitled to compensation as a result of your solicitor's negligence, you should consult an independent solicitor as the Law Society cannot order the payment of damages. A list of solicitors who are prepared to take proceedings against other solicitors is available from the Complaints Section but you must request in writing.

Further information in available from the Complaints Section, Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7. Tel: 01 672 4800 and from the Citizens Information Centre below.

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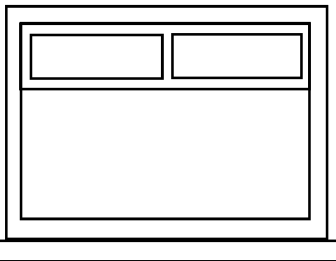
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Question

Can I claim tax relief for third-level tuition fees?

Answer

Yes you can, providing the courses are eligible. Tax relief for third-level tuition fees is available for the following courses:

- Approved undergraduate courses (full-time & part-time) in both private and publicly funded third-level colleges in the State
- Approved undergraduate and postgraduate course (full time & part-time) in publicly funded and duly accredited private third-level colleges in any EU member state.
- Approved undergraduate and postgraduate courses (full-time & part-time) operated by colleges in any EU member state providing distance education in the State.
- Postgraduate courses in certain private and publicly funded third-level colleges in non-EU counties.

Undergraduate courses must be of at least 2 years duration. Postgraduate courses must be for at least 1 academic year, but not more than 4 years, and must lead to a postgraduate award based on a thesis or an examination.

Tax relief is also available for approved information technology and foreign language courses in the State resulting in a certificate of competence (not just a certificate of attendance) and of less than 2 years duration.

Tax relief is at the standard rate of income tax (20%). The maximum relief allowable for the academic year 2005/2006 has increased from €3,175 to €5,000. for the information technology and foreign language courses the relief applies to fees ranging from €315 to €1,270 maximum. The tuition fees must be paid by you on your own behalf or on behalf of your spouse, your child or someone for whom you are the legal guardian. Application forms (IT 31) are available from the Revenue Commissioners website at www.revenue.ie or

Tel: LoCall 1890 306 706.

Further information is available from your own tax office and from the Citizens Information Centre.

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Maynooth G.A.A News

Maynooth Junior Hurlers too strong for Ardclough

Maynooth 5 - 10 Ardclough 4 - 4

Maynooth opened their championship campaign with a hard earned victory over Ardclough played at Clane on 16/07/05/. The Crum Abu side settled more quickly and by the 10th minute were leading by 2 - 2 to no score with Brendan Coffey and Morgan Sweeney sharing the scoring . The Maynooth side continued to dominate and added on a further 5 points before half time leaving the interval score at 2 - 7 to 0 - 2. Two goals from Ardclough early in the second half turned the game into a far more competitive affair. However Maynooth again took control midway through the second half and scored 3 goals in a five minute spell from Paul Daly, Pat Kennedy and an absolute peach from the classy Morgan Sweeney. Although Ardclough never gave up the ghost and raised 2 green flags in the last 5 minutes, Maynooth were deserving winners and while this was a team effort Michael Gillick, Colin Cushen and Morgan Sweeney were particularly outstanding in this game.

Maynooth Team and Scores

	Pierce Cuthbert	
Martin Hoare	Peter Sheehan	Shane Devereux
Michael Gillick	Colin Cushen	Fergus Devereux
Peter Granell	Sean Lennon	
Mark Nugent (-1)	Aidan Ryan (-1)	Brendan Coffey (1-2)
Morgan Sweeney (2-3)	Pat Kennedy (1-2)	Damien Travers

Subs Gerard Hoare (-1) for Mark Nugent (injured)
Paul Daly (-1) for Damien Travers, Padraic Nevin for B. Coffey

Maynooth go under to Leixlip

Leixlip 1 - 9 Maynooth 0 - 7

Maynooth Senior Hurlers were narrowly beaten by Leixlip in the first round of the championship played at Kilcock on 15/07/05/ as this is run on a league basis, Maynooth are still in contention for honours. Maynooth suffered a major setback as early as the second minute when influential midfielder Conor Diggins suffered a nasty injury and was unable to take any further part in the game. He was replaced by

Mark Cummins with Fergus Molloy moving to midfield. Leixlip got off to the better start and were leading by 1-3 to no score midway through the first half. Maynooth opened their account in the 19th minute when T.J Curran pointed a 45 meter free. For the remainder of the first half, the teams shared 4 points with the Maynooth scores coming from TJ Curran and Mark Cummins leaving the half time score Leixlip 1-5, Maynooth 0-3. the Crom Abu side played with renewed vigour and determination at the start of the second and had reduced the deficit to 2 points by the 12th minute with 3 ? Frees from TJ Curran. Despite playing well with Shane Kerrigan at centre forward causing major problems for the Leixlip defence. Maynooth could not get any closer to Leixlip on the points while Maynooth's sole reply was a pointed free from TJ Curran in the 23rd minute. In spite of this defeat there were many positive aspects to Maynooth's play with the defence holding a tight rein on the Leixlip forwards. The loss of Conor Diggins gave Leixlip a stranglehold at midfield, while the forward line lacked any real scoring power.

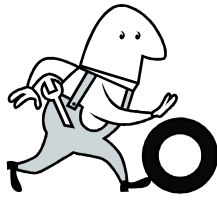
Seamus
Cummins

Joe Brennan	Eoin Nevin	Paul Meyler
Alan Sweeney	Hugh Nevin	Eanna Lohan
Conor Diggins	Mick Bennet	
Noel Carey	Shane Kerrigan	David Comerford
Fergus Molloy	TJ Curran (-6)	Donna Hoolan
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Thomas Coffey
Maynooth G.A.A.



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Maynooth Golf Society

Maynooth Golf Society played for the Joe "DoDo" Murray Cup at Kilcock Golf Club on Thursday 23rd June. Do Do, a past captain and very active member of the society was remembered with great fondness for his contribution to the social and fun side of the society over many years.

Two players attended and the winner on the day was John Nolan with a great score of 44 pts, closely followed by Martin Devenay 43 pts. Kilcock Golf Club were congratulated for the condition of the course and for their hospitality on this very warm June evening. The sponsor on the day was Derek Murray

Winner John Nolan being presented with the Joe (Do Do) Murray Memorial Trophy



Result Sheet

Outing to **Kilcock Golf Club** Date: 23 May 05
Joe "DoDo" Murray Cup
Sponsor Derek Murray

1st Prize	John Nolan	44pts
2nd Prize	Martin Devenay	43pts
3rd Prize	Tommy Campbell B6	41pts
4th Prize	Terry Moore B9	41pts
5th Prize	Brian Murphy	41pts
6th Prize	David Weafer	39pts
7th Prize	John Byrne B9	38pts
Front 9	Martin Maguire	21pts
Back 9	Steve Greenwood	20pts
Visitors	Richard Cusack	35pts
Nearest the Pin	Niall Byrne	
2's	John Nolan/John Byrne/John Cullen/Philip Doyle/Brendn Bean	

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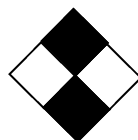
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Gardening Tips for August

Although August is traditionally a holiday month, it is seldom like the summer. August has more rain than June, July and September, its hot sunny spells put to an end by drenching, chilling rains. It is a month of change both for plants and gardeners.

The Flower Garden:

Cut off spent flower-heads of dahlias regularly to induce further bloom. Give a liquid feed every 10 days or so. Cut out the spent flowered stems of border plants such as delphiniums and of gladioli before they form seeds. Dis-bud early chrysanthemums to give larger blooms, rubbing off the smaller side buds around the one chosen to flower. For effective sprays of bloom, on the other hand, remove the central terminal bud. Give a liquid feed to late-flowering border plants such as Michaelmas daisies, golden rod, heleniums, and border chrysanthemums. Keep a watch for mildew in fine weather, when nights are cool and dew, and apply benomyl, dinocap or sulphur fungicide to control it.

Prepare sites for new shrubs and trees to be planted in the autumn. If they are thick with grass and weeds, dress with a glyphosate herbicide early in the month and cultivate in 5 weeks' time safely free of weeds.

Finalize your plants for autumn bulb planting, and order bulbs as soon as available. Narcissi should be planted in October, crocuses in September, but tulips can be left until November. Finish planting of autumn-flowering bulbs and corns as soon as possible.

The Fruit Garden:

Strawberries:



- Clean up the strawberry bed after harvest. Remove all weeds, excess runners, old, yellow and discoloured leaves, and lightly fork over the soil between the rows. Move the rooted runners intended for the new strawberry bed as soon as it is obvious they are growing strongly. Lift with soil, and space about 38cm (15in) apart in rows 75cm (2ft 6in) apart, watering in on well-prepared ground. Give dilute liquid feed to late-fruiting strawberries of the alpine types: 'Alexandria', 'Baron Solemacher', 'Frasie des Bois' or 'Red Alpine' and keep watered in dry weather.

- Cut away the fruited canes of raspberries at ground level and burn them so that they cannot harbour pests such as the larvae of the raspberry beetle or moth, or fungus infection. Remove weeds by hand: use a weedkiller may destroy new canes. Pull up sucker canes growing away from the stools or retained plants.
- Prune the fruited canes of loganberries at soil level as soon as the crop has been harvested.
- Pick early varieties of apple, such as culinary variety 'Emmeth Early' and the dessert varieties 'Beauty Bath', 'Laxton's Advance' and 'Laxton's Epicure'. Harvest with care as they bruise easily. Apples are ready to gather when they part easily from the spur on being gently lifted in hand; no force should be necessary.
- Pick outdoor nectarines and peaches if ready. Cradle the fruit in the palm of the hand, and if the pulp around the stalk-end feels soft, and the fruit parts easily when gently moved to and fro, pick it. Then cut away the shoots that bore them.

David Slattery



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A Strange Thing Happened

It had rained all morning on Saturday July 23rd last, only stopping one and a half hours before the tournament was due to commence. Organiser Willie Healy had put his trust in St. Bridget of Sweden whose feast day it was, to clear the way for a good tournament. He had good cause for concern because the event was due to take place on the Square at Maynooth and if the flagstones were wet the tournament could not proceed.

However as people gradually gathered on the square at 4 p.m. it became very obvious that the town of Maynooth was in deep mourning following the tragic death of Suzanne Doyle. There were many sad hearts as everyone's thoughts were with the Doyle family. People were very unsure of what way to proceed. Some people did not participate as a mark of respect. Others equally saddened honoured the memory of Suzanne, a very bright, much loved and fun-loving person, by participating.

Men of the Village

At 5.30 p.m. in the Men's section, two very strong teams from the Roost and Caulfields public houses squared up to each other in this, men of the village, contest of strength. When referee George Gallagher started proceedings, they tore into each other with great gusto, there was no quarter taken or given. The combatants could not keep up this intensity for long and with the help of the slope on the square the Roost team took the first pull.

When the teams changed sides, Caulfields now had the slope to their advantage and using every ounce of strength that they possessed, they took a very creditable point from last year's reigning champions.

With the sides now even, the coin was tossed to decide the direction of the final pull. The Roost team won the toss and without hesitation pointed towards the Straffan Road. Had they wanted to go to Straffan, their journey was much delayed as Caulfields dug very deep and fought them every inch of the way. The Roost used their experience, the pain barrier was crossed and gradually began to rein in the Caulfield crew to claim tournament victory for the second successive year.

The winners were the Roost team:

D. O'Sullivan (coach), Dave Rossiter, Eoin Power, James Purcell, Alan Brannigan, Darren Mooney, James Mullarkey, Niall Neville and Brendan O'Connor.

The runners-up were Caulfields including, Cavan Jim, Gary Groarke, Chris Gallagher, Barry Cullinane, Adrian O'Neill and Bartley Cullinane.

Now that the main event was over, a strange thing began to happen. As the rope lay on the ground little children began to line up on the rope. They did not ask to pull but took the rope in their hands. While tug-o-war is to some extent a planned event, it is also an evolving situation, the children began to take over the tournament.

As though bringing hope and expressing the unsurpressable spirit of childhood, a new mood entered the event, mirroring the joy and enthusiasm of Suzanne's full and vigorous life. Two good competitions took place of boys and girls mixed events, followed by presentation of medals by referee George Gallagher. Also present for the occasion was native tug-o-war stalwart Sean Hyland.

All the people in Maynooth Tug-o-War extend their deepest sympathy to the Doyle family on their great and unimaginable loss.

Willie Healy.



Childrens Tug-o-War
Runners Up in the mixed children's event



Rachel Cassidy and her grandson Jack who won a medal in the tug-o-war

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Shadow Play entertain the crowd in the Square during the Maynooth Festival on Saturday 23rd July



David Jolley and the Traditional Band

Maynooth Festival 2005



Children's Art Competition and Exhibition



The Children's Art competition and exhibition has now become an annual event in the Festival Diary.

This year the prize giving took place on Thursday 21st July in the Maynooth Community Library where the paintings were on display during the festival week.

A lot of effort and imagination was put into the various art works and it was obvious that there was great enjoyment in creating them. There was a good range of subjects in pencil, paint and collage. Thanks to all the children who took part as they alone made the event such a success.

Clodagh Kelly judged the competition again this year. Clodagh who is from Leixlip, studied Fine Art in the Dublin Institute of Technology. She will be having an exhibition of her work in Riverbank Arts Centre, Newbridge from the 25th August to the 24th September.

The children's art competition and exhibition was organised by Maynooth Castle Keep Art Group. Tesco very kindly sponsored the prizes for the competition.

Well done to the prize winners.!

Ben Maloco, Marie Hogan, Alison Williams, Philip O' Brien, Sarah Jennings, Micheál Hogan, Christina O' Brien.

A big thank you to all the children who submitted their work and to Maynooth Community Library staff for their assistance.

Susan Durack,
Castle Keep Art Group

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Conor White winner of the Bonny Baby Competition with his father, William, Andrew McMullon and Brid Feely



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Funday in the Harbour Field



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John McGinley with the winning trophy for the Car Treasure Hunt



Gertrude Conway & Kathleen Hendricks enjoying the Maynooth Festival



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Girls Tug-o-War Runners Up
R-L Sarah Greally, Jenny O'Dwyer, Laura Brannigan, Shannon Thompson, Samantha Thompson, Edel McMahon, Laura Doogan, and Tina Perry



Winners Girls Tug-o-War
F-B, Sarah Connor, Selina Connor, Alma Kelliher, Shannon Conroy, Gemma Cunningham, Rosanna Conroy and missing from picture Mary Connor & Elaine Healy



Referee George Gallagher (left) and Sean Hyland Tug-o-War stalwart in relaxed mood



Caulfield's Tug-o-War Braves
"Cavan Jim", Gary Groarke, Christopher Gallagher, Barry Cullinane, Adrian O'Neill and Bartley Cullinane



Tug-o-War Winners -
The Roost
Back Row L-R: Dave Rossitor, D O'Sullivan (Coach), James Purcell, Alan Brannigan, Darren Mooney, James Mullarkey
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FESTIVAL REPORT

The local festival got off to a great start on Thursday, 21st of July with the Tesco Table Quiz in the Newtown Inn. There was 33 tables and out Quiz Masters Prionncias Breathnach and Kay McKeogh did a wonderful job and kept everyone in order. Also there was an evening of entertainment with local writers and friends in the library, which was a great success as well as the children's art competition. Well done to all the children who won prizes.

On Friday, 22nd of July there was a fun quiz in Caulfields. There was 20 tables and it was a brilliant night of craic, fun and beer.

After two late nights I was not in form for getting up at 8 a.m., and when I saw the weather I was very worried that the tug-of-war and the music would be cancelled, resulting in a lot of frantic phone calls made, but thank God it turned out very well on the day. The Car Treasure Hunt got off to a bad start but by 3p.m. there were seven teams out AND OF COURSE THE HUNT WAS ON TO BEAT THE MCGINLEY TEAM BUT ALAS THEY ALL FAILED. JOHN, HIS WIFE MARY, LENNY MURPHY AND CHRISTINA SAULTS WERE THE BRAINS ON THE DAY, MAYBE NEXT YEAR THEY WILL BE BEATEN.

The tug-of-war got off to a late start, but Dave Jolly and his traditional band kept the crowds entertained, along with our young local band, Shadow Play. Finally the tug-of-war started with two teams; Caulfields and The Roost who were triumphant for the second year in a row.

On Saturday night we had the Singles Night in The Newtown Inn which was a brilliant night of love, fun and games and I believe that few locals got together!

The Family Day was brilliant too with the Scouts, Football Final and Bouncy Castle, a fun day was had by all. Then at 7 p.m. we had the Barperson of The Year Awards which drew the Festival to a close.

I would like to thank the following people:

Marie Gleeson, Ann Burns, Deidre Cusker, Gerry Gorey, Brid Feely, Willie Healy, Christina Saults and the office staff, Sean Donovan, John McGinley and the football committee, CPL Motor Factors, Caulfields for the John Tiernan Memorial Cup.

The bar people who went for the competition

Peg Brown: Newtown Inn

Edel Carty: Caulfields

Siobhan Brown: Bradys

Willie Kiernan our sound man and anybody else that helped me throughout the Festival, well done to all.

Andrew McMullon
Chairperson

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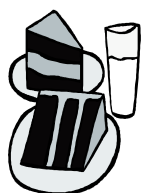
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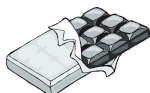
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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Community Games

Five young members of the Maynooth community will represent Kildare at the National Community Games finals in late August.

We will have three representatives in the swimming pool: Siobhan Kelly from Woodlands will take part in the under 14 breaststroke; Sean McKnight from Parklands Rise will compete in the under 12 freestyle while Eoin McCormack from Parklands Square will be our youngest swimmer in the under 10 backstroke.

Clara Murphy, under 14 from Moyglare Abbey, will go to the National finals to take part in art.

Meanwhile, young Daniel O'Sullivan, a Parklands Square resident, will sprint out in the under 8, 60m finals.

Best wishes to all our Maynooth representatives in the National Community Games finals.

Finally, thank you to all who participated in the 2005 Maynooth Community Games events in athletics, art, quiz and swimming. Thank you to all parents and guardians for the support. Finally, thank you to the hard working event organisers.



Andrew Birchall (Newtown) who won bronze in the under 14, 100mtrs at the Kildare Community Games Finals on 25th June 2005

Margaret Houlihan
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Recipes for August

Starter:

Chilled fresh fruit Soup

2 dessert apples, quartered and cored
 6 bananas, roughly chopped
 500 g/1 lb fresh strawberries
 375 g/1 12 oz pears, peeled, quartered and cored
 1 litre/1¾ p
 pints fresh orange juice

2 tablespoons lemon juice
 300 ml½ pint fresh grapefruit juice
 5-6 tablespoons clear honey

To Garnish:

mint sprigs
 6 strawberries
 black pepper (optional)

1. Place all the fruit in a food processor or blender with 300 ml½ pint of the orange juice and blend until very smooth. Add the lemon juice and grapefruit juice and the honey. Blend again until the mixture is smooth, in batches if necessary

2. Pour the soup into a large bowl, stir in the remaining orange juice and cover the bowl loosely. Chill in the refrigerator for 3-4 hours.

3. Pour the chilled soup into 6 chilled bowls and garnish each portion with a sprig of fresh mint and a strawberry. Mill over some black pepper, if liked.

Main course:

Duck Salad with mango

3 boneless duck breasts, about 175g/6oz each
 1 bunch of spring onions, cut into 2.5 cm/1 inch lengths
 1 celery stick, chopped
 1 teaspoon grated orange rind
 500 g/1 lb brown rice, cooked
 3 medium ripe mangoes, peeled and sliced
 salt and pepper.

Sauce:

1 egg white
 1 whole egg
 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
 1 tablespoon mango chutney
 ½ tablespoon light vinegar,
 preferably a fruit vinegar,
 250 ml8 fl oz very low-fat natural yoghurt

1. Arrange the duck breasts, skin-side up, on a rack and roast in a preheated oven for 10 minutes on each side.

2. Leave to cool. then remove the skin and cube the meat

3. Meanwhile, make the sauce. Place the egg white, whole egg, mustard, mango chutney, soy sauce and vinegar in a food processor or blender and blend well, then add the yoghurt, a tablespoon at a time.

4. Combine the duck meat with the onions, celery, orange rind, cooked rice and seasoning in a large bowl.

5. Arrange the mango slices on top of the salad and serve, accompanied by the sauce.

Try to use Barbary duck breasts as they are less fatty than other duck breasts. The skin is thin and does not have a layer of fat underneath.

Dessert

Summer Pudding

250 g/8 oz red and white currants
 125 g/4 oz blackcurrants
 125 g/4 oz raspberries
 125 g/4 oz strawberries
 125 g/4 oz loganberries
 125 g/4 oz cherries, blueberries or cultivated blackberries.

1 tablespoon clear honey margarine, for greasing.

8 x 1 cm/½ inch thick slices brown bread, crusts removed

1 Place all the fruit in a large saucepan (it must be aluminium or cast iron) with the honey and cook very gently for 2-3 minutes, just long enough to soften the fruit and allow the juices to run a little.

2 Line a lightly greased 1.2 litre/ 2 pint pudding basin with three quarters of the bread, trimming the slices to fit, making certain that all the surfaces are completely covered and the base has an extra thick layer.

3 Spoon in all the fruit, reserving 2 tablespoons of the juice in case the bread is not coloured by the fruit when the pudding is turned out.

Cover with the reserved bread.

Lay a plate or saucepan lid that will fit inside the rim of the bowl on top and place a 1 kg/2 lb weight on top of the plate or lid. Chill for 10-12 hours.

4 Turn out and cut into wedges to serve.

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MAYNOOTH.ORG CELEBRATES 5 YEARS OF LIFE ON THE INTERNET:

Maynooth.org was created 5 years ago by Pdraig Madden a young web-designer as a way of developing an interest in the internet, 5 years later Maynooth.org has changed into an important part of Maynooth Town. Maynooth.org is a one-stop-shop of information.

Maynooth.org attracted in the last 3 months up to 137,252 hits to the website. "We have visitors from Europe, Asia and America visiting the site" says Pdraig. These visitors mainly come and read the forum and interact with the website. At the Moment we have 25 Parish Clubs and 13 Local Clubs. We also have a large database of historical information about Maynooth Town.

Maynooth.org Forum is the heart of the website. With upwards of 200 users visiting the forum daily, it is turning into quite a debating venue, Topics in the forum at the moment are 'Broadband in North Kildare', 'Meadowbrook Link Road' & General Town Talking Points.

What does the future hold for Maynooth.org?

Well we hope to build on the experience that we have gained and increase the number of visitors to the website and increase the number of documents and information that is presently available. We also hope to integrate a photo album and show Maynooth town to the whole world the way that we see it.

What we need from you

Maynooth.org is no good on its own - what we are looking for is PRO's of Clubs and Societies to send us important information about upcoming events so we can add them to the calendar. Add us to your Mailing list so we can promote your news on the front Page. Community Groups are more then welcome. We will publicise your group on the internet and give you a club page with your information on it.

Thank you for your ongoing support of Maynooth.org and we hope that we have plenty more years providing a service too Maynooth Town.

A special thanks to all at hosting365.ie

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Poetry Corner

MY GARDEN

I reap my fortune of fertile soil
Growing vegetables that are my pride
A garden full of my care and toil
With Mother Nature at my side
Soil being a foundation of plant life
Growing flowers and fruit so well
Each seedling grows with little strife
My award only time can tell
Seasons changing from year to year
Making my garden look its best
Winter time gradually comes near
Leaving growth barren and to rest
Spring time comes sprightly free
A budding time of life to grow
A busy time of the year for me
Sowing my seeds from row to row
When my garden is at full prime
I sit back and admire it so
Fortune of nature being all mine
As I helped it all to grow
My garden is part of me
That is life created by the sun
My enchanting garden forever to be
When my days are over and done.

THE WIND

Mysterious wind you blow and blow
Through mountains and valleys everywhere
As of your source I do not know
As you travel through the planet air
Whistling and purring your way along
Since the world was known to me
Many centuries have passed and gone
But it seems you were forever to be
Blow wind blow on a winters night
Spreading elements far and near
Constantly drifting with all your might
For your inner source I do fear
What is the force that carry's you so
As I think of my wind swept days
On a summers day you disappear and go
Replaced by my golden sunshine rays
The wind is an element of the sky
That is destined by natures course
Everlasting wind you will never die
And no one knows of your source

Patrick Murray

THE DATE

I washed myself with great care
In good humour of good fortune to come
With expertise I combed my hair
Looking at the mirror with fun
I dressed myself like a king
Using the best clothes I could wear
With aftershave dabbled on my chin
Putting a nice fragrance to the air
I looked at my watch in haste
While hurrying down the stairs
My breath fresh with toothpaste
Feeling the best beyond compare
I was ready for a real good time
Anxious to meet the girl of my dreams
Feeling good in this heart of mine
While the sun outside just gleams
I got the bus into the city
To meet her outside Cleary's at three
I had no car which was a pity
But she did not expect that of me
At five to three I finally waited
For this pretty lady to appear
Then after three I soon contemplated
To be stood up was in my fear
I looked around at the passers by
And looking at the windows in view
Then soon I heard a cry
By her voice it was her I knew
We chatted together with great fun
Walking down O'Connell Street
A time of my life had begun
To this friend I planned to meet
We went into a near by restaurant
And had dinner by candle light
Everything was the way I could want
As we went dancing on that night
We grooved away at a discothèque
Kissing and cuddling all the while
With passion I embraced her neck
And all she did was just smile
We chatted about the past
And everything that came to mind
We wished our relationship to last
And how fast the time did unwind
I loved this girl sincerely
Although I did not tell her so
She really looked so dearly
With enchantment that forever grows
If I could only then spare my heart
And told her I really cared
But now we are far apart
With memories that we shared
True love is hard to find
If you find it don't let it go
Many thoughts cling to my mind
Of the date I cherished so

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TESCO 7-a-Side Soccer Tournament For The Joe Murphy Memorial Trophy 2005

This very popular 7-a-side soccer was held in the Harbour Field from Tuesday 12th July to Sunday 24th July. The quarter-finals, semi-finals and final were held during the Community Festival. Sixteen teams completed in this year's tournament and there was an average attendance of 250 spectators each evening, with around 400 watching a very entertaining final.

The teams were divided into 4 groups of 4, with the winners and runners-up going through to the quarterfinal knockout stage.

Group 1 was won by Curley's Old Greenfield, and Kingsbry Lads the runners-up. With The Renegades and Hazelmere exiting.

Group 2 was won by Castlebridge Celtic, and Silken Vale runners-up. With Old Greenfield and Maynooth & Kilcloon United exiting.

Group 3 was won by the Old Dublin Roaders, and Maynooth Park runners-up. With Rockfield Utd and Silken Vale exiting. This was the Group of death with 4 very good teams and Rockfield lost out on goal difference only.

Group 4 was won by Newtown rangers, and Moyglare Village runners-up. With Carton Court and Old Greenfield (B) exiting.

Quarter-finals

Curley's Old Greenfield	1 - 1	Silken Vale
(Curley's Old Greenfield won on penalties)		
Castlebridge Celtic	0 - 2	Kingsbry Lads
Old Dublin Roaders	1 - 0	Moyglare Village
Newtown Rangers	2 - 0	Maynooth Park

Semi-finals

Curley's Old Greenfield	0 - 1	Kingsbry Lads
Old Dublin Roaders	0 - 3	Newtown Rangers

Newtown Rangers caused a major surprise in the semi-finals by easily beating the winners for the last two years, Old Dublin Roaders. However, Kingsbry Lads were the favourites to win in the final among the sideline experts.

The Final

The Kingsbry Lads looked to be on their way to success when they scored the first goal after 10

minutes of the first half. The Kingsbry players celebrated in the time honoured fashion by burying the goal scorer in a pile of bodies.

Newtown never gave up and equalised with 2 minutes left in the game through a well rehearsed free kick. Both teams had further chances before the end but the game finished level and it was decided on the dreaded penalties with Newtown Rangers winning 3-1.

These two young teams were given a well deserved standing ovation after a hard fought but clean final.

Thanks

I would like to thank the organising committee who helped out in preparing the pitch so that it could be playable and in turning up each evening to make sure the tournament was a success. Special thanks is due to Tom Dempsey, John & Conor Saults, John, Sean & Laura Doogan, Michael O'Reilly., Pat Moynan, Willie Saults, Lennie Murphy, Mary McGinley, Michael Dempsey, Tommy Daly and Christina Saults.

Finally, on behalf of the organising committee I would like to thank all of the teams for taking part, TESCO for their sponsorship and the Murphy family for the beautiful trophy.

John McGinley
(Organiser)

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Features



Patrick Devaney

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Announcing a new title from popular author Patrick Devaney. The writer's second collection of more than one hundred poems deals with many contemporary issues, including man's impact on nature, teenage rebellion, social change, our Anglo-Irish heritage, the Northern Ireland conflict, the Iraq War, and religious belief in a scientific age.

Poet, novelist, short story writer, critic and broadcaster Mary O'Donnell said about Devaney's first collection:

"The poems inhabit the narrow divide that separates pain and joy, hurt and healing, reminding the reader that nature and its landscapes—fierce, cruel, but beautiful—inform every moment of human activity".

Written over a period of five decades, the poems in **Swan Pendant** reflect many of Devaney's experiences, from his youth in County Roscommon, through his years in New York, to his return to Ireland to teach and raise a family. As might be expected, the poems in such a broad collection vary in style and form: short lyrics jostling long, reflective pieces; modern verse contrasting with more traditional poems that employ rhyme and fixed metre, though all are aimed at the ordinary reader rather than an intellectual elite.

Patrick Devaney grew up on a farm in County Roscommon and was educated in Summerhill College, Sligo. He studied Civil Engineering in University College Galway but, after his father's death, emigrated to New York. While working as an electrical draughtsman, he attended City College at night. Returning to Ireland in 1969, he became a teacher of maths and English with County Kildare Vocational Education Committee. Married, with five children, he lived and taught in Maynooth. He and his wife now live in Virginia, Co. Cavan.

"Swan Pendant" is available in Maynooth Bookshop, Main Street, Maynooth.

Maynooth Castle

(Former stronghold of the Fitzgeralds)

The rock-doves have you now,
Though your grim-visored keep
Once sheltered goshawks,
Mail-clad brigands
Who held by force
What a bishop-killer ¹ granted
Then softened into Gaels
Sufficiently
To win from ollamhs
Flattering sobriquets:
Gearóid Mór, Tomás an tSíoda².

On such acclaim
They soared like eagles
And yet their children grew content
With Saxon jesses –
All except Lord Edward,
Born of a Saxon mother
When you stood here deserted.

Such self-surrender to a bond
Older than kindred, class or creed
Is why your ruins
Remind me of a hybrid oak
So deeply rooted in our soil
It flourished like St. Brigid's tree³
Until two storms broke it⁴,
Leaving only the hollowed trunk
To be a dovecot...

¹ *Henry II of England, who had Thomas à Becket murdered.*

² *Garrett or Gerald the Great; Silken Thomas*

³ *St. Brigid built her church under an oak tree, hence*

Cill Dara, The Church of the Oak.

⁴ *The Silken Thomas Rebellion, 16th Century, and the Confederate Wars, 17th Century.*

To One Who Mocked Me for My Lack Of knowledge of Gaelic Football

You deem deserving of disdain
My ignorance of some match in Clane
But should your ignorance of Mesgora*
Be cause for me to fault your brain

Useful Tips

Garden Hose

- You can temporarily plug a pinhole leak in a rubber hose by jamming a round wooden toothpick into the hole. Snap the toothpick off flush with the hose's outer skin then wrap the hose with insulating tape up to 2in/50mm on either side of the leak, stretch the tape tight over the hole but looser towards the ends, so that it can flex as the hose bends. As the wool absorbs water, it will swell to seal the hole. Never store a garden hose by hanging it over a nail or peg. The hose will sag and kink, and repeated kinking will crack the rubber, vinyl or plastic skin. Instead, mount an old wheel rim on the garage or tool-shed wall and wrap the hose around it when not in use.

Garden tools

- An electric drill will keep your garden tools polished and sharp. Use a wire brush attachment to scour rust from neglected tools; a coarse disc can put an edge back on a nicked axe or mower blade much faster than a file and whetstone. Do it quickly, so that the high-speed sanding doesn't heat the steel and ruin its temper.
- After polishing and sharpening your tools, keep blades and teeth bright with a coat of oil. Dirty oil from your car or power mower is as effective as any and costs nothing.
- For jobs too big for a trowel but too small for a spade or shovel, use a hoe.
- Use a wide putty knife for scraping earth from shovels and trowels. Use it also for delicate weeding between closely planted vegetables and for cultivating the soil in the crevices of a rock garden.

Ice cream cones

Before you scoop ice cream into a cone, drop a jelly baby in the bottom; it helps to prevent drips from coming through.

With a bit of ingenuity, you can serve up an ice cream treat without relying on readymade cones. Here are some ideas:

Make an ice cream sandwich by putting a scoop between two large biscuits or splitting a trifle sponge in half and filling it.

Hollow out a fairy cake to make a little edible bowl.

Slice the tops off oranges, scoop out the flesh, then fill with ice cream. (Puree the flesh to make orange juice.)

Make brandy snap cups by moulding just baked brandy snaps over an orange or up-turned glass, instead of rolling them around a wooden spoon

Outdoor cooking

- You can turn an old metal wheelbarrow into a mobile barbecue. Punch 1/2in/13mm holes in the bottom and side of the wheelbarrow, line it with a layer of stones and cover with charcoal. An old oven shelf can also double up as a grill (don't use refrigerator shelves; they might contain cadmium, which is poisonous).
- Season a new small iron hibachi (a portable, charcoal-burning grill) to prevent rust. First, check that there are no wooden parts. Then rub all surfaces with vegetable oil and put the hibachi on a baking sheet in a 120 degrees C/250 degrees F oven. Leave it to bake for half an hour, then turn off the heat and let the oven cool down. Remove the hibachi and wipe off any excess fat.
- If you want to know whether the coals are hot enough to barbecue meat, the fire is ready when the coals turn white.
- To prevent flare-ups when you barbecue, make a drip pan to catch any dripping fat from aluminium foil. Place this on top of the coals under the meat.
- Another way to prevent flare-ups is to spread the outer leaves from a head of lettuce on the hot coals before you barbecue fatty meat. The lettuce will blacken but won't ignite.
- Keep a water spray handy - the sort used to spray indoor plants - and use it to douse flames.
- Don't forget that you can barbecue vegetables as well as meat. Wrap onions, corn on the cob, or sliced or whole potatoes (all dotted with butter or margarine or brushed with barbecue sauce) in heavy-duty foil. Grill onions and corn over medium coals for 30 minutes, turning once. Put chunks of courgette or aubergine on skewers, brush with oil, and grill for 10 minutes over medium coals, turning often.
- Flies hate basil, so keep a pot of the herb close to the dining table: just crush a few leaves to release the oils. And you'll also have fresh basil leaves to chop into your salad.

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Party Political Press Statement

2012 Olympics looming and no hope for Irish swimmers

With London winning the backing of The International Olympic Committee to become the host city of the 2012 Olympic Games yesterday, many people may be wondering if Ireland will be in for a shot at the medals this time around. One person, who believes the Irish Government has shot the Irish Olympic Team in the proverbial foot, however is Catherine Murphy TD (Ind).

"Affordability and availability of sporting facilities are essential components in nurturing the sporting talent of tomorrow", said Murphy today when seeking increased funding to be channelled into the local authority swimming pool programme.

At a cost of €10 per child / student / OAP, and €12 per adult, the National Aquatic Centre is priced far above other public swimming facilities in the region. And, when compared with the costs incurred by users of Australia's Sydney International Aquatic, \$6.20 AUD per adult, and, on average, \$5 AUD per child / student / OAP, one of the reasons behind Australia's impeccable swimming successes becomes apparent. They simply let people swim!

However, price is not the only barrier to the budding Olympians of tomorrow according to Murphy.

"The sheer lack of public swimming facilities no doubt plays a huge part in preventing talented people from realising their potential, however it also has implications for ordinary people who just want to stay healthy and enjoy a leisurely swim. This government, and its predecessors, has been so intent on creating a strong economy it has forgotten that a strong economy is merely one of the building blocks upon which a healthy, happy and strong society is built."

The Minister for Arts, Sports and Tourism in May of this year revealed in a parliamentary reply to Deputy Murphy that the estimated budgetary allocation for the National public swimming pool programme for 2005 is just €32, a startling €30 million less than the construction cost of the National Aquatic Centre. Furthermore, applications for grant-aid to facilitate the construction of new swimming pools have not been accepted since July 2000 and it is uncertain when the applications procedure will re-open.

"I'm calling on the government to step up onto the diving board and take the plunge on providing these essential facilities, and who knows we may well become the producers of the next generation of Ian Thorps!" concluded Murphy.

Air Navigation and Transport (Indemnities) Bill 2005 (Seanad): Second Stage

Most people considering this Bill will think of major airlines and airports such as Dublin, Cork or Shannon. Those airports must be up to date in the type of security provided there to minimise risk. I know advances have been made in the type of machinery used and monitoring, and that will be important. I note the Bill extends to facilities that do not have the capacity to do that, such as smaller aerodromes. Three or four of those listed are in remote locations but one is not. Weston Aerodrome is situated between Lucan and Leixlip and has a sizeable number of movements, up to the levels of Dublin Airport, so it is not an inconsiderable aerodrome.

I have serious concerns about the way Weston Aerodrome operates, the profile of the owner and its non-compliance with just about every rule and regulation in the book. It is located in an area where 80,000 people live. Major international companies sought — it was granted — to divert the way planes flew after the attack on 11 September 2001, and I understand why. Weston Aerodrome is beside the State laboratories where certain materials are kept — I will say no more.

This aerodrome is part of a marketing exercise by a large number of people for the Ryder Cup, which is a major event, so it is not an inconsiderable location. It is licensed for a runway of less than 800 metres on code one. I supplied video evidence to the Irish Aviation Authority showing that it uses an area beyond that designed as a stopway-clearway. It has laid tarmac on a total of 14,000 metres and uses or has used areas for which it does not have a licence. It does not have planning permission for buildings on the site. The proprietor has built a hotel and conference centre and ripped up archaeological sites to put in a golf course. He has absolutely no regard for the planning laws. It is advertised as Dublin's second airport with 24-hour cargo accommodation even though only daylight flying is allowed. I am drawing a picture of who we might indemnify. Over the years I have been in and out of, and on the phone to, the Irish Aviation Authority offices. The planning process is completely subverted in Kildare and south Dublin. Warning notices have been issued to the aerodrome with regard to the height of planes.

Three Government Departments, Transport, the Environment, Heritage and Local Government and Defence, have a regulatory role in this. The Department of Defence has a problem with what Weston Aerodrome does, and is on record as such. It would be unconscionable for this type of facility to be indemnified when it is clearly non-compliant. I hope the provision in section 5 is used to crack down on

this as I have no confidence in the Irish Aviation Authority to do so. If the practice at Weston Aerodrome is replicated in any other airport or aerodrome I would have serious concerns about the level of control we can have potentially on this type of facility. Either a blind eye is being turned or there is no intention to make it comply with the licence it has been given. I cannot see the point of having a licence if months go by before the authorities get back to someone who makes a serious complaint that includes giving video evidence to the Irish Aviation Authority, which was gathered by members of the public who sat in a ditch in the freezing weather. It is the role of the Irish Aviation Authority to gather such evidence.

I understand why we need to indemnify. I hope that in a year's time we can charge for that indemnity, as the Bill proposes, but the Minister must take serious note of the rules of compliance and ensure they are fully met. If the laws are broken, the taxpayer should not be asked to indemnify that type of behaviour in a further example of the State not intervening. The State must intervene and use every power available to stop this type of behaviour. It would be one thing if this aerodrome was used for the purpose for which it is licensed, but it is used for much more than is covered by the licence.

Weston must not be insured by Government, demands Murphy

Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) has called the government's proposals to provide indemnity for aircraft, airports and aerodromes in the event of terrorist attacks "unconscionable" in the case of Weston Aerodrome.

Referring to persistent breaches of both the terms of its operating licence and planning regulations Murphy went on to assert, "if the laws are broken, the taxpayer should not be asked to indemnify that type of behaviour in a further example of the State not intervening".

The North Kildare TD expressed that she has "serious concerns about the way Weston Aerodrome operates, the profile of the owner and its non-compliance with just about every rule and regulation in the book".

In a further statement Murphy maintained, "if a facility can't operate according to its licence and is expanded illegally, it would be downright foolish to presume that these are the only areas where the management fall short on compliance. We need to make sure that the facilities we undertake to insure using taxpayers money are taking all precautions necessary to guarantee security."

The proposed *Air Navigation and Transport (Indemnities) Bill 2005*, if enacted, will provide for the

transfer of aircraft, airport and aerodrome insurance cover relating to terrorist attacks, from private insurers to the government. Its drafting having been initiated upon insurance companies' expressions of concern at the prospect of "potentially ruinous claims in the event of a terrorist attack involving the detonation of what is referred to as a dirty bomb, or an electromagnetic pulse."

Although critical of insuring non-compliant facilities, Murphy did however acknowledge the need for government backed indemnity policies in the event of terrorist attacks. Stating that Weston "is used for much more than is covered by the licence" Murphy adamantly demanded however that "the State must intervene and use every power available to stop this type of behaviour" before insurance cover is extended.

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TOLLS TANTAMOUNT TO URBAN TAX, SAYS MURPHY

Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) has struck out at the National Toll Roads Company regarding a report they commissioned, stating that it is nothing more than an exercise in stating the obvious.

"The conclusion of National Toll Roads' consultants that capacity, design and high traffic volumes are the true causes of the traffic chaos experienced twice daily by M50 commuters are in part accurate. However anyone using the M50 or watching the mayhem from a safe distance could conclude the same. The real issue is that the Toll Plaza is imposing heavy charges on commuters who have no choice but to use the road."

The government's national tolling policy, according to Murphy, favours the location of Toll Plazas at location that catch daily commuters and not national traffic. She further illustrated her point by highlighting that, on completion of its upgrade, the N4 from Dublin to Galway will incorporate two toll plaza facilities.

One will be at Enfield, an area flanked by commuter towns, and one on the outskirts of Galway city. However, the largest and most sparsely populated portion of this national route, i.e. That area between Enfield and Galway, will go untolled.

"It's quite obvious that these Toll Plaza's are placed to

draw revenue from the thousands of commuters forced to live in satellite towns as result of high housing prices. This is a highly inequitable system that effectively punishes people who can't afford to live close to where they work", stated Murphy.

The January 2005 increase in Toll prices would seem to support Murphy's assertion as the cost to car drivers was increased from €1.50 to €1.80, or a staggering 20% while the cost to Vans and Buses at €3.10 was increased by only 3%

"My understanding of the purpose of road tolls is that they are intended to deter only truly works if you offer an alternative, which the government has failed to do where public transport is concerned." - Murphy

She concluded that she sees the current system of road tolling as "an urban tax" which, in a nutshell, can be described as "all stick and no carrot."

Class	Type	2004	2005	Increase	Increase
1	Van/Bus	€3.00	€3.10	€0.10	3%
2	Car	€1.50	€1.80	€0.30	20%
3	Motorcycle	€0.80	€0.80	€0.00	0%
4	2 Axle truck>3500kg	€4.20	€4.50	€0.30	7%
5	3 Axle truck>3500kg	€4.80	€5.20	€0.40	8%
6	4 Axle truck	€5.20	€5.60	€0.40	8%





Emmet Stagg T.D.

Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

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Bond Bridge

The Council have re-tendered for this project and tenders are due in by mid-August. Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by Council officials that works will commence in early/mid-September.

Meadowbrook Link Road

Cllr. John McGinley has allocated €25,000 from his Discretionary Grants for traffic calming ramps on Beaufield Road in order to enable the Meadowbrook Link Road to open. The ramps and the other safety measures identified in the safety audit will be carried out in mid-July. Such works will include five flat top ramps, fencing, line markings, signs and tree pruning. John requested that one of the ramps at the shops should have a pedestrian crossing and the Council have agreed to this.

When these works are completed in mid-August the Meadowbrook Link Road will be opened to the public.

Footpaths at Dublin Road/Doctors Lane, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following reply to his motion at the Area Meeting of the council on 15 July:

"As part of planning file ref. 02/2060 a levy of €25,000 has been imposed as a contribution towards town improvements. Briefly by way of background, the members will be aware that it was proposed to create a one-way system for Doctor's Lane. As per drawings previously circulated, it is also envisaged that resurfacing work would take place and that footpaths would be strengthened. In addition it is proposed to provide additional parking and cycle lanes from the Doctor's Lane junction to Tesco.

