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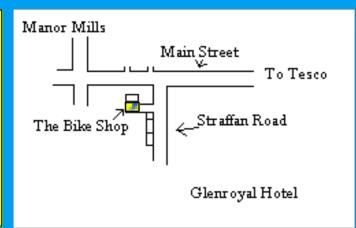


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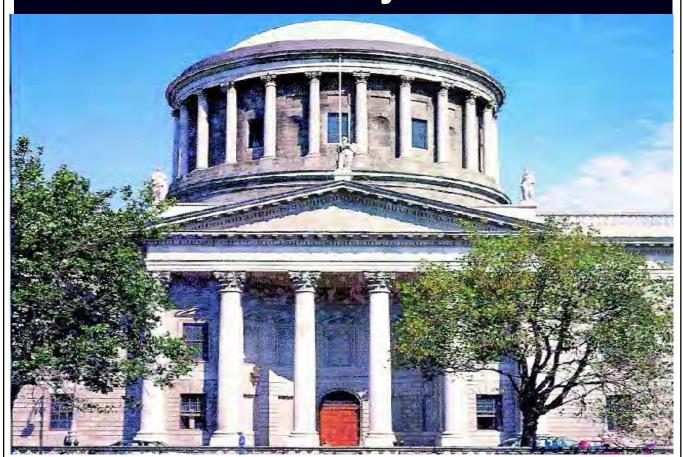
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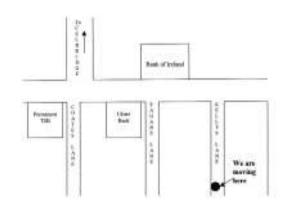
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Editorial

Two important meetings took place this month that could impinge on Maynooth. The first was the delegation from Maynooth Community Council that met with the Leixlip area councillors in Naas on Friday the 21st October. The second was another delegation from the Council that met with the Minister for the Environment on Tuesday 4th October. At the first of these meeting M. Ní Bhrolcháin (MCC), Tony Bean (Maynooth Community Centre Partnership), Terry Nealon (Arts Forum), Bríd Feely (MCC), Peter Connell (Maynooth Action Strategy) met with Collrs John McGinley, Senan Griffin, Gerry McDonagh and Peter Minnock (Corporate Affairs).

The purpose of this initial meeting was to progress the community developments in the town, firstly the case for developing the Geraldine Hall for an Arts Centre with the Community Council as the anchor tenant and secondly the case for the development of a community centre on the Dublin Road. This was a very fruitful meeting and the different funding opportunities and possibilities were explored. It was seen that this was the first of a number of such meetings.

The second meeting with the Minister for the Environment Dick Roche took place as a result of the Community Council's continued efforts to achieve Town Council/Commission Status for the town, Brid Feely led a delegation including Tony Bean and Paul Croghan. As the Castle was also being discussed the President of NUI Maynooth also attended this meeting. According to the legislation any town over 7,500 is entitled to this status but the section of the Act necessary has not yet been signed. The Council submitted its original application in 1990 that appeared in the paper Irish Oifigiúil as required by law. The criteria has now changed and 2,000 signatures are required as well as €1,000 lodged for the consultation process. But the County Council cannot process applications without the establishment of a Local Government Commission and this has not been put in place by the Minister. The Community Council has been writing to each successive Minister for the Environment for the past 4 years but the response has been similar on all occasions - that the relevant section of the Act has not been enacted. Despite the Minister's assurances that he was examining the situation there seems little reason to hope that any progress will be made in the near future.

In further developments in the town, Manor Mills has opened and Dunnes Stores has arrived in Maynooth. It will take time to assess the impact of this upon the traffic flows. Secondly there was a public meeting on Sept 29th about Bond Bridge. It will be closing to all traffic in early November and it is hoped that the project will now be completed in approximately 40 weeks. Also see inside for a report on the Tidy Towns awards.

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Maynooth Community Council Notes

The October meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 10th of October in the Glenroyal Hotel

Town Council Status

Paul Croghan stated that a meeting had taken place with Mr Dick Roche the delegation included the President of NUI Prof John Hughes, KCC, and MCC. Paul said it was important to point out to the Minister just what TCS would mean to Maynooth. The Minister seemed interested in local democracy, however it was felt that the procure is not in place at this time, as part of our application a 1000 signatures is needed. Brid Feeley, chairperson MCC, felt we should push on with this new application now. However, John McGinley didn't think it wise to look for 1000 signatures at this time until such times that a local government commission is up and running. Muireann Ni Bhrolchain pointed out that all this has already been done with letters and signatures submitted. John O Connor felt the fact that we got a meeting must mean something and we must keep up the pressure.

It is very important that we seek support of the community on this and point out benefits of Town Council Status, Leixlip would have direct assess to certain money John McGinley pointed out.

Brid Feeley said we should not adopt a defeatist attitude to this, and we will push forward with it.

Pay Parking in Maynooth

Robert Wilson put forward the motion, he said pay parking should be introduced on Main Street and in the public car park. Robert said all spaces are taken by people using trains for all day parking, people can't find spaces to shop or go to lunch. Ed Tobin pointed out if charges were large enough it would be a deterrent to people. It was also noted that more policing should be done also that any money should go back into the community. It was also noted that Estates are used for car parking. John McGinley said another public car park is needed. There should be proper parking locations at the Harbour in new development plan, a new package is needed, also a huge need for long term parking. It was also suggested we need planned parking talks with KCC and Iarnrod Eireann, while upgrading Train Services no parking is provided. Also noted Harbour Field Action Area Plan and Carton Plan up for approval in two weeks. It was agreed to put this motion forward.

Sub—Committees

Tidy towns

Paul Croghan told the meeting that their prize giving night will be on the 19th of October in the Glenroyal Hotel. He also said that the second years in College have completed a house survey on the environment.

Festival

Andrew McMullon said that the An Nuadh Players would put on a concert in the Castle next year.

St Patrick's Day Parade

John McGinley said he will be having a meeting before next MCC meeting.

Twinning

John O Connor said that they are looking for help and some ideas on this.

Newsletter

The Newsletter is looking for a new Editor.

Castle Committee

There are no service facilities on site at the Castle, and as the Castle is a very important feature in Maynooth it should be made more amenable to the public. Brid Feely said that there is a strip of land belonging to the College and they would be willing to sell to the Castle Committee for facilities.

PRO Marie Gleeson

The next meeting of Maynooth
Community Council
will take place
on
Monday 14th November 2005
in the
Glenroyal Hotel at 8.30 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

Ua Buachalla, Main Street, Maynooth

Dear Editor,

Joe and Carmel Buckley and family would like to thank the people of Maynooth for their good wishes on the occasion of Joe's retirement recently.

A special thank you to all our fellow shopkeepers and business people in the town for their very generous presentation.

We appreciate very much all the people who called to the shop to wish us well. We were delighted with the amount of cards, flowers and gifts which we received.

We look forward to seeing and chatting with everybody when we meet them in the town.

Joe, Carmel Buckley and family.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Swimming Club

Maynooth Swimming Club is looking for children who are not beginners, but want to improve their stroke.

The beginners class is full to capacity.

The club is still taking names for the beginners and improvers classes and putting them on a waiting list.

The club closes on the 3rd December and reopens on 16th January 2006.

If you are interested in putting your child/children's name down please contact:

Patricia Moynihan 01 6286865

Attention!

If any clubs or organisations would like to submit any upcoming events, would they please contact the Maynooth Community Council office at Tel: 01 - 6285922 Fax: 01- 6285922 or Email: maynoothcc@eircom.net

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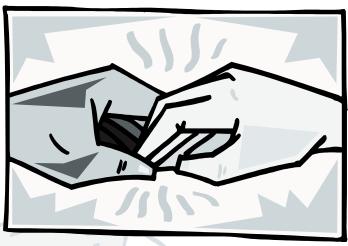
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Planning Permissions

FILE NUMBER	APPLICANT NAME	APPLICANT ADDRESS	APPLICATION TYPE	APPLICATION RECEIVED	DEVELOPMENT DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT LOCATION
05/2089	NUI Maynooth	Buildings Office NUI Maynooth Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	01/09/05	Erect open mesh safety canopy on existing pedestrian footbridge etc	Maynooth Kildcock Rd Maynooth, Co. Kildare
05/2112	PJ Reilly	Spring Valley Summerhill Co. Meath	P	06/09/05	Consisting of a two storey semi-detached dwelling utilising existing domestic entrance from public road, with new foul water and storm water connections to existing public sewers and new watermain connection to existing public watermain etc	No. 48 Meadowbrook Avenue Maynooth Co. Kildare
99/2037	Glenkerrin Group	Glenroyal Centre Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	16/09/05	Development/construction of an advanced Science and Technology Business Campus on site adjacent to M4 Motorway Interchange Junction with the R406 (Maynooth/ Straffan Road)	Moneycooley Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2247	North City Builders Ltd	Millrace Manor Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	21/09/05	Development comprising the demolition of habitable dwelling and shed and erection of 3 number 1 bedroom apartments and 27 number 2 bedroom apartments (30 number in total) in 2 Number 3 Storey blocks number 6 and 7, plus penthouse levels	Cois Abhainn Clane Co. Kildare
05/2271	Barry Walsh	10 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	23/09/05	Development will consist of a ground floor extension to the side and rear, of existing house	10 Parklands Lawns Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2274	David Mellon	Washington House Butterfield Avenue Rathfarnham Dublin 14	P	26/09/05	2 no. separate apartment blocks consisting of a 4 storey block "A" and a 3 storey block "B" with a total of 30 no. apartments	Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare





Maynooth Community Council are considering linking with a community in Africa and a sub-committee is investigating the feasibility of setting it up. The purpose of the link is not to fundraise, but to seek a community with which we can share our knowledge, resources and culture for mutual benefit.

Preferably we would like to link with a community of similar size and good communications infrastructure, to maximise and encourage the development of the links. The subcommittee would be very interested in hearing from anyone in the community who feels they would have something to contribute in helping us to achieve our aims.

