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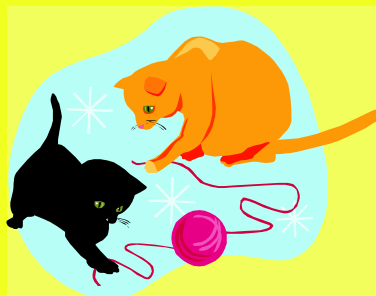


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# Editorial

## February 2009

Despite the recession it is great to see that we can still celebrate some things that are happening. On the international scene there appears to be a feeling of new hope with the inauguration of Barack Obama. But just as important there are some local achievements to note. Congratulations to Michelle O'Connor who won gold at the Irish Open Taekwondo Competition held at the Tallaght Leisure Centre. Taekwondo, the national sport of South Korea is the most popular of the martial arts and is also an Olympic sporting event. So you never know what the future holds for Ireland in this field. Congratulations also to Susie Farrell on earning a bronze in the Junior Black Belt Sparring category and to Sean Stoll for his bronze in the (15-17) Red Belt Sparring. Read more inside.

The annual Tony Smith Memorial highlights that community activity and involvement has not completely disappeared as many would think. A sizeable sum of money was raised which deservedly goes to Maynooth Senior Citizens.

Efforts are being made to enhance the links between town and University. The idea of Maynooth as a University town is being brought more to the fore, which could mean a beneficial collaboration. In this issue there is a piece about developments within the University. The Faculty of Social Science publications were on display in the JP II Library from January 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. Many members of the community and the Community Council were invited to the exhibition which was opened by the President Professor John G. Hughes.

Finally I would like to welcome two new members to the Newsletter Editorial Board – Paul Croghan and Brendan Coffey. We look forward to their involvement in the forthcoming issues. I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would be interested in coming on to the board to please contact the office. It's a once a month meeting. New people and ideas are always welcome.

**Susan Durack**

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# *Community Council Notes*

## **Maynooth Community Council Notes 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

The first meeting of the Community Council in 2009 was a busy affair with a full agenda forwarded by a Presentation by Mr. Conor Mallaghan, Carton House, Maynooth.

Mr. Mallaghan's Presentation began by recounting a history of the Mallaghan family involvement with Carton House since 1977. He stated that Government were reticent to take over large country houses as there was a large cost involved in their maintenance. He stated that under the Mallaghan stewardship they addressed this economic challenge and are planning for an evolving demesne.

The current hotel and golf courses have all been developed in an environmentally responsible fashion. There are currently 290 people employed in Carton with the majority of employees living in Maynooth. Mr. Mallaghan reiterated that Carton is very aware of its role in the community and that there is public access to the walks within the demesne.

The current project and its manager Mr. Stepen Kilroy were then introduced to the Council.

S.M.A.R.T. park is an anagram for South Meath Area Research Technology. While there are 1,100 acres in Carton the 60 acres earmarked for the Park lie in an environmentally insensitive' area within the County Meath boundary. Mr. Mallaghan stated that the development of a SMART park is within the guidelines of The National Spatial Strategy, which promotes the clustering of resources in a specific area. Reference was made to the Knowledge Valley concept with a high value added component being Research and Development with the National University of Ireland Maynooth, Intel and The Department of Enterprise. He explained that 5 acres were being assigned to the R. & D. Dept. of N.U.I.M.. The plan involved an Innovation Centre, Research Centre, Sports Centre, Café, Academic Village and 80 residential units.

A question and answer session followed which raised the issue of infrastructural benefit to Maynooth from building levies. The meeting was informed that the two bad bends on the Maynooth to Dunboyne road would be rectified. The issue regarding the historical integrity of Carton as a resource to the people of Maynooth was seen as a vital component of any new plan. It was stated that Carton is internationally known as the Versailles of Ireland. Mr. Mallaghan confirmed his family's commitment in their stewardship of the Demesne and that they saw themselves as part of Maynooth and wished to remain as active participants of the Maynooth Community. He reiterated the open gate policy of Carton, where Maynooth residents were welcome to enjoy the grounds and walks. The issue of ground services from the Park being treated by Kildare County Council was also raised. It was confirmed by the reps. that these would indeed fall under the remit of Kildare. A number of other issues were also raised but appeared to be capable of being resolved through further dialogue and communication.

Mr. Mallaghan and Mr. Kilroy were thanked for their presentation and praised for the upkeep of Carton Avenue. The Council will consider the project and welcome comments from Maynooth residents through The Newsletter or your estate or organisation's representative on Maynooth Community Council.

The meeting got under way and after the housekeeping was completed we addressed specific items on the agenda.

### **Saint Patrick's Day Parade.**

Councillor John McGinley informed the meeting of the preparations underway for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. He gave guidance on the criteria for floats. They must be decorated and add to the spirit of the parade. Mr. Tom Mc Mullen made an appeal to the local schools to become involved. He said that it's a fun day and that a little bit of organisation by the Teachers and Parents would see great benefits deriving to their children who love to participate and represent their school publicly. The Presentation Girl's Primary School, St. Mary's Boy's National School, Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich and Maynooth Post Primary have all participated in the past and are encouraged to make a special effort this year. A representation from the new Kildare Educate Together School would also be welcome. We especially look to M.P.P. Transition year for an imaginative float representing their year's work, from this year's musical to experiences gained by foreign travel, this would be an advertisement and endorsement of the hard work put into the transition year by the student's school staff and parents.

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Culture**

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John McGinley (6285293 (H) or 7026536 (W) )

# Community Council Notes

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## **Planning and Development.**

Ms. Deirdre Cullen gave an update on the progress of the Maynooth Development Plan. The Plan has been submitted to Kildare County Council. The Planning and Development Committee have also presented their submission to relevant stakeholders in the town. All four area Councillors in the electoral area are aware of the needs of the town as outlined in The Maynooth Area Development Plan. The committee convened a meeting with Monsignor Hugh Connolly, President of St. Patrick's College and areas of mutual interest were addressed. The Committee are to meet with representatives of The National University of Ireland Maynooth to present our Plan and to address areas of mutual interest.

The issue of parking in Maynooth remains a problem. Car parking proposals at Leinster Street are a cause of concern as access to emergency vehicles could be hindered, this proposal should not be seen as an alternative to proper parking in the town. Cllr. Mc Ginley informed the meeting that The Dublin Transport Authority is making a presentation at the Local Area Committee on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2009 entitled 'transport interchange'.

## **Tidy Towns**

Mr. Paul Croghan reported that Maynooth ranked well in this years I.B.A.L. results. The town held its ranking and that the overall result was well up on last years. A call was made to Maynooth residents to become involved in the work of Tidy Towns. This hard working group enhance the quality of life for everybody in Maynooth. In recent years Kildare County Council have significantly curtailed this level of service to Maynooth. The tidy towns have taken up the slack in this area and the wonderful state of the town is a testimony to their commitment and pride in Maynooth. We should look into Kildare adopting the new litter by- laws as proposed in Dublin making the business responsible for litter that comes from their premises.

Ms. Bríd Freely and the Maynooth Business Chamber were congratulated for the Christmas lights; they added greatly to the Christmas festive period and brightened up the town and its residents.

## **Newsletter**

Thanks were expressed to Intel who are now involved in the publication of the Newsletter. We ask people to submit articles, features, news, deaths, births, marriages and social occasions. The Newsletter is also a great source of social history. It is a record of changing life on Maynooth and dates back to 1972. Resident association are to be encouraged to submit regular items for inclusion.

## **Maynooth Festival**

The festival committee are to convene prior to the next executive meeting of the Maynooth Community Council.

## **Maynooth Urban District Council.**

This long running saga will become an election issue in the coming local elections in June. Despite Maynooth fulfilling all the criteria for the above status, Minister Gormley refuses to sign the relevant documentation giving statutory status to Maynooth. We urge you to raise this issue with your elected representative in Kildare County Council and in Dáil Éireann.

Is mise, le meas agam oraibh,

**Colm Ó Cearúil**

**Cathaoirleach**

**Maynooth Community Council.**





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# Horoscopes



**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

Send your powerful thoughts out to the universe. Your mental projections are even stronger than usual. You think the best of your friends and family, and then they show up more or less that way.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 21, Colour Blue.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

Your even-keeled temperament is contagious. Your secret? Tolerance. You don't require that others do things the way you would do them. The people around you are getting along because of you.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 5, Colour Black.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

You'll be putting on a performance of sorts. Your workload is hefty, and so is your capacity for charm and humour. The presence of loved ones makes tedious tasks cause for laughter and fun.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 16, Colour White.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

You may get so involved with balancing the needs and wants of others that you forget about your appetites. It feels good to be selfless, to a point. Don't be surprised if you reach your limit pretty soon.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 9, Colour Brown.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

You maintain a fantastic mood so long as you are independent and free. Being able to come and go as you please will be important to you. Wherever possible, be in charge of your own transportation.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 29, Colour Navy.

**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**



You're inspired to do the unexpected -- even you can't predict your next move. You'll delight in playing with people's expectations. The 25th brings jovial social interaction.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 14, Colour Ruby Red.



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

You're up for playing games, though your spirit of competition is muted -- you don't care if you win or lose as long as you connect with others. Relationship building is the most important endeavour of the month.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 3, Colour Violet.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

Promoting harmony requires no effort, so if it feels like work, you're probably doing something ineffective. Create a peaceful mind within yourself. Cranky people just need to be left alone.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 37, Colour Green.



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

People around you may talk about problems, but this is not because they want you to fix anything. They need your listening ear and loving attention. Once they get it, they'll find their own solutions.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 41, Colour Beige.



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

One way to contribute to the well-being of others is to make sure you are having a good time. So give yourself permission to relax -- in fact make it your number one priority.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 11, Colour Grey.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

It's easy to get overwhelmed. Prevent this by keeping your demands of yourself extremely simple. You'll be most productive when you concentrate on three well-defined and small goals for the month.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 20, Colour Wine.



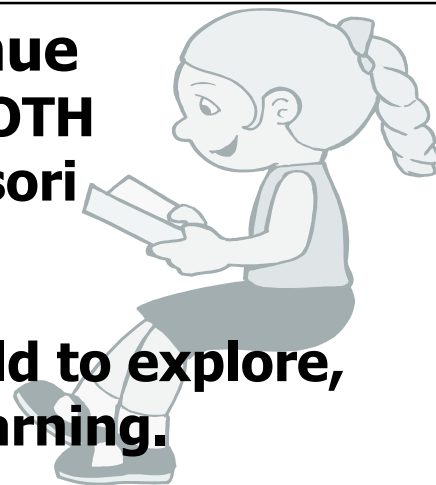
**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

Everything is linked together for a purpose, though trying to figure out what that purpose might be is one of the more futile uses for your energy today. Don't think too much. Trade thinking for believing.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 12, Colour Magenta.

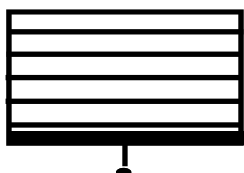


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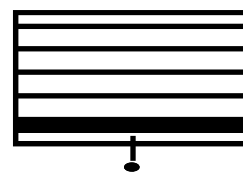
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# Gardening

## Gardening in February

### Flower garden

#### Deadheading

Winter and spring bedding plants tend to flower in phases depending on temperature. Play your part by keeping pansies, primulas and other plants regularly deadheaded. Pick off faded blooms to keep plants looking tidy and prevent them setting seed, which can reduce flowering performance.

#### Moving plants

This is also a good time to move shrubs or flowers to a new position if they have outgrown their site.

#### Dividing perennials

In mild areas, clumps of perennials can be divided and healthy young outer portions replanted into freshly prepared soil.

#### Prune dogwood

Now you've enjoyed the dramatic colours of your winter dogwoods, they can be cut back hard down to ground level. This will encourage them to produce brightly coloured new shoots that will provide interest next winter.

#### Early anemones

Early flowering bulbs come into their own this month. These include Dutch iris and alliums planted last autumn, but now is the time to plant up pots of anemones such as *Anemone coronaria* De Caen Group, or their double-flowered counterparts in the Saint Bridgid Group. There are several named forms including the scarlet-blue *A. coronaria* 'Mister Fokker'. Before planting, the dry tubers are best soaked for 24 hours to absorb water, during which time they will double in size. Plant in pots for an early display, or plant outside later in March or early April.

#### Lilies

Continue planting lily bulbs up in pots. Aim to plant about five bulbs of the same variety in a 25cm (10in) container. Terracotta pots are ideal, as their weight provides extra stability for the tall flower spikes that eventually develop.

### Greenhouse

#### Tender plants

Tender plants, such as pelargoniums and fuchsias, must be kept at a temperature above about 4C (40F). Check over plants once a week and remove any dead flowers or leaves that you find, to reduce the risk of fungal diseases. If any shoots have started to rot, trim them back to healthy growth. Keep their compost almost dry and make sure that there is good air circulation around the plants - a fan heater is an easy way of doing this.

### Sow bedding plants

Create a heated area of the greenhouse by using bubble polythene to partition off a small area of the greenhouse. This can then be used for raising plants. Make the first sowings in a heated propagator of summer bedding plants that need a long growing season. These include geraniums, petunias, busy lizzies and nicotianas. Most require a germination temperature of 21C (70 F).

#### Hippeastrums (Amaryllis)

Hippeastrums, also known as amaryllis, are wonderful flowering houseplants for this time of year. To get the most out of yours, water plants as required, usually once or twice a week, by standing them in a saucer of water. The plants will take up as much water as they require. After about half an hour, tip away any remaining water so the roots are not left standing in water. Feed plants weekly with houseplant liquid feed. Keep them indoors on a bright window-sill in a warm spot.

#### Begonias

Clean off any remaining dead foliage from tuberous begonia tubers. Then remove them from their pots and knock off the old compost. Repot the tubers into pots of fresh compost, water them in and keep at a temperature of around 16C (60F). It's also a good time of year to plant new tubers of begonias and gloxinia.

### General Care

#### Clean pots and trays

Piles of pots and stacks of dirty seed trays need to be washed out and stored away ready for use this spring. Add in some general household disinfectant, then rinse in clean water. Using hot water makes the job more bearable on a

cold day. Traditional pot cleaning brushes are available, but any brush will do to thoroughly remove dirt and old compost that could harbour pests or diseases.

#### Ice and snow

Knock snow from trees and shrubs to prevent its weight breaking branches. Keep using floating pond heaters to prevent ice forming over the entire surface of ponds.

#### Tree ties

Check tree ties to ensure they aren't cutting into the bark. Replace any that are worn or damaged. It is particularly important to check your tree stakes and ties for damage after heavy wind and storms.



**Amaryllis**



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# Features

## NUI Maynooth named University of the Year 2008

**F**ollowing two centuries of internationally renowned scholarly activity on the Maynooth campus the National University of Ireland, Maynooth was established under the 1997 Universities Act as an autonomous member of the federal structure known as the National University of Ireland. NUI Maynooth has 26 academic Departments which are organised into three Faculties: Arts, Celtic Studies and Philosophy; Science and Engineering, and Social Sciences.

On Friday, September 26th 2008 NUI Maynooth was today named as the "**University of the Year 2008**" in the Sunday Times University Guide.

The award caps a highly successful year for NUI Maynooth which has seen it record the highest increase in CAO first preferences, attracting the strongest flow of research funding and forging links with leading industries. It has also jumped three places to fourth place on the Sunday Times' league table.

"NUI Maynooth is now one of the four top universities in Ireland and is making an impressive global impact through its teaching partnership with the computer chip manufacturer Intel," says Ian Coxon, Editor of The Sunday Times University Guide. "NUI Maynooth's excellent results on research funding and graduate employment plus its encouraging access to excluded from third-three of the key to vote it The Sunday Year for 2008."

The award is based on third level universities Republic and across 26 grades, retention, services, access for and contribution to and national levels. from each Institution, Education and Science, students' unions.

Within this analysis shown to have won research per academic in the country. The University also achieved first place for graduate employment and has, according to the Sunday Times, the best access programme for disadvantaged students in the country.



***John Hume Building, NUI Maynooth***

impeccable record on groups normally level education are factors that have led us Times University of the

an analysis of all 22 and institutes in the criteria including, research, student disadvantaged students development at local The data was collected the CAO, HEA, Dept of and interviews with

NUI Maynooth was the highest level of

Welcoming the award, **Prof John Hughes, President of NUI Maynooth**, said "This is a great accolade for the university. The award recognises the priority we place on ensuring the best student experience – from the strength of the academic team that interface with the students, the innovative degree programme they can choose from, the vibrant social scene and of course the employability of the students that graduate from NUI Maynooth."

Over the last 12 months the University has also won significant research awards, launched five new degrees including Law & Arts, Business & Law, and Science Education and has formally launched two new research institutes An Foras Feasa and The Irish Social Sciences Platform (ISSP). The University was appointed global education partner by Intel, and has established a joint research and education centre with Peking University.

"This award is a testament to the hard work and dedication that all students and staff play in the achievements of the University," added Prof John Hughes.

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# Valentine Recipes

## Prawn Paté

### Ingredients

- \* 1/2 cup butter
- \* 1 cup peeled prawns
- \* 1 clove garlic, peeled and chopped
- \* 4 tablespoons double cream
- \* salt
- \* cayenne pepper
- \* 1/2 teaspoon crushed coriander seeds
- \* 1/2 tablespoon very finely chopped parsley
- \* a few whole prawns to garnish
- \* parsley to garnish
- \* lemon wedges to garnish

### Method

- Gently fry the coriander seeds and the garlic in the butter.
- Add the prawns and stir well.
- Remove from heat.
- Allow to cool a little and then blend to a smooth paté in an electric blender.
- Add the cream and parsley and blend again for a few seconds.
- Season to taste.
- Transfer to individual dishes and chill well before serving.
- Garnish with whole prawns, parsley and lemon wedges.

## Duck Breast Treat

### Ingredients

- \* 2 boned duck breasts
- \* 1 tablespoon olive oil
- \* 2 tablespoons chopped apricots tinned in juice
- \* 2 tablespoons juice from apricots
- \* 1 tablespoon good brandy
- \* 1 teaspoon cornflour
- \* vegetable stock
- \* salt and pepper
- \* 2 tablespoons butter

### Method

- Heat the oil in a frying pan and fry the duck breast skin side down.
- Turn over.
- Turn down the heat and cook gently until the breasts are tender.
- Season with salt and pepper.
- Remove the breasts from the pan and keep warm.
- Remove as much fat as possible from the pan but leave the duck juices behind.
- Put the pan on a gentle heat and add about 1 cup of the stock.
- Stir to incorporate all the duck juices into the stock and then add the butter, apricots, juice and brandy.
- Mix the cornflour to a smooth paste with a little cold water and add to the pan, stirring all the time.
- Serve this sauce with the duck.

## Valentine's Chocolate Sponge

### Ingredients

- \* 150g /5oz Self Raising Flour
- \* 25g/1oz Cocoa (sieved)
- \* 125g /4 oz Margarine (at room temperature)
- \* 125g /4 oz Caster Sugar
- \* 3 Eggs

### Topping

170ml carton of Cream  
2 x 100g bars of good quality Plain Chocolate  
Decoration Red Roses

### Method

- Preheat oven to 170°/325°F/Gas 3. Base line 2 x 18cm/7" sandwich tins.
- Put flour, cocoa, margarine, sugar and eggs into a mixing bowl and beat until smooth.
- Transfer to prepared tins and bake for approx. 25 minutes.
- Cool cakes in tins for about 10 minutes, then transfer to a wire tray to cool completely.
- Meanwhile, place chocolate and cream in a bowl over a pan of simmering water and allow chocolate to melt, stirring occasionally. When melted, remove from the heat and stir well. Allow to cool and begin to "set". Sandwich the cakes with about a third of the topping and pour remainder over the assembled cake. Decorate top with red roses.





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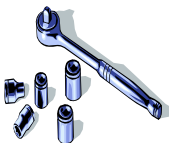
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## *Maynooth GAA get down to business for 2009*

**M**aynooth GAA club got down to business for the New Year when they held their first executive meeting of the club on Monday night (10 January).

The club appointed a new chairman at their AGM in late December and Colm Nolan takes over from Matt Doran, who has agreed to stay on as vice-chairman.

With plenty of changes on the manager front too, Maynooth is a hive of activity early in the year.

Already Declan Cryan, former Straffan manager, has been appointed as senior football manager and training will begin in two weeks time as the club looks to regain senior status having been relegated to intermediate last year. Cryan takes over from former Meath star Liam Harnan, who had guided the club to intermediate success in 2005 but after six years at the helm the double All-Ireland winner decided to step down. The club wishes him well in his new role in his home county.

Meanwhile the senior hurling team have appointed one of their own to take charge in 2009 as former Kildare minor footballer Killian Fagan takes over the reigns from Mick Ward. Fagan was still lining out with the senior football team last year and is relishing the challenge with the hurlers, whom he won an intermediate championship with in 1999.

Mick Ward was praised by club hurling chairman and current county vice-chairman, Aidan Sinnott, for his dedication and commitment to hurling in the club for the last number of years, the last three of which were as manager of the senior hurling team.

Ladies football and camogie teams are also due to resume training shortly although our Leinster championship winning ladies team are entitled to a few more weeks break after a superb 2008 that saw them claim county and provincial titles before losing out narrowly in the All-Ireland semi-final.

The club is planning to host a number of juvenile discos during the year with the first one of the year pencilled in for the 27th February.

**By Brendan Coffey, Maynooth PRO**

### **Children's Colouring Competition**

#### **Winner Of the November 2008 Edition**



*Leah Fortune From Castle Dawson,  
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### *Maynooth Newsletter Notice*

*We invite all of Maynooth Clubs and Societies to Please send in your articles and reports to Maynooth Newsletter for publication.*

*If you have a story or a poem and would like to have it published we would be delighted to receive them.*

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## Clubs, Organisations And Societies

### *Maynooth Credit Union Limited*

Maynooth Credit Union held its first Annual Cash Draw in 2008. Madeline Stynes won €10,000 in April and Bernie Fitzpatrick won €8,000 in September. Our under-age members were not eligible to join the Draw. The Board ran a free cash draw for its thousand Members aged under 18 on Tuesday 9 December, the date of its recent AGM. Five lucky Juniors each won a prize of €100 on the night.

The news, arriving just before Christmas, was like a special gift in the festive season. We got the impression that these young savers put their winnings into their Credit Union accounts.

The credit union encourages good financial habits. These young people and all our junior members have made a good start. Long may they prosper!



**Conor Hegarty-Morris (7), Beaufield was a very lucky young member this Christmas. When we met him to present his prize he had just returned from a visit to Santa's Grotto in Lapland. Conor's favourite activity in school is Art.**

**Caoimhe Murphy (9), Moyglare Village, is in third class in the Presentation Convent National School. She likes drama and her favourite subject at the moment is Geography.**



**Robbie McGuinness (11), Mulhussey, came in to our office to receive his prize. This committed young saver lodged his winnings straight into his account. Robbie is an enthusiastic sportsman, playing rugby in North Kildare and Gaelic in Blackhall Gaels GAA club.**

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## Famous People Born in the Month Of February

**James Augustine Aloysius Joyce** (2 February 1882 – 13 January 1941) was an Irish expatriate author of the 20th century. He is best known for his landmark novel *Ulysses* (1922) and its controversial successor *Finnegans Wake* (1939), as well as the short story collection *Dubliners* (1914) and the semi-autobiographical novel *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* (1916).



Although he spent most of his adult life outside Ireland, Joyce's psychological and fictional universe is firmly rooted in his native Dublin, the city which provides the settings and much of the subject matter for all his fiction. In particular, his tempestuous early relationship with the Irish Roman Catholic Church is reflected through a similar inner conflict in his recurrent alter ego Stephen Dedalus. As the result of his minute attentiveness to a personal locale and his self-imposed exile and influence throughout Europe, notably in Paris, Joyce became paradoxically one of the most cosmopolitan yet one of the most regionally-focused of all the English language writers of his time.



**Charles Augustus Lindbergh** (February 4, 1902 – August 26, 1974) nicknamed "Lucky Lindy" and "The Lone Eagle") was an American aviator, author, inventor and explorer. By the late 1930s, he had become a prominent non-interventionist, opposed to United States involvement in World War II.

On May 20–21, 1927, Lindbergh emerged instantaneously from virtual obscurity to world fame as the result of his Orteig Prize-winning solo non-stop flight from New York (Roosevelt Field) to Paris (Le Bourget Field) in the single-seat, single-engine monoplane *Spirit of St. Louis*. Lindbergh, an Army reserve officer, was also awarded the nation's highest military decoration, the Medal of Honour, for his historic exploits.

In the late 1920s and early 1930s, Lindbergh used his fame to relentlessly help promote the rapid development of U.S. commercial aviation. In the later 1930s and up until the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour, Lindbergh was an outspoken advocate of keeping the U.S. out of the world conflict (as was his Congressman father during World War I) and became a leader of the anti-war America First movement. Nonetheless, he supported the war effort after Pearl Harbour and flew many combat missions in the Pacific as a civilian consultant, even though President Roosevelt had refused to reinstate his Army Air Force commission as a colonel that he had resigned earlier in 1941. In his later years, Lindbergh became a prolific prize-winning author, international explorer, inventor, and active environmentalist.

**Bob Marley** (February 6, 1945 – May 11, 1981) was a member of the Rastafari movement, whose culture was a key element in the development of reggae. Bob Marley became a leading proponent of the Rastafari, taking their music out of the socially deprived areas of Jamaica and onto the international music scene. Bob Marley was baptized by the Archbishop of the Ethiopian Orthodox Christian Church in Kingston, Jamaica on November 4, 1980]. Marley was also a vegetarian. Judy Mowatt, a former member of the Wailers, has claimed that Marley converted to Christianity on his deathbed.



While flying home from Germany to Jamaica for his final days, Marley became ill, and landed in Miami for immediate medical attention. He died at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital in Miami, Florida on the morning of May 11, 1981 at the age of 36. The spread of melanoma to his lungs and brain caused his death. His final words to his son Ziggy were "Money can't buy life." [ Marley received a state funeral in Jamaica on May 21, 1981 which combined elements of Ethiopian Orthodoxy and Rastafari tradition. He was buried in a chapel near his birthplace with his Gibson Les Paul and a Bible. A month before his death, he was awarded the Jamaican Order of Merit. Marley was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1994. Time magazine chose Bob Marley & The Wailers' *Exodus* as the greatest album of the 20th century. In 2001, Marley was posthumously awarded the Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, and a feature-length documentary about his life, . In 2006, the State of New York renamed a portion of Church Avenue from Remsen Avenue to East 98th Street in the East Flatbush section of Brooklyn "Bob Marley Boulevard".





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## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

I have recently changed job and my new employer has asked for my P45. What can I do if I haven't received one from my previous employer?

### Answer

An employer is required by law to give you a P45 at the time the employment ends. It provides evidence that the employment has ended and includes a statement of pay and the tax deducted.

It is important to give a P45 to your new employer because otherwise you may have to pay tax at a higher rate known as emergency tax. Even if you are not starting a new job it is an important document because you will need it to claim a tax refund or to claim social welfare benefits.

If you have asked your previous employer for a P45 but have not received it, you should contact your local tax office. Revenue may then get in touch with the employer and obtain your P45 for you. Revenue will send you a new tax credit certificate so that you do not have to pay emergency tax.

If you are leaving a job in 2009 you must also be given an Income Levy Certificate for your records along with your P45. This details the amount of Income Levy deducted from your wages in that job.

The employer you are working for at the end of the tax year must give you a P60. This is a statement of your pay and the tax and social insurance payments deducted during the year.

If you do not receive a P60 or a P45, it is possible that you have not been registered for PRSI (Pay Related Social Insurance) by your employer or that you are registered but your employer has not paid the correct contributions. If your employer will not give you a P60 at the end of the year you should contact your local tax office.

You can contact Revenue at the following Lo-call numbers:

For the southwest region, call 1890 222 425

For the border, midlands, and west region, call 1890 777 425

For Dublin city and county, call 1890 333 425

For the east and southeast region, call 1890 444 425

Further information is available from Citizens Information Centres and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, Lo-Call 1890 777 121.

### Question

What tax relief is available for medical expenses and how can I claim it?

### Answer

If you pay medical expenses that are not covered by the State or some other source such as private health insurance, you may be entitled to tax relief. This relief applies to expenses that you pay for yourself or on behalf of others.

For expenses up to the end of 2008, the amount of tax relief you get is either 20% or 41% of your expenses, whichever is the highest rate of tax you pay. This still applies for nursing home fees but for all other medical expenses from 1 January 2009, relief is given at the rate of 20%. Relief can be claimed on the full amount but for tax years before 2007 the first €125 was not eligible (or €250 when claiming for more than one person).

You can claim tax relief on fees charged by doctors and consultants and many of the items or treatments prescribed by them. This includes drugs, diagnostic procedures, physiotherapy, chiropody, podiatry, hearing aids, orthoptic treatment, orthopaedic beds or chairs, and wheelchairs.

Other eligible expenses include: an educational psychologist or speech and language therapist for a qualifying child; routine maternity care; maintenance or treatment in a hospital or nursing home; kidney patients' expenses; in-vitro fertilisation; gluten-free food for

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Routine dental and ophthalmic care is not eligible but some dental treatments are: crowns; root canals; gold posts or inlays; periodontal or orthodontic treatment; wisdom teeth extraction in hospital; bridgework; dental implants; tip replacing.

You can claim tax relief at the end of the tax year by completing the form MED 1 which is available from your regional Revenue office or can be downloaded from [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie). If you are claiming relief on dental expenses, you will need to keep the form MED 2 as evidence of the expenses incurred. The MED 2 form is completed by your dentist. You can get these forms from Revenue by phoning Lo-call 1890 30 67 06.

It is also possible to apply online for tax relief on your medical expenses. See [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie) for details.

## Question

What are the new rules for Child Benefit this year?

## Answer

Child Benefit is paid monthly by the Department of Social and Family Affairs for each qualified child normally living with you and being supported by you.

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

Under age 16 or

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

Changes introduced in the Budget affect Child Benefit for 18-year-olds which will be paid at half the normal rate in 2009 and will no longer be paid from 2010. For these years a compensatory payment of €15 per week will be paid to certain families with children aged 18 in full-time education or with a disability. You will get this payment if your child aged 18 is getting Disability Allowance or if you are getting Family Income Supplement or getting a social welfare payment that includes an increase for the 18-year-old.

Child Benefit is generally paid to the mother of the child. Where the parents are living apart, it is paid to the parent with whom the child lives most of the time. If the child is not living with or being maintained by the parents, then it may be paid to the person who is caring for the child. The Child Benefit rates for 2009 are the same as for 2008: for one child, €166; for two children, €332; for each additional child (third, fourth, and so on) an extra €203 is paid.

The rate of Child Benefit for twins is 1.5 times the normal monthly rate for each child. Where three or more children of a multiple birth qualify, the benefit paid is double the normal monthly rate for each child.

If you are from a country in the European Economic Area

(EEA) or are a Swiss national working in Ireland, you may be entitled to Child Benefit even if your child is not living in Ireland. If you are not a EEA national then you must satisfy a habitual residency condition to qualify for the benefit.

Claim forms to apply for Child Benefit are available from your local Social Welfare Office, Post Office or from the Child Benefit Section, Social Welfare Services Office, St Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, Lo-call: 1890 400 400.

## Question

The last time I had dental treatment I was able to claim the cost from the Department of Social and Family Affairs on the basis of my PRSI contributions. Next year I plan to travel to a dentist in Hungary. Can this be covered under the same scheme?

## Answer

Yes, it is possible to claim for certain dental treatment obtained in other EU countries under the Department's Treatment Benefit Scheme.

Under this scheme you can qualify for Dental, Optical and Aural Benefits whereby the Department pays some of the costs of various treatments, such as dental fillings and extractions, eye examinations, spectacles, contact lenses and hearing aids.

You can now claim these benefits if your treatment, spectacles, etc., were obtained in another EU country. The Department pays an amount equivalent to the rate paid for similar treatment carried out in Ireland or the amount actually paid – whichever is lower.

Before going abroad you should contact the Department's Treatment Benefit Section, Lo-call: 1890 400 400 (ext 4480) to get an application form and details of how much the Department pays for the various treatments. When abroad you pay the full amount for the treatment, but you should ask the dentist, optician or audiologist to complete the application form. To claim the benefit when you return to Ireland, send the application form to the Treatment Benefit Section, Department of Social and Family Affairs, St Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

To qualify for the scheme you must satisfy certain Pay Related Social Insurance (PRSI) contribution conditions which vary depending on your age. You are also eligible if you are the dependent spouse of an insured person or a dependent widow or widower whose spouse was qualified at time of death. If you satisfy the PRSI conditions when you reach age 60 you will remain qualified for life.

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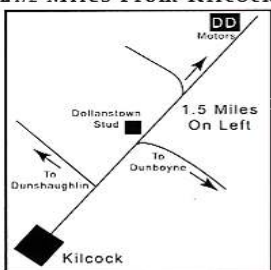
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### MAYNOOTH TAEKWON-DO STUDENT WINS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

**M**ichelle O'Connor from the Maynooth Taekwon-Do School won Gold at the Irish Open on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The event which is the Republic of Ireland Taekwon-Do Association's (RITA) national Championships was held in the Tallaght Leisure Centre, Dublin and attracted competitors from all over Ireland and the UK. Michelle won the female 15-17 years red belt sparring and will hopefully be going for her Black Belt in march. Also winning medals were Suzy Farrell who won bronze in the junior female Black Belt Sparring and Sean Stoll who won bronze in the 15-17 years male red belt sparring. This was the first black belt event for Suzy who recently along with Kevin Molloy were promoted to the rank of black belt and it was a big step up in class for both as they were in with experienced international competitors from Wales and England. Kevin was unlucky to get junior world silver medallist Tom McCabe in his first round.



**Suzy Farrell, Michelle O'Connor,  
Sean Stoll & Kevin Molloy**

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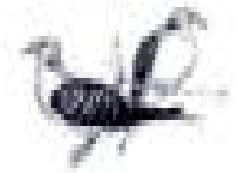
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# *Animals who Mate for Life*

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## *The Grey Wolf*



**T**he gray wolf mates for life. Pups are born in the spring. Through the summer while the pups grow in ability, the adults hunt singly. Each autumn, the pups join the hunting pack and both parents teach them to hunt and kill prey. A family group of about five members (the parents and various offspring) stay together and form a hunting pack.

The wolf is the largest member of the canine family. Grey wolves range in colour from grizzled grey or black to all white. As the ancestor of the domestic dog, the grey wolf resembles German shepherds or malamutes.

## *The Barn Owl*

**T**he Barn Owl is unmistakable, with a large round head and heart shaped face. White in appearance, giving it a ghostly look when seen flying over graveyards at night. Up close it has golden buff plumage on top of its head and back. Found mainly on farmland it prefers rough grassland, with hedges and river nearby. They nest in hollow trees, old barns, ruins or out-buildings. They will use nest boxes if placed in modern barns. Owls have superb eyesight and can see in almost total darkness, and they also have excellent hearing which helps them locate prey. Barn owls will mate for life. Normal broods have 3 to 6 young. In England there have been reports of up to 18 in one brood. 2-3 broods per year are normal but if food supply is low, the owls may go without a brood during that time.



## *Swans*



**O**nce they mate swans remain together for life. Both partners share in building their nest, defending and incubating their eggs and caring for their young. "Divorce" does sometimes occur, particularly following nesting failure.

The Northern Hemisphere species of swan have pure white plumage but the Southern Hemisphere species are mixed black and white. The Australian Black Swan (*Cygnus atratus*) is completely black except for the white flight feathers on its wings. The babies of black swans are light grey in colour, and the South American Black-necked Swan has a black neck.



## MAYNOOTH TOASTMASTERS

Our next meeting takes place in Brady's Clockhouse Bar, Maynooth on Monday 9th February 2009.

We had a very successful meeting on Mon 12th January last with 4 excellent CC level speeches. Following this we had a very creative Topicsmaster Session which was very enjoyable. Our first meeting of 2009 was unique as we also held an 'Open Evening' for new members and guests alike. The format was well received by all. Currently Maynooth Toastmasters has a membership of nearly 50 and there were over 20 new guests/ members at our Open Night. This was a proud moment for Maynooth Toastmasters in our 3 year history.

Guests and new members are always welcome. Come along and enjoy a great nights fun and entertainment and you might decide to join us as a member or give it consideration. So put the 9th February into your diary and we look forward to seeing you. (It's not too late to make that new year's resolution!)

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# Features

## The 2008 Tony Smith Memorial Walk

The Proceeds of the 2008 Tony Smith Memorial Walk amounting to €9,010 were handed over to Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee on Sunday December 14th at the Senior Citizens Christmas Party in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth.

The proceeds were presented by Cllr. John McGinley to Josie Moore, Chairperson of the Senior Citizens Committee.



From left to right: Cllr. John McGinley, Mrs. Ellen Leavy (Highest Sponsored Walker), Josie Moore and Deputy Emmet Stagg

## *Maynooth Community Library Celebrates it's 25th Anniversary*

On the 10<sup>th</sup> December last Maynooth Community Library celebrated 25 years in service. It was announced that the County's Library Service would receive a funding budget of €6,000,000 from Kildare County Council. On the same day in 1983 Celbridge Community Library was also opened.