As previously advised these works have been prioritised; Phase 1 (in the form of the Charter House scheme) having been carried out. However, a source of funding has not yet been identified for Phases 2 (Doctor's Lane) and 3 (Doctor's Lane to Tesco). Realistically, it is unlikely to be possible to carry out the Doctor's Lane scheme on a phased basis and, certainly, €25,000 will only cover a small element of the cost. I will endeavour to ascertain whether there are other special levies available. In addition, as requested, current proposals will be further reviewed in light of the IFPLUTS study, when published. As requested, I have checked the following planning files:

03/2084 (Glenmoy Developments)

Levies imposed in relation to this file relate to the new Development Contribution Scheme. No roads levies have been paid to date although the commencement notice has issued. In any event as it falls within the ambit of the new Development Contribution Scheme, the roads levies are dealt with on a county wide basis and, accordingly, will be contingent on an annual prioritisation programme to be agreed with the elected members.

02/2060 (Regan and Moloney)

As previously reported, a special levy of €25,000 was imposed in this instance as a contribution towards the town improvement scheme. These monies have not been paid to date. As it comes within the ambit of the former scheme, it will be possible to allocate this to a fund relating to local capital type improvements."

Needless to say Cllr. John McGinley expressed his total dissatisfaction with the report and he demanded that this essential work be carried without any further delay.

Unauthorised Development by Mycete at Moyglare Road, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley and his colleague Deputy Emmet Stagg have contacted the Unauthorised Development Section of Kildare County Council in relation to the unauthorised opening of a vehicular entrance on the Maynooth side of the Eircom building on Moyglare Road, Maynooth.

The Planning Permission granted by the Council and An Bord Pleanála specifically prohibits the Developer from creating vehicular access, either temporary or permanent, to the Moyglare Road from the site, which will eventually have 526 houses.

John and Emmet have demanded that the Developer be instructed to close off this access immediately.

Traffic Management in Maynooth

In response to Cllr. John McGinley's motion a presentation was made to the Area Councillors on the proposed new traffic management plan for Maynooth. The new arrangements will be put in place prior to the opening of the Kavanagh Mill development in October. New traffic signals will be erected at the Kilcock Road/Moyglare Road/Mill Street junction; at the Parson Street/Main Street/Mill Street junction; and at the entrance to the Glenroyal Complex/Public car park. A pedestrian crossing is also proposed at Mill Street, directly opposite the entrance to the new development. Cllr. John McGinley questioned the need for the pedestrian crossing at Mill Street and he also asked if it would be possible to have a roundabout at the church instead of the lights. John also asked that the pedestrian lights at the Bank of Ireland be removed when the signals are installed at the Roost and that the installation of the lights at the Glenroyal Complex be deferred until the new road at the bottom of the Harbour Field is in place.

John also asked that the bus pull-in bays be re-designed so that buses can pull in properly and not hold up traffic. He also demanded strict enforcement of the law on bus only parking as it is completely ignored at present.

Design for Northern Relief Road

Residents will be aware of Cllr. John McGinley's ongoing campaign to have the Northern Relief Road (Moyglare to Moygaddy) completed by Kildare County Council. Residents will also recall that the Council ignored their own Development Plan in giving planning permission to Mycete for 526 houses without the completion of the northern Relief Road and An Bord Pleanála did likewise.

John has demanded that this essential relief road gets top priority for funding under the Council's

Development Contributions Scheme. Prioritising of projects will come before the Council for approval in September and since the Roads Department of the Council were against the granting of permission for the houses unless the relief road was completed Cllr. McGinley would expect that they would recommend that this road would be given a very high priority. John has been given the good news that a preliminary design for the new road will be finalised within the next two months.

Installation of CCTV Cameras

Cllr. John McGinley has again asked that CCTV cameras be installed at the Recycling Centre at the public car park as a matter of urgency. John has also asked the Council to get the OPW to install CCTV cameras at the Obelisk (Connolly's Folly) as the dumping at this historical structure is disgraceful. The only way to stop this crime against the community is through hefty fines.

Yellow Box Needed at Newtown, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to paint a yellow box junction at the exit from houses no. 509 to 513 cul de sac at Newtown, Maynooth. Residents are finding it very difficult to exit in safety onto the road at present.

More Poles on Main Street, Maynooth

Following requests from members of the public, Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council not to erect any more of the 2m high poles, with the miniature litter sign at the top. The poles serve no useful purpose as people don't need to be told in miniature what a litter bin is for and worse still they have been erected just 1m from existing poles. Cllr. McGinley stated that if any such signs need to be erected they should state what the fine is for littering and they should be put on existing poles.

Re-instatement of Footpaths Following Installation of Water Meters

At the request of Cllr. John McGinley the council will be properly re-instating the footpaths in Main Street and elsewhere following the installation of the water meters. The Council advised John that the existing tarmacadam re-instatement was always intended to be a temporary measure.

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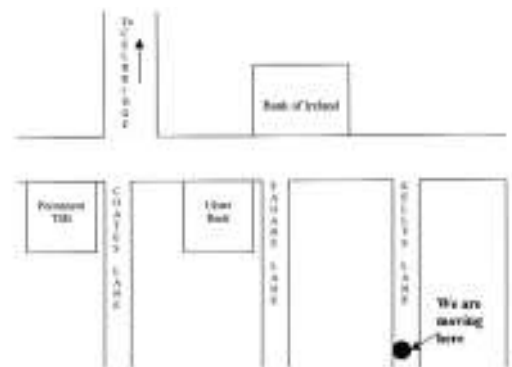
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Editorial

Just a short editorial this month to compensate for my rather long one of last month.

Briefly, I will touch on a number of issues that will be on the agenda in the next while.

1. The next meeting of the Community Council takes place early September and now is a good time to ask and encourage more representation from the Residents Associations to our monthly meetings. Regularly we find that about 15-18 members attend every month but that means there are many areas not directly represented each month. In the next short while, I will be contacting all the Residents Associations with a view to attending their meetings in order to ask for such increased representation. Better representation, better attendance means different ideas and perspectives on all the issues affecting Maynooth and our future.
2. Another issue to be addressed very shortly is the erection of Christmas lights. This year we need the help of some of the business people located on the Main St to facilitate the erection of new boxes at various junctions on the Main St, so we can conform to new electrical safety standards. I am currently meeting with some of those business people and hope to be successful. Otherwise it will be impossible to repeat the success of last year.
3. At time of writing a number of traffic lights are being erected in connection with the new Mill Shopping Development. We await with some trepidation the effect these will have on our traffic flows. I said last year and I stick with the basic principle that traffic lights stop traffic and do not facilitate traffic flow. Surely it is breathtakingly obvious that Roundabouts facilitate traffic flow – shortly we will see the evidence accumulate.
4. Lastly the issue of the Community Centre must take centre stage again. Of particular worry is the length of time been taken to ensure the complete handover of amenity lands as per agreements made between Kildare County Council and landowners. The site for the Community Centre is included in the Carton Avenue Action Area Plan and the people of Maynooth are entitled to ask why this is taking so long to complete.

Brid Feely
Chairperson
Maynooth Community Council

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05/1733	P.J.Reilly	Spring Valley Summerhill Co. Meath	P	19/07/05	Two storey semi-detached dwelling utilising existing domestic entrance from public road, with new foul water and storm water connections to existing public sewers and new watermain connection to existing public watermain and all associated site work	48 Meadowbrook Avenue Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1747	Maynooth Town F.C.	Newtown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	21/07/05	Erection of single storey clubhouse building, installation of proprietary effluent treatment system, upgrading of existing vehicular site access from public road, car parking and all other associated site works	Newtown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1779	Joseph Murphy	6 Leinster Park Maynooth	P	25./07/05	Demolition of existing dwelling house, construction of two storey block, 12 no. two bedroom apartments, parking area, refuse bin store/bicycle	Edmund Rice House Leinster Park Maynooth
05/1788	Clive & Fiona O' Hagan	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	26/07/05	Relocation of a previously approved skylight from south facing to west facing together with a mirror image of the previously Bungalow (ref: 00/141) along its North/South axis	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1863	Dulcedo Developments	RBK House Irishtown Athlone Co. Westmeath	R	03/08/05	Development for the retention of an amendment to the ground floor of a previously permitted development (Kildare County Council Reg. Ref. 2220/01 An Bord Pleanala Ref. PL09.130667). The amendment consists of: the subdivision of the previously etc.	Manor Mills Kilcock Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1870	Noel Forster	Barberstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	04/08/05	A bungalow, small wastewater treatment unit and raised mound percolation area.	Barberstown Upper Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1922	Siobhan McNulty	744 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	11/08/05	Divice existing site in two and to construct a new three bedroom dormer house with a roof light to a part of the roof at ridge level and tow dormer type windows to the rear. All works to include necessary boundary walls and landscape treatments etc.	744 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare

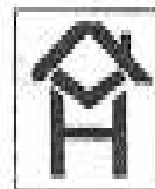
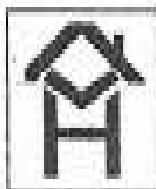
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05/1940	Eugene Mara	Doctor's Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/08/05	Demolition of single storey store to rear and construction of new two storey extension to side, consisting ground and first floor offices together with associated site works	Doctors Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/1952	Pat & Theresa Mooney	83 Main Street Leixlip Co. Kildare	P	12/08/05	The development will consist of laying of outfall surface water and foul drains from residentially zoned lands etc	Dunboyne Road Maynooth Co. Kildare

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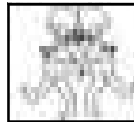


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Answer

The National Fuel Scheme, operated by the Department of Social and Family Affairs, is intended to help people who are dependent on long term social welfare or Health Service Executive payments as their sole income and who are unable to meet their heating needs.

Under the scheme people who qualify for the Fuel Allowance receive an extra €9.00 per week. If you qualify for the basic Fuel Allowance you may also qualify for an extra €3.90 per week for smokeless fuel, if you live in an area where there is a ban on smoky coal.

The €3.90 may also be payable to those receiving Disability Benefit or Unemployment Benefit/Assistance for at least 13 weeks and to those receiving Family Income Supplement, who do not qualify for the basic allowance. From October 2005 those getting Occupational Injury Benefit for at least 13 weeks may also qualify for the smokeless fuel allowance.

In order to qualify for the Fuel Allowance you must satisfy a means test. You and the members of your household cannot have more than €51.00 per week in combined income above the appropriate maximum Irish contributory pension/benefit rate or savings/capital of €46,000.00 or more above it. For example, someone without any savings receiving a Widow's or Widower's Contributory Pension of €154.30 per week should qualify if his/her weekly income does not exceed €154.30 plus €51.00 i.e. €205.30.

However, if you are already on a means tested payment you will not be subject to another means test for the Fuel Allowance. Where two or more people living in the same household would qualify for the allowance, only one allowance will be paid.

The allowance is paid for 29 weeks from the first week in October to late April. If you think you are eligible you should apply immediately as the allowance will not be backdated if you apply after the start of the heating season. Applications forms (NFSI) are available from any Post Office or your local Social Welfare Office.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

I believe that people aged 65 or over can now get their passports for free. Is that true?

Answer

Yes it is. From August 2005 people aged 65 or over no longer have to pay for their passports. However, they have to apply like everybody else and have to pay for An Post's 'Passport Express' service should they use it.

The cost of a passport for different age groups is as follows:

- Standard ten-year passport for people aged 65 and over
Free
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€100.00
- Five-year passport for children 3 - 17
€25.00
- Three-year passport for children under 3
€15.00

There are additional fees for urgent and for out-of-hours emergency applications.

The application for (APS 1) for people living within the State is available from your local Garda Station and from post offices. With your application you must provide:

- Two recently taken passport ... the back of each photograph and the witness section of the form must be signed by a Garda Síochána.
- Proof of citizenship - if it is a renewal application your most recent passport is sufficient.

If you are born in Ireland and it is your first application or you are under 18 years of age the long form of your Irish Birth Certificate is required as proof of citizenship. Children born in Ireland since the start of this year and people born outside Ireland will require additional or alternative forms or proof. Information on what is required depending on your circumstances is supplied with the application form.

You can apply in person to the passport office for a passport or by post. You can also apply via the 'Passport Express' service, available through the post office, which guarantees receipt of a passport with ten

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working days where applications are completed correctly with proper documentation. The additional fee for this service is €7.00 per application or €10.00 for up to four applications sent together for a family.

For further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

I bought a camera when I was in France recently. When I got back to Ireland I discovered it was faulty. I have written to the shop where I purchased it and received a reply denying any liability. Is there anything else I can do besides taking legal action?

Answer

Yes there is. You should contact the European Consumer Centre Dublin (ECC). The ECC will tell you what you are entitled to and it will try to resolve your complaint through direct contact with the shop.

If your complaint is still unresolved the ECC will refer your complaint to an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) body in another member state. Alternative dispute resolution is a cheap and easy way to resolve consumer complaints without going to court. The ECC will deal with any complaint arising out of a consumer purchase in any of the 25 EU countries as well as Norway and Iceland.

Problems with deliveries, faulty products or products that do not fit their description will all be dealt with by the ECC. The ECC will inform you of the length of time that a case will take and the cost of taking any alternative dispute resolution procedure and whether the decision of the ADR body is binding or not. They will also keep you informed of how your case is progressing if you agree to go ahead with your complaint.

Contact the ECC with proof of purchase of the item that you bought and any copies of correspondence that you have had with the shop. The ECC will advise you of the best course of action.

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A friend of mine moved to Ireland about three years ago. How long must he be living here before he can apply for Irish citizenship?

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- You must intend to continue to reside in the State after naturalisation
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- You must make a declaration of fidelity to the nation and loyalty to the State.

If you are married to an Irish citizen and living on the island of Ireland you may meet special conditions for naturalisation, based on your marriage. In addition to certain other conditions you must be married for at least 3 years to your Irish spouse. Also, you must have been continuously resident on the island of Ireland for a year immediately before the date of application and, in the 4 years previous to that, have been in residence for a total of 2 years.

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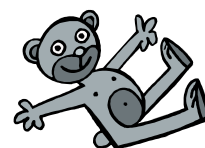
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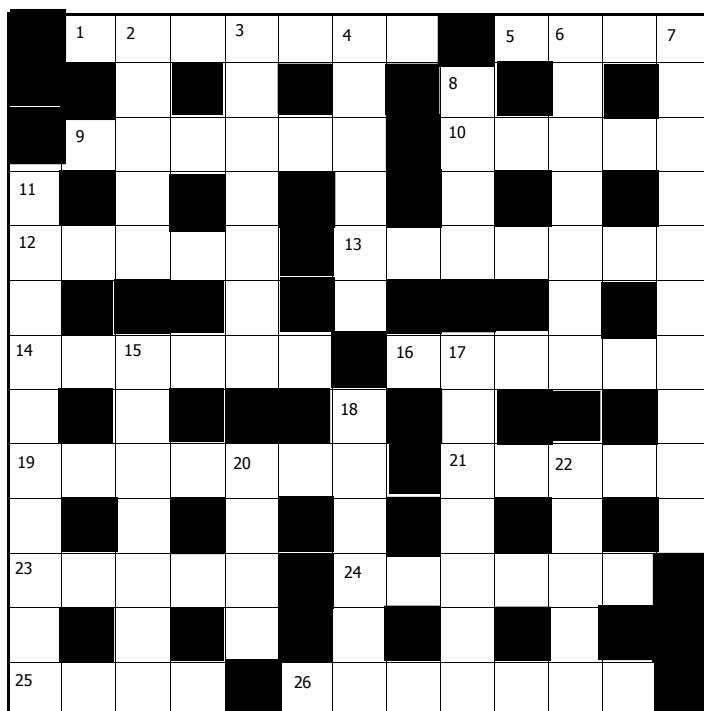
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10. US state, capital Boise (5)
12. Share out (5)
13. Alkaline metal, symbol CS (7)
14. Slovenly (6)
16. Old British Coin (6)
19. Pilot (7)
21. Sugar-tree (5)
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7. Hardware merchant (10)
8. Freshwater fish (4)
11. Greeting (10)
15. Training (7)
17. Restricted (7)
18. Emotional upset (6)
20. Fuss (2,2)
22. I love _ _ _ , song from Can-Can (5)

Across:

1. Confuse, **5.** Tuba , **9.** Parrot, **10.** Chant, **12.** Abyss, **13.** Fibbing, **14.** Camber, **16.** Kismet, **19.** Lunatic, **21.** Ochre, **23.** Twill, **24.** Abacus, **25.** Rage, **26.** Ordered

Down:

2. Ovary, **3.** Foresee, **4.** Set off, **6.** Uranium, **7.** Altogether, **8.** Scab, **11.** Calculator, **15.** Mending, **17.** Isolate, **18.** Eclair, **20.** Talk, **22.** House.

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Facial:

Keep used herbal tea bags to make fragrant steam treatments for your face. Empty the contents of the bag into a saucepan of boiling water, put a towel over your head and lean over the saucepan for 5 - 10 mins.

Hair brightener:

For golden highlights in red or brown hair, rinse your hair with orange pekoe tea after a shampoo.

Plant tonic:

Help ferns and other house-plants to thrive by watering them once a week with a weak solution of tepid tea.

Pet soother:

If your dog has wet, red skin eruptions, soothe the sore spots by putting cold, damp tea bags on them; consult the vet as soon as possible

Lacquer shine:

Wash black lacquer pieces with strong tea and then wipe them dry with a soft cloth to bring out their deep shine.

Dust damper:

Keep dust down when you clean out a fireplace by sprinkling moist tea leaves over the ashes first.

Dental aid:

A cool moist tea bag pressed against a bleeding gum with your finger will help to stop the blood after an extraction.

Eye relaxer:

Save the moist tea bag after making a cup of tea and place it in the refrigerator. Then, when you have a spare moment, squeeze out the excess liquid and lay the bag over hot, itchy or tired eyes for 15 minutes or so.

Timers

Prod:

Set the timer to remind you to make a telephone call, or to call again if the line is engaged.

Organiser:

When working in blocks of time, set a timer to prompt you to move on to the next task at the right moment.

Memory jogger:

Use a timer to remember to turn off the garden sprinkler, or to set the video to record a television programme.

Mediator:

When youngsters can't resolve whose turn it is to play with a toy, give each one 15 minutes with the desired object. When the buzzer sounds, their turn is ended.

Eggshells

Mini funnel:

Poke a hole in half an egg-shell, then pour the liquid through it into a container.

Brown eggs:

Poke a small hole in both ends of an egg (the hole at one end should be slightly larger than the other). Then with your lips at the smaller hole, gently but firmly blow out the contents. Leave the shell to dry, and then paint and decorate with scraps of material or sequins. To use as a Christmas tree decoration, attach a ribbon or string to one end.

Planter:

Fill half an eggshell with soil, moisten it with water and then plant a seed. Support the shell in an egg box.

Fertiliser:

Sprinkle crushed eggshells around garden plants to discourage slugs. Toss any extra eggshells into the compost heap for the same reason.

Pot scrubber:

When cleaning pots and pans while camping, a handful of broken eggshells is a good substitute for steel wool.

Mosaic:

Paint the inside and outside of eggshells a variety of colours, and then crush them in a paper bag. Draw a picture on cloth or paper and spread slightly diluted white glue over it; sprinkle appropriately coloured shells over the glue. Protect your picture with several coats of acrylic sealer.

Garden aid:

Sprinkle freshly planted seeds with crushed eggshells to mark the rows; they may also help to keep the birds away.

Hair Dryers

Wax remover:

If candle wax drips onto a table, allow it to harden and then scrape off as much as possible with a spoon or blunt knife blade. Soften the remainder with warm air from a hair dryer, and then lift it off with a paper towel or blotting paper.

Invisible ink revealer:

After writing a message on a piece of paper with lemon or onion juice, make it invisible by drying it with the hair dryer on Low. Make the writing visible again with a dryer set on High.

Traveller's aid:

Hang just-washed garments on a towel rack or shower curtain rod and blow-dry.

Bandage remover:

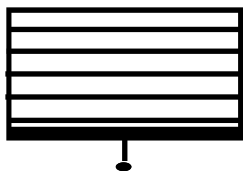
Ease an adhesive bandage off a wound by blowing warm air onto the plaster.

Trainer dryer:

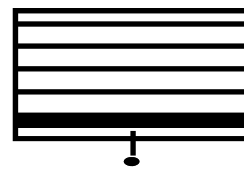
If the toes of your trainers never seem to dry, aim the nozzle of a dryer set on Low into each shoe for about 5 minutes.

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All Come Here That Have Tried Elsewhere

Cllr. John McGinley: Mayor of Kildare and Chairman of Kildare Co. Co. (Interview)

Cllr. John McGinley was elected Mayor of Kildare and Chairman of Kildare County Council on July 12th 2005. The ceremony took place at the council chambers in Naas County Kildare. For those present the ceremony was unpretentious, simple and impressive. For many of us who had no previous experience of being in the council chambers or hearing the contributions made by councillors, it was impressive to see how business was conducted in a dignified and professional manner.

There is a feeling, which is widespread that community progress is stifled by bureaucracy and that councillors are frustrated by the management system within the County. To a limited extent that continues to be true but it is also a fact that great progress is being made in Kildare due to the continuous professional work being done by our councillors. We at the Newsletter got a good insight into their work when the newly elected Mayor kindly agreed to our request for an interview. We were welcomed into John's home in Maynooth and over the following hour or so we were given a good insight into the life of a public representative. We were led through the procedures that have to be gone through, without excitement or hysterics to procure those projects, which are necessary for the improvement of the town of Maynooth and its Community.

The one feature that shone through our discussions was the optimism that John has for the future of our town and the conviction that representations made regarding the future developments in our area will fit in with the overall framework that befits the only university town in Ireland. The following were some of the matters discussed, which impact on the daily life of the town and its citizens.



Rail and bus service.

There has been great progress in this area. For those who travelled on the first commuter rail service nearly twenty years ago the current service is in the luxury class. However with the number of new housing developments in the area it is now clear that additional resources are required. John is pressing for a more frequent timetable and some Maynooth/Leixlip direct to Connolly runs. He is also lobbying for a later slot than 10.30 PM for the last train to Maynooth from Pearse. The area could do with more buses especially new routes. He is not in favour of private operators being given existing routes serviced by Dublin Bus but would not object to them tendering with Dublin Bus for new routes. He was happy to advise that the proposed car park at Louisa Bridge is now on track and work will begin in the near future. In all of these matters John and his colleagues are continuously in touch with CIE and it is from these contacts that progress will continue to be made.



New playgrounds

Work has already commenced on the new children's playgrounds in the Harbour Field. John has been campaigning for this project for quite some time. The design is the most up to date available and the contractor has experience of building similar facilities in the North and the UK. Kildare County Council have made the funds available to build a playground for 0-6 year olds and a facility for 6-12 year olds. Funds have also been made available for a playground for 12-18 years of age but more consultation is necessary with community groups before this project is started. It is envisaged that there will be a skateboard area within the older play area.

Cllr. John McGinley Interview (contd.)

New Community Centre and Theatre

This project is very important for the development of the community. There is as yet no community agreement as to the best way forward. However, the availability of development funds for the town of Maynooth means that there are now no financial barriers to the development of community facilities. John envisages that the Community Council Offices could be centralised in a new community centre at the Geraldine Hall. He would like the Geraldine Hall to be restored and extended to also house a new community theatre for use by community groups. He would also like to see a new scouts den developed on the site in the vicinity of the new children and teens' playgrounds at The Harbour Field.

Traffic

One of the most significant achievements from John's point of view was the re- routing of heavy goods vehicles (HGV's) out of Maynooth. With the ring roads in place it is no longer necessary for such vehicles to go through the centre of the town. This is a great step forward and Maynooth is one of the first towns in Ireland to successfully re route HGV away from its town centre.

These are only some of the areas that John and his colleagues on the County Council are continuously working to improve the quality of service to the public. Another area that John is involved in is seeking increased contribution from Central Government for Kildare County Council. Conscious of the rapid growth in population in Kildare, Meath and Wicklow, the Government per capita grant is falling behind the rest of the country for these counties. The three counties have commissioned a consultant

to prepare a report on funding and are confident that they can put forward a balanced case for increased contributions from central Government. Maynooth is developing at a rapid rate. With the increased land being made available for development, the builders have had to supply a corresponding area for parkland and community development e.g. playing fields. There is now a strong possibility of a regional theatre being built in Maynooth on land adjacent to the Tesco site.

On the issue of educational facilities in the town John and his labour colleagues will continue to press for funding for new schools and building extensions as the town population increases. It is of interest to note, that John backed by the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party put a motion to Labour Party National Executive Committee in 1994 calling for the abolition of Third Level fees and the introduction of free University education for all. This motion was adopted and subsequently implemented by then Labour Minister for Education, Niamh Bhreathnach.

With the interview at a close John generously gave his time to show the writer the site of the new playground development in the Harbour Field. He also pointed out suitable locations within the field for further community development. It is true that in recent times elected representatives have not got a good press. But it is also true, that, with the exception of a few bad apples the vast majority of our councillors are out there working very hard for their communities. Without them the country would be poorer for their absence.

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Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee 1965 - 2005 Celebrating 40 years of Caring

The sixties were a turbulent time and 1965 was as eventful as any part of that decade. In politics, Sean Lemass headed north to meet Terence O'Neill, while in Rhodesia (South Africa) Ian Smith headed south with the white vote.

Dublin was at a stand-still with buses, bakers, newspapers and telephones on strike. In fact all that moved were protesters and army lorries.

In show business, the Beatles met the Queen to receive and M.B.E. Butch Moore walked the streets in the rain in Europe, while Julie Andrews kept the hills alive with The Sound of Music.

This was also the year that Princess Margaret caused a stir in Abbeyleix. The travellers caused a stir in Carlow and Princess Grace caused a stir everywhere else. In sport, Galway beat Kerry in the all Ireland football final and Tipperary beat Wexford in the hurling.

In religious circles Bishop Conway got a new hat and the Mass got a new look.

All these news worthy events received great attention from the media, (when not on strike). However, there was another event taking place that did not command such a high profile but impacted on society with great effort.

The International Red Cross designated 1965 as the "Year of Old People", while the term 'old people' is not politically correct by today's standards, it opened the door to a better society where discrimination ceased to be acceptable. On May 24th, inspired by the world stage, Maynooth branch of the Red Cross, held a public meeting which was attended by interested groups and individuals. Dr. Brendan O' Donnell, County Medical Officer, explained the context in which the Red Cross had instigated the move. He went on to say that the relative number of older people in Ireland was on the increase. In 1900 the proportion of people over 65 was 3%, by 1965 it had grown to 11% and it was estimated that it would reach 15% by the year 2000. How far seeing this man was.

A committee was formed on that occasion. The Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee, as we know it today was born and the rest, they say, is history. We have seen a lot of changes through the years and have achieved much, not least the fact that our committee, have stood the test of time. While many of the events, which I highlighted at the outset of this article, have faded with time, the Senior Citizens Committee is as vibrant as ever.

So with that in mind we felt we had something to celebrate and this we did in style on Sunday June 19th. We started our day with a special healing Mass in our Parish church, concelebrated by Msg. Ales, Frs. Paul, Liam and Pat Joe.

This was the first event we held in our own church and I thank Frs. Alex and Paul for all their help in making it happen. It was lovely to have Fr. Liam back with us as he served on our committee in the early seventies.

Before foreign climes beckoned and Fr. Pat Joe who gave us a lot of his time down through the years. The occasion was attended by all our Senior Citizens, committee members past and present, benefactors and friends. It was also a privilege to have with us on the day, Mary Cullen, Marie Kelly and Carmel Reilly, who were influential in the formation of the first committee and responsible for its continuance over many years. There were, of course, a few of the present committee around then, but we were only apprentices.



L-R: Bridget Nolan, Lily O'Riordan & Rita Kilduff

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped to organize this event and thank you to Nicola and Dave who designed and printed our Mass Booklet. We completed the day with dinner in the Glenroyal Hotel and danced the evening away to the wonderful music of Brian McDermott. Many thanks to all the staff of the Glenroyal for their excellent service and courtesy to all. In fact a big thank you to the whole community who supported us fiscally and physically over the past forty years.

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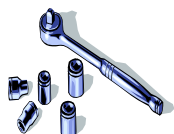
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Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee 1965 - 2005 Celebrating 40 years of Caring

The vibrancy of the committee, which I mentioned earlier, was sustained over the years, by younger people taking over the helm and new member joining. However, that trend has slowed down. So in order for the work of this committee to continue, we need an injection of younger blood. Are there people out there who like a challenge and perhaps could keep it all going for another 40 years ?. Someone with time on their hands who might like to learn the ropes, so to speak, and ease in gently to a very worthwhile organization. Perhaps you have thought about it but did not know enough about what we do. So just in case that is so, allow me to tell you a little of where we're right now. You might even see it as an investment in your future.

What are we:

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee is a support organization for older people and their families in the Maynooth and Ladychapel area. Meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each Month at 8pm in the Health Centre in Leinster Street. Of the events, which I highlighted at the outset of this article, have faded with time, the Senior Citizens Committee is as vibrant as ever. So with that in mind we felt we had something to celebrate and this we did in style on Sunday June 19th

Aim and objectives:

- To assist older people to retain independence and autonomy over their own lives.
- To encourage and enable older people to remain involved and active in their community in so far as they wish to do so.
- To eliminate isolation through visitation and social activities.
- To alert society to the right of older people to be treated equally as citizens

How is this managed:

We do this by providing opportunity, through a social club environment, to meet their friends, to access information on rights, entitlements, health issues, diet and safety and security.

We provide opportunity for pleasure and healthy exercise, social outings, theatre, dancing, holidays and religious activities.

We provide a voice, particularly for the most vulnerable, by representation through the political system or through submissions to the National Senior Citizens Parliament to which we are affiliated.

How many are catered for?:

About 200 older people benefit directly from our work, in one way or another, plus the added benefit to family/carers in terms of support and respite. We try to meet and cater for all needs, be it through the social club for the more active, or services to the immobile or house-bound or those in Nursing Homes.

Services:

Safety and Security:

We provide personal monitored alarms, safety chains, door and window locks, smoke alarms, spark guards and lanterns (to discourage the use of candles during a power failure) and undertake small repairs. This part of our work inspires confidence and peace of mind.

Fuel Provision:

Fuel is provided during the winter months. This comes in many forms e.g.: solid fuel, bottled gas or an allowance towards electricity payments. Heat is an essential component in the life of older people as hypothermia is a real danger.

Visits:

There is a committee member to cater for, and keep in contact with, each area. No amount of alarms and locks can replace personal contact.

Transport:

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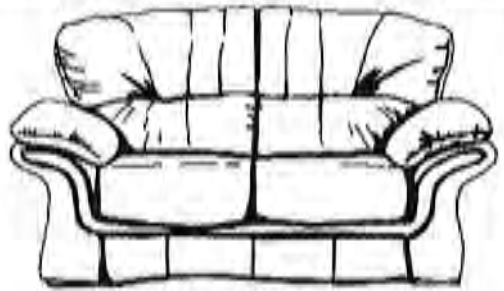


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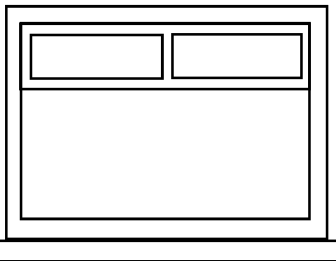
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Fund raising:

Our main fundraising event is our Annual Sale of Work, which takes place in November. Our annual collection takes place in March and the Labour Party organizes an annual sponsored walk which is a legacy left to our senior citizens by Tony Smith. Other monies come out our way through donations, local raffles and some state grants.

In 2004 from an income of €28,453, we spent €28,016.

Hopes and Expectations:

The Years Ahead:

As our work is an ongoing process we do not see it in terms of giant leaps but small steps of steady progress. We would hope that one of those steps would be the acquisition of a suitable premises for our activities.

On the wider issue of equal opportunity, we would like to see policies more user friendly, (e.g. a bus pass is superfluous where there is no bus. A taxi voucher perhaps?). Or an acceptable income that eliminates the need for concessions. Where attitudes towards older people in society would change to give us the foresight to see a human resource and not a social problem. We would like full participation of older people in a society that respects all it's citizens and maybe, just maybe, ageism along with all other discriminatory ways would become distant memory.

A lot of progress has been made over the past forty years. People are living longer, are more active, healthier, more involved and more independent. This progress is mainly due to the many organizations lie ourselves who highlight the discrepancies in our system. The voluntary sector is an integral part of any community as it is difficult for the state to sustain all the necessary services. However the statutory sector needs to recognize the pivotal role, played by



40th Anniversary Celebrations - Cutting the Cake made by Patricia Cusker.

L-R: Marie Kelly (Former Chairperson), Mary Cullen (First Chairperson), Josephine Moore (Present Chairperson) & Imelda Delaney (Former Chairperson).

volunteers and the monetary saving in so doing.

That said the real progress will be when intervention from organizations such as ours is no longer necessary. When social inclusion becomes the norm. When all our citizens have choices instead of concessions. When we are heard without being patronized. When we can speak for ourselves, whatever our age, and not have to apologize. In a just and fair society, we are all equal.

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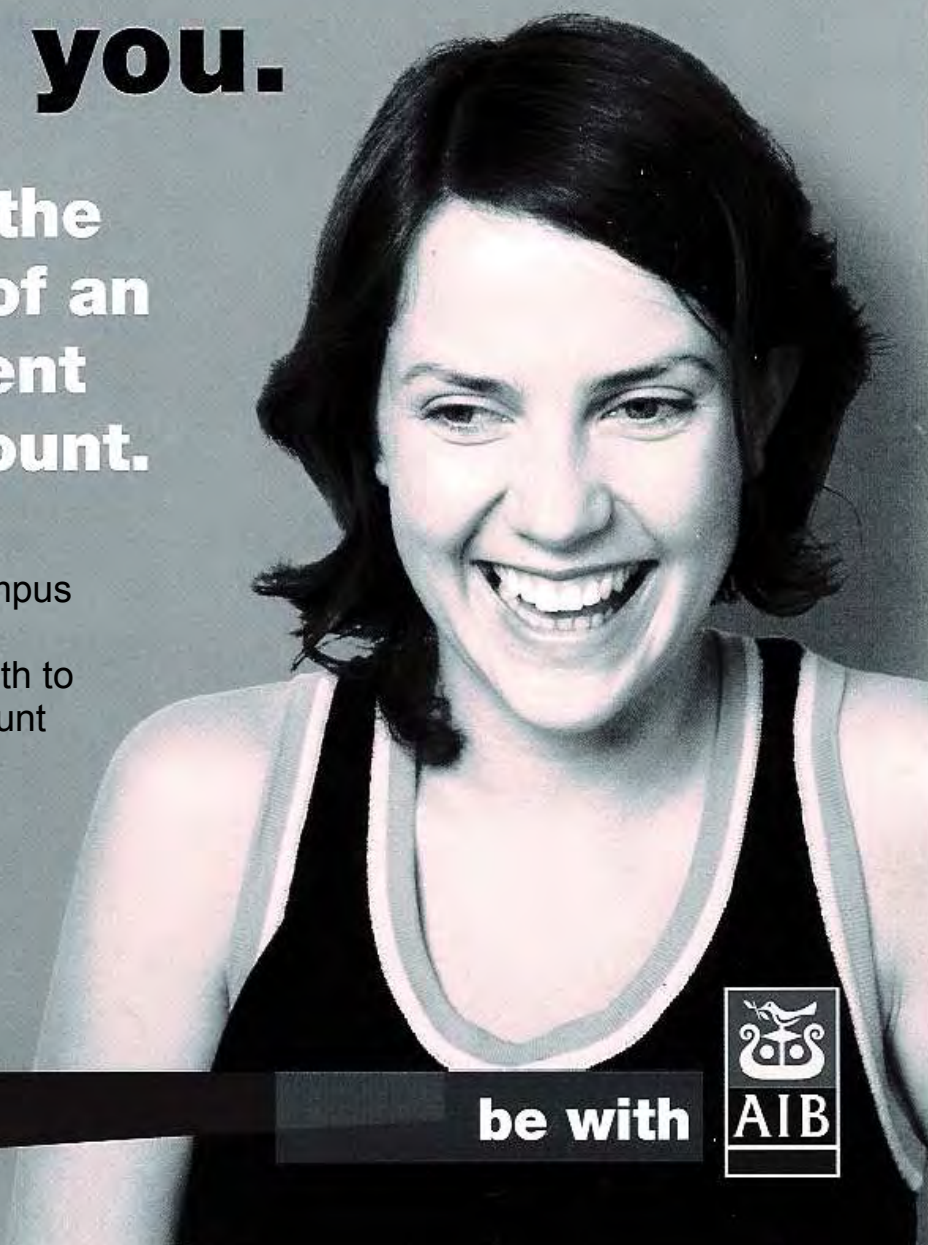
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With the sun shining through
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With all the healing it can do.
Sunshine, sunshine down on me
Waiting for you to be seen
A ball of fire forever be
All your rays gleam and gleam.
O precious day I have all to say
Your natural elements all survive
You cannot beat a good day
To make all our senses thrive.

Children play their hearts away
In a world of such fantasy
On a wonderful day come what may
Their little worlds so very free
On wakening time of nature grow
With pleasant scenery for to see
A beautiful day I cherish so
In my heart long may it be
Treasure a day in a special way
With a memory of what has been
A special day within to stay
And have many a happy dream.

Family

A family united as one
To cherish and to care
A homely feeling of well being
Growing up to be strong and stern.
Much happiness in their dream
With a great joy to learn.

What else is a family about
But to live love and learn each day?
Mum and Dad with no doubt
Discipline must have its say
To give and take is all
For parents to live in harmony
A want of love in their call
Is the very way it should be.

To feel secure each every day
And prosperity for them shine
One day in life to have their say
To an adventurous and fulfilling time
Bless all the family home
Good fortune be with you
To be reared until grown
In a family wholesome and true

Liffey my River

I dream of my childhood along a river
so old
Swimming and laughter with my silent
thought
The sun was hot, but the water so cold,
Such natural ecstasy my Liffey it
brought,
I fished on the river for trout and pike
A cherished time soon with a surprise
catch
Along the river side with fish I much
like
Such God-given food you never can
match.

Clean white swans float on a river so
free
Building their nest on an island of their
own
A precious beauty of nature they were
to me
With cygnets so agile and quite grown
A world of mine - a river of peace
Flowing to its destined home at the sea
Its constant hushing tumble never cease
A river of destiny forever to be.

What makes my everlasting flow ?
A force carrying its way all the time
To its destined homeland onward it go
In rippling waters so busy but fine.
I sit on the river-bank without a care
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Low-Fat Recipes for September

Starter

Vegetable and Pasta Soup

Serves 4

Preparation time: 15 mins

Cooking time: 25 mins

250g/8oz carrots, diced
250g/8oz courgettes, sliced
2 large celery sticks, chopped
1 large onion, finely chopped
125g/4oz cabbage, shredded
600ml/1pt chicken stock
300ml/½ pint tomato juice
1 garlic clove, crushed
125g/4oz small dried pasta shapes
Salt and pepper

1. Place all the vegetables in a saucepan with the stock, tomato juice and garlic. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat, and skim off any scum that rises to the surface.
2. Add the pasta and season with salt and pepper. Cover the pan and simmer for 15–20 minutes or until all the vegetables and the pasta are tender.
3. Serve the soup piping hot in warmed individual soup bowls

Main Course

Pork Fillet with Grapefruit Sauce

Serves 6

Preparation time: 15 mins plus marinating

Cooking time: about 10 mins

250g/8oz pork fillet, cut into 5mm/¼in thick medallions
3 spring onions, finely chopped
Finely grated rind and juice of ½ grapefruit
1 teaspoon soft light brown sugar
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
1 tablespoon olive oil
150ml/¼pt unsweetened apple (see below)
150ml/¼pt chicken stock
2 grapefruit, peel and divided into segments, pith and membrane removed
Salt and pepper

To make the apple purée, put 500g/1lb peeled, cored and sliced cooking apples into a saucepan with 2 tablespoons of water. Cover and cook until they form a purée. Beat or liquidize until smooth.

1. Place the pork medallions in a shallow dish with the spring onions, grapefruit rind and juice, brown sugar, salt and pepper to taste, and the parsley. Turn to coat well. Cover and chill 3 - 4 hours.
2. Drain the pork medallions, reserving the marinade. Heat the oil in a frying pan and fry the medallions briskly until sealed on all sides.
3. Mix the apple purée with stock and reserved marinade and pour over the pork. Cover and simmer for about 7 minutes until the pork is tender. Stir in the grapefruit segments and heat through.

Desserts

French Apple Flan

Serves 10

Preparation time: 15 minutes plus chilling

Cooking time: 35 - 40 minutes

1kg/2lb cooking apples peeled, cored, thinly sliced and puréed
2 red-skinned dessert apples, thinly sliced
50g/2oz caster sugar
4 tablespoons apricot jam
2 tablespoons lemon juice

Pâte sucrée:

150g/5oz plain flour

50g/2oz caster sugar

1 egg and 1 egg white, beaten together

Few drops vanilla essence

1. To make the pâte sucrée, sift the flour on to a cool work surface. Make a well in the centre and add the butter, sugar, egg and egg white and vanilla essence. Using the fingertips of one hand, work these ingredients together, then draw in the flour. Knead lightly until smooth, then cover and chill for 1 hour.
2. Roll out the pastry very thinly on a floured work surface and use to line a 25cm/10in fluted flan ring. Fill the case generously with apple purée, then arrange an overlapping layer of sliced apples on top. Sprinkle with the sugar. Bake in a preheated oven, 190°C (375°F). Gas Mark 5, for 35 - 40 minutes.
3. Meanwhile, heat the jam with the lemon juice, then strain and brush over the apples. Serve hot or cold.

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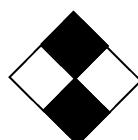
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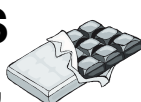


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Fact 4: The average lion sleeps for 20 hours a day.

Fact 5: Sierra Leone in West Africa is the worst country in the world when it comes to health. The average life expectancy at birth is 28.6 years.

Fact 6: The U.S.A. after China has the second largest number of executions in the world. Iran is third and Saudi Arabia is fourth.

Fact 7: 13,600,000 Soviet military personnel were killed during World War II. Germany lost the second most with 3,300,000

Fact 8: The longest place name in the world is a town in Thailand called Krung thep mahanakhon amon rattanaksoin mahinthara ayuthaya mahadilok phlp noppharat ratchathani buriom udomrtchaniwet mahasathan amon piman awatan sahit sakkathattiya witsanukam prasit (21 words, 168 letters.)

Fact 9: Chinese Mandarin is the most widely spoken language in the world with 874,000,000 speakers. English is spoken in 57 countries making it the language spoken in more nations than any other language.

Fact 10: Ireland is only second when it comes to the world's biggest drinkers! Right after the Czech Republic. Germany is the third and the UK is the eighth.

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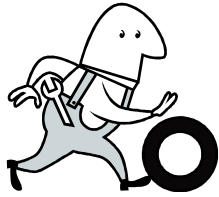


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Maynooth Golf Society

Tom Nolan's Captains Day for Maynooth Golf Society was played at The Heritage Golf Club on Sunday 14th August. Forty-two players attended this wonderful new course, designed by Seve Ballesteros and Jeff Howes is set in the beautiful rolling countryside of Co. Laois, with Slieve Bloom Mountains as a backdrop. It provides a most enjoyable experienced for golfers of all standards.

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The winner of the Captains prize was Barry Desmond with a score of 39pts closely followed by Dave Kinlon on 38pts. Congratulations to Tom Nolan and to all the committee who made this a memorable outing for the society and a wonderful day's golf.



Winner of the Captain's Prize Barry Desmond (middle) receiving his prize from Tom Nolan, Captain (left) with Kevin Loftus (right)

Result Sheet **Tom Nolan's Captains Day**

1st Prize	Barry Desmond	39pts
2nd Prize	Dave Kinlon	38pts
3rd Prize	Colm Loftus B9	35pts
4th Prize	Liam Farrelly B9	35pts
5th Prize	Derek Murray B6	35pts
6th Prize	Don O' Sullivan	35pts
7th Prize	Niall Byrne	34pts
8th Prize	David Weafer	33pts
9th Prize	Norman Kavanagh	32pts
Front 9	Kevin Loftus Snr	17pts
Back 9	Albert Harrigan	20pts
Visitors	John Hynes	
Nearest the Pin	Dave Mahony	
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Maynooth Town Football Club

As the current soccer season gets under way Maynooth Town F.C will have 20 teams (2 Seniors & 18 Schoolboy/girl) competing in the Leinster Senior League & the North Dublin Schoolboy/girl league.

