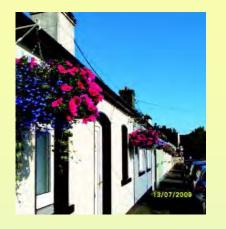
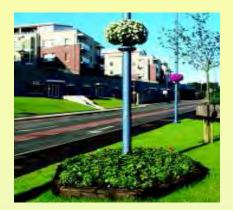
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Editorial

Maynooth Newsletter Editorial 2007

The festival is drawing to a close as this is written and a slight improvement in the weather at the weekend helped to make it a successful event: Congratulations to all involved.

The weather has been a constant topic of conversation over the supposed "summer" months and as we watch the huge floods in England the term "global warming" has been replaced by the much more appropriate "climate change". Maynooth has experienced such atrocious flooding in the recent past and it is a truism that if planners and developers are allowed to build on flood plains and to cover large areas in concrete, flooding will continue and indeed increase. Water must go somewhere and without suitable land to absorb the lashing rain, it will inevitably accumulate somewhere. If the new housing estate happens to be in the way then it may fall victim to this natural phenomenon. Can Ireland cope if we suffer such a disaster?

The early Irish believed that the king was the centre of the cosmos, the axis of their existence; their well being and the health of the land depended on their prince's truth. This was a basic tenet of their belief. If the weather was bad or the crops failed, resulting in famine and death, it was blamed on the king – it proved that he was no longer truthful or honest. Five years ago, the day of the general election the rain began and did not stop for six weeks. This year, another election year, the rain began on the day the Green Party decided to enter government. It has not stopped since. I think you can read between the lines!

But seriously, Maynooth is facing one of the most important decisions to be made for the next number of years - the composition of the latest Development Plan. It is essential that the public get involved in this decision making process - and it will be discussed at the next Community Council meeting. There are vacancies for a number of housing estates and we would urge people to get involved. It gives you an opportunity to contribute to this debate and to be part of the planning of the future of our town for the next number of years. The Community Council has also been involved in shaping the Action Area Plans for the town. It is crucial that Maynooth maintains its village atmosphere and that it is not allowed to grow in the unsustainable way that can be seen in similar villages all over Ireland particularly for the past ten years. So join the Community Council and have your say.

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Maynooth Community Council Notes

The July meeting of Maynooth Community Council took place on the 9th of July in the Glenroyal Hotel

New member Deirdre Cullen was co-opted to the Council.

Town Council Status

The long running saga of Town Council Status for Maynooth was raised again: we are now 15 years looking for this. We will have to keep working on it. Agreed that we write to the Minister also, Deirdre Cullen and Margaret Clinch will work on this and help to move it forward.

Pay Parking Proposal

Kildare County Council are proposing to put forward a package at the next meeting of K.C.C. There is a similar package working in Celbridge. The 4 area Councillors will decide if this proposal is adapted; if it is approved then the Proposal will go on display in September.

John McGinley showed examples of parking rates in Celbridge. One hour limit St. Patrick's Park \in 3. Other areas 1 hour limit up to \in 1. and a 2 hour limit up to \in 1 per 2 hours. Long Stay Parking area - \in 3—4 hour parking within certain time period. \in 5—All Day Parking and \in 50 –Monthly Parking Ticket.

Hugh Gallagher wondered who would be responsible for insurance while cars are parked and also that residence won't have to pay. A local bus service would be of great benefit here and better bicycle and moped parking should be looked at.

It was noted that a private bus operator has applied for a licence. Paul Croghan said that all parking places are gone by 7 am and also to be careful where parking is introduced as it could mean the end of any free places.

Margaret Clinch said that the White Water centre has created a lot of parking facilities in Newbridge and also reasonable priced parking was extended in Newbridge to accommodate parking.

There is not enough parking in Maynooth and there should be provision for customers parking. The town is suffering because of the lack of parking spaces said Paul Croghan and if places like Aldi etc could give a reasonable rate for parking this would bring cars out to these places and not in estates. John McGinley said that people can't shop in Maynooth for the simple reason that they can't get into the town. The underground car parking planed for the Harbour Field is held up because funding for this is held up by Central Government. The worrying fact that a planning application has being lodged for the Harbour Field and Parsons Street area was raised by John McGinley and that nothing is happening with the Action Area Plans for the Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field. It was felt that this will have to be looked at.

It was proposed that Maynooth Community Council would object to the new development at the Harbour Field and Parsons Street area until such times that all this area is developed as one project. A letter is to be sent to the Co Manager asking that a Project Manager be appointed for the Harbour Area Action Plan.

Sub—Committees

Festival News

Andrew McMullon said plans were going very well and that a brochure with a full programme of events and information will be delivered to all houses in Maynooth.

This year we are having an Inter- Estate Table Quiz, Children's Table Quiz, An evening of light entrainment in the Castle Grounds, Family Day in the Harbour Field, Childrens Art Competition, Soccer Tournament on going from the 16th July, Entertainment in the Square, Family Walking Treasure Hunt, Inter-Pub Tug-of-War, Maynooth own Deal or no Deal, Bar Person of the year, Ladies and Gents mixed Threesome, Bradáin Players---"Pillow Talk" and all Pubs will be putting on entertainment and lots more.

Tidy Towns

Clean up days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, meeting at Supervalu at 7.30pm: Paul Croghan also commented that the hanging baskets are up and looking very well.

Next Community Council meeting will be on the 11th of September in the Glenroyal Hotel.

Marie Gleeson PRO

Clubs, Organisations And Societies

Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Notes Know your rights

Question

I am earning the minimum wage in my job. I have heard that the minimum wage has changed but my employer says that my wages will not increase because the change was already made to my wages in January. Is this correct?

Answer

The minimum wage did increase on 1 January 2007 but there is another increase that applies from 1 July.

In January, the minimum wage for an experienced adult worker increased from \in 7.65 to \in 8.30 an hour.

From 1 July 2007 this rate increases again to \in 8.65 per hour.

The new minimum rate for employees under the age of 18 is $\in 6.06$ an hour.

After reaching the age of 18, you must be paid at least \in 6.92 an hour during the first year of employment and \in 7.79 an hour during the second year. You are then entitled to the minimum wage for an experienced adult worker.

There is a lower minimum age for employees who are in certain training or study courses that will improve their work performance. They are entitled to a percentage of the national minimum wage depending on how much of the training they have completed.

The minimum wage does not apply if you are employed by a close relative or if you are working in a statuary apprenticeship, for example as an apprentice plumber or electrician.

If your employer provides your food (board) or accommodation (lodgings), then this is taken into account as contributing towards the minimum payment. The amounts that are taken into account are the same as before 1 July:

- €54.13 a week for full board and lodgings, or €7.73 a day
- €32.14 a week for full board only, or €4.60 a day
- €21.85 a week for lodgings only, or €3.14 a day.

Further information is available from The Employment Rights Information Unit Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Davitt House, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 631 3131, Lo-call 1890 201 615.

Question

Will I lose my entitlement to Rent Supplement if I start working in a full-time job?

Answer

Rent Supplement is paid to people living in private residential accommodation who cannot provide for the cost of their accommodation from their own resources.

If you are on Rent Supplement and are in need of long-term housing you can apply to your local authority for the Rental Accommodation Scheme. Under this scheme the local authority arranges accommodation directly with a landlord.

Until recently a person in full-time employment (30 hours or more per week) was not eligible for Rent Supplement. From 5 June 2007, this rule has changed for those who are accepted as being in need of accommodation under the Rental Accommodation Scheme. If you are in this category and you were not in full-time employment for the previous 12 months, you may now start full-time work and continue to receive Rent Supplement if you meet the other eligibility criteria for payment. This also applies if you were receiving Back to Work Allowance or taking part in a Community Employment Scheme for 12 months before starting other full-time work.

If you are not eligible for the Rental Accommodation Scheme you will not be able to continue receiving Rent Supplement if you start full-time work. For this reason you should check first with your local authority to ensure that you are eligible for the Rental Accommodation Scheme.

Rent Supplement is a means-tested payment so an increase in your income may effect your eligibility.

From 5 June 2007, changes have been made to the way in which means are assessed for Rent Supplement. Depending on your circumstances, this (Continued on page 6)

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may improve your eligibility for Rent Supplement or it could result in an increase in your Rent Supplement payment. The changes will not result in a reduction of your payment if you were in receipt of Rent Supplement when they were introduced.

Question

I have recently received interest on my savings account. MY bank has deducted tax on it but I think I am exempt from tax on deposit interest. Who is exempt from this tax and how can I avoid having it deducted?

