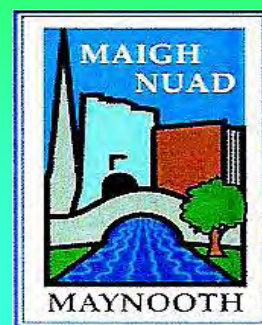
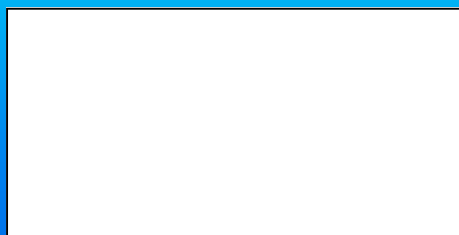


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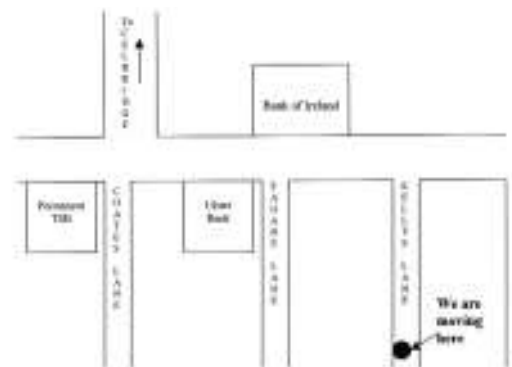
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## Editorial

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**

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.

# Garry

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05/780	Thomas McKeon	22 Kingsbury 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 Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare
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



## First Communions 2005



Denise Travers, Julie Travers, Tara Delaney & Carol Delaney



Emer with Mammy & Daddy



Caroline Hegarty Morris, Alison Kelly, Suzy Ward & Magda Piatek

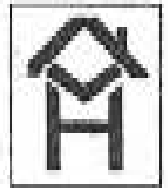
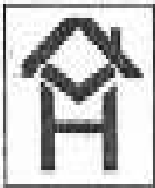


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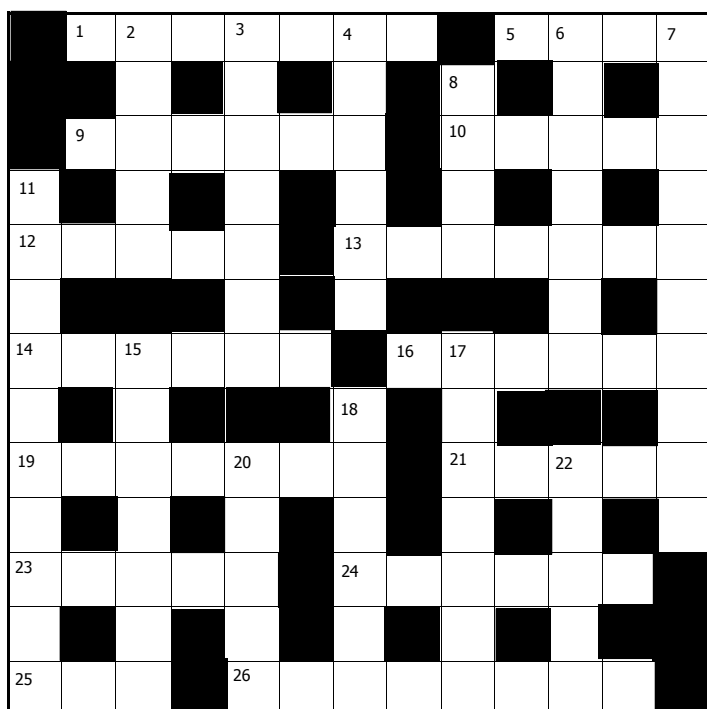
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9. Dilute (6)
10. Loathes (5)
12. Shakespeare character (5)
13. Hug (7)
14. Hurry (6)
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6. Economise (3,4)
7. Dispirit, depress (10)
8. *Moby Dick* captain (4)
11. Christian clergyman (10)
15. Common bird (7)
17. Singers, Father \_ \_ \_ and the Smurfs (7)
18. Arm or leg (6)
20. Batting stroke (4)
22. Partition (5)

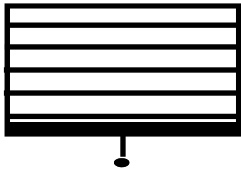
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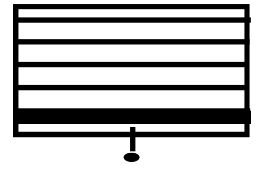
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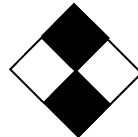
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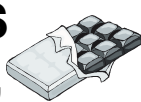
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## Maynooth Golf Society