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Schoolboy/girls teams will be returning to training during the month of August. Teams compete at all age groups from Under 8's to Under 18's with 2 teams at most age groups.

Managers/Mentors are required for both Under 8 teams currently entered for this season.

This will also be a big year for the Club off the pitch as a planning application for 500,000 euro clubhouse is currently before Kildare County Council with a decision due in the next few weeks. Project planning and funding raising will begin once permission has been received.

For more information visit the Club's website:
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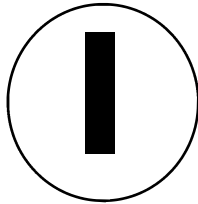
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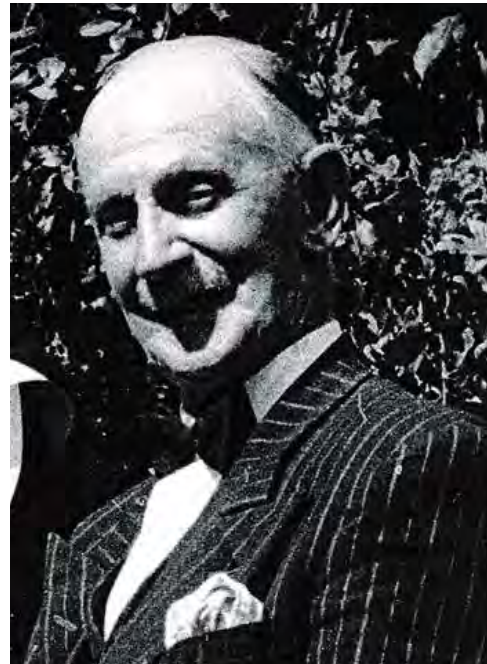
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Some of the most remarkable world records have been set in the men's long jump. Jesse Owens with a leap of 26 feet, 8.5 inches in 1935 made a mark that was unbeaten for 25 years. Few who witnessed the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City will forget the unbelievable jump of Bob Beamon who created a new World record of 29 feet 2.5 inches, which still stands to day.

What is generally not known is that one of the greatest exponents of the long jump and the triple jump was Irishman Peter O'Connor. In 1901 Peter set a New World record for the long jump that was to remain unbeaten for nearly twenty years. At Ballsbridge Dublin on August 5th, he cleared 24 feet 11.75 inches. It was the fifth time that he had improved the then official world best, and when the IAAF was established, this was accepted as their inaugural world mark. What makes his feat more praiseworthy was that his successes were achieved despite primitive training conditions and lack of financial and logistical support. His world record was to remain on the book for over twenty years before the American Ned Gourdin beat it.

Peter O'Connor was born in Cumberland England on October 24th 1872. His father Edward, was a skilled artisan. He was one of a select number of shipwrights selected to build a ship at a new shipyard in Millom, Cumberland. He moved his young family and his wife then pregnant with Peter from their home in Wicklow to Cumberland. On completion of the contract the family returned to Wicklow town.

Highly intelligent and progressive, Peter attended school until he reached fourteen years of age. His family was not in a position to fund secondary education and he eventually gained employment as a solicitor's clerk. His experiences in national school gave him an enduring dislike of British and Unionist rule in Ireland. An educational system that rooted out a native language and replaced it with a limited vocabulary of English left the Catholic youth of Ireland severely handicapped in gaining professional employment. Driven by the loss of a second level education in his youth, he subsequently qualified as a solicitor. He established a successful law firm in Waterford City and was appointed Vice President of the Incorporated Law Society of Ireland in 1933. His political dislike of British rule in Ireland led to many clashes with the Irish athletic ruling body, dominated by unionist officials. It also led to one of the great Olympic "incidents" of modern times. In 1906 representing the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in the Athens interim Games he climbed the flagpole to prevent the Union flag being



Last portrait of Peter O'Connor, taken in 1956 when he was 84, in his garden at "Upton"

raised at his silver medal winning ceremony. He replaced it with a green flag with the words "Erin go Bragh". Peter although wearing an Irish blazer with shamrock crest was not accredited to Ireland. Since the Country was technically part of the UK, the Greek organising committee would not recognise Peter's right to compete for his homeland. There is no doubt that British and American officials behaved shamefully at those games to rob Peter of the long jump gold medal. In an extraordinary situation, Halpin, the American team leader was left in sole control of both take off and landing area of the jumping pit after a British official absented himself from the competition. There is no doubt that this was done, as a direct response to Peter's desire to compete for Ireland. Halpin called Peter's winning jump a foul and handed the title to a fellow American. Justice was done however when Peter won the gold medal for the hop, step and jump (triple jump) beating fellow Irishman Con Leahy with a winning jump of 46 feet 2 and one eight inches. To add to his satisfaction he beat the American Myer Prinstein who was handed the gold in the long jump three days before.

In the history of athletics, Peter O'Connor was nicknamed "the Irish antelope". He inherited a natural suppleness and spring, and although he was over twenty before taking a serious interest in athletics he would by all accounts try to improve his triple and long jumping for fun. Peter O'Connor wrote of his training "I never had a coach or anyone to

instruct me, but I conceived an idea of my own, that to cover a big distance you must, in addition to speed, rise high in the air". It was his concentration on the essentials of the event, which helped him to the world record. Peter did not compete in the British championships until 1900 when he was twenty-eight years old. He finished second to the great American Alvin Kraenzlein. A week later Kraenzlein won the Olympic title in Paris. At the end of August that year Peter jumped 24 feet, 7.75 inches to set a New World best. The following year 1901, was Peter's great season. At the end of May he jumped 24 feet 9 inches and in the first week of July won the first of six consecutive British AAA Championships. A week later he reached 24 feet 11.25 inches and added another quarter inch on July 28. All these were New World marks. Then in August he set the new official world mark, recognised by the IAAF, of 24 feet 11.75 inches.

Following his retirement from competition Peter was drawn into jurisdiction problems, which bedevilled Irish athletics following partition. These problems ran right through the twentieth century and were only satisfactorily settled in the eighties. Although a supporter of the GAA, the forerunner to the NACA he was against the ban on foreign games believing it was counterproductive. An avid supporter of athletics he travelled to a number of Olympics including those held in Los Angeles in 1932. Peter died at the family home on November 9th 1957.

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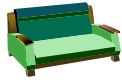
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Emmet Stagg T.D.

Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

The Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party congratulates our chairman John McGinley on his historic election as Mayor of Kildare. As chairman of the Branch, John has proved himself to be a hard task master and always positive in his approach in tackling issues in the community. As members, we have seen over the years how tenacious John is and no matter how problematic and drawn out the issue is, he will persist to the end to ensure that it will be resolved to the benefit of the community at large. With these qualities alone, we can be certain that Kildare will be well served under his stewardship.

John's election as Mayor has not only bestowed a great honour on the Branch but also on the town itself.

Bond Bridge Update

Council Officials have advised Cllr. John McGinley that tenders for the project were opened on August 12th and the Council expect to be signing the contract in the first or second week of September. The contractor will be on site as soon as the contract is signed.

Public Lights in The Square being Repaired

The public lights in The Square, Maynooth have regrettably not been working for some time now and vandals have taken the opportunity to smash the lights with a sledgehammer.

Cllr. John McGinley is pleased to report that agreement has finally been reached between the interested parties and the ESB were on site in mid - August carrying out works that will enable the public lights to be put in working order again.

Construction of Maynooth Playground Started on August 8th

Construction of the €355,000 Children's Playground at The Harbour Field, Maynooth is now well underway and will be completed this September. As requested by Cllr. John McGinley a new secure gate has been

fitted beside the ICA Hall entrance and the unsightly mound of clay can be removed as a result.

The funding for this state of the art playground will come from the Council's Development Contributions Scheme. Cllr. McGinley was successful in ring fencing these levies for Recreational, Amenity and Community use in the area in which they were levied.

When John began his campaign for playgrounds some five years ago there wasn't a single playground in the county. Now in addition to Maynooth the Council have signed contracts for playgrounds in Leixlip, Celbridge and Kildare town.

Great credit is due to Maynooth Playground Action for bringing the project to a finality. Without pressure from them there would be no playground.

Safety in the Skies over Maynooth

A number of Maynooth residents have expressed their concern to Cllr. John McGinley about the noise, low height and massive increase in the number of aircraft flying directly over Maynooth. Accordingly, John has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That Kildare County Council demand of the owners of Weston Aerodrome and the Irish Aviation Authority that they implement noise abatement and safety procedures at Weston aerodrome in line with those in place at most airports large and small worldwide. The appropriate procedures with regards to Maynooth are that aircraft exiting Weston aerodrome to the west should track south of the M4 Motorway, and that aircraft approaching Weston from the west should track north of Maynooth. Furthermore, all aircraft operating out of Weston aerodrome should be instructed to fly no lower than the regulation 1,500 ft. (QNH altimeter setting), which equates with approximately 1,750 ft. above sea level at Maynooth. Adherence to these procedures will

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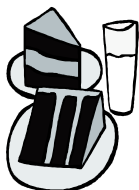
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considerably enhance the safety of the residents of Maynooth. We further demand that the Irish Aviation Authority and Weston aerodrome put monitoring procedures in place to ensure that these noise abatement and safety procedures are fully complied with. Moreover, as there is no systematic procedures in place to monitor the activities of aircraft out of Weston aerodrome in the skies over Maynooth, we demand that a monitoring regime is put in place to ensure that all aviation regulations and local noise abatement and safety procedures are fully complied with"

Meadowbrook Link Road

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following "Progress Report" on the Meadowbrook Link Road at the Leixlip Area Meeting on July 15:

"This scheme is now complete. However, some issues (mainly relating to lining and signing) as identified in the road safety audit will have to be implemented before the road is open to the public. The necessary statutory procedures relating to its taking in charge have been approved by the full Council.

In addition, in relation to Beaufield, works will commence in the coming days in relation to the traffic calming scheme as recently circulated to the area members. Such works will involve ramps, fencing, line markings, signs and tree pruning. Amendments to the scheme (in the form of an additional pedestrian crossing) have been incorporated into a revised scheme, as requested. I will be in a position shortly to announce the opening date for the Meadowbrook Link road."

As no traffic calming has yet been put in place on Beaufield Road Cllr. John McGinley has again asked the Council to carry out this essential work with some urgency.

In addition John has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee:

That traffic lights be installed at the junction of the Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road in order to facilitate ease of exit from the new Link Road and that measures be taken to prevent the parking of caravans on the greens adjoining the new Link Road."

Footpath Repairs at Entrance to Old Greenfield

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have repaired the dangerous section of footpath on the right hand side on the way into Old Greenfield.

TESCO HGV's still going Through Main Street, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley sent the following E mail to Michael Sullivan, Manager TESCO Ireland on 27 July:

*"It is extraordinary that TESCO HGV drivers continue to break the "No HGV's Through Maynooth" law. As you know I drew your attention to this some time ago and you told me that you would advise all of your drivers to use the M4 INTEL Link. I would ask that you do so again and also tell them that by going through Maynooth they are not only breaking the law, they are also **adding 16km to their journey**. The INTEL Link from the motorway is the direct route to TESCO Maynooth."*

Mr. Sullivan responded immediately, even though he was on holidays, and apologised profusely. He stated that all drivers would again be instructed to use the direct route to TESCO, Maynooth and that members of the public should note the registration numbers of any vehicles that break the law by going through Main Street, Maynooth

O2 Planning Application Declared Invalid for a Second Time

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by Kildare County Council that the planning application by O2 for retention of the unauthorised communications mast at Maynooth G.A.A. Grounds on the Moyglare Road, Maynooth, has been declared invalid for a second time.

The Planning Application was declared invalid on August 5th because the site notice and the newspaper notice did not match and because no site notice was in place following an inspection by the Council.

Deputy stated that it was incredible that O2 were unable to lodge a planning application properly and in his opinion they were playing with the Council. Last December the Council issued a warning letter to O2 calling on them to remove the unauthorised mast. Nine months later and the unauthorised mast is still in place.

Deputy Stagg stated that it was time that the Council got tough with O2 and he indicated that he was now calling on the Council to take Court Proceedings against O2 to remove the unauthorised mast.

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Gardening Tips for September

September weather, no less than that of any other month in Ireland, can be changeable, but on the whole it is drier than August, and mild spells permit a good harvest. Latitude, proximity to the sea, and altitude combine, however, to affect the duration of sunlight received each day, and must increasingly be taking into account in timing gardening operations. The further north, the further inland and the higher a garden, the earlier autumn and winter are likely to visit it, and pre-winter tasks, usually need to be advanced by 1 to 3 weeks.

The Flower Garden:

- Dead-head border flowers as they fade, and cut back stems while green to make compost. Divide spring and early summer-flowering border plants if overcrowded. Discard the older central parts and replant the younger ones.
- Start bulb and corm planting this month, particularly the smaller bulbs of chionodoxa, fritillaria, irises, muscari, Narcissus species, ornithogalum puschkinia and scilla. Broadly, the earlier they are expected to flower, the earlier they should be put to bed. Plant the corms of crocus and the tubers and rhizomes of Anemone species, eranthis, erythronium and ranunculus as soon as possible, especially in the north. They dry out quickly when left in the air. Hyacinths, large daffodil and narcissus bulbs and tulips can wait until October - November, if necessary, but lose nothing by being planted earlier. Place at a depth equal to twice their own width in the soil. Set on a layer of same in clay soils.
- Plant the flowering onions (Allium species) this month and next, in sunny positions and humus-enriched soil. Give the large bulbs of crown imperials (fritillaria imperialis) a sunny south aspect, in a deeply worked and rich soil. Set them on their sides, to prevent moisture collecting in the dimple, 15cm (6in.) deep.
- Plant out herbaceous perennials, and pinks raised from cuttings earlier this year, where they are to flower. Begin with planting out biennials to their final flowering positions in the latter of the month. Make sowings of hardy annuals such as calendula, cornflower, eschscholzia, gypsophila, larkspur, mallow, scabious, love-in-a-mist, Shirley poppy and pansies on open sites to provide early colourful spring bloom next year.

The Vegetable Garden:

Continue to lift potatoes this month and next when the haulms start to yellow, as there will be no further growth in the tubers.

Lift mature root crops towards the end of the month. Remove tops close to the crowns, and store beetroot and carrots layered in sand in boxes and bins, placed in a cool cellar shed. Safeguard from mice and rats by enclosing in fine-mesh netting, or put down a suitable bait. Carrots can also be stored in an outdoor clamp. Parsnips, salsify and scorzonera can be left in the ground until needed.

Earth up celery and leeks being grown in trenches. Stake plants of Brussels sprouts and sprouting broccoli exposed to wind.

Harvest all the tomatoes from outdoor plants at the first hint of frost, or when night temperatures drop below 10°C (50°F). Simply place green fruits in paper bags in a warm room to ripen: since warmth, not light, ripens them, it is a waste of time putting them in rows on the window-sills

David Slattery

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Was someone looking for the elusive briefcase with the conference agenda... and why?

....Why is the army top brass telling the investigator to shut the case down, and that there was no agenda for the conference.

There is always an agenda and our hero's smell more than a few military rats covering their collective backsides. As they say in the army, "if your agenda is just o take a leak... you better get a request form son and I need in in triplicate.

Reacher gets involved in a brawl at the site of the generals murder and the delta force guy who reports the brawl is found murdered in the base woods. Evidence is going missing. Even the Army coroner

and the Psy Ops instructor look like suspects, if not as the perpetrators, then as part of the cover up.

Sommers the side kick try to get Reacher to confront those covering up but under threat of both of them being dishonourably discharged from the army.

Meanwhile in one of the sub-plots Reachers mother is dying of cancer she has decided that some battles cannot be fought and has resigned herself to her fate. Now she must make her peace with her two sons and prepare to bid them farewell.

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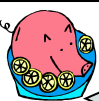
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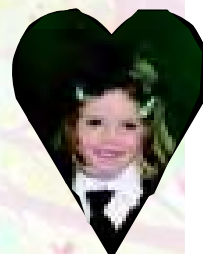
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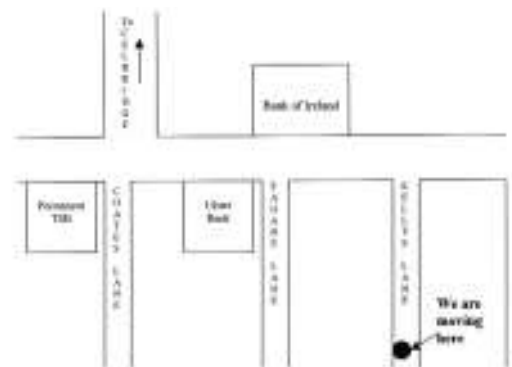
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TRAFFIC LIGHTS

At time of writing traffic lights are being erected at the bottom of the Main Street at the junction with Parsons Street. New Traffic lights have also been erected and in operation for the last few days at the junction with Moyglare Road in front of the Church. It appears to the majority of the residents of Maynooth that these are a major cause of concern and we await with great trepidation the effect that these lights will have on the traffic flow in the town.

Already there are major problems in the morning and evening, particularly at rush hour periods in terms of dropping and collecting of children to schools and return of our commuter residents to the town. The average man and woman in the street wonder at the logic of erecting so many traffic lights in such a confined area. Surely we all know that traffic lights STOP traffic, they do not facilitate or ensure freeflow of traffic with the minimum of disruption and delay. Can we have a look at how successful the small roundabout at Tesco on the Dublin road has been, in ensuring that traffic flow freely and steadily. How efficient is this roundabout ????? Again, it seems to the residents of Maynooth that a roundabout system should have been introduced at both the Church/Moyglare area and also at the Parson Street area onto the Main Street in preference to traffic lights.

There is no doubt that time will tell our Planners and Kildare County Council what our residents already know – Roundabouts work, Traffic lights don't.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY CENTRE AND GERALDINE HALL.

At our most recent Community Council meeting the representatives voted in favour of proposing that the Geraldine Hall in the Harbour area be used by the Community Council as Anchor tenant and in conjunction with the Maynooth Arts Group. With the full support of the Maynooth Community Council we have now arranged to meet with the Area Committee of Kildare County Council on Friday 21st October at 2p.m. In attendance will be our County Councillors, Community Council representatives and Peter Minnock Director of Corporate and Cultural Affairs. It is our objective to push forward in relation to the Geraldine Hall and also to discuss the best option available to us with regard to the Community Centre. As Chairperson of the Maynooth Community Council it is my aim to reach a conclusive decision on this long outstanding matter within the next month or two.

Brid Feely

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**Happy Hallowe'en to all our readers
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Maynooth Community Council Notes

The September meeting of Maynooth Community took place in the Glenroyal Hotel on the 12th of September.

Flag Day Collection

Treasurer Willie Sauls thanked all involved with the collection, he also noted that the festival was very successful which raised much needed funds.

Community Centre / Geraldine Hall

Chairperson Brid Feely noted that these issues have been on board for sometime, and its time now to move them forward. It is vital that we now put forward what we want in the Geraldine Hall. Terry Nealon proposed that the Geraldine Hall is an ideal situation for an Arts Centre incorporating a theatre and other outlets. It was agreed to wait for one more month and meet with Kildare County Council on this project.

Community Centre

A long discussion took place on this. There are two options to look at here.

No. 1 proposal - Funding from Development levies

No 2 proposal - The Maynooth Community Church plan.

A lot of views were expressed on this. While it was agreed that the Community Church plan was ready to go with plans already done, Peter O'Donnell noted that plan 2 was not ready to go yet, he also felt that we may not have fully looked at this and the possibilities not fully explored.

Tom McMullen expressed concern about cost to have plans drawn up, also Paul Croghan said money should not be an issue in getting proposals going. Tony Bean said we will have to go with this now, he said we will have to go to Naas with a Community plan and tell them that we want them to work with us for Maynooth.

John McGinley advised that money is not an issue, money already committed he said.

John asked that we wait one month until the October meeting of the area committee and meet them with our plan.

The meeting, fully explored all options, also the Community Church plan was seen as a good option.

Chairperson Brid Feely said we now need to focus our energies to get a Community Centre for Maynooth, it was agreed to adapt John McGinley 's proposal and to go to the area committee in October.

Person of the year Award

This project is now going ahead, it is proposed to have nomination papers in the Newsletter with a two/ three month run up and have it ready for St Patrick's Day.

Dulcedo Development

Tom McMullon said he has received some complaints about the height of the new development, it was felt that the height was within the plan, but that it should be checked out, also Paul Croghan said re-alignment that there had been serious short comings on the traffic plan here, he said safety is appalling for children walking. A safety audit should be done he said.

Neon Lighting

It was felt that too many premises are using this form of lighting it would be more in keeping with the town if more traditional lighting were used.

Christmas Lights

Business people in the town are funding the Christmas Lights, it was noted that new connecting boxes will have to be installed. It was also suggested that collection boxes could be put in shops to help with funding.

Sub-Committees

Tidy Towns

Maynooth has gained an extra 7 points this year, a lot of people working hard for Maynooth that is not recognised. IBAL placing up again this year. Clean up still continuing on Tuesdays and Thursdays and also on Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Festival

Andrew McMullon thanked all those involved with the Festival also those who delivered brochures. There was a full report of the festival in the September issue of the Newsletter.

Fair Trade

Maynooth Community Council supporting Fair Trade. Meeting criteria to become a fair trade town, leaflets have been delivered to households, you can support fair trade by buying tea, coffee, chocolate and biscuits in shops supporting fair trade. Peter O'Connell presented fair trade tea and biscuits to Maynooth Newsletter office staff and he also thanked the Glenroyal for only stocking fair trade coffee.

New Project

The office are to produce a new information leaflet containing estate names and maps and general information of the town.

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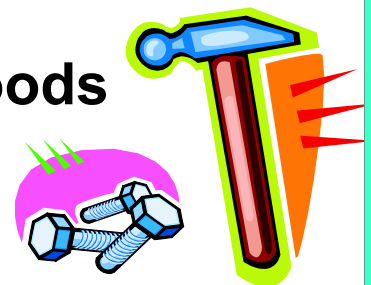
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05/1940	Eugene Mara	Doctors Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/08/05	Demolition of single storey store to rear and construction of new two storey extension to side, consisting ground and first floor offices together with associated site works	Doctors Lane Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2009	Harry & Anne McCauley	64 Maynooth Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	22/08/05	The development will consist of the erection of a porch and toilet at the front of the house, and the conversion of the existing garage at the side of the house to a bedroom and bathroom and also extending it to the front of the house, and removal etc	64 Maynooth Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2023	Niall Brady	Moortown Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	23/08/05	Unauthorised development comprising first floor bedroom accommodation with four number dormer rooflights above a garage, providing corridor and bathrooms and the provision of ensuite bedroom at first floor above a sunroom a permitted under etc.	Moortown Celbridge Co. Kildare
05/2059	Brian Murphy	Crown court Blacklion Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	29/08/05	(a) demolition of existing shed for agricultural use (b) erection of two storey house and Septech 2000 effluent treatment plant.	Crown Court Blacklion Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2060	Lidl Ireland BMGH	Great Connell Business Park Great Connell Newbridge Co. Kildare	P	29/08/05	(a) New ESB sub-station on existing site (b) all associated site development works	Lidl Discount Food Store Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2082	David Collins	Ashfield House Johninstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	31/08/05	Domestic double car garage, store and covered open drying area to rear, as constructed on site etc.	Ashfield House Johninstown Maynooth Co. Kildare

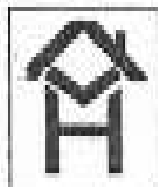
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05/2084	Red Thorn Development Ltd	The Gate Lodge Newtownmacabe Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/09/05	The construction of a residential development comprising 119 no. dwellings consisting of 12 no. two bedroom two storey apartments and 12 no. three bedroom two storey apartments in 6 no. two storey blocks; 36 no. own hall door duplex dwellings in 5 etc	Sherlockstown Sallins Co. Kildare
05/2089	NUI Maynooth	Buildings Office NUI Maynooth Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/09/05	Erect open mesh safety canopy on existing pedestrian footbridge etc	Maynooth Kilcock Road Maynooth Co. Kildare

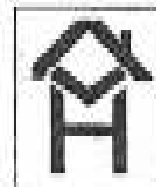
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L-R Front: Clodagh Ní hÍomhar, Kyle Ó Laocha



Sadhbh Ní hArgáin, Shauna Nic Mhathúna Uí Mhuiriosa, Sam Ó Teimhneáin, Eoghan Ó

Maynooth Under 11 Ladies Gaelic Football



Maynooth Girls Under 11s team prior to their game against Kilcock

Training has restarted for all girls between the ages of 7 years and 11 at Maynooth Gaelic Football pitch on Saturday mornings at 11.30 a.m. Training is for one hour and the skills are taught plus a short match. The trainers at the moment are Gerry Egan, Martin O' Sullivan and Kieran Finnegan. They would be delighted to have some ladies join in especially some of the parents. All the children training should be members of the club.

The team lost their game in the Autumn League to Kilcock last Saturday. Maynooth had thirty one girls for the game. The trainers did their best for all girls to get a game. More games will follow so everyone will get their chance. The team looked splendid in their new jerseys which have been bought for the team by Curves Fitness Centre at Maynooth Development Park.

The club and trainers are very appreciative of this generous act.

The second game meant a long journey to Castlemichel GAA Club which is outside of Athy. The journey did not bother the girls though and they were winners after a very exciting game. The Maynooth team and parents were then treated to refreshments which was very much appreciated by the Maynooth travelling party.

The next game for girls is against Ballykelly. All are looking forward to this game.



The Maynooth & Kilcock captains with referee Antoinette Mooney prior to the recent game.

Welcome to the Language Centre



The Language Centre offers a broad range of language courses, many from beginners' level to advanced. This year we are happy to introduce two new languages, Chinese and Polish. Classes are limited to fifteen students and take place in an informal but structured atmosphere, with the emphasis on developing speaking and listening skills. There are no formal entry requirements.

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 Spanish Beginners, Intermediate
 German Beginners, Intermediate
 Italian Beginners, Intermediate, Advanced
 Polish Beginners
 Portuguese Beginners
 EFL Beginners, Advanced
 Chinese Beginners

Formation of Classes

Commencement of classes will depend on a minimum number of enrolments. The Language Centre reserves the right to cancel a course.

A Certificate of Attendance is awarded on request to Students with 80% minimum attendance.

Enrolment

Enrolment will take place on :

Course 1 Wednesday, 5th October '05, 7.00-8.30 pm

Course 2 Wednesday, 11th January '06, 7.00-8.30 pm

In room T8, Arts Building.

Enrolment will only take place at the stated times, or by post until the dates above. For postal enrolment please fill in the enrolment form, detach and send with appropriate fee to: Claire Albrecht, Language Centre NUI Maynooth Co. Kildare

Extra-Mural Terms

Each course lasts for nine weeks, with two hours' tuition each week, Course dates for this year are:

Course 1 Monday, 10th Oct '05-Friday, 9th Dec '05

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COURSE 1				
LANGUAGE	DAY	TIME (pm)	VENUE	STARTING
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Irish – Bonn1**	Thursday	7.00 – 9.00	JHT2	13 th October
Irish – Bonn2**	Tuesday	7.00 – 9.00	JHL5	11 th October
Irish – A*	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	T8	12 th October
French – B	Tuesday	7.00 – 9.00	JHL4	11 th October
French – I*	Monday	7.00 – 9.00	JHT2	10 th October
French – A	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	A.V. Room	12 th October
German – B	Monday	7.00 – 9.00	T8	10 th October
German – I	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	A.V. Room	12 th October
Spanish – B	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	JHT1	12 th October
Spanish – I	Tuesday	7.00 – 9.00	T8	11 th October
Portuguese – B	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	T7	12 th October
Polish – B	Thursday	7.00 – 9.00	T7	13 th October
Italian – B	Monday	6.00 – 7.30	JHT1	10 th October
Italian – I	Monday	7.30 – 9.00	JHT1	10 th October
E.F.L. – I	Tuesday	6.00 – 8.00	JHT3	Check with Language Ctr
E.F.L. – A	Thursday	6.00 – 8.00	JHT1	Check
COURSE 2				
LANGUAGE	DAY	TIME (pm)	VENUE	STARTING
Chinese – B	Monday	7.00 – 9.00	T7	16 th January
Irish – B	Thursday	7.00 – 9.00	JHT2	19 th January
Irish – I	Tuesday	7.00 – 9.00	JHL5	17 th January
Irish – A	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	T8	18 th January
French – B	Tuesday	7.00 – 9.00	JHL4	17 th January
French – I	Monday	7.00 – 9.00	JHT2	16 th January
French – A	Wednesday	7.00 – 9.00	A.V. Room	18 th January
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Polish – B	Thursday	7.00 – 9.00	T7	19 th January
Italian – B	Monday	6.00 – 7.30	JHT1	18 th January
Italian – I	Monday	7.30 – 9.00	JHT1	16 th January
E.F.L. – I	Tuesday	6.00 – 8.00	JHT3	Check with Language Ctr
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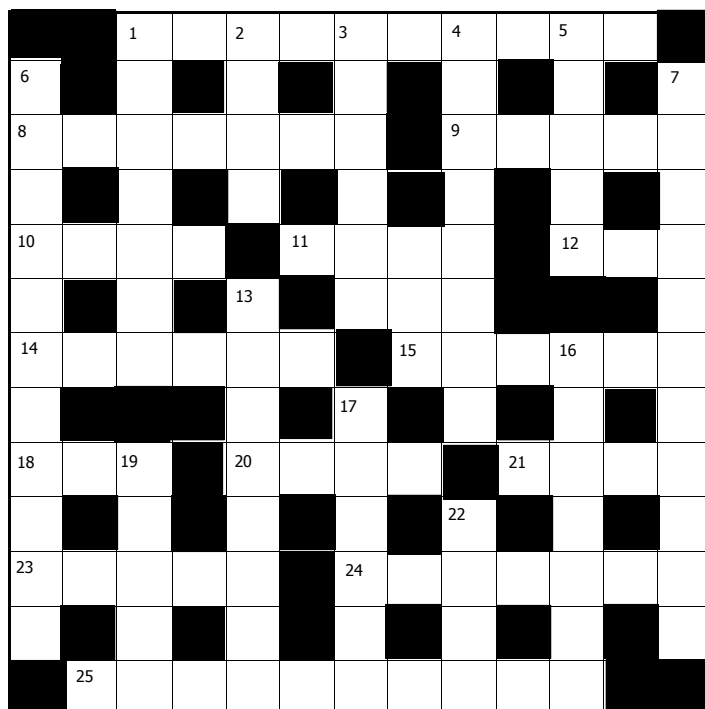
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Across:

1. Men's waist-sash (10)
8. Ill-will (7)
9. Spoken (5)
10. Small bottle (4)
11. Cake layer (4)
12. Eternity (3)
14. Object to (6)
15. Shirley _ _ _ , US child star (6)
18. Small bed (3)
20. Egg-shaped (4)
21. Large plant (4)
23. Mark _ _ _ , US author (5)
24. *Stand and Deliver* singer (4,3)
25. Ghostly figure (10)

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2. Heathland (4)
3. Eavesdrop! (6)
4. Singer, _ _ _ Craven (8)
5. Calling, vocation (5)
6. Evade the truth (11)
7. Pyjamas fabric (11)
13. Sleeplessness (8)
16. Refer (7)
17. Spiced sausage (6)
19. *Lady and the _ _ _*, Disney film (5)
22. The Three Wise Men (4)

Across:

1. Wallaby, **5.** Ugli, **9.** Tracer, **10.** Idaho, **12.** Allot, **13.** Caesium, **14.** Untidy, **16.** Florin, **19.** Aviator, **21.** Maple, **23.** Iliad, **24.** Upturn, **25.** Nana, **26.** Sawdust

Down:

2. April, **3.** Located, **4.** Borsch, **6.** Glazier, **7.** Ironmonger, **8.** Pike, **11.** Salutation, **15.** Tui-tion, **17.** Limited, **18.** Trauma, **20.** To-Do, **22.** Paris.

Doodle Box

Useful Tips

Halloween and fancy dress

- Use household items and cast-off clothing to create Halloween or fancy-dress costumes that don't cost money.
- Transform old colanders, bowls and plastic containers into helmets and other hats. Cut a deflated football in half and spray-paint it silver for a robot's, spaceman's, Valkyrie's or knight's helmet. Turn thick work gloves into gauntlets by spraying them silver.
- Use shredded cellophane from gift baskets as a wig.
- A balaclava makes a good start for a lot of costumes; attach animals ears, wool or jewellery.
- Make white clown makeup by mixing 2 tablespoons of cornflour with 1 tablespoon of solid margarine or butter. Add some colour, if you like, with a few drops of food colouring.
- For facial decoration, cut stars, flowers or hearts from brightly coloured tissue paper. To make the glue, cook one large potato, with its skin, until it's soft; let it cool. Rub the cut-outs on the potato and then stick them on dry, clean skin.
- If you need extra padding for a costume, wear large tights and stuff them with cushions or rags.
- Try this for a fun outfit - turn yourself into a slice of pizza. Start with a piece of carpet foam underlay; cut it into a triangular shape as tall as you are. Spray it orange onto the 'crust' at the base of the triangle (allow for plenty of ' crust' because you';; have to fold some of it over your shoulders). Then spray the rest of the triangle tomato-sauce red (or red and yellow if you like your pizza with cheese). Cut mushroom slices, green pepper strips and onion rings from plastic foam meat trays and paint them the appropriate colours. For pepperoni sausage, cut circles from a brown paper bag and paint them reddish-brown - they curl up just like the real thing. Glue the pieces on the pizza slice or, better still, attach them with Velcro glued to the slice and to the backs of the various pieces. Fold over the crust, cut a hole for your head, and staple the crust together at your shoulders

Kettle scale

- Mix up a solution of one part malt vinegar to one part water and pour enough into your kettle to just cover the element. Bring to the boil and leave overnight. Then rinse out.
- Or, boil water in the kettle and then add 13 teaspoons/75g citric acid granules. Leave for 20 minutes, then rinse.
- Or, use a chemical descaler. Read the manufacturer's instructions first.

Houseguests

- When inviting guests to your home, let them know what time you expect them to arrive and to leave. Mention in your invitation any activities, such as tennis or swimming, that call for special clothes.
- If someone has a reputation for staying longer than scheduled, arrange an activity for the day after the agreed departure time and inform the guest of your plans.
- Check to see if your guests have food and drink preferences or allergies.

The role of the guest

- Bring a small gift - wine, flowers or a homemade cake. Or bring toys to leave behind for your hosts' children.
- Adjust to the schedule of the house. If you're an early riser, try to remain in your room until your hosts are up and about. If you must have a cup of coffee, move quietly around the kitchen.
- of asking if and how you can help, simply observe. Work out what needs to be done and do it. A good guest pitches in by helping to clean up after meals, emptying the kitchen bin and occasionally buying the groceries.
- Offer to bring or buy one night's dinner. If you plan to visit for three nights or longer (usually not a good idea), take your hosts out or cook for them, but give them enough warning so that they won't already have made plans for that meal.
- Keep the guest room neat and clean even when the door is closed. On the last day of your stay, remove and fold your soiled linen and remake the bed with just the blanket so that the guest room looks presentable after you leave.
- Ask permission before using the telephone and offer to re-imburse your host.
- Don't overstay your welcome

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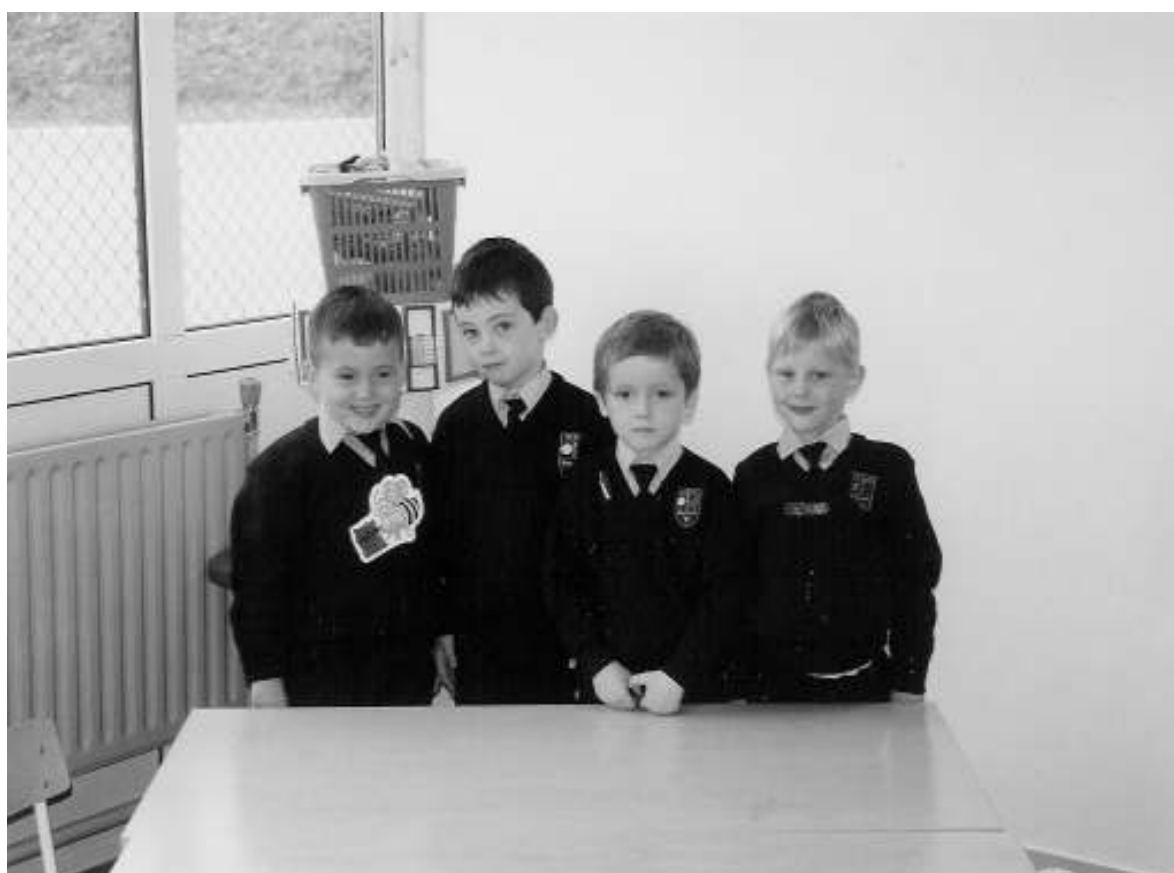
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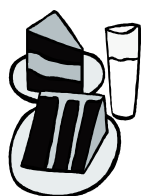
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.....I have eyes to see,
I have a nose to smell,
I have a mind in which my thoughts do dwell
But most of all, I have a heart
in which my love will never part
I have a face like each creature of
The human race
As each one of us is unique
And no person is ever bleak
For we are all equal in God's eyes
That our true God's love never denies
We all live in a dream world
In a wishing well of desire
No one is destined to eternal hellfire
Each one of us has a soul that never dies
So we all be wise
And love each other as much as we can
Where ultimate happiness
Is destined to all man

A Better World

A more civilised society of today
Will grow stronger as time passes by
Everyone will have a better say
As inequality will finally die
Each child to grow strong and stern
With education and better ways
Mankind has a lot to learn
But will have much better days

New reasons will inherit this earth
That will never falter or fall
Ignorance will have its final death
As each man walk proud and tall
A wealth of prosperity and good health
Will dominate a new world tomorrow
Feelings in which a heart is dwelt
Will develop stronger with little sorrow

A better world will be soon
With prayer and good will among all
A loving heart with more room
Will shine through with Heaven's call
So be at peace with what you've got
And live life with love and car3
For mankind has such a lot
Of good will for all to share

Waiting for Love

If I only had my love by my side
Feeling contented and happy with life
Of all the pretty girls in this vast world wide
Here I am alone wearisome with strife
I captured loving moments through the passing years
But now I am so lonely wishing my world away
I am now caught up in turmoil and fears
But I know life will be alright some day
All I want is someone I could love

To pass away my days and feel like a man
Here I am on my own as peaceful as a dove
In a wishing well world doing best I can
Lady of my dreams just where are you
When will you ever answer my call
I've so much to give if only the world knew
For companionship my heart rises so tall
But I will not give up my yearning ways
For it is natural within my heart abides
Soon a pretty lady will brighten up my days
And I will feel like a king by her side
I pray for a better tomorrow deeply within
And I know true love will come my way
Here I am alone, it seems such a sin
Waiting for my lover some fine day
We will walk up the aisle and the heavens shine
For a gracious couple destined to meet
This is only another fantasy dream of mine
But with love in waiting nothing can defeat

Wonderful Sky

I look up in amazement at the vast sky
With grey clouds constantly drifting away
Life changes rapidly but the sky never die
As I feel it will be forever to stay
Clouds burst and rain falls to the ground
Creating new life with the golden sun
To its destination by native it is bound
It is of this that all life has begun

A sky of wonder is forever in my mind
A miracle of nature that we cannot ignore
Many elements in this sky we find
That generations of people always adore
Then the sky gradually fades to night
With twinkling stars that shine for all
On my own I enjoy its peaceful sight
As between the stars we are so very small

The sky is part of everyone in this life
Imagine a world without this familiar sky
This world can be of bliss and strife
But just what is this miracle force I cry
Sky of plenty you're in my dream
That some day we will know more of you
Reaching to the universe forever more gleam
Depending on you always I forever grow

Patrick Murray

Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Notes

Question

I am giving up work to look after my mother who lives nearby. I was told I should register for the Homemaker's Scheme. What is it?

Answer

The Homemaker's Scheme is a scheme run by the Department of Social and Family Affairs that makes it easier for you as a homemaker to qualify for the Old Age Contributory Pension when you reach age 66. a homemaker is defined as a person who gives up work to take care of a child under 12 years of age or an incapacitated child/adult aged 12 or over who requires full-time care and attention.

To qualify for the Old Age Contributory Pension you must have a certain yearly average number of PRSI contributions paid or credited from the time you entered social insurance up to pension age. Under the Homemaker's Scheme the years spent as a homemaker are ignored in calculating your yearly average number of contributions. Up to a maximum of 20 homemaker's years can be disregarded.

To be eligible for the Homemaker's Scheme, you must be under 66 years of age and permanently resident in the State. You must have been in insurable employment/self-employment (i.e. you must have entered insurance on or after the age of 16 and before the age of 56) and you must not engage in full-time employment - you are permitted to work and earn less than €38 gross per week.

You must be living with and caring for the child/incapacitated person a full-time basis. Since March 2005 you may be eligible if you are not living with the person you are caring for, provided that a direct system of communication exists between your residence and that of the care recipient. This may be a telephone or alarm system. You must be providing full-time care and attention and the care recipient must not already be receiving full-time care and attention within their own residence from another person.

You should register for the scheme before the end of the contribution year following the year in which you first become a homemaker. You are awarded a homemaking year for each full contribution year you are caring. You are awarded homemaker's credits up to the end of the contribution year in which you become a homemaker. Similar credits are awarded in the year you stop being a homemaker. These credits are only of use in qualifying for Old Age Contributory Pension. If you are getting Carer's Allowance, Carer's Benefit or Child Benefit (and providing the child with full-time care) there is no need to register as you will be automatically recorded a homemaker.

Question

I bought a jacket that was reduced in a sale. I discovered a problem with the lining and I am wondering if I have any rights since the jacket was reduced in a sale?

Answer

You have the same consumer rights when you buy goods in a sale as you would normally have i.e they must be of merchantable quality, fit for their purpose and as described. Even if a retailer displays a notice refusing to exchange or refund you still have rights under consumer law. Your rights are governed by the Sale of Goods and Supply of Services Act 1980.

You should return the jacket as soon as possible to the retailer as it is the retailer and not the manufacturer who is responsible for putting things right. Leave the jacket lining as it is because tampering or attempting to repair it may affect your claim. Make sure you have your receipt or some other proof of purchase.

In some cases, a shop may offer a credit note. You do not have to accept a credit note. Indeed, taking this option means that you cannot later demand a refund.

In general consumers have a wide range of rights in relation to goods and services purchased, but the extent of the rights can vary depending on the sales contract.

However you have no grounds for redress if you were told about the defect before you bought the item, for example, if the goods were marked 'shopsoiled', or you examined the item before you bought it and should have seen the defect.