Answer

If you deposit a sum of money with a financial institution, any interest you earn is usually liable to a tax called Deposit Interest Retention Tax (DIRT) at 20%. This tax is deducted by the financial Institution before the interest is paid to you.

You are exempt from this tax if your income is below a certain level and either you or your spouse is 65 years of age or over or permanently incapacitated so that you are unable to maintain yourself.

To be exempt, your annual income must not exceed the following amounts. If you are 65 years of age or over, the limit is \in 19,000 for an individual or \in 38,000 for a married couple. If you are under 65 years and permanently incapacitated, the limit is \in 5,210 for an individual or \in 10,420 for a married couple. If you have dependent children, these exemption limits are increased by \in 575 for each of the first two children and by \in 830 for each subsequent child.

Until recently, DIRT was deducted from all relevant interest payments and people who were exempt were required to apply for a refund. This was changed in the Finance Act 2007 so that those who are exempt can now apply to receive interest payments without having DIRT deducted.

To apply, complete appropriate Form and **return it**. **to your Bank/Building Society/Credit Union/ Post Office savings bank manager** who will arrange for future interest to be credited to your account without deduction of DIRT.

If your circumstances change and you no longer qualify to have your interest paid without deduction of DIRT, **you are obliged to notify the local manager** of your Bank/Building Society/Credit Union/Post office savings bank. If either you or your spouse is 65 years or over, you will need to complete form DE1. If you or your spouse is permanently incapacitated, then complete form DE2. If you are exempt and would like to claim a refund for DIRT that has already been deducted, you can do this by completing Form 54D. You can obtain these application forms from Revenue by phoning Lo-call 1890 30 67 06.

Question

Are there any grants available to help me insulate my home and reduce my fuel bills?

Answer

If you find it difficult to keep your home warm and comfortable or to pay your fuel and electricity bills, you could benefit from the assistance available through the Warmer Homes Scheme which is partfunded by Sustainable Energy Ireland (SEI), Ireland's National Energy Authority. The scheme provides a draught-proofing and home insulation service and it is available in 16 locations around the country.

The help available includes improving the insulation of your attic to reduce the loss of heat through the roof. It also assists with draught-proofing of windows or doors to retain heat.

If your walls have a continuous cavity running within them, it may be possible to fill this with insulation. Cavity wall insulation may be available under the Warmer Homes Scheme but only in certain regions.

Assistance is also available for the fitting of lowenergy light bulbs. Energy saving tips and advice are given to householders receiving work through the scheme.

Eligibility criteria for the Warmer Homes Scheme are determined locally and can vary according to where you live. In some parts of the country a small fee is charged for the work undertaken through the scheme. To find out if the service is available in your area contact:

Sustainable Energy Ireland, Glasnevin, Dublin 9. Tel: (01) 808 2048 Website: www.sei.ie

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre.

This column has been complied by the Citizens Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public.

Telephone: 01-6285477 Lo-Call: 1890-777-121

Fire Safety Tips

Safety Plan.

Make sure all family members know what to do in the event of a fire. Draw a floor plan with at least two ways of escaping every room. Make a drawing for each floor. Dimensions do not need to be correct. Make sure the plan shows important details: stairs, hallways and windows that can be used as fire escape routes.

Test windows and doors—do they open easy enough? Are they wide enough. Or tall enough?

Choose a safe meeting place outside the house.

Practice alerting other members. It is a good idea to keep a bell and flashlight in each bedroom.

Always sleep with the bedroom doors closed. This will keep deadly heat and smoke out of bedrooms, giving you additional time to escape.

Find a way for everyone to sound a family alarm. Yelling, pounding on walls, a whistle etc. are good examples. In a fire time is critical, don't waste time getting dressed, don't search for valuables, just get out. Roll out of bed, stay low. Practice evacuating the building blindfolded. In a real fire situation, the amount of smoke generated by a fire most likely will make it difficult to see.

Install smoke detectors.

Check smoke detectors once a month and change the batteries at least twice a year. Smoke detectors sense abnormal amounts of smoke or invisible combustion gases in the air. They can detect both smouldering and burning fires. At least one smoke detector should be installed on every level of a structure. Purchase smoke detectors labelled with safety standard marks and check each for a warranty which should cover a number of years.

Post emergency numbers near telephones.

Be aware that if a fire threatens your home, you should not place the call to emergency services from inside the home. It is better to get out and place the call to fire authorities from a safe location outside the home.

After a fire emergency.

Give first aid where appropriate. Seriously injured victims should be transported to professional medical help immediately. Stay out of the damaged building. Return only when fire authorities say it is safe.

Make sure you have a safe fire escape method for all situations.

You may have installed a very expensive home security system. But if you cannot escape the burning structure you have a false level of confidence.

Smokers Need To Be Extra Careful.

Never smoke in bed or when you are sleepy. Carelessly discarded cigarettes are a leading cause of fire deaths in the Ireland.

Be Careful Cooking.

Keep cooking areas clear of combustibles and wear short or tight-fitting sleeves when you cook. Keep the handles of your pots turned inward so they do not over-hang the stove. If grease catches fire, carefully slide a lid over the pan and smother the flames, then turn off the stove.

Matches and Lighters are Dangerous.

In the hands of a child, matches and lighters can be deadly! Store them where kids can't reach them, preferably in a locked area. Teach children that matches and lighters are "tools" and should only be used by adults.

Use Electricity Safely.

If an appliance smokes or has an unusual smell, unplug it immediately and have it repaired. Replace frayed or cracked electrical cords and don't overload extension cords. They should not be run under rugs.

Shock.

You should always keep water and electrical appliances well apart. If you do not follow this rule there is a danger of getting an electric shock. This is particularly true in bathrooms. That is why only shaving sockets are allowed in bathrooms.

Remember.

Never dry or air clothes close to any fire. They could touch the heating elements or fall into flames.

Children's Recipes

$\mathfrak{M}_{\mathsf{ice}} \text{ in Jackets}$

Ingredients

4 potatoes 1 tbsp oil 30g/1oz butter 6 tbsp milk grated cheese salt and freshly ground black pepper cherry tomatoes chives raisins radishes spring onions



Method

1. Preheat the oven to 200C/400F/Gas 6.

2. Wash the potatoes and pat them dry. Prick the skins with a fork and put the potatoes on a baking tray. Brush them all over with oil.

3. Bake the potatoes until they are soft. Medium-sized potatoes take about an hour.

4. Cool enough to handle? Then cut off the tops and carefully scoop out the soft potato centres. You can throw away the lids (or eat them).

5. Mash the soft centres with the butter, milk and cheese. Add a pinch of salt and pepper, then pop the mixture back into the potato jackets.

6. Sprinkle with cheese and cook your potatoes under the grill for a few minutes until they are golden.

7. Make a nose and whiskers with half a cherry tomato held in place with a cocktail stick and chives tucked behind.

8. Finish decorating with raisin eyes, radish ears and spring onion tails.

Gingerbread Men



- 250g/8oz Plain flour
- 75g/3oz Butter (at room temperature)
- 75g/3oz Brown Sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon Bicarbonate of Soda
- 2 oz/50g Golden Syrup
- 1 Egg Yolk
- 1/2 teaspoon Ground Cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon Ground ginger

Method :

Cream butter & sugar until fluffy.

Add bicarbonate of soda, egg yolk, and golden syrup, and stir.

Sift the flour and spices into the bowl and mix with a wooden spoon until well combined.

Shape into a ball and knead lightly until smooth. Wrap and chill for 30 minutes before using. Roll out the dough thinly and use a gingerbread cutter to cut into shapes.

Place on lightly greased baking sheets. Leave a space between each one.

Bake at 180° C/ 350° F/Gas 4 for 10-12 minutes until slightly risen and golden in colour. Transfer to a wire tray to cool.

Mini Pizzas

Ingredients :

- 225g/8oz Self Raising Flour
- 50g/2oz Margarine
- 150ml/1/4pt Milk

Topping

Chopped tomatoes, onion, peppers, & ham. Sliced mushrooms, grated cheese, stoned olives, mixed dried herbs & Tomato Puree.

Method :

Preheat oven to 200°C/400°F/Gas 6. Lightly grease two flat baking trays.

Sieve the flour into a mixing bowl.

Rub in the margarine until mixture looks like fine breadcrumbs.

Add the milk and mix to a soft dough.

Roll out dough on a lightly floured board and divide into 4 equal pieces.

Press each piece of dough into a thin 15cms/6" round and transfer to the prepared trays.

Mix the tinned tomatoes and the puree together in a small bowl and spoon over each pizza round, spreading it out evenly to the edges.