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

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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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# Features

## 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 16<sup>th</sup>, 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> with six-under 281, and Clarke was number 17 with two-under 286. Another home favourite, Paul McGinley finished at 36<sup>th</sup> 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:

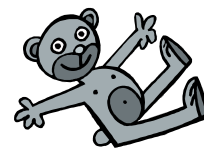
It's very successful, and very well presented. We are supporting Paul McGuinley. He's a brilliant putter and just needs a bit of luck. We also give our help by assisting as marshals during the game and that is really exciting.



*Support team from Maynooth*

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## MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES RESULTS

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	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	
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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
	2nd		
	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

## Clubs, Organisations and Societies Clubs,

### 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.

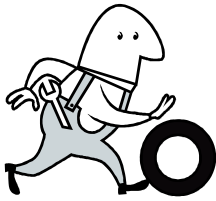
Well done to all the boys and girls and good luck in the County Final in Athy on Saturday 14th June.



Some of the medal winners



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## Maynooth Citizens Information Notes.

### Question

What is the cost of a passport and how do you apply?

### Answer

The cost of a passport depends on the type of passport and the rates are as follows:

- Standard ten-year passport for people aged 18-64  
€75
- Standard ten-year passport for people aged 65 and over  
€25
- Large ten-year passport for very frequent travellers  
€100
- Three-year passport for children under age 3  
€15
- 5 year passport for children aged 3 - 17  
€25

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

There is Motorised Transport Grant available from the

# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## Maynooth Citizens Information Notes. (contd.)

Health Service Executive (HSE) towards the conversion or purchase of an adapted car.

To be eligible for the grant you must be between the ages of 17 and 66, have a disability such that it impedes you using public transport and you need to make adaptations to a motor vehicle in order to be able to drive it. The motor vehicle must be essential in order for you to make a living. You must be physically and mentally capable of driving and you must hold a full driving licence. You must also satisfy a means test.

In certain circumstances someone else may be approved to drive for the person with a disability where he/she is not physically or mentally capable of driving. Sometimes the grant may be made to a self-employed person or to a person who has not already taken up employment but would be able to do so if transport difficulties were overcome. On occasion a grant may be made to someone living in a very isolated area even though they may not be in employment.

You apply to your Local Health Office in the HSE for the grant. The maximum amount of the grant is €4690.

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](http://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

Service Executive office or health centre. You will have to provide your name, address, date of birth and Personal Public Service (PPS) Number.

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.
- Those going to do a course of study.
- Those going temporarily for any other purpose where healthcare itself is not the purpose

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre

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Citizens Information is also available online at

**Copy date for  
the July  
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# Maynooth Swimming Club Awards



Daniel French, Jordan, Jack Connolly



Ursula McGinn



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.

Contacts: Siobhan Byrne 6012974  
Mary Murray  
Bronwyn Mooney 6289405 P.R.



Catherine Murphy T.D. and children



Catherine Murphy T.D. and children



Ruth Doherty



Gilian Behan, Dean Leavy, Daniel French



Patricia Moynihan, Catherine Murphy  
Catherine Carton



## Intel presents lap-top to Maynooth Community Council



Donna Woods on behalf of Intel presenting a lap-top to Paul Halligan from Maynooth Community Council



Brid Feely,  
(Chairperson,  
Maynooth Community  
Council)  
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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

### Racing record.

19th September 1980	Newbury	Kris Plate	1 mile. 1st
25th October 1980	Doncaster	Futurity	1 mile. 2nd
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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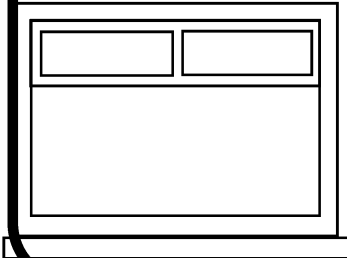
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## First Communions 2005



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Brige with mammy, daddy & sister



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Pauline, Brenda & Zara Finlay

## First Communions 2005



Anthony Mel, Delly Bab, Muriel Muntandu, Frank Makengo  
& Gael Makengo



Frank Makengo with parents & brother Jess



Sean Kearney with his Mum & Dad



Julie, Patrick, Alison & Ronan O'Dea



Conor Gorman & Family



Dónal Reilly & Family

# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## 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  
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**P.S. We always welcome new members.**