Further information is available from:

The Office of the Director of Consumer Affairs, 4 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2.

Tel: 01 4025555 LoCall: 1890 220 229

Website: www.odca.ie

Question

My husband and I are considering renting out a room in our house. Will the income from the rent be taxable?

Answer

Under the Rent a Room Relief Scheme, where you rent out a room (or rooms) in your principal private residence and the gross rent received does not exceed €7,620 for the tax year this income will be exempt from income tax. The gross rent includes sums your tenant pays for food, laundry or similar goods and services.

Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Notes (Contd)

Where more than one individual is entitled to the rent, the exemption limit is divided between the individuals concerned.

If your room rental comes within the scheme it does not affect your entitlement to mortgage interest relief or to capital gains tax exemption on selling your home.

The rental income is not liable for PRSI of the 2% Health Levy but it must be included on your annual income tax returns.

Question

I believe that if someone dies his/her family can continue or receive his/her social welfare payment for a number of weeks afterwards. Is this true?

Answer

Payment of a social welfare payment following a death is only made to the spouse/partner or parent of the deceased and only under certain conditions.

If your spouse/partner dies while getting a social welfare payment, the same rate of payment

continues for six weeks after the death provided your late spouse/partner was getting a qualified adult increase for you or you are getting a social welfare payment in your own right.

If your spouse/partner dies and you were getting a qualified adult increase with your payment for him/her, you continue to receive the increase for six weeks after the death

Carer's Allowance and Carer's Benefit continue to be paid for six weeks following the death of the person being cared for.

To apply for the six-week payment, as soon as possible following the death you should write to the section of the Department of Social and Family Affairs that issues the social welfare payment. You should enclose the death certificate (if available) to a death notice from a newspaper and, if applicable, the payment book.

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

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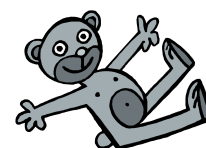
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L-R: Cillian Ó Máille, Óran Ó hAoláin, Gráinne Ní Ruairc, Alexandra Ní Bhraonáin

Features

Ryder Cup 2006.

No doubt by the time you are reading this the final issue of tickets for the Ryder Cup will be in the process of issuing and maybe you are one of the lucky ones with tickets on their way to you.

However even if you don't have tickets coming to you what is inescapable is that the Ryder Cup 2006 is definitely on it's way to all of us. September 22nd-24th 2006 will see the matches of the 36th Ryder Cup being played in The K-Club in Straffan. It will mean 3 days where the sporting eyes of the world will turn to us as we stage the 3rd biggest sporting event in terms of media coverage and viewer numbers. It will also mean over 100,000 visitors to the area during the 3 days of the event and perhaps even more over the course of the weeks surrounding the actual event itself.

In Detroit in 2004 the event brought over €50 million into the area in directly related earnings. This did not include any additional tourism or golf related earnings in the weeks following the magnificent victory of the European Team. It would therefore not be unreasonable to expect a similar level of earnings for the towns and villages adjacent to the 2006 event!!

Already if one checks for accommodation in many of the hotels in the greater Dublin Area and indeed further a field it will be very apparent that space is at a premium for the days around Ryder Cup 2006. This begs the question for us as the neighbouring towns to the event if there are 100,000+ visitors coming to the Golf are we ready to provide entertainment and give them a traditional *cead mile failte* or are happy as local communities to allow the focus of this event return to Dublin for the *Après Golf??*.

It will be important for the local communities to help themselves to a share of the spending that will accompany the hosting of this event in a neighbouring village, perhaps this will be a once in a life time event for many of us. The release of tickets to the general public during August 2005 will start the process of interest in Kildare and what we have to offer in term of Accommodation, restaurants and entertainment. If we want to make a really good first impression and not lose potential visitors to the neighbouring counties I suggest we energise our selves and focus our efforts on putting together a package of events and related services that will make Maynooth and Kildare an irresistible choice.

Maynooth Community Council will in the coming weeks commence an awareness drive to initiate all of the Community to consider and prepare for Ryder Cup 2006. Further information from myself or on www.dare2stay.ie.

Welcome to Ireland's independent Golf Course review site.

When you log onto www.ratemygolfcourse.ie you will find a comprehensive listing of Ireland's Golf courses and have access to their details as well as helpful reviews from golfers who are members or have played there.

It is the intention of this site to provide an up to date source of information on the ever growing number of courses in Ireland. We believe it will allow the many club members and golfing visitors to record their experience of golfing in Ireland and assist Golf course managers by having access to feedback on their courses and facilities.

We welcome and encourage anyone who has played a round of Golf on any of listed courses to share their views with us, remember this site is here to help you contribute to the growth of awareness and improvement of Golf in Ireland.

We will list your comments good and bad, but don't forget to make sure you also make a point of personally conveying your comments to management in whatever course you play.

There are no membership conditions, access to the site is free to both read and post reviews however all comments posted to the site are edited by us prior to posting. We will publish all comments but, anything deemed to be offensive or not in the best interests of the site or its listed course will not be published.

We would ask players or managers to let us know of a course that is not listed here and we will add it to our database.

May we thank you in advance for your comments and reviews and wish you many long and enjoyable walks in the "short grass".

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Recipes

Starter:

Stuffed Mushrooms

Serves 4

8 large brown open cap mushrooms
100g butter
125g couscous
125gml boiling water
1 onion, sliced
2 cloves of garlic, crushed
1 red or yellow pepper, seeded and diced
1 bunch spinach, cleaned and shredded
200g feta cheese, crumbled



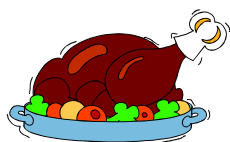
1. Preheat your oven to 200°C/gas mark 6. Remove and chop the mushroom stalks and set aside. Add a little butter to the centre of each mushroom and bake for 20 minutes.
2. Meanwhile add the boiling water to the couscous and cover. Set aside to steam.
3. Heat the remaining butter in a saucepan, add the garlic, pepper, spinach leaves and chopped mushrooms stalks. Cook until the spinach wilts.
4. Stir in the couscous and crumbled feta cheese. Spoon into the mushrooms caps and bake for 10 minutes. Serve hot.

Main Course:

Fruity spiced chicken

Serves 4

280ml chicken stock
150ml unsweetened orange juice
50g each dried apricots, stoned prunes, dried apple rings, and sultanas
2tsp freshly grated root ginger
2tsp paprika
1/2tsp ground cinnamon
4 skinned chicken breasts
salt and black pepper



To serve

couscous or brown rice
selection of vegetables

1. Put the stock and orange juice in a heavy based saucepan or a flame-proof casserole together with the dried apricots, prunes, apple rings and sultanas, ginger, paprika, allspice and cinnamon. bring to boiling point.
2. Add the chicken, reduce the heat, cover and simmer for 40 minutes until the chicken is tender and the fruit is soft.
3. Season and serve with couscous or brown rice and a selection of vegetables.

Desserts

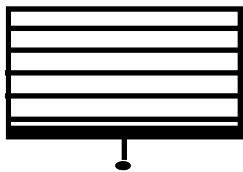
Chocolate and pear tart

Serves 8-10

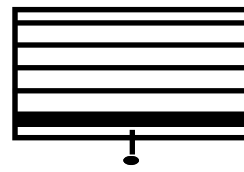
200g Digestive biscuits, crushed
4tsp cashew nuts, chopped
125g butter, melted
Filling
300ml milk
25g cocoa powder
80g brown sugar
40g cornflour
extra cold milk
50ml chocolate liqueur
2tsp gelatine
1x 410g can pear halves
100g chocolate, finely chopped.
To serve
whipped cream



1. Butter a 25cm pie dish. Mix the biscuits, nuts and butter together and press into the bottom and up the sides of the pie dish. Chill in the fridge.
2. Heat the milk, cocoa powder and brown sugar together in a saucepan until the sugar dissolves. Then remove from the heat.
3. Mix the chocolate liqueur and gelatine and stir into the hot mixture, pour into the pie crust and leave to cool. Drain the pears and pour the syrup into a small saucepan, boil rapidly until reduced by 1/2 Remove from the heat and add the chocolate pieces, stir until melted and return to the heat if necessary.
4. Arrange the pears cut-sides down on the cooled filling in the pie crust and pour over the cooled sauce. Chill. The sauce will run down the sides of the slices when you cut the tart. Serve with whipped cream



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Gardening Tips for October

The pace of change is, as ever, dictated by the weather, both general and local. Autumn comes earlier further north and on higher ground. The daily rises and falls in temperature are at lower levels and sharper. October is seldom without its warm spells and the weather may turn markedly mild in the later part of the month or early November. Take advantage of such spells: finish the harvest, lift frost-tender plants and give them winter protection, and get under way plans for soil cultivation and new plantings.

The Flower Garden

Take up gladioli corms from mid-month without waiting for the frost to kill the top growth. With stems attached, the plants can hang in an airy place until the corms are completely dry. Retain the large top new corms, and the younger corms for increasing the stock for next year; discard the old shrunken ones. Dust with flowers of sulphur and store layered in sand or perlite, in boxes, in a cool, for the winter and planted in reserve beds in spring to grow on to flowering size.

Lift dahlia roots intact with tubers as soon as the top growth is blackened by a night frost. Cut the stems to within 5cm (2in) of their base, remove surplus soil, leave to dry upside down under cover, and when dry, store in boxes or crates. Label them and dust with fungicidal powder before storing in a dark cool place, cellar or spare room, where there is an even temperature of about 7°C (45°F).

Take up the stools or roots of border chrysanthemums when flowering is over. Cut the stems to about 5 - 7.5cm (2 - 3in.), and place in a deep box or cold frame just as they are, with added soil to cover, where the temperature will not fall below 16°C (35°F).

Lift clumps of lily-of-the-valley now 3 to 4 years old. Divide and replant the strong crowns just clear of one another, and with points just at soil level. The new planting stations should be deeply dug and enriched with well-rotted manure or compost, and a little bone meal, in partial shade.

Remove annual bedding plants as soon as flowering is over, and while they are still green, and make compost with them. Fork a dressing of well-rotted manure, compost or spent mushroom compost, with bone meal into the flower bed, and plant up with bulbs and polyanthus, pansies or wallflowers for spring.

Lift to divide long-established peonies early in the month; discard the older parts of the roots taking care not to damage the remainder and replant the other pieces, comprising good crown buds with roots, in well-dug soil enriched with humus-forming organic matter, and basic slag. Do not expect the new plants

The Vegetable Garden

Finish carefully lifting potatoes, beetroot and carrots, for winter storing of undamaged specimens. Celeriac has the advantage that it can remain in the ground until December.

Cut down the tall stems of Jerusalem artichokes as soon as they flag and yellow. Leave the tubers undisturbed, however, and harvest as required. A good covering of leaves will make this possible in frosty weather.

Cut away all remaining fern or top growth of asparagus. Weed the bed and dress with 5 - 7.5cm (2 - 3in.) of farmyard manure or good compost, with a layer of soil sprinkled on top, for winter.

Cut down the stems of globe artichokes to ground level; cover the plants with a thick layer of peat, sawdust, leaves or bracken.

Give a final earthing-up to maincrop winter celery, carefully packing the soil up to the tips of the plants. This is essential to prevent bacteria entering which may cause celery heart to rot.

Lawns

Aerate lawns that have had hard wear by spiking, slitting or hollow-time forking, to relieve compaction and facilitate penetration of autumnal top dressing and feeds.

Apply a 5 per cent solution of tar-oil to areas becoming coated with growths of moss and lichen. There will be a browning of the grasses in a few days, but they soon recover. Aerate the turf and give it a liquid feed. Get rid of excessive worm-casts by scattering them with the back of a spring-toothed rake as a top-dressing.

Top-dress according to the soil characteristics. On clay and heavy soils, apply a mixture of equal parts by volume of coarse sand and sifted organic material such as lawn peat, or compost. For strongly acid soils, include ground limestone. On light, sandy soils, use equal parts by volume loam or topsoil and organic matter. On chalk soils, use a fine lawn grade of sphagnum moss peat. On soils subject to water logging, use coarse grit or sand, and mix with 20 percent crushed charcoal. Apply to 3mm 1/8in.) thick, and brush or 'switch' in. Feed the grass with top-dressing. Choose a fertiliser relatively high in phosphates, low in nitrogen, and balanced in potash at this season: a proprietary blended autumn lawn fertiliser, or a mixture of equal parts by weight bone meal and powdered seaweed manure at 60g/m² (2oz per sq.yd).

Cut new lawns sown in August-September when the grass reaches 5cm (2in.) high, and reduce by half; repeat in a few weeks' time.

Weed chamomile lawns by hand or spot treatment, as selective lawn weed killers would check, if not kill, the chamomile.

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First Day at School



L-R Back: Eabha Pulrséil, Niamh Spence, Aidan MacAogáin
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Emma Kelly and Daphne Lola Luz

Maynooth Post-Primary celebrates Junior Cert. results



Ciaran Daly with his brother Tadgh Daly (1st Year)



Third Year celebrate their Junior Cert results

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth I.C.A Notes

At the September meeting President Mary O'Gorman welcomed back all members after the summer holidays. She congratulated the Quiz Team on their recent success in winning the competition at Federal level. The team members were Mary Dunne, Mary O'Gorman, Rosemary Hanley and Veva Kearins. The next Federation meeting will take place on Wednesday 21st September in GAA hall in Ardrough starting at 8pm and the next National Council meeting will place on Saturday 15th October in Auborne Lodge Hotel, Ennis. Craft classes continue on Monday night at 8pm and Badminton on Mondays at 11am and Thursdays at 10.30am. Following the October meeting whist classes will take place each week.

At the October meeting we will have a bring and buy sale and an auction. The ICA weekend will take place in An Gríanan, Termofechin, Drogheda, Co. Louth from 4th to 5th November and includes lots of classes namely beading, glass etching, chicken scratching (embroidery on gingham) cookery and set dancing. There are still a few places available in some of the classes.

Fifty members from Kildare will travel to An Gríanan for the weekend and will join with fifty members from W.I., Northern Ireland. The President Mary O'Gorman and secretary, Rosemary Hanley attended the 40th Anniversary party with the senior citizens and congratulated them on their achievement and the great work they are doing.

The September competition in the Guild was won by Rosemary Hanley with Norah McDermott and Madeline Stynes jointly taking second and Betty Farrell in third place. The raffle on the night was won by Norah McDermott, with second prize going to Mary Halton Third to Madeline Stynes.

The meeting concluded on the night with a lovely supper being served to all. We would like to see new people joining our guild as we have something to suit everyone.

Our meetings take place on the first Thursday of each month at 8pm in the ICA Hall which is situated in the Harbour and all you have to do is come along for a night and see for yourself what is going on.

See you all on Thursday 6th October.

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Heritage Week in Castletown



Maureen Redmond (middle) of Abbey Art Group with visitors of the Exhibition



Caoilfionn Murphy and Joanna Cramsie



Hilda Dunne and friends

Heritage Week in Castletown

By Serj Merzliakov



The Castletown House in Celbridge along with many other Heritage Sites in Ireland opened its doors to everybody – friends and families, guests and visitors to admire, enchant and be astonished by the 18th century atmosphere attributed to the most well-known owners of the estate – the Connolly family. During the Heritage Week organised by OPW we celebrate the most exuberant lifestyles and remember the previous owners of Celbridge House.

The lecturers of the evening, Patrick Walsh and Finola O’Kane, answered questions on various aspects of life in the Castletown House Estate, gave clues to the life of the Speaker William Connolly as well as brought light to many interesting and unknown facts of the most influential family of the 18th century Ireland. The event was also highlighted by the presence of the descendants of the Connolly family, who were delighted with the great interest the public expressed by attending the evening.

Another feature of the night was the Exhibition of the Abbey Art Group of Celbridge organised in the

lower floor of the Castletown House. The guests of the evening had a chance to view and discuss the paintings, and pose questions about the artists and the exhibits of the art group to Maureen Redmond, the guide of the Exhibition.

As the evening progressed, the guests were invited to the wine reception and were welcome to participate in the raffle the collection of which proceeded to St. Bridget’s Hospice in The Curragh.

The questions and discussions were still going on after the lectures as guests formed circles and were staying for the last several minutes to celebrate the chance of encountering the magnificence of this historical monument. The event brought to life the memories of the days long gone and the family who made such enormous contribution to the cultural heritage of the country.

We would like to thank the staff of the Castletown House in Celbridge for their assistance and cooperation.

Heritage Week in Castletown



Guests enjoying the evening...



and ambiance of the Long Gallery



*William Carew, Lady Carew, Patrick Walsh (Lecturer),
Baroness Wrangle (born Lady Connolly) and Lord Carew*

A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes. Pat Eddery (1952-) (contd)

winners. He was the youngest winner of the title for over fifty years. His first classic winner was Polygamy, Epsom Oaks, June 1974. The lionhearted, Grundy was his first Epsom Derby winner in 1975. He was champion jockey for the next three years (75-77) and rode his first Prix de L'Arc winner in 1980 (Detroit).

All through his career Pat was always level headed and in control. Unlike some of the young Premiership footballers he was never in the headlines for the wrong reason and seems to handle success in a mature manner. This was due to the grounding he received at Frenchie Nicholson's yard where boys were not only taught how to ride but also how to conduct themselves in public. They were also taught how to keep a level head and do the right thing for their owners and trainers. Nothing ever remains the same and Peter Walwyn's fortunes were due to take a fall. A virus ridden stable in 1978 and 1979 almost put him out of business. Pat Eddery remained loyal but when Vincent O'Brien offered Pat a retainer in 1980 with a provision for stallion shares he could not turn the offer down.



Race of the Century Grundy and Bustino, King George 1975

His time with Vincent O'Brien saw him associated with some great horses. Golden Fleece, Epsom Derby (1982) and El Grand Senor winner of the Irish Derby and English Two Thousand Guineas (1984). The day that Christy Roche on Secreto snatched the Epsom Derby from Pat on El Grand Senor remains the low point in Pat's racing life. Pat Eddery also rode Sadler's Wells to win the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown. Sadler's Wells went on to become one of the great thoroughbred stallions of the twentieth century. Pat returned to England in 1986 to take a retainer from Prince Khalid Abdullah and continued to ride at the highest level, winning the Arc with great horses like Dancing Brave (1986) and Trempolino (1987). He also won his third Epsom Derby with Quest for Fame. Many consider Piggott to be the best jockey of our time but the statistics show that Irishman, Pat Eddery outscored the master in many areas.



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- 2000th winner at York on May 15th 1986
- 3000th winner at Bath on July 22nd 1991
- 4494th winner at Goodwood June 21st 2002
- 2nd winning most jockey in the UK after Sir Gordon Richards (4632)

In all theatres of sporting life the one accolade our sporting heroes' desire is to be associated with greatness. In the thoroughbred horse racing world the Epsom Derby winner of 1965, Sea Bird, ridden by Pat Glennon, is fondly remembered as the best Derby winner of the twentieth century. It can be argued however that in June 1982 Pat Eddery sat on one equally as good. The brilliant if ultimately tragic Golden Fleece trained by Vincent O'Brien and ridden by Pat won the Epsom Derby in a canter. The breathtaking manner in which he came from last to first in the final stages of the race left an impression that will never be forgotten by those who were there to witness it. Shortly afterwards this great son of Nijinsky was struck down by a coughing virus and never raced again. He tragically died of cancer eighteen months after being retired to stud.

Pat Eddery retired from race riding at the end of 2003 flat racing season. He is due to set up as a public trainer for the 2006 season.

Jim Healy

A Century of Irish Sporting Heroes. Pat Eddery (1952-)

Dick Hern watched from the grandstand. Totally impassive the ex British army major watched as one of racing's greatest drama unfolded. The year was 1975 and a young Irishman was about to put his imprint on one of the greatest horse races ever run.

The Derby winner Grundy ridden by Pat Eddery, faced his main rival Bustino trained by Hern in the King George and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot. Bustino a four

year old and winner of the Coronation Cup at Epsom was set to concede fourteen pounds to his year younger rival. The major's plan carried out with military precision was to run two pacemakers in the mile and a half race to ensure a furious pace. This tactic was to play to Bustino's strengths. Hern's horse was an out and out stayer with great pace and the



Pat Eddery

game plan was to sap the finishing speed of Grundy. It nearly worked. First Highest and then Kinglet set a furious pace from the front. Into the straight Kinglet was done and Joe Mercer on Bustino took it up. He went four lengths clear and young Eddery began to close. Mercer knew Bustino was giving everything and refrained from using his whip. Pat was shoving and pushing and in the last furlong threw everything at Grundy who in the final 100 yards got up to win by half a length. Both horses had beaten the course record by two and one half seconds. The crowd was at once ecstatic and then silent as they watched Grundy come to a standstill just beyond the winning post. He stood, head down and motionless. His heaving flanks covered in sweat. He could not have given more and history records he never did. Grundy never won again and both he and Bustino, who damaged a tendon in the final agonising strides of that epic race, were retired to stud at the end of that season.

There is a tendency to remember the gallantry of Bustino and Joe Mercer to the detriment of Pat Eddery and Grundy. However in that race Pat showed, even at such a young age, that he had all the attributes to be a great jockey. In the following three decades he was to prove one of the greatest jockeys in racing history.

Born March 18th 1952 near the Curragh, Pat was one of 13 children in the family of Jimmy and Josephine Eddery. In 1957, Jimmy Eddery, first jockey to

Seamus McGrath came close to winning the Epsom Oaks on Silken Glider, beaten a short head by the indomitable Lester Piggott on Corrozza. A man with a short fuse Jimmy headed the Irish jockey table on one occasion and for many years was in the first half dozen in the jockey championship. Retired, as a race rider at thirty-eight years of age Jimmy then became assistant trainer to Seamus McGrath. From the age of eight, Pat's father put his young son up on many of the McGrath horses in morning exercise no matter their reputation.

In March 1966 Pat signed his apprentice forms for Seamus McGrath. For whatever reason his career did not progress with that stable. Deeply unhappy at the lack of riding opportunities he finally convinced his mother of his need to go to England. Seamus McGrath understanding and helpful in the matter gave Pat's mother a list of trainers who would be willing to take on her young son. The list included Doug Smith and Sir Gordon Richards. But the list also included the name of a man who was to teach Pat everything about race riding and make him into the champion elect. When Frenchie Nicholson agreed to take on young Eddery it was the luckiest day of Pat's life.



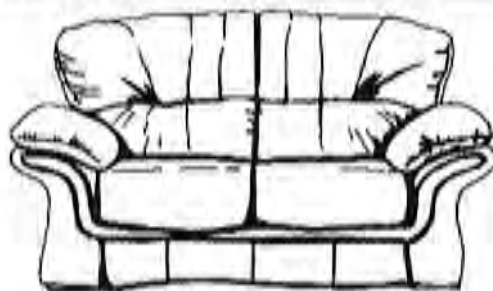
Pat's Power Packed Finish

The life of an apprentice jockey can be told at another time. Suffice to say that Pat was on the verge of going home on a number of occasions during his first long winter in England. He persevered and rode his first winner on April 24th 1969 at Epsom, a difficult course to ride. In 1971 he won the apprentice championship with 71 winners. In many ways his early career mirrored that of Lester Piggott. Always anxious to win he probably annoyed many of the senior jockeys. Not old enough or experienced enough he incurred a number of suspensions due to reckless riding. His emerging talent did not go unnoticed. In 1972, Peter Walwyn who ran one of the biggest stables in England retained him as stable jockey. This trainer/jockey relationship was to last for eight years and reap rich reward for both Pat and Peter. In 1974 Pat Eddery became champion jockey for the first time with 148

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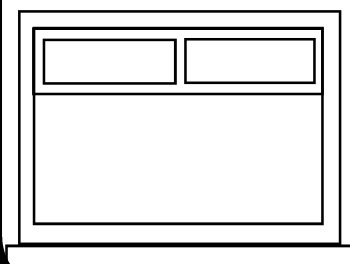
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Tae kwon-Do Club

The Sports centre in NUI Maynooth seen a day of spectacular Martial Arts competition on Sunday 25th of September as it hosted a Taekwon-Do Tournament. Taekwon-Do comes from Korea and is the most popular Martial Art in the world. The Maynooth Taekwon-Do School is run by 5th Degree Black Belt, Stephen Doyle who is the National Coach to the Republic of Ireland Taekwon-Do Association (RITA). At the recent European Championships which were held in Dublin two members from Maynooth picked up Bronze medals, Stephen Hallinan was part of the Irish team who won a bronze in Power Breaking and Ross Byrne won bronze in sparring. Both will be competing at the Maynooth Tournament.

Competitors from all over Ireland took part. The event started at 10.30am with the Black Belts and continued all day with the Pattern, Sparring and Power events. For more information on the Tournament or on joining the Maynooth Taekwon-Do School contact:

Stephen at 087 6986491



Taekwon-Do members display their new belts.

L-R: Ross Byrne, Kevin Molloy, Sean Stoll, Ronan Gallagher, Jack Hogan, Alex Lloyd, Suzy Farrell, James Boland, Richard Judge, Stewart Cameron, Jillian Judge, Michelle O'Connor & Stephen Doyle (Coach)

See next month's edition for an update.

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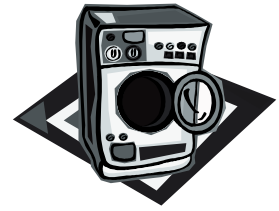
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Maynooth Golf Society

Maynooth Golf Society had their weekend away outing to the very sunny Southeast based in the town of Dungarvan playing for the The Christy Kenny Cup. The society would like to thank Collegeland Construction Ltd (Joe Conway) for sponsoring the weekend .

West-Waterford Golf Club was played on Friday in sunny warm conditions and all had an enjoyable day. The Gold Coast with its spectacular sea views was played on Saturday. The warm and sunny conditions made this a very enjoyable day also, the overall winner with a great combined score of 77 points for both days was Martin Deveney, closely followed by Liam Farrelly (72) who lead after day 1. Tess Kenny and family presented the Christy Kenny cup to Martin Deveney in Caulfield's to rapturous applause from all present.

Thirty three people attended this great weekend in Dungarvan, good weather, good singing and good golf made it most enjoyable weekend. The only shower of the weekend was in Foleys where conditions were damp.

Result Sheet

Weekend Outing To Dungarvan for the Christy Kenny Cup Date 16/17 September

Next Venue: Castle Barna on Saturday 15th October

1st Prize	Martin Deveney	77pts
2nd Prize	Liam Farrelly	72pts
3rd Prize	Eamon Murphy	69pts
4th Prize	Prionsiais Breathnach	68pts
5th Prize	Tom O'Haire	66pts
6th Prize	Pat Conway	66pts
7th Prize	Niall Byrne	65pts
Day 1	Edward Connolly	36pts
Day 2	Paul Murray	37pts
9's	David Weafer, Terry Moore, Barry Desmond, Ken Donnolly	
Visitors	Cha Farrelly	
Nearest the Pin	Eamon Murphy (Day 1) Gerry Kelly (Day 2)	
2's	Liam Farrelly, G. Kelly, S O'Connell, Ray McTernan	



*Presentation of the Shay Moore Memorial Trophy to winner Gerry McTernan by the Moore Family
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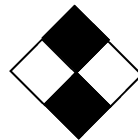
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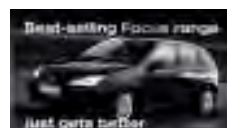


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TUG-O-WAR REPORT

LOCAL PULLERS PARTICIPATE IN LEIXLIP TOURNAMENT

Local tug-o-war pullers participated as part of a recent Charity Fundraising event at Barnhall Rugby Club on August 20th last, under perfect weather and ground conditions, referee was Liam Coleman.

Four teams took part, including The Middle Shop Warriors, who were captained by Maynooth native, Sean Hyland, one of our most famous and accomplished tug-o-war pullers. Sean's son Eddie acted as team coach, whilst his other son John pulled with the Barnhall team, which gave a very good display and finished third in the tournament. Garry Groarke who won a silver medal for Caulfields, in the recent Maynooth Festival Tournament and Willie Healy contributed their efforts to the Leixlip Town team, who after some daring efforts finished in 4th place. Meanwhile The Wild Geese one of the more physical and robust teams of the tournament were beginning to emerge as strong contenders.

Penultimate Stage

The fourth round was to prove to be the penultimate and deciding contest of the tournament, when the Middle Shop took on the Wild Geese. This dual started with a shock, when the Wild Geese caught the by now favourites, the Middle Shop on the hop and won the first pull with determined swiftness. The Wild Geese were now leading the competition. The Middle Shop who were Leixlip Festival Champions of 2004 and last years winners at Barnhall, were now in trouble. They had to win the next pull or they would lose the tournament. However, Captain Sean Hyland, who has been a prominent influence and driving force in local tug-o-war for over twenty years was not going to give up without a good fight.

The Last Fling

In the second pull the Middle Shop were ready for the drop and keeping a lower body angle to the ground, survived the first heave from the strong and heavy Wild Geese team. A great struggle took place, but the Middle Shop held any ground that they gained and edged backwards to take the pull and draw level with the Wild Geese.

Down to the wire

It was all down to the wire in the third and deciding pull of this contest - the winners take all. The evening sun shone brightly on the sweaty faces of the contestants as great tension filled the arena.

The referee dropped the hankerchief and blew his whistle, the rope snapped tight and both teams went into holding mode, probing the other side for signs of weakness. Then the heaves began getting more ferocious, each team gaining and losing ground. Desperation and tiredness began to show, feet began to slip, until both teams fell to the ground in exhaustion. In a decisive move the Middle Shop team rose more swiftly and capitalised on the disarray in the Wild Geese camp to claim tournament victory.

It was a great day for local tug-o-war and the by now thirsty contestants partied on into the evening.

The Middle Shop Winners 5pts.:

Joe White, Paddy Bergin, John Duggan, Shane McDonagh, Dec Malone, Eddie Hyland (coach), Sean Hyland (captain), Leo Hynes, Paul Mogoran.

The Wild Geese 2nd Place 4pts:

Declan Flannery, Errol Brennan, Mick Mullins, David Homeward, David Quinn, Mark Bennett, Ned Beatty, Declan Kelly.

Barnhall 3rd Place 3pts.:

Anto Larkin, Martin Dwyer, Chris Reilly, Dave Bagnall, Denis Bowes, John Lark, Shay O' Donoghue, John Hyland.

Leixlip Town 4th Place

Johnny Murphy, Ronan O' Neill, Albert Nagle, George Murray, Karl Stewart, Archie Lambert, Willie Healy, Garry Groake.



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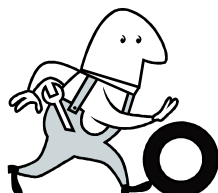
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Tidy Towns Competition 2005

Adjudication Report

Centre: **Maynooth** Ref: **419**

County: **Kildare** Mark: **225**

Category: **F** Date: **11/08/2005**

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2005	Mark Awarded 2004
Overall Developmental Approach	50	43	42
The Built Environment	40	31	31
Landscaping	40	29	27
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	30	23	23
Litter Control	40	24	23
Tidiness	20	16	15
Residential Areas	30	25	25
Roads, Streets and Back Areas	40	26	24
General Impression	10	8	8
TOTAL MARK	300	225	218

Overall Developmental Approach:

The presentation of materials with the entry form gave a very good account of the activities of the tidy towns committee and proved that their efforts are bearing good fruit. A 17-member committee is a very healthy number and the support from the business, commercial, residents and public authorities makes progress possible. Local competitions and community approaches to projects are all very positive actions - particularly in the areas of litter control, appearances of premises and residential areas.

The Built Development:

There are some landmark buildings such as - Maynooth College, Maynooth Castle and Carton House, which give Maynooth great character. The new Market Square looks well and appears easy to maintain. One premises with damaged roof hopefully will be resolved soon. The many business premises along the streets look very well. They are well painted and well presented and give a lovely effect. The pavements -

being especially wide give great comfort to the pedestrians - except for the bicycle lanes through the paths. The street furniture - lamp standards, seating, litterbins are well co-ordinated and the choice of the particular shade of blue is good. The very large development at Manor Mills is having a disruptive influence on the town at the present but that is only temporary - this will represent a sizable part of the built environment of the future. The school looks well as does the Garda Station and churches.

Landscaping:

The enormous number of mature trees right within the village is of immense benefit to the town. The tree planting of previous generations in both Carton House and Maynooth College and their surrounds provides this. It is important that a similar legacy is left for future generations by tree planting now. Good progress has been made with newer tree plantings and the main street and the University Campus are well planted with more recent plantings. There are many attractive landscape features. the grounds of several premises also look very well - for instance the Charter House and the Heath Board. The containers plantings through the streets look especially well and these give a great lift to the streetscape in combination with the street side trees. The hanging baskets along the terraced cottages opposite Charter House make a delightful picture. The College and Carton house landscapes are key features of the town in themselves. The Tesco area on entering the village is well landscaped with trees and shrubs, together with the roundabout and stonewall - all of these will make good impact when they mature. The landscaped areas around the Maynooth signs on entering the town are attractive. The Pound Park besides being littered, is not fulfilling its full potential, similarly the small Little Pound by the bridge seems a little neglected. The area by the river opposite the Castle is very attractive. Further up along that river opposite Parson Lodge - there is potential for improvement to the riverside.

Wildlife and Natural Amenities:

The canal side areas offer great potential for wild life observation and the canal walks make very pleasant strolling ground - both for observation and for exercise. The wildlife area at Carton also offers interesting opportunities. The involvement of the two schools to encourage birds by providing food is a very good idea.

Litter Control:

Litter control is well managed generally, although some litter was noted along streets and on the narrow path walkway by the Harbour field towards the canal bridge.

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Tidy Towns Competition 2005 (Contd.)

Serious litter was noted by the small park - Pound Park under the shelter behind the Maynooth band premises. The great efforts being made in and around the town by the school children and community is a very positive. By finding out exactly the sources of litter, action can be taken to prevent litter in the first instance.

Tidiness:

The work of removing graffiti is excellent and so many towns and villages could follow this example. The litter collection by the committee on the Motorway is excellent and a difficult but rewarding job. The weed management on paving is also very good. The streets have a very tidy look. The building developments always cause a problem for tidiness but this is temporary and will be resolved.

Residential Areas:

The best estates competition is a very positive action and promotes good standards both in the estates in general and in individual gardens within estates. Open spaces at estates and entrances to estates are very important in a town as they influence the appearance of the entire area. Good progress has been made in this regard. Tree planting should always be a priority where open spaces can accommodate these. A constant vigilance is needed to keep weeds and litter at bay no matter how elaborate a scheme of landscaping may be. The entrance to the Moglare Abbey, Village and Meadows are attractive.

Roads, Streets and Back Areas:

Approach roads are well cared for. The approach from the motorway is well planted with trees and gives a good impression.

The Kilcock road benefits from the College grounds. The Leixlip road is in good condition and the plantings at the roundabout and associated areas offer good potential when they mature. The road surface at the corner near the Manor Mills development is very poor with holes and patches. The many back lanes are well cared for and it is great to see places such as Cross Lane, Coates, Kelly's and Fagan's lanes forming part of the town. Traffic is a difficulty and some way of providing some pedestrian areas only would be very welcome.

General Impression:

Maynooth is a very attractive town and the work and planning by the committee shows great commitment

to further progress. Traffic and new developments are two major challenges to be faced. Retention of the character of Maynooth is all important.

Second round Adjudication:

Maynooth has now entered the upper reaches of the competition, and therefore is accorded a second adjudication. Congratulations to the committee, and to the residents and business people of the town. The lively and inviting town centre is visually marred by over-indulgent use of mass-produced commercial signs; it is perfectly possible to be lively and inviting without resorting to garishness. Research has shown that shops with well-designed fascias do not, as a rule, do less business.

The second adjudicator had not been in Maynooth for several years and was impressed by a number of thoughtful improvements. It was good to see new buildings at the town end of the Straffan road taking their stylistic cue from nearby original street houses. The lanes between the main street and the river are now quite attractive - quite the reverse from what was the case within living memory; the terraces of cottages with their floral decorations looked very charming indeed. Suburban developments are generally spruce, with a considerable amount of successful tree planting and several attractively landscaped spaces. The railway and canal area is so much more accessible and better maintained than heretofore. Your submission demonstrates how planning initiatives are very seriously considered.

The vast development in progress at Manor Mills - once a dishevelled corner - does not seem to respect the surrounding townscape in scale and materials, but we may be surprised when we see the completed scheme. What it does already mirror to a certain extent is the 'new' or north campus of the university across the road. The latter is now much more attractive than it used to be, largely because the trees have grown up and create a natural background to the somewhat disparate buildings. Landscaping and gardens on both campuses are exemplary; especially admired was the walled herbaceous garden at the innermost part of the original college. Every good wish for your initiatives: it would be splendid to find a town that was conducive to university life and also an all-Ireland competition winner.

North Kildare Olympic Handball Team



North Kildare Olympic Handball Team prior to departure from Dublin Airport

North Kildare Olympic Handball created history in September this year, when their boys under 16 team played in a Vienna (Austria) Invitational Tournament comprising of teams from Austria, Poland, Germany, Ukraine and Bulgaria. The trainer of the team is Olena Karpenko formerly of Sumy in the Ukraine and now residing in Maynooth. The trip was from Thursday to Monday and was thoroughly enjoyed, by the team and parents who travelled along. The team finished third in a league of four teams with the top team from Vienna going on to win the tournament.

The club would like to thank Maynooth Credit Union for th sponsorship of the team kit, which they proudly wore during their games, also the club are indebted to Tesco Maynooth who allowed parents and children pack bags. The support received from the customers will be of benefit to all players in the club in the months ahead.

New Players (boys and girls) and parents who would like to play a part in their children's sporting future are always welcome. If you are interested please contact **Olena** at **087—7817593** or **Geraldine** at **086—8592899**



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Catherine Murphy (Ind) T.D. Press Release

Government Sanctioned Estate Management Companies The New Absentee Landlords, Says TD

Local Authorities are demanding that many homeowners pay private estate management companies to maintain public spaces because of planning conditions imposed prior to sale being agreed. Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) has discovered that several local authorities have required developers to use estate management companies to maintain public spaces in new developments, thereby inflicting an annual burden of several hundred euro on buyers. "These companies have all the trademarks of absentee landlords. Homeowners pay annual rents to them amounting to hundreds per household for supposed maintenance but are often given no breakdown of where the money is going and rarely if ever actually meet representatives from these companies. What ever happened to owning a property you have paid hundred's of thousands of euro for?" demanded Murphy.

"We need regulation on this immediately", stated the Kildare North TD. "The Department of the Environment appear to have let this situation drift by leaving the consumer at a competitive disadvantage, and handing the developers yet another 'get out of jail free' card to add to the collection." She further highlighted the need for this regulation by giving details of differing policies adopted by four planning authorities.

The experience seems to be patchy depending where the home is purchased; South Dublin County Council have a standard requirement for management companies in new developments, which means the Council will not have to take the estate in charge and the individual householders will indefinitely bear the cost of maintaining roads, sanitary services, open spaces, public lighting etc; In Wicklow management companies "can" be required for developments involving apartments, but they are "normally" required in the case of house-only developments; the experience in Louth is that requirement of these companies is the norm until the estate is taken in charge; and in her own county of Kildare management companies are part of the planning conditions where apartments comprise a portion or all of the development. However, from reviewing certain planning files applications for house-only developments are now also being met with this condition.

"When people purchase their home in a housing estate they believe they are purchasing the roads, the public lighting the green spaces etc. However with local authorities requiring that estate management

companies take charge of these areas the financial obligation shifts from the developer to the householders", fumed Murphy. Worse still, as the developer retains ownership of the housing estate, including green spaces they are entitled to seek permission to further develop these areas. There have in fact been instances in Kildare where Kildare County Council has refused to grant such permission only to have their decision overturned on appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

"I demand that something be done to protect homeowners and prospective buyers who don't get a choice in what company is employed, how much money should be paid per annum, what the money is spent on or even whether a company is required at all" concluded Murphy.

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Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

Work on the New Bond Bridge to Begin on 19th September

Maynooth residents will be aware that the Council had to re-tender the contract for the Bond Bridge project as the previous contractor pulled out before signing last June. Deputy Emmet Stagg and Mayor of Kildare, Cllr. John McGinley, have welcomed confirmation from George Willoughby, Senior Executive Engineer, Kildare County Council, that the new Bond Bridge Contractors will commence work on site on September 19th and that the formal signing of the contracts will occur on Friday September 23rd in the County Council Offices.

The new contractors for the €7 Million Bond Bridge Re-alignment are Jons Civil Engineers, Duleek, who are specialists in bridge building. The early replacement of a contractor by Kildare County Council is much appreciated by Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley.

Cllr. John McGinley allocated funding from his Discretionary Grants for traffic calming on Beaufield Road to enable the Meadowbrook Link Road to open to traffic. Re-surfacing of the Beaufield Road, trimming of trees, installation of additional public lights, installation of traffic ramps and other safety measures will be completed on 23rd September according to Mr. Willoughby. He advised John that the Link Road will then be opened thus allowing traffic from the Newtown area to avoid Main Street.

Emmet and John would like to thank the people of the area for their continued support for their campaign over the years and for your patience whilst they overcame every hurdle that came their way.

Safety Measures Sought at St. Mary's Boys National School, Maynooth

The Boys School Parents Teachers Association (PTA) has asked Cllr. John McGinley for assistance in getting

Kildare County Council to implement safety measures outside the school grounds. The PTA identified the problems as: parking on double yellow lines, parking in bus bay areas and mounting/parking on footpaths, causing a visual hazard to cars trying to exit onto Moyglare Road. In response Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council:

"That safety measures be put in place at St Mary's Boys National School, Maynooth to include:

- ❑ the re-demarcation of the bus bay area and double yellow lines which are practically invisible
- ❑ the installation of permanent signage showing bus bay operation times, similar to that installed outside the girls national school
- ❑ the installation of black decorative poles on the pathways adjacent to the Moyglare road, similar to those on the pathways on Main Street, Maynooth. This would be a continuation of the aesthetic appeal of the Maynooth town centre."

Getting Improved Public Lighting for the Harbour Area, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley is very concerned at the lack of progress in getting proper public lighting in the highly pedestrianised Harbour Area of Maynooth. John has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee:

"That this Council arranges a meeting without any further delay between Waterways Ireland, Kildare County Council, ESB and Royal Canal Amenity Group in order to confirm the scope of works to be undertaken by the various parties on the installation and maintenance of public lighting at The Harbour,



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Maynooth (The scope of works was agreed at a previous meeting in June 2002, but nothing happened as nobody took ownership of this project which is in the interest of public safety)."

Traffic Management in Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley's suggestion that a roundabout be put at the Kilcock Road/Moyglare Road junction instead of traffic signals was rejected by Council Officials on safety grounds i.e. two schools and a university in the vicinity.

Cllr. McGinley is still concerned at the design of the traffic signals at this junction and he has asked that an independent safety audit be carried in the interests of public safety. At present if four cars are stopped at the lights going up Moyglare Road, traffic cannot avail of the filter light for the Kilcock Road. This will lead to traffic chaos when the New Mill complex opens in October.

John has also asked that the proposed pedestrian lights at Mill Street and at the Glenroyal Complex be deferred until the need for them was established. He has also asked that the pedestrian lights at the Bank of Ireland be removed when the new lights at the Roost come into operation.

Community Facilities in Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has sought the agreement of the Leixlip Area Committee to meet a deputation from Maynooth Community Council at the Area Meeting on October 21.

This follows the Community Council's decision at its meeting to seek the re-construction of the Geraldine Hall for use by the Community Council and as an Arts Centre for the people of Maynooth and surrounding area.

The Community Council will also be seeking County Council advise on how to proceed with a Community Centre at the lands opposite the old cattle mart (adjacent to Carton Avenue) that are about to be transferred to Kildare County Council.

Action Area Plans at The Harbour and at Carton Avenue

The Leixlip Area Committee of the Council will be meeting during week beginning September 19 in order to agree on these two Action Area Plans. It is intended that the two plans will go before the full Council in October for approval.

Yellow Box at Cul de Sac exit from No's 509 to 513 Newtown

Cllr. John McGinley got the following reply from the

Council to his request for a yellow box at this junction:

"This exit is between 300 to 400 m from the traffic lights at Bond Bridge. The traffic never builds up to block this exit and so a yellow box is not appropriate here. A yellow box is only placed to allow traffic to exit when a queue of traffic occurs."

Meadowbrook Stream

Following representation from Cllr. John McGinley the Council has eliminated the source of the smell from the Meadowbrook Stream. John has also asked the Council to remove the shopping trolley and the other large items that have been dumped in the stream by idiots.