Layer with topping (or one of your choice) and sprinkle with herbs.

Bake for 15/20 minutes until edges are golden brown.

Oats Eyes (Quick & easy to make Snack)

Bananas, crackers, peanut butter, raisins.

- 1. Slice the bananas at an angle so that they are long and oval.
- 2. Spread your crackers with peanut butter and place the banana slices on top.
- 3. Put a dab of peanut better on the raisins and place in the centre of each banana.



Clubs, Organisations And Societies

Maynooth Town F.C. Season Review 2006/07

Off-field Activities:

Pitches

With the increased numbers of players and teams comes the increased pressure to cater for these numbers. This is most acutely felt when it comes to the allocation of pitches. Whilst unlike most other clubs, we are very fortunate to have our own private ground at Rathcoffey Road and the ongoing use of Dublin Road and Harbour Field, there have been occasions this year where games have had to be cancelled or rescheduled due to insufficient space to accommodate all the assigned matches. And this situation is likely to become even more acute as the town and the club grows even more, requiring us now to be actively considering the acquisition of further land to meet the club's future needs. Some alleviation was obtained when a second small pitch was created in Dublin Road to take some of the pressure off Rathcoffey and training was switched to the Harbour Field.

Weather

A further complicating factor this year was the unprecedented inclement weather experienced from November to February resulting in excess of 8 lost weekends of football and severe backlogs of fixtures at season end.

Training and other facilities

While the priority is to provide playing facilities, i.e. pitches, space for training and proper facilities are an essential prerequisite for any club nowadays. While we can only dream of having our own for now, we are fortunate to be in a position to be able to rent these facilities locally, although this is causing a severe financial drain on the club with families ultimately having to pay towards it. In the long term we should be aiming to install our own all-weather training pitch with floodlights, which could also serve as an income generator for the club.

Clubhouse Development

Significant progress has been achieved in the past 12 months to enable us to confidently predict tonight that next year's agm will be held in our own premises for the first time in our history.

While fundraising was the primary objective for the year to enable the project to proceed, those involved in the development group were also active behind the scenes in lining up developers and architects as well as exploring all other avenues of potential funding. We had high hopes that we would be successful in securing additional Sports Capital "Lotto" funding given that it was an election year, and we were very disappointed to learn that our application was declined and no further funding would be made available to us.

An Information night for parents and other interested parties was held here in February and was well attended. One positive result of that event was the volunteering of many people to assist in whatever way they could with our efforts.

Lohan & Donnelly, a firm of consulting engineers were appointed to conduct the tendering process for the clubhouse and to oversee the construction phase of the project. Tenders were issued to 7 builders and a winning bid was selected in early June. A letter of intent has been issued and the builder hopes to break ground within the next 4 weeks.

The biggest challenge facing us now is the financing burden the club now faces. While the overall cost is greater than we expected, we will have a fully finished clubhouse in the end. Nevertheless the club will have to meet repayments of approximately $\leq 2,500$ per month for the next 15 years.

Fundraising

Car Draw

On the fundraising front the club had and availed of the opportunity to participate in a Monster Car draw being run by Rathcairn Parish Development, and we were able to sell almost 400 tickets raising close to €20,000 in the process. While the main draw encountered problems last December and had to be postponed, it has now resumed and all Maynooth ticket holders are being included in an extra 3 main prize draws to make up for this inconvenience. To date over 60 Maynooth ticket holders have won prizes, and with 5 main draws left, we hope to have many more yet and maybe even a big winner!

Maynooth Town Football Club (cont'd)

Bag-Packing

The Club was given the opportunity to fundraise by means of Bag packing in Boots Liffey Valley on Saturdays in the run up to Christmas. This was to be among the easiest and most lucrative means of fundraising ever undertaken by the club and helped us raise almost \in 8,000 over 6 weeks.

Pitch-side advertising

Pitch-side advertising has to date generated in excess of €20,000 in income, all from local businesses, but even greater potential exists from this source, particularly if we can find a way to interest national businesses with large advertising budgets.

Premiership trip

The club arrange a Club Trip to watch Everton play Arsenal in the premiership on March 18^{th} last, courtesy of Barton's Transport and Celtic Horizon Tours, and both companies subsequently donated all the proceeds to the club-house development fund, amounting to \in 4,000. The trip itself was a great success, exceptional value, and all 100 members who went on it, young and old, thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Club weekly "Lotto"

The weekly Lotto Draw is still the main regular source of income for the club and with the introduction of the Auto-Lotto it is hoped to improve this vital source of weekly income.

Finance Committee:

Dinner Dance

As mentioned already the information night resulted in a number of parents coming forward willing to get involved in the club and offering their help. One group formed a fundraising committee and their first event was the recently held dinner dance which was a hugely successful night, raising over €7,000 by means of the auction & raffle.

Auto lotto drive

The Fundraising committee have also taken it upon themselves to drive the "auto lotto" among the teams with all members being encouraged to sign up. Using this method you too can be included in the chance to win the jackpot every week for just €8 per month and support the club at the same time.

Calendar:

The same group also plan to produce a Club Calendar later in the year which it is hoped will be on sale in the run up to Christmas and will make an ideal present for Grannies and Aunties everywhere!!!! Again much appreciation is due to all those involved in this group.

Other events:

Apart from fundraising the club members were also involved in a range of other off the field activities: Over 100 players and their parents again took part in this year's Maynooth St Patrick's Day Parade Colm Cahill, a club member currently serving with Goal in Sudan presented a number of old MTFC playing kits to village teams he works with.



Maynooth Town Football Club (cont'd)

Looking ahead: Girl's Teams

The club is delighted to announce that next season will also see a Maynooth Town all girls team, and hopefully it will not be too long before we see many others and also a ladies team again. I would like to thank Breege Conway for coming forward and offering to oversee this new team, and I commit the club to providing as much support as possible for this initiative.

Plans are already underway in preparation for next season which promises to be the most momentous in our history. It will see the realisation of the hopes and dreams of members past and present when the clubhouse is finally completed and delivered, to be used and enjoyed by generations of young footballers to come. In the meantime, a lot of hard work will be required to get us there, and now more than ever the club needs the support of everyone in the community. In particular we need more individuals to come forward and get involved, and share the burden being carried by just a few.

Maynooth Town F.C. would like to thank all our club and team sponsors, and hope all our members & supporters will continue to support them whenever possible and to acknowledge their generosity when the opportunity arises.

The club would like to thank all our Committee Members, both Fixtures Secretaries, the Team Managers, Players, Parents and everyone else involved with the club for their support over the last year, and wish all the teams the best of luck for next season.

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Entries before Monday 10th September 2007

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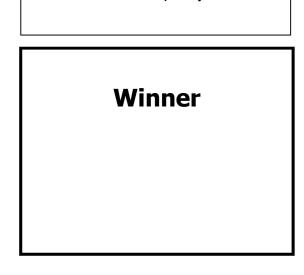
- 6. Part of a submarine (7,5)
- 8. Capital of Kenya (7)
- 9. Beach (5)
- 10. Nourish (4)
- 12. Jimi Hendrix hit, _ _ _*Chile* (6)
- 14. Capital city near to Carthage (5)
- 15. Turning like a wheel (6)
- 16. Indonesian island (4)
- 19. To such time as (5)
- 21. Tombstone inscription (7)
- 22. Mimicked (12)

Doodle Box

Special prize

BOOK VOUCHER

Give yourself the luxury of browsing and choosing the book(s) which take your fancy from the wide selection available in the store of our sponsor The Maynooth Bookshop 68 Main Street, Maynooth



Down:

- 1. Episode (8)
- 2. Pop singer, _ _ Le Bon(5)
- 3. Once more (5)
- 4. Demis _ _ _(7)
- 5. Brave man (4)
- 6. Cone-bearing (10)
- 7. Flattened (10)
- 11. Purchase (3)
- 12. Vitality (3)
- Shimmering fabric (8)
 Shopping cart (7)
- 17. Untidy (5)
- 18. Colossus (5)
- 20. Burial chamber (4)

Across:

1.Tussle, 4. Basic, 7. Far, 8. Albania, 9. Candied, 10 Adept, 13. Yo-yo, 14. Flaxen, 16. Ali, 17. Misery, 20. Emit, 23. Shine, 25. Atheist, 26. Avenged, 27. Ely, 28. Wield, 29. Depend.

Down:

1. Twanky, 2. Subway, 3. Lance, 4. Brunel, 5. Sphinx, 6. Cordon, 7. Fact, 11. Dove, 12. Play, 14. Fish, 15. Amen, 17. Meadow, 18. Scheme, 19. Raised, 21. Meagre, 22. Traded, 23. Stay, 24. Irene.