You can contact us at Maynooth Community Council Offices, Unit 5,

Newtown Shopping Centre, Beaufield, Maynooth, Email: maynoothcc@eircom.net Tel. No: 01 6285922

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05/2303	Electricty Supply Board	Lower Grand Canal Street Dublin 2	P	29/09/05	Extension and alterations to the existing 38kv electrical transformer station consisting of a third 38Kv transformer, extend the 38kv, 10 kv bus bars and associated line cubicles. New 3 meter igh wall with piers to extension on western boundary etc	Moneycooley Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2306	Deborah Brennan	11 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	29/09/05	Consisting of a two storey to side and extending to the existing back wall of the house. A new bay window and porch to the front	11 Rockfield Green Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2317	Dan Carr	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare	R	30/09/05	Consisting of retention of existing single storey dog kennels used for hobby purposes and all associated site works etc	Clonfert Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2318	Brian Murphy	Crowncourt Blacklion Maynooth Co. Kildare	Р	30/09/05	(a) demolition of existing shed for agriculture use, (b) erection of two storey house and Septech 2000 effluent treatment plant	Crown Court Blacklion Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2343	Lidl Ireland	Great Connell Rd Newbridge Co. Kildaare	Р	05/10/05	Ancillary use of previously approved discount foodstore (Planning Ref. No. 374.03) as off licence	Straffan Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2353	Sally Ann Kehoe	Donoughmore House Rail Park Pike Bridge Maynooth	P	06/10/05	Two number two storey dormer dwellings, two number waste water treatment plants and a new shared roadway entrance	Pike Bridge Rail Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2371	Tesco Ireland Ltd	Una Crosse Development Planning Partnership 66 Lower Baggot St Dublin 2	p	07/10/05	The demolition of the existing foodstore and the construction of replacement food store located to the east of the site with a gross floor area of 11,177sq.m including alcohol sales area, over surface car parking with café (unit 30) etc	Dublin Road Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2384	Ann & Robert Kelly	43 Silken Vale Maynooth Co Kildare	P	10/10/05	Extension and alteration to the existing two storey dwelling, to include a new sunroom and utility room at ground floor level and a new ensuite bedroom at first floor level, all to the side of the existing dwelling, along with all associated site etc	43 Silken Vale Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2390	O2 Communications Ireland Ltd	Irene Kavanagh Network Property Dept 76 Lower Baggot st Dublin 2	P	10/10/05	Retain the existing base station installation consisting of No. 2 panel antennas and I link dish all shrouded on an existing 15m floodlight structure and equipment container on ground level	Maynooth GAA Club Moyglare Rd Maynooth Co. Kildare

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05/2416	Andrew and Martina Cully	26 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/10/05	First floor extension above the existing single storey structure to side of existing house and two storey extension to the rear of the single storey structure. Also with velux windows to side and rear of house	26 Rockfield Park Maynooth Co. Kildare
05/2419	Gerry Donovan	1202 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare	P	12/10/05	Single storey extension to the rear, a new porch to the front and associated works	356 Old Greenfield Maynooth Co. Kildare

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The "Rubbish" Debate:

There are probably many reasons why Ireland proves attractive to tourists. Perhaps it's our friendly attitude and the good nightlife in the Capital? Or, it may be the beautiful landscapes and sparkling mountain streams and rivers that dot the countryside. It is the latter, which is in danger from our indiscriminate use of landfill dumps to dispose of our rubbish. Up to recent times litter was more of an irritant than a major problem. But that has all changed. The country because of its economic success is producing mountains of rubbish, which continues to be dumped into landfill sites. The unpleasant toxic and hospital waste is also finding its way into these dumps. The continued expansion of county council dumps is bad enough because of increasing concerns regarding the potential threat to the environment. To be specific there are concerns that waste materials could seep into the sources of our water supply. Climatic changes means we are getting more frequent and more prolonged spells of rain. There is a danger of waste materials being washed into our water supply system. What makes the situation far more serious is the discovery nearly every other week of new illegal dumps. Each week provincial newspapers are reporting new discoveries of illegal waste dumps situated on private lands. In many cases the real owners are not readily identifiable and the authorities are finding it difficult to initiate legal proceedings against the perpetrators. Waste is no longer a joke. People whose opinions should be respected are now saying that our water supply is now in danger of contamination from the seepage of toxic waste from these dumps. It is also clear that County Councils are not being adequately funded to police threat. Repeated assurances that new landfill sites are safe do little to reassure the general public. Off course there are solutions but some of the more appropriate ones are continually being blocked by those with "not on my backdoor" mentality. Typical example would be resident groups in Dublin Bay objecting to the building of an incinerator at Ringsend to burn their rubbish. They have no problem however consigning their waste to the green fields of Kildare and Meath. However, there are issues to be addressed before we get to

Finance

At the moment domestic rubbish disposal is financed by bin charges levied by the county councils. This in effect means that the levy only applies to each household. Since there could be a number of people in the house only one, the householder is being levied with the charge. Since every individual living in the country creates waste, it is logical that everyone in the country should be paying to dispose of it. Since rubbish from Dublin city is now being dumped in Kildare and Meath maybe there is now a case for the

grips with a serious environmental problem.

Incinerator –V- landfill

Government to take overall responsibility for waste disposal. It is clear that this problem is crossing county borders. New ways should be looked at to finance a National Waste Disposal Agency, which would have responsibility for collecting and disposing of all waste. They would also have responsibility for recycling schemes and the building of new facilities for disposing of the nation's growing mountain of rubbish. Governments never lack ideas when initiating new forms of revenue. An increase of 1% in the top rate of vat would generate an additional 568 million. An increase of 1cent on the top rate of income tax would generate an additional 168 million into the Government coffers (figures supplied by the ESRI). These are just two of a number of areas that could be looked at to finance a new policy on waste disposal.

Rubbish Disposal / Incinerators.

There is indeed no ideal way to deal with rubbish disposal. Each and every method has its drawbacks. To those who say that we should start with recycling at domestic level would do well to note that recycling centres in Kildare are closing with monotonous frequency due to misuse of the facilities. Individuals are leaving domestic waste at the centres instead of paying bin charges. As much as we may desire it, the problem of refuge can not really be left to the individuals' sense of fair play. Of course that would be the ideal solution but the real world does not operate like that. The matter has now taken on a new sense of urgency. The issue of waste disposal and the protection of the environment should now become a priority of the current Government. It should receive the same attention as health, education and security. There has to be a centralised policy and administration. Every individual no matter where he lives should have their waste collected. Domestic appliances and furniture should be collected and disposed of by the collective responsibility of the industry concerned. There should be a centralised authority whose function would be to finance the disposal of waste, countrywide. This authority should have total responsibility for waste disposal and should have a clear transparent budget for its operations. We are running out of options for waste disposal. The practise of super rich countries like Austria and Switzerland exporting some of their waste material to impoverished eastern European countries is reprehensible, at the end of the day you really have only one realistic alternative

Incinerators have their objectors. Many believe what falls out of the sky will harm them or their children. Well what is the general experience? If the European experience is ok then we should go ahead and develop a strategic incinerator building programme. A number of following locations could be selected on a pilot run basis while landfill sites are

The "Rubbish" Debate: Incinerator –V- landfill

being closed down. Dublin Port, Cork harbour and west of limerick on the Shannon estuary. Emission controls should be strict and professionally monitored. Of course this is not a perfect solution. There are bound to be some disadvantages with such a building program but what other options do we have. The prospects of our water supplies being contaminated increase by the day. We do not have any idea of the long-term effect of stuffing mountains of rubbish into our soil. It is accepted that we do not know too much about the potential effects of incineration either but on the basis of common sense only it would appear better to burn our rubbish rather than bury it. The state of play at the moment is that the incinerators industries claim that the emissions are not dangerous and that so long as the plants are built and maintained to the highest standards that no danger should accrue to the population. At the very least the options should be debated on a priority basis.

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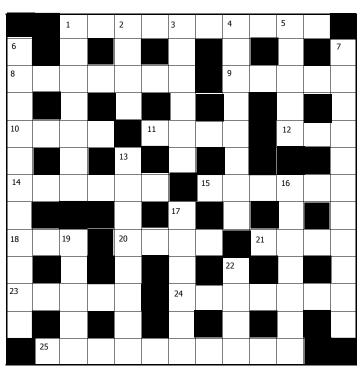


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- 10 Weakens (4)
- 11 Male pig (4)
- 12. Circuit (3)
- 14. Cowboy rope (6)
- 15. *Children of a* _ _ _ *God*, film (6)
- 18. Tap gently (3)
- 20. Prune (4)
- 21. Make (4)
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- 5. Annual peace prize (5)
- 6. Ian lost code (anag) (11)
- 7. Frame of mind (11)
- 13. Card game (8)
- 16. Table-top game (7)
- 17. Unmarried (6)
- 19. Lord of the Rings character _ _ _ Baggins (5)
- 22. Clanger! (4)

Across:

1. Cummmerbund, 8. Rancour, 9. Vocal, 10. Vial, 11. Tier, 12. Eon, 14. Resent, 15. Temple, 18. Cot, 20. Oval, 21. Tree, 23, Twain 24. Adam Ant, 25. Apparition,

Down:

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Useful Tips

Children' quarrels

- Try to ignore small squabbles. Only intervene if it becomes physical.
- Ask each child (if old enough) to give his or her version of the story. Try not to tell off just one participant - it takes two to fight. Ask them how they would stop their children quarrelling when they're parents themselves. And stick these suggestions on the fridge door or notice board for future use.
- Remove objects that could cause squabbles among younger children. If you know your child and a friend always fight over the same toy, remove it before the child visits.
- Make a game out of sharing for little ones.
 Hand them a toy and them gently take it back.
 Repeat until the child is happy to hand it over to you.
- If fighting breaks out in the car, pull over to a safe spot. Tell them you won't drive on until they promise to be quiet, as you can't concentrate on the road.
- If your children are constantly fighting, ask yourself why. Are you favouring one unconsciously? Are they happy at school? Are they hungry?
- Write out a list of house rules (such as, no playing with the ball near the window; Sally isn't allowed to touch William's modelling clay).
- If you're desperate, separate fighting children for half an hour. They'll soon want to play together.
- Tell them about your own childhood squabbles with your brothers or sisters. It doesn't make you so perfect.