Cars Parking on Footpath at Closed Irish Permanent Building

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to erect a bollard on the footpath at the junction of the Irish Permanent/Fagans Lane in order to prevent cars from parking on the footpath.

Tony Smith Memorial Walk 2005 raises €5616

The annual Labour Party walk organised by Maynooth Labour Branch, "The Tony Smith Memorial Walk", was held on Sunday September 18th and Deputy Emmet Stagg is pleased to announce that the sum raised was €5616 which is an increase on the sum raised in 2004 which was €4366.

The walk started out from Maynooth GAA at 3:00pm and proceeded down the Moyglare Road, along Main Street, down Carton Avenue and into Carton Estate.

Maynooth Labour Branch would like to thank Michael Barry and Lee Mallaghan of Carton House Golf Club for facilitation the holding of the walk through Carton Estate.

All funds raised from the annual walk, which was first held in 1979, will be handed over to the Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee in the near future.

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*For all the people of Maynooth
November 05*



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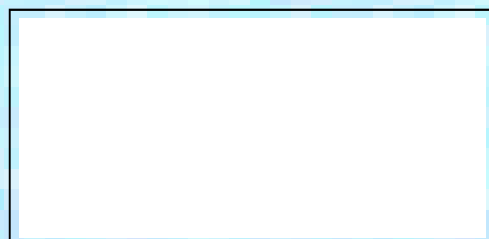


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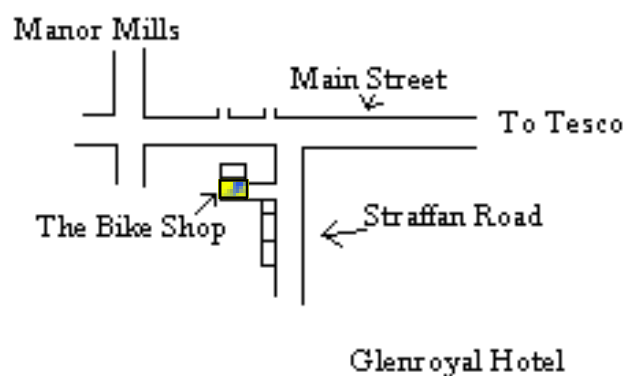
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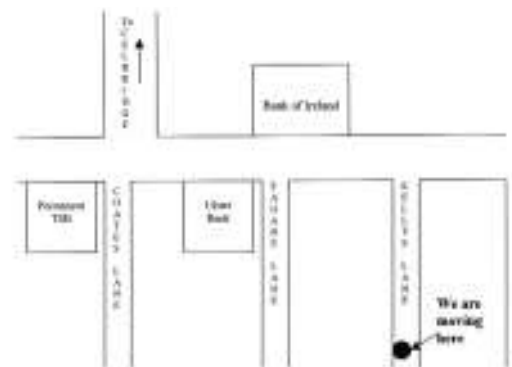
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Editorial

Two important meetings took place this month that could impinge on Maynooth. The first was the delegation from Maynooth Community Council that met with the Leixlip area councillors in Naas on Friday the 21st October. The second was another delegation from the Council that met with the Minister for the Environment on Tuesday 4th October. At the first of these meeting M. Ní Bhrolcháin (MCC), Tony Bean (Maynooth Community Centre Partnership), Terry Nealon (Arts Forum), Bríd Feely (MCC), Peter Connell (Maynooth Action Strategy) met with Collrs John McGinley, Senan Griffin, Gerry McDonagh and Peter Minnock (Corporate Affairs).

The purpose of this initial meeting was to progress the community developments in the town, firstly the case for developing the Geraldine Hall for an Arts Centre with the Community Council as the anchor tenant and secondly the case for the development of a community centre on the Dublin Road. This was a very fruitful meeting and the different funding opportunities and possibilities were explored. It was seen that this was the first of a number of such meetings.

The second meeting with the Minister for the Environment Dick Roche took place as a result of the Community Council's continued efforts to achieve Town Council/Commission Status for the town. Bríd Feely led a delegation including Tony Bean and Paul Croghan. As the Castle was also being discussed the President of NUI Maynooth also attended this meeting. According to the legislation any town over 7,500 is entitled to this status but the section of the Act necessary has not yet been signed. The Council submitted its original application in 1990 that appeared in the paper *Irish Oifigiúil* as required by law. The criteria has now changed and 2,000 signatures are required as well as €1,000 lodged for the consultation process. But the County Council cannot process applications without the establishment of a Local Government Commission and this has not been put in place by the Minister. The Community Council has been writing to each successive Minister for the Environment for the past 4 years but the response has been similar on all occasions – that the relevant section of the Act has not been enacted. Despite the Minister's assurances that he was examining the situation there seems little reason to hope that any progress will be made in the near future.

In further developments in the town, Manor Mills has opened and Dunnes Stores has arrived in Maynooth. It will take time to assess the impact of this upon the traffic flows. Secondly there was a public meeting on Sept 29th about Bond Bridge. It will be closing to all traffic in early November and it is hoped that the project will now be completed in approximately 40 weeks. Also see inside for a report on the Tidy Towns awards.

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Maynooth Community Council Notes

The October meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 10th of October in the Glenroyal Hotel

Town Council Status

Paul Croghan stated that a meeting had taken place with Mr Dick Roche the delegation included the President of NUI Prof John Hughes, KCC, and MCC. Paul said it was important to point out to the Minister just what TCS would mean to Maynooth. The Minister seemed interested in local democracy, however it was felt that the procure is not in place at this time, as part of our application a 1000 signatures is needed. Brid Feeley, chairperson MCC, felt we should push on with this new application now. However, John McGinley didn't think it wise to look for 1000 signatures at this time until such times that a local government commission is up and running. Muireann Ni Bhrolchain pointed out that all this has already been done with letters and signatures submitted. John O Connor felt the fact that we got a meeting must mean something and we must keep up the pressure.

It is very important that we seek support of the community on this and point out benefits of Town Council Status, Leixlip would have direct assess to certain money John McGinley pointed out.

Brid Feeley said we should not adopt a defeatist attitude to this, and we will push forward with it.

Pay Parking in Maynooth

Robert Wilson put forward the motion, he said pay parking should be introduced on Main Street and in the public car park. Robert said all spaces are taken by people using trains for all day parking, people can't find spaces to shop or go to lunch. Ed Tobin pointed out if charges were large enough it would be a deterrent to people. It was also noted that more policing should be done also that any money should go back into the community. It was also noted that Estates are used for car parking. John McGinley said another public car park is needed. There should be proper parking locations at the Harbour in new development plan, a new package is needed, also a huge need for long term parking. It was also suggested we need planned parking talks with KCC and Iarnrod Eireann, while upgrading Train Services no parking is provided. Also noted Harbour Field Action Area Plan and Carton Plan up for approval in two weeks. It was agreed to put this motion forward.

Sub—Committees

Tidy towns

Paul Croghan told the meeting that their prize giving night will be on the 19th of October in the Glenroyal Hotel. He also said that the second years in College have completed a house survey on the environment.

Festival

Andrew McMullon said that the An Nuadh Players would put on a concert in the Castle next year.

St Patrick's Day Parade

John McGinley said he will be having a meeting before next MCC meeting.

Twinning

John O Connor said that they are looking for help and some ideas on this.

Newsletter

The Newsletter is looking for a new Editor.

Castle Committee

There are no service facilities on site at the Castle, and as the Castle is a very important feature in Maynooth it should be made more amenable to the public. Brid Feely said that there is a strip of land belonging to the College and they would be willing to sell to the Castle Committee for facilities.

PRO Marie Gleeson

**The next meeting of Maynooth
Community Council
will take place
on
Monday 14th November 2005
in the
Glenroyal Hotel at 8.30 p.m.**

Letters to the Editor

Ua Buachalla,
Main Street,
Maynooth

Dear Editor,

Joe and Carmel Buckley and family would like to thank the people of Maynooth for their good wishes on the occasion of Joe's retirement recently.

A special thank you to all our fellow shopkeepers and business people in the town for their very generous presentation.

We appreciate very much all the people who called to the shop to wish us well. We were delighted with the amount of cards, flowers and gifts which we received.

We look forward to seeing and chatting with everybody when we meet them in the town.

Joe, Carmel Buckley and family.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Swimming Club

Maynooth Swimming Club is looking for children who are not beginners, but want to improve their stroke.

The beginners class is full to capacity.

The club is still taking names for the beginners and improvers classes and putting them on a waiting list.

The club closes on the 3rd December and reopens on 16th January 2006.

If you are interested in putting your child/children's name down please contact:

Patricia Moynihan
01 6286865

Attention!

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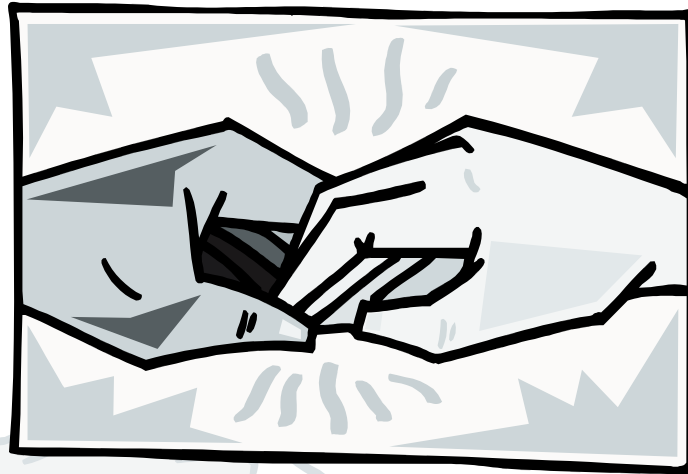
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Planning Permissions

FILE NUMBER	APPLICANT NAME	APPLICANT ADDRESS	APPLICATION TYPE	APPLICATION RECEIVED	DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT LOCATION
05/2089	NUI Maynooth	Buildings Office NUI Maynooth Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/09/05	Erect open mesh safety canopy on existing pedestrian footbridge etc	Maynooth Kildcock Rd Maynooth, Co. Kildare
05/2112	PJ Reilly	Spring Valley Summerhill Co. Meath	P	06/09/05	Consisting of a two storey semi-detached dwelling utilising existing domestic entrance from public road, with new foul water and storm water connections to existing public sewers and new watermain connection to existing public watermain etc	No. 48 Meadowbrook Avenue Maynooth Co. Kildare
99/2037	Glenkerrin Group	Glenroyal Centre Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	16/09/05	Development/construction of an advanced Science and Technology Business Campus on site adjacent to M4 Motorway Interchange Junction with the R406 (Maynooth/ Straffan Road)	Moneycooley Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2247	North City Builders Ltd	Millrace Manor Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	21/09/05	Development comprising the demolition of habitable dwelling and shed and erection of 3 number 1 bedroom apartments and 27 number 2 bedroom apartments (30 number in total) in 2 Number 3 Storey blocks number 6 and 7, plus penthouse levels	Cois Abhainn Clane Co. Kildare
05/2271	Barry Walsh	10 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	23/09/05	Development will consist of a ground floor extension to the side and rear, of existing house	10 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2274	David Mellon	Washington House Butterfield Avenue Rathfarnham Dublin 14	P	26/09/05	2 no. separate apartment blocks consisting of a 4 storey block "A" and a 3 storey block "B" with a total of 30 no. apartments	Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare

Maynooth Community Reaches Out



Maynooth Community Council are considering linking with a community in Africa and a sub-committee is investigating the feasibility of setting it up.

The purpose of the link is not to fundraise, but to seek a community with which we can share our knowledge, resources and culture for mutual benefit.

Preferably we would like to link with a community of similar size and good communications infrastructure, to maximise and encourage the development of the links.

The subcommittee would be very interested in hearing from anyone in the community who feels they would have something to contribute in helping us to achieve our aims.

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05/2306	Deborah Brennan	11 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	29/09/05	Consisting of a two storey to side and extending to the existing back wall of the house. A new bay window and porch to the front	11 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2317	Dan Carr	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	30/09/05	Consisting of retention of existing single storey dog kennels used for hobby purposes and all associated site works etc	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2318	Brian Murphy	Crowncourt Blacklion Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	30/09/05	(a) demolition of existing shed for agriculture use, (b) erection of two storey house and Septech 2000 effluent treatment plant	Crown Court Blacklion Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2343	Lidl Ireland	Great Connell Rd Newbridge Co. Kildaare	P	05/10/05	Ancillary use of previously approved discount food-store (Planning Ref. No. 374.03) as off licence	Straffan Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2353	Sally Ann Kehoe	Donoughmore House Rail Park Pike Bridge Maynooth	P	06/10/05	Two number two storey dormer dwellings, two number waste water treatment plants and a new shared roadway entrance	Pike Bridge Rail Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2371	Tesco Ireland Ltd	Una Crosse Development Planning Partnership 66 Lower Baggot St Dublin 2	p	07/10/05	The demolition of the existing foodstore and the construction of replacement food store located to the east of the site with a gross floor area of 11,177sq.m including alcohol sales area, over surface car parking with café (unit 30) etc	Dublin Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2384	Ann & Robert Kelly	43 Silken Vale Maynooth Co Kildare	P	10/10/05	Extension and alteration to the existing two storey dwelling, to include a new sunroom and utility room at ground floor level and a new ensuite bedroom at first floor level, all to the side of the existing dwelling, along with all associated site etc	43 Silken Vale Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2390	O2 Communications Ireland Ltd	Irene Kavanagh Network Property Dept 76 Lower Baggot st Dublin 2	P	10/10/05	Retain the existing base station installation consisting of No. 2 panel antennas and I link dish all shrouded on an existing 15m floodlight structure and equipment container on ground level	Maynooth GAA Club Moyglare Rd Maynooth Co. Kildare

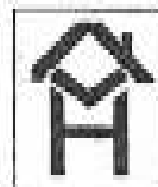
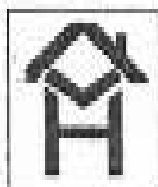
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05/2416	Andrew and Martina Cully	26 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/10/05	First floor extension above the existing single storey structure to side of existing house and two storey extension to the rear of the single storey structure. Also with velux windows to side and rear of house	26 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2419	Gerry Donovan	1202 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/10/05	Single storey extension to the rear, a new porch to the front and associated works	356 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare

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There are probably many reasons why Ireland proves attractive to tourists. Perhaps it's our friendly attitude and the good nightlife in the Capital? Or, it may be the beautiful landscapes and sparkling mountain streams and rivers that dot the countryside. It is the latter, which is in danger from our indiscriminate use of landfill dumps to dispose of our rubbish. Up to recent times litter was more of an irritant than a major problem. But that has all changed. The country because of its economic success is producing mountains of rubbish, which continues to be dumped into landfill sites. The unpleasant toxic and hospital waste is also finding its way into these dumps. The continued expansion of county council dumps is bad enough because of increasing concerns regarding the potential threat to the environment. To be specific there are concerns that waste materials could seep into the sources of our water supply. Climatic changes means we are getting more frequent and more prolonged spells of rain. There is a danger of waste materials being washed into our water supply system. What makes the situation far more serious is the discovery nearly every other week of new illegal dumps. Each week provincial newspapers are reporting new discoveries of illegal waste dumps situated on private lands. In many cases the real owners are not readily identifiable and the authorities are finding it difficult to initiate legal proceedings against the perpetrators. Waste is no longer a joke. People whose opinions should be respected are now saying that our water supply is now in danger of contamination from the seepage of toxic waste from these dumps. It is also clear that County Councils are not being adequately funded to police threat. Repeated assurances that new landfill sites are safe do little to reassure the general public. Off course there are solutions but some of the more appropriate ones are continually being blocked by those with “not on my backdoor” mentality. Typical example would be resident groups in Dublin Bay objecting to the building of an incinerator at Ringsend to burn their rubbish. They have no problem however consigning their waste to the green fields of Kildare and Meath. However, there are issues to be addressed before we get to grips with a serious environmental problem.

Finance

At the moment domestic rubbish disposal is financed by bin charges levied by the county councils. This in effect means that the levy only applies to each household. Since there could be a number of people in the house only one, the householder is being levied with the charge. Since every individual living in the country creates waste, it is logical that everyone in the country should be paying to dispose of it. Since rubbish from Dublin city is now being dumped in Kildare and Meath maybe there is now a case for the

Government to take overall responsibility for waste disposal. It is clear that this problem is crossing county borders. New ways should be looked at to finance a National Waste Disposal Agency, which would have responsibility for collecting and disposing of all waste. They would also have responsibility for recycling schemes and the building of new facilities for disposing of the nation's growing mountain of rubbish. Governments never lack ideas when initiating new forms of revenue. An increase of 1% in the top rate of vat would generate an additional 568 million. An increase of 1cent on the top rate of income tax would generate an additional 168 million into the Government coffers (figures supplied by the ESRI). These are just two of a number of areas that could be looked at to finance a new policy on waste disposal.

Rubbish Disposal / Incinerators.

There is indeed no ideal way to deal with rubbish disposal. Each and every method has its drawbacks. To those who say that we should start with recycling at domestic level would do well to note that recycling centres in Kildare are closing with monotonous frequency due to misuse of the facilities. Individuals are leaving domestic waste at the centres instead of paying bin charges. As much as we may desire it, the problem of refuse can not really be left to the individuals' sense of fair play. Of course that would be the ideal solution but the real world does not operate like that. The matter has now taken on a new sense of urgency. The issue of waste disposal and the protection of the environment should now become a priority of the current Government. It should receive the same attention as health, education and security. There has to be a centralised policy and administration. Every individual no matter where he lives should have their waste collected. Domestic appliances and furniture should be collected and disposed of by the collective responsibility of the industry concerned. There should be a centralised authority whose function would be to finance the disposal of waste, countrywide. This authority should have total responsibility for waste disposal and should have a clear transparent budget for its operations. We are running out of options for waste disposal. The practise of super rich countries like Austria and Switzerland exporting some of their waste material to impoverished eastern European countries is reprehensible, at the end of the day you really have only one realistic alternative

Incinerators have their objectors. Many believe what falls out of the sky will harm them or their children. Well what is the general experience? If the European experience is ok then we should go ahead and develop a strategic incinerator building programme. A number of following locations could be selected on a pilot run basis while landfill sites are

The "Rubbish" Debate: Incinerator –V- landfill

(Contd)

being closed down. Dublin Port, Cork harbour and west of limerick on the Shannon estuary. Emission controls should be strict and professionally monitored. Of course this is not a perfect solution. There are bound to be some disadvantages with such a building program but what other options do we have. The prospects of our water supplies being contaminated increase by the day. We do not have any idea of the long-term effect of stuffing mountains of rubbish into our soil. It is accepted that we do not know too much about the potential effects of incineration either but on the basis of common sense only it would appear better to burn our rubbish rather than bury it. The state of play at the moment is that the incinerators industries claim that the emissions are not dangerous and that so long as the plants are built and maintained to the highest standards that no danger should accrue to the population. At the very least the options should be debated on a priority basis.

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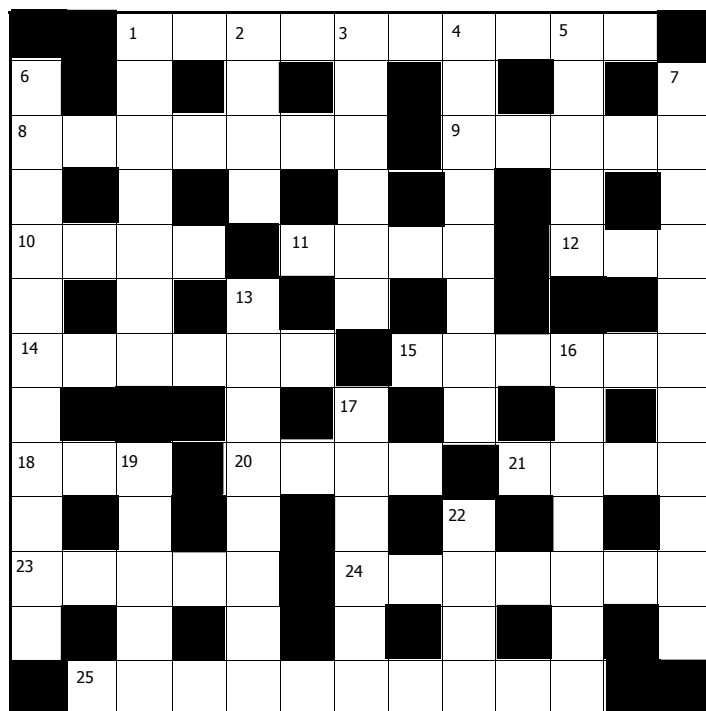
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9. Steel rope (5)
10. Weakens (4)
11. Male pig (4)
12. Circuit (3)
14. Cowboy rope (6)
15. *Children of a _ _ _ God*, film (6)
18. Tap gently (3)
20. Prune (4)
21. Make (4)
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24. Small cucumber (7)
25. Large black German dog (10)

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5. Annual peace prize (5)
6. Ian lost code (anag) (11)
7. Frame of mind (11)
13. Card game (8)
16. Table-top game (7)
17. Unmarried (6)
19. *Lord of the Rings* character _ _ _ Baggins (5)
22. Clanger! (4)

Across:

1. Cummerbund, **8.** Rancour, **9.** Vocal, **10.** Vial, **11.** Tier, **12.** Eon, **14.** Resent, **15.** Temple, **18.** Cot, **20.** Oval, **21.** Tree, **23.** Twain **24.** Adam Ant, **25.** Apparition,

Down:

1. Canvass, **2.** Moor, **3.** Earwig, **4.** Beverley, **5.** Niche, **6.** Prevaricate, **7.** Flannelette, **13.** Insomnia, **16.** Pertain, **17.** Salami, **19.** Tramp, **22.** Magi.



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Children' quarrels

- Try to ignore small squabbles. Only intervene if it becomes physical.
- Ask each child (if old enough) to give his or her version of the story. Try not to tell off just one participant - it takes two to fight. Ask them how they would stop their children quarrelling when they're parents themselves. And stick these suggestions on the fridge door or notice board for future use.
- Remove objects that could cause squabbles among younger children. If you know your child and a friend always fight over the same toy, remove it before the child visits.
- Make a game out of sharing for little ones. Hand them a toy and then gently take it back. Repeat until the child is happy to hand it over to you.
- If fighting breaks out in the car, pull over to a safe spot. Tell them you won't drive on until they promise to be quiet, as you can't concentrate on the road.
- If your children are constantly fighting, ask yourself why. Are you favouring one unconsciously? Are they happy at school? Are they hungry?
- Write out a list of house rules (such as, no playing with the ball near the window; Sally isn't allowed to touch William's modelling clay).
- If you're desperate, separate fighting children for half an hour. They'll soon want to play together.
- Tell them about your own childhood squabbles with your brothers or sisters. It doesn't make you so perfect.

Colour run in washing

Have your whites turned a pale shade of grey, blue or pink? You have probably sorted your clothes wrongly and included coloured objects in the wash.

- Wash the clothes again in the hottest water that is safe for the fabric.
- If this doesn't work, soak whites in a proprietary colour-run remover, following the manufacturer's instructions. A colour-run remover, which can be used on coloured items in the washing machine, is also available.
- You may be able to remove accidental dyes from whites and other colours by gently bleaching them with 20 volume strength hydrogen peroxide. Mix 1 part to 6 parts water and soak for 30 minutes.
- Never mix whites with coloured items.

Black tie

An invitation saying 'black tie' used to mean formal evening dress, where rules were rigidly observed: men wore black dinner jackets and trousers, white dress shirts and black hand-tied bow ties; women wore long or short dresses in rich fabrics or the classic 'little black dress'.

Today's interpretation of 'black tie' formality is more relaxed, and personal style is acceptable; for men, colourful bow ties in rich fabrics, but still hand-tied, are perfectly correct - with or without a matching cummerbund - and women can wear trousers.

The conventional dinner jacket can quite easily be exchanged for a brocade or velvet one. For formal summer occasions, light-coloured linen suits as well as a white dinner jacket and black evening trousers are all acceptable dress.

Hiring an evening outfit makes financial sense especially if yours is a once-in-a-lifetime function, if your weight fluctuates or if you want to wear the most fashionable styles. Women's dress hire agencies hire out complete designer outfits for a fraction of the real cost. However, for men who have many 'black tie' engagements, buying a classic dinner jacket and trousers is a practical idea.

Hire shops sell off evening wear, and it is also worth hunting at charity shops and jumble sales; many outfits have hardly been worn and go for bargain prices. Look out for broken zips, damaged linings, and heavy perspiration stains (which are largely successfully cleaned); moth holes and cigarette burns are also very expensive to repair.

For a good fit it is worth enquiring at your dry cleaners about alterations: sleeves can be shortened and hems expertly let down and taken up. Large sizes can be altered to several sizes smaller, but a small size can rarely be altered to a larger one.

Bedtime stories

- Make them a habit, even if you're tired. If pressed for time, read a chapter aloud while the children are having their evening meal.
- Choose a book you both like, to hold your interest and the child's. Read it imaginatively with different voices and expressions.
- Make up your own story. Insert your child's name into the text - it makes the story come alive.
- When reading to older children, let them watch your finger touch each word you read. It helps them with their own reading. Ask them to read the occasional word too.
- If you're going out and the baby sitter will be reading the story, prepare a simple tale (with pictures cut out from glossy magazines) to show what Mummy and Daddy are doing, such as having dinner, or watching a film.

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Winter in Maynooth

On window sills where this old town leans
She whispers me her new birth dreams
Like etch-a-sketch, a new year drawn
Like many others from a dawn

Scarves, hats and gloves
And all that winter loves
Maynooth, a college town on the go
And students tramp it to and fro

people queue at the main street bus stop
Dogs rummage, summer clothes swap
Bustling, jostling passers-by
You notice a new year is almost nigh

Halloween gone we wish Christmas in
Shopping starts. Where to begin?
And many things I would say about
This merry time of year not yet out

And the late November moon
Hangs there like a big silvery balloon
It dances light on this town's streets
With neons and lamps to light her routes

As December looms in days
Bundled up, old time strays
A chorus of presents sing to be open
A new year, new trends are in then

Evenings darken to an earlier tune
Festive days come now soon
And all that you could wish for
Let's hope you get it and still more

Dara Lakes

A child said to me

A playful child said to me
Why do we all have to die
I said to this boy it's a mystery
While my heart many times cry
Do we all deserve such a fate
Through all those wilderness years
Mankind's inequity is much of debate
Through suffering and many spilt tears

This young lads face youthfully bright
With a questioning mind natural to be
I said to him if this world was right
Mankind would be no more blind to see
Look after yourself, my precious child
And live life with your loving heart
This curse of death rages wild
But within each should our God never part

Patrick Murray

Hannah

Mother Father
Syonna Maurice

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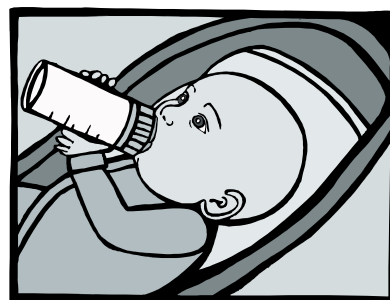
Little baby so brand new
You made the sun shine through

Your big eyes up at me
Fills our hearts full of glee

A little girl full of love
A precious gift from above

A bundle of joy playing there
Without a worry or a care

Blessed be to your destiny
One day set yourself free



2.

Tomorrow is a brand new day
Through life find your way

The stars at night shine
Never to be forgotten in time

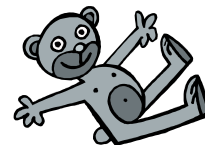
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In the world you take part

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Starter:

Orange Consommé

Serves 6

475g/15 oz can of beef consommé
juice of 3 oranges
2 cloves
cayenne pepper (optional)
1 orange, thinly sliced, to garnish

1. Pour the consommé into a pan. Add the orange juice to the pan with the cloves and cayenne to taste. Bring the mixture to the boil, then remove the cloves, using a slotted spoon. Tip the contents of the pan into a bowl and set aside until cool.
2. When the orange consommé is cool, cover the surface closely and chill for 3-4 hours in the refrigerator. Alternatively, freeze the mixture for about 30 minutes, until the surface is covered with a thin layer of ice.
3. Serve the orange consommé in chilled bowls, garnishing each serving with an orange slice, if liked.

Main course:

Neck of lamb with peas

Serves 6

800g neck of lamb
2 large onions, chopped
3 cloves garlic, crushed
2tbsp fresh parsley, chopped
2tbsp fresh coriander, chopped
1tsp each ground ginger, cumin, cinnamon and turmeric
100ml olive oil
salt and black pepper
water
1 lemon, quartered
400g fresh or frozen peas
10g of butter

1. Preheat oven 180°C/gas mark 4. Place the lamb in an ovenproof casserole dish. Combine the onions, garlic, parsley, coriander, spices and olive oil and mix well. Season to taste. Leave to marinate for 2 hrs or overnight if possible.
2. Add just enough water to cover the meat and simmer for 2 hrs until the lamb is tender. Add the lemon quarters and cook for another 30mins. Cook the peas separately until just tender, drain and toss in the butter and keep warm.
3. Remove the meat from the sauce and set aside.

Bring the sauce to the boil until reduced and thickened. Strain it and pour over the meat. Serve topped with peas and a slice of lemon.

Dessert

Fruit pavlova

Serves 6-8

4 egg whites
pinch of salt
250g caster sugar
1tsp vinegar
1tsp vanilla essence
2tsp cornflour
To serve
whipped cream
ripe seasonal fruit

1. Preheat your oven to 180°C/gas mark 4. Line a baking tray with baking paper. Draw a 20cm circle in the middle of the piece of baking paper.
2. Place the egg whites and salt in a clean dry bowl. Beat with an electric beater until soft peaks form.
3. Gradually add the sugar, beating well after each addition until the sugar is dissolved and the peaks are stiff and glossy. Fold through the vinegar, vanilla essence and cornflour. Heap the mixture onto the circle on the baking paper. Shape into a circle with a spatula. Leave the centre slightly hollowed.
4. Reduce your oven to 120°C/gas mark 1/3 and bake for 60mins or until pale and crisp. Turn off the oven and cool in the oven with the door ajar. Serve topped with whipped cream and fruit.





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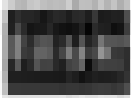
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Gardening Tips for November

This is the time to start soil cultivations, to replenish and increase the organic content of the soil with the humus-forming materials on which fertility is founded. November also marks the opening of the planting season, particularly for deciduous shrubs and trees and herbaceous perennials.

The Flower Garden.

Finish cutting down the last of the border Michaelmas daisies, golden rods etc. and use their stems and similar toughish growths of border plants chopped up at the base of a new compost heap.

Plant tulips early this month, 7.5 - 10cm (3 - 4in.) deep, in groups 10 - 15cm (4 - 6in.) apart, unless being used for formal bedding. Rub off the outer skins or tunics to check for greenish or greyish mould. Cut this out if present, and dust the bulb with a thiram fungicide before planting; reject badly affected bulbs. Mix a dressing of a calcified seaweed soil conditioner with clay soil before planting, or add coarse sand to the planting hole.

- Autumn-clean the herbaceous border. After cutting down the plant stems and removing stakes, fork in a slow-acting fertiliser between the plants: use a dressing of bone meal and hoof and horn meal in equal parts by weight, with half a part of sulphate of potash, at 125g/m² (4oz per sq. yd.) and top with an inch or so of sawdust, peat or forestry bark.

Gather tough woody waste materials, rose prunings, rose suckers, old raspberry, bramble and loganberry canes, fungi-infected dead wood, and diseased remains of plants for the bonfire, and light in a spell of calm, still weather. Keep the ash dry for use as a potash fertiliser in winter or spring; remember it also contains calcium (lime), which is good for most plants but not the lime-intolerant.

Cover Christmas roses (*Helleborus niger*), showing buds at the end of the month, with cloches so that the flowers can open pristine, unmarked by soil splashes.

The Ornamental Garden.

Hedges

Do not plant evergreen and coniferous hedges once the temperature falls to 1.6-5°C (35-40°F) at night. Postpone until March - April, other wise the plants lose moisture more quickly than they can replace it, and fail to grow in spring.

Plant deciduous hedges at any time from now to the end of March, when the weather is mild and the soil open and easily worked; waterlogged soil conditions rather than frost endanger them. Plant beech, *Fagus*

sylvatica, for an economical hedge and windbreak, brown with retained leaves in winter, on light and well-drained soils, or hornbeam (*Carpinus betulus*) for a stiffer, even hardier, hedge of similar character, on heavy soils and low-lying sites. Plant quickthorn (*Crataegus monogyna*) in doubled staggered rows for a rapid-growing hedge which calls for a low outlay to start with but much maintenance later on.

Lawns

Lay new lawns from turf between now and March, given suitable weather, good soil conditions and a prepared site with good drainage. With the advent of pre-determined grass mixtures sown on fabric 'carpets' there is no real reason to rely on natural sod turf, with its weed problems and limited range of grasses, and heavy transport costs.

- Drain lawns subject to waterlogging and flooding in winter. Small areas can be improved by making 10-15cm (4-6in.) round holes to a depth of 75-90cm (2ft 6in. - 3ft), 2m (6ft 6in.) apart, with a post-hole auger. Fill them in with broken stone, rubble clinker and ash to within 15-23cm (6 - 9in) of the surface, topping with an inch of leaves or fibrous peat and then replacing the topsoil and turf. Each hole acts as a drainage sump.

The Rock Garden

Paint out the top growth of any persistent weed with a solution of a paraquat/diquat contact weedkiller on a dry day while weather remains mild (or weed by hand). This kills annual weeds and severely checks perennial ones, allowing alpine plants to flourish unhindered in the spring.

- Now is the time to plant and make a new rock garden. Try for an open situation, avoiding exposure to draughts, or frosts on low-lying sites. Where possible, plan with the main face facing south with an east-west orientation in the north and Scotland; but with a more north to south line with western-facing main face in the warmer south, so that plants are not too exposed to scorching sun. Incorporate good drainage materials at the base.
- To make a scree in which to grow many of the fascinating dwarf and high altitude alpine: put a layer of stones at the base, cover with leaves or coarse fibrous foliage and stems (such as bracken), and then at least 15cm (6in.) of stone chippings, admixed with a good sprinkling of loam and leaf mould. Sink occasional rocks in the scree alongside which plants can nestle.

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Features



The New Playground in The Harbour Field, Maynooth

Official Opening of Playground in November

Residents will be aware the finest playground in the country is nearing completion at The Harbour Field, Maynooth. It has two distinct sections for age groups up to 6 years old and from 6 to 14 years old. It is not designed for the use of older teenagers and adults. The children of Maynooth have had to put up with having no playground for far too long and it would be a sad reflection on us if the playground were to be used for purposes other than children's playtime.

When it officially opens in early November hundreds of children will be able to enjoy the fantastic facilities and I have no doubt that it will be greatly appreciated by their parents. The community needs to act as guardian of the playground it is up to us as a community to report any nighttime anti-social behaviour to the local Gardai.

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Maynooth Golf Society
Result Sheet
Outing To Athlone Golf Club Date: 27/08/05
Shay Moore Cup

1st Prize	Gerry McTernan	40pts
2nd Prize	Joey Edwards	37pts
3rd Prize	Michael Flynn (Jnr) B9	33pts
4th Prize	Martin Doyle	33pts
5th Prize	Barry Farrell B9	32pts
6th Prize	Tim Mullane B9	32pts
7th Prize	Norman Kavanagh	32pts
Front 9	Kevin Loftus (Jnr)	19pts
Back 9	Gerry Reilly	18pts
Visitors	John O'Sullivan, Joe Moore, Robert Moore	
Nearest the Pin	Barry Farrell	
2'a	Gerry Reilly, Gerry McTernan	

Attention!

*If any clubs or
organisations would like to
submit any upcoming
events, would they please
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Maynooth Golf Society

On the weekend of the 16th, 17th and 18th September we headed off for Dungarvan for the Christy Kenny Cup. We played at the West Waterford Golf Club and the Gold Coast Golf Club. The outing was sponsored by Joe Conway.

The following are the results:

1st	Martin Deveney	77 pts
2nd	Liam Farrelly	72 pts
3rd	Eamonn Murphy	69 pts
4th	Proinneas Breathnach	68 pts
5th	Tom O'Haire	66 pts B9
6th	Pa Conway	66 pts
7th	Paul Murray	65 pts B9
Front 18	Edward Connolly	36 pts
Back 18	Niall Byrne	37 pts

First 9	West Waterford	David Weafer	20 pts
Second 9	West Waterford	Terry Moore	19 pts
First 9	Gold Coast	Barry Desmond	18 pts
Second 9	Gold Coast	Kenneth Donnolly	18 pts



Tess Kenny
with her daughters Jeanette and Sandra

Nearest the Pin	Gerry Kelly & Eamonn Murphy
Par 3s	Paddy Foy
Two's	Raymond McTernan



Tess Kenny presenting the winner's cup to Martin Deveney



Philip Doyle,
Kevin Loftus
and Paul
Murray one
of the many
prize winners

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Castle Barna was the venue for the first John Tiernan Memorial Cup on Saturday 15th October. Sixty-five members and visitors played in this memorable event to commemorate John, an active member of the society and proprietor of Caulfield's. John died suddenly on Bank Holiday weekend October 2004. The large attendance demonstrated the high esteem in which John was held, as a member of the society and as a friend.

The weather on the day was exceptional for October and Castle Barna Golf Club provided an excellent challenge and great hospitality to all who played. A large crowd attended the Prize giving which was held in Caulfield's Lounge where prizes were presented by John's wife Rita.

The winner of the first John Tiernan Memorial Cup was Mick Fahy who said it was the highlight of his year to win this trophy in honour of his long time friend John.

Result Sheet

Outing to Castle Barna Golf Club 15/10/05 John Tiernan Memorial Cup

1st Prize	Mick Fahy	42pts
2nd Prize	Eamon Murphy	41pts
3rd Prize	Paul Murray B9	40pts
4th Prize	Derek Murray B9	40pts
5th Prize	John Byrne B9	40pts
6th Prize	Dave Kinlon B6	40pts
7th Prize	Mick Flynn Jnr.	40pts
8th Prize	Don O' Sullivan B9	39pts
9th Prize	Philip Doyle	39pts
10th Prize	Albert Harigan	38pts
Front 9	Barry Farrell B3	22pts
Back 9	Colm Loftus	20pts
Visitors 1st	Paul Flood	42pts
2nd	Dom Nyland B9	36pts
3rd	Mark Nolan	36pts
Nearest the Pin	Emmet Savage	
2's	Paul Flood, Norman Kavanagh, Tom Mullarky	

**Next Venue: President Paddy Foy at Carton
Monty Saturday 5th November**



Winner Mick Fahy being presented with the John Tiernan Memorial Trophy by John's wife, Rita.



Bernie Fahy, Eamon Carthy, Mick Fahy and Rita Tiernan

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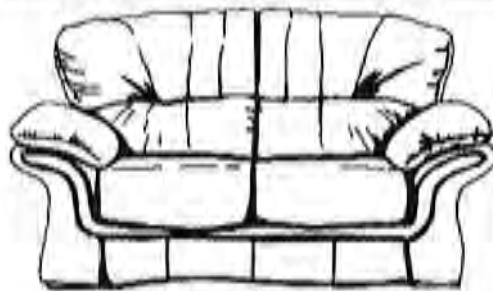
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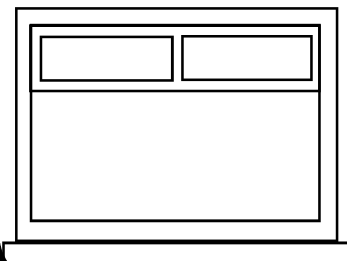
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Green flag Day in Maynooth Boys National School



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Mark McGibbon & David Bell with their sunflowers

Green flag Day in Maynooth Boys National School

"Maynooth Boys National School is the first school to be presented with the Green Flag in the area. They also received an award from Maynooth's Tidy Town for their great achievement"

Report: Green Schools

We removed the jungle mural in the bicycle shed and replaced it with an Irish wildlife scene which was officially opened recently by Eanna Ní Lamhna. We have planted sunflowers, herbs, vegetables and Mark McGibbon helped Mrs. O'Connor plant shrubs.

We received the Green Flag on September 14th 2005.

We have been doing our best to recycle cans, batteries ink cartridges, paper and fruit. We try to keep the school as clean as we possibly can. All of our students and teachers try to help as much as they can.

We have a garden team and a pickers team out at lunch time every day to keep the yard and garden clean. All our work paid off because we got the Green Flag!

By Cian Forde and Conor Hill-Gunning



Donal Downes, Conor Hill-Gunning, Justin Roux, Peter Coakley & Éanna Ní Lamhna

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Taekwon-Do

There was success for Maynooth members at the recent Maynooth ITF Tournament with Ross Byrne and Kevin Molloy picking up medals. Ross Byrne who is the assistant instructor in Maynooth won silver in the senior lightweight Black Belt Sparring; in only his second competition as a senior he beat the member of the Moldova ITF National Team in the semi-final. Ross won a bronze medal at the Junior European Championships which were held in Dublin during April. Also winning for Maynooth was Kevin Molloy who won a bronze medal in the U12 Green Belt Patterns



Some of the Maynooth Participants

Due to the success of the Maynooth Tournament and the excellent facilities at the NUI Maynooth the National Governing Body for ITF Taekwon-Do (RITA) has asked Maynooth to host the 2005 National Championships. This event will take place on Saturday 12th of November in the sports centre in NUI Maynooth. Competitors from all over Ireland will compete as well as competitors from the UK and Europe.

In other matters Stephen Hallinan from Maynooth and Ross Byrne were chosen for the Irish Team to compete in the 2005 4 Nations Challenge. The team which is coached by Maynooth Senior Instructor Stephen Doyle will travel to Sheffield to try and win back the Trophy from defending Champions Wales. The Senior National Black Belt Team train in NUI Maynooth every Saturday.



All Participants taking the oath prior to commencement of the competition

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Residents United and Informed

Minutes of meeting held on the 29th September in the Newtown Inn.

Chairperson: John Doogan
Secretary: Susanne Condon.

Agenda

- 1 Bond Bridge
- 2 Students Return
- 3 Any Other Business

Bond Bridge

John Kileen Project Manager for Jons Civil Engineering Limited gave a brief outline on the development. John presented his proposal to close Bond Bridge completely explaining that the existing schedule would take 70 weeks and the proposed schedule if the bridge was completely closed would take 40 weeks. Joe Jacobs Kildare County Council (KCC) engineer on the project gave a brief outline on project and supported John's proposal. A discussion followed with guest speakers and audience participation.

Action Items

It was agreed to form a liaison committee. Proposal to KCC. Deadline November 5th.

Conclusion

KCC enhancing stone works in areas. Project manager John Kileen has no problem installing ramps on new road as it enters housing areas, if requested to do so by KCC. No HGVs allowed through area. Liaison Committee will be kept informed.

Students Return

Concern over noise levels when students are returning home at night. Litter levels had trebled since students returned. President of Students Union, Paul Mullaly, said it was unacceptable, any problem contact him. Health and Safety Officer, Brendan Ashe, reiterated this point.

Action Items

Sergeant Mick Desmond, any problems contact him. Directly ban bar extensions if necessary. Student Union manning students. Heavy penalties for students misbehaving.

Any Other Business

Guards not responding to disturbances.

Action Items

Sergeant Desmond was surprised at this and advised if problem continues to contact him directly.