Maynooth Golf Society

Woodlands Golf Club Outing

RESULT SHEET

1st Prize	John Saults	36 pts	
2nd Prize	Tim Mullane	32 pts B9	
3rd Prize	Gerry Kelly	32 pts	
4th Prize	Mick Fahy	31 pts B9	
5th Prize	Kevin Loftus	31 pts B6	
6th Prize	Liam Farrelly	31 pts	
7th Prize	Tom Nolan	29 pts	
Front 9	Norman Kavanagh	18 pts	
Back 9	Eddie Connolly	14 pts	
Visitors	Conor Saults	33 pts	
Nearest The Pin	Brendan Leigh		
2′s	Mick Fahy & Gerry Kelly		

R & R Golf Dungrange View, Maynooth Community Week, Tuesday 24th July, 3 Person Scramble Results:

1st PlaceGerry McTernan
Robert Moore
Mary McTernan65 nett.2nd PlaceKevin Loftus
Pauline Loftus
Cian Smith67 nett.3rd PlaceJohn Saults
Louise Saults
Tommy Campbell72 nett. (B9)

Garden Projects For August

ell the hydrangeas have never looked as well! They obviously love loads of water! But what can one say about the weather and its affect on us gardeners that is printable in a family magazine? Perhaps not having to water the various hanging baskets, flower pots etc. is a bonus. Also looking at a nice green lawn instead of a brownish one from too much sun as in previous summers, is also a bonus. However when one cannot get out to cut this luscious green grass, and it is beginning to resemble a field, the purchase of one or two sheep has to be considered! What other benefits are there? The smell of neighbours' barbeques or mad that you weren't invited—well that is no longer a problem in the constant downpours! If you are an optimistic type you will be able to get garden furniture etc. at knock down

prices so its not all doom and gloom and we will hopefully have some good weather to look forward to. In the meantime work on the garden has to go on otherwise things will get completely out of hand so the following tips will be useful, hopefully.

Bulbs in August:

Divide older bearded Iris rhizomes. Cut out the woody parts and plant the rest.

Plant fall crocuses now and crown imperials from now until October.

Add several inches of mulch to Asiatic Lilies. This will keep the roots cool, protect them from heat and deter weed growth.

Watch your gladiolus carefully those with heavy blooms may require staking.

Dig up your ranunculus and anemone to store for the winter if you haven't already done so. In warmer zones they can be left in the ground. Just apply a light mulch in fall.

In late August you can dig up overcrowded lily-of-the-valley bulbs that grew poorly. Gently separate each plant and replant individually.

Flowers:

Lay the finished flower stalks of Foxglove on the ground where you want new plants to grow or

sprinkle the seeds from the dried pods.

Continue to keep the soil around your Shasta daisies and ferns moist but not wet. Ferns may become dormant if they get too dry.

Continue to water container plants daily, as needed. Make sure you have provided adequate drainage. Feed every two weeks.

Continue to weed flower beds. Remove faded blooms.

Keep a close eye on your Nasturtium for aphids.

Pick Sweet Peas regularly to encourage more blooms.

Sow Alpine, Oriental and Iceland Poppies outdoors in a seedbed. Add compost or manure to Oriental Poppies.

Pick fresh flowers for indoors. This will also encourage more blooms on most perennials.

Remember to keep your strawflowers well watered. Try not to get the flowers wet when watering.

Vegetables:

Gather herbs for drying as they mature. Pinch the stems of basil regularily to prevent flowering. Harvest once a week.

Harvest sweet corn by pulling and twisting downwards.

Bend over the tops of your cooking onions to prepare for lifting them.

Harvest peas and broad beans before pods get tough.

Lift maincrop potatoes after the stems have died.

Harvest artichokes while the scales are still tight.

Harvest cucumbers as they mature.

General Yard and Garden Care:

Don't forget to moisten your compost regularly to prevent flies from breeding in it.



Garden Projects for August (cont'd)

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Hose between rows and plants regularly.

Water plants in the early morning to prevent mildew.

Water according to the weather. Pay close attention to raised beds and container plants.

Continue to watch for and get rid of weeds before they go to seed.

Lawns:

Now is the time to feed lawns with a slow-acting fertilizer.



Cut your lawn and trim the edge regularly.

Watch out for yellow patches, leaf curl or poor growth. Increase watering if you notice any of these signs.

Fruit & Berries:

Remove suckers and old canes from blackberries and raspberries as they appear. Harvest the berries when they fall off easily.

Continue to keep the grass short around your fruit trees. Grass deprives the trees of nitrogen.

Remove all but two runners on strawberry plants.

Water blueberries, gooseberries and currants often during hot weather.

Throw away any fruits you find that have been affected by scab (fungus).



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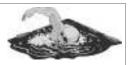
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A floral view outside St. Patrick's College

Ioroscopes



ARIES—March 21—April 20

Don't make the classic mistake of thinking that if you talk really loudly someone will get the point. You're at the start of a busy period and you may not always do and say what needs to be said. Sunday is your lucky day Number 1, colour Black.



TAURUS—April 21—May 21

The new moon in your cash zone suggests that if you start spending less extravagantly on a day to day basis you will be able to start saving for something stupendous.

Think of all the amazing things that you could buy if you just set aside a little every week.

Monday is your lucky day Number 24, colour Brown.



GEMINI—May 22—June 22

The new moon is in Gemini on Friday: make a wish when you wake up that day. If your wish is connected to romance your dream could come true: oh yes it could! Gemini keep an eye on that moon. Friday is your lucky day Number 12, colour Purple.



CANCER—June 23—July 23

Mercury starts to go backwards in your sign, which means many a crab will be suffering a bad case of claw-in-mouth. Don't sign anything you don't want set in stone.

Thursday is your lucky day Number 15, colour Pearl Green.



LEO—July 24—August 23

Issues regarding love and money will top your agenda this week. Don't expect nonstop hearts and flowers though: it's more about what you want and admitting to yourself. If you are not satisfied cut your losses. Tuesday is your lucky day Number 43, colour Yellow.

VIRGO—August 24—Sept 23

Do you need to do some talking, or do some listening? You have the need to get your point across, but at what cost. Virgo you should stand back and look at the problems that you face now. Wednesday is your lucky day Number 5, colour Indigo.



LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23

The right place at the right time, that's where we all want to be. Ah, but is that where we all wish to be - new places and new faces are all very well but timing is very important. Do not miss any important meetings. Saturday is your lucky day

Number 15, colour Pink.

SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22

You're spoiling for a fight where a matter of justice or principle is involved. You see red. Choose Tuesday and Thursday as your weapon words. Sunday is your lucky day Number 10, colour Red.

SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21



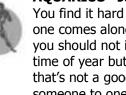
You have reached a bold decision. You have made a commitment that you can hardly go back on. It is a little too late to start wondering if you are right or wrong as time will see the rest.

Friday is your lucky day Number 21, colour White.

CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20

Someone who's not technologically minded may ask for your assistance but be wary they'll end up blaming you if things go wrong. This is not the time to use your hands on approach. Sunday is your lucky day Number 45, colour Indigo.

AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19



You find it hard to make friends so when one comes along you should not ignore them. It's a busy time of year but that's not a good enough excuse to put someone to one side. Monday is your lucky day Number 16, colour Blue.

PISCES—Feb 20—March 20

Those that see your behaviour as childish should look at there own actions. Point this out when they're talking you down. You'll win any argument with your mature words.

Thursday is your lucky day Number 30, colour Tan.



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Maynooth Band Bulletin

t. Mary's Band Maynooth has had a busy "Summer" Programme and have already played a recital in the Square, Maynooth on Saturday 16th June followed by their annual attendance at the Cemetery Sunday Mass in Laraghbryan on Sunday 17th.

Sunday 24th June took them to the Community Care Unit in Leinster Street Maynooth where their afternoon recital was greatly appreciated by patients and staff alike. A surprise of the visit was meeting with a Philippino nurse who had played a wind instrument in college before coming to Ireland who may indeed at some stage rehearse with the Band. Later in the same evening a group from the Band travelled to Dunboyne for their Cemetery Sunday Mass which they have attended for the past number of years.

The Band travelled to compete in the South of Ireland Band Championships in Clonakilty, Co. Cork on Saturday 6th July and had exceptional success for a small town band in winning third prize in the Intermediate Section which included bands from all over the country and secured an even greater victory by taking the award for best overall percussion section from 23 bands including one from Germany.