Colour run in washing

Have your whites turned a pale shade of grey, blue or pink? You have probably sorted your clothes wrongly and included coloured objects in the wash.

- Wash the clothes again in the hottest water that is safe for the fabric.
- If this doesn't work, soak whites in a proprietary colour-run remover, following the manufacturer's instructions. A colour-run remover, which can be used on coloured items in the washing machine, is also available.
- You may be able to remove accidental dyes from whites and other colours by gently bleaching them with 20 volume strength hydrogen peroxide. Mix 1 part to 6 parts water and soak for 30 minutes.
- Never mix whites with coloured items.

Black tie

An invitation saying 'black tie' used to mean formal evening dress, where rules were rigidly observed: men wore black dinner jackets and trousers, white dress shirts and black hand-tied bow ties; women wore long or short dresses in rich fabrics or the classic 'little black dress'.

Today's interpretation of 'black tie' formality is more relaxed, and personal style is acceptable; for men, colourful bow ties in rich fabrics, but still hand-tied, are perfectly correct - with or without a matching cummerbund - and women can wear trousers.

The conventional dinner jacket can quite easily be exchanged for a brocade or velvet one. For formal summer occasions, light-coloured linen suits as well as a white dinner jacket and black evening trousers are all acceptable dress.

Hiring an evening outfit makes financial sense especially if yours is a once-in-a-lifetime function, if your weight fluctuates or if you want to wear the most fashionable styles. Women's dress hire agencies hire out complete designer outfits for a fraction of the real cost. However, for men who have many 'black tie' engagements, buying a classic dinner jacket and trousers is a practical idea.

Hire shops sell off evening wear, and it is also worth hunting at charity shops and jumble sales; many outfits have hardly been worn and go for bargain prices. Look out for broken zips, damaged linings, and heavy perspiration stains (which are largely successfully cleaned); moth holes and cigarette burns are also very expensive to repair.

For a good fit it is worth enquiring at your dry cleaners about alterations: sleeves can be shortened and hems expertly let down and taken up. Large sizes can be altered to several sizes smaller, but a small size can rarely be altered to a larger one.

Bedtime stories

- Make them a habit, even if you're tired. If pressed for time, read a chapter aloud while the children are having their evening meal.
- Choose a book you both like, to hold your interest and the child's. Read it imaginatively with different voices and expressions.
- Make up your own story. Insert your child's name into the text - it makes the story come alive.
- When reading to older children, let them watch your finger touch each word you read. It helps them with their own reading. Ask them to read the occasional word too.
- If you're going out and the baby sitter will be reading the story, prepare a simple tale (with pictures cut out from glossy magazines) to show what Mummy and Daddy are doing, such as having dinner, or watching a film.



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Winter in Maynooth

On window sills where this old town leans She whispers me her new birth dreams Like etch-a-sketch, a new year drawn Like many others from a dawn

Scarves, hats and gloves
And all that winter loves
Maynooth, a college town on the go
And students tramp it to and fro

people queue at the main street bus stop Dogs rummage, summer clothes swap Bustling, jostling passers-by You notice a new year is almost nigh

Halloween gone we wish Christmas in Shopping starts. Where to begin? And many things I would say about This merry time of year not yet out

And the late November moon Hangs there like a big silvery balloon It dances light on this town's streets With neons and lamps to light her routes

As December looms in days Bundled up, old time strays A chorus of presents sing to be open A new year, new trends are in then

Evenings darken to an earlier tune Festive days come now soon And all that you could wish for Let's hope you get it and still more

Dara Lakes

A child said to me

A playful child said to me
Why do we all have to die
I said to this boy it's a mystery
While my heart many times cry
Do we all deserve such a fate
Through all those wilderness years
Mankind's inequity is much of debate
Through suffering and many spilt tears

This young lads face youthfully bright
With a questioning mind natural to be
I said to him if this world was right
Mankind would be no more blind to see
Look after yourself, my precious child
And live life with your loving heart
This curse of death rages wild
But within each should our God never part

Patrick Murray

Hannah

Mother Father Syonna Maurice

1.

Little baby so brand new You made the sun shine through

Your big eyes up at me Fills our hearts full of glee

A little girl full of love A precious gift from above

A bundle of joy playing there Without a worry or a care

Blessed be to your destiny One day set yourself free



2.

Tomorrow is a brand new day Through life find your way

The stars at night shine Never to be forgotten in time

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Most of all a happy heart In the world you take part

You are a special human being All the world Mam & Dad you mean

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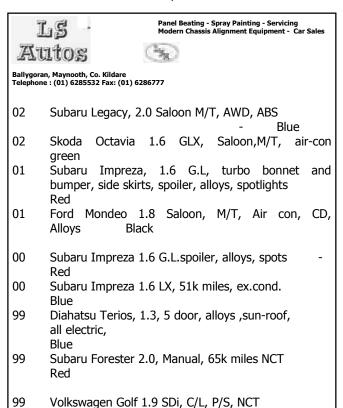
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R ecipes

Starter:

Orange Consommé

Serves 6

475g/15 oz can of beef consummé juice of 3 oranges 2 cloves cayenne pepper (optional) 1 orange, thinly sliced, to garnish

- 1. Pour the consommé into a pan. Add the orange juice to the pan with the cloves and cayenne to taste. Bring the mixture to the boil, then remove the cloves, using a slotted spoon. Tip the contents of the pan into a bowl and set aside until cool.
- 2. When the orange consommé is cool, cover the surface closely and chill for 3-4 hours in the refrigeratorl. Alternatively, freeze the mixture for about 30 minutes, until the surface is covered with a thin layer of ice.
- 3. Serve the orange consommé in chilled bowls, garnishing each serving with an orange slice, if liked.

Main course:

Neck of lamb with peas

Serves 6
800g neck of lamb
2 large onions, chopped
3cloves garlic, crushed
2tbsp fresh parsley, chopped
2tbsp fresh coriander, chopped
1tsp each ground ginger, cumin, cinnamon and turmeric
100ml olive oil
salt and black pepper
water
1 lemon, quartered
400g fresh or frozen peas
10g of butter

- 1. Preheat oven 180°C/gas mark 4. Place the lamb in an ovenproof casserole dish. Combine the onions, garlic, parsley, coriander, spices and olive oil and mix well. Season to taste. Leave to marinate for 2 hrs or overnight if possible.
- 2. Add just enough water to cover the meat and simmer for 2 hrs untill the lamb is tender. Add the lemon quarters and cook for another 30mins. Cook the peas separately untill just tender, drain and toss in the butter and keep warm.
- 3. Remove the meat from the sauce and set aside.

Bring the sauce to the boil until reduced and thickened. Strain it and pour over the meat. Serve topped with peas and a slice of lemon.

Dessert

Fruit pavlova

Serves 6-8

4 egg whites pinch of salt 250g caster sugar 1tsp vinegar 1tsp vanilla essence 2tsp cornlflour To serve whipped cream ripe seasonal fruit

- 1. Preheat your oven to 180°C/gas mark 4. Line a baking tray with baking paper. Draw a 20cm circle in the middle of the piece of baking paper.
- 2. Place the egg whites and salt in a clean dry bowl. Beat with an electric beater until soft peaks form.
- 3. Gradually add the sugar, beating well after each addition until the sugar is dissolved and the peaks are stiff and glossy. Fold through the vinegar, vanilla essence and cornflour. Heap the mixture onto the circle on the baking paper. Shape into a circle with a spatula. Leave the centre slightly hollowed.
- 4. Reduce your oven to 120°C/gas mark 1/3 and bake for 60mins or untill pale and crisp. Turn off the oven and cool in the oven with the door ajar. Serve topped with whipped cream and fruit.





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Gardening Tips for November

This is the time to start soil cultivations, to replenish and increase the organic content of the soil with the humus-forming materials on which fertility is founded. November also marks the opening of the planting season, particularly for deciduous shrubs and trees and herbaceous perennials.

The Flower Garden.

Finish cutting down the last of the border Michaelmas daisies, golden rods etc. and use their stems and similar toughish growths of border plants chopped up at the base of a new compost heap.

Plant tulips early this month, 7.5 - 10cm (3 - 4in.) deep, in groups 10 - 15cm (4 - 6in.) apart, unless being used for formal bedding. Rub off the outer skins or tunics to check for greenish or greyish mould. Cut this out if present, and dust the bulb with a thiram fungicide before planting; reject badly affected bulbs. Mix a dressing of a calcified seaweed soil conditioner with clay soil before planting, or add coarse sand to the planting hole.

Autumn-clean the herbaceous border. After cutting down the plant stems and removing stakes, fork in a slow-acting fertiliser between the plants: use a dressing of bone meal and hoof and horn meal in equal parts by weight, with half a part of sulphate of potash, at 125g/m² (4oz per sq. yd.) and top with an inch or so of sawdust, peat or forestry bark.

Gather tough woody waste materials, rose prunings, rose suckers, old raspberry, bramble and loganberry canes, fungi-infected dead wood, and diseased remains of plants for the bonfire, and light in a spell of calm, still weather. Keep the ash dry for use as a potash fertiliser in winter or spring; remember it also contains calcium (lime), which is good for most plants but not the lime-intolerant.

Cover Christmas roses (Helleborus niger), showing buds at the end of the month, with cloches so that the flowers can open pristine, unmarked by soil splashes.

The Ornamental Garden.