History was made in 1983 when the new community libraries at Maynooth and Celbridge were opened. Much has changed since Maynooth Library opened in 1983. Technology has helped much of this change.

Kildare Local Authority's Choir provided entertainment at the celebration. There were also readings from The Book of Maynooth. The Book of Maynooth was completed in 2000 by a local group of volunteers and is reminiscent of the Book of Kells. We would like to congratulate Maynooth Community Library on their 25 years of service and wish them success in the future.





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### *University of Third Age*

Elah welcomed us back and wished a rather exuberant bunch a Happy New Year. Such was the enthusiasm that it bordered on unruly at times. There was so much to discuss and so many visits to plan. The forthcoming trips include New Grange in February and Belfast in March. Meanwhile a visit to An Draiocht to see 'Nobody loves a fairy when she's 40' should meet our immediate needs. The book club eager beavers had already been back in action. Their latest book 'Eat Pray Love' aroused a very mixed response spanning the spectrum from empathy to downright selfish!

For potential new members let not the title of our group be off-putting. University in this context means a group of people coming together who share a common purpose. That purpose is to reduce social isolation and improve the quality of life for the over 50's by providing friendship, support and social exchange. If you enjoy being challenged either physically or mentally we would be delighted to see you at our February meetings on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 in the Community Library.

**Further info Bernadette 6289131**

## Features

### Lucy's Friend

It was a lovely day, so Lucy asked her mother could she go outside and play. Her mother said she could, but only play in the back garden like a good girl, then you can come in for your snack. She was running around when she heard something in the hedge, when she looked, she saw a small boy there. He was about two years older than her and was probably going to school. Lucy wished she was in school, but she was too young.

"What are you doing in my ditch" she said quiet haughtily. "I am looking for Jasper my dog, he ran this way, did you see a small dog?" the boy asked. "No I didn't" she said feeling sorry for being so mean. "Well I have to find him, I was walking him when he got off the leash and ran on down the road on me" he said rather forlorn.

Lucy's Mother came out to call her for her snack, when she spotted the kids in the ditch at the bottom of the garden. She asked what's going on here. "He lost his dog mammy" Lucy said. "Oh I see, where did you loose it?" she asked the boy, "did it come in here? I didn't hear it". "Well I was walking him, when he got off my leash and ran away, I saw him come in this direction so I came to look" he said. "We'll help you find him if you like, what's your name?" Lucy's mother asked.

"My name is Pat, but my mother will be wondering where I am, I was only supposed to be out for an hour" he said. "Come inside for a drink, then maybe we can call your mother, do you know the phone number?, then we will help you look for him" she said. "Yes my mammy taught me in case I ever got lost or something" Pat said. They got out of the ditch and went inside, Lucy's mother Bella, put drinks and Lemon cake in front of the kids, and they ate heartily, then Bella tidied up after them. "Alright now we will go and look for this dog, what's his name" she asked Pat "Its Jasper" he said. So the three of them went to find him.

As they walked along, Lucy spotted a black dog playing with some boys. "There's the dog" she squealed. Pat ran to Jasper. "Oh you bad dog, I couldn't find you" he cried. Lucy asked could she pat the dog. "Sure you can" he said. She rubbed the dog, he had a lovely soft coat. "I would love a dog Mammy" she said. "Well we have to get this one home first before he causes any more upset, oh but he is a lovely dog" her mammy said.

So Bella and Lucy walked them back to his house. His mother was at the door. "Did you find him?, I was worried sick". Bella spoke up "there's no harm done we found him playing with some boys, but he was very excited to see Pat."

"Thank you for bringing them home, I couldn't get out as the baby was asleep, he goes everywhere with that dog, he just loves him". Pat's mother said. "Why don't you let that little one there come in and play with them and we can have a cup of tea, my name is Terry by the way". "I'm Bella and this is Lucy, its nice to meet you, I would love a cup of tea if it's not much trouble." Oh no not at all. Please do come in." Terry told the two kids to go out to the back garden and play with the dog and she and Bella went inside to tea and scones. Terry had made that morning. Lucy felt very lucky as she now had Pat and Jasper to play with.



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## Features

### Launch of Major Local Reports at John Paul 2 Library, NUI Maynooth

Pat Leogue, from the OAK (Offaly & Kildare) local development partnership will present the final programme review reports of the OAK 'Services for the Unemployed Measure' and the 'Family, Youth and Community Measure' to Professor Jim Walsh, the Vice president of NUI, Maynooth, at the opening of the NUI Maynooth Library Social Sciences Festival on Tuesday 27th January at 2.30. Those working in the OAK area have learned that these reports are particularly important in emphasising best practice in addressing unemployment and disadvantage

NUI Maynooth has worked with the Community and statutory leaders in the North West Kildare and Offaly areas over the life-time of the Partnership.

Professor Tom Collins and Professor Anne Ryan of NUI Maynooth lead a team of researchers to identify needs in the area in 1994. They worked with members of the North West Kildare Development group and later with Pat Faye (RIP) and Pat Leogue in the early stages of the OAK Partnership.

The review reports, prepared by Michael Kenny of the Department of Adult & Community Education and Clare Duffy, Research & Evaluation Officer, OAK

Partnership, seek to identify the best practice programmes that have impacted on the needs of the most disadvantaged and the lessons learned that

are being passed on the new County-wide Local Development Companies in Offaly & Kildare.

### NUI Maynooth Library hosts Social Sciences Festival

The NUI Maynooth Library Social Sciences Festival took place from 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> January. Central to the festival was an exhibition of the publishing output of the Faculty of Social Sciences.

During the festival there was a unique opportunity to view Maynooth's earliest printed book describing Ireland. Striking horses, turf fires and a warring witty and handsome people describe Ireland in the 1478 translation of *De situ orbis*, A survey of the inhabited world, by Dionysius Periegetes recently acquired by NUI Maynooth's library. At 530 years old, it is NUI Maynooth's earliest printed book describing Ireland.

The festival was opened by the President, Professor John G. Hughes followed by an address by Dr. Robert Galavan, Dean of Faculty of Social Sciences. Both speakers highlighted the strength and depth of the Faculty's research output over recent years. A number of books were launched during the Festival including *Adult Learning in Groups* by Bríd Connolly and *Communication and Knowledge Sharing at Work* by Dr. John Cullen. The OAK (Offaly & Kildare) local development partnership presented the final programme review reports of the OAK 'Services for the Unemployed Measure' and the 'Family, Youth and Community Measure' to Professor Jim Walsh, the Vice president of NUI, Maynooth. A series of seminars took place in the Library, during the week. These addressed issues relating to research and getting published within the Social Sciences.

The Festival also marked the launch of ePrints3, NUI Maynooth's innovative institutional repository, which showcases their publications internationally and the Irish Qualitative Data Archive. Speakers throughout the week included Professor Jim Walsh, Professor Tom Collins and Professor Rob Kitchin. Attended by university staff and external guests this year's Festival was a showcase for the pioneering work of the Faculty of Social Sciences, which contributes greatly to NUI Maynooth and local and national planning.

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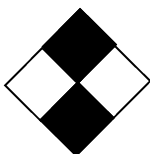
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# Valentine's Day

## Valentine Traditions



Hundreds of years ago in England, many children dressed up as adults on Valentine's Day. They went singing from home to home. One verse they sang was:

*Good morning to you, valentine;  
Curl your locks as I do mine ---  
Two before and three behind.  
Good morning to you, valentine.*



In Wales wooden love spoons were carved and given as gifts on February 14th. Hearts, keys and keyholes were favourite decorations on the spoons. The decoration meant, "You unlock my heart!"

In the Middle Ages, young men and women drew names from a bowl to see who their valentines would be. They would wear these names on their sleeves for one week. To wear your heart on your sleeve now means that it is easy for other people to know how you are feeling.

In some countries, a young woman may receive a gift of clothing from a young man. If she keeps the gift, it means she will marry him.

Some people used to believe that if a woman saw a robin flying overhead on Valentine's Day, it meant she would marry a sailor. If she saw a sparrow, she would marry a poor man and be very happy. If she saw a goldfinch, she would marry a millionaire.

A love seat is a wide chair. It was first made to seat one woman and her wide dress. Later, the love seat or courting seat had two sections, often in an S-shape. In this way, a couple could sit together -- but not too closely!

Think of five or six names of boys or girls you might marry, As you twist the stem of an apple, recite the names until the stem comes off. You will marry the person whose name you were saying when the stem fell off.

Pick a dandelion that has gone to seed. Take a deep breath and blow the seeds into the wind. Count the seeds that remain on the stem. That is the number of children you will have.

## Love and Marriage

*A man said his credit card was stolen but he decided not to report it because the thief was spending less than his wife did.*

*The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once.*

*When a man opens the door of his car for his wife, you can be sure of one thing: either the car is new or the wife.*

*Before marriage, a man will lie awake all night thinking about something you say. After marriage, he will fall asleep before you finish talking.*

*A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend.*

*A successful woman is one who can find such a man*

*A little boy asked his father, 'Daddy, how much does it cost to get married?' And the father replied, 'I don't know, son, I'm still paying for it.'*

*A couple was having a discussion about family finances. Finally the husband exploded, 'If it weren't for my money, the house wouldn't be here!' The wife replied, 'My dear, if it weren't for your money, I wouldn't be here.'*



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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

## *Maynooth Tidy Towns*

### ***Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee – the Social side***

Maynooth Tidy Towns started 2009 in a relaxed mood at our annual post Christmas get together in the Glenroyal Hotel on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January. Like most community groups there is a social side to our activities and members and their partners come together just to spend one evening where we are not wearing protective clothing or carrying tools. The committee takes the view that people join groups for more than just the work side and that people like to part of an organisation that values the people themselves. Maynooth Tidy Towns always welcomes new members and who knows you could be with us for the 2010 event.

### ***Maynooth holding status in IBAL Results for 2008***

Regular readers of these notes will know that we have commented on how Maynooth performs in the IBAL League. This is a league of over fifty towns where litter amounts are recorded and compared. Judging takes place in ten locations in the town three times a year and the results are published. It is pleasing to know that Maynooth's performance has stabilised with the designation of "clean to European Norms" which is the highest level that can be achieved. In previous years we have had mixed experiences going from the 12<sup>th</sup> best town to the 2<sup>nd</sup> worst in a short period. IBAL compares the performance of local authorities rather than Tidy Towns groups but no doubt that everyone that picks up litter or decides not to drop it in the first place contributed to achieving this result for the town.

### ***Maynooth Tidy Towns begin 2009 campaign***

There was a time when a month was really a month but like everyone else we feel that time is moving faster now. Maynooth Tidy Towns has already began our work for 2009 and will be active at weekends until the Summer months (up to May) and will then be working during the week in the evenings (usually two evenings a week). Early in the year we will be involved in tidying up after the winter months but keep an eye out for the spring bulbs that we have planted around the town.

### ***Maynooth Tidy Towns welcomes support from Employee Volunteer Programmes***

Many employers have programmes in place where they support their employees to participate in voluntary activities in their local communities. In Maynooth we have benefited from one such programme for several years run by Intel Ireland where through their "Intel Involved" programme employees support community groups in their work. In 2008 to celebrate the Intel Corporation's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, employees in Ireland participated in 40,000 hours of voluntary activity and Maynooth Tidy Towns is grateful for the support that we received. For 2009 we have already been offered support from a similar programme being started by the Carton House Hotel. We look forward to working with them. If you are an employer thinking of starting such a programme, Maynooth Tidy Towns would be delighted to be a partner. Also if you are an employee of a company that runs such a programme elsewhere you could consider joining Maynooth Tidy Towns and we will accredit your hours for recognition under the relevant scheme.

### ***Maynooth Tidy Towns – supporting waste minimisation and recycling***

As part of the National Tidy Towns Competition we are judged on the level of waste minimisation and recycling that takes place in the town. Both of these matters are now firmly prioritised in most business and home environments. We know that people are making very significant efforts but unfortunately we do not know about them in detail so that we can highlight them to the judges who adjudicate on Maynooth for the National Tidy Towns Competition. Therefore, if your business or residents association are doing something extra in order to minimise waste and /or increase recycling please let us know as your efforts could bring valuable points to Maynooth, but more importantly your efforts could encourage others to do likewise. We can be contacted at Maynooth Community Council office, Unit 5 Tesco Shopping Centre or you can leave a message on our dedicated contact number 087 3153189

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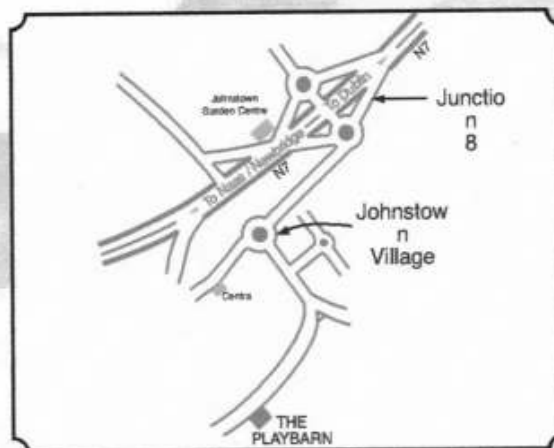
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### Valentine

*I made a snowman yesterday.  
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I pinned a red heart on his  
chest,  
And named him Valentine.  
Last night a warm, sweet breeze blew by,  
And stole his heart so gay,  
My snowman melted on the spot,  
And quickly ran away.*

**by Frances G. Risser**



### I Wish You Were My Valentine

*I wish you were my Valentine  
Though I may not be yours,  
And I may, in my ignorance,  
Be speaking to closed doors.  
I have no inkling of your heart,  
No hint what you might say;  
But when I think of you the sun  
Will just not go away.*

*There is in you a loveliness  
That makes my darkness shine,  
And so I'll wait, if wait I must,  
To be your Valentine.*

### Beautiful Girls

*There is a beauty in every  
female  
That has a true purpose in life  
They always show love without  
fail  
Whenever her lover is lonely  
with strife  
Each girl needs love to survive  
In a world of turmoil with broken hearts  
They give you a boost to feel more alive  
With intriguing feelings that never departs.*

*A woman is a creature of tenderness  
With a body so beautiful to the eye  
A want deep inside of me for to caress*



*Whenever an attractive girl may pass by  
Each girl with an unique face nature  
provides*

*With different personality and charm  
Sometimes a lust for them in me abides  
With a passion to love and not to harm*

*All you ladies out there find your man  
To love and cherish forever more to stay  
All you men take care of them best you can  
As love is scarce and not to be thrown away  
I praise for each woman forever within  
With love that is in my nature each day  
It is of all girls meaning of love begin  
As for these creatures I have much to say.*

**By Patrick Murray**

### Love's Loneliness

*Old fathers, great-grandfathers,  
Rise as kindred should.  
If ever lover's loneliness  
Came where you stood,  
Pray that Heaven protect us  
That protect your blood.*

*The mountain throws a shadow,  
Thin is the moon's horn;  
What did we remember  
Under the ragged thorn?  
Dread has followed longing,  
And our hearts are torn.*

**by William Butler Yeats**

### Valentine Smile

*On Valentine's Day we think  
of those  
Who make our lives  
worthwhile,  
Those gracious, friendly  
people who  
We think of with a smile.  
I am fortunate to know you,  
That's why I want to say,  
To a rare and special person:  
Happy Valentine's Day!*

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# Puzzles—Sudoku

Easy

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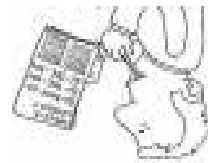
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Solutions



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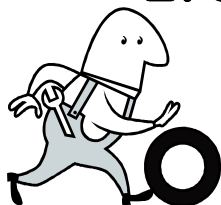
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# PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT GLUAISEACHT AN PHOBAIL

Occasionally, an image immediately brings to mind the truism: 'a picture is worth a thousand words'. We are indeed indebted to artist David McDermott for the above cartoon, which he posted with the following message:

I am an artist and illustrator; I drew this illustration to express my feelings about the Lisbon Treaty. It seems to me that there will inevitably be a second referendum forced on the Irish people.

How right he! There is growing resentment among Irish people, not just towards our overlords in Brussels, but also towards the craven way Taoiseach Cowen's government, opposition spokespersons and media commentators have agreed to comply with the diktat for Lisbon, mark II. This was dressed up with the pretence that EU leaders had reluctantly agreed at their December summit to concede to Irish demands for declarations on neutrality, taxation, abortion and education and the family before Irish voters would be asked to vote again. The *People's Movement* has said all along that such declarations cannot be legally binding and in no way address the central trust of the Treaty-cum-Constitution of Lisbon, which is designed to make us all citizens for the first time of a EU that would have the form of a supranational Federal State run under Franco-German hegemony. Furthermore, the concession of a permanent Commissioner for Ireland is no big deal as Lisbon only allows for Ireland to "suggest" an appointment to the incoming Commission President. It is the Big States who would effectively determine who the President would be and he will have the right to veto any Irish suggested appointment (Art. 17.7 TEU).



## Scare mongering, the Recession and Lisbon II

On 14 January, Dick Roche is quoted in the *Irish Times* as saying: 'the economic recession, repairing the banking system or dealing with the crisis... can only be dealt with by a European Union which is strong, united and effective' and 'this is not a time to be gambling with the nation's future'. No doubt we will be bombarded with such scare tactics over the next nine months. But is this actually true?

Firstly, why should we believe Roche and co., who have sleepwalked the country into the present calamity, that this is so? And, likewise, why should we believe the same message from those in opposition whose only response to the crisis is to cut jobs, wages, salaries and public services? Does anyone believe that if we voted Yes last June that Dell would not have announced 1,900 redundancies in January? Could it be, in fact, that the EU itself is a big part of the problem and its banking market policies, in particular, have contributed to Irish and European woes? Derek Scally's article (*Irish Times*, 2 December), details how the German state owned bank, Landesbanken, had to have billions funnelled into it because of overexposure to subprime markets. The bank used to enjoy state guarantees and top credit ratings. Hence it could lend money more cheaply than its private competitors. However, in 2005 the EU ruled that state guarantees were distorting the market and, stripped of this advantage, Landesbanken plunged deep into the dodgy world of subprime and off-balance-sheet instruments.

Likewise, in Ireland, we let our banks run riot and blindly followed the EU's liberal, low regulation, multi national-led financial and economic policies. Yes, we have benefited with thousands of high tech, high skilled jobs and used to good effect flexibility around our corporation tax rates (now at risk under Lisbon). But as a fully exposed economy we have all our eggs in one basket. We have sold off our state owned telecom, agri-business, natural resources, etc. to speculators and transnational corporations and even now Minister Dempsey is considering whether to hand over the national airline to create a Ryanair monopoly. However, as Dell has so painfully reminded us, these companies have little loyalty and move on when it suits to cheaper locations. It's time for the government and social partners to look at our business model with a view to introducing greater public control.

Ireland is an integral part of the EU and we must retain our right to determine what direction the EU should take. Under Lisbon it will be centralised further to the advantage of the Big States and the multinational corporations. By Ireland saying NO, again, to Lisbon we will give the EU a chance to democratically determine a future in the interests of its diverse peoples. Saying NO equals YES to a chance for a better Europe for all.

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Emmet Stagg T.D.

## Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

### Draft Maynooth Local Area Plan

The Draft Maynooth Local Area Plan, **as proposed by the County Manager**, is scheduled to go on public display in Mid February.

The pre-draft submissions received by the Council looked for rezoning of 1,594 acres of land. As residents of Maynooth will be aware Cllr. John McGinley made a pre-draft submission in which he made the case for no land to be re-zoned for residential in the Draft Plan as there was more than adequate land already zoned for housing in Maynooth.

It is likely that the County Manager will agree with Cllr. McGinley's position when he produces the Draft plan in February. When the Draft Plan is published the public will have 6 weeks to make submissions. The Planners have a further 6 weeks to write the Managers Report on those submissions and all 25 Councillors have a further 6 weeks to consider the Managers Report. In reality it is the 4 Area Councillors who will make the changes (if any) and it now becomes the Councillors Plan rather than the Managers.

As the process can take 35 weeks from the time the Draft Plan is published to approval it will be the newly elected Councillors, after the Local Elections on 4 June, who will be making the decision on the future of our Town.

### Traffic Management in Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley had the following 3 motions on the Agenda for the Leixlip Area Meeting of the Council on 19 December:

1. **"That a left turning lane be constructed at the junction of the Celbridge Road/Straffan Road, Maynooth so that traffic can make use of the existing left green filter light."**

The Council Official's response was:

*"There are no resources or funding available in 2009 to examine this issue in detail, however the Transport Department will examine the site in question and report back to the Committee when a site inspection has taken place."*

Cllr. McGinley stated that it was extraordinary that the Council could spend hundreds of thousands on traffic lights that don't work yet the engineers were unwilling to spend a very small amount on something that would make traffic flow.

2. **"That digital timers be installed at all pedestrian crossings in Maynooth in the interest of public safety as the continuous changes caused by the new Traffic Management System is confusing children."**

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The Council Official's response was:

*"Digital timers are not considered an appropriate feature for signalised crossings and for safety reasons, as these timings are fixed. On investigating Cllr. McGinley's query, no evidence of continuous changes to timings for pedestrian crossings in the town was found. The traffic Management Section will continue to monitor the situation."*

Cllr. McGinley stated that the reply was utter nonsense as Dublin, London and New York had no safety problems with digital timers at pedestrian crossings.

### **3. That the Council outlines what steps are being taken to provide long-term parking for commuters, business people and workers in Maynooth so that a successful Pay Parking Scheme can be introduced."**

The Council Official's response was:

*"The Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) project regarding the Public Transport Interchange for Maynooth contains proposals for a multi-storey car park adjacent to the railway station. A presentation by the consultants for the project is being arranged for the benefit of the Committee."*

Cllr. McGinley stated that when he was first made aware of the DTO Project last May he asked that the DTO be invitation to make a presentation to the Area Committee immediately to ensure that their proposals were not "off the wall". He asked that they be invited to the next area Meeting on 16 January.

### **Proposed Pay Parking in Maynooth:**

At the November Area Meeting Cllr. McGinley was given the following update on the proposed Pay Parking Scheme for Maynooth:

*"The pay-parking scheme for Maynooth has not progressed due to the lack of availability of long-term parking in the town. In order for pay parking to be successful it would require long-term parking for commuters, business people and workers in the town. However, if the members wish the Transport Department can prepare a draft and bring it to the Area Committee for consideration."*

At the December Area Meeting John was advised of the following changed position of the Council Officials:

*"In January 2009 it is proposed to draft pay parking bye-laws for the towns of Maynooth, Leixlip, Clane and Kilcock. However, it should be noted that there is a shortage of a long-term parking site in Maynooth, for which there is a necessity. The lack of a long-term car park in Maynooth may have implications in enforcing pay parking."*

Cllr. McGinley responded that he had no difficulty agreeing on a Draft Pay Parking Scheme as long as it was not implemented until there was adequate long term parking for commuters, business people and workers in Maynooth.

### **Traffic Management to be the ONLY Item on the Agenda for the Area Meeting in January:**

As a result of all of the foregoing traffic management issues and in view of the serious problems with the traffic lights at the Glenroyal it was agreed by the 4 Area Councillors that we should devote our full meeting on 16 January to Traffic Management issues only. The DTO would also make a presentation on car parking proposals and Cllr. McGinley asked that the Council's Director of Transport also be present.

### **Taking in Charge of Silken Vale/The Arches Estate:**

At the December Leixlip Area Committee meeting the Council's Willie Hannigan advised Cllr. John McGinley that the developer had given him the "As Constructed Drawings" and the results of the CCTV Survey on the drains and sewage pipes. The handover of these is always the biggest stumbling block in taking estates in charge.

Willie Hannigan is meeting the developer on site again in mid January with a view to eliminating any remaining points from the snag list. All going well, especially the technical issue of the footbridge, it looks as if a mechanism will be found to start the process of taking the estate in charge in February.

### **Proposed Extension of the 66 and 67 Bus Routes:**

Gareth Quinn from Dublin Bus attends the November Area Meeting to answer questions on the proposed extensions of the two routes.

He stated that the company are fully committed to both extensions and that they have a licence for the extension of the 67 to Moyglare Hall and that there

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will be no problem in getting a licence for the extension of the 66 to Newtown. The new Company Plan will include the two extensions and it will be up for approval by the Board and the Minister in January.

Mr. Quinn stated that it is essential that they get safe turning points and it was agreed that he would liaise with the Roads Department of the Council to select and get agreement of them.

## **Provision of a Pedestrian Crossing on the Rathcoffey Road:**

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following reply to his motion for a pedestrian crossing on the Rathcoffey Road from the Castledawson side to the Cluain Aoibhinn side so as to compensate for the absence of a footpath from there to Bond Bridge:

*"There is no funding or resources available in 2009 budget to install any signalised facilities, unless they are funded through external capital schemes."*

Cllr. McGinley responded by stating that he wanted funding to be used from the Deficit in Infrastructure Fund for this safety measure.

## **Very Serious Littering at Parklands/Rockfield/Railpark Green Triangle:**

Very serious littering is taking place at this green triangle between the three estates. The walls are also covered in Graffiti.

Cllr John McGinley has asked the Maynooth Area Office of the Council to arrange for a clean up of the litter and removal of the graffiti. Indeed the Council has acted with great speed and cleaned up the area on 7 January.

John has suggested that shrubs be planted beside the wall so as to act as a deterrent to those who feel it necessary to deface the wall.

## **McGinley warmly welcomes rejection of 5 storey apartment blocks at Parson Street/Harbour area:**

Cllr. John McGinley has warmly welcomed An Bord Pleanála's decision to refuse planning permission for 98 housing units and 10 retail units in 5-storey blocks with flat roofs behind 11 to 15 Parson Street, Maynooth.

Cllr. John McGinley, his colleague Deputy Emmet Stagg and local residents had lodged observations with the Bord against P. & G. Dormer's appeal of the Council's Refusal.

The Bord stated that the proposed development

would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area. The following is an edited version of their 4 reasons for refusal:

1. It is considered that, by reason of the excessive number of residential units, the proposed development would conflict with the guidelines as set out in the Maynooth Harbour Action Area Plan 2006 and would materially contravene the Maynooth Development Plan 2002.
2. Having regard to the scale, height and design of the proposed development and its location within a designated Architectural Conservation Area in close proximity to the Royal Canal Conservation Area, which itself is a designated Natural Heritage Area, and the number of protected structures in the vicinity, the proposed development would be out of character with the surrounding area, would be visually obtrusive and would seriously injure the amenities of the Royal Canal.
3. It is considered that the proposed development would constitute over development of the site and would seriously injure the residential amenities of future occupants.
4. It is considered that the proposed development would be overbearing and would seriously injure the residential amenities of the existing and proposed properties, by way of overlooking and overshadowing.

In conclusion Cllr. McGinley stated the developer and the adjoining landowners should sit down with Council Officials in order to progress his proposal to have the Harbour Action Area Plan implemented as one project and by one major developer. This approach is essential to ensure that this highly sensitive area at the Historic Core of the Town is developed to 5 star standards.

## **SCANDALOUS WAITING TIME FOR HEARING TESTS FOR CHILDREN:**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has reacted angrily to a response he has received from the HSE in relation to the waiting time for Hearing Tests for Children in Newbridge Health Centre.

Depending on the age of the Child the waiting time for a hearing test for children under 4 in Newbridge Health Centre (which serves Maynooth children) is 9 months and 7 months for those over 4.

The Waiting Times, stated Deputy Stagg, are scandalous when compared with a wait of 3 to 4 weeks in June 2006 for a hearing test. The delay will cause damage to children in the early developmental years and is an attempt by the Right Wing Minister

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for Health to effectively privatise the service by forcing parents to seek Private appointments because of the delays in the Public Service. It is quite unacceptable for Harney to use children in her ideological quest to ruin Public Health Services in this State.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he would again request the HSE to run additional clinics to deal with the backlog in both Health Centres.

## **STAGG CRITICAL OF HSE DELAY IN ISSUING MEDICAL CARDS:**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has criticised the 8 to 10 week delay in issuing Medical Cards to New Applicants from Celbridge Health Centre and has called on the HSE to allocate additional staff to ensure the public's entitlement to Free Health Services is not eroded by administrative bottlenecks.

With those signing on the Live Register in the North Kildare Labour Exchange at Maynooth having doubled in the past year to 3,256 people, it is obvious to a blind man stated Deputy Stagg that there would be a knock on demand for Medical Cards. Despite this no additional staff have been assigned to meet the demand in Celbridge Health Centre. What this means in reality is that people entitled to Medical Cards and who suffer delays in getting their entitlement will not go to their Doctor because of the costs involved. This means that their medical condition may worsen. This is unacceptable and is further evidence of government penny pinching on the most vulnerable by delaying their Free Medical Care.

Deputy Stagg stated that he had contacted the Manager of the HSE in Kildare in relation to this unacceptable delay and has called on him to allocate additional staff to meet demand at Celbridge Health Centre.

## **STAGG DISAPPOINTED AT DECISION ON FORMER PITCH AND PUTT COURSE:**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his disappointment at the decision by An Bord Pleanala to grant Planning Permission for three 4 Storey Blocks of Apartments on the former Pitch and Putt Course on Dunboyne Road, Maynooth.

For the past 6 years Deputy Stagg, his colleague Cllr. John McGinley and local residents have been battling various proposals for the development of the site.

Whilst the bulk of the development will be hidden because of the sharp drop in the site level from the Dunboyne Road the proposal stated Deputy Stagg particularly affects the residents of Houses 11 to 18 Leinster Cottages whose present view of the Lyreen River will be blocked when the apartment blocks are built.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg thanked residents for their support over the years but criticised An Bord Pleanala for making the wrong call on this particular planning proposal.

## **STAGG CASTIGATES GOVERNMENT INACTION AS LIVE REGISTER DOUBLES AT MAYNOOTH EXCHANGE IN 12 MONTHS:**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has castigated the Government over their inaction in stemming the continuing rise in those signing on the Live Register as the figures for Kildare show a rise of 87% in the past year (up from 5,731 in November 2007 to 10,718 in November 2008) with that increase at 100% for those signing on at the Maynooth Exchange (up from 1,631 in November 2007 to 3,256 in November 2008).

The Economic Turmoil is hitting local businesses and small-to-medium companies particularly hard and yet stated Deputy Stagg the Government seems happy to let this vital sector struggle on, without any support or without any indication that they will take action to ease some of the pressures.

The survival of hundreds of local businesses and local jobs are under further threat because they cannot get access to credit despite the fact that they are profitable. The Government has ignored calls made by the Labour Party to establish a Small Business Operational Fund to ensure credit streams are available. Such a fund could draw on the €15 Billion Small Business Operational Fund established in September by the European Investment Bank, which Irish Banks have so far refused to access.

Deputy Stagg stated that this Government simply do not have an Economic Strategy and are like a rabbit caught in the headlights of a car, simply hanging on and hoping that the rise in job losses will cease of its own right without any direct Government Intervention.

The Labour Party has proposed a series of measures to combat the unemployment problem that have been totally ignored by the government. These include a major school building programme to take 40,000 children out of pre-fabs and put them into proper classrooms and a national insulation scheme to make our housing stock more energy efficient, thus reducing carbon emissions and reducing household energy bills. Both of these programmes would have the potential to take back into employment many of the workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the downturn in the construction sector.

Deputy Emmet Stagg welcomed the announcement by Sentenial Limited of 70 further high level jobs at their premises in Maynooth Business Campus today. This demonstrated the possibilities and potential to create new jobs and improve our balance of payments with the export of the high-tech products from this company. It is hoped, he said, that the Tánaiste will learn from her visit to that plant as to the correct way forward.

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# Party Political—Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.



Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

### Fitzpatrick welcomes improvements to Kildare policing

Kildare North Fianna Fail TD, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the news that improvements to how Kildare is policed are on the way.

"The Minister for Justice has informed me that the new Garda Division of Kildare will go live on the 1st of January 2009."

"The Garda Annual Policing Plan 2008 made changes to the Regional, Divisional, District and Sub District boundaries to realign Garda geographically areas with local authority boundaries."

"The new Garda station opened in Leixlip opened on the 10th of October and Garda authorities have informed the Minister that the situation regarding personnel at the station will be kept under review and when additional personnel next become available the needs to Leixlip Garda Station will be fully considered."

"I am sure that the new Leixlip Station will prove to be of great advantage to the increasing population of the area," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

### MINISTERS SMITH AND SARGENT ANNOUNCE €16.7 MILLION GRANT-AID FOR THE HORTICULTURE, LIVESTOCK MARTS AND SMALL MEAT SECTORS

The Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Brendan Smith TD and the Minister for Food and Horticulture, Trevor Sargent TD, today announced details of grant-aid of €16.7 million under the Department's Marketing and Processing Scheme.

Welcoming this announcement, Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick congratulated the Kildare based companies who are today among the beneficiaries; Brady Family Food in Timahoe and Boylan Fruits in Johnstownbridge.

Deputy Fitzpatrick added, "This funding is "critically important and a very significant boost for these sectors which will improve the competitiveness and added-value of agricultural products. He also added, through my role on the Enterprise Trade & Employment Committee, I am acutely aware that the emphasis for 2009 should be on small and medium sized businesses creating and keeping jobs locally, "this investment will create significant employment during the construction stage of the new facilities and will also create additional job opportunities in the agri-food sector which is so important in generating revenue from export earnings."

### Government scheme to assist redundant apprentices - Fitzpatrick

The Government has established a €4 million scheme to assist apprentices who are out of work, according to local Fianna Fail TD and Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"The Employer Based Redundant Apprentice Rotation Scheme will be operated by FAS until the end of the year."

"The purpose of the scheme is to give redundant apprentices the opportunity to complete the on-the-job phase of their apprenticeship in order to gain the required experience to progress to the next off-the-job phase or to complete their apprenticeship."

"It is set to benefit up to 500 apprenticeships in carpentry and joinery, electrical, plastering, plumbing and bricklaying."

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"The scheme will support redundant apprentices on-the-job training related to Phase 3, Phase 5, and Phase 7. They will also be scheduled to do off-the-job Phase 2, Phase 4 and Phase 6 in accordance with scheduling criteria."

"FAS will work with employers to place the redundant apprentices to replace any existing apprentices that have been released to attend scheduled off-the-job phase of their apprenticeship. The employer will provide workplace training and assessment for full or part of the relevant phase of the apprenticeship."

"Employers taking part in the scheme will be required to pay the agreed industry rates for the specific apprenticeship trade and FAS will make a contribution of 340 per week towards employment costs incurred based on a 39 hour working week."

"This is the latest in a number of initiatives set up by the Government and the Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Mary Coughlan TD, to assist redundant apprentices in completing their training."

"Many young people have been badly affected by the recent downturn and the Government must continue to give assistance possible to facilitate the completing of their training," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

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## **€4 million Government scheme to assist redundant apprentices – Brady**

The Government has established a €4 million scheme to assist Apprentices who are out of work, according to local Fianna Fail TD Aine Brady, who had raised the issue with the Tanaiste and Minister for Enterprise Trade and Employment in recent months.

"FÁS, this month, is to implement an Employer Based Redundant Apprentice Rotation scheme and will be operated by FAS until the end of 2009." said Deputy Brady.

"The purpose of the scheme is to give redundant Apprentices the opportunity to complete the on-the-job phase of their apprenticeship in order to gain the required experience to progress to the next off-the-job phase or to complete their apprenticeship."

"It stands to benefit up to 500 apprenticeships in carpentry and joinery, electrical, plastering, plumbing and bricklaying." Stated Deputy Brady who also urged apprentices to keep FÁS Services to Business informed of all details relating to their apprenticeship.

"The scheme will support redundant apprentices on-the-job training related to Phase 3, Phase 5, and Phase 7. They will also be scheduled to do off-the-job Phase 2, Phase 4 and Phase 6 in accordance with scheduling criteria."

"FAS will work with employers to place the redundant apprentices to replace any existing apprentices that have been released to attend scheduled off-the-job phase of their apprenticeship. The employer will provide workplace training and assessment for full or part of the relevant phase of the apprenticeship."

"Employers taking part in the scheme will be required to pay the agreed industry rates for the specific apprenticeship trade and FAS will make a contribution of €340 per week towards employment costs incurred based on a 39 hour working week."

"As I know from my clinics, many young people have been badly affected by the recent downturn in construction. The Government must continue to give every assistance possible to facilitate the completing of their training. Further details of the scheme can be obtained on the **FAS website [www.fas.ie](http://www.fas.ie)** or **FÁS Jobs Ireland at Freephone 1800 611 116** or **FAS offices in Athlone 090 6486590**." concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Further Information**

Apprenticeship is a demand-driven, workplace and classroom, educational and training programme for employed people aimed at developing the skills of the apprentice to meet the needs of industry and the labour market.

The apprenticeship system is a modular standards-based system generally comprising of 7 alternating phases of on-the-job and off-the-job training and development. These alternating phases of training consist of 3 off-the-job (Phases 2, 4 & 6) and 4 on-the-job phases (Phases 1, 3, 5 & 7). The duration of the 3 off-the-job training phases does not normally exceed 40 weeks.