The Bands final engagement for July will be in Maynooth Castle on Thursday 26th July from 8 to 9 pm as part of Maynooth Community Week.

The Band are presently accepting applications for new music classes starting next September and in this regard a very successful Open Night was held in the Band Hall on Monday 11th June last when there was a large take up of places. There are still some vacancies at this point in time and all interested (including adults) should contact the Secretary Melanie Oliver at 087 9704910 for further details. It should also be mentioned that the Band extends a welcome to those already playing a musical instrument who may live in Maynooth or the surrounding areas. Rehearsals take place in the Band Hall (bottom of the lane beside the Hula Bou on the Main Street) every Monday night (except Bank Holidays) from 8 to 10 p.m. It's worth noting that current members live in areas which include Blanchardstown, Dunboyne, Kilcock, Allenwood and Mullingar while the clarinet section includes a player from southern Germany.

For further information please contact:

Melanie Oliver (Secretary) 087 9704910

NUZSTOP Main Street Maynooth.

Following the closure of Nuzstop after many years in Maynooth, Valerie would like to thank all her customers for their support over the years.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish everyone well for the future.

Again Many Thanks

Children's Colouring Competition

Winner Of the June Edition



26 Meadowbrook Crescent, Maynooth.

Features

Flight of the Earls 1607 400th Anniversary

Bridget FitzGerald, an Earl's wife who was left behind at the Flight of the Earls in 1607

he most important historical commemoration this year is the four-hundred anniversary of the Flight of the Earls which occurred on 14 September 1607. There is an important county Kildare involvement in this event and the connection was centred in this very building, Maynooth Castle.

Ask anyone that has passed through the Irish educational system to name the two principal individuals involved in the Flight of the Earls and you would be informed O'Neill and O'Donnell. What occurred was a number of Irish Chieftains fled the country taking their families with them. Rory O'Donnell



brought his 11 month old son and heir but he didn't get time to bring his pregnant wife Bridget. Bridget was a FitzGerald the daughter of the Earl of Kildare and at the time of the Flight she was here in this very Castle.

Bridget FitzGerald was born in 1589 in Maynooth. Her father was Henry FitzGerald the 12th Earl of Kildare. She was the granddaughter of Gerald the Wizard Earl who was the brother of the famous Silken Thomas. Bridget was actually named after St Bridget the patron saint of Kildare. In 1597 when she was 8 years old her father was killed fighting on the side of Queen Elizabeth in the Nine Years War. Four years later in 1601 when Bridget was 12 years old her Mother remarried and she was left in the care of her Grandmother Mapel Brown the Dowager Kildare. In 1605 Bridget then aged 16 married Rory O'Donnell. He was the Earl of Tyrconnell, head of the O'Donnells and brother of the famous Red Hugh O'Donnell.

In the Flight of the Earls episode there was a plot and there is evidence that some of the plotting occurred here in Maynooth. Rory O'Donnell on a visit to Maynooth Castle had discussions with Richard Nugent his wife's cousin and informed him of plans to capture Dublin Castle and kill the Lord Deputy. He also informed Nugent that Hugh O'Neill, Maguire and some of the Old English Lords of the Pale were involved in the conspiracy. Details of the plot were subsequently leaked to the Lord Deputy. The Lord Deputy who had been endeavouring for some time to obtain evidence in order to imprison O'Donnell, now planned to have O'Donnell arrested as he passed through Dublin on his way to visit his wife at Maynooth. Plans were also afoot to arrest O'Neill. But the Earls were tipped off that Government were planning to arrest them and on 14 September 1607 the Flight of the Earls took place. Rory O'Donnell brought his 11 month son Hugh but was unable to bring Bridget his wife.

Two days after the flight on 16 September Fr. Eoghan Groome McGrath who was in the service of O'Donnell visited Bridget in Maynooth Castle. They had a secret meeting in a garden at Maynooth Castle known as the 'Moyglare Garden'. According to tradition, this garden was on the opposite side of the Lyreen River to here, where the 'Mill Centre' is today. Fr. McGrath passed on to Bridget a message and money from her husband. The money consisted of 81 pieces of gold. Bridget and her Grandmother then travelled to Howth and stayed with Christopher St Laurence. He was actually the man who had tipped off the authorities about the plot. It appears now he attempted to play both sides and assist Bridget on leaving the country in order to join her husband on the continent. However the attempts were unsuccessful. The Lord Deputy, Chichester, then investigated her role and demanded an explanation. At this point, Bridget wrote a letter to the Lord Deputy indicating that she was unaware of any plotting. Chichester in order to prevent her from leaving the country for the continent sent her to London where she met the King. An eye witness at Court gave the following account: 'she kissed his majesty's hand and a sweeter face you never saw. Indeed the king wondered, her husband, left so fair a face behind'. Bridget's second child a girl was born in October 1607 and she named her after the King's mother Mary Stuart.

Ten months after the flight in July 1608, Rory O'Donnell died from a fever in Rome. Bridget was then a widow, aged only 19 years. Their son Hugh was cared for by his aunt Nuala O'Donnell at Louvain. Later attempts aimed at getting Hugh restored to his Earldom were unsuccessful. Hugh subsequently became an officer in the army of the Spanish Netherlands and died fighting with his regiment in Spain in 1642.

As for Bridget the King granted her an annual income of £300 and this eventually enabled her to find a suit-(Continued on page 32)

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able husband. In 1617 at the age of 28 she married 25 year-old Nicholas Barnwall of Turvey near Donabate. She had nine children by her second husband that is a total of eleven children. The couple were not without difficulties in the subsequent years. They had to flee to Wales for two years after the 1641 Rebellion. Cromwell imprisoned Nicholas in 1654 and confiscated his lands. The lands, however, were restored in 1660. Nicholas died in 1663 and was buried in the Church in Lusk. Bridget FitzGerald died in 1682 in her 93rd year and was buried beside her second husband.

So in six weeks time on the anniversary of the Flight of the Earls let us not forget that there was a very important connection with Maynooth.

Seamus Cullen

FLIGHT OF THE EARLS

From the hills of Ulster the brave Earls have gone The chieftains of the proud Red Hand. The Gaels they mourn and shed their tears, As their chiefs depart after three thousand years.

How sad the thoughts that autumn night, As the ship sails out from Rathmullan shore. The pain and sorrow, that would follow the flight, When the Earls depart to return no more.

On board the ship sail ninety nine, The nobility of the Ulster clans. The anchors aweigh, the tide is high. It's the Earls last night under an Irish sky

T. D. Sullivan a 19th Century Dublin Lord Mayor



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Marianne and Christina Ní Dhonabháin With their Families

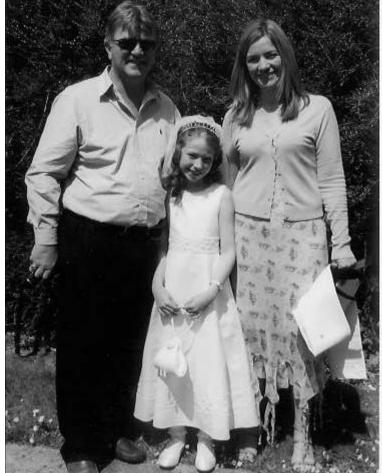


Sophie Ní Dhaimhín With her Parents And sister Kelly

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Catherine Strobard O Muilleoir And her Mum



Ailsing Ní Dheoráin And Parents

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Megan Nic An Breithínnaigh with her Dad



Megan Ní Ronáin with her Mum



Aoife Ní h'Ocain, her sisters Niamh and Róisín, Parents and Godfather

A note of appreciation from the Chairperson and festival committee.

I wish to thank Marie Gleeson and the office staff for their hard work on the preparation of the festival.

I also wish to thank Hilda Dunne for her work on the evening of light entertainment in the castle, and Rita Doyle and her dancers and St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band.

I would like also to mention Kay and Fran for their help on the quiz nights, and the family treasure hunt.

Special thanks also to Willie Kiernan for keeping me plugged in with speakers for the week. Also Patricia Moynan, Ann Marie Coyne, Catherine Carton and Marleen Durkan.

All in all the festival was well attended in some events and in others it wasn't. This was due to the bad weather which we can do nothing about.

The festival inter estate table quiz had 14 tables altogether. A special thanks to Nora and Freda for their help on the score board.

The family day in the harbour was a great day, along with the football final and the fire brigade display. A special thanks to the fire brigade for their participation. This day proved to be one of the most successful events of the festival.

I would like to thank Mick Gleeson for his help with the children's races at the Family Day.