Hedges

Do not plant evergreen and coniferous hedges once the temperature falls to 1.6-5°C (35-40°F) at night. Postpone until March - April, other wise the plants lose moisture more quickly than they can replace it, and fail to grow in spring.

Plant deciduous hedges at any time from now to the end of March, when the weather is mild and the soil open and easily worked; waterlogged soil conditions rather than frost endanger them. Plant beech, Fagus sylvatica, for an economical hedge and windbreak, brown with retained leaves in winter, on light and well-drained soils, or hornbeam (Carpinus betulus) for a stiffer, even hardier, hedge of similar character, on heavy soils and low-lying sites. Plant quickthorn (Crataegus monogyna) in doubled staggered rows for a rapid-growing hedge which calls for a low outlay to start with but much maintenance later on.

Lawns

Lay new lawns from turf between now and March, given suitable weather, good soil conditions and a prepared site with good drainage. With the advent of pre-determined grass mixtures sown on fabric 'carpets' there is no real reason to rely on natural sod turf, with its weed problems and limited range of grasses, and heavy transport costs.

• Drain lawns subject to waterlogging and flooding in winter. Small areas can be improved by making 10-15cm (4-6in.) round holes to a depth of 75-90cm (2ft 6in. - 3ft), 2m (6ft 6in.) apart, with a post-hole auger. Fill them in with broken stone, rubble clinker and ash to within 15—23cm (6 - 9in) of the surface, topping with an inch of leaves or fibrous peat and then replacing the topsoil and turf. Each hole acts as a drainage sump.

The Rock Garden

Paint out the top growth of any persistent weed with a solution of a paraquat/diquat contact weedkiller on a dry day while weather remains mild (or weed by hand). This kills annual weeds and severely checks perennial ones, allowing alpine plants to flourish unhindered in the spring.

- Now is the time to plant and make a new rock garden. Try for an open situation, avoiding exposure to draughts, or frosts on low-lying sites. Where possible, plan with the main face facing south with an east-west orientation in the north and Scotland; but with a more north to south line with western-facing main face in the warmer south, so that plants are not too exposed to scorching sun. Incorporate good drainage materials at the base.
- To make a scree in which to grow many of the fascinating dwarf and high altitude alpines: put a layer of stones at the base, cover with leaves or coarse fibrous foliage and stems (such as bracken), and then at least 15cm (6in.) of stone chippings, admixed with a good sprinkling of loam and leaf mould. Sink occasional rocks in the scree alongside which plants can nestle.

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The New Playground in The Harbour Field, Maynooth

Official Opening of Playground in November

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When it officially opens in early November hundreds of children will be able to enjoy the fantastic facilities and I have no doubt that it will be greatly appreciated by their parents. The community needs to act as guardian of the playground it is up to us as a community to report any nightime anti-social behaviour to the local Gardai.

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Maynooth Golf Society Result Sheet Outing To Athlone Golf Club Date: 27/08/05 Shay Moore Cup

1st Prize	Gerry McTernan	40pts	
2nd Prize	Joey Edwards	37pts	
3rd Prize	Michael Flynn (Jnr) B9	33pts	
4th Prize	Martin Doyle	33pts	
5th Prize	Barry Farrell B9	32pts	
6th Prize	Tim Mullane B9	32pts	
7th Prize	Norman Kavanagh	32pts	
Front 9	Kevin Loftus (Jnr)	19pts	
Back 9	Gerry Reilly	18pts	
Visitors	John O'Sullivan, Joe Moore, Robert Moore		
Nearest the Pin	Barry Farrell		
2'a	Gerry Reilly, Gerry	/ McTernan	

Attention!

If any clubs or organisations would like to submit any upcoming events, would they please contact the Maynooth Community Council office at Tel: 01 - 6285922 Fax: 01- 6285922 or Email: maynoothcc@eircom.net



Maynooth Golf Society

On the weekend of the 16th, 17th and 18th September we headed off for Dungarvan for the Christy Kenny Cup. We played at the West Waterford Golf Club and the Gold Coast Golf Club. The outing was sponsored by Joe Conway.

The following are the results:

1st	Martin Dayanay	77 nto
ISL	Martin Deveney	77 pts
2nd	Liam Farrelly	72 pts
3rd	Eamonn Murphy	69 pts
4th	Proinneas Breathnach	68 pts
5th	Tom O'Haire	66 pts B9
6th	Pa Conway	66 pts
7th	Paul Murray	65 pts B9
Front 18	Edward Connolly	36 pts
Back 18	Niall Byrne	37 pts

First 9	West Waterford	David Weafer	20 pts
Second 9	West Waterford	Terry Moore	19 pts
First 9	Gold Coast	Barry Desmond	18 pts
Second 9	Gold Coast	Kenneth Donnolly	18 pts



Tess Kenny with her daughters Jeanette and Sandra

Nearest the Pin	Gerry Kelly & Eamonn Murphy
Par 3s	Paddy Foy
Two's	Raymond McTernan



Tess Kenny presenting the winner's cup to Martin
Deveney



Philip Doyle, Kevin Loftus and Paul Murray one of the many prize winners

Castle Barna was the venue for the first John Tiernan Memorial Cup on Saturday 15th October. Sixty-five members and visitors played in this memorable event to commemorate John, an active member of the society and proprietor of Caulfield's. John died suddenly on Bank Holiday weekend October 2004. the large attendance demonstrated the high esteem in which John was held, as a member of the society and as a friend.

The weather on the day was exceptional for October and Castle Barna Golf Club provided an excellent challenge and great hospitality to all who played. A large crowd attended the Prize giving which was held in Caulfield's Lounge where prizes were presented by John's wife Rita.

The winner of the first John Tiernan Memorial Cup was Mick Fahy who said it was the highlight of his year to win this trophy in honour of his long time friend John.

Result Sheet Outing to Castle Barna Golf Club 15/10/05 John Tiernan Memorial Cup

1st Prize	Mick Fahy		42pts	
2nd Prize	Eamon Murphy		41pts	
3rd Prize	Paul Murray	В9	40pts	
4th Prize	Derek Murray	В9	40pts	
5th Prize	John Byrne	В9	40pts	
6th Prize	Dave Kinlon	В6	40pts	
7th Prize	Mick Flynn Jnr.		40pts	
8th Prize	Don O' Sullivan	В9	39pts	
9th Prize	Philip Doyle		39pts	
10th Prize	Albert Harigan		38pts	
Front 9	Barry Farrell	В3	22pts	
Back 9	Colm Loftus		20pts	
Visitors 1st	Paul Flood		42pts	
2nd	Dom Nyland	В9	36pts	
3rd	Mark Nolan		36pts	
Nearest the Pin	Emmet Savage			
2's	Paul Flood, Norman Kavanagh, Tom Mullarky			

Next Venue: President Paddy Foy at Carton Monty Saturday 5th November



Winner Mick Fahy being presented with the John Tiernan Memorial Trophy by John's wife, Rita.

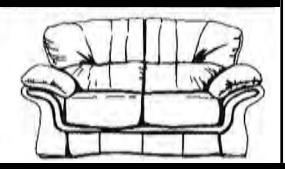


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Report: Green Schools

We removed the jungle mural in the bicycle shed and replaced it with an Irish wildlife scene which was officially opened recently by Eanna Ní Lamhna. We have planted sunflowers, hervs, vegetables and Mark McGibbon helped Mrs. O'Connor plant shrubs.

We received the Green Flag on September 14th 2005.

We have been doing our best to recycle cans, batteries ink cartridges, paper and fruit. We try to keep the school as clean as we possibly can. All of our students and teachers try to help as much as they can.

We have a garden team and a pickers team out at lunch time every day to keep the yard and garden clean. All our work paid off because we got the Green Flag!

By Cian Forde and Conor Hill-Gunning



Donal Downes, Conor Hill-Gunning, Justin Roux, Peter Coakley & Éanna Ní Lamhna

Taekwon-Do

There was success for Maynooth members at the recent Maynooth ITF Tournament with Ross Byrne and Kevin Molloy picking up medals. Ross Byrne who is the assistant instructor in Maynooth won silver in the senior lightweight Black Belt Sparing; in only his second competition as a senior he beat the member of the Moldova ITF National Team in the semi-final. Ross won a bronze medal at the Junior European Championships which were held in Dublin during April. Also winning for Maynooth was Kevin Molloy who won a bronze medal in the U12 Green Belt Patterns



Some of the Maynooth Participants

Due to the success of the Maynooth Tournament and the excellent fascilities at the NUI Maynooth the National Governing Body for ITF Taekwon-Do (RITA) has asked Maynooth to host the 2005 National Championships. This event will take place on Saturday 12th of November in the sports centre in NUI Maynooth. Competitors from all over Ireland will compete as well as competitors from the UK and Europe.

In other matters Stephen Hallinan from Maynooth and Ross Byrne were chosen for the Irish Team to compete in the 2005 4 Nations Challenge. The team which is coached by Maynooth Senior Instructor Stephen Doyle will travel to Sheffield to try and win back the Trophy from defending Champions Wales. The Senior National Black Belt Team train in NUI Maynooth every Saturday.



All Participants taking the oath prior to commencement of the competition

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Residents United and Informed

Minutes of meeting held on the 29th September in the Newtown Inn.

Chairperson: John Doogan

Secretary: Susanne Condon.

Agenda

- 1 Bond Bridge
- 2 Students Return
- 3 Any Other Business

Bond Bridge

John Kileen Project Manager for Jons Civil Engineering Limited gave a brief outline on the development. John presented his proposal to close Bond Bridge completely explaining that the existing schedule would take 70 weeks and the proposed schedule if the bridge was completely closed would take 40 weeks.

Joe Jacobs Kildare County Council (KCC) engineer on the project gave a brief outline on project and supported John's proposal.

A discussion followed with guest speakers and audience participation.

Action Items

It was agreed to form a liaison committee. Proposal to KCC. Deadline November 5th.