## **Almost €85,000 funding for ICT improvements in north Kildare schools – Brady**

Almost €85,000 in funding has been allocated by the Government for the purchase of high-tech IT equipment at

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three north Kildare schools according to local Fianna Fail TD Áine Brady.

Welcoming the funding, Deputy Brady said that the Government is committed to making information technology a central part of the learning process from the early stages of education.

"Scoil Naomh Pádraig in Celbridge will receive €30,500 for outfitting 16 classrooms; Maynooth Educate Together will get €13,500 for 8 classrooms and Gaelscoil Nas na Riogh in Nás will get €41,000 for 10 classrooms. On this basis, Maynooth Girls School will be entitled to funding once the extension works are completed. I have written to the Minister and highlighted that such funding will be required for the Girls School."

"This is the first time there has been funding per classroom at primary level and I'm delighted that such significant funding has been allocated to these schools."

"The Government is very conscious of the need to invest in education in technology from at early stage. These schools are among 72 other national schools around the country in which major construction work was completed in 2008, and which are now to receive this considerable ICT investment."

"The National Centre for Technology in Education will advise the school of the range of equipment available and of appropriate equipment specification which may include a fixed digital projector, an internet-enabled laptop computer and a visualiser along with classroom computers."

"The longer term goal of the Government to increase the take-up of science, engineering and technology courses in third-level institutions to help build up what the government is calling a 'knowledge' economy, which will help the country remain strong in the globalised economy." "IT skills are required in many jobs now and this advancement in equipment provision will benefit children regardless of what industry they eventually work in," concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Funding boost of €1.1 million for Kildare food producers – Brady**

Three food producers in Kildare will benefit from the Capital Investment Scheme for food marketing and processing from the Department of Agriculture according to local Fianna Fail TD Áine Brady, TD. "In the meat sector, Brady Family Food in Timahoe, Naas will receive €567,689 and McConnon's Meats in Rathangan will get €487,570. In the horticulture sector, Boylan Fruits Ltd in Johnstownbridge will receive €71,426." "This funding will give a significant boost to the companies and improve their facilities including storage handling and marketing and should

help to increase their capacity, secure their futures and increase local employment."

"The food industry is an important one in north Kildare especially, providing local employment and contributing significantly to the local economy. I have lobbied hard for Government support for the industry."

"It is vital that we continue to invest in small companies that provide the backbone to our food industry. It is important to secure our access to fresh locally grown food. It is also important for local people to buy local and provide every support possible to Irish producers, local business and local employers. I will continue in my efforts to secure every Government support possible for the Kildare food industry" concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Focus on local employment as Tanaiste visits north Kildare – Brady**

Local Fianna Fail TD Áine Brady has welcomed the focus on local employment as the Tanaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Mary Coughlan visited Kildare.

"I was delighted to welcome an Tanaiste to north Kildare today. The Tanaiste met with the Naas Chamber of Commerce, visited the Naas Country Market and the Prosperous Area Community Employment Project, met with the Kildare County Enterprise Board and visited Sentenial Limited and Imperative Energy Limited."

"An Tanaiste welcomed the announcement of 70 new jobs for north Kildare on her visit to Sentenial Limited, the leading supplier of payment systems to banks across Europe. An Tanaiste officially opened their offices in Maynooth Business Park where Sentenial announced details of a major €15 million investment plan which includes overseas expansion, local R&D investment and local recruitment." "I was also keen for the Tanaiste to meet with local employers, and those in the Community Employment Project and Enterprise Board to discuss how to maximise local employment opportunities for people in north Kildare. I was pleased that An Tanaiste was able to give time to these groups and I know that they will have found the meetings helpful."

"I will continue to work with An Tanaiste to secure every employment opportunity possible for north Kildare," concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Maynooth Bus Service raised with Dublin Bus**

Deputy Aine Brady has raised the level of Bus Service with Dublin Bus and has requested its services for Maynooth be protected as they review their level of services for Kildare.

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'I had a productive meeting with Dublin Bus recently and I pressed home the importance of improving our level of service for North Kildare.'

'I fully accept that in these times that all services need to be assessed and see if they are giving value for money. However, efficiencies in the Bus services for North Kildare will come about as the Quality Bus Network is improved and the Road Works on the N4 and M50 come to an end reducing the round trip time to places like Maynooth from Dublin.' 'I have also suggested that each Local Authority provide a Public Transport Liaison Person so that the provision of Public Transport Infrastructure (Bus Parking Bays, Turning Circles, Bus Stops etc) is considered in future planning decisions.'

Concluded Deputy Brady.

### **Funding boost for local community groups – Brady**

Kildare North Fianna Fail TD Aine Brady has welcomed funding for two local community groups.

"Leixlip Resource Centre will receive €3,660 and Newtown Senior Citizens ARI will get €950 under the Programme of Grants for Community and Voluntary Organisations."

"This programme of grants from the Department of Community Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs focuses on a wide variety of community and voluntary activities and gives support to disadvantaged communities. It provides once-off grants for refurbishment and equipment for facilities used by such groups. Funding is also available for training initiatives in the community."

"I am delighted that the Leixlip Resource Centre and Newtown Senior Citizens ARI are receiving these grants. It will be a great support in their work. It is vital that every practical support is provided to community groups I know that many local people will benefit from this grant."

"I would like to commend the workers and volunteers at the Leixlip Resource Centre and Newtown Senior Citizens ARI for their hard work and dedication," concluded Deputy Brady.

### **Security at Maynooth Rail Station raised**

Deputy Aine Brady has raised the issue of security at the Maynooth Rail Station following a request from a number of commuters who had their cars interfered with at the station over the last number of months.

'The local Gardai have assured me that they will keep the matter under review and increase the level of activity in the area. I have also made Iarnrod Eireann aware of the issue and will continue to do so.' Concluded Brady.



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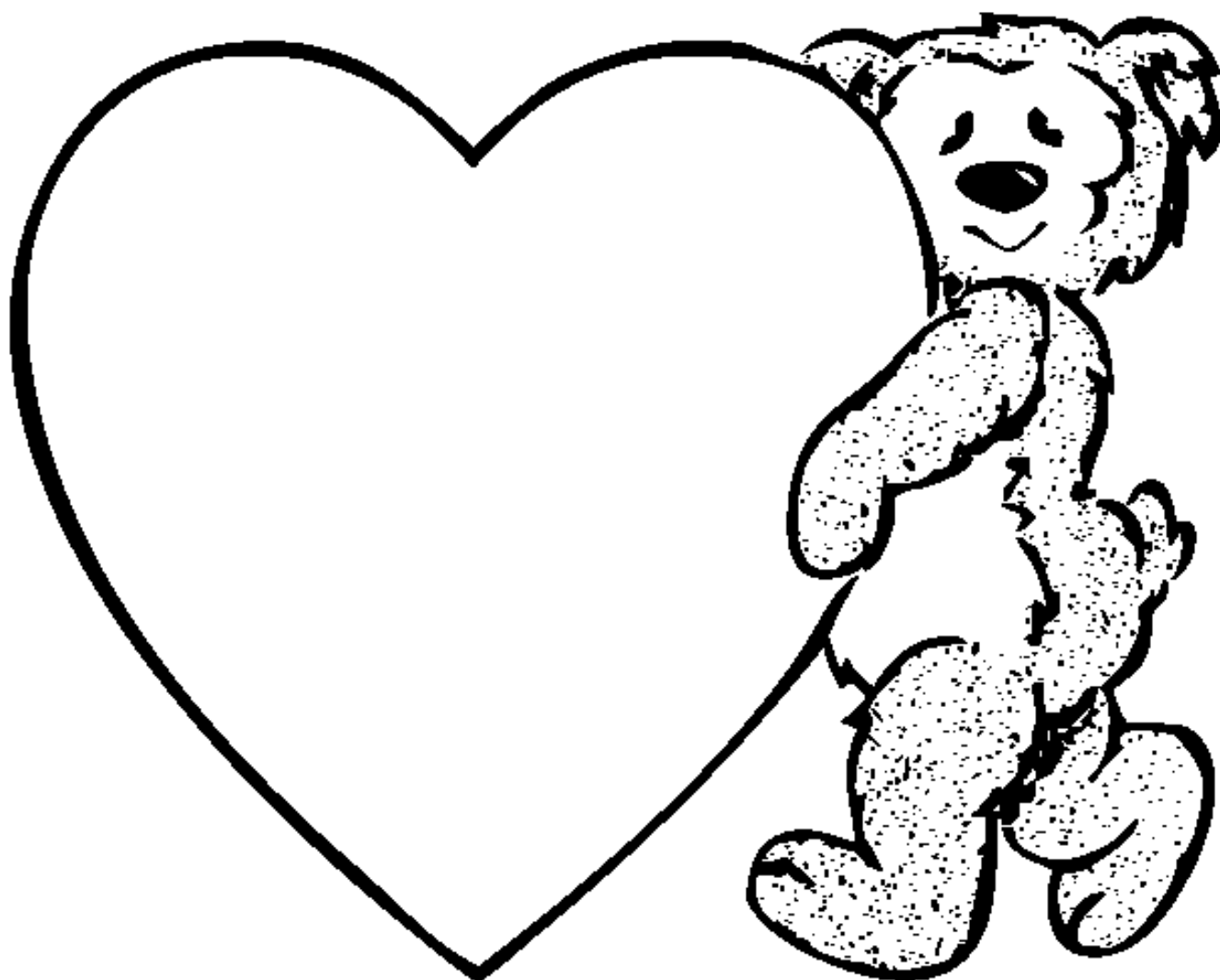
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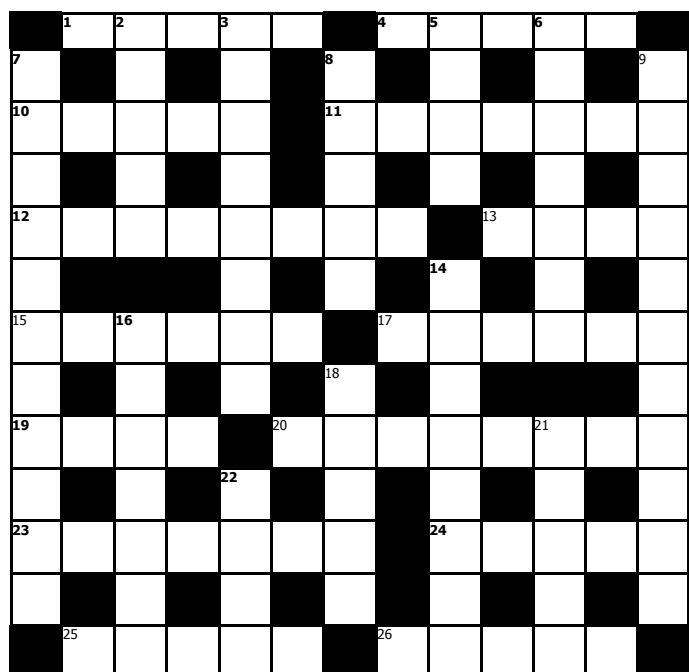


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4. Fascinating quality (5)
10. Ballroom dance (5)
11. Income (7)
12. Clint \_\_ \_\_ \_\_, US actor (8)
13. Fodder store (4)
15. Diminutive (6)
17. Indian river (6)
19. Prison (4)
20. Inappropriate name (8)
23. Critical (7)
24. Creature (5)
25. Scuffle (5)
26. Meat (5)

#### Down:

2. Gripping utensil (5)
3. Oliver \_\_ \_\_ \_\_, soldier statesman (8)
5. Town adjoining Brighton (4)
6. The \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ Man, Schwarzenegger film (7)
7. High—level worker (11)
8. Shepherd's staff (5)
9. Make objections (11)
14. The Silence of the Lambs character, \_\_ \_\_ \_\_ Lecter (8)
16. Testimony (7)
18. Country residence (5)
21. Funds (5)
22. Fermented juice (4)

#### Answers to crossword no. 73

##### Across:

1. Variety, 4. Pumps, 7. Scarlet, 8. Harry, 9. Oyster, 12. Ancestor, 15. Audition, 17. Travel, 18. Stiff, 21. Let it Be, 22. Endow, 23. Palette

##### Down:

1. Victoria, 2. Incite, 3. Yale, 4. Pith, 5. Migrate, 6. Spry, 10. Rapid, 11. Scant, 13. Roulette, 14. Admired, 16. Gamble, 18. Size, 19. Flaw, 20. Stop.

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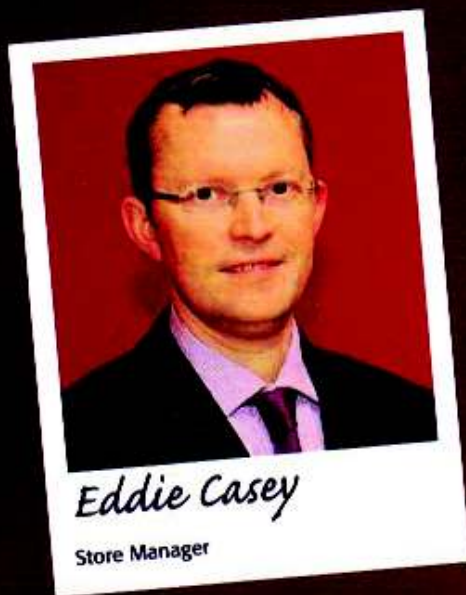
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# Editorial

**March 2009**

In these changing times it is impossible to comment on the ongoing economic climate as the scene changes from day to day. But even to those of us who have become somewhat cynical by the passage of time the extent of the financial irregularities are shocking.

The curse “may you live in interesting times” never rang more true. If some soothsayer forecast that Ireland would nationalise a bank and that the Labour Party would be ahead of Fianna Fáil in an opinion poll they would probably have been carted away by the men/women in white coats. But that is the state of Ireland February 2009.

So what is there to look forward to? The freezing conditions have lifted and Spring seems to have arrived with crocuses, irises and even daffodils making an appearance. For Maynooth, the planning of the St Patrick’s Day Parade is well advanced. Lift your spirits by getting involved in entering a float and get even more enjoyment from our National Day. Bainigi taithneamh as Lá ‘le Pádraig. To join the committee or to get involved in any way just contact the Community Council Office. (Contact details below)

The National University of Ireland recently launched its new image; Ireland’s University town and there are developments in the air on the campus. The burnt out remains of the canteen have been cleared away and plans are underway to replace this with a number of new eating places, a Library extension is planned as well as the new Arts Building. These may be welcome additions but there is a lot of concern about the Smartpark planned by NUIM and Carton House to be built in Carton Demesne.

All this is happening at a time when Co Kildare is preparing the new Draft Development Plan for the county. Of course the usual requests for wholesale rezonings will appear – despite the recession. The Community Council has taken the stance that enough has been zoned for housing in the last Development Plan and that no more land need be rezoned. Like many other dormitory towns/ counties, Kildare and Maynooth have plenty of houses and apartments lying empty.

Finally, a reminder. If you want to represent your area on the Community Council, call to the office beside the Post Office in the old Tesco site, ring the office at 01-6285922 or email the office [maynoothcc@eircom.net](mailto:maynoothcc@eircom.net) You can, and should, have a voice in what happens to your town and this is a particularly important time because the preparation of the new Development Plan.

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# *Community Council Notes*

## **Maynooth Community Council Notes 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

The latest Community Council meeting was held in the Glenroyal Hotel on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 8.30 pm.

The St Patrick's Day Parade committee is in the process of organising the Parade for 2009 as usual. It is always a great success but volunteers are always welcome. Contact the Community Council – details below.

The Planning and Development committee members said that there was significant additional information given to Kildare and Meath County Council about the planned SMART-park in the grounds of Carton House. The application was placed by Carton House in conjunction with NUIM and it spans two local authorities. The committee met with representatives of NUIM to discuss issues of mutual interest. An invitation has been extended to the President of the College to attend a future meeting of the Council.

An invitation was extended to the NUIM Cycling Club to attend the next Community Council meeting so that they could outline their plans for the future.

The Tidy Towns committee were congratulated by the Chairman, Colm Ó Cearúil, on their hard work around the Grotto area at the Church.

The U3A (University of the Third Age) congratulated John McGinley for his hard work on providing the adult exercise area in the Harbour Field.

The Local History Group explained that they used to meet in the Library but because of cut backs in staffing and overtime they now meet in the Community Council Office. They will be holding their talks upstairs in O'Neills pub from now on.

Nuada Players, the local theatre group, are looking for plays from local playwrights. They were a great success last year, plays between 30-40 minutes are particularly welcome.

Other ongoing topics were also discussed at the meeting; the fact that Maynooth does not have Town Council or Urban Council status.

The increasing parking problems were also discussed at length and one of the solutions offered was that parking should be allowed on one side of the road on the Straffan Rd and Newtown Rd.

Fair Trade Fortnight was beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Maynooth was the first town and University to become Fair Trade. A leaflet will be dropped into every house.

If you want to represent your area on the Community Council, call to the office beside the Post Office in the old Tesco site, ring the office – 01-6285922 or email the office [maynoothcc@eircom.net](mailto:maynoothcc@eircom.net)

You can have a voice in what happens to your town and this is a particularly important time because the new Development Plan for the town and the county is being prepared.

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# How to Arrange Flowers Like a Professional

## ***10 TIPS ON ARRANGING YOUR FLOWERS BEAUTIFULLY***

### **1. Clean your flowers thoroughly after you buy them.**

Make sure that every stem that's going to be submerged in water has no leaves in the water. This will make your water cleaner and your flowers a little more presentable.

### **2. Cut your flower ends and change your container water every day.**

It's tedious, but it will really help make your flowers last longer and look healthier.

### **3. Buy flowers that are either all the same type or colour.**

Your arrangement will come off looking organized and neat.



### **4. If you're unable to change your water every day, use an opaque vase.**

That way you will not have to see the murky water that inevitably arrives by day three.

### **5. Pin-prick the throat of your tulips if you don't want them to grow anymore.**

Tulips are the one type of flower that will keep growing even after they've been cut. This really won't affect your arrangement on the first or maybe even the second day, but by day three your tulips might be a mess. Simply prick the throat of your tulip with a safety pin and it should cut back the growth in the days to come.

### **6. Buy a pair of pruners!**

These can be bought quite cheap, shop around, these can be bought quite cheap in order to suit everybody's pocket. Do you really want to ruin any more of your good kitchen scissors?

### **7. Don't be intimidated—use your wide-mouthed bowls and containers.**

At first glance they look like they might take up €500 worth of flowers, but really all you need is a little tape. Floral bowl tape is great, but you can also use good old Scotch tape. Just create a grid across the top of the container, then tape all around the rim of the bowl so that your loose ends will not come undone. The flowers will fit perfectly into the openings of the grid. Presto, your grandmother's old fruit compote has never looked so cute!

### **8. Order fresh-cut flowers from a florist instead of buying them at the grocery store.**

If you love arranging but don't have the time to go and buy what you specifically want, order them from your local florist. That way you may end up playing with the most beautiful peonies instead of the supermarket daisies.

### **9. Start collecting vessels that match.**

Collect vessels that match, these can be purchased very cheap at flea markets and on eBay. It makes my life easy when throwing a dinner party, since everything matches and you can use different vessels for the food too, not just flowers. Plus it's really great for the environment.

### **10. Make your bouquet in your hand, not in your vase.**

Sometimes it's quicker to gather everything in your hand, then drop it into your vase. This will always give you a nice round shape and a perfect posy.





# *Maynooth Flower and Garden Club*

*Next meeting: Tuesday MARCH 24<sup>th</sup>.*

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# Horoscopes



**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

Use your gift laser-precision focus to notice what's working for you, which is a lot. And whatever habits and talents are making your life better, you can use more of them.  
Your lucky day is Sunday , Number 25, Colour Navy .



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

Money does matter, but not as much as the other factors involved in a deal. Make an agreement only if there are benefits beyond the financial.  
Your lucky day is Monday, Number 9, Colour Dark Blue



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

You are likely to journey to the past in a romantic and possibly subconscious way. There is still something to mentally get through. You will have to work hard to achieve this.  
Your lucky day is Monday , Number 3, Colour Red,



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

Consider that you are creating an environment with your smile and tone of voice. Every small gesture is a testament to your values.  
Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 34, Colour Yellow.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

Let go of baggage and the reward will be intense. The moment you truly release the old idea, you're free. You'll know it's real because a rush of pent-up energy flows through you, ready to be applied to better things.  
Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 15, Colour Violet.



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

However you say something, people will translate your meaning in their own terms. You are only responsible for half of the communication. Do your best with your half.  
Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 21, Colour Black.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

The personality quirks of those around you that you used to find annoying are the very things you'll miss. Dip into your wells of compassion and humour as you observe.  
Your lucky day is Tuesday , Number 20, Colour Yellow .



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

Writing for pleasure proves to be cathartic. Perhaps in the process you might work out an old issue or two and find a way to make money last. Don't over spend at this time. Tomorrow is another day.  
Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 7, Colour White.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

Do some figuring about the time and money you're spending and making. You might be surprised how much a deal is really costing you. Now is the time to count those pennies. Time to keep a tight grip on the purse strings.  
Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 31, Colour Navy.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

You are introduced to a new world of people, places and a culture foreign to you. Be yourself and you will learn much. You intrigue a new acquaintance with your quiet, confident demeanour. Be careful as this is a completely new venture for you.  
Your lucky day is Friday, Number 11, Colour Sky Blue.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

It's reinvention time again. Your schedule is likely to undergo a renovation, as will a habit or two. One thing is certain: The methods that helped you get through last month won't carry you into the future.  
Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 16, Colour Cerise.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

Though you are highly sympathetic to someone's situation, this does no good until a positive action is used in tandem. Find a concrete way to help bring about the good you seek in the world.  
Your lucky day is Monday, Number 10, Colour Mauve.

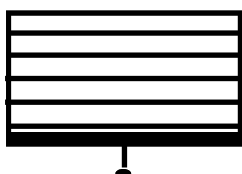


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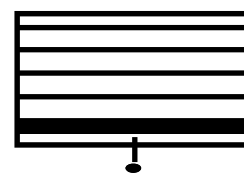


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# Gardening

## Gardening in March

**Finally, it's March.** The weather can be a lovely, in early spring with opportunities to get out in the garden and get to work. One thing is sure: it's no time to dawdle because there's plenty to do this month.

**Caution is the keyword this month.** It may look warm and inviting, but unless you are lucky to live in the lower latitudes, you could be courting disaster if you try to plant before your last frost date. Suit the work to the weather.

If you haven't been monitoring it, **turn your compost pile now.** Dampen it and begin turning it regularly to get it to heat up so you can enjoy the production of good compost faster. If you haven't started a compost pile, start one this month.

**Deal with pests now.** A lime sulphur spray is organic and protects against scales, mites, and borers on fruit trees, roses, and shrubs as well as black spot and powdery mildew. It's a dormant spray, so apply before the middle of the month when many plants begin to bud out. **Prune roses** just before they start to bud out.

**Always use any compound—organic or otherwise—cautiously according to the manufacturer's instructions.**

**Get those weeds while they are little.** Use a flame gun to spot kill weeds while they are small or pull by hand. **Vinegar or boiling water** also work to kill weeds and don't leave problems behind. Avoid using salt, because it will ruin the soil.

**If you haven't already planned your season's plantings, do it now.** Take advantage of companion planting that can strengthen and reinforce plant vigour while repelling pests. For example, **nasturtiums and marigolds repel white flies and aphids.**

**March is the best time** to make corrections and improvements to lawn including reseeding. Adding a layer of compost mixed with wood ash can reinvestigate poor soil and cut down on moss.

**Build a cold frame** to acclimate seedlings and tender plants to ready them for transplant in April and May.



Daffodil or Narcissus

**Finish other structural projects** like trellises before planting.

**Plant early spring vegetables and flowers.** These include spinach, lettuces, peas, and leeks as well as sweet peas.

**Early spring** is also a good time to divide and transplant if the soil isn't too wet. Re-spacing existing favourites can give them extra wiggle room to get bigger and healthier.

**Mulch early bulbs** especially if you live in less temperate areas where freezing temperatures hang on. Dahlia tubers stored last fall can be started late in the month. Lay on a bed of sand and begin watering. **(Avoid overwatering and too much warmth.)**

**Fertilize shrubs and trees** if this wasn't done in February. Use an acid type rhododendron fertilizer to feed evergreens, conifers, broad leaf evergreens, rhododendrons, azaleas and camellias. Use an all-purpose fertilizer to feed roses and other deciduous trees and shrubs. If you use granular type fertilizers, be sure to water it in thoroughly.

**Dig out clumps of violets to bring indoors.**

Keep them cool.

If you've not pondered the idea, you might consider getting some **chickens**. March is the ideal month to brood a few chicks, to raise hens for egg laying, bug catching, and weeding.

**Attend to your indoor plants too.** They've just come through a long winter and need a bit of fertilizer. Re-pot those that are root bound. Avoid overwatering as weakened plants are more readily subject to disease and root rot.

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## Features

# THE ULTIMATE FUNDRAISER

From sheep steeple chasing to daredevil jet ski rides across the Irish Sea, Matt Browne's fundraising exploits are legendary around Ireland. After losing a leg through illness, his passion for helping others remains undimmed.

As a child Matt vividly remembers trying to push his father's wheelchair to watch a football match in an effort to cheer up his housebound father; a neighbour stopped the then ten-year-old Matt and asked;



**Matt with Cian Leigh**

"How is he?" nodding to his father. "You can ask him yourself!" came the sharp reply.

Aware of the lack of facilities for disabled people, Matt never imagined that one day he might also be in a wheelchair himself. The injustice of his father's treatment stayed with him and he knew there was more to be done.

Devising a ten year plan for the development of key disability facilities Matt organised a 'bus reverse', coffee mornings, and American Tea Parties and in 1990 he and his team raised €50,000 through the **People in Need** and established The Wheelchair Centre in North Kildare.

An entertainer for over 30 years. Matt admits he smoked drank and partied. In 1990 Matt was diagnosed with type 2 diabetes: unfortunately in 2000 Matt needed his leg removed as a result of the diabetes. After six months Matt was fitted with a prosthetic leg. With only one leg and now in a wheelchair Matt had also to cope with withdrawals from cigarettes, alcohol, sleeping tablets and morphine. After unbearable night sweats, nausea, and sleepless nights, doctors told Matt he had become a morphine addict, his doses had to be reduced slowly over six months. Adjusting to life in a wheelchair Matt recalls "that first night I came home I must have fallen 15 times". Matt needed to get back working, he jokes "A three-legged-man wasn't in big demand". Friend Vincent Kelly of National Learning Network told Matt to "work to his strengths" and as it happened they were looking for a fundraiser in Kildare. He's never looked back since describing his work as "nine to five its not about me, I'll never make money out of this but the pleasure I've got out of this job over the years, money could never pay for that".

Every year Matt brings people with disabilities on fundraising trips around the World. A recent challenge was: 'Sheep Steeple-chasing' which raised funds to send four-year-old Conor Leigh to America for special medical treatment. Conor was born with only one ear, his treatment was due to cost thousands. Matt got behind the cause and organised the first Sheep Steeple chasing which raised over €30,000 on the day.

Matt believes that things have improved since he was a ten year-old-boy trying to make life better for his house-bound father, who remains the inspiration for his work. "Id like to give what he didn't have".

**Matt is also Co-ordinator of the Kildare People of the Year Awards.**

**We wish Matt continued success and good health with his brilliant work.**

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# St. Patrick's Day Recipes

## *S*hamrock Cookies

### Ingredients

2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour  
3/4 tsp. baking soda  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1 cup butter at room temperature  
1 cup sugar  
1 large egg  
1 tbsp. vanilla extract  
Green food colouring

### Method

Measure the flour, baking soda and salt into a medium-sized bowl. Stir well and set aside. In a large bowl, cream the butter and sugar with an electric mixer for about 1 minute. Add the egg and vanilla extract and mix until well combined. Gradually add the flour mixture to the butter and sugar, mixing well after each addition. The dough should be stiff. Add several drops of green food colouring. Knead the dough until the colour is evenly distributed. Gather the dough into two balls, flatten into disks beginning at the edge of the dough and working toward the centre. Cover with plastic and chill for at least 2 hours or overnight. After the dough has chilled, place one half on a large piece of plastic wrap, cover with another piece of plastic wrap and then roll until it is 1/4-inch thick. Lift off the top sheet of plastic wrap and cut out shamrocks, beginning at the edge of the dough and working toward the centre. Place each shamrock on an ungreased baking sheet. Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Bake for 8 minutes or until the edges begin to lightly brown. Remove to a rack to cool. For particularly festive shamrocks, decorate them with green candies or frosting. Makes about 34.

## *L*amb Casserole Recipe

### Ingredients:

1 1/2 pounds lean lamb, cubed  
1/4 cup flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons salt  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
1/4 cup butter  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1/2 green bell pepper, chopped  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
1 tablespoon chopped parsley  
1 teaspoon ground sweet paprika  
pinch rosemary  
3/4 cup hot water

1 1/2 cups frozen peas, thawed  
1 pound cooked potatoes, cut in 1-inch pieces

### Method:

Combine flour, salt, and pepper; dredge lamb pieces in mixture. Heat butter in a large heavy skillet; brown lamb cubes on all sides then transfer to a 2-quart casserole. To the skillet add onion, bell pepper, and chopped celery; cook for 5 minutes. Stir in parsley. Add mixture to lamb in casserole. Sprinkle lamb mixture with paprika and rosemary. Add hot water. Cover and bake at 350° for 1 1/2 hours. Add peas and potatoes. Continue to bake, uncovered, for 30 to 45 minutes longer, until lamb is tender. Serves 6.

## *S*cones

### Ingredients

225g/8oz Self Raising Flour  
Pinch of Salt  
25g/1oz Caster Sugar (optional)  
25g/1oz Margarine  
150ml/1/4 pint Milk

### Method

Sieve flour, salt and sugar, if used, into a bowl. Rub in the margarine, using the tips of the fingers. Add the milk and mix to make a soft dough. Turn onto a lightly floured board and knead, if necessary, to remove any cracks. Roll out lightly to 2 1/2 cm/1" in thickness and cut into scones with a 5cm/2" cutter dipped in flour. Place the scones on a floured pre-heated baking sheet. Bake in the pre-heated oven at 220°C/425°F/Gas 7 for 10 – 12 minutes until well risen and nicely browned. Cool on a wire tray.

## *G*aelic Coffee

### Ingredients:

3 dessertspoons whisky  
1 level dessertspoon light brown sugar  
Fresh, strong coffee  
Double cream

### Method:

Heat a stemmed glass with hot water and dry quickly. Add the whisky and stir in the sugar. Pour in the coffee, leaving an inch below the rim. Keep stirring until the sugar has dissolved and pour in the cream over the back of a teaspoon so that it floats on the surface to the depth of about half an inch.





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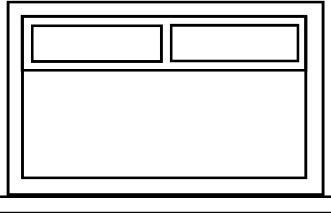
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The Board of Maynooth Credit Union pictured after their recent AGM in the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth. Left to right: Edwina Mahoney, secretary, Paddy Arthurs, vice-chairperson, Orla Fanthom, assistant treasurer, John Read, Hester Devane, treasurer, Emer McDermott, PRO, Peter Greene, chairperson, Pat Harney, Paul Davis, Paddy Boyd, John Butler, supervisor, John McQuaid, supervisor. Anne Higgins who is not in the photo is also on the board. Full details of the membership of committees are available in the credit union office on Main Street Maynooth.

### *Renewal and Continuity*

The team that will take Maynooth Credit Union into its twenty-first year of operation is in place. The system of electing officers is designed both to ensure continuity and facilitate turn-over. Four members of the outgoing Board were required to step down. Each stood for election and was returned by the members voting at the AGM. Hester Devane, Pat Harney and John Read have each given many years of service to the credit union. Emer McDermott is a comparative novice, having been co-opted last year and stood for election for the first time in December 2008.

Ranging in age from 30 to 75, the Board gives countless hours of service to Members of the credit union. Monthly board meetings are only a small part of it. There are all the committees. For example, Edwina Mahoney, Paddy Arthurs, John Read and Paul Davis serve on the credit committee, where they are joined by staff member Geraldine Tobin, Member Services Officer. Catherine Mulready, Manager and Matt Doran, Assistant Manager attend Board meetings and work on several committees with members of the Board.

One of the strengths of Maynooth Credit Union is the continuity of service given by the current Board. The Board welcomes any member who is willing to become involved in running the Credit Union.

Edwina Mahoney is the newest and youngest member of the Board. Having served on the credit committee, Edwina this year took on the role of Secretary to the Board. This makes her a legal officer representing the business (not to be confused with the Minutes Secretary, whose job it is to record what is decided at meetings). Members of the Board were delighted to join Edwina's family and friends in the Glenroyal Hotel recently to celebrate her 30<sup>th</sup> birthday. They were surprised and delighted to see the lovely ring on her left hand, telling of her engagement at Christmas to John O'Brien, a native of the neighbouring parish of Kilcloone. Edwina and John plan to build a house and set up home on that side of the town, so Edwina may become a Member living outside the common bond. On the professional side, Edwina is making a career in pensions, working for a multinational firm in that field. She was co-opted to fill a vacancy on the Board in 2006 and elected by the Members at the next AGM. This is the third and final year of her first term serving Maynooth Credit Union.

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Anne Higgins has served on the Board in various capacities since Maynooth Credit union was set up over twenty year ago. A native of Maynooth, Anne (known as Lima – and that's an interesting story!) was a member of the group of people from the town who, as members of Leixlip and District Credit Union, decided it was time Maynooth had its own Credit Union. Six months of hard work later, the office was opened on the Harbour (Leinster Street) beside the Garda Barracks. Anne has served on many of the committees, but tends to return to the Credit Committee which oversees the lending activity of the credit union. Anne's children and grandchildren have followed her in joining the credit union. She is in many ways one of the grandmothers of Maynooth Credit Union.



*Anne Higgins, formerly Lima Kenny, one of the group of people who set up Maynooth Credit Union almost twenty-one years ago, has served on the Board in many capacities ever since.*

# MOTHER'S DAY

**"Mothers Day" will be celebrated in Ireland on 12th March**

## *Mother's Day History*

Contrary to popular belief, Mother's Day was not conceived and fine-tuned in the boardroom of Hallmark. The earliest tributes to mothers date back to the annual spring festival the Greeks dedicated to Rhea, the mother of many deities, and to the offerings ancient Romans made to their Great Mother of Gods, Cybele. Christians celebrated this festival on the fourth Sunday in Lent in honour of Mary, mother of Christ. In England this holiday was expanded to include all mothers and was called Mothering Sunday.



*Happy Mother's Day*

In the United States, Mother's Day started nearly 150 years ago, when Anna Jarvis, an Appalachian homemaker, organized a day to raise awareness of poor health conditions in her community, a cause she believed would be best advocated by mothers. She called it "Mother's Work Day."

Fifteen years later, Julia Ward Howe, a Boston poet, pacifist, suffragist, and author of the lyrics to the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," organized a day encouraging mothers to rally for peace, since she believed they bore the loss of human life more harshly than anyone else.

In 1905 when Anna Jarvis died, her daughter, also named Anna, began a campaign to memorialize the life work of her mother. Legend has it that young Anna remembered a Sunday school lesson that her mother gave in which she said, "I hope and pray that someone, sometime, will found a memorial mother's day. There are many days for men, but none for mothers."

Anna began to lobby prominent businessmen like John Wannamaker, and politicians including Presidents Taft and Roosevelt to support her campaign to create a special day to honour mothers. At one of the first services organized to celebrate Anna's mother in 1908, at her church in West Virginia, Anna handed out her mother's favourite flower, the white carnation. Five years later, the House of Representatives adopted a resolution calling for officials of the federal government to wear white carnations on Mother's Day. In 1914 Anna's hard work paid off when Woodrow Wilson signed a bill recognizing Mother's Day as a national holiday.

At first, people observed Mother's Day by attending church, writing letters to their mothers, and eventually, by sending cards, presents, and flowers. With the increasing gift-giving activity associated with Mother's Day, Anna Jarvis became enraged. She believed that the day's sentiment was being sacrificed at the expense of greed and profit. In 1923 she filed a lawsuit to stop a Mother's Day festival, and was even arrested for disturbing the peace at a convention selling carnations for a war mother's group. Before her death in 1948, Jarvis is said to have confessed that she regretted ever starting the mother's day tradition.

## MOTHER'S DAY QUOTATIONS

"All that I am or ever hope to be, I owe to my angel Mother." -- Abraham Lincoln

"God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers." -- Jewish proverb.

"Of all the rights of women, the greatest is to be a mother." -- Lin Yutang.

"The heart of a mother is a deep abyss at the bottom of which you will always find forgiveness." -- Honore' de Balzac (1799-1850).



"My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual and physical education I received from her." -- George Washington (1732-1799).

"By and large, mothers and housewives are the only workers who do not have regular time off. They are the great vacationless class." -- Anne Morrow Lindbergh (1907- ).