A mention also to the Music & Dance– Seo Beo Rath Cairn Le Cabhair O Fhoras Na Gaelige on a great performance on Saturday.

Apologises to anyone that hasn't been mentioned.

The next few pages have photographs and information on the festival.

Andrew McMullon.

he Festival Committee would like to thank the following businesses for sponsoring the raffle prizes during the Table Quiz. They would also like to thank Supermac's for supplying food and beverages to the Irish Dancers after their performance on The Square.

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L to R Marie Gleeson, Marlene Durkan and Patricia Moynan



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L to R John Saults, Susan and Gerry Durack

L to R John McGinley, Henry Baurness, Peter Connell And Dominic Nyland.



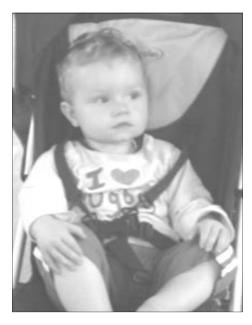
Children's Table Quiz



L to R David Moynan, Joseph Carton, Michael Carton & Alexander Romascu



Eleanor and Katie Geraghty



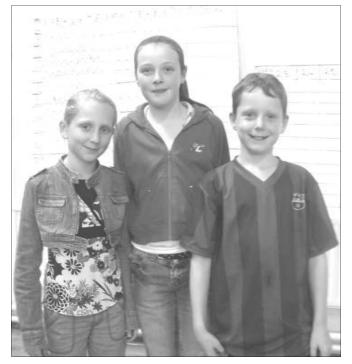
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Children's Table Quiz (cont'd)

The winning team.



ıst Place: L to R Niamh Feeney, Sarah Jennings and Tomás Feeney



2nd Place: L to R David Moynan, Michael Carton, Joseph Carton and Alexandra Romascu with Andrew McMullon.



3rd Place: L to R Christina Ward, Suzy Ward, Catherine Warren and Sean Ward

Maynooth Golf Society Festival Outing



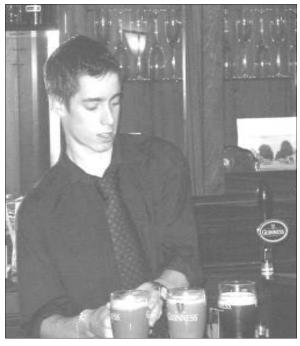
L to R Pauline Loftus, Mary McTernan, Kevin Loftus and Kevin Loftus Jnr.



Pat Farrell



L to R Kevin Loftus, John Saults, Gerry McTernan and Norman Kavanagh



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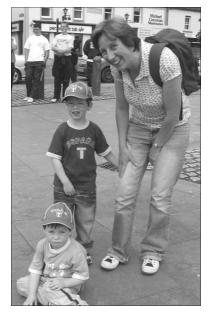
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Irish Dancing By Rita Doyle Scoil Rince Ui Dhubhaill

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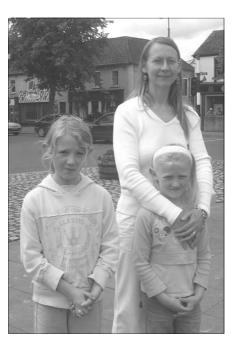




Spectators



Olívia Carton (Irísh Dancer)



Spectators



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Festival Week Children's Art Competition and Exhibition 2007

It was another great exhibition this year. Many thanks to all that entered. The age groups consisted of 4-6, 7-10 and 11-13 and there were a number of entries for each category that made the task of judging all the more challenging, as all works deserved a notable mention. There were pirates, punk rockers, aliens, boats, birds, horses, snakes, still life, landscapes and the Simpsons to mention a few. Our experienced art critic did manage after some deliberation to pick out 3 works in each age category:

4-6 age group:

- 1. Colm Tracey
- 2. Sam Gaubert
- 3. Michael O'Hora

7-10 age group:

- 1. Jennifer Carroll
- 2. Meadbh Nelson
- 3. Scott O'Hearne

11-13 age group

- 1. Sarah Jennings
- 2. Glenn O'Hearne
- 3. Sarah Curran

Congratulations and thanks to everyone who entered. All the works made up a great exhibition.

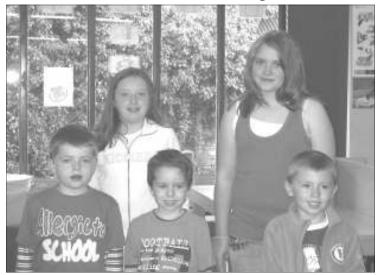
I would like to express a special thanks to **Maynooth Office and School Supplies** (Maynooth Business Campus) for sponsoring the first prizes in each category and for making up the remaining art prize packs, which were generously sponsored by the **Maynooth Community Council.** The quality and thought that went into the prizes was superb.

Our thanks to **Clodagh Kelly** for the careful consideration given in the judging process, for her comments on the paintings and drawings when awarding the prizes and for her encouragement to everyone who submitted work. The help and venue of **Maynooth Community Library** was very much appreciated. The event was organised by the **Castle Keep Art Group Maynooth**.

Susan Durack, Castle Keep Art Group.



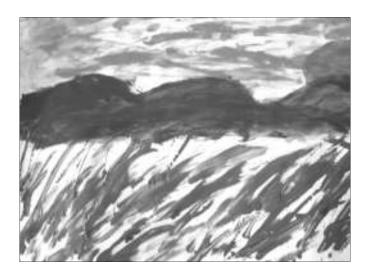
Children's Art Competition

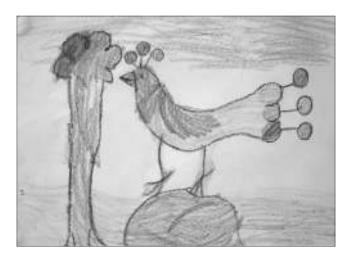


L to R Colm Tracey, Meadhbh Nelson, Michael O'Hora, Sarah Curran and Sam Gaubert.

Some of the paintings from the young Artists in Maynooth









An Evening In The Geraldine Castle

n the historic surroundings of the castle during Maynooth Geraldine Festival week, local groups got together and put on a wonderful evenings entertainment starting with Rita Doyle's School of Dancing who gave a superb display and drew loud applause from the on lookers.

Next was Maynooth's own St Mary's Brass and Reed Band making history as the first Brass and Reed Band playing within the castle itself and giving a great selection of tunes, the children enjoying the shrek bits.

Maynooth local history group had Seamus Cullen telling the story of Bridget Fitzgerald born at the castle and wife of one of the Earls, Rory O'Donnell,. There were great readings from other members of said group including Fergus White, Declan O'Connor, and Rita Edwards.

Two Ladies from Maynooth U.3A group Joan and Ann had the audience in stitches and the musical offering from Terry and Trevor had many a foot tapping. Many thanks to all involved especially the O.P.W and castle staff.

P.S. The crows had a disturbed night as they were just tucking their heads under there wings when the music started so they added a background chorus of indignant squawks to show their annoyance.

Hilda Dunne



Maynooth Brass and Reed Band in full swing



Irísh Dancing By Ríta Doyle Scoil Rínce Uí Dhubhaill.

Family Day



Liz Stole busy at work face painting

Medal winner & friend





Naoime Blumlein & Laura Lally

Pony Rides from the Maynooth Equestrian Centre





Catherine Carton busy cooking feeding the millions!!

2nd in the Bonny Baby competition Mya Doyle with her Dad



Inter-Estate Table -Quíz



L to R Joey McBride, Noel Kenny, Paul Daly and John Dredge 2nd prize



The overall winners of the Inter-Estate Table–Quiz was Team Kingsbury plus one: Patrick Moynan, Fergal Doyle, Tom McMullon and Stephen O'Mara.



Norah McDermott, Tracey Walsh, Shane O'Donoghue and David Fitzgerald

Andrew McMullon presenting Calum Warren with his trophy For 3rd place





L to R Niall Gilmartin, Annmarie Murphy, Bernie Murphy and Brian keating

Patricia Moynan Marking the Score board



`The Joe Murphy Trophy Maynooth Community Festival Tesco 7-a-Side Soccer Tournament 2007

The very popular 7-a-side soccer tournament was held in the Harbour Field from the 16th to the 29th July. Despite the wintry weather there was an average attendance of 250 spectators each evening, with around 400 watching the Final and it was the highlight of the Community Festival.

The teams were divided into two groups of 4 teams and two groups of 3 teams, with the winners and runners-up going through to the quarter-final knockout stage.