Conclusion

KCC enhancing stone works in areas. Project manager John Kileen has no problem installing ramps on new road as it enters housing areas, if requested to do so by KCC. No HGVs allowed through area. Liaison Committee will be kept informed.

Students Return

Concern over noise levels when students are returning home at night. Litter levels had trebled since students returned. President of Students Union, Paul Mullaly, said it was unacceptable, any problem contact him. Health and Safety Officer, Brendan Ashe, reiterated this point.

Action Items

Sergeant Mick Desmond, any problems contact him. Directly ban bar extensions if necessary. Student Union manning students. Heavy penalties for students misbehaving.

Any Other Business

Guards not responding to disturbances.

Action Items

Sergeant Desmond was surprised at this and advised if problem continues to contact him directly.

Meeting Closed

The following are members of the Liaison Committee

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Kieran Horgan	Castledawson
Anne Birchall	Newtown
Marie Nolan	Newtown
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Grainne Kelly	Beaufield
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David Vanduyvenvoored	Brookfield
John Doogan	Meadowbrook
Michael O'Riordain	The Bungalow, Greenfield

Features



At the signing of the Contract for Bond Bridge on Monday 24th October 2005 were Mayor John McGinley, Management of the Contracter, Jons Civil Engineers, Niall Bradley, County Manager, Cllr. Senan Griffin and Management of Kildare County Council



Maynooth Post-Primary celebrates Junior Cert. results



Michael Barry, Niall Kiernan and Dara Folan



Daragh Boylan, Quentin Campbell and Alex Cash and friends



Aidan Kerins, Sharkey and Philip McCarron



Conor O' Rourke, Fergal O' Keefe and Christopher Moynoihan



Hazel Lemmon and Cliona Haughey

Maynooth Post-Primary celebrates Junior Cert. results



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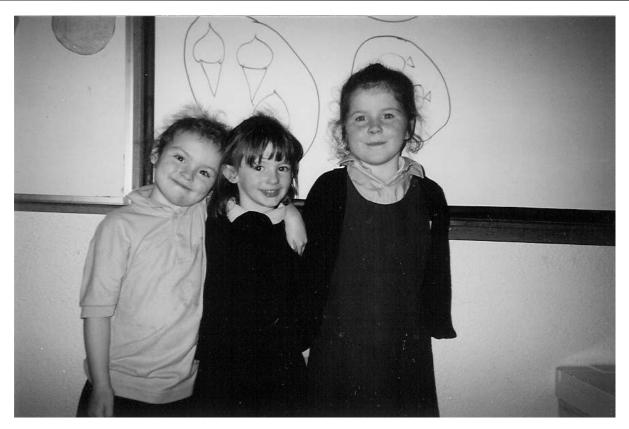


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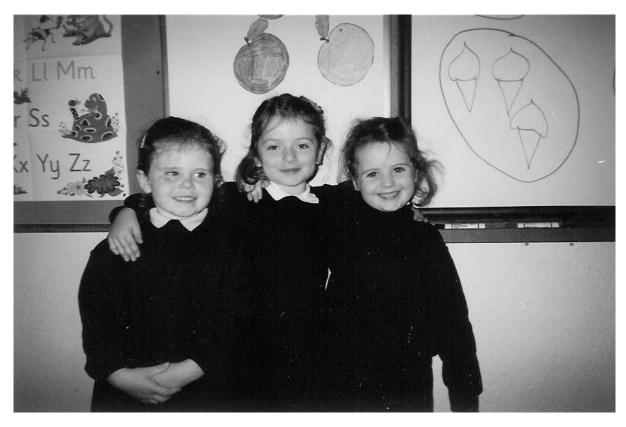


Clíona Ní Chiogaír and Lydia Farrell

Fírst Day at Gírl's National, Maynooth



L to R Katelyn McMahon, Rachel Wright and Vanessa Lawrence



L to R Lara Feehan, Ciara Kelleher and Roísin Condell

First Day at Scoil Uí Fiaich, Maynooth



L-R: James Ó hÍomhair, India Ní Choinne, Conchúr Ó Giolláin, Clodagh Ní hÍomhair, Jordan Ó Gallachóir, Eoin Ó Meachair.



L-R: Aidan Ó Flaitheartaigh, Katie Ó Bhrian, Seán Ó Faoláin, Joshua McCabe, Alyssa Ní Maoltuile, Joshua Ó Doinn



L-R: Stephen Ó Coimín, Nathan Ó hEacháin, Emma Ní Chatháin, Aisling Doherty Madrigal

Starting out for first years In Maynooth Post-Primary



L to R Clodagh Bradley, Siobhan Lennon and Michelle O' Brien



Paul Barrett and Mark Farrell



Emma O' Brien, Daniel Sharkey and Daire Sherwin



Mark Farrell and Sean O' Connor



L to R Kate Montgomery, Nessa Ledwith and Caitríona O' Malley

Starting out for first years In Maynooth Post-Primary



Lily Kent and Gillian Judge



Front L to R Niamh Donaldson, Fiona Senchyna. Back L to R Gillian Judge, Lily Kent

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

Maynooth Town FC

N.D.S.L. U10 B1 Rathcoffey Road 17th September 2005

Maynooth 5 V Clontarf 1

Maynooth Town continued their fine start to the season with another goal feast and victory. Strong determined defending, creative and supportive midfield play and fine strikes on goal were the order of the day. Maynooth raced into a 3-0 lead thanks to Connor Gorman, Jonathon Flattery and Andrew Munley. This was no one sided affair however as Clontarf put together some fined passing movements. One such attack resulted in a fine goal to leave the half time score 3-1 to Maynooth.

Maynooth made some changes during the interval without upsetting their fine offensive style of play. Fawaz Oduyebo chipped in with two fine second half goals to leave the final score 5-1 to Maynooth. Well Done Lads and congratulations on a fine open and positive display of football. A display of football, which typifies the positive and progressive nature of this fine club.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Shane Nolan, Daire Byrne, Jack Connolly, Andrew Munley, Bankole Aqunsoya, Conor Gorman, Jonathon Flattery, Daniel French, James Penny, Declan Burke, Conor Davin, Gary Daly, Michael Jones, Fawaz Oduyebo, Chris Donnelly.

N.D.S.O. U10 B1 Balbriggan 24th September 2005

Glebe North (0) 0 V Maynooth (1) 2

The long journey to Balbriggan failed to interrupt the fine start to the season being enjoyed by Maynooth Town. From the start they took control of this match with fine passing movements, good support and creative attacking play.

The visitors piled waves after waves of attacks on the Glebe North goal but the home youngsters fought manfully to repel the onslaughts. The stalemate was broken by a fine piece of individual skill by Fawaz Oduyebo, when he waltzed through the Glebe North defence to score a fine goal. This left the half-time score 1-0 to Maynooth.

The second half produced more of the same with the Maynooth goalie, Shane Nolan reduced to a virtual spectator role. Try as hard as they did Glebe North were unable to come to terms with this fine committed and untied performance by Maynooth. A strong confident run by skipper, Conor Davin won him

the space for a fine shot which beat the home keeper. Despite the best efforts of both sides this proved to be the final score. Well Done Lads another fine team effort by everyone.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Shane Nolan, Daire Byrne, Chris Donnelly, Declan Burke, Conor Davin, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo, Jack Connolly, Bankole Agunsoya, Andrew Munley, Michael Jones, Jonathan Flattery.

N.D.S.L. U10 B1 Rathcoffey Road 1st October 2005

Maynooth (1) 1 V Northway Rangers (0) 1

The strong winds this morning failed to dampen the spirits of these two fine sides. Both sides proved strong and resolute in defence and midfield which meant chances were at a premium.

Maynooth enjoyed the majority of first half possession. A curious lack of ball control and poor support play meant Maynooth did not really trouble the |Northway keeper. On the rare occasion that the visitors threatened Kankole Agunsoya proved rock steady in the Maynooth goal. Defenders Daniel French and James Penny played a fine support act for the home side. With half time almost up Michael Jones found himself unmarked in the Northway penalty box to meet a rebound shot which he calmly despatched to the net. This left the half time score 1-0 to Maynooth.

Several changes by Maynooth at half time did not really have the desired effect. True they now dominated possession but turning this domination into clear cut chances was proving hard. jack Connolly sprayed some fine passes around midfield and broke forward whenever possible to hit some fine shots at the Northway goal. The visitors however proved a strong stubborn and resolute outfit who struck to their task very well. They put together a fine passing movement down the right wing which resulted in a fine equaliser being scored. This was a fair reward for their honest effort. Right at the end Gary Daly broke through for a shot on goal which the Northway keeper saved to leave the final score 1-1.

Maynooth U10 B1 Players:

Bankole Agunsoya, Daniel French, James Penny, Declan Burke, Alex Birchall, Conor Gorman, Michael Jones, Shane Nolan, Daire Byrne, Christ Donnelly, Andrew Munley, Jack Connolly, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo and Jonathan Flattery.

Clubs, Organisations and Societies

N.D.S.L. U10 B1

Trinity S.& L. [0] 0 v Maynooth Town [1] 3

Maynooth journeyed to Clonshaugh last Saturday morning for this top of the table clash in a happy and determined mood. This determination was portrayed right from the start in the organised and disciplined manner in which they took control of proceedings. From defence through midfield to attack this was a display which Trinity could not match. They certainly tried hard enough but the power, pace and skill of Maynooth's play proved too strong.

Fawaz Oduyebo opened the scoring with a fine goal to leave Maynooth 1—0 up at the interval. The home side briefly came into the game early in the second half but Alex Birchall proved a strong defensive rock. As the Maynooth midfield resumed control of proceedings normal service returned. As well as helping out in defence midfielders Andrew Munley and Conor Davin broke forward t score a fine goal each. Gary Daly and Michael Jones were unlucky not to score as Maynooth ran ut 3=0 winners. This was a worth result to a fineperformance which now puts Maynooth top of the table and gave Chris Donnolly a perfect birthday present. Well done lads.