"The mother's heart is the child's schoolroom." -- Henry Ward Beecher (1813-1887).

## Maynooth U3A

The slogan at the recent Aontas workshop for Lifelong Learning was:

**'Don't Stop Me Now'.**

I think it so epitomises U3A at the moment. Our **'Go For Life'** Activity Program will have us energized, fit and ready to move outdoors to the Fitness Zone as soon as the sun shines. Thank you to those who championed the cause on our behalf, in getting the equipment installed in the harbour.

We can follow the Chinese custom and top off for our morning fitness routine on our way to the train station or elsewhere! Plans are afoot for our Creative Writing and Drama classes. The adrenaline is already flowing and the minds are engaged with the endless possibilities. Do I hear Booker or is it IFTA !

Quite a few of our members are looking forward to their short break in Belfast. I hear the Hilton hotel is a must this time of year. Ladies, enjoy the pampering. Can I return to our Christmas fundraiser of 'Sing Your Heart Out' for the Irish Heart Foundation. The amount raised was €712.00. We would like to extend a big 'Thank You' to the musicians - Joe, Danny and Jonathan - whose presence raised our performance to a new level.

U3A would like to see new members, so if you are curious about us come along to our March meetings on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at 11. 00 a.m. in the Community Library.

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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

I live in a rented apartment. Can I claim any tax relief on the rent that I pay?

### Answer

You can claim tax relief on rent paid for private rented accommodation if it is your main residence. The tax relief does not apply to rent that is paid to a local authority or State agency, or if it is paid under a lease agreement that is for 50 years or longer.

There is a maximum limit to the amount of rent that is taken into account each year, depending on your age and marital status. For 2009, the limits are the same as for 2008:

Age	Single	Married
Under 55 years	€2,000	€4,000
Over 55 years	€4,000	€8,000

Your tax relief is 20% of your annual rent, up to the maximum rent limit shown above.

So if you are under 55 years of age, the relief reduces your tax by up to €400 (that is, €2,000 x 20%) if you are single, or €800 if you are married.

If you are over 55 years, your tax is reduced by up to €800 if you are single or €1,600 if you are married.

You can claim the tax relief by completing the form Rent1 which is available from your Tax Office or can be downloaded from the Revenue website at [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie). Revenue also has a 24-hour phone line for requesting forms and leaflets at Lo-call 1890 306 706 or (01) 674 4050.

### Question

I have recently received interest on my savings deposit account but the bank deducted tax on the interest at 23%. Is this correct?

### 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). For payments made on or after 1 January 2009 the rate of DIRT has increased from 20% to 23%. The financial institution deducts this tax before the interest is paid to you.

You are exempt from DIRT 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.

If you or your spouse is 65 years of age or over you are exempt from DIRT if your income is €20,000 or less (for an individual) or €40,000 or less (for a married couple).

If you have dependent children, these exemption limits are increased by €575 for each of the first two children and by €830 for each subsequent child.

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**For Details Contact Maynooth Community Library at 01 6285530**

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Thursday 9.30 - 1 & 2 - 5p.m. Friday 9.30 - 1 & 2 - 5p.m.**



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If you are under 65 years and permanently incapacitated, you may be exempt from DIRT if your tax credits (including your spouse's) for the year exceed the tax that would be chargeable on your (and your spouse's) income for the year. For example, if your only income is Disability Allowance, you may be exempt from DIRT.

If you are exempt, you can apply to receive interest payments without having DIRT deducted by the financial institution. To apply, you must complete the appropriate application form and return it to Revenue. If either you or your spouse is aged 65 years or over, you should 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 get these forms from your Tax Office, from [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie) or by phoning Lo-call 1890 306 706.

## Question

Does the new Income Levy apply to the income I receive from my occupational pension?

## Answer

Occupational pensions are subject to the new Income Levy in the same way as other income but State pensions are not.

In general, if you are aged over 65 you are exempt from the Income Levy if you have gross annual income of €20,000 or less (€40,000 or less for a married couple). For people aged under 65, the income limit is €18,304.

These limits apply to income from occupational pensions and other sources. If your income is over these limits, you pay the levy on the full amount at 1% up to €100,100. A 2% rate applies to income above that up to €250,120. The highest rate of 3% applies to income over €250,120.

However the levy does not apply to Contributory or Non-Contributory State Pensions so if, for example, you are receiving a State pension of €11,976 and your only other income is an occupational pension of €20,000, then this income of €31,976 will not be subject to the levy.

If you hold a full medical card you are exempt from the levy but holders of the GP Visit card are not.

## Question

I applied for Family Income Supplement last year but didn't qualify. Have the income limits increased for 2009?

## Answer

Family Income Supplement (FIS) is a weekly payment for families at work on low pay, including single-parent families. To be eligible:

- You must be working 19 or more hours per week (or 38 hours a fortnight) and the work must be expected to last for at least 3 months. Back to Work Allowance, Job Initiative, Community Services Programme (formerly Social Economy Programme) and Part-time Job Incentive are eligible for FIS. Other FÁS schemes, including Community Employment, are not. Where your spouse/partner is also working, your working hours can be combined to satisfy this condition.
- You must have one or more children (under age 18, or aged 18 to 22 in full-time education) living with you and you must be supporting them.
- Your average weekly family income must be below the income limit for your family size. Assessable income is gross income less tax, PRSI, the Health Contribution, the new Income Levy and superannuation. It includes most social welfare payments, but not Child Benefit, Early Childcare Supplement or Carer's Allowance.

**For 2009 the weekly income limits have increased as follows:**

If you have	Your family income is less than
One child	€500
Two children	€590
Three children	€685
Four children	€800
Five children	€920
Six children	€1,030
Seven children	€1,160
Eight children or more	€1,250

FIS is calculated as 60% of the difference between your average weekly family income and the income limit for your family size. The minimum payment is €20. It is paid for 52 weeks while you continue to meet the qualifying conditions. At the end of this period you should re-apply if you think you are still eligible. Claim forms are available from your local Social Welfare Office or Lo-call 1890 20 23 25.

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## Features

# The Cheltenham Festival 2009

**Tuesday 10th to Friday 13th March 2009**

This year Cheltenham will be its fifth year as a four-day festival in the elegant spa town, which plays host to visitors from all over the World. The festival is without doubt one of the great sporting occasions of the season.

The roar of the crowd as the tapes rise for the first race of the Festival each year tells you everything you need to know - 12 months of waiting is over!

Over the course of the week, around 230,000 people will be there to witness the action and soak up the atmosphere and across the UK and Ireland, well over €500 million will be wagered on the outcome of the 26 races. Total Prize Money in 2009 is €3.5m, an astonishing average of €134,000 for each Festival race. The feature race on Tuesday is The Smurfit Kappa Champion Hurdle, the most sought after prize anywhere for 2 miles hurdlers. The Irish have won seven of the last ten running's of this historic contest, but Katchit led home a 1-2-3 for Britain in 2008.

Wednesday sees the Seasons Holidays Queen Mother Champion Chase take centre stage, as the best two mile chasers produce a fast and furious contest over the famous Cheltenham fences. For many, this is the most exciting race of the year and Master Minded produced one of the greatest performances of the modern era in 2008. In 2009, Wednesday will have seven races for the first time since The Festival became a four day meeting.

On Thursday, the long distance hurdlers contest The Ladbrokes World Hurdle. Only the brave and the strong prevail in this three mile contest. Inglis Drever made history by winning the race for the third time in 2008 and is being aimed at the race for one last time in 2009. The Ryanair Chase is another Grade 1 highlight on Thursday. Thursday will once again be Ladies Day.

Then comes Friday and the highlight of the entire Jump season: the Totesport Cheltenham Gold Cup. This is the race that every owner trainer and jockey dreams of winning and it takes a very special horse to win more than once.

Denman led home Kauto Star and Neptune Collognes in a Paul Nicholls-trained 1-2-3 in 2008 and will be looking to add his name in 2009 to those of legends Golden Miller, Arkle and Best Mate as multiple winners of Jumping's Blue Riband event.



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## Pet Corner

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Learn to **groom your own pet**. A one-off investment in electric fur clippers will equip you to cut your own pet's hair for many years.

Choose your pet's food carefully. Cheap pet food can be poor quality, and is not always good value. Pets need to eat more food to get an equivalent amount of nutritive value.

Instead, choose a **high-quality, so-called "premium"**

brand that your pet likes, and don't change brands too frequently. Pet shops and vet clinics stock a range of diets that are suitable.

Don't let your pet get fat. Many people waste money by **feeding their pet too much**, and obese pets end up with illnesses (such as diabetes and arthritis) that are expensive to treat.

Don't buy expensive toys for your cat – **make your own instead**. Try stuffing an old sock and attaching it to a piece of string. **Fill a container with a few dried pasta shapes, rice or dried peas**, roll it across the floor and it's rattling and clattering should have your cat chasing it to investigate.

There are always **odd socks** and the missing one never turns up no matter how much you think it will. The simplest way is to just roll one or more odd socks into a ball and throw it for your kitty. It will not bounce like a ball but will slide along a smooth floor, and your cat will delight in **chasing, bating and catching the sock prey!**

### Cats do have loyalty

It is perceived that cats are selfish creatures with no loyalty to their owners. That they can be selfish – well why not?. That they are not loyal – no way!. Years ago I had a lovely cat called Blackie. She was born in the cellar of a pub in Dublin. I brought her to the beautiful countryside of Kildare where she soon settled in revelling in her new surroundings.

As she grew older Blackie rewarded our devotion to her by providing presents of dead rats plonked outside our kitchen door. While I did not relish this gesture it was her way of telling us she loved us and was doing her job by keeping down the rat population on her patch.

The years rolled on and in time I had about five cats. One evening when Blackie was about six years old she did not appear for her meal. All the other cats were there but there was no sign of Blackie. Next morning when there was still no sign of her I knew that there was something wrong. The days passed into weeks and still she did not come home. Six months passed and I thought that I would never see Blackie again. Then one evening a few days before Christmas I heard the cry of a cat and I knew it was Blackie. I opened the door to see this a pathetically thin and wounded Blackie. Even though she was in such a terrible condition she kept purring and purring. I immediately brought her to the vet. He said that she had been caught in a trap somewhere and was amazed that she survived. With antibiotics and tender loving care she was well again. She had a permanent limp but that did not bother her.

I will never know how she had survived that terrible ordeal and made her way back to us. Happy to be at home she never strayed too far away from the house again. She lived for ten more happy years. She was such a loyal and faithful cat.





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# Features

## Maynooth Library celebrates 25 years

**M**aynooth Community Library held a special event in December 2008 to celebrate 25 years of service to the local community at its present site. The library on Main Street first opened its doors in February 1983. At the time it made history in public library provision, as its sister branch library in Celbridge was opened on the same day. This was the first occasion on which two new, custom-built library branches were simultaneously opened by the same local authority.



*June Brannigan, Senan Griffin,  
& Lorraine Daly*

In the quarter-century since then, much has changed in Maynooth Library. In its early days, library users were served by two desks; adults used the desk at the Main Street entrance, while children used a separate desk just inside the rear entrance. Staff from that time recall using a combination of hand signals and the internal telephone system to communicate between the desks. Over the years several internal modifications took place; the two desks are long gone, replaced by a signal service area in the centre of the library. Probably the most significant and visible change has been the ongoing growth of technology; the card catalogues and cardboard readers tickets of 1983 have given way to computer-based systems, and users can now avail of public access PCs for Internet, e-mail and private study.

The Library has always striven to be an integral part of its community. Over the

years it has played host to countless events, meetings and exhibitions, and has taken part in several local initiatives, including the Maynooth Play and Learn Project involving children from the Blacklion halting site, and the Book of Maynooth, a unique project to celebrate the new millennium. The book devised as a result of this project is now permanently on display at the library.

While there have been many changes, one thing which remains the same is the commitment of staff over the years to providing the best possible service to everyone in its community. To celebrate its first 25 years, the library hosted a Christmas recital by the Kildare Local Authorities Choir. This was attended by Mayor of County Kildare and Maynooth resident Councillor Senan Griffin, current and past members of the library staff, and many friends and supporters of the library. Together they enjoyed the music, toasted the success of the library's first 25 years, and looked forward to the next 25.



*Jim MacDonald, Michael Kavanagh, Pat Loneragan, &  
Eddie Tracey.*





## MAYNOOTH TOASTMASTERS

*Following on our recent very successful 'open night' our members have increased by six and many others have expressed interest. Our next meetings will take place on Monday 9th & 23rd March in Brady's Clockhouse Bar at 7.45p.m. Guests are always welcome. Come along and have a great night of fun and enjoyment.*

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## Features

# A Pot of Gold



Once upon a time there were these two little men. One man was a cobbler and the other a leprechaun. They were both jealous of each other. One man had to make shoes for a living and the other went to wild parties and drank alcohol. The one that drank and went to wild parties was mean and spiteful and the other man was quiet and inoffensive.

The man who made shoes lived in a cottage. The other little man lived in a farm house. Whereas the man who lived in the house and made shoe's was getting richer, the other little man who went to wild parties was getting poorer as he was spending all his gold.

When they realised that one was getting richer and the other one's fortune was slowly getting smaller they made a truce that they would start a competition to see who would become the richest.

They started the competition. Will I be richer than you or will you be richer than me, they both wondered. They agreed the competition would be for six months. They then went to make their fortunes.

The cobbler started making shoes and the leprechaun who made his money as a loan shark, began to get rich again and he reverted to his old ways of going to wild parties again. The cobbler was busy making shoes. He had to make a lot of shoes to earn a lot of money.

After the six months making money they would see who was richer. When the six months was up they met where they said they would. The cobbler made a lot of money making shoes and he thought that he had won the competition. The leprechaun however, had made a lot money as a loan shark. "How could you have all that money you were only idling" said the cobbler. "Well you see nobody beats me. While you were busy making all those shoes to make money, I was busy collecting it. It was a better business."

"Let that be a lesson to you." You live in a cottage while I live in a farm house. I live by virtual means while you think that you have everything. You thought that you could become richer because you were doing something. But I was cleverer because I was not working but making more than you."

"That should be that be a lesson to everyone. People believe that everything is possible when they work hard. But someone that has a lovely life can be wealthy."



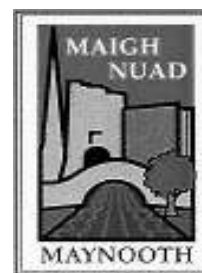
You see that crafty little man became richer while the cobbler thought that he would win the competition making shoes. He thought that he had all the money made and that he would win. But the crafty little man won because he made money from other people.

The two men made a wager who would win the competition. Who deserved to win? The cobbler did but he didn't. The leprechaun did because he was craftier and he won.

Enda Clavin



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## *Features*

### *Have we found Maynooth's oldest bicycle still in use?*

**Y**ou often hear it said that they do not make things now like they used to. Well when we went in search of Maynooth's oldest bicycle we think that the statement is true. While we have not definitively identified Maynooth's oldest bicycle still in use, we certainly found a contender. We met up with Robert O'Reilly from the Moyglare Road to see his 1959 Triumph Tenerife which is still in very good condition. Robert purchased the bicycle from Ua Buachalla's in Maynooth and he thinks that he paid £25 for it.

The bicycle has all original parts except for the back carrier despite the fact that it has been used continuously for fifty four years. It has also been abroad spending some time in France and was used for many long distance cycles. Robert was a keen cyclist as it was his mode of transport before the car. However in more recent years he is only able to cycle around the Moyglare area using the footpaths as a cycle lane.

Robert points out that it is not safe to cycle on the Moyglare road because of the volume and speed of the traffic. This road is the only road in Maynooth that does not have a cycle lane to ensure the safety of cyclists he points out. With over 1,000 houses in this area (up to 20% of the population of Maynooth) as well as two of the local schools it is amazing that cycle lanes are not in place he says.



*Robert O'Reilly*

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## ***NEW CYCLING GROUP AIMS TO PROMOTE MAYNOOTH AS A "Model Cycle Town"***

Not since the promotion given to cycling over thirty years ago by the Parish Priest, Father Fergus O'Higgins with his cycles for charity has there been a serious effort to promote the use of the bike in Maynooth. This is about to change because a new group *Maynooth Cycling Campaign* has been formed within NUI, Maynooth.

However the group which has about 35 members and hold their meetings (generally one Wednesday a month) in the south campus of St Patrick's will organise evening meetings to suit people from outside the University and are not available during the day if there is interest from the wider community. Formed in June 2008 the group has set an ambitious list of actions to further the needs of cyclist in Maynooth. These include;

Group to act as the representative body for cyclists in Maynooth  
Highlight cycling issues emphasizing the positive, not be anti-car and propose concrete effective solutions to issues and problems.

Lobby for a cross-University campus cycle corridor, with or without the pedestrian corridor proposal.

Promote carrying of bicycles on public transport - Bike and Ride, especially with Irish Rail. Link up with 'Rail Users Ireland'.

Involve themselves in development issues relevant to cycling.

Improve the quality of cycling facilities: cycle lanes, shelters, shower facilities, security, and safety.

Contribute to rational informed debate by gathering research on cycling issues.

Form mutually beneficial links with other cycling organisations such as Dublin Cycling Campaign, Galway Cycling Campaign etc.

Investigate the idea of promoting Maynooth as a "model cycle town". Liaise with Kildare County Council, Waterways Ireland, and Irish Rail etc. regarding cycle access routes to Maynooth.

Form links with all local politicians and canvass them on cycling issues.

Raise the positive profile of cycling by organising cycling events e.g. Cycle to Work Day, Cycle Promotion Schemes, information on notice boards highlighting advantages of cycling etc.

Carry out survey of staff/students of NUI Maynooth and St. Patrick's to ascertain transport modes, attitudes to cycling (especially personal reason for/against).

Spokesman for *Maynooth Cycling Campaign* John Murray is keen to broaden the group and invites input from the community as the group is keen to represent the entire cycling community in Maynooth. NUI Maynooth has commissioned a Mobility Management Study, and the group is currently preparing a submission for this (including off-campus cycle and pedestrian mobility and the group would welcome your views. The first major event that the group hopes to promote is a "Cycle to Work Day" in Maynooth for late March so watch out for the details and why not take to your own bike on the day.



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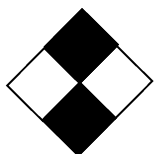
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# *Maynooth Tidy Towns*

## ***New recycling facility at Tesco Maynooth***

As the Tesco complex is further completed Maynooth Tidy Towns is pleased with the new recycling facilities being provided. As this is a regional store serving north Kildare we expect that there will be a high level of usage. We would encourage you to use this facility if you go to the other recycling locations in Maynooth and find that they are already full. Kildare County Council has stepped up the level of prosecutions for littering at recycling centres so be warned that leaving your recyclables beside the receptacles is deemed to be littering so you will more than likely be caught on CCTV. Also remember that leaving your boxes behind will also lead to a prosecution. Maynooth Tidy Towns want to increase the level of recycling but also want you to respect the conditions of using these facilities and above all avoid a fine for littering.



Maynooth Tidy Towns would also like to acknowledge financial support that we received from Tesco Maynooth.

## ***St. Patrick's Day Parade***

We will have a float as usual in the Maynooth parade this year with a thoughtful message for you if you are viewing the parade floats.

## ***Maynooth is in danger of taking the record for the largest number of bollards***

It is particularly noticeable that inconsiderate parking is leading to damage to the few green spaces that we have left in the town centre. A number of years ago we had to install bollards down outside the Castle. Kildare County Council has put in place bollards at other locations in an effort to prevent encroachment by inconsiderate drivers who abandon their cars anywhere regardless of the surface. It has been necessary to erect new bollards in Leinster Street in order to eliminate inconsiderate and unsafe parking (see picture).



Other locations need to be protected as when cars damage the verge it is not possible to cut it when the grass begins to grow. One such location is opposite the schools on the Moyglare Road (see picture). It is particularly disappointing to see the damage to the island outside the boys primary school caused by a small number of inconsiderate people. If we are not careful we will have so many bollards to protect vulnerable areas that we will take the record for the largest number of bollards in one town.

Paul Croghan PRO  
Maynooth Tidy Towns



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7.30 p.m. Kilcock, O'Keefe's
- Celbridge Fianna Fáil Office, every Saturday morning 10 a.m.
- Jones, Main St., Clane, every Saturday morning 11 a.m.
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## *Features*

### *Make a daily cycle part of your routine - it's good for you*

At 84 years of age Gerard Howard Williams must qualify as one of the oldest cyclists in Maynooth. Still cycling about six miles a day, Gerard has reaped the rewards for his passion for the two wheel mode of transport. He has made a rapid recovery from a recent surgical procedure and the doctors acknowledged that Gerard's general good health was in no small way accounted for by his daily cycle.

One of Gerard's first memories of cycling was a cycle around the Isle of Man TT course in 1935. His father also a keen cyclist, brought as many of his nine children as could cycle a bike on this trip. Gerard and his bike (well one of his many over the years) are not easily separated. He regularly brings his bike to the UK when visiting family and even much further afield as was the case with a sun holiday to celebrate a special wedding anniversary.

His son Paul (also a keen cyclist) believes that the key to getting the benefit from cycling is that you include it in your normal daily routine rather than having to make a conscious decision to go for a cycle. Gerard makes a daily trip from their home on the Leixlip Road to Maynooth for shopping using Carton Demesne and Carton Avenue as his route unless he is in a hurry and then he uses the main road. He refuses to travel by car unless it is necessary.

Gerard's message is that cycling is good for you. If he is feeling under the weather a cycle can usually bring back a good feeling. He pointed out that Maynooth has much improved cycling routes in recent years even though there is still much that can be done to assist the cyclist. He is also conscious that a cyclist must be seen to be safe with the level of traffic on the roads and he insists on wearing all the safety gear that a cyclist needs. All of Gerard's children are keen cyclists also and Gerard hopes that he can encourage others to take to their bikes.



*Gerard Howard Williams*

**Paul Croghan**

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### History in the Making

This month fifty years ago in 1959 history was made when Sean T. Ó Ceallaigh became the first Irish President to address the Joint Houses of the US Congress. As this was the first time! protocol had to be established, should they bring gifts? would they be reciprocated?. The Americans needed to know what types of food, wine and cigars the Irish President would like, and would he like to visit any Art Galleries or Industrial Plants?. We know today this has set up protocol for all Presidential visits, where exchange of gifts are the norm.



**Sean T. Ó Ceallaigh**



**American President,  
Barack Obama**

President Ó Ceallaigh talked about the strong links we had with America, when they offered hope to thousands of distressed Irish people during the Famine, and how in 1880 the Young Irish Leader Charles Stewart Parnell came to Washington to ask for help for a nation in desperate need. He went on to say how the large population of Irish now living in America created strong ties with both nations.

The President also talked about how Ireland had changed since Parnell had been there 80 years earlier, now we could feed our nation, but he then went on to say how both nations had to fight for their freedom and that like America we would hope to have a united country. He then said if you visited Ireland now, you would see a much better place, maybe not a rich nation but certainly changed, with more freedom and better infrastructure, and material progress that could only strengthen our spiritual and cultural contribution to the world.

Here we are fifty years on and yes we are a rich nation, but facing a really tough recession. Ireland has changed so much now that the late President Ó Ceallaigh would not recognise it, Motorways, Skyscrapers, the Luas and all the traffic on our roads. The one thing he would not understand is all the controversy, both political and religious. He would be very proud to see how our nation has welcomed other nationalities here to live and work and how our nation has grown as a result.

Fifty years on, we now have the first African American President, Barack Obama. The late President Sean T. Ó Ceallaigh perhaps would never have envisaged such a historic event, but also to find out that Barack has Irish blood would have left him proud to be Irish. How the world has changed is amazing and the speed in which it has happened. As Sean T. Ó Ceallaigh was middle-aged fifty years ago, today's changes would be staggering. If he knew on that first visit what the future held, how much prouder he would have been. Maybe we all expect a lot from (Barack Obama) but hope and trust can go a long way to improve things, if we all look at how things were then, we would know that we can do it, as can the rest of the world.

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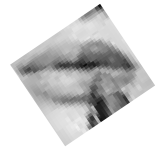




# Features



## Beauty Tips For Teens



**Teens Skin Care Tips :** Due to overactive hormonal glands around puberty the skin becomes oily. The centre of the face from forehead to the chin area tends to be extra oily. Since the body is generally covered, once a day cleaning is enough, but the same is not the case with face, neck, and arms due to over exposure to sun, dust, and other pollution. **Teens do not neglect your skin** even if it is normal.

**Teens Nightmares-Acne, Blemishes, and Blackheads:** Acne, blemishes, and blackheads is the number one problems for teens. Oily skin is prone to acne, blemishes, and blackheads so you have to be extra careful about the cleaning of your face. Wash your face twice or three times a day with an **antiseptic soap** whenever possible to ensure the cleanliness of your face throughout the day. You can use an **astringent lotion** to control over oiliness.

**Make-up For Teens :** Teenage girls should apply light make-up. Apply a type of make-up which enhances your natural beauty. Heavy make-up makes the skin pores clog and also makes you look silly. Teens should chose make-up and cosmetics products which is suited to their skin. Whatever your skin type may be, you must **remove make-up before sleeping**, with raw milk or a commercial cleansing milk and then wash your face. Use an astringent or a moisturizer according to your skin.

**Foundation For Teens:** Foundation is not necessary for teens. If teens prefer then choose a foundation to match your skin tone. Using the right foundation makes your skin look flawless and smooth. Choose the **shade closest to your skin tone** by testing it on your jaw line. The correct shade will look natural when compared with your neck. Lightly moisturize face and neck, using an anti-shine product on your T-zone if it is oily then apply small dots of foundation.

**Health and Beauty - For Teens :** A sensible diet includes **fruits, greens, and vegetables**, milk product, whole grain cereals, and bread and lean meats. Have wholesome meals to attain your project of being beautiful. Keep nutrition in your mind and eat in right quantities. Leave the dinner table when you can still eat another morsel of food. Teens digestive system will function better. Drink plenty of water, at least 8-10 glasses a day, to eliminate toxins from the body and retain the moisture level in the skin to keep wrinkles away at a later age.

**Moderate Exercise For Teens :** A regular 30-40 minutes of moderate exercise is enough to keep the body beautiful, supple and active. **Jogging is a natural exercise**, good for teen and all. A brisk jogging of 30 to 60 minutes daily can fill you with vigour and vitality. The flush of oxygen will perk up your complexion and bring a twinkle to your eyes, so teens must do some exercise for their beauty and health.

**Freckles :** Don't try to hide your freckles. You may not appreciate them, but they are part of you. **Exposure to sunlight** makes freckles darker so avoiding the sun and using a sunscreen will keep them in check. As you get older, they can fade -- and then they won't be an issue.

### Professional Beauty Tip of The Month

If you have combination skin, take this tip from the beauty salons and use two masks - one suitable for oily skin and one for dry skin. Just apply each one to the relevant area that needs it.





# Programme

## Maynooth Local History Group

### **Thursday 12 March 2009**

**NB Change of venue – O'Neill's Public House (upstairs)**

**Main Street, Maynooth at 8.00pm**

*Memorabilia Evening*

This is an opportunity for members of the group and of the public to bring their old photographs/postcards, family papers and other artefacts to the meeting and to share their memories with others.

### **Thursday 16 April 2009**

**Venue: O'Neill's Public House**

**Main Street, Maynooth at 8.00pm**

Speaker: Ciarán Reilly

*Land League activity in north Kildare and east Offaly in the 1880s*

Ciarán will examine the role of the Irish land agent in nineteenth century landed estates

### **Thursday 14 May 2009**

**Venue: O'Neill's Public House**

**Main Street, Maynooth at 8.00pm**

Speaker: Angela Byrne

*The European travels of Mr John & Mrs Dorothea Catherine Ladeveze*

*Adlercron of Moyglare, 1806-1844*

Angela will focus mainly on John Adlercron's journey to Moscow via Austria, Poland and Belarus 1805-1806 and the family's tours in France, Switzerland and Italy between 1824-1844

**June – Outing to be determined.**

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Maynooth Local History Group is actively seeking new members and anyone who is interested please contact Secretary, Rita Edwards at 01-6016332 or [ritaedwards@eircom.net](mailto:ritaedwards@eircom.net) Members of the public are always welcome to attend our talks

# Features



## Maynooth GAA News



**T**here was huge excitement in the club on Wednesday (11 February) for a presentation of medals to the underage teams from the club that were successful in 2008.

Receiving medals on the night were the under 13s, the under 12s and the under 14s.

The under 13s won their league, while the under 12s were runners-up in their league. The under 14s were very lucky, finished second in both the league and championship.

Under 13 panel members were: Siofra Dunne, Sinead Burke, Sian Miller, Sarah Jennings, Sarah Greally, Sarah Curran, Roisin Coyle, Rachel O'Neill, Niamh Coyle, Meabh Walsh, Mary Kate Quane, Louise Qualter, Katie Donnellan, Jane Finnegan, Helen McMillan, Hannah Sweeney, Hannah Regan, Ellen Boyle, Ciara O'Shea, Ciara Hewson, Ciara Hamilton, Ceana Heneghan, Aoife Greally, Aoife Coughlan, Alison Tierney, Ali Kelly, Aine Hughes and Ailbhe Quinn.

The under 12 panel members were: Siofra Dunne, Sinead Burke, Sian Miller, Sarah Curran, Saoirse Ni Choineachain, Roisin Downes, Meabh Walsh, Mairead Burke, Louise Qualter, Hannah Regan, Ellen Boyle, Ciara O'Shea, Edel Murray, Ciara Hamilton, Aoife Greally, Ali Kelly, Aine Hughes, Ailis McMillan, Ailbhe Quinn, Helen McMillen.

The under 14 panel members were: Aoife Coughlan, Aoife Greally, Ceana Heneghan, Ciara Farrell, Ciara Hamilton, Ciara Hewson, Ciara O'Shea, Emer Sinnott, Hannah Stack, Hannah Sweeney, Helen McMillan, Jenny O'Dwyer, Katie Donnellan, Louise Doran, Louise Qualter, Mary Kate Quane, Meabh Walsh, Rachel O'Neill, Ruth O'Hurley, Sarah Curran, Sarah Greally, Sarah Jennings, Shauna Murray, Sian Miller, Sophie Courtney and Tanya Doyle.

There were special awards handed out on the night as well. Rachel O'Neill, Sarah Curran and Meabh Walsh were all rewarded for their excellent attendance at training.

### U16 Camogie Division 1 Round 1

Maynooth 2-6

Naas 1-2

Maynooth's first camogie outing of 2009 was a winning one on Sunday, 15 February in Naas. The 13 a side format tested both teams on the large Naas 'Hill' Pitch.

Naas opened strongly with Rachel Phelan at midfield and Ciara Woulfe at centre forward dominating in the first 10 minutes. However Maynooth full back Siobhan O'Shea -in her comeback game - Aine Dooley and Aoife Twomey were dominant at full back and cleared their lines. Hannah Stack and Elaine Kelly in the Maynooth half back line worked extremely hard to keep pressure on the Naas forwards. Despite their early dominance Naas had the settle for a single point from Rachel Phelan.

Maynooth lifted their work rate at midfield with Niamh Kearney covering huge areas of ground between both 45's. Her partner Grainne Hoban shut down the Naas supply lines and drove balls into the Maynooth forward lines. The Naas back line of Ciara O' Hara, Maria Bergin and Gaenor Murphy denied Maynooth scores again and again. Eventually Maynooth got their first point when Louise Doran split the posts from way out on the left. Grainne Hoban pointed a free to put Maynooth 1 point up at half-time.

# Features

## Maynooth GAA News



The springing of Karen Feehan from the Maynooth bench at half time changed the game. She quickly showed why she was a permanent fixture on the County under 14 team of 2007 and despite her long absence her touch was excellent. Having gathered the ball at the corner flag she drove a low shot across the square where the alert Emma Lynch buried it to the back of the net. This score lifted the entire Maynooth team. Louise Doran added another point and Emma Lynch grabbed a second goal. Elaine Kelly was rampant at center forward by now and Naas could not get the ball beyond their own half back line. Further points from Doran, Kelly and Hoban sealed the game for Maynooth. However Naas refused to concede. Niamh Burke, Leanne Campbell and Ciara Browne were all involved in a final effort which resulted in a goal in the last minute of the game.

MAYNOOTH: Jenny O'Dwyer, Aine Dooley, Siobhan O'Shea, Aoife Twomey, Elaine Kelly, Hannah Stack, Grainne Hoban, Niamh Kearney, Emer Sinnott, Louise Doran, Tanya Doyle, Emma Lynch, Rebecca O'Neill. Sub: Karen Feehan.

NAAS: Niamk Burke, Gaenor Murphy, Maria Bergin, Collen Redfern, Ciara O'Hara, Evelyn Goode, Leanne Campbell, Rachel Phelan, Ciara Woulfe, Sinead O'Sullivan, Emily Egan, Ciara Browne, Clodagh, Subs: Caoimhe Carolan, Rachel Lennox, Karen Benn, Sarah Benn, Sarah Clancy, Sine Kenny.

MFL Division 1 Round 2

MFL Division 1 Round 1

Maynooth lost out by two points in the first round of the minor football league at home to Balyna on Sunday morning (15 February).

Balyna 2-11

Maynooth 1-12

Despite a good performance Balyna proved just too strong for the Maynooth youngsters who were without Kildare VEC star Michael Fahy, who missed out through injury, while defender Daragh Dunning, another player from the Kildare VEC team, was between the posts for the first game of the year due to another knock.

The home side played good football at stages and an Andy Fox goal was a huge boost but Balyna were busy raising two green flags at the opposite end to cancel out Fox's effort. Another Fox, centre forward Sean, chipped in with two frees while centre back Joe Gerry stood out from the crowd as he pointed two 45s.

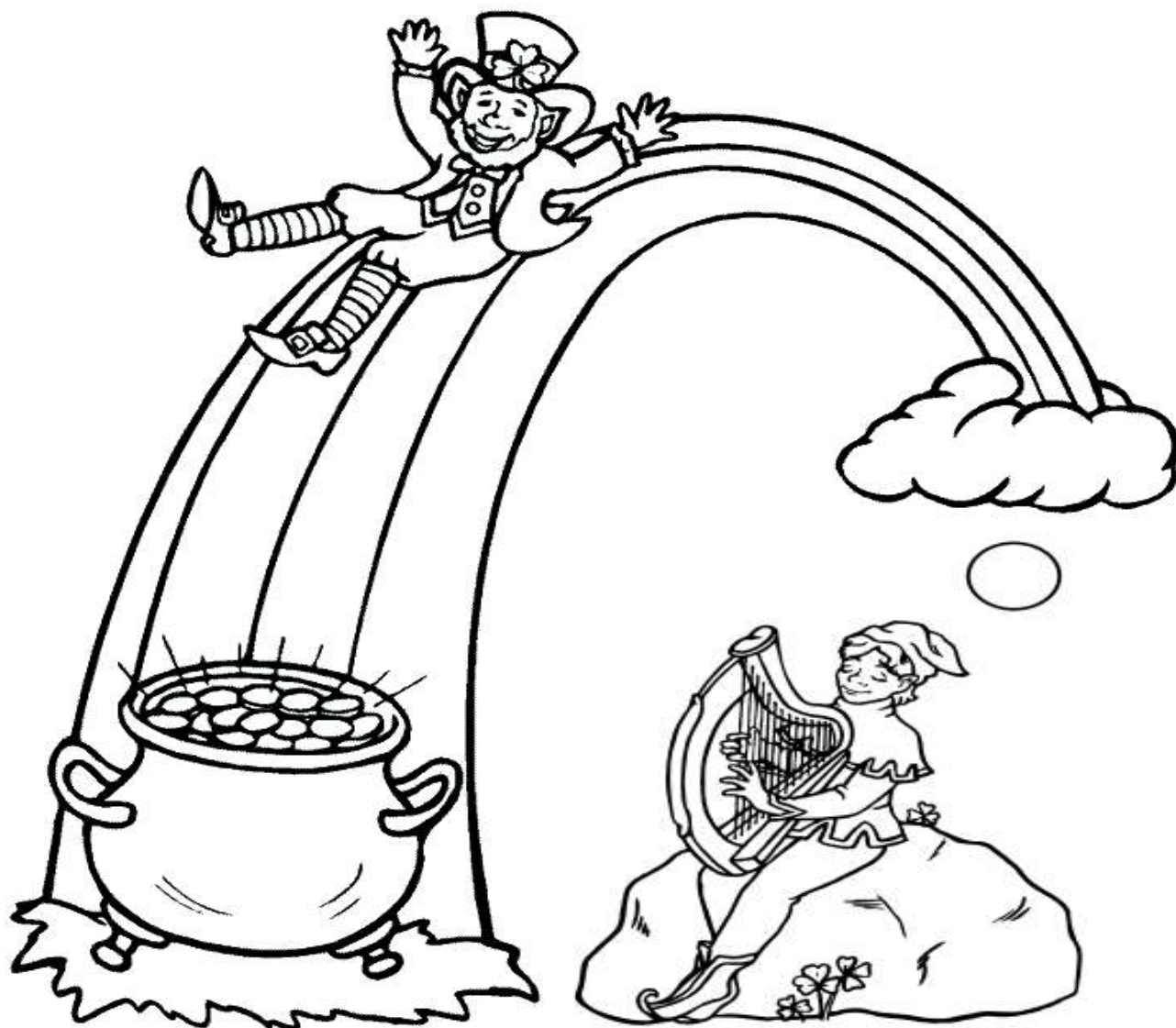
The other Maynooth scorers were John McAndrew, Conor O'Brien, James Durkan and John Comerford, who came on as a substitute as he continues his comeback from injury.