Meeting Closed

The following are members of the Liaison Committee

Resident's Name	Area Represented
Aine McGarry	Castledawson
Kieran Horgan	Castledawson
Anne Birchall	Newtown
Marie Nolan	Newtown
Martina Greene	Ashleigh Grove
Sean & Fiona Molloy	Beaufield
Grainne Kelly	Beaufield
Des Matthews	Woodlands
Andrew McMullon	Cluain Aoibhinn
Tom Griffin	Woodlands
Angela Collins	Meadowbrook
Bernie & Stephen O'Meara	Kingsbry
Bernie Doyle	Beaufield
Paul O'Brien	College Green
Sean McGrath	Meadowbrook
Mark & Susanne Condon	Meadowbrook
David Vanduyvenvoored	Brookfield
John Doogan	Meadowbrook
Michael O'Riordain	The Bungalow, Greenfield

Features



At the signing of the Contract for Bond Bridge on Monday 24th October 2005 were Mayor John McGinley, Management of the Contractor, Jons Civil Engineers, Niall Bradley, County Manager, Cllr. Senan Griffin and Management of Kildare County Council



Maynooth Post-Primary celebrates Junior Cert. results



Michael Barry, Niall Kiernan and Dara Folan



Daragh Boylan, Quentin Campbell and Alex Cash and friends



Aidan Kerins, Sharkey and Philip McCarron



Conor O' Rourke, Fergal O' Keefe and Christopher Moynihan



Hazel Lemmon and Cliona Haughey

Maynooth Post-Primary celebrates Junior Cert. results



Christina Dix and Orla Kelly



Shauna Cunningham and Ruth Harkness



Caoimhe Casey and Rebecca Whittle



Cathal Farrelly and Michael Brennan



Louise Mantandu and Shane Andaloë

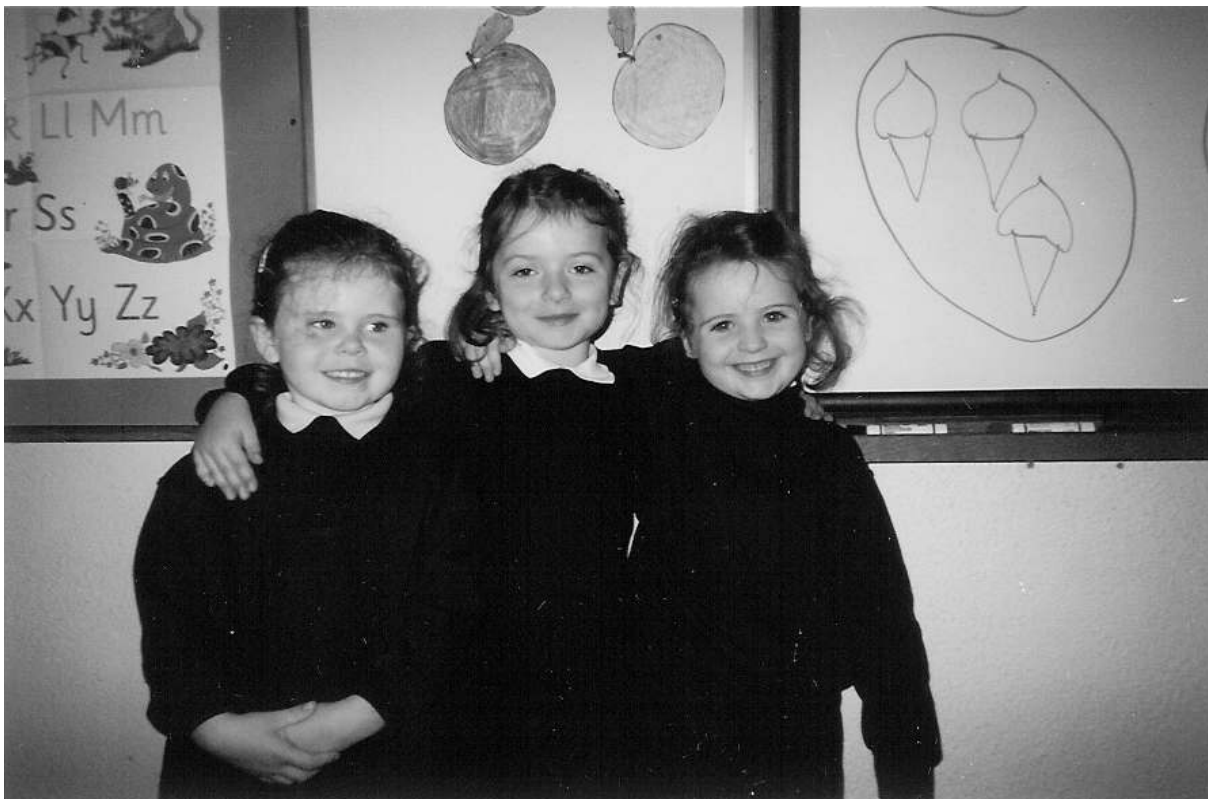


Clóna Ní Chiogaí and Lydia Farrell

First Day at Girl's National, Maynooth



L to R Katelyn McMahon, Rachel Wright and Vanessa Lawrence



L to R Lara Feehan, Ciara Kelleher and Roísín Condell

First Day at Scoil Uí Fiaich, Maynooth



L-R: James Ó hÍomhair, India Ní Choinne, Conchúr Ó Giolláin, Clodagh Ní hÍomhair, Jordan Ó Gallachóir, Eoin Ó Meachair.



L-R: Aidan Ó Flaitheartaigh, Katie Ó Bhrian, Seán Ó Faoláin, Joshua McCabe, Alyssa Ní Maoltuille, Joshua Ó Doinn



L-R: Stephen Ó Coimín, Nathan Ó hEacháin, Emma Ní Chatháin, Aisling Doherty Madrigal

Starting out for first years In Maynooth Post-Primary



L to R Clodagh Bradley, Siobhan Lennon and Michelle O' Brien



Paul Barrett and Mark Farrell



Emma O' Brien, Daniel Sharkey and Daire Sherwin



Mark Farrell and Sean O' Connor



L to R Kate Montgomery, Nessa Ledwith and Caitríona O' Malley

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Lily Kent and Gillian Judge



Front L to R Niamh Donaldson, Fiona Senchyna. Back L to R Gillian Judge, Lily Kent

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Town FC

N.D.S.L. U10 B1
Rathcoffey Road 17th September 2005

Maynooth 5 V Clontarf 1

Maynooth Town continued their fine start to the season with another goal feast and victory. Strong determined defending, creative and supportive midfield play and fine strikes on goal were the order of the day. Maynooth raced into a 3-0 lead thanks to Connor Gorman, Jonathon Flattery and Andrew Munley. This was no one sided affair however as Clontarf put together some fine passing movements. One such attack resulted in a fine goal to leave the half time score 3-1 to Maynooth.

Maynooth made some changes during the interval without upsetting their fine offensive style of play. Fawaz Oduyebo chipped in with two fine second half goals to leave the final score 5-1 to Maynooth. Well Done Lads and congratulations on a fine open and positive display of football. A display of football, which typifies the positive and progressive nature of this fine club.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Shane Nolan, Daire Byrne, Jack Connolly, Andrew Munley, Bankole Agunsoya, Conor Gorman, Jonathon Flattery, Daniel French, James Penny, Declan Burke, Conor Davin, Gary Daly, Michael Jones, Fawaz Oduyebo, Chris Donnelly.

N.D.S.O. U10 B1
Balbriggan 24th September 2005

Glebe North (0) 0 V Maynooth (1) 2

The long journey to Balbriggan failed to interrupt the fine start to the season being enjoyed by Maynooth Town. From the start they took control of this match with fine passing movements, good support and creative attacking play.

The visitors piled waves after waves of attacks on the Glebe North goal but the home youngsters fought manfully to repel the onslaughts. The stalemate was broken by a fine piece of individual skill by Fawaz Oduyebo, when he waltzed through the Glebe North defence to score a fine goal. This left the half-time score 1-0 to Maynooth.

The second half produced more of the same with the Maynooth goalie, Shane Nolan reduced to a virtual spectator role. Try as hard as they did Glebe North were unable to come to terms with this fine committed and untied performance by Maynooth. A strong confident run by skipper, Conor Davin won him

the space for a fine shot which beat the home keeper. Despite the best efforts of both sides this proved to be the final score. Well Done Lads another fine team effort by everyone.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Shane Nolan, Daire Byrne, Chris Donnelly, Declan Burke, Conor Davin, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo, Jack Connolly, Bankole Agunsoya, Andrew Munley, Michael Jones, Jonathan Flattery.

N.D.S.L. U10 B1
Rathcoffey Road 1st October 2005

Maynooth (1) 1 V Northway Rangers (0) 1

The strong winds this morning failed to dampen the spirits of these two fine sides. Both sides proved strong and resolute in defence and midfield which meant chances were at a premium.

Maynooth enjoyed the majority of first half possession. A curious lack of ball control and poor support play meant Maynooth did not really trouble the Northway keeper. On the rare occasion that the visitors threatened Bankole Agunsoya proved rock steady in the Maynooth goal. Defenders Daniel French and James Penny played a fine support act for the home side. With half time almost up Michael Jones found himself unmarked in the Northway penalty box to meet a rebound shot which he calmly despatched to the net. This left the half time score 1-0 to Maynooth.

Several changes by Maynooth at half time did not really have the desired effect. True they now dominated possession but turning this domination into clear cut chances was proving hard. Jack Connolly sprayed some fine passes around midfield and broke forward whenever possible to hit some fine shots at the Northway goal. The visitors however proved a strong stubborn and resolute outfit who stuck to their task very well. They put together a fine passing movement down the right wing which resulted in a fine equaliser being scored. This was a fair reward for their honest effort. Right at the end Gary Daly broke through for a shot on goal which the Northway keeper saved to leave the final score 1-1.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Bankole Agunsoya, Daniel French, James Penny, Declan Burke, Alex Birchall, Conor Gorman, Michael Jones, Shane Nolan, Daire Byrne, Chris Donnelly, Andrew Munley, Jack Connolly, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo and Jonathan Flattery.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

N.D.S.L. U10 B1

Trinity S.& L. [0] 0 v Maynooth Town [1] 3

Maynooth journeyed to Clonsaugh last Saturday morning for this top of the table clash in a happy and determined mood. This determination was portrayed right from the start in the organised and disciplined manner in which they took control of proceedings. From defence through midfield to attack this was a display which Trinity could not match. They certainly tried hard enough but the power, pace and skill of Maynooth's play proved too strong.

Fawaz Oduyebo opened the scoring with a fine goal to leave Maynooth 1—0 up at the interval. The home side briefly came into the game early in the second half but Alex Birchall proved a strong defensive rock. As the Maynooth midfield resumed control of proceedings normal service returned. As well as helping out in defence midfielders Andrew Munley and Conor Davin broke forward to score a fine goal each. Gary Daly and Michael Jones were unlucky not to score as Maynooth ran out 3=0 winners. This was a worth result to a fine performance which now puts Maynooth top of the table and gave Chris Donnolly a perfect birthday present. Well done lads.

Maynooth from:

Shane Nolan, James Penny, Chris Donnolly, Jack Conolly, Bankole Agunsoya, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo, Alex Birchall, Daire Byrne, Declan Burke, Andrew Munley, Conor Davin, Conor Gorman, Michael Jones, Jonathan Flattery.

Race Night

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Maynooth Town F.C.

Change of luck for the Kingdom

There was not too much for the Kerry natives to cheer about on All-Ireland Sunday but one of the Kingdom's disappointed masses had a little change of luck as he made his way back home to Kilcock after the big match. Paul O'Sullivan decided to stop in Maynooth on the return journey from Croke Park. The purchase of a ticket in the Maynooth Town Football Club's weekly Lotto draw was about to bring a little cheer. Paul, an ex-player with Maynooth Town, used a combination of birthdays to choose the 4 winning numbers to scoop the Jackpot of 3535. The winning numbers were 5,7,22,24.



Maynooth Town F.C. club President Mick Dempsey presents the winners cheque to Paul O'Sullivan

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Memory plays tricks. No matter what discipline of the performing arts or sporting events we witness, our emotional or critical reaction to the performance tends to be enhanced by the passage of time. To make a comparison, many will say that to read a book and then see a movie adaptation is in many cases a disappointment. This is understandable because the picture we have created is always going to be different from the director's. One of the assignments for film critics, from time to time, is to list the best movies of all time. The list gains credence when one or more of the critics agree on a significant number of candidates. This does not mean that we have to agree with them. I sometimes feel that too much weight is given to the opinions of theatre and cinema critics. That a critical newspaper review on opening night can halt a show on Broadway is a bit much and over the top. That a film can be withdrawn after a number of bad reviews, not giving the cinema going public time to make up their minds is also out of order. The advent of digital DVD gives us an opportunity to revisit films we may have seen thirty to forty years ago which left an impression on us and would be included in our all time list of great films. With that in mind over the last few months I purchased four DVDs of movies made nearly four decades ago, which I would have rated very highly when I first viewed them. Do I see them in a different light now or does my original opinion still hold.

The Last Picture Show (1971)

Director - Peter Bogdanovich

Starring:

Cybill Shepard, Jeff Bridges, Timothy Bottoms, Ben Johnson, Cloris Leachman, Ellen Burstyn, Clu Gulager and Randy Quaid.

This was cinematography at its very best. Shot superbly in black and white. It tells the story of a small town in Texas dying on its feet. The haunting background country music of Hank Williams captured the mood of America in the fifties. This picture was also the launching pad for the movie career of Jeff Bridges and Cybil Shepard. The main characters were drawn superbly by Bogdanovich and the writer fails to understand some film critics who thought the characters were not well acted. To me this was the strength of the film, each of the characters superbly carried the weight of life's disappointments, failed ambition and living without hope in an economic environment that was growing progressively worse. The closing down of the town cinema, hence "The Last Picture Show" appears to be the final nail in the coffin but Bogdanovich's characters show a remarkable will to survive. Being Irish helps to

understand and appreciate the movie. Around the same time John Healy, political journalist supreme, penned a great book about Charlestown, County Mayo titled "No One Shouted Stop". John's book, a master piece, painted a devastating picture of an Irish town losing its young, closing down farms and boarding up homes that would never be lived in again. This film stands the test of time. I enjoyed viewing it again and time has not diminished my regard for the production

Judgement at Nuremberg (1961)

Director – Stanley Kramer

Starring

Spencer Tracy, Marlene Dietrich, Burt Lancaster, Richard Widmark, Maximilian Schell, Judy Garland, Montgomery Clift, William Shatner, Edward Binns, Werner Klemper

Based on the Nuremberg war crime trials of 1948. The film deals with members of the German Judiciary who faced charges for crimes against humanity. The film was interspersed with documentary footage showing allied soldiers discovering concentration camps as World War Two drew to its conclusion. Day by day the gates of hell were opened and survivors of the holocaust were released to a lifetime of nightmares. Spencer Tracy gave a magnificent performance as the Chief Judge presiding at the trial and Marlene Dietrich showed her class as the wife of an executed German general. However in my view Maximilian Schell "played a blinder" as defence counsel. Unmoved by the sins of the German Nation the arrogance of Schell shows through as he seeks to diminish the responsibility of those who should have known better. Judy Garland was also impressive in a dramatic witness scene. The film was shot in black and white, which was probably the most appropriate medium for the movie. The film never took off in Germany and was withdrawn a number of weeks after its release. All through the movie the Presiding Judge (Tracy) can not come to terms with the fact that educated and learned men entrusted to protect the rights of the individual and uphold the rule of law could have capitulated so easily to the dictate of the Nazi Party. The advent of the European Union means that there is now an effective "brake" against the emergence of evil. Countries like Croatia and Serbia who want to join the family of European Nations now know that they have to hand up their war criminals to the International Court of Justice. They also know that behaviour outside the rule of law will consign them to the margins of European development. We have come a long way.

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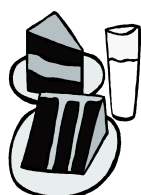
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Great Movies

The Battle of Algiers (1965) (La Battaglia di Algeri)

Director – Gillo Pontecorvo

Starring:

Brahim Haggiag, Jean Martin, Yacef Saadi, Tommaso Neri

This film was based on the French –Algerian conflict between 1954 and 1962. Shot in documentary style with a mainly amateur cast. There were many similarities between the Moslem ghetto in the Kasbah area of the city of Algiers and the northern Catholics enclaves in Belfast and Derry before the Troubles. Lack of employment, under investment in facilities and continued harassment by the occupying forces left the local population embittered. The film deals with the efforts of the FLN to liberate the city from the French and the reaction of the authorities to the insurrection. Using terrorist tactics members the FLN shot policemen on patrol placed bombs in French owned cafes and generally spread fear throughout the city of Algiers. Resident French loyalists struck back with indiscriminate bombing of Moslem neighbourhoods. The arrival of French paratroops changes everything. To the background of Ennio Morricone's unforgettable music score, Philippe Mathieu (the paratroops commander) throws the rulebook out the window. A former member of the French Resistance, a Legion of Honour from the Indo China War, Mathieu takes the gloves off to crush the rising. The Kasbah is surrounded and sealed off. All young men are deemed suspects and are rounded up. Many are tortured with electric shock treatment, beatings and suspension of their bodies from racks. Mathieu makes no apology, having the backing of the political establishment in France. He eventually breaks down the FLN cells and wins the Battle for Algiers. History records however that the French could not control the countryside and Charles de Gaulle took the decision to leave. This film was banned in France for years showing that Ireland was not the only country where people were not allowed to make up their own minds about matters that concerned them. The one powerful message from this movie is that the practice of torture is unacceptable no matter what the circumstances are. There is no doubt that movie production has moved on since this film was made, and in to-days context it does look dated. However the crushing of the uprising was an extremely saddening experience showing the final moments of young Algerian men and women who were willing to give their lives for the freedom of their homeland

A Personal choice

2001: A Space Odyssey (1968)

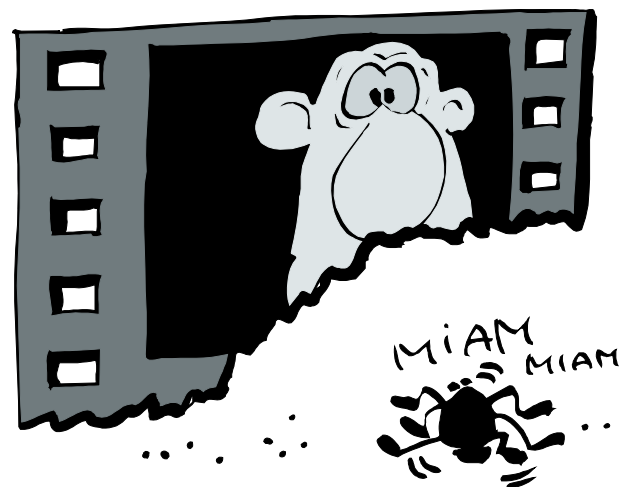
Director - Stanley Kubrick

starring:

Gary Lockwood, Keir Dullea, William Sylvester, Leonard Rossiter, Robert Beatty, Daniel Richter and Douglas Rain (voice of HAL)

The word odyssey means " a long eventful journey. The choice of film title was apt. This was the mother of all movies. Kubrick took his ideas about life and death, the dawn of creation, the vastness of space and the never ending journey to find the outer parameters of our universe, tucked them into a hand grenade and blew them all over the screen. This was a colossal film and drew a variety of reactions from the critics. To a man/woman they sought the theme or message from the movie when in fact there was, really none. To those who support the eventual triumph of science over faith, he gave them the spaceship and the computer (HAL) who would supersede the authority of the crew on its journey to the outer reaches of our Galaxy. The spectacular progress of science and man emphasised in the movie would eventually lead to the reason for our existence. To those who believe in the Creator, he gave them the first view of the Universe with all its Planets and Stars in a production that was to win a special effects Academy Award. Although it was only 1969, we saw the vision. The Universe, which stretched to infinity, the turmoil as humanity entered the black hole and the calm before death and rebirth. When I viewed this film over three decades ago in the Plaza Cinema in Dublin, the audience clapped at the end, something I had never experienced before in a cinema (except for the arrival of the US cavalry) and never did again.

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Urban Hairdressing & Therapeutic Time

1st Year Anniversary Celebrations!

Urban Hairdressing & Therapeutic Time celebrated in style on Saturday 1st October for their 1st year anniversary party. Celebrations began at 3pm with clowns, face painting and balloons and continued on that evening with a wine and cheese reception. The party was a great success for customer appreciation throughout the 1st Year in business.

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Carol Nevin

Carol is the owner of Urban Hairdressing. She began her career as a stylist with Peter Mark and worked there for six years. During that time Carol was made Peter Mark Colour Student of the Year and had been promoted to Management positions throughout different branches. Carol took one year off to travel the world with the intention of returning home and opening a unique salon in Maynooth which catered especially for clients looking for top quality hair styles and colouring. This year has brought great experiences and rewards for Carol and long may it continue!

Lisa Farrell

Lisa joined Urban in May and has ambitiously grown into the role of Manager. She has completed numerous courses gaining great experience for her hairdressing career. Within the world of Hair and Beauty there are many opportunities and Lisa is right there to experience it all through modelling in her spare time at the weekends.

Louise Healy

Louise was a stylist with Peter Marks for the last four years. During that time she won many awards for her expertise in colouring. She is now very content utilizing her expert styling and colouring techniques with Urban Hairdressing in Maynooth and is greatly cherished by her colleagues and clients.

Louise Quinn

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest addition to the team. Louise trained with L'Oreal and has been a stylist for five years. She is now looking forward to bringing her expertise to Urban.

Therapeutic Time

Patrica owns and runs Therapeutic Time. She lived in the United States for eight years and returned to her hometown of Maynooth to set up her own business. Patricia graduated from Trinity College, San Francisco, California in 1998 as a Massage Therapist and has been practicing since then. She began her career working for a Chiropractor in the Pacific Heights area of San Francisco where the clientele included the likes of Sharon Stone, Robin Williams and Pamela Anderson. She then moved into the 'Spa environment' while working for one of the most exclusive 5 star luxury hotels in San Francisco, the Westin St. Francis for more than four years. During that time Patricia has gained invaluable experience in Massage Therapy, La Stone Therapy and Californian Tanning Treatments. She specialized in Sports massage, working on major US football and basketball teams. Patricia is also a qualified Fitness Instructor. From being a world traveller to settling back home in Maynooth, Patricia has found the last year very rewarding and hopes the success continues. She would like to take this opportunity to thank all her clients for their custom throughout her first year in business.



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Setting a Big Foot Wheel

By Serj Merzliakov

During the weekend of October 8-9th the people of Maynooth were amazed by a Big Foot Show, which set its huge wheels on the community grounds. A successful stunt crew from France were doing practically impossible things – everything from two-wheel driving to 4x4 waltz-dancing and car-crunching.

The show started with the demonstration of the cars and 'regular' 2-wheel driving, which was followed by the specially made 2 steering wheel car, and driving through the fire stunts. The public were cheering up as the real stars hit the road – the team of stuntmen were driving impossibly huge (and the biggest in Europe) cars: stunt-built mighty Dragster, roaring Big Bull Chevrolet and crushing Hulk Ford.

Stuntman Claudio Gärtner began with incredible waltz-dancing and manoeuvring on a Dragster, doing 360-driving and balancing acts as well as inviting the public to hop on for a stunt or two.

The heavy metal show then moved on as the public got a chance to take a ride on a big-foot Chevrolet and decided for themselves, whether to get such a car for next year. But everybody was impressed.

The final act of the show, performed by Hulk and Big Bull was heavy metal crushing and 'recycling', which was really incredible!



As Big Foot Show was over we asked **leading stuntman Claudio Gärtner** a couple of questions:

How old is the show?

CG: It started in Marseille in France about 6 years ago and we are still on the road. We've been all over Europe, now we are coming from Italy, France and Spain.

Have you been to Ireland before?

CG: Actually it's our first time, but we've been to a lot of places – Cork, Limerick, Galway and Waterford. We are Going over to Dublin next with shows in Balbriggan and Finglas.

Thank you for the great show and best of luck!

Stuntman Claudio Gärtner on Dragster

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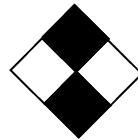
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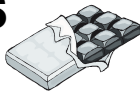
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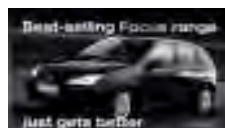


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Press Release from Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich October 10th 2005

On the behalf of the Parents Association of Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich I would like to welcome you to the launch of our fundraising event "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire"

Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich began with twenty pupils and one teacher. Over a small number of years it has grown and grown. Today the school has 307 pupils and 15 muinteoiri and is still expanding.

Our aim in holding our "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire" event is to raise the 10% levy needed to supplement the main funding that the Department of Education will provide for a permanent school building. We also aim to provide funding for a sports hall.

Martin King of TV3 has kindly agreed to support our fundraising event. The whole of the Gaelscoil appreciates him coming along this morning to lend a hand. He will buy the first two tickets for "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire".

Where would we be without sponsors? I'd like to acknowledge and say thanks to our two main sponsors. SUPERVALU, Maynooth and ACCOMM. These companies are represented to day by Paddy Holohan of SUPERVALU and unfortunately Eoghan Daly of ACCOMM cannot be with us. We would like to extend our thanks for their interest and support in our Gaelscoil here in Maynooth.

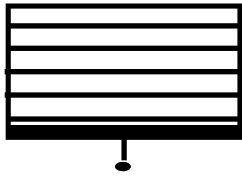
To you members of the local media we are grateful to you for attending our launch this morning – and we hope you will give our launch and our actual fundraising event plenty of coverage.

Oh do I hear any one in the room thinking what is "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire" about?

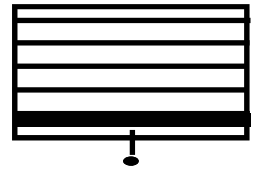
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thousand Euro. Hence "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire?"

It is a computerised show with lifelines, such as 50/50, phone a friend and ask the audience. The quiz event itself will take place on Friday, November 11th in the Students Union facility on the Campus of Maynooth NUI

Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich is an all-Irish mixed school that was started in 1996 by a group of parents – some still with children in the school – who wanted their children taught through the medium of Irish and with emphasis on Irish culture.

We believe that the school has been very successful. And a lot of that is due to Mairin our Principal, whose leadership has brought the school so far in a short space of time.

Back in 1996 classes were held in a shop unit in the town, we have come a long way since and we will, believe me, have our own permanent building.

Our "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire" event will be great fun too. Due to the efforts of our staff team and of our enthusiastic parents we are expecting a large turnout on the night of the event.

Friday 11th November 2006
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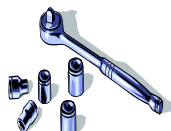
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The opening of the Meadowbrook link road is a great success and the completion of safety measures through Beaufield are to be welcomed and hopefully in the near future the junction at the Straffan Road will be regulated to allow safer conditions at this busy intersection.

As we approach the upcoming Budget, submissions have been presented to Minister Cowen for his consideration and inclusion in the December figures. Items such as Public Transport, Childcare facilities and financial assistance to parents using childcare facilities, are just some of the issues put forward for consideration.

Fianna Fail is fully supportive of Maynooth Community Councils objective to obtain Town Commission status for the Town, and will work with the Council to keep this issue at the forefront of the Minister's agenda.

Maynooth Castle is also an issue that we support and the completion of Phase 1 and the opening up of the castle building and grounds to events and groups in Maynooth is a very exciting prospect. The facilities required to move to the increased accessibility of the castle include toilets and some storage space as well as an audio visual facility. Currently plans to put in place the needs outlined above are in progress and we look forward to the expanded possibilities of this unique building.

During November there will be a public meeting at which a guest speaker will address the meeting on a topic of general interest. These meeting in the past have always been very interesting and informative events and generally are of a non political nature. Notices will be placed when the dates and speaker are confirmed and we look forward to seeing you there.

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Murphy demands less red-tape and report writing and more red ribbon cutting

Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) has criticized the delay between completion of the Development Plan for the N4/M4 Area and its implementation and has demanded that Minister for Education, Ms Mary Hanafin TD, begin tackling the current and predicted school place crisis head on. "The time for report writing has ended and the need for delivery is well overdue. This report was intended to set out a new transparent and strategic approach to school development but Minister Hanafin doesn't seem to share this vision. Instead she seems hell-bent on taking the recommendations of this study, which has taken the best part of two years, and feeding them into the current system. It's not exactly what I'd call reform", fumed Murphy.

Her comments came in response to revelations by Minister for Education, Mary Hanafin TD, that although "the N4/M4 Development Plan will form a vital framework in which future decisions about school planning in this area will be made. Progress on individual recommendations will be considered in the context of the School Building and Modernization Programme from 2006 onwards". This statement is starkly contrasted by that issued by Noel Dempsey TD, the former Minister for Education, in January 2004 when the project was launched, "This plan will be a public document and will be the touchstone against which all capital funding decisions for the area will be made".

In light of Minister Hanafin's announcement last month that a three-year Public-Private Partnership scheme would be initiated in which 27 new schools would be built Murphy highlighted that recommendations from the N4/M4 Area Development Plan didn't appear to feature. "I would have thought the first thing to do with the information from the N4/M4 Area Development Plan is apply to it but the costly PPP announced by the Minister has entirely bypassed this report".

At a time when Government Departments have been under increased scrutiny regarding the mismanagement of funds in hiring outside consultants and commissioning overpriced and or ineffective projects Murphy highlighted that the public does not want to see anymore money go to waste. "I'm hugely concerned that the Minister is not committed to seeing this project through to fruition and I'm equally concerned that it won't be expanded to areas like the N7/M7 catchment which are in serious need of school development. This government and this Minister need to cut out the red tape, start implementing the reports they've completed and maybe then we'll see more ribbon cutting on new

schools in the areas that need them most"

Estate Management Rip-Off not legalised for and leaving homebuyers high and dry.

Although the Department of the Environment states, "such conditions are not mandatory", Local Authorities are demanding homeowners pay private Estate Management Companies to maintain public spaces and services according to Deputy Catherine Murphy (IND). Such companies are not statutorily regulated and Planning Authorities according to Taoiseach Bertie Anern who made a statement to the Dáil this morning should regulate this matter locally.

Deputy Murphy, in support of statements made by Deputy Joe Higgins during Leaders Question Time, has however criticised the Taoiseach's stance on the matter stating that leaving regulation in the hands of individual Local Authorities "is a cop-out. We must have central legislation so that all homebuyers around the country are afforded the same level of protection."

Murphy went on to highlight that she possesses planning documents that contradict the assertion by the Department of the Environment that the establishment of Estate Management Companies is not a mandatory condition of planning permission. "Kildare County Council has required the developers of at least two separate housing estates to establish or employ an Estate Management Company." she went on to state that Kildare County Council have also required that all property buyers in these developments become members of these companies and therefore bear the cost of maintenance. "This situation is untenable and grossly exploits new home buyers who are simply trying to get along in life".

"There must be Legislative provision on this issue. Consumer protection is seriously lacking for homebuyers in this situation. I hasten to say that you get a better warranty when you buy a toaster than when you spend €100,000's on a house in one of these estates" fumed Murphy. She concludes by saying that, as homebuyers are often not told of the estate maintenance obligation until signing their contract of sale. Notably, at this point a substantial and refundable deposit is on the line which that diminishes the buyers options with regard to backing out of the sale or demanding more competitive practices in the appointment of a management company. "Local Authorities, developers and the Government in its failure to instigate legislation have created a situation where homebuyers are unprotected and disempowered at a time when they are making the most significant financial commitment of their lives. This is wrong and it has to change".

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Bond Bridge Project to be Completed in 40 weeks Instead of Two Years:

The original plan for the Bond Bridge Project was for a contract lasting two years with the existing bridge remaining open for traffic and pedestrians for the duration (except for about two weeks). However, the Contractor, Jons Civil Engineers, has submitted proposals to the Council for the closure of the bridge and the completion of the project in 40 weeks. The main reason for this fast tracking of the contract is the poor condition of the canal bridge. The Contractor and the Council's Project Engineer made a presentation at a well attended public meeting on September 29. On a show of hands there was unanimous support for the Contractors' proposal.

The bridge closure has to go through a public consultation process and a notice will be posted in local papers in mid-October. It is hoped that the bridge will be closed towards the end of November. The pedestrian walk at the back of the Health Board houses has already been closed off (this was always in the plan) and when the bridge is closed pedestrians will have to use Old Greenfield Lane to get to the Railway Station, Schools or the University. According to the Project Engineer this will add 150m to the journey.

Residents will be aware that major progress has already been made on culverting of the Meadowbrook Stream.

Still no Progress on Setting up New Town Councils- Maynooth, Celbridge and Clane Hopes Dashed:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has criticised the inaction by the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government for his failure to bring forward regulations under the Local Government Act 2001 to allow for the establishment of new Town Councils.

Deputy Stagg questioned the Minister in the Dail on September 28 in relation to the introduction of regulations to allow the establishment of new Town

Councils. The Minister advised Deputy Stagg that he was considering the steps necessary to commence the relevant provisions of the 2001 Act, including the establishment of the Local Government Commission, and that he would continue to pursue consultations with Local Government interests.

Deputy Stagg dismissed the Minister's response as anti-democratic. Whilst the Minister may only be in Government for just over a year the Act was passed by his Government in 2001. Under the Act it is envisaged that Towns with a population of 7,500 in the preceding Census can make a proposal to establish a Town Council. A pre-requisite for this though is the establishment of the Local Government Commission which the Minister refuses to set up.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he would continue to raise this issue with the Minister until Local Democracy was established for Towns such as Maynooth and Celbridge who would qualify under the last Census and Clane which will probably qualify under the 2006 Census.

Stagg Welcomes Court Injunction Move Over Illegal 02 Mast in Maynooth

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to pursue Kildare Co. Council in relation to the unauthorised 02 Mast at Maynooth G.A.A. Grounds on the Moyglare Road, Maynooth, and he is pleased that the Council have now decided to take Injunction Proceedings against 02 in the Circuit Court.

Deputy Stagg stated that the Injunction Proceedings are being taken under Section 160 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 and will seek the removal of the existing unauthorised mast. Deputy Stagg further stated that it was 02's supposed inability to lodge an application for Planning Permission to retain the Mast which lead to the Council deciding to take this strong legal measure.

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Outlining the sequence of events, Deputy Stagg stated as follows:

- A warning letter issued to 02 in relation to the unauthorised mast on 9th December, 2004.
- 02 applied for retention of the mast on 25th January, 2005.
- The application was declared invalid by the Council on March 21st, 2005.
- 02 reapplied for retention on 14th June, 2005.
- The second application was declared invalid on 5th August, 2005.
- In early August, Deputy Stagg requested the Council to initiate legal action pointing out that 02 knew the planning laws and were messing around with the Council.
- On 26th September, 2005, the Council advised that the file was now being referred for legal proceedings under Section 160 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he expected the Council's solicitors to act quickly on this matter given the decisive decision to take legal action.

Tenders Under Examination for Maynooth Post Primary Extension

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to question the Minister for Education in relation to the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School.

The Minister for Education advised Deputy Stagg in the Dáil on September 28th that tenders have been received for the project and that they are currently being assessed by the Design Team appointed by County Kildare V.E.C. when the assessment is completed a Tender Report will issue to the Department Of Education.

Welcoming this progress Deputy Stagg stated that the campaign to increase the permanent building capacity at Maynooth Post Primary to 850 pupils was nearing conclusion. The extension comprises of 6 General Classrooms, Demonstration Room, Computer Business Machines Room, Special Tuition Room, 2 Lecture Rooms, Administration Rooms and a Physical Education Hall.

Deputy Stagg further stated that the construction period for the extension is likely to be 15 months and he vowed to continue to monitor progress on the project which incredibly has planning permission since December 2001.

Stagg Angry at Waiting Times for Eye Tests for Children in North Kildare

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his anger at the

7 month delay in Maynooth Health Centre in arranging Eye Tests for Children.

Deputy Stagg had questioned the Tanaiste and Minister for Health in relation to the issue but as she refuses to answer parliamentary questions anymore she referred the question to the Health Services Executive as if she as Minister for Health had no function in the matter.

The H.S.E. advised Deputy Stagg that the waiting time for Eye Tests for Children was as follows in Health Centres in Co. Kildare.

• NAAS	4 MONTHS
• NEWBRIDGE	3 MONTHS
• MAYNOOTH	7 MONTHS
• ATHY	3 MONTHS

The figures speak for themselves stated Deputy Stagg. Children in the North of the County are on average left waiting twice as long as anywhere else in Kildare. This is simply unacceptable and children with eye sight problems are suffering negatively from the delay in their treatment. In addition it places enormous pressure on Parents and forces them to go into the Private Sector seeking an eye test for their Children.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he intended to raise the matter further with the Tanaiste and H.S.E. as additional resources will have to be provided in Maynooth Health Centre to reduce the Waiting Times substantially. In this rich Country we live in there should be no waiting lists anyway.

Cllr. John McGinley's Submits Motions & Questions to the Leixlip Area Committee:

Councillors can submit a maximum of three motions and three questions for inclusion on the Agenda for each monthly meeting of Area Committees of the Council.

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following for the Area Meeting on October 21:

1. Meadowbrook Road:

"When will traffic calming and other safety measures be put in place on the Meadowbrook Road to counteract the risk of accidents to pedestrians from the construction trucks on the Bond Bridge project."

2. Moyglare Road:

"What plans are there for the complete re-surfacing of the Moyglare Road, Maynooth, in order to remove its hazardous state as a result of the damage done by the pipe laying contractor."



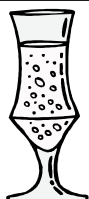
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3. Meadowbrook Stream:

"That a major clean up of the Meadowbrook Stream be carried out before the winter in order to reduce the risk of flooding. The fitting of grids at the culvert at Meadowbrook Court creates a greater urgency for the clean up."

4. Rathcoffey Road:

"Bearing in mind the massive cost of providing a footpath across the Rathcoffey Road M4 bridge that cycle lanes be painted on the bridge and on the road leading to the bridge in order to slow down traffic and bring some element of safety to the large numbers of children who use it to get to the soccer pitches."

5. Northern Relief Road:

"Have the preliminary designs for the Maynooth Northern Relief Road been prepared and has the road route been included in the Draft Meath County Development Plan."

6. Meadowbrook Link Road:

"That traffic lights be installed at the junction of the Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road in order to facilitate ease of exit from the new Link Road and that measures be taken to prevent the parking of caravans on the greens adjoining the new Link Road."

Safety Over the Skies in Maynooth:

Mr. Jim Mansfield and Mr. Paul Mullins from Weston Aerodrome attended a Special Meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council on October 7 to consider Cllr. John McGinley's following motion:

"That Kildare County Council demand of the owners of Weston Aerodrome and the Irish Aviation Authority that they implement noise abatement and safety procedures at Weston aerodrome in line with those in place at most airports large and small worldwide. The appropriate procedures with regard to Maynooth are that aircraft exiting Weston aerodrome to the west should track south of the M4 Motorway, and that aircraft approaching Weston from the west should track north of Maynooth. Furthermore, all aircraft operating out of Weston aerodrome should be instructed to fly no lower than the regulation 1,500 ft. (QNH altimeter setting), which equates with approximately 1,750 ft. above sea level at Maynooth. Adherence to these procedures will considerably enhance the safety of the residents of Maynooth. We further demand that the Irish Aviation Authority and Weston Aerodrome put monitoring procedures in place to ensure that these noise abatement and safety procedures are fully complied with. Moreover, as there are no systematic

procedures in place to monitor the activities of aircraft out of Weston Aerodrome in the skies over Maynooth, we demand that a monitoring regime is put in place to ensure that all aviation regulations and local noise abatement and safety procedures are fully complied with"

The good news is that the representatives from Weston agreed to Cllr. McGinley's proposals and they have instructed pilots to fly south of the M4 going west and north of Maynooth flying east. The agreement of the Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) to this arrangement is still awaited and unfortunately they did not attend the meeting so it was not possible to get their view on this or on monitoring arrangements. It is hoped that the IAA will be in a position to attend an Area Meeting soon in order to clear up the outstanding issues.

Safety Measures at St. Mary's Boys' National School

The safety measures proposed by Cllr. McGinley at the Boys National School, Maynooth, were agreed at the Area Meeting on September 16. The signage showing the bus bay operating times has been erected and the double yellow lines and the bus bay markings will be carried out on October 10/11.

John has also demanded the installation of black decorative bollards at the footpath, similar to Main Street. The Council officials argument that there is no funding for them is ludicrous considering that millions have been collected in Development Levies from all the new developments in Maynooth.

Damaged Fence at Beaufield/Rathcoffey Road

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to replace the 20m of missing fence and to repair the damaged parts at the front of Beaufield housing estate.

Dumping at the bottom of Greenfield Lane

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council removed the dumped material from the bottom of Greenfield Lane on October 3. John has also asked for the removal of the trees and shrubs from this location and that proper landscaping be carried out so that it can be maintained by the very willing residents.

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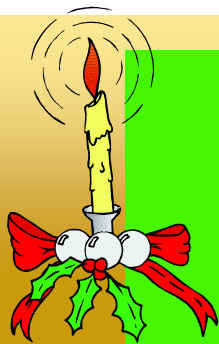
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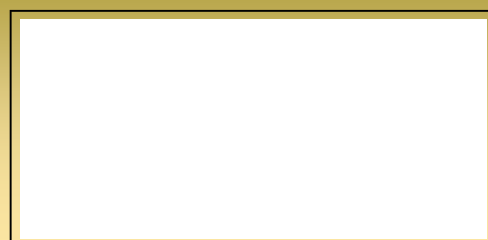
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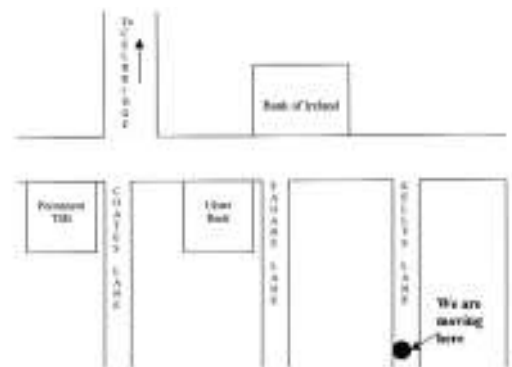
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Editorial

The editorial board would like to wish the readers of the Newsletter a Happy Christmas and a peaceful, fruitful New Year. We would also like to congratulate the Traders Association on the erection of the Christmas lights in the town again this year.

However, possibly the greatest talking points in the town at present are the problems of traffic and parking. The opening of Manor Mill and the change in the timing of the multitude of traffic lights that have proliferated in the town has led to traffic chaos. This was not helped by the fact that the building of a pavement close to the exit/entrance to the Motorway reduced the traffic flow in that area to one lane.

The Community Council has written to Kildare County Council to ask them to re-set the traffic lights. They are now in the control of a private company and the number of traffic lights in the area were imposed as part of the planning permission by An Bord Pleanála. The timing for the right hand turn from the Straffan Road has been reduced by half causing a traffic jam in both lanes. The closure of Bond Bridge and the Rathcoffey Road means that little or no traffic is using that area, however, the timing of the lights has not been emended accordingly.

This traffic chaos and congestion would be avoided if proper planning were observed in Maynooth. But as is the problem countrywide, the planning process works backwards – build the houses and the shopping developments first, allow traffic to grow to unmanageable proportions before providing the proper infrastructure. The Meadowbrook Link and the construction of the new Bond Bridge are welcome developments but look at the time frame involved. The crazy traffic problems in a relatively small town will be further exacerbated by the Mycete development on the Moyglare Road, again given permission by An Bord Pleanála. Maynooth will not only become impassable, it will become Kildare's answer to the M50 where nothing can move. The huge development proposed by Tesco at the Dublin end of the town is set to entice thousands more shoppers and vehicles into our little town.

The corresponding, related problem is that of parking, or indeed the lack of it. In comparison with our near neighbour and growing dormitory county, Meath, Maynooth is relatively lucky to have a semi-decent public transport service but the lack of adequate parking facilities at the train station is resulting in frustrated rail passengers resorting to using adjacent housing estates for all day parking. The public car parks in the town are also used for the same purpose so that we, the residents who live and work in Maynooth, have nowhere to park during the day. This cannot be good for business in the town and negates all the supposed benefits of the bypass.

But enough whinging. Again let me wish our readers a Happy Christmas wherever they are shopping. 'Tis the season of goodwill" after all. A last word, let us try to remember those who have been left behind and forgotten by the so-called Celtic Tiger and support the causes of such groups as the St Vincent de Paul, Focus and others during this spending season.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin

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Maynooth Community Council Notes

Community Centre

A meeting has taken place with Kildare County Council and Maynooth Community Council stated Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Brid Feely, Peter Connell, Tony Nealon attended. Peter Minnock, Kildare County Council attended, also three area Councillors. It was felt that this was a very important meeting for Maynooth.

While it has become clearer what Kildare County Council has in mind, we the people of Maynooth must decide what we want and have a plan now.

Local Matters

The question of HGV going through the town was raised again, while it was felt that there was a improvement, there was still some HGV's coming into the town. John McGinley advised people to take the number and pass it onto the Garda. It might be helpful if signs were put on the Kilcock and Moyglare roads saying no HGV's.

Traffic Lights

The question of the very serious state of traffic in Maynooth was raised. It was noted if going right, from Straffan Road at the Square the timing is halved also there is a longer free flow if going left as a result. It was noted that Traffic Consultants have a certain interest in the timing of the lights, also that these Consultants won't meet with Kildare County Council. Brid Feely noted that business people are worried about this.