Maynooth from:

Shane Nolan, James Penny, Chris Donnolly, Jack Conolly, Bankole Agunsoya, Gary Daly, Fawaz Oduyebo, Alex Birchall, Daire Byrne, Declan Burke, Andrew Munley, Conor Davin, Conor Gorman, Michael Jones, Jonathan Flattery.

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Maynooth Town F.C.

Change of luck for the Kingdom

There was not too much for the Kerry natives to cheer about on All-Ireland Sunday but one of the Kingdom's disappointed masses had a little change of luck as he made his way back home to Kilcock after the big match. Paul O'Sullivan decided to stop in Maynooth on the return journey from Croke Park. The purchase of a ticket in the Maynooth Town Football Club's weekly Lotto draw was about to bring a little cheer. Paul, an ex-player with Maynooth Town, used a combination of birthdays to choose the 4 winning numbers to scoop the Jackpot of 3535. The winning numbers were 5,7,22,24.



Maynooth Town F.C. club President Mick Dempsey presents the winners cheque to Paul O'Sullivan

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Great Movies

A Personal choice

Memory plays tricks. No matter what discipline of the performing arts or sporting events we witness, our emotional or critical reaction to the performance tends to be enhanced by the passage of time. To make a comparison, many will say that to read a book and then see a movie adaptation is in many cases a disappointment. This is understandable because the picture we have created is always going to be different from the director's. One of the assignments for film critics, from time to time, is to list the best movies of all time. The list gains credence when one or more of the critics agree on a significant number of candidates. This does not mean that we have to agree with them. I sometimes feel that too much weight is given to the opinions of theatre and cinema critics. That a critical newspaper review on opening night can halt a show on Broadway is a bit much and over the top. That a film can be withdrawn after a number of bad reviews, not giving the cinema going public time to make up their minds is also out of order. The advent of digital DVD gives us an opportunity to revisit films we may have seen thirty to forty years ago which left an impression on us and would be included in our all time list of great films. With that in mind over the last few months I purchased four DVS's of movies made nearly four decades ago, which I would have rated very highly when I first viewed them. Do I see them in a different light now or does my original opinion still hold.

The Last Picture Show (1971)

Director - Peter Bogdanovich

Starring:

Cybill Shepard, Jeff Bridges, Timothy Bottoms, Ben Johnson, Cloris Lechman, Ellen Burstyn, Clu Gulager and Randy Quaid.

This was cinematography at its very best. Shot superbly in black and white. It tells the story of a small town in Texas dying on its feet. The haunting background country music of Hank Williams captured the mood of America in the fifties. This picture was also the launching pad for the movie career of Jeff Bridges and Cybil Shepard. The main characters were drawn superbly by Bogdanovich and the writer fails to understand some film critics who thought the characters were not well acted. To me this was the strength of the film, each of the characters superbly carried the weight of life's disappointments, failed ambition and living without hope in an economic environment that was growing progressively worst. The closing down of the town cinema, hence "The Last Picture Show" appears to be the final nail in the coffin but Bogdanovich's characters show a remarkable will to survive. Being Irish helps to understand and appreciate the movie. Around the same time John Healy, political journalist supreme, penned a great book about Charlestown, County Mayo titled "No One Shouted Stop". John's book, a master piece, painted a devastating picture of an Irish town loosing its young, closing down farms and boarding up homes that would never be lived in again. This film stands the test of time. I enjoyed viewing it again and time has not diminished my regard for the production

Judgement at Nuremburg (1961)

Director - Stanly Kramer

Starring

Spencer Tracy, Marlene Dietrich, Burt Lancaster, Richard Widmark, Maximilian Schell, Judy Garland, Montgomary Cliff, William Shatner, Edward Binns, Werner Klemper

Based on the Nuremberg war crime trials of 1948. The film deals with members of the German Judiciary who faced charges for crimes against humanity. The film was interspersed with documentary footage showing allied soldiers discovering concentration camps as World War Two drew to its conclusion. Day by day the gates of hell were opened and survivors of the holocaust were released to a lifetime of Spencer Tracy gave a magnificent nightmares. performance as the Chief Judge presiding at the trial and Marlene Dietrich showed her class as the wife of an executed German general. However in my view Maxmillian Schell "played a blinder" as defence council. Unmoved by the sins of the German Nation the arrogance of Schell shows through as he seeks to diminish the responsibility of those who should have known better. Judy Garland was also impressive in a dramatic witness scene. The film was shot in black and white, which was probably the most appropriate medium for the movie. The film never took off in Germany and was withdrawn a number of weeks after its release. All through the movie the Presiding Judge (Tracy) can not come to terms with the fact that educated and learned men entrusted to protect the rights of the individual and uphold the rule of law could have capitulated so easily to the dictate of the Nazi Party. The advent of the European Union means that there is now an effective "brake" against the emergence of evil. Countries like Croatia and Serbia who want to join the family of European Nations now know that they have to hand up their war criminals to the International Court of Justice. They also know that behaviour outside the rule of law will consign them to the margins of European development. We have come a long way.

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Great Movies

A Personal choice

The Battle of Algiers (1965) (La Battaglia di Algeri)

Director - Gillo Pontecorvo

Starring:

Brahim Haggiag, Jean Martin, Yacef Saadi, Tommaso Neri

This film was based on the French -Algerian conflict between 1954 and 1962. Shot in documentary style with a mainly amateur cast. There were many similarities between the Moslem ghetto in the Kasbah area of the city of Algiers and the northern Catholics enclaves in Belfast and Derry before the Troubles. Lack of employment, under investment in facilities and continued harassment by the occupying forces left the local population embittered. The film deals with the efforts of the FLN to liberate the city from the French and the reaction of the authorities to the insurrection. Using terrorist tactics members the FLN shot policemen on patrol placed bombs in French owned cafes and generally spread fear throughout the city of Algiers. Resident French loyalists struck back with indiscriminate bombing of Moslem neighbourhoods. The arrival of French paratroops changes everything. To the background of Ennnio Morrocones unforgettable music score, Philippe Mathieu (the paratroops commander) throws the rulebook out the window. A former member of the French Resistance, a Legion of Honour from the Indo China War, Mathieu takes the gloves off to crush the rising. The Kasbah is surrounded and sealed off. All young men are deemed suspects and are rounded up. Many are tortured with electric shock treatment, beatings and suspension of their bodies from racks. Mathieu makes no apology, having the backing of the political establishment in France. He eventually breaks down the FLN cells and wins the Battle for Algiers. History records however that the French could not control the countryside and Charles de Gaulle took the decision to leave. This film was banned in France for years showing that Ireland was not the only country where people were not allowed to make up their own minds about matters that concerned them. The one powerful message from this movie is that the practice of torture is unacceptable no matter what the circumstances are. There is no doubt that movie production has moved on since this film was made, and in to-days context it does look dated. However the crushing of the uprising was an extremely saddening experience showing the final moments of voung Algerian men and women who were willing to give their lives for the freedom of their homeland

2001: A Space Odyssey (1968)

Director - Stanley Kubrick

starring:

Gary Lockwood, Keir Dullea, William Sylvester, Leonard Rossiter, Robert Beatty, Daniel Richter and Douglas Rain (voice of HAL)

The word odyssey means " a long eventful journey. The choice of film title was apt. This was the mother of all movies. Kubrick took his ideas about life and death, the dawn of creation, the vastness of space and the never ending journey to find the outer parameters of our universe, tucked them into a hand grenade and blew them all over the screen. This was a colossal film and drew a variety of reactions from the critics. To a man/woman they sought the theme or message from the movie when in fact there was, really none. To those who support the eventual triumph of science over faith, he gave them the spaceship and the computer (HAL) who would supersede the authority of the crew on its journey to the outer reaches of our Galaxy. The spectacular progress of science and man emphasised in the movie would eventually lead to the reason for our existence. To those who believe in the Creator, he gave them the first view of the Universe with all its Planets and Stars in a production that was to win a special effects Academy Award. Although it was only 1969, we saw the vision. The Universe, which stretched to infinity, the turmoil as humanity entered the black hole and the calm before death and rebirth. When I viewed this film over three decades ago in the Plaza Cinema in Dublin, the audience clapped at the end, something I had never experienced before in a cinema (except for the arrival of the US cavalry) and never did again.

Jim Healy



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Louise Healy



L to R Louise Quinn and Lisa Farrell



L to R Susan Murphy and Mary O' Flaherty



L to R Ann Doyle and Noreen Nevin

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Urban Hairdressing & Therapeutic Time

ist Year Anniversary Celebrations!

Urban Hairdressing & Therapeutic Time celebrated in style on Saturday 1st October for their 1st year anniversary party. Celebrations began at 3pm with clowns, face painting and balloons and continued on that evening with a wine and cheese reception. The party was a great success for customer appreciation throughout the 1st Year in business.

Urban Hairdressing is renowned for its style and relation, offering an unique experience in hairdressing in Maynooth where clients are catered for by our award winning and friendly staff.

Carol Nevin

Carol is the owner of Urban Hairdressing. She began her career as a stylist with Peter Mark and worked there for six years. During that time Carol was made Peter Mark Colour Student of the Year and had been promoted to Management positions throughout different branches. Carol took one year off to travel the world with the intention of returning home and opening a unique salon in Maynooth which catered especially for clients looking for top quality hair styles and colouring. This year has brought great experiences and rewards for Carol and long may it continue!

Lisa Farrell

Lisa joined Urban in May and has ambitiously grown into the role of Manager. She has completed numerous courses gaining great experience for her hairdressing career. Within the world of Hair and Beauty there are many opportunities and Lisa is right there to experience it all through modelling in her spare time at the weekends.

Louise Healy

Louise was a stylist with Peter Marks for the last four years. During that time she won many awards for her expertise in colouring. She is now very content utilizing her expert styling and colouring techniques with Urban Hairdressing in Maynooth and is greatly cherised by her colleagues and clients.