MAYNOOTH - Daragh Dunning; Cian Egan, Dean McAvinue, Eoin Sinnott; Cormac Molloy, Joe Gerry (0-2, 2 45s), David Bradley; Eoghan McNutt, John McAndrew (0-2fs); Josh Gunn, Sean Fox (0-2fs), Coman O Murchu; Andy Fox (1-1), Conor O'Brien (0-2), William Donovan.

SUBS: James Durkan (0-2), John Comerford (0-1), Mark Travers

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## Poetry Corner

### ODE TO MOTHERS

*Mothers cannot do it all  
But surely do they try.*

*Mothers hear the angel's call,  
To comfort all who cry.*

*Mothers for themselves may fall,  
For others they will fly.*

*Mother's bear the weight of all,  
For their children, they would die.*

*A Mother's gift extends beyond  
All bounds of time and space.*

*Her lovingness and nurturing  
Make Earth a peaceful place.*

**By Kristin F. McKendall**

### St Patrick's Day

*Three leaves of shamrock  
Held firmly in your hand  
A symbol not to mock  
Of St Patrick on this land*

*Glory to our patron saint  
Of Ireland's truth we follow thee  
Without any further complaint  
Made old renown so free*

*You show us the way to live  
Of Christianity and of love  
A prayer to you I give  
A saint from heaven above*

*Just a humble shepherd you are  
On the hill of Tara you pray  
You travelled in faith so far  
To make Ireland as it is today*

*You greeted everyone with a smile  
The world will remember you  
King of Eireann's green isle  
A patron saint so true*

**By Patrick Murray**

### The Greeting Tree

*Around by the fire we were  
Talking and walking  
Laughing and singing  
All around the greeting tree  
What a tree it was  
Sheltering us  
Protecting us  
All around the greeting tree  
A giant tree with branches so high  
May you never falter or fall  
Growing o' so tall  
Protecting each bud to leaf  
All around the greeting tree  
Tree of winter bare  
May you never fade  
Stay full of life  
Of leaves and stems so pure  
No winter to endure  
As tiny children sing and play  
Around your crippling branches full of care  
All around the greeting tree*

**By Patrick Murray**

### Grandmothers

*Grandmothers are mothers who are grand,  
Restoring the sense that our most precious things  
Are those that do not change much over time.  
No love of childhood is more sublime,  
Demanding little, giving much on demand,  
More inclined than most to grant the wings  
On which we fly off to enchanted lands.  
Though grandmothers must sometimes serve as mothers,  
Helping out, or maybe taking over,  
Each has all the patience wisdom brings,  
Remembering our passions more than others,  
Singing childish songs we long remember.*

*(Author Unknown)*

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Easy

2	1	4	6	7	5	3	8	9
6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1
3	8	7	9	2	1	6	5	4
7	2	6	8	4	9	1	3	5
5	3	9	1	6	2	8	4	7
8	4	1	7	5	3	9	6	2
9	6	2	4	3	7	5	1	8
1	7	3	5	9	8	4	2	6
4	5	8	2	1	9	6	7	3

Medium

6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1
3	8	7	9	2	1	6	5	4
7	2	6	8	4	9	1	3	5
5	3	9	1	6	2	8	4	7
8	4	1	7	5	3	9	6	2
9	6	2	4	3	7	5	1	8
1	7	3	5	9	8	4	2	6
4	5	8	2	1	9	6	7	3
6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1

Difficult

6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1
3	8	7	9	2	1	6	5	4
7	2	6	8	4	9	1	3	5
5	3	9	1	6	2	8	4	7
8	4	1	7	5	3	9	6	2
9	6	2	4	3	7	5	1	8
1	7	3	5	9	8	4	2	6
4	5	8	2	1	9	6	7	3
6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1

Super Difficult

6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1
3	8	7	9	2	1	6	5	4
7	2	6	8	4	9	1	3	5
5	3	9	1	6	2	8	4	7
8	4	1	7	5	3	9	6	2
9	6	2	4	3	7	5	1	8
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4	5	8	2	1	9	6	7	3
6	9	5	3	8	4	2	7	1

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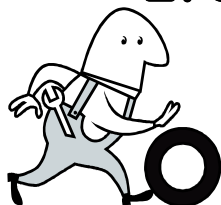
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*Emmet Stagg T.D.*

## Maynooth Labour News



*Cllr. John McGinley*

### **Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) Presentation to Leixlip Area Meeting:**

The DTO and their Consultants made a presentation on their proposed plans for the Train Station/Harbour Area to the Leixlip Area Committee on 16 January. The Area Committee became aware of the existence of such a Plan last May and they have been awaiting the DTO presentation since then. They stated that they expect their Plan to be approved over the next couple of months. The main proposals are:

An underground bus station and car park for 400 underground the Harbour Field.  
Residential and Commercial development on top of the re-instated Harbour Field  
A re-vamping of the train station.

Cllr. John McGinley made the following points to them:

An underground car park was part of the Maynooth Harbour Action Area Plan which was approved by the Area Committee 3 years ago. John wanted to know when we were going to see action as he pointed out that the DTO prepared a Park & Ride strategy in March 2005 and now we are presented with another strategy (both at great cost). The Area Committee had included a new road from Straffan road to Parson Street so that all of the car park traffic would not emerge at the Roost Junction as proposed by the DTO. Under no circumstances would John or the people of Maynooth agree to the demolition of the 4 playgrounds, and do away with the playing pitch and the proposed Scouts Hall in order to build more houses and commercial premises on the Harbour Field.

The DTO seemed to be ignoring the proposed big Park & Ride at Collinstown (opposite INTEL). John made the point that this is the Area Committees preferred site for a Regional Park & Ride and that bringing more cars into a Park & Ride in Maynooth made no sense. The Park & Ride in Maynooth should be for local people only.

In Cllr. McGinley's view the DTO proposals for the underground car park are three years too late and in the present economic climate it is unlikely that the Government will give funding to the DTO for their implementation. In the meantime it is therefore essential that sufficient long term car park capacity is secured to cater for commuters, workers and business people in the town.

### **Cllr. John McGinley has asked for the following changes to be made to the proposed Draft Pay Parking Scheme for Maynooth:**

1. Make most of the Lyreen Area "Residents Only Parking"
2. Put "No Entry" signs at the entrance to Back Lane and leave it "Two Way".
3. All footpaths need to be upgraded in the Lyreen Area, roads re-surfaced and speed cushions put in place in consultation with the Residents' Association
4. Make Buckley's Lane "Two Way" with passing bay provision
5. Leave Cross Lane as it is at present with the "No Entry" sign
6. Remove the 4 parking spaces at the start of Pound Street and leave the yellow lines

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7. Remove the parking bay at the Band Hall and put a yellow box junction to take in the entrance to Pound Park (The Green)

8. Remove the double yellow lines from Dillon's Row and put parking bays there

9. Extend the parking bays on Convent Lane to house number 10

10. Remove the 8 parking bays at the top of Carton Avenue and complete with the cobble lock proposals in Dwg. No. E3065 dated July 2004 as already agreed by the Area Committee.

The footpath on the residential side of Parson Street should be upgraded and parking bays put in place up to house number 18

And of course the scheme cannot be implemented until suitable long term parking has been provided.

In order to speed up the process the Council should in the short term provide such parking facilities through a lease arrangement with TESCO, Waterways Ireland (at The Harbour) etc.

Cllr. John McGinley has Submitted the Following Motions to the Leixlip Area Committee:

## **Bonfire Debris at the bottom of Old Greenfield:**

"That the debris left behind after the bonfire at Old Greenfield, Maynooth, be removed without any further delay."

## **Safe Route to Playing Pitches on the Rathcoffey Road**

"What progress has been made on providing a safe route for children walking to the Rathcoffey Road football pitches in Maynooth"?

## **Roundabout Needed at Junction of Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road:**

"That a roundabout be installed at the junction of the Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road or if that is not possible that the lights at Lidl be moved to this location in the interest of safe traffic movement."

## **LOSS OF 5 OUT OF THE 7 OUTDOOR COUNCIL STAFF SERVICING THE TOWNS OF MAYNOOTH, LEIXLIP AND CELBRIDGE IS A MAJOR BLOW**

Cllr. John McGinley has stated that the redundancy of 5 out of the 7 Kildare County Staff servicing the 3 towns of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge is devastating for the individuals and their families and he offers his support and sympathy to them.

Such a large number, of an already low workforce, being laid off will inevitably result in a reduction of services to the public unless there is a dedicated gang taken from elsewhere in the county to replace them.

In Cllr. McGinley's view the use of "Mobile Teams" as suggested by some senior Managers in the Council will not work. John has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the next Leixlip Area Committee Meeting on 20 February:

"That appropriate steps are taken to ensure that there will be no reduction in the Street Cleaning and Litter Management Service to the public in the major towns of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge as a result of reducing the outdoor staff numbers from 7 to 2."

Cllr. McGinley allocates Funding for Pedestrian Lights on the Rathcoffey Road:

"I'm very pleased at the Council's promptness in carrying out the work on the new Pedestrian Crossing at Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth. I funded this much needed safety measure from my Discretionary Grants. The cost of the project is €39, 725.

Many residents of Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth, contacted me about the safety of their children getting to Bond Bridge because of the lack of a footpath from the end of Castledawson.

The Council advised me that the cost of installing a footpath would be astronomical because of the land take required. I asked them to install a pedestrian crossing from the Castledawson side to the Cluain Aoibhinn side and their response was that they had no money for such work.

I therefore decided to use all of my Discretionary Grants so that the Pedestrian Crossing could be put in place.

The new lights will also act as a much needed traffic calming measure as traffic will automatically slow down as a result of their installation."

## **GO-AHEAD AT LAST FOR GAELSCOIL UI FHIAICH**

Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley have welcomed the announcement that the permanent school building for Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich on the Celbridge Road, Maynooth, has finally been sanctioned with approval to go to tender and construction in 2009.

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The site for the school, where the existing prefabricated buildings are located, was transferred into the ownership of the School's Board Of Management in December 2004, and despite Government stalling, at last the school will now have permanent buildings.

The project will involve the building of a new 16 classroom school and tenders should be invited shortly for the building contract.

## **GOVERNMENT REFUSE TO BUDGE ON MAYNOOTH B.N.S. DESPITE PRIORITY RATING**

Deputy Emmet Stagg again questioned the Minister for Education in relation to the appointment of a Design Team for the required extension to Maynooth Boys National School on the Moyglare Road, Maynooth.

The Minister in his response to Deputy Stagg peddled the usual FF mantra that the project would be considered in the context of the Department's Multi Annual School Building and Modernisation Programme.

Expressing his anger at the Minister's refusal to sanction the appointment of a Design Team Deputy Stagg outlined the following facts:

- The Department of Education themselves approached the school in Summer 2007 asking them to increase the number of classrooms from 17 to 24. The School agreed and yet nothing has happened to progress the project.
- The Project has the highest priority band rating in the Department assigned to major capital projects. The Minister obviously does not understand the meaning of the word priority. There are 475 pupils attending the school at present in overcrowded classrooms placing additional pressure on teaching staff at the school. The Minister obviously does not care.

Deputy Stagg stated that it is disheartening for the pupils, teaching staff and parents to meet with such a dismissive attitude from this FF Minister, a member of a Government who has walked us into a recession and which has no policy now except to cut public services with no thought of stimulating the economy and stemming the tide of job losses by investing heavily in Educational Infrastructure such as the Maynooth School Project.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he would continue to highlight this issue with the Minister to

force a change of mindset.

## **SHOCKING 17% INCREASE IN THOSE SIGNING ON IN MAYNOOTH EXCHANGE IN 1 MONTH**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has described the latest Live Register Figures for those signing on at the Maynooth Labour Exchange, which saw the numbers signing on increasing from 3,589 people at the end of December 2008 to 4,188 people at the end of January, 2009, as truly shocking and an indictment of the Governments failure to address the loss of Jobs in the Economy whilst concentrating solely on bringing the Public Finances into line.

The Government stated Deputy Stagg is fixated solely with bringing public expenditure under control and is failing to address the need to generate employment, to get the economy moving, to get people spending and to get revenues buoyant again. For every job lost in the Irish Economy the cost to the Exchequer in terms of Social Welfare Assistance and tax revenues forgone is in the order of €20,000. Those who have lost their jobs are people who were working and want to work now and who are facing a financial crisis for their families and the culture shock that being unemployed and all that it means brings with it.

The key to getting out of the economic crisis requires a change in the mindset of the Government to use resources to get people back working. Even if we give €7 Billion to the disgraced bankers who along with the inept Government we have had for the past 12 years have brought the Country to the crisis we now face, there are still sufficient reserves in the National Pension Reserve Fund of €11 Billion which can be used to generate jobs in the Economy. The jobs can be Labour intensive and we have already suggested that they can be in the areas of School Building, urban regeneration and home insulation. A further use of the reserves would be in the area of Home Improvements for the Disabled and Elderly. In Kildare alone there is a backlog of such work valued at €8 Million. An intensive scheme to fund these works in 1 year nationally would probably cost €500 Million. Apart from creating jobs we would be creating a better environment for these disabled people and elderly people and giving them some comfort in their homes.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that the Government must finally acknowledge that they cannot simply sit back and allow jobs to be lost in massive numbers. By creating jobs we will grow the economy, restore public finances and put consumer

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confidence back into the economy.

## **STAGG DENOUNCES ATTACK ON PUBLIC SERVICE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has denounced the concerted attack on the Public Service orchestrated by many of those same people who have brought the Economy to its knees and which culminated with a new Tax on Public Servants with the introduction this week of the Pension Levy.

The pension tax stated Deputy Stagg is unfair and unjust and seeks to place the burden of the correction of Public Finances on one section of the Community, a section which had no hand act or part in the creation of the crisis in public finances.

Public servants accept that everybody in the country will have to play their part in pulling together to bring our economy back to where it was a short time ago. What they will not accept, and what the Labour Party has opposed is the scapegoating of public servants, many on very modest incomes. The government picked an easy target to raise €1.4 Billion rather than looking at existing taxes and bringing forward a mini budget to target those gained the most from the boom years – the bankers, developers and property speculators. Why are tax exiles allowed to retain Irish passports, why are landlords allowed interest relief on rental properties, why do we allow tax relief on pension contributions in any year up to €150,000, why are we giving tax breaks to for profit private hospitals, why is a single person taxed at 41% on an income of €36,400 and somebody earning €100,000 is also taxed at the same rate, why are the Chief Executives of the A.I.B. and B.O.I allowed to earn €3 million a year and be taxed at the 41% rate.

Without our public service the county would stop functioning stated Deputy Stagg and it's time we valued our public servants and resisted the right wing attacks on them from quarters closely associated with the government.

## **STAGG WELCOMES ALOCATION OF 6 ADDITIONAL GARDAI TO LEIXLIP DISTRICT BUT MUCH MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the allocation of an additional 6 Gardai to the new Leixlip District Garda Headquarters in the past fortnight but has stated that considerable additional resources are required in the Garda Stations in North Kildare if crime is to be tackled meaningfully.

There have been a spate of robberies including a tiger kidnapping in the North Kildare Towns of Celbridge, Kilcock, Leixlip and Maynooth recently and our gardai despite the recent allocation of 6 additional Gardai are operating under severe pressure stated Deputy Stagg.

Following on from the setting up of the New Leixlip District Headquarters in Leixlip there should have been a large allocation of additional Gardai into the area but this has yet to materialise commented Deputy Stagg. Present Garda Strength in the local stations are Leixlip 33, Celbridge 21, Maynooth 16 and Kilcock 8.

Despite the fact that assistance will still be provided if required by Dublin Metropolitan Area West in the towns of Celbridge, Kilcock, Leixlip and Maynooth, and the fact that the Naas District Headquarters will assist if required in the Carbury Area the fact is that there are only 78 Gardai in the North Kildare Towns serving a population of 50,033 people (2006 Census). This means that there is one garda for every 641 people in the 4 North Kildare Towns and probably means the area is the most undermanned area in the State. An additional 57 Gardai would need to be appointed to the 4 towns if we were to reach the national average of Gardai to population which is 1 garda for every 368 people.

Now that we have our own North Kildare 24 hour Garda Station in Leixlip we need to ensure that our local gardai are not continually undermanned and Deputy Stagg stated that he intended to raise the issue of Garda Numbers with the Commissioner Fachtina Murphy.

## **306 ELDERLY PEOPLE AWAITING LONG TERM CARE OR HOME CARE PACKAGES IN CO. KILDARE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg questioned the Minister for Health in relation to the number of elderly people awaiting admission to a public nursing home in Co. Kildare and the number of people on the waiting list for home care packages.

The HSE have advised Deputy Stagg that there are 155 people on the waiting list for long stay beds in Co. Kildare, 24 of whom are in acute hospitals and 76 who are living in the Community. The remaining 55 are in private nursing homes with inadequate levels of subvention. In relation to the home care packages there are 151 people on the waiting list.

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which painted a clear picture of the Governments scant regard for our Senior Citizens who require help because they are unable to live independently in the community or need some assistance in the home to continue living in the Community. The fact that 76 people deemed to require Nursing Home Care are still living in the Community placing huge strains on family members is nothing short of scandalous.

Our Senior Citizens deserve to be treated with compassion when they find themselves unable to cope at home and Deputy Stagg has vowed to pressurise the HSE and the Government until proper services are put in place for our most valued members of the Community.

### **STAGG SLAMS 13% REDUCTION IN REGIONAL AND LOCAL ROAD GRANTS FOR KILDARE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has slammed the decision by the Minister for Transport to slash the Regional and Local Roads Grant Allocation to Kildare Co. Council by 13%, down from an allocation of €28,178,630 in 2008 to €24,578,264 in 2009.

Nationally the Total Grants allocated to all Local Authorities fell by 2% and yet Kildare and a number of other Counties saw inordinate reductions in their Grant Allocations, whilst some actually received higher allocations.

These grants stated Deputy Stagg enable the restoration, maintenance and improvement works to many of our local roads in the County and fund major works such as the Clane/Kilcock Improvement Scheme, the Enfield to Edenderry Improvement Scheme and the Naas Ring Roads.

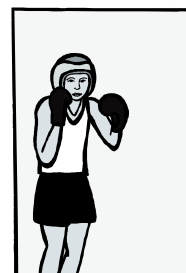
I note that the local FF T.D Aine Brady has welcomed the allocation but maybe she can explain to the Public in Co. Kildare as to why our grants are down 13% stated Deputy Stagg. Whilst some have actually increased – we do have 4 FF T.D.'s in Co. Kildare, one of whom is a Minister of State – have they no influence at all with their own Government.

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8.30pm-10pm.



The club is open to males and females. No prior boxing experience is needed to attend the classes and the cost is €3 per night.

Currently the club has approximately 40 active members, of which 15 are actively competing in boxing shows and club tournaments. Eoghan Mc Nutt is fast becoming one of the more experienced of the local boxers having competed in the Leinster Championships and in various boxing tournaments. Credo Kinga showed his skills are not just limited to the football field, while when sparring with an experienced boxer from St. Saviours Olympic Boxing Academy before Christmas, Kinga completely dominated his opponent. Kevin Hughes from Kilcock is also progressing in his ring craft as is young Robert Downey from Newtown. If the boxers keep putting in the effort while training, the rewards will eventually come. It's like planting the seed of a tree, the tree doesn't appear straight away. It can take a few years before we come to realise it's beauty and elegance when it has matured and developed. Also, some trees, like boxers, grow and develop at different rates.



By Paddy Gallagher

# Party Political

## Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

### New Legislative Programme for the coming Dáil Session

The Programme for the coming weeks was announced today by The Government Chief Whip, Minister Pat Carey, T.D. Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick welcomed the broad spectrum of bills which will be published during this period, among them are:

- Employment Agency Regulation Bill
- Planning & Development (Amendment) Bill
- Financial Services (Deposit Guarantee Scheme) Bill
- National Pensions Reserve Fund (Amendment) Bill
- Child Care Bill
- Criminal Justice (Money Laundering) Bill
- Property Services (Regulatory) Bill
- Criminal Procedures Bill
- Civil Partnership Bill
- Road Traffic & Transport Bill
- Covert Surveillance Bill



Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick added "the Government will continue to make progress on bringing forward legislation aimed at strengthening the laws protecting citizens and the Irish Economy and all members of the Oireachtas working together in a renewed spirit of cooperation can put Ireland on a firm footing to sustainable economic renewal and improved social protection". The Dáil and Seanad will play a pivotal role in charting a way forward for our country during these difficult economic times worldwide.

### Intel Announcement-PR

Intel has chosen its Leixlip campus as one of the two new European RD hubs. The "Open Lab" will coordinate the work of 800 Intel researchers at different sites in Europe, they will focus on research which aims to improve microprocessors.

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick welcomed this announcement by Intel which he believes will only serve to enhance our reputation as a good county/country to do business.

"Intel is to be commended for continuing to invest in Ireland and in particular Kildare by providing further opportunities for our skilled and highly qualified workforce. The announcement of this new initiative by Intel is timely and provides a confidence boost in these difficult times."

### Fitzpatrick welcomes new supports for unemployed

Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North and member of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the new supports for unemployed people in the Government's Framework for Stabilisation, Social Solidarity and Economic Renewal.

"In the Government's Framework, I was pleased that there was a focus on those who have lost their jobs in recent times."

"This Government is refocusing on labour intensive projects to help people to get back to work and stimulate the economy."

"An additional 51,000 training places will be created for newly unemployed people to assist

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them to retrain and up-skill to increase their opportunities to find work.”

“The number of people who can qualify for the job search programme will be doubled.”

“There is a new programme to assist apprentices to complete their training with the opportunity to complete the on-the-job phase of their apprenticeship in order to gain the required experience to progress to the next off-the-job phase or to complete their apprenticeship.”

“These are difficult economic times and families around Kildare are experiencing challenges. There are no easy solutions and the Government has had to make tough decisions that reflect the gravity of the situation. I am confident that these measures will help to enable those who have lost their jobs to take full advantage of any employment opportunities,” concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

### **Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick warmly welcomes Brid Feely.**

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick warmly welcomes Brid Feely to the Fianna Fail Local Elections ticket for the Celbridge area. Brid joins sitting councillors, Paul Kelly, and Paul Ward on this strong Fianna Fáil ticket. Brid is a well known and respected successful business woman who works tirelessly for Maynooth Community. She has a wealth of experience in local community issues and will make an excellent public representative.

The local Elections will be held on June 5<sup>th</sup> and I would urge everyone to come out and vote for Brid.

### **Punchestown 2009 Unveiled.**

The Punchestown Irish National Hunt Festival 2009 was launched today by European Commissioner and proud Kildare man, Charlie McCreavy.

Speaking after the launch, Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick said he was greatly encouraged that in these uncertain economic times Punchestown was leading the way. “The economic importance of Punchestown to Kildare cannot be underestimated” he said. “The bloodstock industry is an integral part of our county and the support of all especially the farming sector is vital. This festival is responsible for 2,000 full and part time jobs in the local economy.” This year Punchestown has managed to secure a total prize fund of €2.6 million. They are to be commended, congratulated and above all supported.

### **North Kildare schools to benefit from substantial funding – Fitzpatrick**

Five schools in north Kildare are to receive a funding boost from the Department of Education for extensions and refurbishments according to local Fianna Fail TD, Michael Fitzpatrick.

“Scoil Náisiúnta Áine Naofa in Ard Clough and Scoil Ui Fhiaich in Maynooth will each get a new 16 classroom school. Scoil Bhride in Naas will get a major 8 classroom extension plus ancillary accommodation and Scoil Choca Naofa in Kilcock will get an 11 classroom extension, a general purpose room, other ancillary accommodation and refurbishment of existing accommodation.”

“News of this funding will be welcomed by pupils and teachers at these schools as it will improve and enhance the learning environment for all.”

“The amounts of funding available to the schools will not be published in a bid to keep the tendering project as competitive as possible and ensure the best value for money possible.”

“Over the last number of years the population of north Kildare has grown considerably, especially the numbers of young families. I am happy that the investment in north Kildare schools reflects the needs of young families in the area.”

“Officials from the Department of Education will be in touch with the schools to advise them on how to proceed but I am confident that construction should begin before the end of the year.”

“I hope that Ard Clough National School will benefit from much needed funding and I will continue to raise this school with the Minister for Education,” concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

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# Party Political-Áine Brady T.D.

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an appointment.**



*Aine Brady T.D.*

## **School funding boost for Maynooth – Brady**

Kildare North Fianna Fail TD, Áine Brady has welcomed the news that Scoil Ui Fhiach in Maynooth will get a new 16 classroom school.

'I am delighted that Maynooth will benefit from this investment as I have had many meetings with this Minister and the previous Minister about the need for this new School.'

'Over the last number of years the population around Maynooth has grown considerably, especially the numbers of young families. It is vital that we give these children the best start possible and the provision of high quality education is vital.'

'I am confident that the work will progress quickly and we will all see the benefits of this investment shortly. Officials from the Department of Education will be in touch with the schools to advise them on the next steps to take.'

'I understand from the Minister that details regarding the Summer Works Scheme and a new plan to improve energy efficiency in schools will be announced shortly.'

'I want to pay tribute to the Principal, Teachers, Parents and Board of Management for the efforts that they put in a very positive campaign to achieve this announcement today. I will keep the pressure on the Department to have the construction phase commence as soon as possible. The construction of the new school will hopefully also generate employment locally.'

'This investment taken in conjunction with the recently completed extension to the Maynooth Girls School will increase the school place capacity in Maynooth. I met with the Minister again yesterday to press for the extension to the Boys School. I will keep working on this project until we get approval.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Home owners should check out Insulation Programme**

Deputy Aine Brady has urged Home Owners to check out the recently announced Insulation Programme, as it has the potential to reduce our heating bills and assist employment levels in the Country and in particular in County Kildare.

'This programme will provide a welcome boost to the economy. Householders can expect to have their heating bills reduced by €700 per year. Construction workers will benefit and it will be a kick-start to the overhaul of our housing stock and making them more energy efficiency. Government assistance will not be confined to those in private homes but will include those in low income and social housing.'

'The programme will consist of a number of grant schemes, the Home Energy Saving Scheme (private middle income homes) - €50 million and Warmer Homes Scheme and Local Authority housing (low income private homes and rented local authority housing) - €50 million.'

'It is expected that the scheme will open for homeowner applications next month. Applications will be made through Sustainable Energy Ireland (SEI), online at [www.sei.ie/hes](http://www.sei.ie/hes) or by post on forms which will be available on

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request by ringing 1890 927 000. '

'The scheme is aimed at older houses that would not typically have the energy efficiency features of recently built homes. The scheme is open to all houses built prior to 2006. Houses built from 2006 onwards should be built to the Building Regulations 2002 standard, which specifies high quality insulation and heating controls.'

'Roof Insulation grants of €250, Cavity Wall Insulation grants of €400, Internal Wall Insulation Grant of €2,500 and External Wall Insulation of €4,000 are some of the examples that will be available from the scheme.'

'The Warmer Home Scheme, which is part of the Low Income Housing Programme, is administered by SEI as well. The Scheme was introduced in 2002 and provides funding, through community based organisations, to those on low income for the installation of energy efficiency measures in their homes. Applicants should see <http://www.sei.ie/>, telephone 1 850 534 534 or phone my office on 01 618 3057 for further detail on how to apply to community groups involved in the programme.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Dublin Bus should have a Commuter Belt Bus Day**

Deputy Aine Brady has suggested that Dublin Bus should have a special 'Commuter Belt Bus Day' in the near future to market the Bus as a reliable and frequent mode for Transport for Commuters in North Kildare. Deputy Brady made her suggestion at the Joint Oireachtas Transport Committee meeting attended by the Management of Dublin Bus and Bus Éireann.

'Since the completion of the road works at the junction of the N4 with the M50, the effective completion of the road works at the N4 / Lucan Junction and the provision of a Bus Lane from Lucan all the way into the City Centre, the Bus Service has the potential to be an efficient mode of transport to Dublin, from the Towns of Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge. Travel time should be much reduced than it was 12 months ago, when construction work was at its height.' stated Deputy Brady.

'As a regular user of Public Transport, I have found the train service to be very good. It is now time that we market the Bus and I sincerely hope that Dublin Bus will set in place a 'Commuter Belt Bus Day', have a reduced one day rate, even if it is only a 20 or 30% reduction for that day, and advertise the service with its enhanced service times.'

'I strongly believe that if people try the Bus, if Dublin Bus seek suggestions from its customers on how the service can be improved, commuters will leave the car at home

and use public transport. Recently, Dublin Bus have responded positively to representations I have made on behalf of their customer to have certain Bus routes improved. These improvements not only assisted the user of the service, but it also will bring revenue benefits to Dublin Bus.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Over €24.5 million for regional and local roads in Kildare – Brady**

Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North, Áine Brady has welcomed the news that Kildare County Council is to receive €24,578,264 in funding for regional and local roads.

"Just over €9.6 million will be allocated towards maintenance, restoration, improvement and safety."

"Over €2.6 million will be allocated towards specific improvement grants including €347,000 for the R407 Sallins to Clane road."

"Additional strategic grants will include over €2 million for the Clane Kilcock improvement scheme which will work on the stretch of road from 800m south of the M4 to 3200m south of the M4."

"The Naas Ring Road encompassing the Newbridge Road to Kilcullen Road to Craddockstown Road will get almost €3.7 million and the Enfield – Edenderry improvement scheme will get €5 million."

"This represents significant investment into the regional and local roads in Kildare. This funding is especially important for those living in rural areas as improvements to these local roads serve to increase safety of travellers," concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Brady welcomes funding for Maynooth and Naas Groups**

Local Fianna Fail TD, Áine Brady has been informed by the Minister for State at the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs that the University of Third Age in Maynooth and Network Kildare based in Naas will receive funding under the Programmes of Grants for Community and Voluntary Organisations.

"Funding of €1,500 will be awarded to the University of Third Age for Training and €10,000 is been allocated to Network Kildare, based in the Audit Education Centre at Jigginstown in Naas, to support them in their work."

"These Programmes provide once-off funding to local community and voluntary groups for the provision of equipment and the refurbishment of premises and also to provide funding to both local and national groups towards

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training costs.'

'I commend the groups that were successful and the efforts that they put in to secure the funding has paid off for their groups and the community.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Intel Labs Announcement positive news for Kildare (Statement by Aine Brady TD)**

The announcement by Intel that it has chosen its Leixlip plant as one of the two new European Research and Development hubs is positive news for Leixlip and demonstrates that Kildare is still attractive for inward investment according to Deputy Aine Brady.

The Intel Global Corporation made the announcement in the European Parliament in Brussels this week with the setting up of a new Intel corporation initiative called 'Intel Labs Europe'.

'The objective of the 'Intel Labs Europe' initiative is to ensure that Intel will continue to be a global force in technology, research and innovation issues. I commend Intel for continuing to invest in Leixlip and reflects the confidence that senior management have in their workforce in Ireland.' stated Deputy Brady after discussing the issue with Fianna Fail MEP's Liam Aylward and Brian Crowley who organised a Business conference in Brussels which was addressed by the Global Head of Intel, Mr. Graig Barrett.

'This new initiative will coordinate the work of the 800 researchers that are working on research and innovation issues in Europe for Intel and are at present in a variety of different universities, research centres and laboratories.'

'NUI Maynooth, Intel's Global Education partner, has emerged as a very important knowledge provider for local Industries. It is important that we continue to utilise these facilities and maximize its potential.'

'As I have done since I got elected, I will continue to engage with all the different Industry stakeholders based locally, with a view to ensuring that we demonstrate our strengths to existing and potential Kildare employers'. concluded Deputy Brady.

## **New Housing Standards take effect from February says Brady**

New Housing Standards come in effect from 1st of February and will radically improve the standards in rental accommodation, according to North Kildare Fianna Fail Deputy Aine Brady.

'Over the last number of years, I have raised the issue with successive Ministers for Housing and I am delighted that we now have standards which will improve the quality of rental accommodation. Many residents associations work hard to ensure that their estates look well, many home owners take great pride in the appearance of their home, however there is a small number of rented accommodation that are not kept to a reasonable standard.'

'Explicit standards regulating the external appearance of rental accommodation, an end to open fireplaces as the sole means of heating a room and a clearer and a stronger definition of 'proper state of structural repair, are some of the key measures under the new regulations.' stated Deputy Brady.

The new standards replace existing standards which are 15 years old.

'Strong sanctioning power is given to the local authority to ensure compliance with the new standards, including a new power to ensure that a property will be prohibited from letting unless it is in compliance with the new standards.'

'Many home owners have raised this issue with me in the past few years and I am delighted that we have made progress on this issue.' concluded Deputy Brady. Details of the regulations can be obtained from the Department of Environment on [www.environ.ie](http://www.environ.ie) or 01 8882902.

## **Pedestrian Lights to be erected on Rathcoffey Road in Maynooth**

Deputy Aine Brady has been informed by Kildare Co Co that pedestrian lights are to be erected on the Rathcoffey Road in Maynooth to improve road safety for pedestrians.

'I welcome the decision of the council to erect Pedestrian Lights on the Rathcoffey Road in Maynooth. In addition the council have erected additional repeater speed signs limit signs to warn motorists of the speed limits along the Rathcoffey Road.'

'Residents from Castle Dawson, Aisleigh Grove, Parsons Hall and Newtown Hall will benefit from the erection of the Pedestrian Lights and enable them cross safely. I have pressed the council to provide a footpath along the Rathcoffey road to link with bond bridge, so that there would be a footpath all the way to Maynooth from these estates. The council have assured me it will be considered as part of the Kildare Co Co's 2009 Road Construction Programme.'

concluded Deputy Brady.





<http://www.people.ie>

## **Local TDs and councilors ignore Lisbon Treaty covenant call for Ireland**

**Last December, as part of a nationwide campaign, we sent the following covering letter and covenant to all twenty two local TDs, county councilors and Leixlip town councilors in north Kildare:**

### ***Re: Covenant between Irish Public Representatives and the People of Ireland.***

Dear Public Representative,

I attach herewith a copy of above covenant for your consideration and signature.

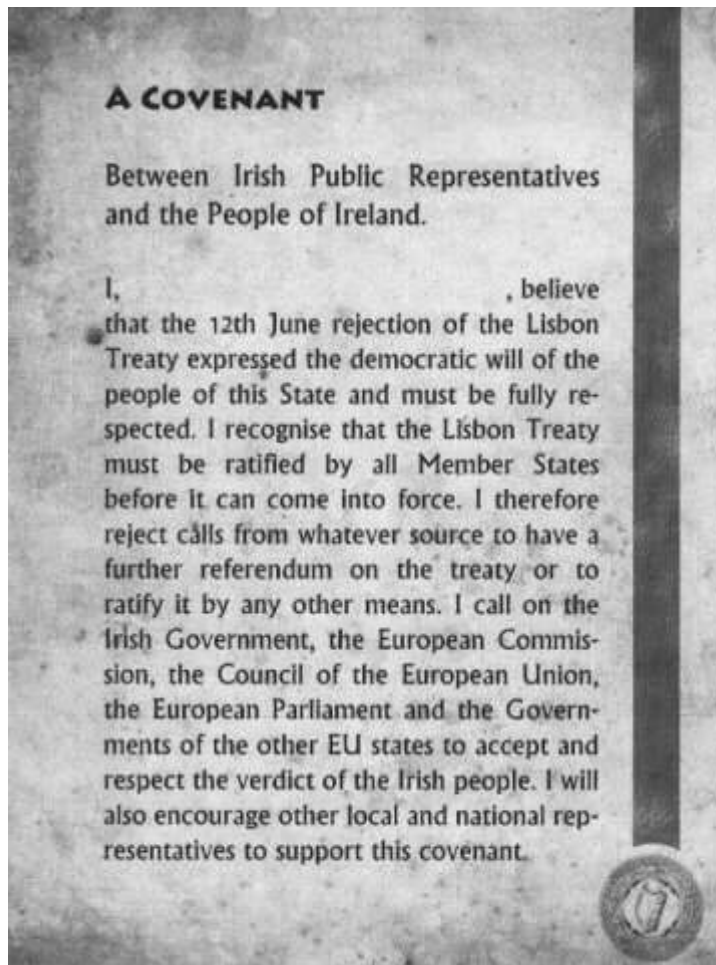
Last June, after a full and open democratic debate, the people of Ireland decisively voted to reject the Lisbon Treaty. With a turnout of 53%, nearly one million voters cast No ballots – a clear 53.4% majority of the poll. However, it is now becoming increasingly clear that the EU bureaucrats and Big Power elites, with the compliance of our Government, is refusing to honour the people's decision and are insisting that the Irish be forced to vote again on the same treaty.