Paul Croughan said things are getting worse, he queried who is running the town.

When a traffic survey was done a couple of years ago it was done in July, when traffic is not as heavy as in September or October.

Moyglare Road

Paul Croughan bought up the dreadful state of Moyglare Road, he said it's a disgrace that the road has been let get so bad. John McGinley advised that work would begin in a two weeks, manholes and shower drains have to be raised before resurfacing can start. John asked for complete re-surfacing to be done.

Harbour Action Area Plan

The Action Area Plan will be up for discussion in November. Senan Griffin said that this is a crucial plan for Maynooth. He also noted the planned upgrading of the Canal making it a very important

community amenity, also important to cut out anti-social behaviour here.

Sub-Committees

St. Patrick's Day Parade

Plans are going well

Twinning

This committee are looking for people with ideas on this to get involved.

Tidy Towns

Paul Croughan said the Tidy Towns is not about maintenance still a lot of work going on. He said their committee are looking at what went wrong and also hoping to work closer with Maynooth Community Council and Kildare County Council.

Christmas Lights

Brid Feely said that new wiring going up also looking for support from the community as well as business people.

Tesco Presentation Carton Park

Mr. Michael Sullivan, Development Manager, Ms. Una Cross, Mr. Owen Reynolds and Ms. Mary Corrigan attended the meeting.

Mr. Sullivan said they purchased the mart site some years ago and it has taken two years for it to come this far, he also said that the Mill Street and then the Collinstown then came along. He said Maynooth has been identified as a retail centre for North Kildare and with 40,000 identified vehicles passing Maynooth everyday it is planned to bring some of these people to shop in Maynooth. He said 17,000 of the population live within ten mins of Maynooth, 180,000 within 20 mins and ¼ million within 30 mins. He showed how the population has expanded with 20% of the population over 45 years and 80% under 45 years.

He said the new Tesco which will be 80,000 sq.ft., and will be built on the mart site. This will be built on stilts and will have car parking underneath it, also to be included is a Medical Centre, which he felt would be of great benefit to the town.

Mr. Sullivan said that a crèche is also to be built, and a drive-through restaurant. There are to be 16 new retail shops to be built and these will be built on the old Tesco site when the existing store is demolished, these will house names like Next and Debenhams.

Maynooth Community Council Notes (contd)

Make it a Fairtrade Christmas in Maynooth

There are to be covered walkways to be introduced.

The extra traffic that would be coming to Maynooth was raised; Mr. Sullivan said that the fashion retailers would possibly have only on delivery a week, others possibly only every two weeks.

The question of a cinema was raised by Hugh Gallagher, however, Mr. Sullivan said that a cinema was not a viable project for them. He said that some people in Naas were trying to get a cinema going but were finding it very hard, but he said if someone comes up with a plan that they will look at it.

Mr. Sullivan then went onto say that the existing nine units would be upgraded to blend them in with the new plan, he said the new car parking plan will face these units. Senan Griffin felt that these shops offer a personal service to the people of Maynooth and he said he would be concerned and would want them protected. Mr. Sullivan said that the shops are indeed part of a very viable part of the development, he said the whole centre will have to do well, also with more people coming into the centre, these shops will benefit.

Mr. Sullivan said they have significantly contributed to a relief road, re- the BBlacklion Road, also that a significant amount of space will be given to the community in the centre.

Mr. Sullivan then stated that 1,300 people would be employed in the new store. The fact that people living in Leinster Park do have worries about the new development was raised by Tom McMullon. Mr. Sullivan said that they are working with landscape architects at the moment and will be planting mature trees to help with the landscape here. Senan Griffin said building still too close to the wall here. Mr. Sullivan said there was still room for planting trees.

It was noted that the stone wall will continue along the front the of new development. Car parking will be free. New building to be built first and then the others will follow.

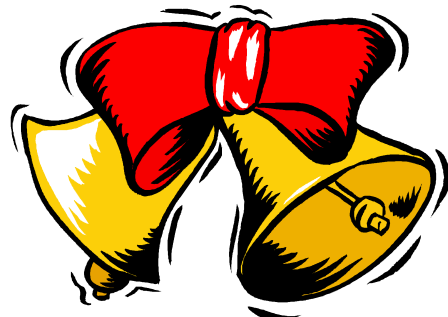
Mr. Sullivan said they are the retailer developing this project, so they want everything to be right. This concluded the presentation

Next Community Council meeting on the 12th December.

PRO Marie Gleeson

Maynooth Fairtrade Steering Committee has continued to make progress in their objective of achieving Fairtrade status for the town. At this time shoppers have a growing choice of places to buy products such as coffee, chocolate, tea etc. Among the places you can now shop or enjoy Fairtrade tea and coffee are: Tesco, Supervalu, Londis, Dunnes Stores, Castle Stores, the Glenroyal Hotel and Coffee Dock (over former TSB premises) . In addition great progress is being made in NUI Maynooth in promoting Fairtrade. A number of outlets are established on the University Campus both within individual Departments and in the Student's Union. The committee welcomes any other retailers or coffee clubs that might want to join this list.

With a growing number of stockists, Maynooth Fairtrade Steering Committee urges shoppers to ask for Fairtrade products where possible when shopping. Having a coffee during their Christmas shopping, or even during a work break, you can help by looking for the Fairtrade signs and asking if your coffee is Fairtrade or not. With a push from us all Maynooth could achieve Fairtrade status in the New Year. Surely there is no more suitable town in Ireland to achieve this than Maynooth with its long tradition of outreach to the Third World. Do your bit to help producers in the Third World get a fair deal for their labours. Ask for Fair Trade products where you can- and ask why not where you can't!



Planning Permissions

FILE NUMBER	APPLICANT NAME	APPLICANT ADDRESS	APPLICATION TYPE	APPLICATION RECEIVED	DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT LOCATION
05/2416	Andrew & Martina Cully	26 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/10/05	First floor extension above the existing single storey structure to side of existing house and two storey extension to the rear of the single storey structure. Also with the velux windows to side and rear	26 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2418	Gerry Donovan	1202 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/10/05	Single storey extension to the rear, a new porch to the front and associated works	356 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2448	Richard & Pat Watson	Brynmill Leinster Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	17/10/05	New porch to front of existing house	Brynmill Leinster Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2466	Barry Walsh	10 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	19/10/05	Ground floor extension to the rear and first floor extension to the side and rear of existing house	10 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2474	Noel Carr	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	20/10/05	Dormer bungalow, domestic garage, secondary effluent treatment system and all associated site works	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2484	Tommy Hopkins	58 Carton Court Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	21/10/05	Two storey extension to side and rear of the existing dwelling, along with a single storey porch extension to the front, all associated site works and services	157 Glendale Meadows Leixlip Co. Kildare
05/2537	John McNerney	154 Esker Lawns Lucan Co. Dublin	P	27/10/05	Modifications to previously approved application, planning permission nos. 01/1560 & 05/956. The modifications include minor alterations to the windows style & position, the shape of balconies on the north east & south west elevations etc.,	Mariaville Moyglare Rd. Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2539	Daragh & Margaret O' Connor	15 Rockfield Grove Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	27/10/05	Single storey extension to side of existing dwelling house and porch to front of existing dwelling house	15 Rockfield Grove Rail Park Maynooth Co. Kildare

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05/2547	Desmond Noone	Laragh Demense Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	27/10/05	1. to demolish existing single storey dwelling. 2. to build replacement storey and a half type dwelling in lieu of dwelling to be demolished. 3. To provide small waste water treatment unit to current EPA guidelines (Biocycle granted previously etc)	Laragh Demense Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2558	Jackie Cousins & Godfrey O' Dowd	41 The Steeple Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	28/10/05	Two storey extension to side with ground floor portion and part of ground floor of existing house for use as a Montessori/ Playschool centre	41 The Steeple Moyglare Abbey Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2592	Eamon Cunningham	19 College Park Grove Dublin 16	P	02/11/05	New end-of-terrace two storey house attached to the side of the existing 2 storey house along with widening of the front access driveway to serve the new house and an additional vehicular access and gate on the side road to serve the existing house	28 Moyglare Village Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2611	Brendan Keegan	2 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	02/11/05	Two storey extension to the front, side and rear of existing domestic dwelling	2 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2599	F. O' Giollain & E. Martin	14 Parklands Close Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	03/11/05	First floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion and a porch to front of existing dwelling house	14 Parklands Close Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2625	Patrick & Sarah O' Callaghan	170 Rockfield Square Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	08/11/05	Erect a first floor extension to side of existing dwelling house over existing garage conversion with study area created below and also a single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling house	170 Rockfield Square Railpark Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2636	Kevin Hoare	Catherinestown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	09/11/05	Retain minor alterations to dormer bungalow granted permission on reg. ref. 98/1533. These minor alterations to include two additional dormer windows together with omission of four Velux windows on first floor on rear elevation etc.	Catherinestown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2646	Brian, Joe & Padraig McHale	Tagadoe Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	09/11/05	6. no all-weather sports pitches with associated netting (6 metres in height), lighting (12 metres in height), car parking area and new entrance. We also propose to construct a 300 metre driving range to include tee-off structure (20 no. pods)etc	Tagadoe Maynooth Co. Kildare

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05/2650	Patrick Burke	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	11/11/05	Demolition of existing single storey dwelling and garage and replacement with a new two storey dwelling incorporating a garage, and associated works	Barrogstown Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2654	William Boyd	517 Newtown Road Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	11/11/05	Detached dormer type dwelling house with proposed new driveway entrance in existing rear garden of existing dwelling house and all associated site works	517 Newtown Road Maynooth Co. Kildare



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Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lore Jesus! Look down from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me Lord Jesus,
I ask thee to stay.
Close by me forever,
And love me I pray.

Bless all the dear children,
In thy tender care.
And take them to heaven,
To be with thee there.

The First Noel

The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepards in fields as they lay;
In fields as they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Isreal.

They looked up and saw a star
Shinning in the east beyond them far,
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night. *Refrain*

And by light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wherever it went. *Refrain*

They entered in those wise men three
full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence
Their gold, and myrrh, and frankincense. *Refrain*

The let us all with on accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,
And with his blood mankind hath bought. *refrain*



Kathleen O' Reilly, Honorary President of Maynooth Labour Branch is presented with a bouquet of flowers by Emmet Stagg TD at a surprise party to mark her 80th Birthday in the Spa Hotel, Lucan on Saturday, September 10th, 2005.



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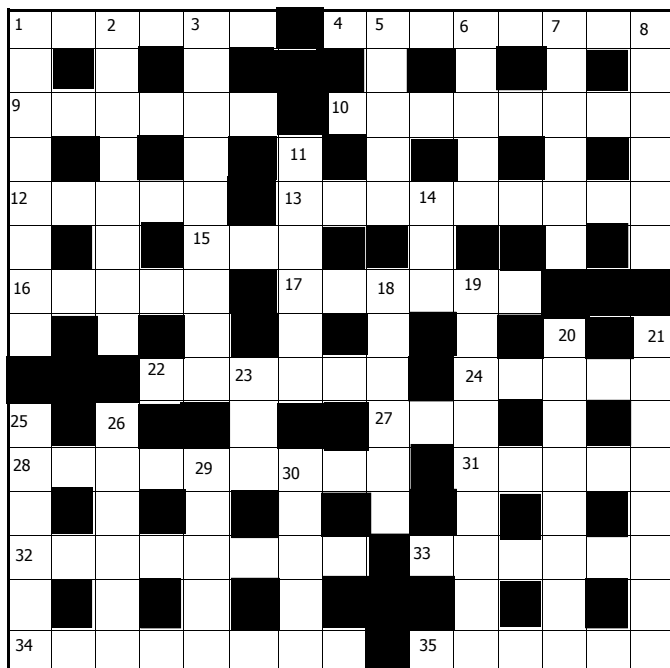
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Crossword

No: 40



Entries before: 12th December 2005

Name _____

Address: _____

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Across:

1. Canter to the Roost for the drink of the Gods (6)
4. Coo, steer away from the wood preservative (8)
9. Cooks in the oven (6)
10. Hang tics together for blistering reviews (8)
12. O Maxi, it's true (5)
13. Sounds like I'm fond of being fair and objective (9)
15. Type of leprechaun (3)
16. When I reach this, I'm lit (5)
17. Seems like my coif's mess (6)
22. Or trade for a painful experience (6)
24. Will the vehicle proceed for the transported goods (5)
27. Large animal, formerly resident in Ireland (3)
28. On the circumference (9)
31. The M.A.S.H character is the same, backwards or forwards (5)
32. Learned persons that Maynooth is famous for (8)
33. Let Tat gossip about others (6)
34. Sore tans for the upper house members (8)
35. Fortified wine who works for the Council (6)

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Down:

1. In short, Norman is usually a friend at the end (8)
2. Sounds like Ma is the cleaning lady with the irresistible quality (8)
3. Measure distance from the ground in real time with a T (9)
5. What a caper to go back over what we've said (5)
6. Upset the toter for the river animal (5)
7. The beginning ends with something for the tonic (6)
8. Swallow up the chasm after N (6)
11. Mix Fianna Fail initially in a pile of stuff and nonsense (6)
14. The Special Armed Services make a fool of themselves (3)
18. Where Sally and the Cats live? (6)
19. Did the Rooster and the Donadea Pub together form a nocturnal insect? (9)
20. Or red Pat eats animals (8)
21. Upset Troy's cue to show good manners (8)
23. a note to reverse the hod (3)
25. Mix up maps with the SS and suffer involuntary contractions (6)
26. Guttersnipe (6)
29. I plot with the helmsman (5)
30. A blunder (5)

Across:

1. Staggering, 8. Overdue, 9. Cable, 10. Saps, 11. Boar, 12. Lap, 14. Lariat, 15. Lesser, 18. Dab, 20. Clip, 21. Form, 23. Tyler, 24. Gherkin, 25. Rottweiler,

Down:

1. Sweeper, 2. Andy, 3. Gregor, 4. Recorder, 5. Nobel, 6. Consolidate, 7. Temperament, 13. Baccarat, 16. Snooker, 17. Single, 19. Bilbo, 22. Bell.

Features



Some members of the cast

Finding Christmas

The boys of St. Mary's Boys' National School will be presenting another musical this year.

Following on from the success of "Cool Colin" this show is another world première and has also been written by Mr. Grundy.

This year the cast will be drawn from Junior Infants, Senior Infants, First and Second Classes. There will be 225 boys involved in the show.

The musical tells the story of two boys, Sean and Peter, who write to Santa Claus and ask for lots of presents. Later, as they watch the news, they realise that other children aren't as lucky as they are and so they make their way to the North Pole to ask Santa Claus to give some of their toys to the poorer children.

The show features dancing Snowmen, Friendly Penguins and Santa is hoping to make an appearance.

"Finding Christmas" will be on in the Parish Hall on December 17th/18th and 19th and tickets are on sale from the school. Last year's show sold out weeks before opening night so early booking is essential.

Useful Tips

Finger Paints

A colourful diversion to keep your children occupied.

To make enough for three colours

6oz/175g plain flour
8fl oz/225 ml water
3 tablespoons glycerine
Assorted food colorings

Mix the flour and water in a medium-size bowl. Divide the mixture equally among three small bowls. Add 1 tablespoon glycerine to each batch, stirring constantly, to which you have added the food colouring of your choice.

Facial scrub

Avoid messing up your floors by applying this over the sink.

To make enough for one treatment

6 tablespoons cornmeal
2 tablespoons honey
1 tablespoon ground almonds
or walnuts

Combine the ingredients in a small bowl, adding a little water if the mixture is too dry to apply easily. To use, pack the scrub onto your face and leave for about 5 minutes. Remove with warm water and a flannel.

Bath Oil

A soothing skin softener.

To make enough for one bath

8fl oz/225ml honey
16fl oz/450ml milk
16 tablespoons sea salt or cooking salt
4 tablespoons bicarbonate of soda
4fl oz/115ml baby oil

In a large bowl, combine the honey, milk, sea salt and bicarbonate of soda. Stir well. Pour the mixture into a bathful of warm water and then add the baby oil. Mix well with the water. Make fresh for each time of use.

Lost pets

- Have your name, address and phone number engraved on a tag and make sure your pet wears it on its collar at all times.
- Keep a clear colour photo of your pet and a list of its distinguishing marks

- If your pet is missing, search the neighbourhood and call the local police stations, animal shelters and vet surgeries.
- If you find a pet with a collar but address contact the police.
- The latest in pet identification is a microchip implant under the skin of the pet which contains a number unique to your animal.

Bicycle safety

- Wear light-coloured clothing, preferably with a reflective belt, arm bands or jacket and invest in a safety helmet.
- Paint your bike with luminous paint, and make sure it carries effective lights and reflectors.
- Watch out for pedestrians who step onto the road unexpectedly.
- Be sure to indicate clearly when you are turning left or right.
- Concentrate on the road ahead and try to avoid bumps or potholes which make you lose control.
- Don't ride on the pavement!
- Don't overtake vehicles in the face of oncoming traffic or ride on the nearside of a vehicle.

Piggy banks

Paperweight: A piggy bank full of coins will keep any number of papers from flying away.

Doorstop: A coin-filled metal piggy bank in front of a door will prevent it from blowing shut.

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*Santa Claus is on his way
With gifts for each child
Ode will travel on a sleigh
Through snow barren wild
Rudolph with its red nose
Will carry Santa without fail
For Father Christmas clearly knows
Each and every hill and dale*

*Down the chimney he will go
With the greatest expertise
Any chimney Santa can undergo
With toys for all to please
Ho Ho Ho onward Santa go
Through valleys for and near
All the children love him so
And he brings so much cheer*

*On a snowy Christmas Eve
While the stars twinkle bright
Many blessings we receive
To each girl and boys delight
So sleep tight each one of you
And dream of Christmas Day
Santa loves you through and through
In his own special way*

SNOWMAN

*There you stand on the hill
As white, as white can be
You stay so calm and still
And never complain to me
In fact you are great fun
When I see you standing there
When winter is over and done
You will vanish to thin air
A carrot is for your nose
With buttons for your eyes
There you are in winters pose
Made of snowflakes from the skies
Stay with me forever more
My treasured winter friend
But you will melt to the shore
And that will be your end
I will wait potentially then
Till next winter comes its way
And I will build you up again
On a snowy, snowy day*

OUR CHRISTMAS ROBIN

*A robin perched on a holly tree
Christmas morning bright and early
Plucking berries as its eyes see
It feasted on them daily
Chuttering as loud as it could
It seldom felt no danger
A little creature feeling so good
Never minding any stranger*

*A songster of many - it is indeed
As all birds are of plenty
Once it had its daily feed
Its tiny stomach is never empty*

*Fly with me my little one
To a place full of holly
Until your berries are all gone
On your Christmas time so jolly*

Patrick Murray

**Mother
Barbara**

Twins

**Father
Liam**

*You both are so beautiful to me
With a wonderful future to see
No matter what we may find
Your welfare be always in Mums mind
Bless you both I have to say
Share many of a sunshine day
A girl and a boy born out of love
A precious gift from the Heavens above
Enjoy life with good health and prosperity
While the years swiftly they flee
May you grow to be strong and stern
Many new things for to learn
And if life ever hurts you so
Blessings upon you both grow
Little children you are of prayer
In a family filled with care
Life in time may be hard I know
And Mum and Dad love you so
You are now in a secure home
Both together never on your own
Live well and be good each day
The future will have its say
Now twins so sprightly and young
You really are so much fun*



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Maynooth Citizens Information Notes

Question

What are the revised Medical Card Income guidelines?

Answer

Both the Medical Card income guidelines and the income guidelines for the new GP Visit Card have been increased by 20%. The GP Visit Card entitles you to attend your family doctor free of charge but you have to pay for any drugs etc., you need. You apply for either card on the same application form, which is available from your local health centre or Local Health Office.

Medical Card/GP Visit Card Income Guidelines - October 2005

Weekly income limit (gross less PRSI and tax deductions)

	Medical Card	GP Visit Card
Single Person living alone		
Aged up to 66 years	€184.00	€230.50
Aged 66 - 69 years	€201.50	€252.00
Single Person Living with Family		
Aged up to 66 years	€164.00	€205.00
Aged 66 - 69 years	€173.50	€217.00
Married Couple/Single Parent Family		
Aged up to 66 years	€266.50	€333.00
Aged 66 - 69 years	€298.00	€373.00
Aged 70 - 79 years	€595.50	€745.00
Aged 80 years or over	€627.00	€783.50
Additional Allowances for each Dependent Child		
Under Age 16: First two children	€38.00	€47.50
Third and subsequent children	€41.00	€51.00
Aged 16 or over: First two children	€39.00	€49.00
Third and subsequent children	€42.50	€53.50
In full time third level education* (*not grant aided)	€78.00	€98.00

There are additional allowances for rent/mortgage, for child care costs and travel costs to work (actual cost of public transport or mileage at €0.50 per mile).

Everyone aged 70 and over normally resident in Ireland is entitled to a Medical Card, however, it covers the cardholder only.

Attention!

If any clubs or organisations would like to submit any upcoming events, would they please contact the
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Question

Do I have to pay any charges for a public bed in a private nursing home if I have a Medical Card?

Answer

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The weekly charges, which have been effective since the 14th July 2005 are as follows:

Class 1 - where nursing care is provided on a 24-hour basis:

Total weekly income less €35, subject to €120 maximum per week.

Class 2 - where nursing care is not provided on a 24-hour basis:

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- People under 18 years of age
- Women receiving maternity services
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The HSE may reduce or waive the charge where it would cause undue financial hardship.

Further information is available from your Local Health Office in the HSE and from the Citizens Information Centre.

Question

I understand that EU/EEA nationals working in Ireland may be eligible for the One-parent Family Payment without having to satisfy the habitual residence condition. Why is this?

Answer

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As a result of this change the habitual residence condition is not applied to claims for One-Parent Family Payment made by EU/EEA nationals, or by Swiss nationals, who are employed or self-employed in Ireland and who are subject to the Irish PRSI (social insurance) system. They can also receive the payment if they become unemployed and are receiving Unemployment Benefit.

Question

Are there charges if you request information from an organisation under Freedom of Information?

Answer

There may be charges in certain circumstances.

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- Requests where you are looking for reasons for decisions taken by public bodies that affect you personally

An application fee of €15 must accompany requests for non-personal information..

A reduced fee of €10 will apply if you are a Medical Card holder. This fee is in addition to the fees which may be charged for search, retrieval and photocopying.

A charge also applies in most cases where you seek an internal review or make an external appeal to the Information Commissioner concerning access to non-personal information. A fee of €75 applies to internal reviews and a fee of €150 to external appeals. The reduced fee for Medical Card holders is €25 and €50 respectively.

To make an FOI request submit the request in writing along with the appropriate fee, if applicable, to the public body, specifying that the request is being made under the FOI Acts.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

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Features

One Year After Tsunami – Trócaire Relief Programme

By Serj Merzliakov

Tsunami of December 26 was one of the worst disasters recorded in history. Within hours massive killer waves caused by an earthquake turned coastline towns and villages of 18 countries into wreckage.

Within days of the new year, the world saw the horrifying consequences of the tragedy - rising death tolls, whole villages wiped out, over 180,000 dead and hundreds of thousands in refugee camps.

And people all over the world responded to the tsunami disaster with sympathy and generosity. Governments, UN agencies and numerous international organisations started to work together on relief and aid incentives.

Our response

Trócaire, one of the oldest Irish charities, began its Tsunami Relief Appeal in the early days of 2005. The Irish people showed enormous dedication to raising funds and with a number of fundraising events organised by individuals, clubs and organisations, donations exceeded €27.5 million. Churches and parishes throughout the country raised over €19 million.

Real help

Today we are talking with **Vicky Tindal**, Emergency Programme Officer of **Trócaire**.

Could you tell us about your role in Trócaire?

Vicky: I cover the programmes in the countries affected by Tsunami. Trócaire works through partners and I manage the relationships between Trócaire and our partners.

Which countries will you be working with?

Vicky: The countries worst affected – Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India and Thailand. I work with a number of local partners and organisations in those four countries.

What activities are you involved in?

Vicky: It's a whole range of activities. Firstly, it's rehousing and reconstruction for all those people who have lost their houses. This is closely linked to rebuilding the communities as well. A lot of programmes will be around what we call psycho-social care – dealing with the whole trauma of having gone through something so frightening. These could be what we call normalising activities, trying to get people of different age groups, women and men to do normal things again – music, sports, such things. Other programmes will involve things like income generation.



Image courtesy www.trocaire.org

What will that be?

Vicky: We will be helping people to start small businesses again. People who have lost their tools, lost their trade will start to be independent again.

How are the programmes planned and implemented?

Vicky: With Trócaire we have an advantage that we work together with partners – local organisations, we would have had relationship with before. We are a development organisation and also respond to emergencies. We wouldn't be starting from scratch, we would have been funding programmes in Sri Lanka up in the north during the war, relief and rehabilitation programmes and national peace programmes. We continue to support those programmes but at the same time try to integrate the new ones – and in the case of tsunami, such a major disaster, we send a number of key technical staff who work with our partners.

Would you tell us how will they be helping there?

Vicky: They are specialists, who will be doing counselling and advising. Such as financial advisor, shelter advisor, livelihood advisor, and advisor on monitoring and evaluation. They are working to build the capacity of our partners.

The most important thing is that we take a long term approach, so we are looking at the next three to five years.

Will you be able to share with our readers some vivid memory while working on this programme?

Vicky: I went out to Sri Lanka as a part of Trócaire team a few days after the tsunami. I travelled to one of our partners to the north of Sri Lanka, and what really struck me that a few days after the major emergency was the amazing feeling of hope. People in camps, having lost everything had still not lost their dignity. I just found that really striking. We all forget about things like that.

What inspired you to work for Trócaire?

Vicky: I've always admired them. I first came across Trócaire, when I was working in Central America just after a hurricane, and was really amazed by their work as I very much believe in working in partnerships.

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Recipes

Mince Pies

Ingredients

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140g/4oz/ 2/3 cup dried apricots chopped
170g/6oz/1 ¼ cups raisins
140g/5oz/ 2/3 cup currants
140g/5oz glacé cherries chopped
140g/5oz/¾ cup cut mixed peel, chopped
115g/4oz/¾ cup finely chopped beef suet
grated rind and juice of 2 lemons
grated rind and juice of 1 orange
200g/7oz/scant 1 cup soft darkbrown sugar
4 cooking apples. Transfer the rounds to the bun tray. Fill half with mince meat. Top with a teaspoonful of the cream cheese mixture.

7. Roll out the remaining pastry and stamp out 36 x 5cm/2in rounds. Brush the edges of the pies with milk, then set the rounds on top. Cut a small steam vent in the top of each pie. Brush lightly with milk. Bake until golden, 15-20 minutes before unmoulding.

Spiced Christmas tree

Ingredients

Makes 25

85g/3oz butter, softened plus a little for greasing
100g/4oz caster sugar
1 egg, beaten
1 tsp vanilla extract
2tsp mixed spice
2 tbsp golden syrup
250g/9oz plain flour
½ tsp baking powder
icing sugar to decorate

1. Beat together the butter and sugar until they turn pale yellow, about 3-5 mins, with an electric mixer. Add the egg slowly, beating it in as you go. Then stir in the vanilla, spice, golden syrup, flour and baking powder. Shape into a flat disc, wrap in cling film and chill in the fridge for 1 hour.

2. Heat oven to 180C/fan 160/gas 4. Grease a couple of flat baking sheets. Roll out half the biscuit mixture on a floured board so it is 4mm/¼ in thick and cut out 12 Christmas trees using a Christmas tree cookie cutter. Repeat with the remaining dough. Place on a baking sheet and bake for 10 mins until just golden brown. To decorate dust with icing sugar.
10ml/1tsp ground cinnamon

5ml/1 tsp grated nutmeg
2.5ml/½ tsp ground cloves
250ml/8fl oz/ 1 cup brandy
225g/8oz/ 1 cup cream cheese
30ml/2 tbsp caster sugar
icing sugar, for dusting

For the pastry

420g/15oz/3¾ cups plain flour
140g/5oz/1¼ cups icing sugar
350g/12oz/1½ cups of cold butter
grated rind and juice of 1 orange
milk, for glazing

1. Peel, core and chop the apples and mix with the nuts, dried and preserved fruit, suet citrus rind and juice, brown sugar and spices. Stir in the brandy. Cover and leave in a cool place for 2 days.

2. For the pastry, sift the flour and icing sugar into a bowl. Cut in the butter until the mixture resembles coarse breadcrumbs.

3. Add the orange grind. Stir in just enough orange juice to bind. Gather into a ball, wrap in baking parchment, and refrigerate for 20 minutes.

4. Preheat a 425°F/220°C/Gas 7 oven. Grease 2-3 bun trays. Beat together the cream cheese and sugar.

5. Roll out the pastry to a thickness of 5mm/¼ in. With a fluted pastry cutter, stamp out 36 x 8cm/3in rounds.



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Common phrases and their meanings

Nautical Terms

To be **Taken Aback** suggests someone has been taken by surprise and stopped in their tracks. 'Aback' is the nautical term for sudden wind change, in which the sails flatten against the mast.

To **Have someone Over a Barrel** means that somebody is at the mercy of third parties and unable to have any influence over the circumstances surrounding them.

The **Bitter End** means this is the absolute end. This phrase has its origins at sea and is nothing to do with taste. On the sailing ships of past centuries, the anchor was fixed to the deck by solid bollards made of iron and wood known as 'bitts'. Coloured rags were tied to the rope near the deck end and once they were revealed crewmates knew the anchor could not be let out much further. The rope between the anchor and rags was known as the bitt end or the bitter end.

When you have **Had Your Chips** your luck has run out. This related to a gambler who has lost all his chips.

To be **At A Loose End** describes a time when we would be sitting around with nothing to do. We go back to the old tall ships to define this phrase. Any ship using sails would have thousands of ropes making up the rigging. Each of these lengths would need to be bound tight at both ends to prevent them from unravelling. To give the sailors something to do the captain would order them to check the rigging for loose ends. Therefore, idle men would find usually themselves 'at a loose end'.

When somebody **Passes with Flying Colours** they have achieved something with distinction. The old English Navy's term for flags were 'colours'. Successful fleets hoisted the battle flags high on the mast.

You Scratch My Back And I'll Scratch Yours relates to two people doing each other a favour. This term relates to lenient punishment by the English Navy to crew a member by merely 'scratching' his back.

To **Flog A Dead Horse** is to waste time and energy on a situation that will clearly have a negative outcome. Far out to sea, the Horse Latitudes can be found 30 degrees either side of the Equator, where the subsiding dry air and high pressure results in weak winds. According to naval legend, the area was so called because the tall sail ships, relying on strong winds, always slowed considerably or even

stalled. Often it took months to pass through the Horse Latitudes, by which time sailors had worked off what known as the 'Dead Horse'.

First rate means something is the best available or near perfect. From the time Henry VIII began organising the English Navy in the 16th century, war ships were rated on a scale of one to six. Grade one meant 'first rate' or the best.

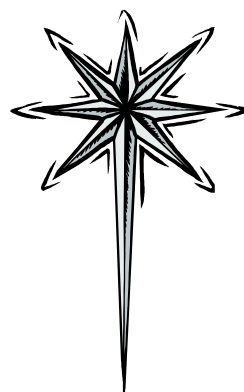
To feel **Groggy** means to feel unwell, often as the result of drinking too much. In 1740 Admiral Vernon, the commander in chief of the West Indies, replaced the neat rum which was then issued to all sailors twice daily, with a watered-down version. This became known as 'Grog' and drunk sailors were considered 'groggy'.

Raining Cats And Dogs is a phrase meaning it is raining too hard to go out in. Ancient mariners believed that when it rained it was the cats who caused it and when the gales appeared they were brought by the dogs.

Son Of A Gun implies humorous shock and disbelief. This term refers to a child born on board sailing ships behind the mid-ship gun.

To be **Under the weather** means to be ill or unable to function and is another phrase with its origins at sea. In days gone by when a sailor was ill he would be sent below decks where he could recover. Under the decks and 'under the weather' his condition could begin to improve.

A **Square Meal** is used to describe a good, solid dinner. It is a nautical phrase dating back centuries. Old battleships had poor living conditions and the sailor's diet would rarely be better than bread and water but the last meal of each day would at least include meat and was served on a square tray.



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Gardening Tips for December

The Flower Garden

Protect plants likely to flower this month or next: hellebores and *Iris unguicularis* usually bloom during the month (although the majority of the hellebores don't open until the new year) and need protection from slugs: provide cover unless, in the case of the iris, it is grown in a sunny, warm south-facing wall border. Occasionally there is a surprise precocious flowering of primroses, epimediums, violas, pansies, and other early spring-blooming species in brief mild warm spells.

Prevent mice and voles from digging up crocus corms by pegging fine mesh plastic netting over them, and put down a repellent, especially at the entrance of small holes.

If there is a spell of good planting weather, take the opportunity to make a special planting of border plants that appeal to you, suited to your soil and situation. Distinctive plants include the *Hosta* species and varieties, for varied foliage and cover in shade; red hot pokers, *Kniphofia* species, for a summer spectacle; *Astilbe* varieties for moist or boggy ground; a range of *Campanula* species on chalk; a cluster of day lilies, *Hermerocallis*, for summer in almost any soil; of sword-leaved New Zealand flax, *Phormium tenax*, with colourful foliage for mild gardens; and the true *Geranium* in its several species and varieties, for dryish shade.

The Fruit Garden

Fruit trees and soft fruit. Complete winter pruning and application of a tar-oil wash to apples, pears, stone fruits and soft fruits before the end of the month. Any further delay must result in damage to buds.

- Keep the area under the branches of fruit trees clear of grass and weeds which compete with the trees' roots for moisture and nourishment. Clearing the ground will also improve soil aeration and penetration by rain, and facilitate manuring and feeding.
- Winter-feed trees and bushes with slow-acting fertilisers and manures. Provide phosphorus in the form of bone meal to all fruits, every second or third year. Provide nitrogen in hoof and horn meal (and organic manure or compost) annually, especially to black currants, culinary apples and pears. Provide a yearly feed of potash in sulphate of potash or powdered seaweed, especially to red and white currants, gooseberries, and dessert apples. Top fertiliser dressings with one of humus-forming organic material.

- Stop rabbits and hares from eating the bark of young trees, either by smearing the stems with fruit-tree banding grease as high as the animals can reach, or by fitting plastic guards round the stems. Damaged trees will recover provided the bark has not been removed all the way round the stems; but wounds should be pared clean of ragged bark, and dress with a fungicidal tree dressing.
- Check over apples and pears in store, and remove promptly any that are going bad. A strong fruit odour is caused by ethylene gas from fruits ripening too quickly. It means that the store needs ventilating.
- Cut out and burn shoots carrying bands or rings of globular eggs, deposited by the lackey moth, which hatch into leaf-devouring caterpillars in spring.
- Outdoor vines should be planted before Christmas. They need a sunny wall, or an open sunny situation in a favourable climate where they may be grown in rows, trained on wires. The fruit needs a warm autumn to ripen, even though it is hardy.

The Ornamental Garden

Paths

Mark out and construct paths when weather permits. To be sure of dry footing in wet situations place a line of drain-pipes underneath, in a foundation layer of broken stone, bricks or rubble.

Lawns

Check for the presence of leather-jackets, the greyish brown larvae of the crane-fly (daddy-long-legs) when tufts of dying grass come away easily in the hand, and starlings are busy pecking and feeding. The grubs are found just under the turf. Treat them with a dressing of a carbaryl (sevin) or derris insecticidal dust bulked with sand, in a mild spell.

Finish re-turfing on light soils by the end of the month to ensure a smooth look for the summer.

Do not work on the lawn in frost or snow; do not even walk on it, as fine grasses may be bruised and damaged.

Roses

Carry on planting new roses in mild weather, into prepared soil.

Shrubs

Top-dress lime-tolerant rhododendrons and ericas with oak leaf-mould if available; or with decaying woodland floor leaves and even rotten fragmented branches and wood, which is what they like naturally, or moist dark moss peat.

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Santa knows and Santa sees
Children creep downstairs to Santa's toys
Some for girls, some for boys*

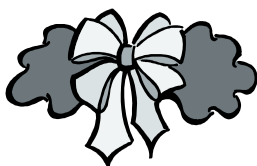
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To see the manager and show off a toy
Everyone there full of joy
A winter wonderland we muffle up
We stamp our feet and hands we cup
Our joy in this day we cherish*

*And home to Christmas dinner then
Wine, roasters, turkey and ham*

*Crackers pulled to spark some fun
Enough to go round for everyone
On T.V. a festive film
And each face there a grin*

*And sad that it is only once a year
All too soon Christmas will disappear
And New Year greetings take its place
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As the calendar begins again*

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How does it work?

Homoeopathy uses natural substances to stimulate the persons own healing response. Homoeopathy stimulates the body to heal itself by treating "Like with Like". This means that any substance that can make you ill can also be used to make you well. Put another way, any substance that is capable of producing symptoms of illness in a healthy person, is also capable of treating similar symptoms in a person who is sick. For example, an individual peeling onions may experience profuse watering, burning and redness of the eyes. Sneezing and a runny nose can also be part of the picture. This group of symptoms is very similar to those of the common cold. In Homoeopathy, a specially prepared extract of onion is used to treat the above symptoms in someone who is actually suffering cold symptoms. Hence the basic law of Homoeopathy, "let like be cured with like." the stimulus with homoeopathy strengthens the immune system and means an improved level of health with homoeopathic treatment.

What can it be used for?

Homoeopathy can be used to treat all the family, to treat both first aid situations and chronic illness as well as emotional states. It can be used safely for vulnerable groups such as babies and children-during pregnancy and childbirth and for elderly people. For recurring or chronic conditions treatment is best undertaken with the guidance of a qualified professional homoeopath.

How is it different?

Homoeopathy addresses the source of illness and restores balance to the whole system. It treats the person as a whole taking all the symptoms into account, understanding the body has a natural balancing mechanism which can be upset by various factors, including stress and inherited tendencies.

What happens during a consultation?

The first consultation usually lasts 1 - 1½ hours. In order to select the right remedy for you as an individual it is helpful to have an understanding of your complaint, along with details of the symptoms that you experience. Finding out about your overall wellbeing, general energy level, past medical history and your likes and dislikes are also important. This helps in selecting the most appropriate remedy for you at this time. Subsequent consultations usually last 30 - 45 minutes and take place a number of weeks after the initial consultation. This allows assessment of your response to the remedy and decides how treatment can best continue. All information is treated in confidence.

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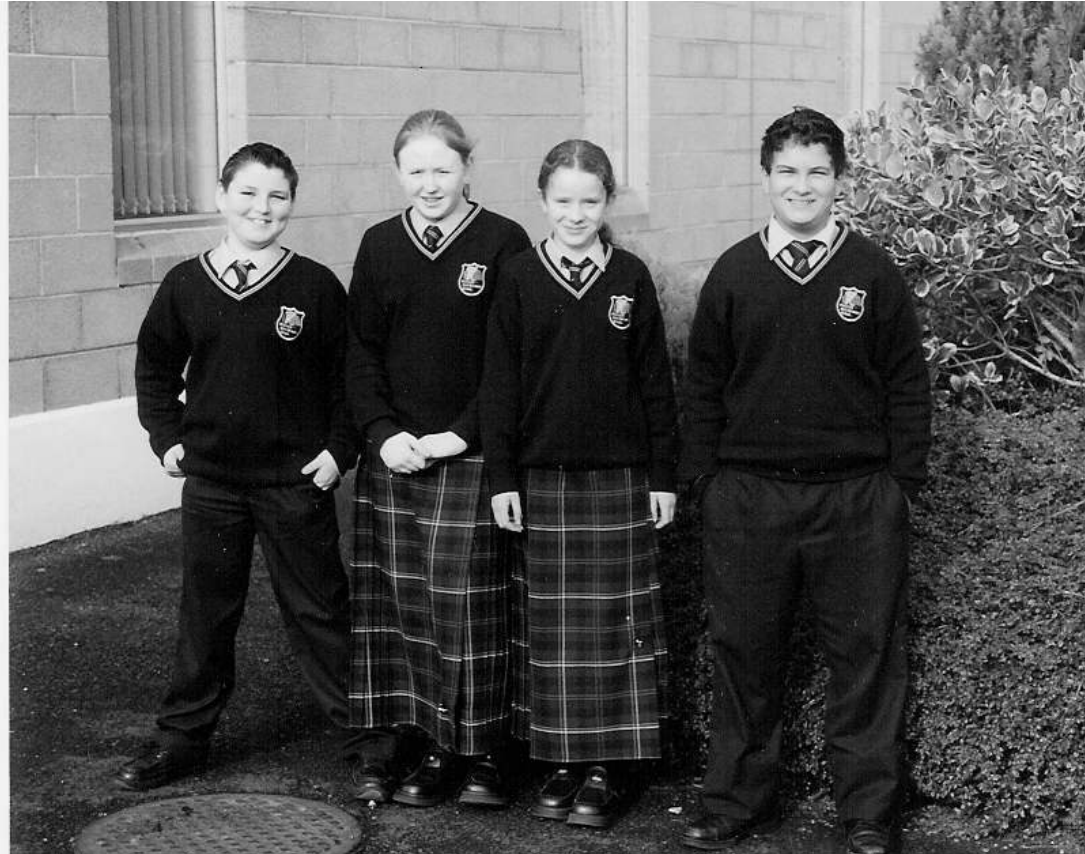
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1 stalk lemongrass, chopped (first remove the tough top part of the stalk and outer leaves)
2 tsp ginger, grated
8 mint leaves, chopped
50 ml (2 fl oz) boiling water
8 cubes of ice
100 ml (3½ fl oz) vodka
Juice of 1 lime



Put the sugar, lemongrass, ginger and mint into a bowl and pour in the boiling water (must be boiling). Stir to combine and let infuse for 10 minutes or until cool. Strain, then add the vodka, shake with ice (or stir in a jug with ice,) remove the ice then serve in a frozen glass with a mint leaf floating on top.

NOTE If you don't have lemongrass, use finely grated rind of the lime instead.

NOTE For a non-boozy version, use some sparkling water instead of the vodka.

NOTE These are good served with crushed ice too.

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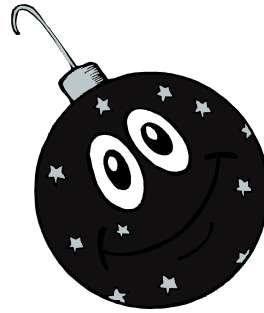
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500 ml (18 fl oz) medium-dry cider of good-quality
Apple juice
100 ml (3½ fl oz) water
50g (1¾ oz) Demerara sugar
6 cm (2 in) piece of cinnamon stick, broken in half
2 strips of orange rind, removed with a peeler

2 whole cloves

Place everything in a saucepan and heat up, stirring to dissolve the sugar. Serve.

Great at Christmas as a change to hot port and mulled wine; it's just as good if made with non-alcoholic, good-quality apple juice too.



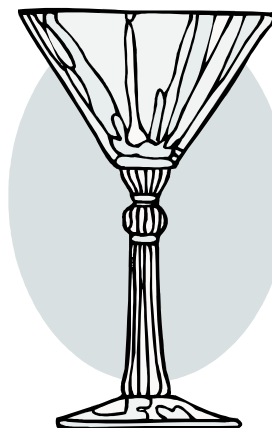
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100-125g (3½-4½ oz) sugar
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500 ml (18 fl oz) water, sparkling or still

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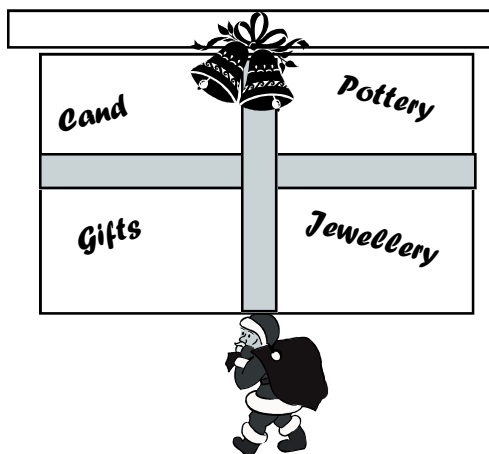
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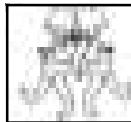
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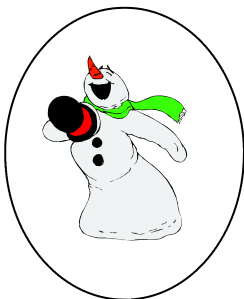
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Maynooth U/11 Girls Gaelic Football Team



Maynooth Team:

Niamh Murray 0-02, Ciana Heneghan 1-02, Orlaith Kirwan, Jane Finnegan 1-03, Ciara Farrell 2-00 Dearbhla Egan

Subs:; Lauren Edwards ,Aoife Greally, Jenni O Dwyer, Emma Collins, Sarah Collins, Eimear Sinnott, Heather Gaffney, Rebecca O Neill, Siobhan Mc Nutt, Roisin Behan,

Maynooth and Kilcock had to make the long journey to Elistown on Saturday last to play the final of the under eleven division 3 league. After a very early start the match was delayed by forty minutes to allow the heavy fog clear.