Louise Quinn

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest addition to the team. Louise trained with L'Oreal and has been a stylist for five years. She is now looking forward to bringing her expertise to Urban.

Therapeutic Time

Patrica owns and runs Therapeutic Time. She lived in the United States for eight years and returned to her hometown of Maynooth to set up her own business. Patricia graduated from Trinity College, San Francisco, California in 1998 as a Massage Therapist and has been practicing since then. She began her career working for a Chiropractor in the Pacific Heights area of San Francisco where the clientele included the likes of Sharon Stone, Robin Williams and Pamela She then moved into the 'Spa Anderson. environment' while working for one of the most exclusive 5 star luxury hotels in San Francisco, the Westin St. Francis for more than four years. During that time Patricia has gained invaluable experience in Massage Therapy, La Stone Therapy and Californian She specialized in Sports Tanning Treatments. massage, working on major US football and basketball teams. Patricia is also a qualified Fitness Instructor. From being a world traveller to settling back home in Maynooth, Patricia has found the last year very rewarding and hopes the success continues. She would like to take this opportunity to thank all her clients for their custom throughout her first year in business.



Urban Hairdressing, Ladies and Gents Buckley's Lane, Maynooth

Features

Setting a Big Foot Wheel

By Serj Merzliakov

During the weekend of October 8-9th the people of Maynooth were amazed by a Big Foot Show, which set its huge wheels on the community grounds. A successful stunt crew from France were doing practically impossible things – everything from two-wheel driving to 4x4 waltz-dancing and car-crunching.

The show started with the demonstration of the cars and 'regular' 2-wheel driving, which was followed by the specially made 2 steering wheel car, and driving through the fire stunts. The public were cheering up as the real stars hit the road – the team of stuntmen were driving impossibly huge (and the biggest in Europe) cars: stunt-built mighty Dragster, roaring Big Bull Chevrolet and crushing Hulk Ford.

Stuntman Claudio Gärtner began with incredible waltzdancing and manoevring on a Dragster, doing 360driving and balancing acts as well as inviting the public to hop on for a stunt or two.

The heavy metal show then moved on as the public got a chance to take a ride on a big-foot Chevrolet and decided for themselves, whether to get such a car for next year. But everybody was impressed.

The final act of the show, performed by Hulk and Big Bull was heavy metal crushing and 'recycling', which was really incredible!



As Big Foot Show was over we asked **leading stuntman Claudio Gärtner** a couple of questions:

How old is the show?

CG: It started in Marseille in France about 6 years ago and we are still on the road. We've been all over Europe, now we are coming from Italy, France and Spain.

Have you been to Ireland before?

CG: Actually it's our first time, but we've been to a lot of places – Cork, Limerick, Galway and Waterford. We are Going over to Dublin next with shows in Balbriggan and Finglas.

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Press Release from Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich October 10th 2005

On the behalf of the Parents Association of Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich I would like to welcome you to the launch of our fundraising event " Who Wants to be a Thousandaire"

Gaelscoil Ui Fiaich began with twenty pupils and one teacher. Over a small number of years it has grown and grown. Today the school has 307 pupils and 15 muinteoiri and is still expanding.

Our aim in holding our "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire" event is to raise the 10% levy needed to supplement the main funding that the Department of Education will provide for a permanent school building. We also aim to provide funding for a sports hall.

Martin King of TV3 has kindly agreed to support our fundraising event. The whole of the Gaelscoil appreciates him coming along this morning to lend a hand. He will buy the first two tickets for "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire".

Where would we be without sponsors? I'd like to acknowledge and say thanks to our two main sponsors. SUPERVALU, Maynooth and ACCOMM. These companies are represented to day by Paddy Holohan of SUPERVALU and unfortunately Eoghan Daly of ACCOMM cannot be with us. We would like to extend our thanks for their interest and support in our Gaelscoil here in Maynooth.

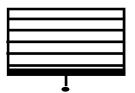
To you members of the local media we are grateful to you for attending our launch this morning – and we hope you will give our launch and our actual fundraising event plenty of coverage.

Oh do I hear any one in the room thinking what is "Who Wants to be a Thousandaire" about?

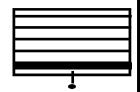
Let me explain it is a professionally run quiz show, run to a tried and tested formula. Tickets are drawn from a barrel on the night. The person named on the ticket is called to the stage. The MC will ask a number of easy questions. Each one answered correctly means money won for the contestant. Then more difficult questions are asked and hopefully more prize money is won. — up to one



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Party Political

Fianna Fail Party Notes

The Maynooth Cumann are delighted that the long awaited work on Bond Bridge is at last in progress and while in the short term there will be disruption to both pedestrian and vehicular traffic the long term gain from these works will be significant. Expected time to completion is in the order of 40 weeks and will include access directly to the grounds of the College which for the many students living in the Newtown, Beaufield etc areas will be a great facility.

The opening of the Meadowbrook link road is a great success and the completion of safety measures through Beaufield are to be welcomed and hopefully in the near future the junction at the Straffan Road will be regulated to allow safer conditions at this busy intersection.

As we approach the upcoming Budget, submissions have been presented to Minister Cowen for his consideration and inclusion in the December figures. Items such as Public Transport, Childcare facilities and financial assistance to parents using childcare facilities, are just some of the issues put forward for consideration.

Fianna Fail is fully supportive of Maynooth Community Councils objective to obtain Town Commission status for the Town, and will work with the Council to keep this issue at the forefront of the Minister's agenda.

Maynooth Castle is also an issue that we support and the completion of Phase 1 and the opening up of the castle building and grounds to events and groups in Maynooth is a very exciting prospect. The facilities required to move to the increased accessibility of the castle include toilets and some storage space as well as an audio visual facility. Currently plans to put in place the needs outlined above are in progress and we look forward to the expanded possibilities of this unique building.

During November there will be a public meeting at which a guest speaker will address the meeting on a topic of general interest. These meeting in the past have always been very interesting and informative events and generally are of a non political nature. Notices will be placed when the dates and speaker are confirmed and we look forward to seeing you there.

Maynooth Tidy Towns Awards 2005





A view of Tesco Landscaping at the Petrol Station on the Dublin Road and Maureen Richardson after receiving the Award for Best Commercial Sponsor on behalf of Tesco

Party Political Catherine Murphy (IND) Press Statements

Murphy demands less red-tape and report writing and more red ribbon cutting

Deputy Catherine Murphy (Ind) has criticized the delay between completion of the Development Plan for the N4/M4 Area and it's implementation and has demanded that Minister for Education, Ms Mary Hanafin TD, begin tackling the current and predicted school place crisis head on. "The time for report writing has ended and the need for delivery is well overdue. This report was intended to set out a new transparent and strategic approach to school development but Minister Hanafin doesn't seem to share this vision. Instead she seems hell-bent on taking the recommendations of this study, which has taken the best part of two years, and feeding them into the current system. It's not exactly what I'd call reform", fumed Murphy.

Her comments came in response to revelations by Minister for Education, Mary Hanafin TD, that although "the N4/M4 Development Plan will form a vital framework in which future decisions about school planning in this area will be made. Progress on individual recommendations will be considered in the context of the School Building and Modernization Programme from 2006 onwards". This statement is starkly contrasted by that issued by Noel Dempsey TD, the former Minister for Education, in January 2004 when the project was launched, "This plan will be a public document and will be the touchstone against which all capital funding decisions for the area will be made".

In light of Minister Hanafin's announcement last month that a three-year Public-Private Partnership scheme would be initiated in which 27 new schools would be built Murphy highlighted that recommendations from the N4/M4 Area Development Plan didn't appear to feature. "I would have thought the first thing to do with the information from the N4/M4 Area Development Plan is apply to it but the costly PPP announced by the Minister has entirely bypassed this report".

At a time when Government Departments have been increased scrutiny regarding mismanagement of funds in hiring outside consultants and commissioning overpriced and or ineffective projects Murphy highlighted that the public does not want to see anymore money go to waste. hugely concerned that the Minister is not committed to seeing this project through to fruition and I'm equally concerned that it won't be expanded to areas like the N7/M7 catchment which are in serious need of school development. This government and this Minister need to cut out the red tape, start implementing the reports they've completed and maybe then we'll see more ribbon cutting on new

schools in the areas that need them most"

Estate Management Rip-Off not legalised for and leaving homebuyers high and dry.

Although the Department of the Environment states, "such conditions are not mandatory", Local Authorities are demanding homeowners pay private Estate Management Companies to maintain public spaces and services according to Deputy Catherine Murphy (IND). Such companies are not statutorily regulated and Planning Authorities according to Taoiseach Bertie Anern who made a statement to the Dáil this morning should regulate this matter locally.

Deputy Murphy, in support of statements made by Deputy Joe Higgins during Leaders Question Time, has however criticised the Taoiseach's stance on the matter stating that leaving regulation in the hands of individual Local Authorities "is a cop-out. We must have central legislation so that all homebuyers around the country are afforded the same level of protection."

Murphy went on to highlight that she possesses planning documents that contradict the assertion by the Department of the Environment that the establishment of Estate Management Companies is not a mandatory condition of planning permission. "Kildare County Council has required the developers of at least two separate housing estates to establish or employ and Estate Management Company." she went on to state that Kildare County Council have also required that all property buyers in these developments become members of these companies and therefore bear the cost of maintenance. "This situation is untenable and grossly exploits new home buyers who are simply trying to get along in life".

"There must be Legislative provision on this issue. Consumer protection is seriously lacking for homebuyers in this situation. I hasten to say that you get a better warranty when you buy a toaster than when you spend €100,000's on a house in one of these estates" fumed Murphy. She concludes by saying that, as homebuyers are often not told of the estate maintenance obligation until signing their contract of sale. Notably, at this point a substantial and refundable deposit is on the line which that diminishes the buyers options with regard to backing out of the sale or demanding more competitive practices in the appointment of a management "local Authorities, developers and the Government in its failure to instigate legislation have created a situation wher homebuyers unprotected and dis empowered at a time when they are amking the most significant financial commitment of their lives. This is wrong and it has to change".