To present again the Lisbon Treaty, dressed up with some aspirational declarations or clarifications, would be both fundamentally undemocratic and legally fraudulent. Only a new treaty with legally binding protocols on Irish concerns regarding neutrality, workers' rights, tax codes, commissioners, etc. would be a creditable alternative. Anything less can only serve to increase the democratic deficit between the EU and the peoples of its individual States and, in particular for Ireland, add to the considerable cynicism towards politics of which you as elected representatives will be keenly aware.

We believe that all local TDs, county councilors, and town commissioners, by virtue of the fact that you hold public office as a result of the same democratic process that rejected the Lisbon Treaty, have a special role and responsibility to ensure that the Government fully respects the decision of 12 June. In particular, we hold that this responsibility applies equally to public representatives who campaigned for either a Yes or No vote last June.

In the interests of the integrity of democratic politics we respectfully request that you sign and return enclosed covenant.

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**Regretfully, we now have to advise the local electorate that only one of the twenty two elected politicians responded to our letter and covenant. It is our view that the refusal of twenty one public representatives to respond displays a blatant disregard by them for the democratic system. They are well resourced with generous funding from taxpayers to respond to constituency requests of this nature. Are we to deduce that their silence reflects a mute compliance with the diktat from Brussels to a supine Government and a political establishment who all failed to side with their own people?**

**For the record, Bernard Durkan TD was the single representative who did respond. He did so in an unrepentant Yes fashion. We fundamentally disagree with his reasoning and have written back to him accordingly. But at least he had the decency to reply!**

**It is becoming increasingly clear that the electorate must again lead while the politicians fail and fear to respect the people's verdict. No means No to Lisbon.**

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Sec., North Kildare Branch  
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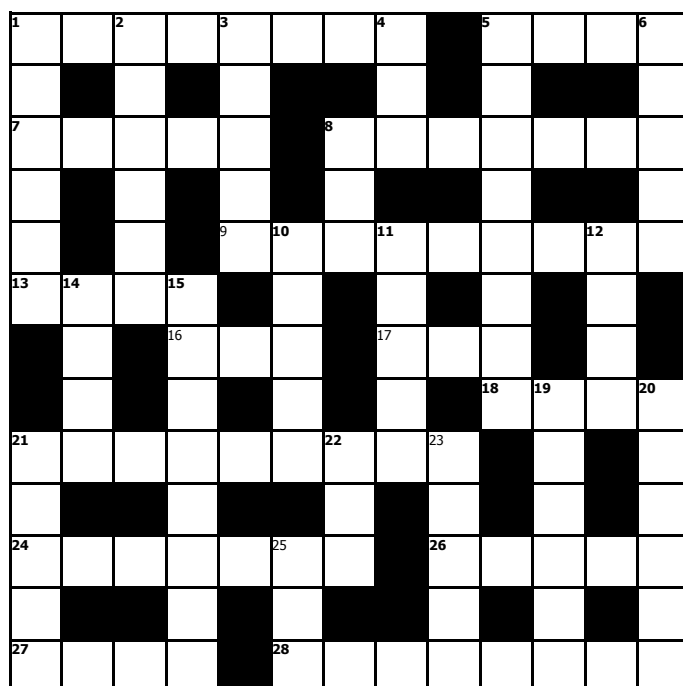
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#### Across:

1. Stifle (8)
5. Strength (4)
7. Metal (5)
8. Weepy (7)
9. Painter of *The Hay Wain* (9)
13. Peruse (4)
16. Preceding night (3)
17. Category (3)
18. Unspecified amount (4)
21. Time-honoured custom (9)
24. Professional entertainer (7)
26. Germ (5)
27. Rent (4)
28. Boss (8)

#### Down:

1. US female group, - - - Sledge (6)
2. Spanish rice dish (6)
3. Curio from the past (5)
4. Notice (3)
5. Military quarters (8)
6. Bogus (5)
8. Brown (3)
10. Not concealed (5)
11. Irish county (5)
12. Fertile soil
14. Muslim chieftain (4)
15. Fixed time limit (8)
19. Sea hawk (6)
20. Mark remover (6)
21. Instruct (5)
22. Wrath (3)
23. Fictitious narrative (5)
25. Tether (3)

#### Solutions to crossword no. 74

Across: 1. Stack, 4. Charm, 10. Tango, 11. Revenue, 12. Eastwood, 13. Silo, 15. Little, 17. Ganges, 19. Jail, 20. Misnomer, 23. Crucial, 24. Beast, 25. Melee, 26. Flesh.

Down: 2. Tongs, 3. Cromwell, 5. Hove, 6. Running, 7. Steeplejack, 8. Crook, 9. Remonstrate, 24. Hannibal, 16. Tribute, 18. Villa, 21. Means, 22. Wine.

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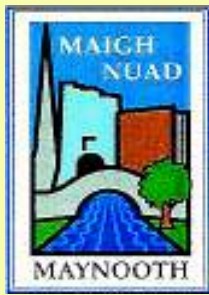
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# Editorial

**April 2009**

What a weekend for Irish sport and it was badly needed to lift the spirits of the Irish nation! At least we know that we are good at two things: entertainment and sport. The parade in Dublin was such a colourful sight to behold, even if I only saw it on television. But our own parade here in Maynooth was a credit to the organisers, the participants and to the huge crowd that turned out to watch. Congratulations are due to all those involved – particularly to the dedicated committee who work so hard year after year. Congratulations also to the office staff and the supervisor.

The week of Patrick's Day brought a certain amount of soul searching and self-reflection in various branches of the media. Who are we? Where are we going? Watching the leprachaun hats, the tri-coloured faces, I wonder are we self-fulfilling the "stage Irish" image of ourselves? After 12 years of the skinny latte society, flash new cars every year – what have we got to show for all the money that sloshed around? Very little as we look at the state of hospitals, schools and public transport -whether this means buses or trains. Most of the money went on tax cuts and road building. When the word "infrastructure" is mentioned – this means roads or, more specifically, motorways. Everything else comes after the road system. But where do we go from here? Tourism is an obvious industry but what have we got to offer now? Small villages and seaside town scarred with houses and apartment blocks, the green iconic image of the countryside scarred by huge unsustainable motorways. Is there a vision anywhere for our future? Ideology seems a dirty word. But now we need vision and ideology more than ever.

There is a report elsewhere in the Newsletter of the last Community Council meeting and the address given by Prof. John Hughes, president of NUIM. He attended at the invitation of the Council and outlined the future plans for the University. His presentation was very illuminating and informative. One of the final points he made was the danger of the rationalisations planned by the Government and the possible threat to the existing third level institutions in general. The University provides 800 jobs and puts €70m into the local community and we certainly hope that there will be no diminution in its status or any effect from the current economic climate. Education is one of the only ways out of this downturn and any interference with the system, at any level, is not only retrograde but downright irresponsible. The decisions made in haste at present could have very serious ramifications in the future. There is the danger of rash slashing that we could live to regret.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin

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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009

The meeting began with a presentation by Prof. John Hughes, President of the National University of Ireland, Maynooth and this was followed by a question and answer session. The President was accompanied by Mr Frank Fitzmaurice Director of Corporate Services in NUIM for the past two years. The Chairman, Colm Ó Cearúil, said that the initial contact with the College had been made through the Planning and Development committee.

Prof. Hughes said that the University has come a long way since the '60s and emphasised that 75% is dedicated to culture, Arts and Social Sciences. In 2008 NUIM was named University of the Year, and it has been the fastest growing University in Ireland. There are over 9,000 students, in three Faculties, but this increase will soon peak – only a further 200-300 students will be taken in.

The University has the highest points in Arts and Science as well as the highest research income per academic in Ireland. It is the only university with particular contacts with Intel such as Global Education Partner and Innovation Value Institute. Intel has invested heavily in these and NUIM offers an Engineering MA for them, including people from the States. There will be future growth in spin-out, spin-in companies, in licensing technology and start up companies, this is bringing business to the area. There will be more part-time students and there is a new business and law degree.

He stressed the fact that Universities are under threat, the cuts are extensive and amalgamations/closures are possible. NUIM gives 800 jobs and brings €70m annually into the economy.

Frank Fitzmaurice said that Maynooth is the only university town in Ireland and outlined future plans. It is the intention to bring campus closer to the town, to link both campuses and the town. He outlined the major developments: New Library, Arts and Social Science Building, Carton Innovation Camp, Student Apartments, Restaurant and signature buildings close to the Kilcock Road.

The Arts/Social Science building will begin now and be ready in July 2010. There will be no theatre as there was a shortfall in the available funding. Carton Park will have research projects, developing products and incubator and start-up companies. The Apartments will add about 350 beds near playing pitches. A new restaurant is required because of the recent fire. The signature buildings are some years away, 2-5 years, because of the funding issues.

The council members raised a number of issues and questions:

The library could be connected electronically with the local library.

Building workers will be kept on-site during construction.

There is a traffic management report pending and a strategy will be developed for traffic/parking, they are trying to promote cycling and walking.

The College had looked at buying property in the town but it had been too expensive in the past.

The President spoke about the Carton development was it necessary – incubation business should be separate from education. He said that the area in Carton is derelict, screened and near the river. No trees will be felled, no impact on cultural aspect. He praised the beauty of the environment of Carton and pointed to the pristine nature of the South Campus and gardens to show their care of Heritage. NUIM had a space for archives in Castletown. Frank Fitzmaurice said that they were also interested in a connection between the H. Field developments at Parson Street and the campus and the railway. St Patrick's were independent but involved. There was a plan for a boulevard on the Kilcock Road and a question over the existing footbridge.

There were reports from the various committees of the Council, including the St Patrick's Day Parade. J. McGinley said that the floats were nearly double that of last year. There is a full report on the Parade on Pages 32 and 34.

A serious matter was raised by P. Croghan of the Tidy Towns committee –the havoc caused by the sewerage works with their areas all torn up and with no reference J. McGinley explained that the contractor began work without approval, without an archaeologist although they were working in a zone of archaeological protection around the College etc. Work had now stopped – the council agreed that the Tidy Towns committee should write a letter demanding that their work should be reinstated and that the Executive would send this to Kildare County Council.

D. Cullen of the Planning and Development committee raised two important issues. She had contacted Meath County Council regarding the changes to the Carton Park plans – they were too large to photocopy. The Meath draft local area plan included the two Smart Parks one at Moygaddy and Carton. The Plan was only publicised in the Meath Chronicle. The committee were told that they could make a submission even though the date had passed. It was agreed that the committee would make the submission and that the Executive would back this.

The second issue also concerned Meath County Council who had a planning application for 500 houses in the Maynooth Environs. The public meeting was held in Dunboyne and the display period was over. This was only one and a half kilometres from Maynooth and there was no coordination with Co. Kildare. They would be dependent on services from Kildare. After a long discussion it was decided that a letter would be sent from the committee and then endorsed by the Executive. It was emphasised that there was no onus on Meath Co. Co. to contact Kildare.

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# Gardening

## Gardening in April — Growing your own vegetables

**A** good, healthy vegetable plot is essential if you're planning to grow your own. This guide gives you all the information you need to set up a successful plot and shows you one way of rotating your crops to give you years of happy vegetable gardening.



### Choosing your vegetables

Deciding what to grow is one of the best things about vegetable growing, but it's important to choose carefully and not get too carried away. Choose vegetables you really like, and look out for interesting varieties that you can harvest progressively. This will ensure that you have a ready supply of delicious vegetables throughout the growing season.

**Vegetables can be ordered into four main groups, so choose the vegetables you like from each of these groups.**

#### Group one

Potatoes, beetroot, carrots, chicory, artichokes, parsnips and salsify

#### Group two

Broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, kale, swede and turnips

#### Group three

Peas, all types of beans

#### Group four

All other vegetables and salad crops

### Plot rotation

Once you've made your selection, divide up your plot into four beds. Grow vegetables in four separate beds, grouped according to our guide. The reason for this 'grouping' is that you should not grow the same vegetable in the same place year after year. You may find other suggestions of which crops to put where, but the important thing to know is that continuous cropping of the same plant can exhaust the soil of nutrients and pests and diseases can build up.

The answer to this potential problem is consistent plot rotation: in your second year of vegetable growing, your vegetables will 'move up' one bed. Your group two vegetables will be planted where the group three vegetables previously were, group three moves to the group four bed and so on. This allows the soil to recover, and the rotation can even be beneficial to future vegetables: for example, the nitrogen that peas and beans naturally deposit in the soil is perfect for encouraging growth in cauliflowers and cabbages.

### Top tips

When you're laying out your vegetable plot, bear in mind these starter tips:

- \* Beds about 1.2m (4ft) wide with paths all around are perfect, because you can water and weed without having to tread on the bed.
- \* Leave sufficient space between the beds to allow easy access to the plants. A path with a hard surface the width of a wheelbarrow is ideal.
- \* Make sure there is a source of water nearby. It may be worth investing in an outdoor tap or installing a rainwater butt nearby.
- \* If your soil is poor or doesn't drain well, consider building raised beds. By creating a retaining wall from bricks or old railway sleepers, you can add a thick layer of organic material that will improve the soil. In addition, raised beds are easier to tend and don't need digging over in the autumn.
- \* If you've only got a small space, choose early or dwarf vegetable cultivars as they require less space and can be planted closer together.



# **Maynooth Flower and Garden Club**

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**C**iaran Hickey from the Maynooth Taekwon-Do School won **Gold** at the ITF Leinster Open on Sunday 23rd February. The event hosted by the Republic of Ireland Taekwon-Do Association (RITA) was held in the Tallaght Leisure Centre, Dublin and attracted competitors from all over the island of Ireland. Ciaran won the male 15-17 years red belt sparring and will hopefully be going for his Black Belt in June. Also competing for Maynooth was Kevin Molloy who has just moved up into the adult Black Belt division. Kevin had a good spar against Irish International Gerard Byrne but unfortunately lost out to the more experienced competitor.

Training is in St Mary's Boy's National School Wednesdays from 8.30-9.30pm and on Fridays from 7-8pm. New and old members are always welcome to attend.



**Contact Stephen Doyle at 087-6986491**

*Kevin Molloy & Ciaran Hickey*

## Maynooth Scouts

**A**s part of their fundraising efforts for their new Scout Den, the 8th Kildare Maynooth are hosting a race night to be held on the 23rd May in the Glenroyal Hotel from 8pm.

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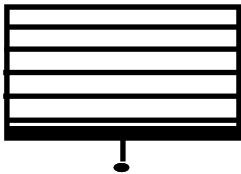
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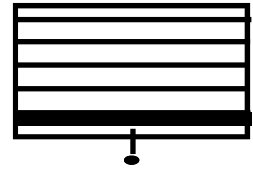
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# Horoscopes

## ARIES—March 21—April 20



The choice you make must be a dramatic one to get noticed. However, once you have the attention of your subject, you can be slightly more practical; i.e., learning what is needed and then provide it.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 5, Colour Red.

## TAURUS—April 21—May 21



Here's how you know who your real friends are, if it's important to you, it's important to your friend. Even when (especially when) your friend has no other interest in the subject at hand except that it matters to you.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 9, Colour Blue.

## GEMINI—May 22—June 22



Patience may not be your strong suit, but right now you need to cool your jets and wait. Do not give up because this payoff will be huge. Do something useful while you're waiting.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 18, Colour Violet.

## CANCER—June 23—July 23



You are sharp. Stay that way by avoiding mind-numbing tasks and pastimes. The one who notices your wit is a keeper. You need to be around people who recognize your intelligence and challenge you to new heights.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 11, Colour Orange.

## LEO—July 24—August 23



The only true difference between the mundane and the extraordinary is love. You have the key ingredients, so mix up some passion for what you're doing. Everyday life will suddenly sparkle.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 2, Colour Navy.

## VIRGO—August 24—Sept 23



It's cosy in your comfort zone, and unfortunately that's not where you'll find the answer you've been looking for. Trust yourself to move far enough in the right direction; step out of the shade and into enlightenment.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 1, Colour Scarlet.

## LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23



Notice how your community is close-knit. People feed off of what each other are saying, wearing, doing and believing. Your actions, and even your fashion choices, have wide repercussions.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 21, Colour Black.

## SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22



You're ready to make an improvement. Before you do, there is a step that must be addressed. It is necessary to own your part in the things that weren't going right before.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 33, Colour Lavender.

## SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21



You bring peacefulness to relationships. If you looked for something to complain about, you would find it, but it's not who you want to be. You'll be actively searching for topics of fun and interest.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 19, Colour Cerise.

## CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20



Plan for mistakes, then life will suddenly get easier. For instance, start a slush fund to cover parking tickets, or leave early for an appointment in case the directions are wrong. Stay happy and stress free.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 40, Colour Yellow.

## AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19



There's no way to anticipate what others will want from you, but there you are anyway, ready to give your all. When you do things in the spirit of love, the result is magical.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 27, Colour Green.

## PISCES—Feb 20—March 20



Imagine a situation getting better even though you're not sure exactly how. Your thoughts are travelling with such intensity that they could fix the situation before you even have time to formulate a plan.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 35, Colour Pink.

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# Features

## THE ORIGIN OF THE EASTER BUNNY



Postcard from 1915

Like the origin of Easter, the Easter Bunny has roots that go back to pre-Christian, Anglo-Saxon history. The holiday was originally a pagan celebration that worshipped the goddess Eastre. She was the goddess of fertility and springtime and her earthly symbol was the rabbit. Thus the pre-Christian Anglo-Saxons worshipped the rabbit believing it to be Eastre's earthly incarnation.

When the Anglo-Saxons were converted to Christianity, the pagan holiday, which occurred around the same time as the Christian memorial of Jesus' resurrection from the dead, was combined with the Christian celebration and given the name Easter.

The bunny as an Easter symbol seems to have its origins in Germany, where it was first mentioned in German writings in the 1500s. The first edible Easter bunnies were made in Germany during the early 1800s. And were made of pastry and sugar.



Easter Postcard from 1910

## Easter Bonnet

On your Easter bonnet. The history of the Easter bonnet is a lot older than the average person believes. In 1948 Irving Berlin wrote:

*In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it,  
You'll be the grandest lady in the Easter Parade.  
I'll be all in clover and when they look you over,  
I'll be the proudest fellow in the Easter Parade.  
On the avenue, Fifth Avenue, the photographers will snap us,  
And you'll find that you're in the rotogravure.  
Oh, I could write a sonnet about your Easter bonnet,  
And of the girl I'm taking to the Easter Parade.*

--Irving Berlin's "Easter Parade" (1948)



So this is yet another Hollywood started fad? Wrong, Hollywood (or Irving Berlin) got that idea from somewhere. It is believed that the Easter Parade had its beginning in the 1870s, in New York. The Easter Parade in New York was and still is an extremely popular event. Originally the church goers would carry Easter flowers from St. Thomas's Church to St. Luke's Church. In this one street parade it became a traditional rite of spring to be seen in your new spring fashions which included hats. The hats were getting larger and larger and were decorated with more and more flowers, lace, ribbon, and birds nests were all used to decorate an Easter bonnet. The parade route then extended from Madison Square to Central Park.

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# Easter Recipes

## Quick Roast Lamb

### Ingredients

- ♦ 4 lamb chops , or cutlets
- ♦ 400g new potatoes
- ♦ 250g large carrots cut into big chunks
- ♦ 1 tbsp oil, plus a little more for the lamb
- ♦ 1 sprig rosemary, leaves chopped
- ♦ 100ml red wine
- ♦ 100ml lamb stock, (from a cube is fine)
- ♦ redcurrant jelly
- ♦ green beans, or other veg, to serve

### Method

1. Heat oven to 220C/fan 200C/gas 7. Put the potatoes and carrots onto a baking tray, toss with the oil and rosemary, then season well. Roast for 15 mins on the top shelf until the veg is golden and almost tender.
2. Meanwhile, make the gravy. Put the wine and stock into a small pan, then boil until reduced by about two-thirds. Stir in the redcurrant jelly, season and keep warm.
3. Rub the lamb in a little oil, then season. Tuck the lamb in amongst the veg, then return to the oven for 8-10 mins, turning the lamb halfway through. Serve with the redcurrant gravy.

## Easter Biscuits

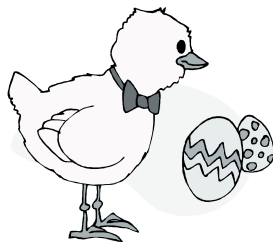
Makes 10 biscuits  
Preparation time: 10 minutes  
Cooking time: 15 minutes

### Ingredients

- ♦ 280g plain flour
- ♦ ½ tsp baking powder
- ♦ 140g unsalted butter
- ♦ 140g castor sugar
- ♦ 55g currants
- ♦ 1 whole medium egg, beaten
- ♦ grated zest of 1 lemon

### Method

1. Pre heat the oven to 200°C, Gas 6.
2. Rub the butter into the plain flour carefully, then add the baking powder.
3. Place into a bowl and add the sugar, lemon zest, currants and egg and mix well into a dough.
4. Roll out on a floured surface and cut out 10, 8cm x ¼ cm thick discs.



5. Place onto a lightly greased baking sheet and bake in the pre heated oven for 15-18 minutes, or until golden brown all over.
6. Remove from the oven and leave to cool slightly, before finally removing to a wire rack to cool completely.
7. Store in an airtight container.

## Quick & Easy Easter Egg Cake



### Ingredients

- ♦ 1 Packet Quick Cake Mix Plain or Chocolate
- ♦ Up to 225g of leftover Easter Egg (broken into pieces)
- ♦ Any Smarties or Buttons or chopped Mars Bars!

### Method

1. Preheat oven to 180° C/350° F/Gas 4. Put paper Cases in the bun tins.
2. Prepare mixture as per instructions. Finally, stir in the broken Easter egg and sweets. If liked some sweets may be placed on top of buns before baking

## Strawberry and Oatmeal Dessert

### Ingredients

- ♦ 50g/2oz Porridge Oatflakes
- ♦ 450g/1lb Strawberries
- ♦ 150ml/¼ pt Greek Yoghurt
- ♦ 1 tbl Sugar
- ♦ 300ml/1½pt Double Cream
- ♦ 50g/2oz Castor Sugar

### Method

1. Toast oatflakes under preheated grill until lightly browned. Allow to cool.
2. Mash the strawberries with the sugar. Whip the cream and fold in the yoghurt, castor sugar and all but 2 tablespoons of the oatflakes. In glasses, layer the strawberries and cream mixture. Sprinkle remaining oatflakes on top. Decorate with a strawberry. Chill. Serves approx 4, depending on size of glasses.
3. Strawberries may be replaced with any other fruit of your choice.



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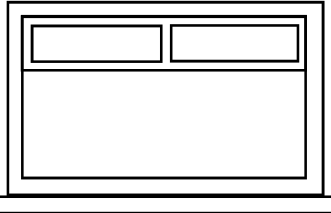
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## Poetry Corner

### *An Easter Blessing*

*Bless this day the joy of life,  
The revelation of the flesh,  
The paradise of man and wife  
Joined to share the gift of bliss.  
Bless this day the pain of life,  
The passion that redeems the flesh,  
The love between a man and wife  
Beyond all agony and bliss.*

*Bless this day the end of life,  
The peace within the dying flesh,  
The bond between a man and wife  
That long outlasts their bit of bliss.*

*Bless this day the whole of life,  
The grace of being more than flesh,  
The voyage of a man and wife  
Across the mystery of bliss.*

### *An April Night*

*The moon comes up o'er the deeps of the woods,  
And the long, low dingles that hide in the hills,  
Where the ancient beeches are moist with buds  
Over the pools and the whimpering rills;*

*And with her the mists, like dryads that creep  
From their oaks, or the spirits of pine-hid  
springs,  
Who hold, while the eyes of the world are  
asleep,  
With the wind on the hills their gay revellings.*

*Down on the marshlands with flicker and  
glow  
Wanders Will-o'-the-Wisp through the night,  
Seeking for witch-gold lost long ago  
By the glimmer of goblin lantern-light.*

*The night is a sorceress, dusk-eyed and dear,  
Akin to all eerie and elfin things,  
Who weaves about us in meadow and mere  
The spell of a hundred vanished Springs.*

*by Lucy Maud Montgomery*

### *Easter Isn't Easy*

*I heard a funny bunny say,  
"I just go nuts on Easter day.  
I hide about a zillion eggs  
And baskets tangle up my legs.*

*"I'm tired, my eyes are full of tears  
And overflowing to my ears.  
If I'm to work more Easter Days  
At my age I should change my  
ways*

*"I know I must do something rash  
So I'll start saving all my cash  
Then next year, with a little luck  
I'll deliver in my pick up truck."*

*(Author unknown)*

### *My April Lady*

*When down the stair at morning  
The sunbeams round her float,  
Sweet rivulets of laughter  
Are bubbling in her throat;  
The gladness of her greeting  
Is gold without alloy;  
And in the morning sunlight  
I think her name is Joy.*

*When in the evening twilight  
The quiet book-room lies,  
We read the sad old ballads,  
While from her hidden eyes  
The tears are falling, falling,  
That give her heart relief;  
And in the evening twilight,  
I think her name is Grief.*

*My little April lady,  
Of sunshine and of showers,  
She weaves the old spring magic,  
And breaks my heart in flowers!  
But when her moods are ended,  
She nestles like a dove;  
Then, by the pain and rapture,  
I know her name is Love.*

*by Henry Van Dyke*

## Maynooth U3A

Seachtain na Gaeilge a bhí ann. Cuir Helena fáilte roimhinn go léir. Our 'Go for Life' programme certainly has us all moving to the sounds of Harry Bellefonte and Abba. From the laughter and shrieks emanating from the room at times one can only assume that the group is enjoying themselves. The production of a U3A banner appears to have turned into quite 'a production'. Because of the time restraints there has been an air of desperation about. The majority of our members had a most enjoyable and educational day in Newgrange recently. The ladies who had their spring break in Belfast barely had time to recover before their trip to Kilkenny. Thanks to Joan for co-ordinating same. Maura gave a very engaging talk on her early exploits in Saskatchewan, Canada. She certainly aroused our curiosity not so much by what she said but rather by what was not said. An dtuigeann tú Máire? The next instalment can be heard in Caulfields! The book chosen for March was 'The Girls' by Lori Lansens. It tells the true story of the oldest conjoined twins in history and as such should prove to be a deeply moving read. Our April meetings are on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m. in the Community Library.

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## Pet Corner

# pet Rabbits

Rabbits are often known affectionately by the pet name bunny or bunny rabbit, especially when referring to young, domesticated rabbits. Originally, the word for an adult rabbit was coney or cony, while rabbit referred only to the young animals. Male rabbits are called **bucks** and females **does**.

Pet rabbits kept indoors are referred to as house rabbits. House rabbits typically have an indoor pen or cage and a rabbit-safe place to run and exercise, such as an exercise pen, living room or family room. Rabbits can be trained to use a litter box and some can learn to come when called. Domestic rabbits that do not live indoors can also often serve as companions for their owners, typically living in an easily accessible hutch outside the home. Some pet rabbits live in outside hutches during the day for the benefit of fresh air and natural daylight and are brought inside at night.



Whether indoor or outdoor, pet rabbits' pens are often equipped with enrichment activities such as shelves, tunnels, balls, and other toys. Pet rabbits are often provided additional space in which to get exercise, simulating the open space a rabbit would traverse in the wild. Exercise pens or lawn pens are often used to provide a safe place for rabbits to run.

A pet rabbit's diet typically consists of unlimited **hay**, a **small amount of pellets**, and a **small portion of fresh vegetables**.

Rabbits are social animals. Rabbits as pets can find their companionship with a variety of creatures, including humans, other rabbits, guinea pigs, and sometimes even cats and dogs. **Rabbits do not make good pets for small children** because they do not know how to stay quiet, calm, and gentle around rabbits. As prey animals, rabbits are alert, timid creatures that **startle easily**. They have fragile bones, especially in their backs, that require support on the tummy and bottom when picked up. Children 10 years old and older usually have the maturity required to care for a rabbit.

### Appeal from the ISPCA— Be a Buddy to a Bunny

Many rabbits come into the care of the ISPCA, when the novelty of cleaning and caring for the rabbit wears off with its owners. As rabbits can live up to eight years, owning a rabbit is a large commitment for a family to consider. As Easter approaches and the shelves in the supermarkets are beginning to fill with chocolate eggs, the ISPCA are asking you to please consider a **thoughtful gift**. Instead of buying one Easter Egg by buying a vital gift of food or bedding it would mean that rabbits in their care could get a second chance at being loved and respected.



**Bedding and food** can be purchased in any pet shop. You can drop off your gifts to your local ISPCA centre, or Animal Sanctuary.

Children are very giving and you will find that **they would be delighted** to know that by sacrificing one or two Easter Eggs they are helping the plight of these bunnies.

## Maynooth Community Library

### MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY CHESS CLUB

We have two Children's Chess Clubs running in Maynooth Library every Monday night between 6pm - 7pm. Aimed at beginners and those who already know how to play. We have instructors who can offer guidance for those who need help.

**Adult Chess Club members:** Please note that the adult chess session has moved from Thursday night to Monday night from 6pm - 8pm.

**New members are welcome.**

#### Children's Book Club.

The book to be discussed at the next Children's Book Club is "**The Girl with the Broken Wing**" by Heather Dyer 5 - 7 year olds.

For 8 - 11 year olds their book is "**The BFG**" By Roald Dahl.

The next screening of Maynooth Community Library's Film for All is on April 8th at 7.45 pm. The film to be screened is **La Antena**. Spanish (subtitles).

The surreal, monochrome fairytale is sublime and as much a coup for Spanish-language cinema as Pan's Labyrinth was before.

The venue for the film is in the comfortable surroundings of the J.H.L 2 Lecture Hall in the John Hume building, North Campus Maynooth College.

The next Children's Book Club meeting is on Tuesday 7th of April at 3.30 pm.

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## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

My employer plans to reduce my working week. Is there any extra payment I can get towards supporting my family and paying my mortgage?

### Answer

If you are working a three-day week or less, you may qualify for Jobseeker's Benefit for the other days, provided you meet the other conditions.

You must be under 66 years of age, be unemployed for at least 3 days in 6, and have enough social insurance (PRSI) contributions. You must also be capable of work, available for work and genuinely seeking work.

Apply at your Social Welfare Local Office (SWLO). To save time, you can download the application form (UP 1) from [www.welfare.ie](http://www.welfare.ie) and fill it in as far as possible before you call to the office.

If you do not qualify for Jobseeker's Benefit, you may be able to get Family Income Supplement (FIS). This is a payment for families at work on low pay, including single-parent families.

You must have at least one child who normally lives with you or is financially supported by you. Your child must be under 18 years of age or between 18 and 22 years of age and in full-time education. You (and/or your spouse or partner) must be working a total of 19 hours or more per week (or 38 hours per fortnight).

If you already get FIS, you may now be entitled to a higher rate of payment.

You will need to fill in the application form (FIS 1) and send it to the FIS Section, Department of Social and Family Affairs, Social Welfare Services Office, Government Buildings, Ballinalee Road, Longford. Enclose two recent payslips, your latest P60 form and a copy of your current Certificate of Tax Credits.

You may also qualify for Mortgage Interest Supplement. This is a weekly means-tested payment to help with the interest portion of your mortgage repayments in the short term. N.B. If you or your spouse/partner are working more than 30 hours per week, you will not qualify for Mortgage Interest Supplement.

You will not get help with the portion of your mortgage repayments that pays off the actual loan and house insurance. Contact your mortgage lender to discuss repaying the actual loan.

Apply to the Community Welfare Officer at your local health centre.

### Question

I am earning much less than I did last year but I don't qualify for a medical card. Is there any other support I can get towards my family's medical bills?

### Answer

Even though you cannot get a medical card, you and your family may qualify for a GP Visit Card, which entitles you to visit your family doctor for free. However, any prescribed drugs associated with the visit are not free. You should apply for a Drugs Payment Scheme card (see below) to help with these costs.

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As with the medical card, you must meet income guidelines and be ordinarily resident in Ireland – that is, live here and intend to stay here for at least a year. The GP Visit Card income limits are 50% higher than those for the medical card.

The application form is the same as that for a medical card. You can get it at your Local Health Office or health centre, or download it from [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie). Return the completed form to your Local Health Office or health centre.

The Drugs Payment Scheme (DPS) applies to people who do not have a full medical card. Under the DPS you and your family only have to pay a maximum monthly amount for all prescribed drugs, medicines or appliances that you use. This monthly maximum has been set at €100 for 2009.

The DPS scheme is limited to people who are ordinarily resident in Ireland.

You can get a registration form from your pharmacy or your Local Health Office. Return it to the Local Health Office, which then issues a DPS card for each person named. Show this card whenever you have a prescription filled. The pharmacist will not charge you for anything over the limit of €100 in any calendar month.

You do not have to register with a particular pharmacy. If you need to use two or more pharmacies in a month, you may pay more than €100 in total. You can claim back the excess amount from your Local Health Office.

If you are paying income tax, you can claim tax relief on your (and your family's) medical expenses. Keep all your receipts and record all the amounts on Form MED 1. Download this form from [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie), order a copy on Revenue's leaflet line Lo-call 1890 306 706 or get it from any Revenue office. You can also apply for this tax relief online – see [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie) for details.

## Question

My name is not on the electoral register which was published in February. I will turn 18 in April. How can I register to vote in the elections in June?

## Answer

If you will be aged 18 by polling day for the local and

European elections (5 June 2009) you can apply now to be entered in the supplement to the 2009/2010 Electoral Register. To ensure that you are registered in time, you should make sure that the completed application form reaches your local authority (County or City Council) by Monday 18 May 2009.

You can download the application form (RFA2) from [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie) or ask your local authority to post it to you.

There are detailed notes accompanying the form. It is important to read them carefully and follow the instructions so that you will be registered correctly and in time to vote.

As well as filling in details of your name, address, citizenship and date of birth, you should indicate if you want to be on the edited register. This version of the register can be used for non-statutory purposes such as direct marketing. You should tick the "opt-out" box if you do not want to be on the edited register.

When you have completed the first half of the form, you should go to your local Garda Station to have your identity confirmed and get the form signed. You should bring photographic identification with you – for example, a passport, a student card or a Garda Age Card. You may also be asked for evidence of your address. You should sign the form in the presence of a member of the Garda Síochána, who will then stamp it for you.

If you cannot go to the Garda Station, you may be able to complete the form at the office of your local authority. You will need similar identification, and you will have to say in writing why you cannot go to the Garda Station.

If you have a physical illness or disability which prevents you from going to the Garda Station or local authority office, you can ask your doctor to complete part of the form.

You should send the completed form directly to your local authority. It would be useful if you could enclose a copy of your birth certificate or another proof of age.

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## Question

I have heard that there are new grants for roof insulation. How do they work?

## Answer

There is a new national grants scheme for homeowners who invest in certain energy efficiency improvements, such as roof insulation. The scheme is administered by Sustainable Energy Ireland (SEI). It specifies the types of work covered and the maximum grants for each. Grant approval must be in place before any materials are bought or work begins. However, you can have a Building Energy Rating (BER) carried out ahead of grant approval.

The grants will be paid out after the work is completed and you (the homeowner) have paid the contractor. If the cost of the work (including VAT) is less than the maximum grant amount, the actual cost will be reimbursed.

The types of work and the maximum grants for each are listed in the table below.

Type of work covered	Maximum grant
Roof insulation	€250
Cavity wall insulation	€400
Internal wall dry lining	€2,500
External wall insulation	€4,000
Replacement high-efficiency (greater than 90%) gas or oil-fired boilers with heating controls upgrade	€700
Heating controls upgrade	€500
Building Energy Rating (BER) – you can get a BER grant if you have a BER carried out <b>before and after</b> the works are completed	€200

The grant amount in your first application must be at least €500. This means, for example, that you cannot get a grant if you only insulate your roof. You must get one of the other works done as well in order to qualify for a grant. N.B. The BER grant cannot form part of this €500 amount.

The scheme will be open for applications from homeowners on 23 March 2009. In the meantime, you can register your interest at Callsave 1850 927 000 or by email to [hes@sei.ie](mailto:hes@sei.ie). For more information, see the Sustainable Energy Ireland website [www.sei.ie](http://www.sei.ie).

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# ***SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT***

## ***What is Supported Employment?***

Supported Employment is a concept, which enables people with disabilities to be employed in paid jobs in the open labour market. Supported Employment provides support to jobseekers with disabilities and their employers and co-workers. The support given allows individuals with disabilities to become and remain gainfully employed. People with a wide range of disabilities, e.g. physical, sensory and intellectual disabilities as well as people with mental health difficulties, have become successfully employed using the Supported Employment model.

In short, Supported Employment:

- ◆ Focuses on individual skills and abilities.
- ◆ Supports the individual to identify employment opportunities.
- ◆ Works in partnership with individuals, their families and employers to achieve successful outcomes for all clients.
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## ***Who is Eligible for Supported Employment?***

The service is open to all persons with a disability who are "Job Ready". For the purpose of the Supported Employment Programme, job readiness is defined as "a person who has the necessary training, education, motivation and/or ability to pursue work/career in the open labour market"

## ***How does The Programme Work?***

Supported Employment has four main phases:

### ***Phase A: Vocational Profile & Needs Assessment.***

When someone is referred to Supported Employment, they will be allocated an employment specialist called a Job Coach who will prepare a Vocational Profile and also carry out a "Needs Assessment" to help identify the type of job the jobseeker would like to do.