Maynooth who having been beaten by Kilcock in an earlier round of the league started the better team and their forwards fought hard to keep the ball in the Kilcock half. Maynooth opened the scoring through Ciara Farrell who found the net and quickly added another goal through Jane Finnegan who punched the ball past the Kilcock keeper. Ciana Heneghan added a point and Louise Doran worked well in midfield to get the ball back to the forwards. Sarah Greally sent in a ball

which saw Jane Finnegan find the net. Kilcock then went on the attack and Maynooth's Emily Milner kept them at bay with her excellent defending. Before half time Maynooth added another goal through midfielder Sarah Greally which saw them lead at half time by 3-02 to 0-00.

The second half started much the same way as it ended with Maynooth getting a quick goal through Ciara Farrell and points from Niamh Murray, Ciana Heneghan and Jane Finnegan. Kilcock battled well and were awarded a free which saw them work the ball past Ruth O'Hurley in the Maynooth net. From the kick out and some slack marking on the part of Maynooth's backs Kilcock added two points. Maynooth then saw points from Jane Finnegan and Niamh Murray and a goal from Ciana Heneghan to finish the day. However Kilcock made sure they got on the score sheet again with another goal.

Final Score

Maynooth 5-07 Kilcock 2-02



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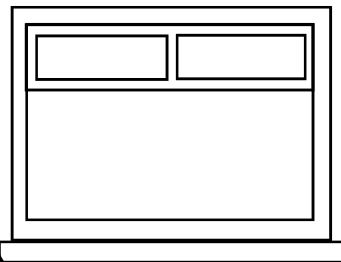
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Maynooth Beaver Scouts enjoy Science evening.

Science Week Ireland was held nationally between November 13 -20 2005 and is a key event in the annual Discover Science and Engineering programme hosted by Forfás.

In conjunction with the national programme of science events for Science week Ireland, Maynooth Beaver Scouts held their own science evening. This took place at the Scouts Den on Monday evening, November 14.

Beaver scouts are aged between 6 and 8 years old and there are currently 30 beaver scouts in the beaver section of the Maynooth scouting Group. The beaver scouts are organised in smaller working groups called "lodges" so that they each get a chance to participate and "learn by doing".

At the science evening, the beaver section leader, Mags Caden, demonstrated a model clay volcano erupting. The beaver scouts each had a chance to put in one of the ingredients needed to generate the carbon dioxide gas to achieve "fizzing up" and give the effect of lava spilling out of the mouth of the model volcano.

Other activities at the science evening were set up by the other beaver leaders including: daffodil bulb planting activity which was supervised by Betty Broekhuizen; building a water filter, demonstrated by Anna Fitzpatrick and using magnifying glasses for examining insects which was explained by Cynthia Gallagher.

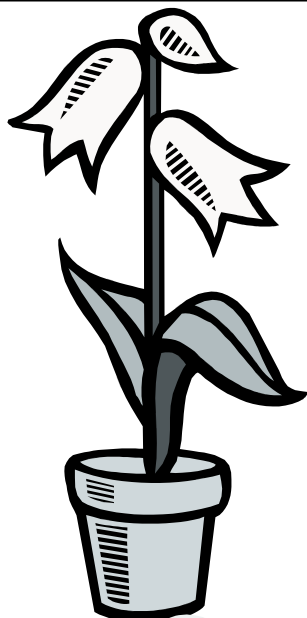
Yvonne Murphy operated an interesting activity on "composting- how does it work?" where the beaver scouts got a chance to sort out what can go in their compost bin and what cannot while Marie Marsh facilitated the beaver scouts exploring the idea of magnetism.

Group leader, John Dowling was on hand to help as always and to make sure things ran smoothly. The science evening was really enjoyed by all the beaver scouts and it clearly showed how the Discover Science and Engineering programme can be made accessible to everyone.



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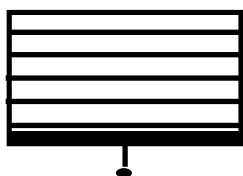
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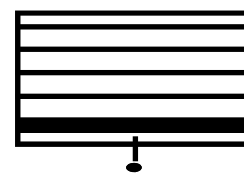
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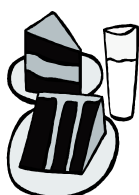
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Bankole Agunsoya, Daniel French, James Penny, Jack Connolly, Conor Davin, Gary Daly, Alex Birchall, Shane Nolan, Dáire Byrne, Chris Donnelly, Declan Burke, Fawaz Oduyebo, Andrew Munley, Michael Jones and Jonathan Flattery.

N.D.S.L Under 10 B1 Rathcoffey Road 22-10-05 **Maynooth (1) 2 V Artane Beaumont (0) 0**

This top of the table clash today at the Rathcoffey Road proved a close and tight affair as both sides battled for supremacy. The Maynooth defence of Alex Birchall, Danny French and Daire Byrne provided the foundation for this solid performance from the home side. Despite some fine possessive play by the home side Artane Beaumont proved a strong and difficult outfit to break down. The breakthrough did come when a fine piece of inter-play by the Maynooth midfield caused havoc in the visitors defence. Up stepped Jonathon Flattery to display fine predatory skills and dispatch a fine shot to the net. This left the half-time score 1 - 0 to Maynooth. As long as the effort is maintained the rewards will be repeated lads.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Alex Birchall, Daniel French, Daire Byrne, Declan Burke, Conor Davin, Conor Gorman, Jonathon Flattery, James Penny, Christopher Donnelly, Bankole Agunsoya, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo, Michael Jones

Gallery Shield Section A 12-11-05 **St Brendans (0) 2 V Maynooth Town (0) 0**

This morning's shield encounter proved a close and exciting encounter both sides acquitted themselves well and served up some exciting football. Maynooth striker Michael Jones was most unlucky not to hit the target on a few occasions in the first half at the other end Shane Nolan stood strong and proud to bring off some fine saves from the St. Brendan's attacks. The interval was perfectly balanced at 0 - 0.

The second half proved more of the same as both sides strived for dominance. Maynooth created some fine goal scoring opportunities but this was an occasion when none of them would go in. Twice St. Brendan's caught them out with quick breaks in this half and scored on each occasion. Maynooth, however, refused to buckle and still carried the fight to the home side. Daniel French produced some fine tackles in defence and Alex Birchall strived manfully up front to pierce the home defence. Lady Luck however closed her eyes as time ran out and St. Brendan's won 2 - 0.

Take heart lads from this very first defeat of the season you determined never say die attitude will carry you past many an obstacle through the season.

Shane Nolan, Daniel French, James Penny, Jack Connolly, Bankole Agunsoya, Gary Daly, Michael Jones, Daire Byrne, Declan Burke, Conor Davin, Conor Gorman, Fawaz Oduyebo, Alex Birchall, Jonathon Flattery

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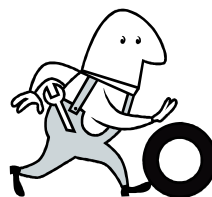
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Maynooth GAA News

The AGM of Maynooth GAA will be held in the Clubhouse, Moyglare Road on Tuesday December starting @ 7.30 pm sharp.

All members are encouraged to attend.

Maynooth GAA Club extend congratulations to Simone Gilbert who was selected as Kildare Footballer of the Year. This was a richly deserved award for Simone who had a very successful year both with Kildare and Maynooth. She was also nominated for selection on the all star team of the year.

The Maynooth Minor Hurling Team reached the final of the Kildare Championship but were unable to overcome the power, skill and artistry of an impressive Celbridge side. Both sides were evenly matched in the first half and a point separated the sides at half time with Celbridge having the slender advantage.

The main highlight of the first half was a superb point by Patrick Ward from a line ball, 13 yards from the endline. He also scored a goal for Maynooth from a penalty after Jeffrey Walsh was fouled with a goal at his mercy.

Early in the second half Celbridge began to exert their authority and with their midfield and half forward line particularly prominent, the Maynooth defence were put under considerable pressure. Two goals inside the first 10 minutes set Celbridge on their way to victory and although Maynooth played their hearts out, Celbridge were not to be denied and won by 3-11 to 1-5.

The Maynooth management team of Mick Ward, Tommy Flaherty and Paul Qualter deserve a lot of credit in preparing this team so well during the year who over came a number of difficult opponents to reach the final.

Maynooth Team:

Brendan Cawley	Mick Gillick	Harry Oliver
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St Mary's Band

Notes from St Mary's Band have been rather thin on the ground in recent times but we can assure you that we are alive and kicking and blowing away at Pound Lane right beside the Town Park.

There have been many changes in the past year or so, not least of which is the appointment of Aine Daly, a Newbridge lady who has a wealth of experience, is a professional musician and is a talented multi-instrumentalist in her own right. Erin has accepted the challenge of building on what has been achieved by our previous Conductor Niall O'Connor and already this year we have competed with distinction in Band Championship in Dublin and Clonakilty in Cork and just last month took part in a very successful concert with Lucan Concert Band to raise funds for the new heating system in Esker church in Lucan

The age profile of the Band has changed dramatically and we are pleased to say that the under twenties now hold the majority and there is a more balanced male to female ratio which is always good to see in any organisation. The downside of the younger age group is that with third level education now almost the norm we tend to lose members (temporarily hopefully) to educational institutes outside of Maynooth. It is vital that there is a continuous replacement programme in place. With this in mind we are now accepting manes for places in our new music classes beginning in the Newe Year and you will find an application form elsewhere in the Newsletter. Please complete this form and send it to the Secretary as soon as possible as we are unable to plan our classes until we have some idea of numbers. We will accept applications from 8 years upwards but experienced players on all instruments are always most welcome and can contact our Secretary John Curran at 8252445

December is the busiest month of the year for the Band but our main event is our annual Christmas Concert which this year will be held in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth on Saturday 10th December at 8pm. In a new departure this year, we will be joined by the Lucan Concert Band, winners of the Intermediate Section of the National Band Championships, in a programme of popular and Christmas music to suit all tastes. Admission is only €10 with €5 for Senior Citizens and Students and tickets are available from John Curran at 087 2239730 and almost entertaining night is guaranteed

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December 11th	11.30am	Sunday Service Church of Ireland
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The presentation of prizes was to a large crowd in Brady's where Paddy expressed his thanks to Lara Electric for their sponsorship and to Declan Kennedy for his hospitality and his support to the Golf Society.



Martin, Bernie and Paddy Foy at the presentation

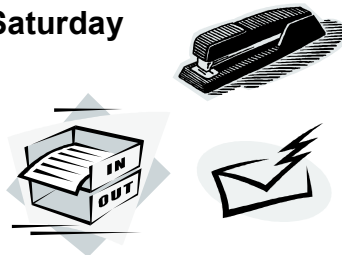
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7th Prize	Dave Kinlon	36pts B9
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Bond Bridge

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Cllr. John McGinley has got agreement from the Council on the removal of trees, the provision of a 1.8m footpath and the construction of a wall and railing (similar to that at Meadowbrook Road) at the bottom of Old Greenfield in order to provide an environmentally friendly walkway for pedestrians.

The Council have also agreed to Cllr. McGinley's proposals for traffic calming and other safety measures on Meadowbrook Road. John was advised that the design drawings should be available for the next Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council on November 18.

In reply to Cllr. John McGinley's motion for a clean up of the Meadowbrook Stream before the winter sets in, he was advised that the Council's Waterworks Section were at present estimating the costs of the proposal. John stated that the clean up can be paid from contingencies built into the Bond Bridge Project.

Stagg Blasts Proposal for 4 & 3 Storey Apartment Blocks at Old Greenfield

Deputy Emmet Stagg has blasted the application for Planning Permission for the provision of 4 and 3 Storey Apartment Blocks at Old Greenfield, Maynooth.

Along with his colleague Cllr. John McGinley Deputy Stagg has lodged an objection to the proposal calling it incomprehensible and out of character with the existing built environment in the area which is made



Cllr. John McGinley

up of bungalows and single storey semi-detached houses.

Outlining his objections to the development, Deputy Stagg stated:

The density at 43.7 units to the acre is excessive when compared with existing residential density in the area which is about 3 units to the acre.

The site is less than 0.5 of a hectare which precludes it from serious consideration for higher residential density.

The proposal has no regard for the residential amenity of neighbours which is a requirement under the Maynooth Development Plan 2002.

The Zoning of the area was set at a Higher Density to make it easier for families to get planning permission to build homes for members of their families.

The proposal is out of character with the existing pattern and scale of development in the area which is single storey.

The proposal does not integrate with existing development in the area.

The 4 & 3 Storey Blocks will cause overlooking of existing properties, particularly of rear gardens causing a loss of privacy.

The 4 & 3 Storey Blocks will cause a loss of light to surrounding houses.

The monstrous structures will dominate the skyline as viewed from the houses and gardens along Old Greenfield Lane.

The excessive development will significantly increase traffic volumes on the proposed road to the rear of the houses along Old Greenfield Lane thus increasing the traffic hazards where the road will join with the Straffan Road

The 4 & 3 Storey Blocks will destroy the entrance to Maynooth along the Straffan Road by placing ugly 4 & 3 Storey Apartment Blocks at a prominent Visual Point along the Straffan Road.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that the proposed development had no regard for the existing residents of the area and was simply out of character and unacceptable and he called on Kildare Co. Council to comprehensively reject Planning Permission.

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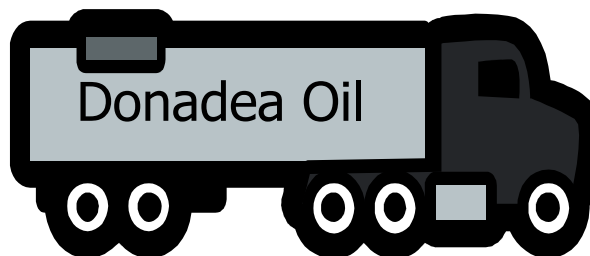
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Stagg Lodges Objection to 02 Mast Retention at Maynooth G.A.A. Club

Deputy Emmet Stagg has lodged an objection with Kildare Co. Council along with his colleague, Cllr. John McGinley, to the application by 02 Communications for the retention of their unauthorised Mast at Maynooth G.A.A. Grounds on the Moyglare Road, Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg stated that this was 02's second attempt at applying for retention, the previous application having being declared invalid twice. The Council are now taking Injunction Proceedings against 02 under Section 160 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 seeking the removal of the Mast and Deputy Stagg has been advised by the Council that the Legal Proceedings will continue even though this new application has been lodged.

Deputy Stagg has described the proposed retention of the Mast as totally unacceptable in an area which is heavily populated and which has over 1,200 pupils located in 2 schools within 200 yards of the site. Outlining his objections to the Mast Deputy Stagg stated:

- The proposal does not comply with the Maynooth Development Plan 2002 which states that Telecommunications Masts will not be permitted in the vicinity of schools or residential areas.
- The site is zoned Open Space and Amenity under the Maynooth Development Plan 2002 and Council Policy is to protect such areas from encroachment by other uses.
- The existing Mast has been unauthorised for 3 years and the applicants have failed to examine other sites in the area or to look at sharing an existing mast.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he looked forward to the commencement of Injunction proceedings against 02 and the rejection of the application for retention by Kildare Co. Council.

02 Mast Retention Application in Maynooth Declared Invalid Again

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his utter amazement and anger that the new planning application by 02 to retain their unauthorised Telecommunications Mast at Maynooth G.A.A. Grounds on the Moyglare Road, Maynooth, has been returned as invalid by Kildare Co. Council on October 18th. The new application has been rejected as invalid for the following reasons:

- The Newspaper Notice and Site Notice do not match.
- All required Drawings of Plan Elevations were not submitted.
- The overall Height of the Mast, which stands at 15 Metres, was not shown properly on a number of drawings.

Deputy Stagg stated that the previous retention application by 02 was returned as invalid twice by Kildare Co. Council. This new application has been returned as invalid within 8 days. I stated previously that 02 were playing with the Council as they are well capable of lodging a valid application for planning permission, if they so wish.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he had again contacted the Council insisting that they pursue vigorously the Injunction proceedings against 02 under Section 160 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, to have the unauthorised mast removed.

Maynooth Presentation Convent Extension Still on Hold.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to question the Minister for Education in relation to the required extension to Maynooth Presentation Convent National School.

Last April the school was allowed to proceed through Architectural Planning and in her most recent response the Minister advised Deputy Stagg that her Department Officials had recently written to the school requesting further information from the Consultant Quantity Surveyor on their Stage 3 Submission (Developed Plans/Costs) and that a response is awaited.

Deputy Stagg expressed his disappointment at the response. On 16th June last the Minister advised that the Stage 3 Submission had been received and would be examined by the Department's staff in due course. Given that further information was requested only recently it must have taken Departmental Staff more than 3 months to bother examining the Stage 3 Submission. This is a clear example of obvious delaying tactics given the urgent need for the extension.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he would continue to press the Minister in relation to progressing the required extension to Maynooth Presentation Convent.

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Minister Washes Hands on 24 Hour Garda Station for North Kildare – Now Says it is Up to The Commissioner

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued his campaign for the provision of a 24 hour Garda Station (District Headquarters) to serve the towns of Celbridge, Maynooth and Leixlip, which had a combined population of 40,324 people according to the 2002 census.

Deputy Stagg questioned the Minister as to why there was no intention of closing any of the existing 109 Garda District Headquarters in the State, and yet he refused to even consider the provision of a 24 hour station in North Kildare because it would remove gardai from outdoor duties.

The Minister in his response to Deputy Stagg stated that under the Garda Síochána Act 2005 the Commissioner of the Garda Síochána has enhanced responsibilities in preparing proposals for organisational reform. The Minister further stated that it would be premature to anticipate what proposals, if any, might be developed by the Commissioner.

Deputy Stagg expressed his continuing anger at the refusal to provide a proper policing service in North Kildare. He stated that he would now contact the Commissioner of the Garda Síochána with a view to making the case to him of the need to set up a 24 hour Garda Station in North Kildare.

Over 400 Children Awaiting Orthodontic Treatment in Kildare – 242 are Over 2 Years Awaiting Treatment

Deputy Emmet Stagg questioned the Tánaiste and Minister for Health in the Dáil in relation to the number of children awaiting Orthodontic Treatment in Co. Kildare. The Tánaiste as is her custom now referred the question to the Health Services Executive for answer as if she had no responsibility for the delivery of services to children.

The Health Services Executive advised Deputy Stagg that there were 430 patients awaiting Orthodontic treatment in Kildare, an increase of 33 since Deputy Stagg last raised this issue in July. The most worrying aspect of the response was that 242 children are waiting more than 2 years for treatment. In addition 346 children have not even got onto the waiting list because they have not been assessed yet despite their referral by the primary dental care service.

The Health Services Executive further advised Deputy Stagg that a number of recently qualified Orthodontists would be working on a part time basis with the H.S.E. in October.

Deputy Stagg described the waiting time for children as scandalous given the distress caused to children awaiting orthodontic treatment. This Government wasted €150 Million on a computer system that can't add yet we are only hiring additional orthodontists on a part time basis.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that the Tánaiste was responsible for the inadequate service and its time she devoted more resources to this area. We have the money but the Government have no willingness to tackle this issue.

Labour Publishes Ambitious Childcare Programme With Early Years Subsidy for All Parents

The Labour Party have published an ambitious policy on Childcare which would give every parent what it calls an Early Years Subsidy of €50 per week, extend parental leave and have it paid, offer a free pre-school place for all 3 year olds and put in place a system of family friendly work options and career leave for parents in the workforce.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has described it as a policy which puts children and their needs at the heart of the childcare debate and for the first time, offers all parents real choice.

"Our proposal gives equal recognition to the contribution of all parents – whether full time in the home, part time in the workforce, or full time in the workforce, with a subsidy which goes to all, and acknowledges the high cost of childcare, no matter how the child is cared for or by whom", he said.

"We now have an opportunity to put in place something that is currently missing in Ireland - a comprehensive system of early childhood care and education, which puts the needs of children first. We can now afford a major investment in early childhood care and education, and there is no doubt that it will pay off for everyone".

"And our proposals respond to a key concern for so many parents – having the time to be at home with their children. A package of family friendly work options, including paid parental leave, career leave and flexible working, will support parents

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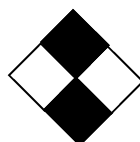
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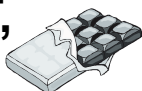


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in being parents, especially during the critical early years in a child's life", he said.

"We are also supporting the many thousands of childminders who are doing such a valuable job caring for children but who are not being acknowledged for it. We are proposing a tax exemption on the first €8,000 of earnings for childminders, many of whom at the moment do not have the benefit of social protection.

"Our proposal to have a free pre-school place for all children meets a need long recognised – to have a system of pre-school education in place for all, not just those who can afford it. And the benefits are well documented", he said.

Deputy Stagg said the package includes measures to encourage a range of after-school childcare options, which again come from the standpoint of what's best for children.

"Labour's comprehensive package will result in more childcare places being available because of increased investment, and will put quality at the heart of early childhood care and education".

Deputy Stagg said investment in childcare, especially for families living in poverty, is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty and has been shown to make a significant impact on the ongoing problem of early school leaving.

"And for many lone parents, affordable childcare is what makes the difference between being at work and not being at work".

"Finally, what this policy is fundamentally about is giving every parent – no matter what their circumstances – a real choice about how they care for their children. We want parents themselves to make their own choices. Our job is to give them the help and support they need to do that".

Stagg Welcomes Confirmation of C.P.O. and E.I.S. for Upgrade of N4 Between Leixlip and the M50

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the decision by An Bord Pleanála dated 28th October to confirm with some modifications the Compulsory Purchase Order and Environmental Impact Statement for the upgrade of the N4 between Leixlip and the M50.

Deputy Stagg stated that the C.P.O. and E.I.S. for the scheme had been published by South Dublin Co Council on March 22nd and an Oral Hearing was held in relation to the scheme on July 5th.

The improvements planned include the following stated Deputy Stagg:

- Widening the existing carriageway to 3 lanes in each direction.
- Provision of a new interchange at the Lucan/Newcastle Road Junction on the Lucan By-Pass.
- Closure of existing Median Crossings along the full length.

Deputy Stagg stated that South Dublin Co. Council will now prepare the Detailed Design of the Scheme and he called on the National Roads Authority to provide funding for the works early in 2006.

This work stated Deputy Stagg should have been completed in 2004 but was delayed following cut-backs introduced after the 2002 General Election. The work will provide relief for motorists through the provision of the additional lane in both directions and the removal of the traffic lights on the Lucan By-Pass.

Public Lighting at The Harbour, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley got the following reply to his motion on the provision of proper public lighting at The Harbour, Maynooth:

"The Meeting Administrator may wish to refer to recent reports in this instance. The Senior Executive Officer has been in touch with Waterways Ireland with a view to ascertaining whether its requirements relating to the type of lighting column might be relaxed in view of the substantial costs involved. A reply is currently awaited."

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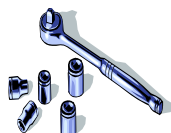
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In brief terms, as previously outlined, Kildare County Council is simply not in funds to fund the cost of this scheme which, in turn, relates to land which is not in its ownership. However, in view of the issues involved, and as the matter has become quite protracted, it is willing to make a reasonable contribution. The members will recall that Iarnród Éireann is not prepared to contribute.

I have requested the Senior Executive Officer, Roads Administration to continue to pursue this issue as a matter of priority and a further report will issue in due course. The assistance of the members will also be appreciated in this matter."

The County Manager also told Cllr. John McGinley that he was taking a personal interest in this long running issue and that he would be consulting Waterways Ireland, Iarnród Éireann, OPW and ESB as requested by John in order to reach a satisfactory conclusion. Cllr. McGinley has pointed out that this is a highly pedestrianised area and that the provision of proper lighting is a public safety issue and that its provision would also protect the Council's significant investment in the Children's Playground.

Provision of a Bus Shelter at the Stop Opposite The Glenroyal Complex

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following update on the provision of the much needed bus shelter at the stop opposite The Glenroyal:

"The Area Engineer has received correspondence from Clear Channel, the company responsible for erecting these bus shelters. A copy is available in the area office. There is a new bus shelter design available which may well suit this location. A consignment is being delivered in the coming weeks and the Area Engineer hopes to have an up-date for the next meeting of the Area Committee."

Footpaths at Dublin Road/Doctors Lane, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following update on his motion at the Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council on October 21:

"A detailed report on this matter was issued for the May meeting of the Committee. Again, by way of background the members will be aware that it was proposed to create a one-

way system for Doctors Lane. As per drawings previously circulated, it was also envisaged that resurfacing work would take place and the footpaths would be strengthened. It was also proposed to provide additional parking as well as cycle lanes from the Doctors Lane junction to Tesco.

Again, as previously advised these works have been prioritised; Phase 1 (in the form of the Charter House scheme) having been carried out. However, a source of funding has not yet been identified for Phases 2 (Doctors Lane) and Phase 3 (Doctors Lane to Tesco).

It may be that some funding can be identified from the development contribution (old) scheme. Indeed an amount of €25,000 (Planning Ref: 02/2060) has been so identified. However, this would only cover a small element of the cost.

I do, however, recall that this matter has been raised on a number of occasions at the Area Committee. Accordingly, I have requested that provisional costings be prepared regarding Phases 2 and 3. I have also requested the Roads Administration section to re-check if there are any further development levies (old scheme) which could be applied to such works which, indeed, are considered to be desirable. A further report, together with drawings, will be circulated for the November meeting."

Cllr. John McGinley again pointed out that over €1m in development levies have been collected in the area in the recent past and that they should be used to provide a footpath and cycle path from Doctors Lane to TESCO.

Northern Relief Road from Moyglare Road to Moygaddy in Meath

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following update at the October Leixlip Area Meeting to his motion on the provision of the Northern Relief Road:

"A preliminary design has been prepared for the Maynooth northern relief road and a copy is available for inspection in the Road Design office. Relevant officials in Meath Co. Council have been appraised regarding the issue as part of an ongoing series of liaison meetings which take place regarding infrastructural issues common to both authorities.

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However, a formal submission has not as yet been made as there are some planning matters to be resolved in the first instance. These aspects are currently being addressed by the Council's Planning department."

Re-Surfacing of the Moyglare Road

In reply to his motion Cllr. John McGinley was advised that:

"A contractor will be carrying out this resurfacing work in the near future. This matter is in hand."

Cllr. John McGinley stated that nothing short of complete re-surfacing of the road would be acceptable because of the damage done during the pipe laying.

Provision of Traffic lights at the junction of Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following reply to his motion:

"This matter has been examined by the Road Design team. Indeed, as part of the Meadowbrook Link project, ducting has been provided for the provision of traffic lights in the future. However, it is not proposed that such will be provided in the short term. In this regard, a comprehensive approach to traffic management on the Straffan Road will be pursued in the context of the future opening of the proposed Straffan Road/Celbridge Road link at the Lidl development. This will probably entail the provision of traffic signals at both locations in the future. It should, however, be emphasised that traffic arrangements in the context of the reconstruction of Bond Bridge will continue to be monitored. In this regard, it is proposed that signage will be erected at Ladychapel directing H.V.G's away from the Meadowbrook Link to Taghadoe Cross."

Cllr. John McGinley welcomed the proposal for the additional signage directing HGV's away from the Meadowbrook Link Road and Beaufield. However, he stated that with the closure of Bond Bridge it is essential that traffic signals are put in place at the Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road junction in order to regulate traffic at morning peak times. The pity is that a roundabout, as proposed by John and his fellow Councillors, was not put at this location in the first place.

Provision of Footpath on Rathcoffey Road, Across the M4 bridge:

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following reply to his motion on this much needed footpath to cater for

the footballers going to the new soccer pitches:

"Please also refer to previous reports in this matter. The issue has again been examined by the Road Design team on a preliminary basis. It is considered very unlikely that the provision of cycle lanes is feasible at this location. In the first instance, the width of the bridge is probably too narrow. In addition, and as previously outlined, this area extends well into a rural location and it would not normally be the practice to extend footpaths/cycle lane infrastructure into such outlying locations for a number of reasons as previously cited.

"The Road Design team are, however, agreeable to look at the issue in more detail and a further report will, hopefully be available for the December meeting."

Cllr. McGinley stated that the reply was totally unacceptable and he asked that every effort possible be made, in the interest of public safety, to have positive proposals for the December meeting.

Maynooth Traffic Plan

Council Officials reported as follows to complaints from Councillors on the operation of the new Maynooth traffic Plan:

"This matter is being closely monitored by the Road Design team. Initial observations would suggest that the system is generally working well. However, it must be emphasised that there are still works to be completed, mainly relating to pedestrian facilities etc. There should be no difficulty regarding the attendance of the Traffic Consultants (Faber Maunsell) at a future meeting to deal with detailed queries. However, it is suggested that this might best be left to the December meeting in order to facilitate completion of all works and to allow further monitoring to take place.

As previously outlined, the related issue of parking management also requires urgent attention and the Road Design team will commence this task hopefully in early 2006."

Cllr. John McGinley stated that it is incorrect to suggest that the system is generally working well. He pointed out that that may be the case at the Mill end but it is certainly not the case at the Dublin Road end where traffic is backed up to Blacklion in the evenings. Also, traffic coming down Straffan Road and turning right for Dublin Road are being given very little green light time and this problem is exacerbated

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be replaced with a stone wall."

by the failure of bus drivers to pull into the bus bay and so allow a continuous traffic flow. John has again asked that the pedestrian phase on the traffic signals at the Bank of Ireland be removed as they are a hazard and are no longer required anyway since the pedestrians signals came into operation at The Roost.

Cllr. McGinley's Motions and Questions for the Leixlip Area Meeting

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

Motion on Parking Management Policy for Maynooth

"That the following parking management policy be adopted for Maynooth:

- 1. That Pay & Display with Permit Parking be introduced*
- 2. That the profits accruing be ringfenced for use in Maynooth*
- 3. That enforcement of the Parking By Laws be vigorously policed by Council Traffic Wardens*
- 4. That increased public parking capacity be provided as a matter of urgency*
- 5. That the Minister for Transport and Iarnrod Eireann be asked to provide proper Park & Ride facilities for those commuters who use Maynooth Train Station."*

Motion on Pound Park (The Green), Maynooth

"That the following works be carried out in Pound Park (The Green), Maynooth, without any further delay:

- 1. That the Bandstand be removed and installed at NUI Maynooth as previously agreed.*
- 2. That full re-instatement and landscaping be carried out.*
- 3. That the mound of earth which is being used at present as a location for anti-social behaviour be levelled immediately.*
- 4. That the wall at the Band Hall be re-constructed and that the palisade fencing*

Question on the Re-cycling Centre at the Public Car Park, Maynooth:

When are the long awaited CCTV cameras being installed at the re-cycling centre at the public car park in Maynooth?

Question on Traffic Calming at Laurence Avenue, Maynooth

When is the traffic calming being installed at Laurence Avenue, Maynooth? (I allocated funding from my Discretionary Grants for this)

Stagg Welcomes 10 Year Transportation Plan But is Critical of Delivery Times and Exclusion of LUAS Extension to North Kildare:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the announcement of Transport 21 but has criticised the delivery dates for Public Transport Improvements for Kildare and the exclusion of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge from the new LUAS line from Lucan to the City Centre.

Deputy Stagg stated that the following Projects would benefit Public Transport Commuters in the North Kildare area.

- Rail Re-signalling in the City Centre between Connolly and Pearse Street Stations which will increase the number of trains per direction from 12 to 16 per hour. This will allow for additional services on the Maynooth Line and is due for completion in 2009.
- The opening of a new Train Station at Spencer Dock by 2009 will also provide opportunities to increase frequencies on the Maynooth line.
- The Kildare Route Project which involves quadrupling the line between Hazelhatch and Inchicore, and which is presently the subject of a Railway Order application, will be completed by 2010.
- A DART service will be provided on the Maynooth and Hazelhatch lines by 2015, and this will improve services further.
- The Interconnector, linking the Kildare Suburban line from Hazelhatch and Sallins, to

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the City Centre is also due for completion in 2015.

- Additional Buses will also be provided which will improve the frequency of services.

Whilst welcoming the plan, Deputy Stagg stated it would be over 4 years before there would be a major increase in services on the Maynooth Line and 5 years before services on the Hazelhatch and Sallins line could expect major increases. The Electrification of both these lines and the provision of a DART service have been put to the back of the queue until 2015. Similarly the Interconnector has a completion date of 2015.

What worries me stated Deputy Stagg is that the former Minister for Transport, Seamus Brennan T.D. indicated to me two years ago that the Re-signalling in the City Centre would be completed by 2007 and according to this new 10 year plan it will now be 2009 before this work is completed. This does not engender any great confidence in this Government to deliver on this Plan in Time and on budget. In addition the quadrupling of the Line between Hazelhatch and Inchicore was included in the National Development Plan 2000 to 2006. Yet we are now told that it will be 2010 before this project will be completed.

The Plan also has glaring omissions, one of which is doubling the line to Kilcock which is not even mentioned and the other is the exclusion of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge from the proposed new LUAS line from Lucan to the City Centre. Surely the provision of a LUAS line to the North Kildare Towns should have been considered seriously and it is disappointing that it was not.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that this Plan at least provides in a structured way the delivery of Public Transport Improvements but it will have to be monitored closely to ensure that it is delivered on time. In addition he stated that he would raise the doubling of the track to Kilcock and the extension of the new LUAS line to Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge with the Minister for Transport.

Labour Motion on Management Companies for New Housing Estates:

Cllr. John McGinley and his fellow Labour Party Councillors had the following motion on the Agenda for the October meeting of the Council:

"That Kildare County Council cease the practice of imposing planning conditions that require the creation of management companies for new housing estates, that the formation of Residents' Associations be actively encouraged and assisted and that where management companies exist that the residents be advised and assisted on how they can be wound up."

It was agreed to refer the motion to the Council's Planning Strategic Policy Group and that the group would come back to the January Council meeting with a recommendation for progressing the motion.

Cllr. John McGinley was advised by Council Officials during discussions on the County Development Plan that management companies would only be a requirement for apartments and would not apply to houses. However, this information was incorrect as management companies are now a condition in the grant of planning permission for many new housing estates, a practice that the Minister Dick Roche stated on RTE 5/7 Live was illegal. On hearing this Cllr. John McGinley asked the County Secretary for an urgent explanation.

Work to Commence on Maynooth Post Primary Extension at Last - Stagg

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed confirmation from the Minister for Education that work on the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School will commence by the middle of November.

Deputy Stagg stated that the cost of the contract is in excess of €3 Million and that the period of the contract is 15 months. The contractors are at present moving on site with construction ready to begin.

The Extension stated Deputy Stagg will increase the permanent building capacity at Maynooth Post Primary School to 850 pupils and the extension comprises 6 General Classrooms, Demonstration Room, Computer Business Machines Room, Special Tuition Room, 2 Lecture Rooms, Administration Rooms and a Physical Education Hall.

With construction now commencing Deputy Stagg stated that the long campaign for the extension which began in 1999 has finally come to a successful conclusion and he complimented the C.E.O. of Co. Kildare V.E.C. Sean Ashe on the successful conclusion



Catherine Murphy T.D. Press Statement

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CLAUSES UNLAWFUL AND UNENFORCEABLE SAYS TD

Deputy Catherine Murphy has today stated her belief that certain conditions in the contracts of sale of homebuyers in house-only developments who have been forced to subscribe to Property Management Companies are not legally enforceable. In stating her belief in this regard Murphy referred to the legal principle that where a contract or conditions of a contract are not in compliance with an existing law they are void and or unenforceable.

"You can't contract outside the law, that's a simple fact of our legal system. So now that the Minister for the Environment and the Taoiseach have informed us that Local Authorities were not acting as they should have when they imposed planning conditions making the existence of these companies mandatory for certain developments it's clear that these conditions were not lawful. The courts need to recognise this and equity demands that they rule these conditions to be unenforceable", stated Murphy.

Minister for the Environment, Mr Dick Roche TD, informed Deputy Murphy on 25th October 2005 in the Dáil that the *Planning & Development Act 2000* is not intended to be used by Local Authorities to "side-step their responsibilities or try to pass them on to residents" where estate management companies are concerned. He went on that day to highlight that "the intention [of this act] is to protect homeowners and to expedite the process of taking estates in charge. It is not meant as a means for local authorities to side-step their responsibilities or try to pass them on to residents."

Murphy concluded in saying "I of course understand that retrospective legislation is not lawful and cannot be enacted but it is important that the Government introduce legislation ensure that the rights of property owners are safeguarded in the future. Equally however it's vital that the rights of the people who have been caught out by this unlawful practice are also vindicated."

Stop Considering and Start Delivering on Town Councils, Demands Frustrated TD

Deputy Catherine Murphy has reiterated her extreme dissatisfaction at inaction on the part of Minister for the Environment Mr Dick Roche TD regarding the establishment of Town Council's. Although having net with what he termed "a number of vibrant community groups, including both Celbridge and Maynooth Community Council's" the Minister has not yet

commenced the relevant provisions of the Local Government Act 2001 to enable eligible towns apply for Town Council Status.

"It's outrageous that almost 10 years on from the Report of the Reorganisation Commission that called for improved accessibility, interaction and linkages for all towns with their Local Authority the Minister is still only 'considering' steps necessary to make Town Council applications possible. 10 years is more than enough time, we need Part 17 of the Local Government Act 2001 to commence immediately" stated Murphy.

According to Part 17 of the Local government Act 2001 once a town has a population 7,500 or over (at the time of the last census) it is eligible to propose the establishment of a Town Council to their County Council, after which a detailed process is engaged to decide on whether the proposal will be accepted. Although these provisions form part of an Act which has been on the Statute Book since 2001 the Minister for the Environment has, as yet, failed to commence them making them ineffectual.

"Everything about this is anti-democratic. The Local Government Act 2001 was passed by both houses of the Oireachtas, it was signed into law by the President of the country, yet the Minister for the Environment is founding up the show while he considers whether or not he wants to commence certain parts?. This is wrong and it's the people of towns like Celbridge and Maynooth that are suffering as a result" fumed Murphy.

She concluded in highlighting the positive influence that Leixlip Town Council has had on the development of the town "as a founding member of Leixlip Town Council I know first hand just what positive focus it has given Leixlip. As towns grow in size more effort needs to be made that the sense of community remains, Town Council's have a vital part to play in doing this and I'm determined that towns like Maynooth and Celbridge be given the chances that Leixlip have had over the years

Gardai Intended To Tackle Drugs Problem Allocated to Traffic Duties, According to TD

Deputy Catherine Murphy has criticised the governments approach to the setting up of the now one-year old Garda Traffic Corps. Although fully supportive of the establishment of the Corps due to what she has termed the "ongoing and consistently tragic" instances of road traffic accidents on Irish Roads, Murphy has criticised Minister Michael McDowell's inclusion of the Corps, within the overall



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Catherine Murphy T.D. Press Statement (Contd.)

planned increase of 2000 Gardai in the coming years.

"The government has promised us an additional 2000 Gardai to be targeted specifically at, and I quote from the programme for government, 'areas experiencing a significant drugs problem and a large number of public order offences'. This must be fulfilled over and above the staff allocation of the Traffic Corps, recent gangland killings are just a sample illustration of why" When the formation of the Traffic Corps was announced by Minister Mc Dowell on 23rd November 2004, he informed the public that there would be "dedicated Traffic Corps with its own staff and ring-fenced budget". However Murphy has stated that as the planned increase in Traffic Corps numbers from the current level of 574 to the end target of 1,200 Gardai will be staffed directly from the 2000 additional Gardai to be recruited over the coming years, we will only see an additional 800 Gardai on the beat throughout the country, a country that is seeing a rapid increase in population.

"I strongly welcome the formation of the Traffic Corps and I also welcomed the announcement of 2000 additional Gardai in the Programme for Government of 2002 but the Government should be honest and start separating the figures out. We are to have a 1,200 strong Garda Traffic Corps and an additional 800 Gardai for other other areas of policing. Lets not kid ourselves here"

TD Urges Vigilance in Monitoring Christmas Taxi-Fare Hike

What is hoped to be the final Christmas taxi-fare rip-off is well under way as passengers are set to pay anywhere between €40 and €70 for the eleven mile journey from Dublin City Centre and Leixlip, according to Deputy Catherine Murphy. The North Kildare TD highlighted that this journey should, on the meter, cost approximately €30 however a small minority of unscrupulous taxi-drivers are embellishing the fare to the disadvantage of passengers.

"As Dublin taxi-drivers are not required to take fares outside their meter area and when they do are entitled to negotiate a fare with the passenger, a minority of drivers are exploiting the situation. Although the vast majority of drivers are not engaging in this practice it's important that the public takes note of those trying to rip them off and report them to the taxi regulator. This is a huge problem late at night when the demand for taxi services far exceeds the supply" stated Murphy.

However the Taxi Regulator who was appointed in September 2004 is currently engaged in a public consultation process regarding proposals for improvements to taximeter areas and fares. While

strongly welcoming the action on the part of the Regulator in what she hopes will be a 'much needed and long awaited' improvement in the taxi- services for North Kildare, she has urged caution to all of those who will be using taxi-services over the Christmas period.

"People taking taxi's from Dublin into the North Kildare Area need to be careful that the taxi drivers they approach will agree a fare with them before they enter the vehicle. And, more importantly where passengers encounter drivers who will only carry them for exorbitant fares they should take the number of the taxi and contact the Regulator to make sure that these drivers aren't allowed to continue ripping passengers off and giving all taxi-drivers a bad name" concluded Murphy.

The Taxi Regulated may be contacted at www.taxiregulator.ie, commission@taxiregulator.ie, 01 6593800

T.D. Welcomes New Train Timetable

I spoke to some Irish Rail Officials who deal with the timetable on the Maynooth line and there is some good news.

The new Irish Rail timetable for Maynooth line is due to come into effect on 11th December which is a Sunday however from the Monday commuters will notice some welcome changes.

There will be some small changes to some of the existing times but the introduction of 3 new trains morning and 2 new trains at evening peak are the big news. The expectation was that there would be one additional 8 car train morning and evening what they have done is to add a train at 7.22 a.m. and 8.40 a.m. these will be 4 car trains (they will terminate at Connolly rather than crossing to Pearse Station). The new evening trains will be at 17.28 and 18.04. Some significant long gaps will have been closed in the timetable by these changes.

I had had a PQ replied by Martin Cullen in relation to the extra slots (from 12 to 16 per hour) across Butt Bridge to Tara however that does not seem to add anything to the Maynooth line.

The next serious opportunity to add to the service will be in about 18 months following upgrades to signalling etc. but we will have to wait until Spencer Dock is delivered to get to the 10 minute peak time service that is expected in 2008.

They also hope to do a lot more in the off peak in the next revision of the timetable December 06. There is one new off peak train being introduced into the new timetable.

Given the level of overcrowding being experienced this is welcome however it makes the service more attractive and I think it is predictable that it will increase the numbers, people are voting with their feet so the more that can be delivered the more successful the line will get.

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The Holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for you intentions.

From the daughters of Eileen Nolan.

Maynooth Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The Maynooth Bethany Bereavement Support group Is a Parish based ministry, which offers care and Support to those in need following a significant Loss or bereavement. The group has been established in the parish since February 2000. The Members of the Bereavement Support Group are Volunteers who are trained to listen and provide Support in a caring and confidential manner. Some Of the members have experienced significant losses themselves and can empathise with those who are Bereaved. Bereavement support is offered in a Number of different ways including home visits, Individual contacts and telephone support as requested. It is comforting for many to know that they are not alone with their grief. Tremendous relief can be gained from sharing and talking about your loss. If you feel it would be helpful to speak with a member O the Bereavement group please contact Kathleen On 6290329 or alternatively contact the Parish Office on 6293018 for further details. Confidentiality assured.

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If you feel that you would like to become involved in the work of the Bereavement Support Group please Contact us. New members are always welcome. A Training course for new volunteers in 'Supporting The Bereaved' will commence in February 2006 in Clonliffe College.