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Bond Bridge Project to be Completed in 40 weeks Instead of Two Years:

The original plan for the Bond Bridge Project was for a contract lasting two years with the existing bridge remaining open for traffic and pedestrians for the duration (except for about two weeks). However, the Contractor, Jons Civil Engineers, has submitted proposals to the Council for the closure of the bridge and the completion of the project in 40 weeks. The main reason for this fast tracking of the contract is the poor condition of the canal bridge. The Contractor and the Council's Project Engineer made a presentation at a well attended public meeting on September 29. On a show of hands there was unanimous support for the Contractors' proposal.

The bridge closure has to go through a public consultation process and a notice will be posted in local papers in mid-October. It is hoped that the bridge will be closed towards the end of November. The pedestrian walk at the back of the Health Board houses has already been closed off (this was always in the plan) and when the bridge is closed pedestrians will have to use Old Greenfield Lane to get to the Railway Station, Schools or the University. According to the Project Engineer this will add 150m to the journey.

Residents will be aware that major progress has already been made on culverting of the Meadowbrook Stream.

Still no Progress on Setting up New Town Councils-Maynooth, Celbridge and Clane Hopes Dashed:

Deputy Emmet Stagg has criticised the inaction by the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government for his failure to bring forward regulations under the Local Government Act 2001 to allow for the establishment of new Town Councils.

Deputy Stagg questioned the Minister in the Dail on September 28 in relation to the introduction of regulations to allow the establishment of new Town Councils. The Minister advised Deputy Stagg that he was considering the steps necessary to commence the relevant provisions of the 2001 Act, including the establishment of the Local Government Commission, and that he would continue to pursue consultations with Local Government interests.

Deputy Stagg dismissed the Minister's response as anti-democratic. Whilst the Minister may only be in Government for just over a year the Act was passed by his Government in 2001. Under the Act it is envisaged that Towns with a population of 7,500 in the preceding Census can make a proposal to establish a Town Council. A pre-requisite for this though is the establishment of the Local Government Commission which the Minister refuses to set up.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he would continue to raise this issue with the Minister until Local Democracy was established for Towns such as Maynooth and Celbridge who would qualify under the last Census and Clane which will probably qualify under the 2006 Census.

Stagg Welcomes Court Injunction Move Over Illegal 02 Mast in Maynooth

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to pursue Kildare Co. Council in relation to the unauthorised 02 Mast at Maynooth G.A.A. Grounds on the Moyglare Road, Maynooth, and he is pleased that the Council have now decided to take Injunction Proceedings against 02 in the Circuit Court.

Deputy Stagg stated that the Injunction Proceedings are being taken under Section 160 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 and will seek the removal of the existing unauthorised mast. Deputy Stagg further stated that it was 02's supposed inability to lodge an application for Planning Permission to retain the Mast which lead to the Council deciding to take this strong legal measure.

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Outlining the sequence of events, Deputy Stagg stated as follows:

- A warning letter issued to 02 in relation to the unauthorised mast on 9th December, 2004.
- 02 applied for retention of the mast on 25th January, 2005.
- The application was declared invalid by the Council on March 21st, 2005.
- 02 reapplied for retention on 14th June, 2005.
- The second application was declared invalid on 5th August, 2005.
- In early August, Deputy Stagg requested the Council to initiate legal action pointing out that 02 knew the planning laws and were messing around with the Council.
- On 26th September, 2005, the Council advised that the file was now being referred for legal proceedings under Section 160 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000.

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that he expected the Council's solicitors to act quickly on this matter given the decisive decision to take legal action.

Tenders Under Examination for Maynooth Post Primary Extension

Deputy Emmet Stagg has continued to question the Minister for Education in relation to the required extension to Maynooth Post Primary School.

The Minister for Education advised Deputy Stagg in the Dáil on September 28th that tenders have been received for the project and that they are currently being assessed by the Design Team appointed by County KiIdare V.E.C. when the assessment is completed a Tender Report will issue to the Department Of Education.

Welcoming this progress Deputy Stagg stated that the campaign to increase the permanent building capacity at Maynooth Post Primary to 850 pupils was nearing conclusion. The extension comprises of 6 General Classrooms, Demonstration Room, Computer Business Machines Room, Special Tuition Room, 2 Lecture Rooms, Administration Rooms and a Physical Education Hall.

Deputy Stagg further stated that the construction period for the extension is likely to be 15 months and he vowed to continue to monitor progress on the project which incredibly has planning permission since December 2001.

Stagg Angry at Waiting Times for Eye Tests for Children in North Kildare

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his anger at the

7 month delay in Maynooth Health Centre in arranging Eye Tests for Children.

Deputy Stagg had questioned the Tanaiste and Minister for Health in relation to the issue but as she refuses to answer parliamentary questions anymore she referred the question to the Health Services Executive as if she as Minister for Health had no function in the matter.

The H.S.E. advised Deputy Stagg that the waiting time for Eye Tests for Children was as follows in Health Centres in Co. Kildare.

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The figures speak for themselves stated Deputy Stagg. Children in the North of the County are on average left waiting twice as long as anywhere else in Kildare. This is simply unacceptable and children with eye sight problems are suffering negatively from the delay in their treatment. In addition it places enormous pressure on Parents and forces them to go into the Private Sector seeking an eye test for their Children.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he intended to raise the matter further with the Tanaiste and H.S.E. as additional resources will have to be provided in Maynooth Health Centre to reduce the Waiting Times substantially. In this rich Country we live in there should be no waiting lists anyway.

Cllr. John McGinley's Submits Motions & Questions to the Leixlip Area Committee:

Councillors can submit a maximum of three motions and three questions for inclusion on the Agenda for each monthly meeting of Area Committees of the Council.

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following for the Area Meeting on October 21:

1. Meadowbrook Road:

"When will traffic calming and other safety measures be put in place on the Meadowbrook Road to counteract the risk of accidents to pedestrians from the construction trucks on the Bond Bridge project."

2. Moyglare Road:

"What plans are there for the complete re-surfacing of the Moyglare Road, Maynooth, in order to remove its hazardous state as a result of the damage done by the pipe laying contractor."



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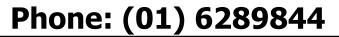
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3. Meadowbrook Stream:

"That a major clean up of the Meadowbrook Stream be carried out before the winter in order to reduce the risk of flooding. The fitting of grids at the culvert at Meadowbrook Court creates a greater urgency for the clean up."

4. Rathcoffey Road:

"Bearing in mind the massive cost of providing a footpath across the Rathcoffey Road M4 bridge that cycle lanes be painted on the bridge and on the road leading to the bridge in order to slow down traffic and bring some element of safety to the large numbers of children who use it to get to the soccer pitches."

5. Northern Relief Road:

"Have the preliminary designs for the Maynooth Northern Relief Road been prepared and has the road route been included in the Draft Meath County Development Plan."

6. Meadowbrook Link Road:

"That traffic lights be installed at the junction of the Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road in order to facilitate ease of exit from the new Link Road and that measures be taken to prevent the parking of caravans on the greens adjoining the new Link Road."

Safety Over the Skies in Maynooth:

Mr. Jim Mansfield and Mr. Paul Mullins from Weston Aerodrome attended a Special Meeting of the Leixlip Area Committee of the Council on October 7 to consider Cllr. John McGinley's following motion:

"That Kildare County Council demand of the owners of Weston Aerodrome and the Irish Aviation Authority that they implement noise abatement and safety procedures at Weston aerodrome in line with those in place at most airports large and small worldwide. The appropriate procedures with regard to Maynooth are that aircraft exiting Weston aerodrome to the west should track south of the M4 Motorway, and that aircraft approaching Weston from the west should track north of Maynooth. Furthermore, all aircraft operating out of Weston aerodrome should be instructed to fly no lower than the regulation 1,500 ft. altimeter setting), which equates with approximately 1,750 ft. above sea level at Maynooth. Adherence to these procedures considerably enhance the safety of the residents Maynooth. We further demand that the Irish Aviation Authority and Weston Aerodrome put monitoring procedures in place to ensure that these noise abatement and safety procedures are fully complied with. Moreover, as there are no systematic procedures in place to monitor the activities of aircraft out of Weston Aerodrome in the skies over Maynooth , we demand that a monitoring regime is put in place to ensure that all aviation regulations and local noise abatement and safety procedures are fully complied with"

The good news is that the representatives from Weston agreed to Cllr. McGinley's proposals and they have instructed pilots to fly south of the M4 going west and north of Maynooth flying east. The agreement of the Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) to this arrangement is still awaited and unfortunately they did not attend the meeting so it was not possible to get their view on this or on monitoring arrangements. It is hoped that the IAA will be in a position to attend an Area Meeting soon in order to clear up the outstanding issues.

Safety Measures at St. Mary's Boys' National School

The safety measures proposed by Cllr. McGinley at the Boys National School, Maynooth, were agreed at the Area Meeting on September 16. The signage showing the bus bay operating times has been erected and the double yellow lines and the bus bay markings will be carried out on October 10/11.

John has also demanded the installation of black decorative bollards at the footpath, similar to Main Street. The Council officials argument that there is no funding for them is ludicrous considering that millions have been collected in Development Levies from all the new developments in Maynooth.

Damaged Fence at Beaufield/Rathcoffey Road

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to replace the 20m of missing fence and to repair the damaged parts at the front of Beaufield housing estate.

Dumping at the bottom of Greenfield Lane

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council removed the dumped material from the bottom of Greenfield Lane on October 3. John has also asked for the removal of the trees and shrubs from this location and that proper landscaping be carried out so that it can be maintained by the very willing residents.

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