	Gropup 1		Group 2		Group 3		Group 4
А	Old Greenfield	Е	Newtown Pirates	J	The Old Town	Ν	Rockfield
В	Carton Avenue	F	Old Greenfield United	K	Greenfield Celtic	Ρ	Carton Court Utd.
С	Beaufield Utd	G	Straffan Way	М	Rockfield Celtic	Q	Cluain Aoibhin
D	Kinsbry Galacticos	Η	Silken Vale Reserves				

Group 1 was won by Carton Avenue and Kingsbry Galacticos were the runners-up. A very good Beaufield Utd. and Old Greenfield made their exit.

Group 2 was won by Silken Vale Reserves and Newtown Pirates were the runners-up. Straffan Way and Old Greenfield Utd. Exited.

Group 3 was won by Rockfield Celtic and Greenfield Celtic were the runners-up. The Old Town made their exit.

Group 4 was won by Rockfield and the runners-up were Cluain Aoibhinn. Cafton Court Utd. Made their exist.

Quarter-Finals

Carton Avenue	1	-	2	Newtown Pirates
Silken Vale Reserves	0	-	1	Kingsbry Galacticos
Rockfield Celtic	2	-	0	Cluain Aoibhinn
Rockfield	0	-	1	Greenfield Celtic

Semi Finals

Newtown Pirates	1	-	2	Kingsbry
Rockfield Celtic	1		0	Greenfield Celtic

The Final

Kingsbry Galacticos, who were the winners last year, were the red hot favourites. It was a very close game with Kingsbry Galacticos winning by two goals to one against a very game Rockfield Celtic. Kingsbry went one up after 15 minutes through a great goal from Eanna McDermott. They went two up 30 seconds into the second half with another fantastic goal from Eanna McDermott. Rockfield fought back and scored from a penalty by Donal McDermott five minutes from the end. However, Kingsbry held on and ran out deserving winners as they were the best team in the Tournament.

Thanks

I would like to thank the organising committee for giving so much of their time in preparing the pitch each evening. They had to be present for 4 hours on each of the 7 (wet) evenings and also attend the Final on Sunday the 29th July. Special thanks is due to Michael O'Reilly, Willie Saults, Andrew McMullon, Michael Dempsey, John Doogan, John Saults, Lenny Murphy, Pat Moynan and Christina Saults.

Also, many thanks to our Referee, Bill Gannon, who handled all of the matches very professionally.

Finally, on behalf of the organising committee I would like to thank all of the teams for taking part, TESCO for their sponsorship and the Murphy family for the beautiful trophy.

John McGinley Organiser



The winners of the Tesco 7-A-Side Kingsbury Galactics been presented with the Joe Murphy Memorial Trophy

File Number	Applicant Name	Application Type	Application Received	Development Description	Development Location	Development Type
07/1362	Austin Brady	Ρ	14/06/07	Alterations & two storey extension to rear of existing dwelling	1 Greenfield Drive Maynooth	EXTENSION
07/1374	Fiona Kenny	Ρ	15/06/07	(1) The filling of lands with inert materials to include soil, subsoil & excavated material (2) to provide a wheel wash facility (3) to provide a new site entrance onto the public road together with all associated site works	Clonfert South Td Maynooth	LANDFILL
07/1408	The Governer & Co of the Bank of Ireland	Р	20/06/07	 (1) The relocation of the existing night safe, ATM & Data hatch (2) the relocation of the existing front entrance doors (3) the removal of 3 No. windows & replacement with 2 No. Windows (4) the provision of a new Portuguese Limestone shopfront etc. 	Main St. Maynooth	COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
07/1419	Merr Development Ltd	Р	21/06/07	Overall linear length of approx 1400m & width of 17.8 m containing two traffic lanes with grass margins footpaths cycle tracks & junctions including internal roundabouts etc	Railpark Maynooth	OTHER
07/1420	David O' Leary	P	21/06/07	The development will consist of permission for the sub division of existing site for the construction of dormer bungalow secondary effluent treatment system & all associated site works	Johninstown Maynooth	ONE OFF HOUSE
07/1421	Michael & Kathleen O'Leary	Ρ	21/06/07	Development will consist of permission for the decommissioning of existing septic tank & the installation of replacement system & all associated site works	Johninstown Maynooth	OTHER
07/1428	P & G Dormer	Ρ	21/06/07	 (a) Demolition of houses no. 12,13,14, erection of 2 storey extensions to side of houses no. 11 & 15 Parson St, (b) erection of 3 no. blocks of varying height up to 5 storeys consisting of 7 no. retail units, 1 no. crèche & 3 no. restaurants 	Parsons St. Maynooth	COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
07/1448	Margaret Flood	Ρ	22/06/07	Development consisting of the erection of a cubicle house & an overground slurry store with all associated site works	Cormickstown Maynooth	AGRICULTURE
07/1456	Emer Mc Dermott	Р	22/.06/07	For change of use from residential to commercial office for premises	2 The Square Maynooth	COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
07/1454	Martin Heslin	Р	25/06/07	Permission for construction of a Smithstown 625m livestock shed Maynooth		AGRICULTURE
07/1457	Martin & Ann Tarpey	Р	25/06/07	Development will consist of lean to of roof to a garage & single storey extension to rear	2 College Green Maynooth	EXTENSION

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Forster FOR RETENTION OF		RETENTION	04/07/07	Conversion of attic space with roof lights to rear (2) retention of domestic garage (3) permission for dormer windows to front (4) permission for conservatory expansion	Barberstown Upper Maynooth	EXTENSION
07/1564	Dermot D'Arcy	Р	05/07/07	Construction of a two storey house, detached garage, bison treatment system & all ancillary site works	Windgate Maynooth	ONE OFF HOUSE
07/1565	Kemek Ltd.	Ρ	05/07/07	The expansion of the ancillary offices at first floor level by introducing a full mezzanine floor to the light industrial area comprising 150.5sq.m. to support ancillary offices, toilet accommodation, store room & board room etc	Unit 11 Block H Maynooth Business Park Maynooth	COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
91/441	Boldnote Developments Ltd	EXTENSION OF DURATION	05/07/07	Alterations to Carton House & Demense, change Carton House from residential to Hotel, golf courses & clubhouse (as per Notice) E.I.S. submitted	Carton Demense Carton Maynooth	UNCATEGORISED
07/1594	Martin & Valerie McHugh	P	10/07/07	Erection of a dormer bungalow with 3 no. loose boxes, tack room & Dungstead also to include a separate dormer style double garage with Bio-disc system	Clonagh Maynooth	ONE OFF HOUSE
07/1616	Mr Padraig Quinn	Ρ	11/07/07	To build a dormer type dwelling serviced on site wastewater treatment system to current 'EPA' guidelines, domestic garage, shared recessed entrance & all associated siteworks	Laragh Maynooth	one off House
07/1643	David O'Leary	Ρ	13/07/07	Sub division of existing site for the construction of dormer bungalow secondary effluent treatment system and all associated site works	Johninstown Maynooth	ONE OFF HOUSE
07/1644	Pat Comerford	Р	13/07/07	Works to existing detached building comprising of 2 no. existing 1 bedroom apartments. Change of building from 1 and a half to 2 storey and new internal layout to 2 no. 1 bedroom apartments.	3+4 Buckley Court Back Lane Maynooth	EXTENSION
07/1645	Michael & Kathleen O'Leary	Ρ	13/07/07	Decommissioning of existing septic tank and installation of replacement secondary effluent treatment system and all associated site works	Johninstown Maynooth	OTHER
07/1657	Margaret Flood	P	13/07/07	Development will consist of the erection of a cubicle house and an over ground slurry store with all associated site works.	Cormickstown Maynooth	AGRICULTURE

Planning Permissions (continued)									
File Number	Applicant Name	Application Type	Application Received	Development Description	Development Location	Development Type			
07/1711	P & G Dormer	Ρ	19/07/07	For a) demolition of houses no.12,13 & 14, erection of 2 storey extensions to side of houses no.11 & 15 Parson St, b) erection of 3 no. blocks of varying heights up to 5 storeys consisting of 7 no. retail units, 1 no. crèche and 3 no. restaurants etc.	Parsons Street Maynooth	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT			
07/1772	Mary & Dave Murphy	р	23/07/07	Ground floor extension to south west elevation including roof lights to the north west and south east and all associated site works	38 Leinster Wood South Carton Demense Maynooth	EXTENSION			
07/1778	Pauline & Brendan O'Toole	Ρ	24/07/07	Conversion of, and extension to, existing detached single storey garden shed to 'family flat' incorporating living room, kitchen, bedroom and bathroom and all associated site and drainage works	104 Railpark Maynooth	EXTENSION			
07/1779	Martin Ryan	Ρ	24/07/07	Sub-division of existing property with new dormer style house to rear of existing house with new vehicle access.	Kum-By-Ya Maynooth Road Celbridge	EXTENSION			

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Cllr. John McGinley

Maynooth Harbour Action Area Plan

This plan was adopted by Kildare County Council in February 2006. As very little progress was made, and there was a danger that individual landowners would apply for planning permission, Cllr. John McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Full Council:

Maynooth Labour News

"That a Project Team be appointed to progress the Maynooth Harbour Action Area Plan

Cllr. John McGinley made the following points in support of his motion:

"The area in question is at the heart of Maynooth, bordered by Maynooth College, The Geraldine Castle, The Royal Canal and the amenity of the Harbour Field.