### ***Phase B: Job Sourcing & Development.***

The Job Coach will attempt to identify suitable jobs, carry out job analysis, and help to market the jobseeker's abilities to prospective employers.

### ***Phase C: Matching the Jobseeker with a Suitable Employer.***

Providing the jobseeker with necessary support and coaching in the workplace.  
The Job Coach will support both the jobseeker and the employer.

### ***Phase D: Aftercare and Follow Up.***

To provide an aftercare service for clients and employers where applicable. The amount of support provided should decrease over time as the employee learns the skills required for the job and adapts to the workplace.

## ***How do I access The S.E. Programme?***

Supported Employment is nationwide. In Kildare the service is provided by the ***Kildare Coalition of Supported Employment Ltd. (KCSE)*** which is based at Lower Main Street, Kilcullen, Co Kildare. Referrals for the service are made through FÁS. Therefore in order to access Supported Employment you should first call into your local FÁS office and register with them and request the help of Supported Employment.



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## Features

### The Annual MPPS Musical

The Pirates of Penzance' proved to be an overwhelming success this year selling out each night. The cast of the show performed brilliantly throughout the whole run and are a credit to both themselves and the school. Special mention must go to the teachers involved who spent so much of their own time making sure that no stone was left unturned ensuring the overall success of the event. From the set, to the costumes, to the actual delivery of the performance on each of the nights, it was definitely worth seeing, and all in Maynooth Post Primary would like to express just how proud of all who were involved. We look forward to next year's production already.



*Sinead Murray & Ciaran Cunningham*



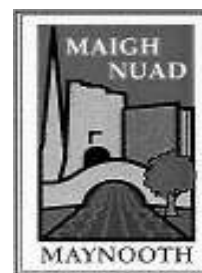
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# Features

## Jack Karouac

### Jack Karouac's iconic novel *On the Road* scroll displayed in the Russell Library before it returned to the USA.

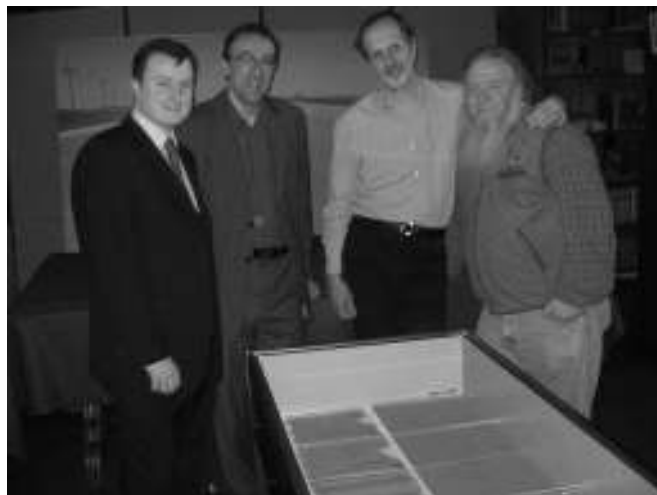
The Library in collaboration with the School of English, Media and Theatre Studies, at NUI Maynooth presented a major Exhibition, 'Jack Karouac Back on the Road'. The original 127-foot scroll of the text of *On the Road* was typed in one piece in 1951. The exhibition took place in the Russell Library NUI Maynooth from Thursday 5th March to Thursday 19th March. Karouac's novel had a major influence on the Beat generation of writers and on everything from the music of Bob Dylan to the genre of road movies.

Professor Chris Morash said: "The scroll of Karouac's *On the Road* is more than just a literary manuscript. It is a work of art in its own right, rolling out of Karouac's typewriter like the road he was writing about, reminding us that the journey can be a destination in its own right.

The Librarian Cathal McCauley thanked those involved in organising the exhibition including Library and University Colleagues but especially the scroll owner Mr. James Irsay, the curator of the scroll Mr. James Canary and Karouac scholar Professor Dick Ellis.



Jim Canary (Curator of the Scroll) of Indiana University, USA.



Librarian Cathal McCauley, Professor Chris Morash, Professor Dick Ellis, & Jim Canary.



Étáin Ó'Síocháin & Valerie Seymour at the exhibition



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# Features

## St. Patricks Day Parade 2009

There were 27 entries in this year's Parade, up from the 14 entries that we had last year. The lovely sunshine and the very high quality of the Floats made the Parade the best that we have had for a long time. The very big crowd particularly liked the display of the Junior Section of St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band and The Dublin All Stars Marching Band were also a big hit. A great effort was put into the preparation of the floats particularly those of the GAA, Tidy Towns and Carton House. Maynooth Town Football Club had nearly 100 children taking part while the performance of the 3 Dance Schools was much appreciated.

On behalf of the Parade Committee I would like to thank the participants and all those who helped with the organising of what was yet again a very successful Parade.

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

### Our major sponsors were:

The Roost, Thornton's Recycling, Derrinstown Stud, Brady's Clockhouse, George O'Connor, John Merrick Dentist, Caulfield's Pub, O'Neill's Pub, Carton House, The Elite, Supermacs, Dr. G. B. Glass, St. Patrick's Pharmacy, Maynooth Fireplaces, Mulcahy's Butchers, A.I.B., Bruce Betting.

### I would also like to thank the following:

- Paul Thornton of Thornton's Recycling for providing the reviewing stand and for sponsoring the Fintan Lawlor Pipe Band .
- Elaine Bean, Melanie Oliver, Seamus Kennedy, Paul Thornton, Willie Saults, Andrew McMullon, Pat Farrell and David Moynan for helping with the reviewing stand and putting out the crowd control barriers.
- Peter Connell for taking on the task of Master of Ceremonies.
- George O'Connor for again providing the crash barriers free of charge.
- The Boys National Primary School for providing chairs for the reviewing stand.
- Jim McManus for the power supply for the public address system.
- Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee for being out at 8am picking up the litter.
- Larine House for providing the plants for the Reviewing Stand.
- Peter Connell for taking on the task of Master of Ceremonies.
- Our guests on the reviewing stand.
- Aine Brady T.D. for being our guest speaker.
- Kildare County Council for Supplying the No Parking Cones and Shay Corbally for storing them.
- All the stewards who yet again performed their tasks very professionally.
- The Parade Committee and to Marie Gleeson and the staff of the Community Council for their great help, especially Paul Hand for his great efforts in collecting contributions.
- The residents of Greenfield Estate for their continued co-operation.
- All of the business people who did such a splendid job of decorating their shop windows.
- Finally, a special word of thanks to the Gardaí for controlling the traffic so well.

### The Parade Prize Winners were:

**Best Commercial Float**  
**Best Club Float-**  
**(The Owen Byrne Memorial Trophy)**  
**Best Band**  
**Best Portrayal of Irish Culture**  
**Best Portrayal of Environmental Awareness**  
**Best School Float**

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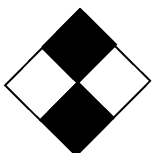
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## The Shop Window Prize Winners were:

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**John McGinley,  
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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

## I.C.A. Notes

Congratulations to Maynooth I.C.A. who have won the National Quiz Competition in An Grianan. The team were Rosemary Hanley, Mary Dunne and Mary O'Gorman. Mary O'Gorman was also highly recommended for her knitted toy at the National Competition, so well done to all. Thanks was extended to the Guild for their huge effort in the Shoe Box Appeal at Christmas. They will also be out on Daffodil Day doing the Cancer collection. Our President Margaret Houlihan will represent the I.C.A. on the St Patricks Day Stand, while viewing the Parade. Thanks was extended to Guild members who knitted hats & teddies for babies in hospital. Kildare week in An Grianan takes place in June and a weekend in November 09, and places are filling up quickly. Other competitions ongoing at the moment are singing, set dancing, variety show, guild of the year book. Members past and present are asked to contribute to the guild of the year book, send in your stories, photos. The Timire Mary McNamara will organise an Irish night at a later date and informed the guild that the "Rangainna as Gaeilge" were starting in Bradys on Wednesday nights from 8 - 9p.m @ €50 for 10 weeks. Craft Promoter Mary O'Gorman and her team will start work on the patchwork quilt depicting the last 100 years in Maynooth and this is to coincide with the I.C.A. celebrating 100 years in 2010.

Nellie Dillon from Clane Guild in Kildare is seeking election for National President and we wish her every success.

The next Federation Meeting takes place in Leixlip and the National A.G.M. is on 27th May in Lyrat House Hotel, Kilkenny.

The yearly Guild competition was won jointly by Veva Kearins and Rosemary Hanley, in 2nd place was Teresa Corcoran and 3rd place was shared by Cora Walsh, Mairead Scanlon and Mary O'Gorman. The members still play Badminton twice a week in the College and have been invited to play with Leixlip and Killeel.

The Guilds chosen charity for this year is Special Olympics. A Midsummer Madness Night will take place in An Grianan on the 10th July '09 so book your ticket now. The April competition for the Guild is make an Easter Card. Raffle winners at the Meeting were 1st place Jo O'Connell, 2nd place Margaret Houlihan & 3rd place Mairead Scanlon.

Meetings take place every 2nd Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour and new members are always welcome

**Norah McDermott P.R.O.**

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## Co Kildare Vocational Education Committee Adult Basic Education Service

### Book Launch

The Adult Basic Education Section of Co Kildare Vocational Education Committee recently published a collection of writings, 'Coming Together', by adult students attending the four adult basic education centres in the county.

The launch was hosted by the ABE service with Peter Sheridan as the guest speaker. He regaled the audience with many entertaining stories and some students read their own pieces. For all of them it was their first time reading in public and their courage and determination got them through.

For the writers too, this was the first time they had expressed their thoughts in print and each writer is to be commended for their work and creativity along with the perseverance they have shown in committing their life experiences to writing. It portrayed the huge amount of talent and experience that these students have and is a great reflection of the diverse interests and nationalities of the writers.

This book would not have been possible without the dedication and commitment of the marvellous tutors working in the Basic Education Service.

By sharing their skills, these tutors have enabled learners throughout the county to express themselves and to grow in confidence, believing they could commit their thoughts to paper for all to read.

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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

## Dublin College's Senior Football Championship Final

**Maynooth Post Primary      4 – 06      Scoil Chathriona, Glasnevin      2 – 10**

On a fine day in St Brigid's GAA grounds, Maynooth Post Primary created history by becoming champions at this grade for the first time. Both Maynooth Post Primary and Scoil Chatriona served up a feast of football for all in attendance with goals and points galore, fantastic individual performances, and a breathtaking comeback proving that a never say die attitude is one of the most important ingredients for success.

They are a credit to all involved, the school and indeed the community, and hopefully this will be a stepping stone for these lads who are destined, surely, for much more success in the future. All in Maynooth Post Primary are extremely proud.

### Team:

M Donnellan, J Durcan ,(C Stenson 40 mins), J Dempsey, F Lohan, D McAvinue, D Dunning, S Delaney, E McNutt, L Comerford, P Conneally, ( C O'Murchu 50 mins), M Fahey, S McBride, J Gunn, C O'Brien, B Kilduff,

### Scores:

Michael Fahey	1-02	Darragh Dunning	0-01	Barry Kilduff	0-03
Seamus McBride	2-00	Conor O'Brien	1-00		



Dublin College's Senior Championship Winning Team



Darragh Dunning on the ball



Captain Darragh Dunning being held aloft



# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

## Leinster Colleges U/14 Football Championship

**Maynooth Post Primary School: 2 – 12**

**St. Mary's CBS, Enniscorthy: 2 – 06**

**Venue: Park Ratheneska, Co. Laois**

Maynooth Post Primary added the Leinster Championship title to the Dublin Championship they won last December to make it seven games unbeaten in what has become a fantastic year in sport for the Moyglare Road school. It is only the second time the school have lifted the title and credit must go to a superb group of players who have trained constantly since the second week in September under the guidance of their mentors who have given total commitment in order to make this happen.

### Scores:

Philly Murphy	0 – 06
Neil Flynn	1 – 03
Alex Birchall	0 – 03
Shane Monaghan	1 – 00

### Team:

Ryan Clifford Clancy, Paul Mescal, Ciaran Broderick, Paddy Murray, Eoin Clarke, Robert Maguire, Ciaran Whelan, Conor Davin, Brendan Sheridan, Philip Murphy, Bankole Agunsoye, Owen Byrne, Neil Flynn, Alex Birchall, Shane Monaghan

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## Maynooth Local History Group

Programme

April – June 2009

Everyone Welcome

**Thursday 16 April 2009**

**Venue: O'Neill's Public House**

**Main Street, Maynooth at 8.00pm**

Speaker: Ciarán Reilly

*Land League activity in north Kildare and east Offaly in the 1880s*

Ciarán will examine the role of the Irish land agent in nineteenth century landed estates

**Thursday 14 May 2009**

**Venue: O'Neill's Public House**

**Main Street, Maynooth at 8.00pm**

Speaker: Angela Byrne

*The European travels of Mr John & Mrs Dorothea Catherine Ladeveze*

*Adlercron of Moyglare, 1806-1844*

Angela will focus mainly on John Adlercron's journey to Moscow via Austria, Poland and Belarus 1805-1806 and the family's tours in France, Switzerland and Italy between 1824-1844

**June – Outing to be determined.**

For further details contact secretary:

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## Features

### *In the Middle of Spring*

**A** lovely spring morning dawned as Susie got up and jumped out of bed and looked out the window. Her Pony Isabel was out in the pasture already. She was a lovely chestnut mare with a long flowing mane and white socks on her hoofs. She was a picture to behold.

Susie couldn't wait to have breakfast and hurry out to her pony. It was a Saturday morning and she had no school. It would be mid-term break soon. She hurried to dress herself. She bounded down the stairs and into the kitchen. Maria, the cook, was bending over a hot stove making pancakes.



Susie grabbed the percolator and poured herself some coffee. Her mother and father were upstairs showering and getting ready for their friends barbeque. Her parents were always invited somewhere every weekend. Susie sat down to her breakfast of pancakes.

When she was finished she ran out of the house to her Pony. Isabel was a lovely quiet cute pony and was so easy to catch to tack her up. She saddled up the pony and rode out across country. She went riding across the fields.

Her parents would be at the barbeque by now, she thought. She came to the lake. She often came here. It was so peaceful and quiet. She dismounted her pony and left the pony to drink some water from the lake. She sat down in the grass and just lay there in the peace and tranquillity of the countryside.

She was startled when she heard something. She looked up and there was this boy on a horse peering over her. She jumped up quiet startled. Well hello, she exclaimed. The boy said hello back to her. How long where you there, Susie asked? "Just a few minutes. I didn't want to disturb you, because you looked so majestic just lying there in the grass".

The boy got down off his horse and he too left his horse by the lake. "My name is Larry". "My name is Susie". Can I sit here with you?". Yes you can, they were sitting in the green grass just talking and laughing.

"I didn't see you around here before. Where are you from?". "I live in the house over on the other side of the village" he replied. "That big hall". Well it is a big house.

After a while they decided it was time to go back home. They had a lovely afternoon just lying there in the grass. Susie mounted her pony and clicked the reins and galloped on home. Larry made his way home too.

Maria had some cookies made. Susie walked into the kitchen and took one. They were still hot. That night she rang Larry. He had given her his phone number. They talked for ages on the phone. They agreed to meet at the same place the following Saturday.

School passed quickly enough that week. Susie had told her mother that she was meeting Larry from the big house on Saturday. "We met last Saturday, I was at the lake when he rode by on his horse". "Well it's alright you can meet" replied her mother.

On Saturday they met at the lake just as they had promised. They just lay there in the warm spring sunshine. That summer they met every Saturday at the lake. Their friendship was like the middle of spring, full of laughter and joy. Those memories would stay with them for a long time to come. The lake had become a magic place for them to build their friendship. Then in the winter months it was all over until next spring.

*Enda Clavin*

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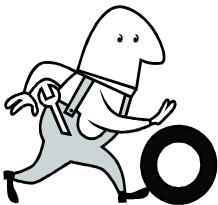
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## *Scoil Uí Fhíaich — Confirmation Day 26th Feb 2009*



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**Senna Howley**



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April 2009

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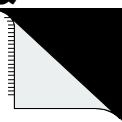
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# Party Political-Labour News



Emmet Stagg T.D.

## Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

### **Council Replies to Cllr. McGinley's Motions on Traffic Management:**

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following reply to his motion to install a roundabout at the Junction of the Meadowbrook Link Road/Straffan Road or if that was not possible to move the lights from Lidl to the junction:

"The management of traffic in Maynooth is monitored on a daily basis in the Traffic Management Centre and all issues are given appropriate consideration.

*The suggestion to install a roundabout at this junction is not considered appropriate. Problems for turning traffic at this location have been identified and traffic signals are considered to be an improvement for all users of this junction. A number of planning applications have received planning conditions to install a new signalised arrangement at this junction. A source of funding from within the County Council has not been identified to date.*

*The SCOOT system installed in the town recently has sufficient capacity to link the existing traffic signals at the entrance to LIDL with the Meadowbrook Link Road junction in the future."*

Cllr. John McGinley pointed out that with Dublin Bus proposing to move their terminus from this location it would be much easier and cheaper to install a roundabout. John will continue to press for a roundabout or lights at this dangerous junction.

### **Johns Campaign to Have the Traffic Lights at the Glenroyal Removed:**

John got the following reply from the Council:

*"Further to investigation of your query by technical staff, I can confirm that:*

*There are no plans to switch off the SCOOT adaptive control system in the Traffic Management Centre at the location in question. However, it should be noted that the issue will be reviewed as part of the general traffic management of the town during the year.*

*This set of traffic lights forms part of the wider area traffic management plan for the area. It is unwise to view this junction in isolation to other signals in the area.*

*Due to the nature of traffic signals, there will always be a perceived delay for users.*

*Traffic Management Centre staff continue to closely monitor the situation in the town on a daily basis.*

*The Council is solely interested in improving traffic management for all users, including vulnerable road users."*

Needless to say John rejected the reply and he was given full support by the four other Councillors on the Area Committee. If you would like to support this campaign please E mail the Council at [tmc@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:tmc@kildarecoco.ie) or write to John at 50 Greenfield Drive.

### **Celbridge Road/Straffan Road Junction:**

Maxol have applied for Planning Permission 08/2173 to re-vamp their shop at this junction.

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council that it be made a Planning Condition that the left turning lane at the Junction of Celbridge Road/Straffan be lengthened by Maxol removing the sharp angle on their boundary

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wall. This would allow cars to freely use the already existing green filter.

John has also asked that it be made a condition that Maxol extend the footpath from their premises to the bus stop on the Celbridge Road. At present pedestrian customers of Maxol Shop have to walk on the mud on the Celbridge Road or on the Road which of course is hazardous.

## **Safety Measures on Rathcoffey:**

Cllr. John McGinley got the following reply to his motion:

*"Further to a preliminary design and discussions with the NRA it was recommended that prior to any final design a stage 1 and 2 safety audit would be carried out for this project. The cost of such an audit would be in the region of €3,000 and as no funding has been allocated to this project no further progress has been made."*

Cllr. McGinley pointed out that the Area Committee had unanimously agreed that this project should be funded from the Deficit in Infrastructure Funds but, unfortunately the Council Management have done away with this Fund. However, John will continue to look for these essential safety measures to be put in place to the Football Pitches and the houses on the Rathcoffey road.

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

### **1. Removal of Graffiti Sought:**

"What steps are being taken to remove the graffiti from walls at Kingsbry, Parklands, Rockfield, The Teenage Activity Area and other locations in Maynooth and what discussions have taken place with the Gardai to prevent graffiti from being sprayed in the first place?"

### **2 Safety Measures Sought at Entrance to the Public Car Park:**

"That double yellow lines be painted on the left hand side of the entrance to the Public Car Park in Maynooth in order to prevent motorists from parking at this extremely dangerous corner."

Since submitting this motion the Council painted yellow lines. Unfortunately, they are 12m too short and John will be asking for this mistake to be corrected.

### **3. Safety Measures Sought for Moyglare Road:**

"That HGV's be banned from Moyglare Road, Maynooth and that traffic calming speed cushions be installed on

the road in the interest of public safety."

## **4. Improvements Sought for Old Greenfield:**

"That the following works be carried out in Old Greenfield, Maynooth:

1. That the hedge at the side of house number 861 be pruned so as to make it easier for people to use the footpath, particularly those on wheelchairs, and that this small area be given a general clean up.
2. That the hedge along the bottom of Old Greenfield Lane be trimmed on both sides and that a general clean up be carried out in an effort to get rid of the rats and to remove the magnet for litter."

## **5. Removal of Concrete Tank on the Green at The College Gates**

"When will the concrete tank on the green in front of the College Gate/Geraldine Castle, Maynooth be removed and will there be any structure over ground when this is done?"

## **Straffan Wood Housing Estate**

At the request of Cllr. John McGinley the Council has asked Albany Homes to repair the 12 lights that are out of order and the leak on the footpath at No. 7 The Avenue.

## **Teenage Activity Area & Fitness Zone at The Harbour Field**

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following update on 11 March:

*"The contractor is due back here next week to complete the works. The reinstatement of the grass areas will be done when the ground dries out more. It is too wet at the moment."*

## **Serious Litter on the Slip Road to the M4 Eastward:**

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following reply from the Council on 3 March:

*"We are organising a clean up of the motorway and this slip road within the next week or two."*

## **STAGG DENOUNCES PUBLIC SERVICE TAX IN DAIL**

Speaking on a Labour Private Members Motion in the Dail on Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup>, which sought the suspension of Government Plans to impose a pension levy on Public Servants and the recommencement of negotiations with the social partners, Deputy Emmet Stagg denounced the Governments attack on Public Servants.

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In his speech Deputy Stagg stated that he valued the Public Service and those who worked in it and he deplored the denigration of the workers by the Government and the Media in recent months. An orchestrated campaign of half truths and downright lies culminated in the unfair and severe wage cuts dressed up as a pension levy. The most oft repeated lie was that public service workers did not pay for their pensions.

Deputy Stagg further stated that the levy was unfair and inequitable in that it targeted one section of the community. Every Public Service Worker who contacted me is prepared to pay their fair share to rescue the economy, but whatever is done must be worked out on a fair and equitable basis across all of society and not on a sectional basis as is the case with the levy. Public Servants are angry that they and the public service they provide have been vilified as lazy and overpaid by the Government and the Media. They are angry that the bankers and speculators, who caused the malaise are getting off scot free and are walking off with golden handshakes and pensions of which the Public Service could not dream. They are angry at the attempt by the Government to drive a wedge between Public and Private Sector workers with misinformation and lies.

Concluding his speech Deputy Stagg stated that the Labour Party supports the Public Service and its workers. We reject this crude, unfair measure and call for its withdrawal and for the reconvening of the talks with the social partners with a view to finding the savings needed where all will share the burden equally.

## **STAGG WELCOMES GOVERNMENT UTURN ON MAYNOOTH B.N.S.**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the U Turn by the Minister for Education following the announcement that a grant of €360,000 is to be made to Maynooth Boys National School for the building of 3 permanent classrooms at the school.

The allocation of the funding will stated Deputy Stagg, provide 1 additional classroom and the removal of 2 prefabricated classrooms. This will bring the number of classrooms at the school up to 18 and will help to reduce overcrowding in the school. The plan to make the school a three stream school with 24 classrooms has been dropped for the present because of the cessation of building in the Maynooth area and the school authorities are happy with this Deputy Stagg has been advised.

Commenting on the decision Deputy Stagg stated that he welcomed the Ministers change of heart on the required extension to Maynooth Boys National School.

Only as recently as the 12<sup>th</sup> February last, the Minister announced the School Building Programme for 2009 which excluded the required extension to Maynooth B.N.S. That was an extraordinary decision given the fact that the school had the highest priority band rating in the Department assigned to major capital projects.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg congratulated the Principal, teachers and Parents Association on successfully forcing the Ministers hand on the funding.

## **AS UNEMPLOYMENT DOUBLES IN KILDARE IN PAST YEAR STAGG CALLS FOR RELEASE OF PENSION RESERVE MONEY FOR EMPLOYMENT GENERATION**

With the Publication of the Live Register figures for Kildare by the CSO which show that Unemployment in the County has more than doubled in the past year rising from 7,110 at the end of February 2008 to 14,428 people at the end of February 2009, a rise of 102%, Deputy Emmet Stagg has called for the use of funds held in the National Pension Reserve Fund to create jobs and stem the tide of Unemployment in the State.

The monthly figures continue to shock everybody stated Deputy Stagg but the figures for the Maynooth Exchange showing an increase of 128% in the past year, compared to a national average of 87%, show how hard the commuter belt areas are being hit.

The Government have no plan to reverse the trend in Unemployment continued Deputy Stagg. Their Governance of the Economy remains fixated on bringing Public Expenditure under control at all costs and bailing out the disgraced bankers. If we can give €7 Billion to the Bankers we surely are capable of devising Labour intensive projects to get people back to work whilst at the same time providing social capital in improving conditions for pupils in our schools, the disabled and elderly in their homes and for society by bringing forward urban regeneration. Why leave the €11 Billion in Reserve when we can expand Public Work Programmes throughout the State. In addition to getting people back to work the Exchequer will save enormous amounts of money as the average cost to the Exchequer in terms of Social Welfare Assistance and taxes foregone is in the order of €20,000 per worker.

The Government stated Deputy Stagg want suggestions from the Opposition in relation to the mini-budget in April. We are prepared to play our part but only if our suggestions are taken seriously and if the Government accepts that an Economic Plan means rebooting the Economy through Investment in Job Creation as well as looking at Tax Changes.

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## **DELAYS IN PROCESSING UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS SIMPLY UNACCEPTABLE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has criticised the Minister for Social Welfare for the unacceptable delays in processing claims for Jobseekers Benefit and Jobseekers Allowance at the Maynooth Labour Exchange Office.

Figures provided recently stated Deputy Stagg show that on average it takes 4.73 weeks to process an application for Jobseekers Benefit whilst it takes 10 weeks to process an application for Jobseekers Allowance. These waiting times are just unacceptable and its high time the Minister ensured that satisfactory staffing levels existed in both the Maynooth Exchange and the Ballyfermot Local Social Welfare Office where claims are decided upon.

During 2008 two additional staff were recruited to both the Maynooth Exchange and the Ballyfermot Office but from the figures on waiting times this is simply not enough to cater for the huge increase in those signing on in Maynooth which rose by 128% in the past year.

In addition to the delays in processing Jobseekers Claims, Deputy Stagg stated that Community Welfare Officer workloads have doubled in the past 12 months because of the large number of applications for assistance with rent and mortgage payments but also because of the delay in processing unemployment payments. The delays in processing Jobseeker Claims are affecting the delivery of this service also.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he intended to raise the issue further with the Minister as staffing levels are simply inadequate to deal with the entitlements of those who have lost their jobs. Cllr. John McGinley can be contacted at: 6285293h ; 087 9890645  
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## **ART EXHIBITION Maynooth Castle Keep Art Group**



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# Features

## New novel by former Maynooth teacher features Úna Bhán as 17<sup>th</sup> Century rebel

Review by Mike Lennon



The medium of the historical novel is used to great effect by Patrick Devaney to dramatise the life and times of Úna Bhán MacDermot of Moylurg in Co. Roscommon. Many will have heard the legendary tale of Úna's ill-fated love affair with Tomás Láidir Costello: her father refused to allow them to marry and Úna died of a broken heart; Tomás used to swim to Trinity Island in Lough Key to keep vigil at her grave, resulting in his death from pneumonia; he was buried beside Úna and two trees grew over their graves, which intertwined to form a lovers' knot.



Using a novelist's license in his latest book, 'Úna Bhán, Flaxen-Haired Rebel', Patrick Devaney paints a very different picture of Úna. Far from being a "garden rose" or a "gold candle on the queen's table", as portrayed by her poet-lover Costello, Devaney depicts Úna as a courageous but troubled young woman who demands to be treated as an equal in the male-dominated world of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century. She becomes a rebel committed to driving the foreigners out of Ireland. Like her heroine, Joan of Arc, she dresses in doublet, breeches and jerkin, the male attire of her day, and traverses Roscommon, Sligo, Leitrim, Cavan and Fermanagh in pursuit of her goal.

Textbook accounts of the defeat of the Irish in the 1642 Battle of Ballintober tell of a soldier pulling a cap from the head of a fallen Irish fighter to reveal the long flaxen tresses of a woman. In his graphic account of the battle Devaney identifies this woman as the dying Úna Bhán. There is no romantic resting place for Úna's body in this story: "Perhaps the New Gall had removed it before they withdrew or perhaps wolves had devoured it, for wolves were still plentiful in those days."

The Úna Bhán story is a sequel to Patrick Devaney's critically acclaimed novel 'Through the Gate of Ivory', which describes the Gaelic way of life in pre-Cromwellian Ireland. Scholarly reviewers agree that the period details in both books are superbly presented. Ciaran Parker, the distinguished historian and author of 'County Cavan', states in a recent review that: "The historical aspect is drawn with awe-inspiring accuracy", and goes on to note that "the well-drawn characters are ... rounded, three-dimension creations...They...express the tensions inherent in living in a world whose demise they anticipated but could do little or nothing to assuage." He also refers to the "very complex character" of the heroine: Úna is "frustrated at her perceived inferiority to males", whose cowardice inspires her identification with Joan of Arc. The unrequited love of the narrator, Daibhí, for Úna is an important motif in the novel, which, however, is much more than "a doomed love story".

In case anybody gets the impression that this 200-page book is just a turgid recreation of historical incidents, it is anything but. The narrative combines fine storytelling with an easy, pacy manner which vividly describes events and characters. I completely agree with Ann Dunne of the Irish Independent who wrote. "If only school history books were this much fun!"

Patrick Devaney, who retired from teaching in Maynooth Post-primary in 2002, now lives with his wife Cheryl in Co. Cavan. As well as the aforementioned 'Through The Gate of Ivory' (Lilliput Press), he has published four novels for teenagers: 'Rua the Red Grouse' (Kildanore), and 'The Stranger and the Pooka', 'The Psychic Edge', and 'Tribal Scars' (all by Mentor Press).

**'Una Bhan, Flaxen-Haired Rebel' is on sale for €10 in Easons and Maynooth Bookshop.**

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## **Fitzpatrick welcomes new steps to assist small enterprises**

The Government Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee and Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North, Michael Fitzpatrick, has welcomed the announcement by An Taoiseach that steps are to be taken to assist the enterprise sector.

"An Taoiseach has announced that each County Council will establish a 'Business Support Unit' as a point of contact to ensure a quick, co-ordinated response to businesses when dealing with local authorities."

"An Tanaiste will meet with local authority managers shortly with the Minister for the Environment to discuss how they can increase their level of support to start-up enterprises and how conditions for running businesses can be improved locally."

"I hear from local businesses in Kildare and beyond that cash flow is a major problem for them. In response to this, the Minister will shortly announce a number of improvements to reduce regulatory burdens to local small and medium enterprises. The Government is committing to reducing the payment period for businesses from Central Government from 30 to 15 days. This may be extended to the local authority, health and education sectors depending on the results of an assessment at the end of April."

"Details of additional measures will be announced shortly."

"It is vital that every practical support possible is given to the small business sector. They form a vital part of our economy and are valuable employers. In these tough economic times we must try to protect and promote small enterprise," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **New jobs for north Kildare with expansion of Hewlett Packard - Fitzpatrick**

North Kildare Fianna Fail TD and Government Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the news that 500 jobs are to be created locally with Hewlett Packard.

"At a time when the economy is contracting it is very encouraging that these jobs are coming to north Kildare."

"These jobs are high quality and are a reflection on the local workforce."

"I know that the Government, in particular the Tanaiste and Minister for Enterprise and the IDA are working hard to secure all possible investment for Ireland. It is not easy with the global economic downturn but it is a statement of confidence in Ireland and north Kildare that HP have expanded here. I am sure that our local workforce combined with excellent local road and rail network would have been a positive influence on their decision."

"I am further encouraged that HP have indicated that they have every intention of expanding even further with potentially another 500 jobs over the next 2 – 3 years."

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"HP will make an investment of €18million in their Global Service Desk operation in the Liffey Park Technology Campus and this will be supported by the IDA and the growth plans will include the creation of a research, development and innovation capability for HP's global service desk."

"I know that the Government and the IDA will provide every possible support and encouragement to any other companies wishing to invest here," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Bankers will be held to account - Fitzpatrick**

Bankers involved in any kind of wrongdoing that added to the difficulties that the financial institutions now find themselves in will be fully held to account, according to local Fianna Fáil TD Michael Fitzpatrick.

"There is understandably a lot of anger out there about the lack of sufficient regulation in the banking industry but I want to assure people that anyone found to be involved in any kind of wrongdoing will be fully held to account."

"The Government must give due process to each of the individuals involved. All the facts must be firmly established before any action is taken."

"But every element of suggested wrongdoing in the banking sector is being investigated extensively and those found guilty of wrongdoing will face severe penalty."

"The problems stemmed from the actions of a small number of people. The people working in Kildare banks are in no way responsible for the events of recent weeks and that is important to remember."

"Under the Recapitalisation Scheme, total pay of senior banking executives in Bank of Ireland and Allied Irish Bank will be reduced by 33 per cent, and further cuts are also expected to be made."

"There is suggestion in some quarters that Fianna Fáil only nationalised Anglo Irish Bank in order to 'bail out' developers. This is not true. Had the Government not nationalised Anglo Irish Bank and the bank had gone bust, most of the bad debt would be written off which would have cost the Irish taxpayer not millions but billions."

"The reason the Government nationalised the bank was to put some stability into the bank. Now in turn those billions of euro in bad debt will be pursued and this is in the best interests of the taxpayer."

"When a bank goes bust, a liquidator would step in and would normally only recover 10-15 per cent of the bad debt. That situation would have had dire consequences for this country."

"The Government have no fear or favour of any individual either investing or involved in any collusion in the Irish banking sector. All bad debtors will be rigorously chased whether that individual be a developer or otherwise."

"In relation to AIB and Bank of Ireland, it is every individual in the State that the Government are guaranteeing, and with the €3.5 billion investment in each bank codes of conduct and safeguards are established between Government and the banks whereby banks cannot re-possess homes without having due regard to the new code of conduct set down by Government."

"Money will now be available again within the banks for business loans and first time buyers. Strict controls and regimes will be in place from here on in."

"The events of the last number of weeks are truly unprecedented and I hope that we will never see events like this again. I have full confidence in the Taoiseach Brian Cowen TD and the Minister for Finance, Brian Lenihan TD, to ensure that strict regulations are put in place to see that the likes of this can never happen again," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Recommended cap on bankers salaries must be agreed to – Fitzpatrick**

Fianna Fáil TD for Kildare North and Convenor of the Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the news that the Government is seeking a salary cap of €500,000 on bankers' salaries.

"The Minister for Finance Brian Lenihan TD has written to those financial institutions covered by the State bank guarantee scheme seeking a salary cap of €500,000 on bankers salaries, saying that any deviation from this figure should only be made in exceptional circumstances."

"The request has come from the Minister on the back of the publication of a report by the Covered Institutions Remuneration Oversight Committee which recommended the salaries, bonuses and pension levels for bank chief executives, chairs and ordinary board members."

"The sum of €500,000 that the Minister has requested is lower than the sum recommended by the Committee."

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It should be noted that Germany and the United States have also capped the salaries of executives in bailed out banks."

"When the taxpayer is bailing out these banks it has had a real affect on public confidence to hear about the salaries into the millions of top executives. At a time when families are under increasing financial pressure, these capped salaries simply must be agreed to."

"I hope that the participating banks respond quickly to the Minister's request," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Regional Planning Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area-closing date for submissions Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> 2009.**

Regional Planning Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area cover seven different Councils, including Kildare County Council. It is a policy document which aims to direct the future growth of the Greater Dublin Area, ensuring sustainable and good planning in the right places, protecting sensitive or environmentally important locations. The guidelines inform and direct the City and County Development Plans of each of the Councils.

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick urges interested organisations, business interests, community and environmental groups and the general public to submit their key concerns, suggestions and ideas on what they would like Kildare to look like, where investment should be focused.

"These guidelines give direction to the County Development Plans of each of the local Councils and also seek to guide central Government departments on issues such as investment in water services, new road and public transport, health investment and new schools, said Deputy Fitzpatrick.

He further added that "the guidelines also inform State bodies such as Irish Rail, the ESB so that they can make decisions. The aim is to ensure a match between where people live and work and the services needed to support them".

The closing date for submission is March 30<sup>th</sup> 2009. More information is available on [www.rpg.ie](http://www.rpg.ie)

## **Planning and Development Act should be changed to Facilitate Greater Consultation and Reduce Conflict between Minister for Environment and County Councils.**

Provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000 should be improved to enable more discussion and

consultation between local authorities and the Department of the Environment when City and County plans are being drawn up. This would lead to fewer disagreements between Local Authorities and the Department of the Environment and result in more timely and effective local planning.