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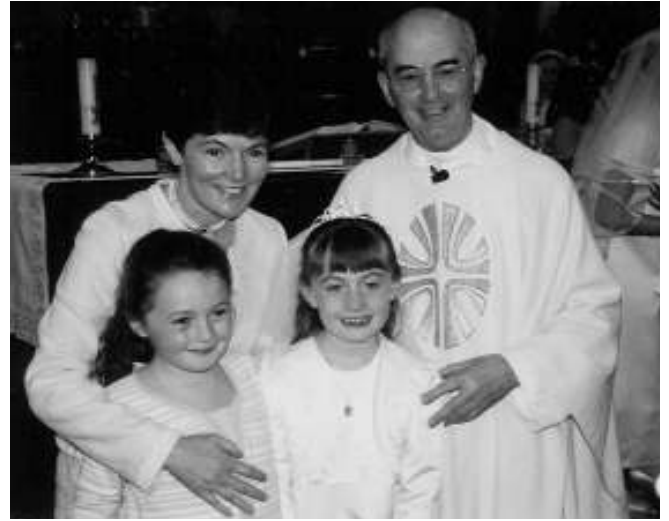




## First Communions 2005



Alison Kelly & her mother Aine



Sinead with her mother, sister Mairead & Monsignor Stenson



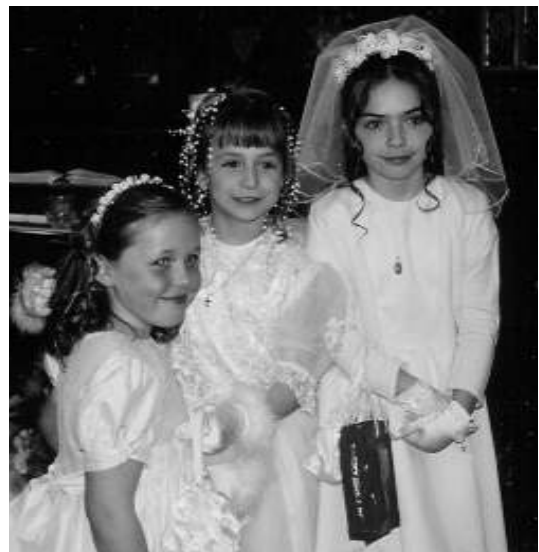
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## First Communions 2005



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



Sinead with sister Mairead, mum and dad



Sarah & her mum

## First Communions 2005



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.

May he rest in peace.



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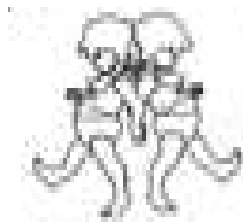


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# Useful Tips

## 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

**TESCO**  
**7-A-SIDE SOCCER TOURNAMENT 2005**  
**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**  
**12Th JULY - 24th JULY**

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(MUST BE HOUSING ESTATE NAME)

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  
John McGinley not later than Thursday 1st July  
(Phone: 6285293 (H) - 7026536 (W) )**

# 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**

## First Communions 2005



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, sprinkler 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*), toadflax (*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 verbena; and biennials such as Canterbury bells, stocks and sweet william. To keep them flowering from June to September, dead-head frequently.

## The Vegetable Garden.

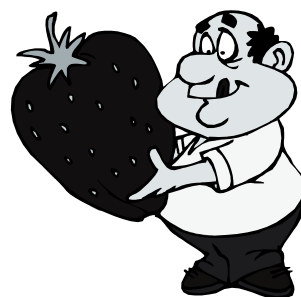
**Sowing.** Continue to sow the following: French beans and runner beans can be sown this month and up until early July in the south. Savoy cabbage ('January King', 'January Queen'); and cabbage ('Winter Monarch') for next spring's crop. Carrots 'Chantenay Early Red Core' and 'Early Nantes' for autumn 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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# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## 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.

# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## (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

### Weekly Lotto Draw 8/05/05

**This weeks Jackpot** **€2100**

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Bridget McHale**

# 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.....).



# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## 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.

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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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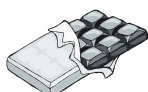
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# Features

## 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. Padrig 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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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## Maynooth Labour News



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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



# Party Political

## Maynooth Labour News ( Contd)

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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share it with our  
readers from the  
time of Pope John  
Paul II visit to  
Maynooth*

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