There are some 14 acres designated for residential development, 5 acres for amenity/community use and 1.5 acres for a Better Government Civic Building on the Council owned land.

Maynooth being the only University town in Ireland should be special.

We should be looking at Oxford and Cambridge to see how University towns can grow properly.

As the Harbour Site is at the heart of the town it needs to be developed to 5 Star standards.

If individual developers go their own way there will be a fragmented approach and that is what will happen unless the Council appoint a Project Management Team to drive the project. The Team would include Director Leader, Finance, Planner and Architect and they should be contracted in as happens elsewhere for such major projects.

I believe that is the best and only way forward. Get the developers to act in consort and come up with a Joint Venture proposal covering the Residential Area, the new Streets, the Civic Building, the Geraldine Hall, the Harbour Field and Underground parking. All underground parking is specified for the residential and civic building areas and we have also specified such parking underneath the Harbour Field primarily for the train commuters.

The Project Management Team would then bring the Joint Venture proposals back to full Council for approval."

The Council unanimously agreed to Cllr. McGinley's motion at it's meeting on 26th March. Unfortunately, Council officials have still not acted on the motion and Cllr. John McGinley's worstfears have come to pass as a Planning Application has been submitted for a section of the area. Planning Application 07/1428 calls for:

(a) demolition of houses numbered 12,13 & 14,erection of 2 storey extensions to side of houses numbered 11 & 15 Parson St,

(b) erection of 3 no.blocks of varying height up to 5 storeys consisting of 7 no.retail units,1 no.creche and 3 no. restaurants

The closing date for Objections is 26th July and Cllr. John McGinley and his colleague Deputy Emmet Stagg will make their views known on the inappropriate building heights proposed and any other negative aspects of the proposal as it affects the Built Environment of the Historic Core of Maynooth.

Additional Litter Bins Needed in Maynooth

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

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" That funding be provided for the installation and emptying of additional litterbins in Maynooth."

John had earlier asked the Area Engineer to provide the bins and he got the following reply:

"The Area Engineer has confirmed that there is no funding currently available for the installation, maintenance or emptying of additional bins."

Parsons Hall being Taken in Charge

The Council agreed at it's meeting on June 25th to put on Public Display their intention to take Parsons Hall in charge. Also, as Moyglare Meadows is at an advanced stage in the Taking in Charge process it is anticipated that it will be ready to go on public display in the next few weeks.

Allocation of Discretionary Grants

Cllr. John McGinley has allocated a further €7,000 for a traffic calming ramp at 4/6 The Paddocks, Moyglare Abbey and has asked the Council to use the remainder of his Discretionary Grants for footpath repairs in Oaklawn West, Leixlip.

F.F. Promises on Gaelcholaiste for North Kildare broken in 6 weeks - A record—Stagg

Deputy Emmet Stagg has criticised F.F. for building up the hopes of both parents and pupils of Gaelscoils in Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip that an All Irish Second Level School was still on the Agenda for North Kildare during the General Election Campaign.

Deputy Stagg questioned the Minister for Education on this matter in the Dáil on 26th June and the Minister responded as follows – "County Kildare VEC recently applied for the establishment of a separate all-Irish post primary school in Maynooth. The Department has given careful consideration to the application and has decided that the application should not be granted. In arriving at this conclusion, account was taken of the fact that Colaiste Cois Life in Lucan was established to serve the needs of the West Dublin and North Kildare area".

On May 14th last, prior to the General Election, F.F. then candidate Aine Brady stated she contacted the Minister immediately following the rejection of the proposal and that she was delighted that the Minister had now heeded her call and agreed to review the case for a Gaelcholaiste for the north of Kildare.

The Review stated Deputy Stagg was nothing short of a Political Ploy by FF to keep the issue alive and then

give the bad news to Parents and Pupils after the Election. This is the type of shenanigans which gives Politics a bad name but is to be expected from FF.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he intended to keep the issue on the Agenda for the next 5 years and eventually embarrass FF into action in supporting the Irish Language in North Kildare.

Stagg welcomes rejection of restaurant/wine bar in residential area

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the decision by Kildare Co. Council to refuse planning permission for a Restaurant and Wine Bar at 1 Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Last November Deputy Stagg and his colleague Cllr. John McGinley objected to the proposal given the adverse effect it would have had on residential amenity in this old residential area of Maynooth.

The Council in refusing Planning Permission stated 'The proposed site is located within the Historic Core of the Town in a defined Architectural Conservation Area. Objective 3.11.2 of the Maynooth Development Plan 2002 states that it is the policy of the Council to protect and enhance the character of the area. Having regard to this objective, it is deemed that the proposed development if permitted, would adversely affect the architectural conservation area by reason of its inappropriate design and scale, would set an undesirable precedent and would therefore be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.'

Deputy Stagg indicated that the refusal could have been stronger given the affect the proposal would have had on the amenities of residents in the area but should an appeal be lodged he will, along with Cllr. John McGinley, reiterate their serious concerns about the proposal.

Dublin Bus agree to additional bus stops at Griffin Rath

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed the agreement by Dublin Bus to provide additional inbound and outbound bus stops near Griffin Rath Estate on the Celbridge Road in Maynooth.

The issue was raised with Deputy Stagg during the recent General Election and Dublin Bus recently advised Deputy Stagg that they had obtained statutory orders for the additional bus stops and once a hard stand is constructed for the Dublin Bound side the orders will be processed. Dublin Bus are at present in discussions with Kildare Co. Council in this matter.

Deputy Stagg stated that the provision of the additional Bus Stops will encourage residents to avail

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of Public Transport and save them a considerable walk to Railpark to avail of the service as they have to do at present in this great Summer weather we are having.

THREAT TO MAYNOOTH MAIN STREET TREES LIFTED

On foot of assurances from Kildare Co. Council Director of Services Joe Boland that Traffic Related works associated with the Redevelopment of the Tesco Supermarket on the Dublin Road, Maynooth, will not involve interference with or the removal of any of the Trees on Main Street, Maynooth, Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have withdrawn their appeal to An Bord Pleanala in relation to the Planning Permission Granted for the redevelopment of Tesco`s.

All parties who appealed the decision have withdrawn their appeals and Deputy Emmet Stagg is delighted with the result which he has described as a Great Day for the people of Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley had appealed the decision last January because a condition imposed by the Council left open the option of removing the 8 trees from the Square to Hand's old House to create an additional traffic lane on Main Street. Deputy Stagg had described the proposal at the time as an act of State Vandalism against the Community of Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg indicated that there appeared to be certain people within the Council who had an Agenda against the Trees and the assurances now received from the Director of Services has put them in their place.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that this was one of his and Cllr. McGinley`s most successful outcomes in terms of Planning with the unique beauty of the Trees and their environment in the Heart of Maynooth now secured for future generations.

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Musíc

Voices I hear on the radio Music fills your ear It also helps my ego Vanishes away my fear Melodious tunes to listen to Rembrant or the Rolling Stones Fills my heart with love right through Relaxes my weary bones I listen to each word sung With a message to put across Music is where my heart belongs I'm never at a loss.



Pub Drinking

Whenever you have a thírst Go straight to the pub A beer simply comes first After a feed of grub To drink a pint of stout Or a small one is ok You get ríd of your drought With company for the day Drinking is an expensive past-time A pleasure it is indeed Everything is going fine Untíl you're full of greed You're as drunk as a skunk Wobbling through the bar *You go home to your bunk* Driving deadly in your car Drinking is a pleasure In moderation to be done You enjoy your leisure Also have a bit of fun A pub is a meeting place For chatting and song Maybe a lady to embrace Until the drink is gone Why do people drink Is it just the trend A few pints to sink Then a hangover to mend People drink for company Or just to meet a friend Your world is free With lots of money to spend There are many types to drink To choose at your ease *Your full to the brink* You do what you please Alcohol makes you feel good It is only for a while.



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