These are some of the key findings contained in a report published by the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Environment, Heritage and Local Government. "The findings of the report recommend a clear process whereby this form of discord could be avoided in the future", according to Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick who is a member of this committee.

The report states that the Planning and Development Act should be amended to allow for a period of consultation involving the Department, local authorities and general public, should there be a direction to vary a County Development Plan. Furthermore, new development plans should not be initiated within two years of local council elections. This measure is to facilitate continuity, by ensuring that the councillors who commenced the plan are still in office when the plan is to be completed.

"The recommendations contained in this report should considerably assist the process of co-ordination between local and central governments. In future, more collaboration is needed to bring about a more efficient working relationship between local authorities and government departments. This relationship is crucial to ensure effective and successful local administration", added Michael.

The recommendations of the report will be passed on to the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government to advise him regarding any changes to the legislation.

The report itself will be laid before the Houses of the Oireachtas.

County Development Plans provide a framework for land use, development, strategic planning, conservation and heritage. It provides objectives, standards and development controls which will be applied to all development within the County.

For a full copy of the report see [www.oireachtas.ie](http://www.oireachtas.ie)

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## *St. Patrick's Day Parade*



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*Aine Brady T.D.*

### **Jobs boost for north Kildare with 500 new positions for Hewlett-Packard - Brady**

Fianna Fáil TD for Kildare North Áine Brady has today welcomed the news that 500 new jobs are coming to Leixlip with the expansion of operations at Hewlett-Packard at the Liffey Park Technology Campus.

"This is great news for the local people and also for local businesses that will see the knock on effect of new people employed locally."

"I am delighted that the Tanaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Mary Coughlan TD and the IDA have been successful in securing these jobs for north Kildare. At a time of severe economic downturn and loss of jobs it is encouraging to see that investment can be generated and new jobs can be created."

"The 500 jobs will be created over the next 12 months in the areas of technical support, R&D and training. Recruitment for 300 positions will begin immediately."

"HP have stated that they chose Ireland for expansion because of access to a highly skilled workforce and I know that HP will not be disappointed."

"It is a statement of confidence in Ireland and the workforce in north Kildare that HP have chosen us for their investment."

"I understand that HP intends to further expand their operations over the coming years and increase their workforce by an additional 500 positions. I know that the Government and the IDA will provide every support possible to enable this to happen."

"North Kildare has had a long and successful relationship with HP and they invested more than half a billion euro in the site in Co. Kildare expanding their operations to include their sales and services division, their financial services, the ink-jet supplies manufacturing and the Global Service Desk Operation."

"I would like to wish HP every success with their endeavour and their continuing investment in north Kildare," concluded Deputy Brady.

### **Integrated Smart Card on the way for Commuters says Brady.**

Deputy Áine Brady has stated that the proposed integrated ticketing system, for the Greater Dublin Area, is being introduced on a phased basis, based on smart card technology, replacing magnetic strip technology.

'The Minister for Transport informed me, following my question, that as part of the integrated ticketing development, Irish Rail will launch an interim smart card scheme from late summer.

These smart card schemes will enable customers to familiarise themselves with the use and flexibilities of smart card systems in advance of the introduction of the single smart card scheme.'

'From late 2009, a single smart card will be introduced on a progressive basis for tickets on Dublin Bus and Luas services. This smart card will also have an electronic purse capability for use on both services. "This single smart card system will then be extended to Irish Rail DART and the commuter rail services that service Kildare, within a further 12 months. Bus Éireann will also be included in the project on a pilot basis on a number of its commuter routes.' stated Deputy Brady

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## **Maynooth Boys School gets funding approved for Extension.**

Deputy Áine Brady has been informed by the Minister for Education at a meeting with the Minister on Thursday last, that Maynooth Boys National School has been successful in securing funding for an extension.

'I am delighted that Maynooth Boys National School has been successful in securing funding to enable the school to provide a 3 classroom extension which will replace the existing two prefabs and provide an additional classroom at the School.' stated Deputy Brady.

'While I have worked extremely hard to bring this issue to a successful conclusion, I do want to acknowledge the work of the Principal, Board of Management, Teachers and Parents, who worked in a positive and professional manner with all concerned, and brought this project to the next stage.'

'The Department Officials will be in contact with the school authorities and agree a way forward to the tender and construction stage. I arranged for the School Management to meet with the Minister for Education on his recent visit to Maynooth. I want to thank the Minister for the pro-active and innovative approach he has taken to resolving the issue.' stated Deputy Brady.

'This announcement, taken with the approval for the construction of the new Maynooth Gael Scoil, the approval for the construction of a new school in Ardclough, the completion of the extension to the Girls School in Maynooth and the new Educate Together in Maynooth, demonstrate to any fair observer that we are punching above our weight from an investment in Education Infrastructure perspective in these challenging times.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Job Seekers Entitlement delays raised with Minister - Brady**

Deputy Áine Brady has raised the issue of the waiting time that some Kildare people are currently experiencing in obtaining their job seekers benefits and allowances, with the Minister for Social Affairs, Mary Hanafin T. D.

'I am fully aware that staff at our Social Affairs Offices are working extremely hard to process the rising number of applications for Job Seekers Allowances and other entitlements. Most people are securing their entitlements in a timely fashion. Last month, the average processing time for Jobseeker benefit is two weeks and Jobseekers allowance was five weeks with almost 2000 staff nationwide working in Social Affairs

processing these claims. The average processing time, in the Maynooth office, is 2.77 weeks for Jobseeker Benefit.'

'However, I do know from my clinics that there are a small number of applications who are waiting too long for their entitlements. I understand that, in some of these cases, it relates to incomplete information being on people's P 45's. I have asked the Minister to check out these types of delays.'

'It is important that people who have lost their jobs are given all their entitlements as soon as possible. The Minister for Social Affairs has also assured me that her Department and the Department of Enterprise and the Department of Education are co-operating to create more jobs and training opportunities for those losing their jobs.'

'The Government has established a €4 million scheme to assist Apprentices who are out of work, and enable FÁS to implement an Employer Based Redundant Apprentice Rotation scheme. This scheme will assist Apprentices gain the required experience to progress to the next off-the-job phase or to complete their apprenticeship. Details of the scheme can be obtained from on the **FÁS website [www.fas.ie](http://www.fas.ie)** or **FÁS Jobs Ireland at Free phone 1800 611 116** or **FÁS offices in Athlone 090 6486590.**' stated Deputy Brady.

'Anyone who is under financial pressure while awaiting a decision on their claims can apply to their local Community Welfare Officer for Supplementary Welfare Allowance.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **School funding boost for Maynooth – Brady**

Kildare North Fianna Fáil TD, Áine Brady has welcomed the news that Scoil Ú Fhiach in Maynooth will get a new 16 classroom school.

'I am delighted that Maynooth will benefit from this investment as I have had many meetings with this Minister and the previous Minister about the need for this new school.'

'Over the last number of years the population around Maynooth has grown considerably, especially the numbers of young families. It is vital that we give these children the best start possible and the provision of high quality education is vital.'

'I am confident that the work will progress quickly and we will all see the benefits of this investment shortly. Officials from the Department of Education will be in

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touch with the schools to advise them on the next steps to take.”

“I understand from the Minister that details regarding the Summer Works Scheme and a new plan to improve energy efficiency in schools will be announced shortly.”

“I want to pay tribute to the Principal, Teachers, Parents and Board of Management for the efforts that they put in a very positive campaign to achieve this announcement today. I will keep the pressure on the Department to have the construction phase commence as soon as possible. The construction of the new school will hopefully also generate employment locally.”

“This investment taken in conjunction with the recently completed extension to the Maynooth Girls School will increase the school place capacity in Maynooth. I met with the Minister again yesterday to press for the extension to the Boys School. I will keep working on this project until we get approval.” concluded Deputy Brady.

### **PETER (PEADAR) KEARNEY, R.I.P.**

It was with great shock and sadness that we learned of the sudden and untimely death of our colleague Superintendent Peadar Kearney recently. Peadar served in Maynooth from 1984 as a Garda until his promotion to Sergeant in June 1993. He returned as Sergeant in July 1994 and served the people of Maynooth until his promotion to rank of Inspector. He was held in high esteem by the people of Maynooth and his colleagues and made many lasting friends in the town. At the time of his sudden death he was serving as Superintendent in Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. Taken from this world in his prime he will be sadly missed by all especially his wife Carmel and his three children.

May He Rest in Peace.

Gardaí, Maynooth.

# *Tidy Towns*

## *Maynooth Tidy Towns*

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## *Tidy Towns*

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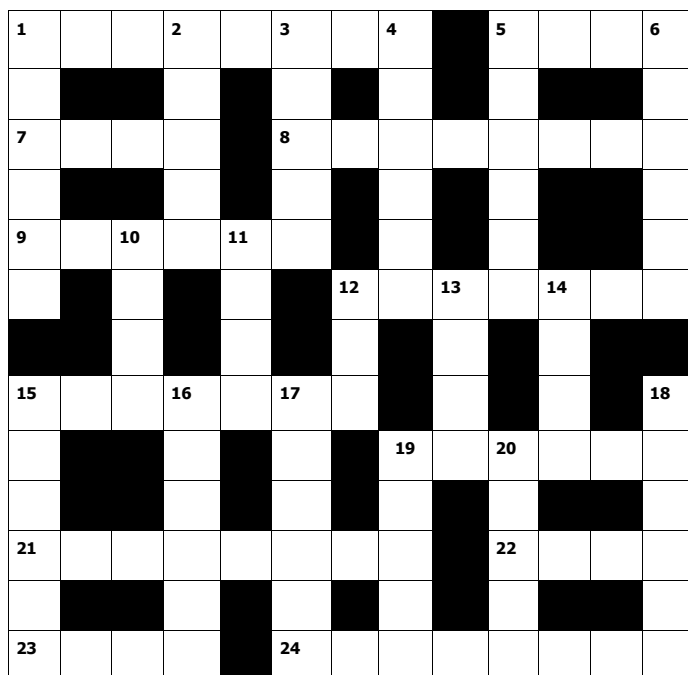
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# Crossword No. 76



Entries in before: 16th April 2009

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## Across:

1. Reprimand (8)
5. Hospital room (4)
7. Roman emperor (4)
8. Common gas (8)
9. Chum (6)
12. Surround (7)
15. Headstrong (7)
19. Revulsion (6)
21. The Laughing \_ \_ \_ , Hals painting (8)
22. Insensitive (4)
23. Spoke (4)
24. Physical work-out (8)

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## Down:

1. Fled (3-3)
2. Major European River (5)
3. Plant- infesting insect (5)
4. Crowd together (6)
5. Actress, \_ \_ \_ Goldberg (6)
6. Crocodile \_ \_ \_ , film (6)
10. Lazily (4)
11. Girl's name (4)
12. Corrupt (3)
13. Settee (4)
14. Water jug (4)
15. Flinches (6)
16. Pinball \_ \_ \_ , Who song (6)
17. Purify (6)
18. Digestible (6)
19. Crazy \_ \_ \_ , Sioux Indian chief (5)
20. Uniform jacket (5)

## Answers to crossword No. 75

### Across:

1. Suppress, 5. Beef, 7. Steel, 8. Tearful, 9. Constable, 13. Read, 16. Eve, 17. Ilk, 18. Some, 21. Tradition, 24. Artiste, 26. Virus, 27. Hire, 28. Employer.

### Down:

1. Sister, 2. Paella, 3. Relic, 4. See, 5. Barracks, 6. False, 8. Tan, 10. Overt, 11. Sligo, 12. Loam, 14. Emir, 15. Deadline, 19. Osprey, 20. Eraser, 21. Teach, 22. Ire, 23. Novel, 25. Tie.



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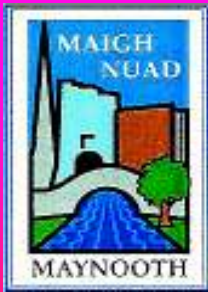
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# Editorial

## EDITORIAL MAY 2009

As the bright evenings get longer and the weather becomes drier and progressively improves, it is difficult to deal with the gloom, pessimism and financial worries that many of us as residents have at the moment, with the economic turmoil and serious difficulties that the country as a whole is experiencing and trying to deal with.

The constant news of people losing their jobs, cut backs which are necessary to ensure future economic stability for the present and future generations, restrictions on take-home pay with the introduction of levies, etc – all take their toll on us individually as people, and the fundamental thing to remember is that people and families are at the core of this distressful and difficult time in our history.

When we think back to the harsh times we experienced in the 1980's, we remember the sense of depression and gloom that hung in the air, as newly qualified graduates had to emigrate to find work and the queues outside employment exchanges were so long. Now we are fighting the national situation against a cataclysmic global depression and serious financial and banking crises and the difficulties, remedies and decisions that have to be made are very difficult.

The Irish people are a hard working, determined and resilient race and I have no doubt that we will pull through and at the other side of this period, the economy and the nation as a whole will be better in terms of lessons learnt and longer term strategies made for the future of our nation.

In the meantime, we must try and remember to be kind to one another, to be aware of how people or members of our community may be feeling, to be watchful for signs of emotional and physical stress, as we well remember the numbers of suicides in the country during the 1980's period, caused by financial worries and distress.

Brid Feely,  
Editor.

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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009

The meeting began with a presentation by Prof. John Hughes, President of the National University of Ireland, Maynooth and this was followed by a question and answer session. The President was accompanied by Mr Frank Fitzmaurice Director of Corporate Services in NUIM for the past two years. The Chairman, Colm Ó Cearúil said that the initial contact with the College had been made through the Planning and Development committee.

Prof. Hughes said that the University has come a long way since the '60s and emphasised that 75% is dedicated to Culture, Arts and Social Sciences. In 2008 NUIM was named University of the Year, and it has been the fastest growing University in Ireland. There are over 9,000 students, in three Faculties, but this increase will soon peak – only a further 200-300 students will be taken in.

The University has the highest points in Arts and Science as well as the highest research income per academic in Ireland. It is the only university with particular contacts with Intel such as Global Education Partner and Innovation Value Institute. Intel has invested heavily in these and NUIM offers an Engineering MA for them, including people from the States. There will future growth in spin-out, spin-in companies, in licensing technology and start up companies, this is bringing business to the area. There will be more part-time students and there is a new business and law degree.

He stressed the fact that Universities are under threat, the cuts are extensive and amalgamations/closures are possible. NUIM gives 800 jobs and brings €70m annually into the economy.

Frank Fitzmaurice said that Maynooth is the only university town in Ireland and outlined future plans. It is the intention to bring campus closer to the town, to link both campuses and the town. He outlined the major developments: New Library, Arts and Social Science Building, Carton Innovation Camp, Student Apartments, Restaurant and signature buildings close to the Kilcock Road.

The Arts/Social Science building will begin now and be ready in July 2010. There will be no theatre as there was a shortfall in the available funding. Carton Park will have research projects, developing products and incubator and start-up companies. The Apartments will add about 350 beds near playing pitches. A new restaurant is required because of the recent fire. The signature buildings are some years away, 2-5 years, because of the funding issues.

The council members raised a number of issues and questions:  
The library could be connected electronically with the local library. Building workers will be kept on-site during construction.

There is a traffic management report pending and a strategy will be developed for traffic/parking, they are trying to promote cycling and walking.

The College had looked at buying property in the town but it had been too expensive in the past.

The President spoke about the Carton development was necessary – incubation business should be separate from education. He said that the area in Carton is derelict, screened and near the river. No trees will be felled, no impact on cultural aspect. He praised the beauty of the environment of Carton and pointed to the pristine nature of the South Campus and gardens to show their care of Heritage. NUIM had a space for archives in Castletown.

Frank Fitzmaurice said that they were also interested in a connection between the H. Field developments at Parson Street and the campus and the railway. St Patrick's were independent but involved. There was a plan for a boulevard on the Kilcock Road and a question over the existing footbridge.

There were reports from the various committees of the Council, including the St Patrick's Day Parade. J. McGinley said there the floats were nearly double that of last year, Derrinstown stud was the main sponsor, Carton House had a float and also contributed. Willie Kiernan and George O'Connor gave their services free of charge. Thorntons sponsored a band (€800) and gave the trailer. There will be a full report after the Parade takes place.

A serious matter was raised by P. Croghan of the Tidy Towns committee –the havoc caused by the sewerage works with their areas all torn up and with no reference. J. McGinley explained that the contractor began work without approval, without an archaeologist although they were working in a zone of archaeological protection around the College etc. Work had now stopped – the council agreed that the Tidy Towns committee should write a letter demanding that their work should be reinstated and that the Executive would send this to Kildare County Council.

D. Cullen of the Planning and Development committee raised two important issues. She had contacted Meath County Council regarding the changes to the Carton Park plans – they were too large to photocopy. The Meath draft local area plan included the two Smart Parks one at Moygaddy and Carton. The Plan was only publicised in the Meath Chronicle. The committee were told that they could make a submission even though the date had passed. It was agreed that the committee would make the submission and that the Executive would back this.

The second issue also concerned Meath County Council who had a planning application for 500 houses in the Maynooth Environs. The public meeting was held in Dunboyne and the display period was over. This was only one and a half kilometres from Maynooth and there was no coordination with Co Kildare. They would be dependent on services from Kildare. After a long discussion it was decided that a letter would be sent from the committee and then endorsed by the Executive. It was emphasised that there was no onus on Meath Co Co to contact Kildare.  
(Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, Secretary, Maynooth Community Council)



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# May in the Garden

## Grow crops in pots

**Y**ou may not have room for a vegetable patch or time for an allotment, but many delicious varieties of salad, vegetable and fruit will thrive in containers and don't take up much space. To grow crops on patios, balconies, windowsills and roof gardens.



### What to do

- \* Buy ready grown plants of sweet pepper, chilli pepper, cherry tomato and aubergine, strawberries and herbs or try cut salad mixes grown from seed.
- \* Mix a handful of water-retaining crystals into your compost and fill your pot to the top. Gently tap to settle the compost and firm down with your fingertips. Leave a 2cm (1in) gap between the compost and the top of the pot for watering.
- \* Scoop out compost in the centre to leave a hole slightly bigger than the rootball of your plant.
- \* Gently remove plant from pot and place in hole. Replace compost around the plant and firm, making sure the surface of the plant is level with the top of the compost.
- \* If growing from seed, check the instructions on the packet. Either raise in small pots before planting into larger ones or scatter across the surface of the compost and water in.
- \* For larger fruit bushes such as blueberries, figs, peaches and apricots, select a larger pot and make sure you check the compost requirements on the plant label.

## Plant up a growing bag

Growing bags are also an ideal way to grow tomatoes, aubergines, chillies and cucumber on sunny patios and balconies, as well as in the greenhouse. This easy care guide will show you what to do.

Despite only measuring 35cm x 95cm (13in x 37in), growing bags have enough space for three vegetable plants that will provide you with enough food for several meals over the summer. Plant two to three plants in each bag during spring. Bags were traditionally used under glass and were introduced as an alternative to planting directly into greenhouse soil. Not having permanent borders meant the space could be used more efficiently throughout the year and plants would not become infected by soil-borne diseases. Today, they are still ideal for growing plants in the greenhouse, but are also perfect in a sunny spot outdoors

### What to grow

Growing bags are ideal for plants that don't have deep roots, such as tomatoes, cucumbers, sweet peppers, chilli peppers, aubergines and courgettes. Plant two to three plants in each bag during spring. Alternatively, cut a long panel in the top of the bag and sow salads in rows. Endive, lettuce, basil and rocket can be sown from spring to late summer.

If growing salads, prepare the bag as before and cut out a long panel on top of the bag. Plant or sow in rows across the width of the bag.

### After care

When taller growing or top-heavy crops are 20cm (8in) high, push a cane into the bag next to each plant. Tie the plant to the cane and attach the cane to a frame. This will prevent the plants from toppling over in the wind or if they become top heavy. Keep the compost moist and feed plants such as aubergine, tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers with a high potash fertiliser when flowers appear - this will ensure you get the plumpest fruit. When crops have finished, split the bag open and recycle the compost as a soil conditioner in the garden.



# Maynooth Flower and Garden Club

**Next meeting: Tuesday 19th May at 8.00p.m.**

Venue: North Kildare Club  
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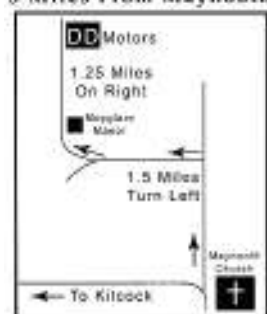
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# Maynooth Community Games

On Sunday 1st March Boys and Girls packed their bags and headed for Maynooth College Pool and participated in Community Games Competitions.

Results as follows:

## Maynooth West Boys Swimming

### Under 8 Freestyle

1st Fergal O'Sullivan

### Under 10 Freestyle

1st Conor Loftus

### Under 12 Freestyle

1st Ross Kavanagh  
2nd Blake Van Duyvenvoorde  
3rd Dara McCormack

### Under 12 Breaststroke

1st Blake Van Duyvenvoorde  
2nd Dara McCormack  
3rd Conor Loftus

### Under 12 Backstroke

1st Ross Kavanagh  
2nd Dara McCormack

### Under 14 Freestyle

1st Oisín Ó Súilleabháin  
2nd David Greene  
3rd Sean Healy

### Under 14 Breaststroke

1st Oisín Ó Súilleabháin  
2nd David Greene

### Under 14 Backstroke

1st Oisín Ó Súilleabháin  
2nd David Greene

### Under 16 Butterfly

1st Oisín Ó Súilleabháin  
2nd David Greene

## Maynooth East Boys Swimming

### Under 10 Freestyle

1st Conor Lynch  
2nd James Sheridan

### Under 10 Backstroke

1st Conor Lynch  
2nd James Sheridan

## Under 12 Freestyle

1st Rory Feehan  
2nd Seán Gill  
3rd Killian O'Carroll

## Under 12 Breaststroke

1st Seán Gill  
2nd Rory Feehan  
3rd Killian O'Carroll

## Under 12 Backstroke

1st Seán Gill  
2nd Rory Feehan

## Under 14 Freestyle

1st Joseph Millett  
2nd Eoghan O'Carroll

## Under 14 Breaststroke

1st Joseph Millett  
2nd Eoghan O'Carroll

## Under 14 Backstroke

1st Joseph Millett  
2nd Eoghan O'Carroll

## Under 16 Freestyle

1st Seán McKnight

## Under 16 Butterfly

1st Conor Lynch  
2nd Joseph Millett

## Maynooth West Girls Swimming

### Under 8 Freestyle

1st Ella O'Connor  
2nd Zara Finlay  
3rd Aoife Walsh

### Under 10 Freestyle

1st Saoirse O'Sullivan  
2nd Andrea Greene  
3rd Aileen Horgan/Ella Barton  
4th Emma Kane/Rachel McMahon

### Under 10 Backstroke

1st Saoirse O'Sullivan  
2nd Andrea Greene  
3rd Aileen Horgan

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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

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## **Under 12 Freestyle**

1st Róisín Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

## **Under 12 Breaststroke**

1st Andrea Greene

2nd Saoirse O'Sullivan

3rd Róisín Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

## **Under 12 Backstroke**

1st Róisín Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

## **Under 14 Freestyle**

1st Brenda Finlay

## **Under 14 Breaststroke**

1st Brenda Finlay

2nd Saoirse Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

## **Under 14 Backstroke**

1st Brenda Finlay

2nd Saoirse Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

## **Under 16 Butterfly**

1st Brenda Finlay

2nd Saoirse O'Sullivan

3rd Róisín Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

## **Maynooth East Girls Swimming**

### **Under 8 Freestyle**

1st Fiona Lynch

2nd Martha Gilligan

3rd Emma Gill

### **Under 10 Freestyle**

1st Alison Hastings/Ruth Millett

2nd Claire Gill/Lara Feehan

3rd Ellen Walshe/Chloe Tracey

### **Under 10 Backstroke**

1st Claire Gill

2nd Ellen Walshe

3rd Lara Feehan

### **Under 12 Freestyle**

1st Laura Millett

2nd Aoife Lynch

3rd Rachael Wilson

### **Under 12 Breaststroke**

1st Laura Millett

2nd Aoife Lynch

3rd Maeve Cowhey

## **Under 12 Backstroke**

1st Aoife Lynch

2nd Maeve Cowhey

## **Under 14 Freestyle**

1st Sarah Curran

## **Under 14 Breaststroke**

1st Sarah Curran

## **Under 16 Freestyle**

1st Katie Curran

## **Under 16 Butterfly**

1st Aoife Lynch

**Well done to all the Boys and Girls and Good Luck in the County Final on Saturday 6th June.**

**Thanks to Jeff and Maynooth College Pool for hosting the event and Mairead Hynes for helping out.**

## **Maynooth Art**

**On Thursday 26th February Boys and Girls assembled in the B.N.S. with pencils, pens and colours. Well done to all.**

## **Results as follows:**

### **East Boys**

#### **Under 8**

1st Conor Lynch

#### **Under 10**

1st James Sheridan

2nd Philip Kruger

3rd Colm Tracey

#### **Under 12**

1st Rory Feehan

2nd Joseph Carton

3rd Caolann Haughton

### **West Boys**

#### **Under 8**

1st Caoilin Fleming

#### **Under 10**

1st Samuel Corrigan

2nd Erainn Ó Chonacháin/Conor Loftus

3rd Charlie McMyler/Brian Gallagher

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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

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## West Boys

### Under 12

1st Ross Kavanagh  
2nd Liam Byrne  
3rd Michael Diamond/Dara McCormack

## East Girls

### Under 8

1st Lisa Cully  
2nd Fiona Lynch

### Under 10

1st Ailish Phillips  
2nd Áine Feeney  
3rd Lara Feehan

### Under 12

1st Pauline Hill  
2nd Aoife Lynch  
3rd Linda Kruger

### Under 14

1st Sarah Jennings  
2nd Sarah Curran  
3rd Alanna Sweeney

## West Girls

### Under 8

1st Anna Loftus

### Under 10

1st Iris Kakouli-Duarte  
2nd Aisling Doherty/Thal Rosen  
3rd Ellen McCormack

### Under 12

1st Robyn Kelly  
2nd Megan Diamond/Róisín Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain  
3rd Kirstin Jordan

### Under 14

1st Elizabeth Abyo  
2nd Saoirse Ní Chonacháin-Bhriain

### Under 16

1st Niamh Kearney

### Special Under 6

1st Eimear Quinn/Martha McCormack

**Thanks to the B.N.S. for hosting the event.  
Also to Jennifer Feehan/Elaine Houlihan for  
judging the art pieces.**

## Table Tennis

**Maynooth East Table Tennis Team Under 16  
Boys did us proud winning the Kildare County  
Final on Tuesday 3rd February beating Confey.**

Team: Jakub Zukowski, Conor Mullally, Ryan Lally,  
Donie Mullally, Niall Flynn.

## Table Quiz

On Thursday 15th January boys and girls assembled  
in the G.N.S. to battle out places on a Quiz Team for  
Maynooth East, Maynooth West.

Two teams attended the Kildare Final in Eadestown  
on Friday 23rd January. Team consisting of  
Maynooth East:

Sarah Jennings  
Niamh Feeney

Eoin Bonass  
Róisín Fanthom

came home with the Cup. The team now go on to  
the National Finals in May 23rd/24th.  
Good Luck Team.

Also well done to the 2nd team who came in 4th:

Michael Carton  
Ross O'Connor

Mark Thompson  
Conor Gorman

Thanks to Mrs. Fitzgerald, Principal of the Girls School  
for hosting the event and to Brian O'Malley, Colm  
Murphy for organising the event and tutoring for the  
finals.

Good luck to the team:

Sarah, Niamh, Róisín and Eoin  
And subs, Michael and Ross

In the National Finals in Athlone on weekend  
23rd/24th May.

**Margaret Houlihan**



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### *To My Dear And Loving Husband*



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one, then surely  
we.  
If ever man were  
lov'd by wife, then  
thee.  
If ever wife was  
happy in a man,  
Compare with me,  
ye women, if you  
can.  
I prize thy love  
more than whole  
Mines of gold

Or all the riches that the East doth hold.  
My love is such that Rivers cannot quench,  
Nor ought but love from thee give  
recompetence.  
Thy love is such I can no way repay.  
The heavens reward thee manifold, I pray.  
Then while we live, in love let's so persevere  
That when we live no more, we may live ever.

*by Anne Bradstreet*

### *Hope*

Hope was but a timid friend;  
She sat without the grated den,  
Watching how my fate would tend,  
Even as selfish-hearted men.

She was cruel in her fear;  
Through the bars, one dreary day,  
I looked out to see her there,  
And she turned her face away!

Like a false guard, false watch keeping,  
Still, in strife, she whispered peace;  
She would sing while I was weeping;  
If I listened, she would cease.

False she was, and unrelenting;  
When my last joys strewed the ground,  
Even Sorrow saw, repenting,  
Those sad relics scattered round;

Hope, whose whisper would have given  
Balm to all my frenzied pain,  
Stretched her wings, and soared to heaven,  
Went, and ne'er returned again!

*by Emily Bronte*

### *My Dog*

My Dog is all I need  
For company with all my pride  
Each day I give it a feed  
And makes me feel  
good inside  
I cherish my pet with  
delight  
As I wish never to be  
apart  
My Jack Russell is a  
pretty sight  
That I cherish in my  
heart  
I know people get tire of them  
Just barking all night and day  
But it has no master of any men  
It is only me that has any say.  
I feed it on meat, bread, and drink  
As it looks healthy and strong too  
If I only knew what my dog does think  
But still it is the best pal I know  
My dog will never answer back  
Or do any devious offence  
But true friendship we never lack  
That is within my dog to sense  
I am just thinking of the times  
We enjoyed while I was a boy  
With such passion my heart unwinds  
That I remember even till I die.



*By Patrick Murray*



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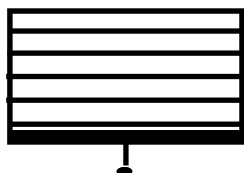


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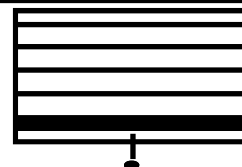
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## Features

# *The Month of May*

**M**ay is named after the Greek goddess, Maia. The month is a time of great celebrations in the northern hemisphere. It is the time when flowers emerge and crops begin to sprout.

The Anglo-Saxon name for May was Tri-Milchi, in recognition of the fact that with the lush new grass cows could be milked three times a day. It was first called May in about 1430, before then it was called Maius, Mayes, or Mai.

**The gemstone for May is Emerald:** The green variety of the mineral beryl, is the most famous and favoured green gemstone. Its beautiful green colour, combined with durability and rarity, makes it one of the most valuable gemstones).

**Flower for May is Lily of the Valley:** This flower is also known as Our Lady's tears since, according to Christian legend, the lily of the valley came into being from Eve's tears after she was kicked out of the Garden of Eden



### Old Sayings for May

"A wet May makes a big load of hay.  
A cold May is kindly and fills the barn  
finely. "

"Mist in May, Heat in June  
Makes harvest come right soon"

"If you wash a blanket in May;  
You will wash one of the family  
away."

"Those who bathe in May  
Will soon be laid in clay"

"A swarm of bees in May  
Is worth a load of hay."

### Anniversaries in May

30th May 1431 **Joan of Arc** was burned at the stake.

12th May 1820 **Florence Nightingale** was born.

2nd May 1892 - Birth of **Red Baron** Manfred von Richthofen

29th May 1917 - President **John Fitzgerald Kennedy** was born.

3rd May 1921 **Sugar Ray Robinson** was born.

May 14th 1921 - **Florence Allen** became the first female judge to sentence a man to death.

5th May 1930 **Amy Johnson** was the first woman to fly solo from England to Australia.

6th May 1937 - 36 people die in the **Hindenburg disaster**

29th May 1953 **Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay** reached the summit of Everest.

May 28th, 1971 **Audie Murphy**, World War 2 hero, and movie actor, was killed in a plane crash aged 46.

2nd May 1975 **David Beckham** was born.

10th May 1994 **Nelson Mandela** became the President of South Africa.

### The Mayfly

**B**oth immature and adult mayflies are an important part of the food chain, particularly for

carnivorous fish such as trout in cold water streams or bass and catfish in warm water streams, or Walleye in cool water lakes. Males generally fly in swarms that undulate in the air 5-15 meters above the ground.





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### The Red Squirrel

**T**he Red Squirrel is found throughout the country. It is smaller than the Grey Squirrel and found in a wide variety of habitats, ranging from coniferous forests to parklands. They feed mostly on seeds and berries. Although it is believed that the squirrel can use its fore-limbs for a variety of activities, recent research shows that the squirrel must first pick up a food item (e.g. nut) with its teeth and then transfer it to its paws while in a hunched position. This is clearly an ingrained action. Red Squirrels are known to hoard food items from times of plenty to be used at a later date.

Red squirrels are more difficult to observe than Grey Squirrels. One reason for this is their tendency to spend a greater amount of time high up in coniferous trees. One of the few places left to see red squirrels in Dublin is the National Botanic Gardens in Glasnevin. The Red Squirrel is a protected species under the Wildlife Act, 1976.

### The Grey Squirrel



**T**he Grey Squirrel is an introduced species. Although confined mostly to the north and east of the country, the Grey Squirrel is becoming the squirrel most commonly seen in our woodlands and parks. Much has been written about the effect the Grey Squirrel is having on our native Red Squirrels. It is true that they are larger and aggressive and many people believe that the decrease in population of our Red Squirrels is due to the Grey Squirrel. However, the situation is much more complex. Red Squirrels prefer large coniferous woodlands while Grey Squirrels prefer mixed and broadleaved woods. Contrary to most beliefs, the Red Squirrel is not dependent on acorns. In fact, they find them somewhat toxic. As large tracts of coniferous woodlands disappear, this

breaks up the habitat of Red Squirrels making it more difficult for them to hold territories. Grey Squirrels feed on acorns and are more omnivorous and in areas where both co-exist, appear to be more successful. Grey Squirrels have filled the vacuum left by the latest Red Squirrel decline.

Both Red and Grey Squirrels are active by day, sleeping by night in their nest or "drey". Both have two litters per year, with an average of three or four per litter. The young leave the nest about 7 or 8 weeks after they are born. Red and Grey Squirrels do not interbreed.

Squirrels, both Red and Grey, are responsible for removing the bark from the growing tips of branches on trees (particularly beech and sycamore) to enable them feed on the sugar rich sap beneath. This damage can be quite severe, making them the enemy of foresters. Gamekeepers suspect the Grey Squirrel of taking the eggs of pheasants.

**T**he report of The Irish Squirrel Survey Of 2007 called for the protection of the red squirrel and for the control of grey squirrel populations. Over the past decade the grey squirrel has spread to 26 counties throughout Ireland. It is now found west of the Shannon, in Leitrim and Roscommon, where it had not previously been found.

The red squirrel is extinct in Meath, Westmeath, Carlow and Kilkenny. The report warned that if the grey squirrel is left unchecked the hardwood industry and the conservation of native woodlands could suffer. The Report also said that the native red squirrel could be wiped out by a virus carried by the grey squirrel.

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## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

My working hours have been reduced and I am probably going to lose my job. Where can I get information about what to do?

### Answer

The Citizens Information Board has just launched a dedicated website [www.losingyourjob.ie](http://www.losingyourjob.ie), covering all the information you need if you lose your job.

The website provides information on all aspects of losing your job or having your pay or hours reduced, including the services, benefits and entitlements available to you. It has been specially designed around the needs of people who are newly unemployed or who, while still at work, are dealing with reduced hours and/or reduced pay.

[www.losingyourjob.ie](http://www.losingyourjob.ie) is based on content from [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie), the Government website provided by the Citizens Information Board. This site provides public service information for Ireland.

The topics covered by [www.losingyourjob.ie](http://www.losingyourjob.ie) include:

- Working reduced hours or receiving reduced pay
- Redundancy and leaving work
- Getting a social welfare payment
- Money and tax issues, including debt issues
- Supports available for rent or mortgage payments
- Options for education and training
- What you need to know when going back to work
- Leaving Ireland to move to countries inside or outside the EU

In conjunction with the new website, the Board has also published a handy reference leaflet, entitled Have you lost your job? giving an overview of what you can do if you have lost your job.

### Question

I got a total of €1,100 Early Childcare Supplement for my son in 2008 but I believe the rules have changed. What is the situation now? He is nearly 5 years old.

### Answer

Up to the end of 2008 Early Childcare Supplement (ECS) was worth €1,100 per year. It was paid quarterly, in arrears, in respect of all children for whom Child Benefit was paid, up to the month following the child's 6th birthday. The last quarterly payment of €275 was made in December 2008, covering the quarter October-December 2008.

For January and February 2009 the rate of ECS was €1,104 per child per year, or €92 per month. It was only paid in respect of children aged less than 5½. It also changed to being paid monthly, in arrears, on the second Monday of each month.

For example, you will have received February's payment on Monday 9 March.

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From March 2009 the rate is €83 per month per child, up to and including the month the child reaches 5 years of age. As payments are made a month in arrears, you will get your last payment the month after your son's 5th birthday.

The changes are summarised in the following table:

<b>Early Childcare Supplement: changes 2008/2009</b>			
	2008	Jan/Feb 2009	From March 2009
Annual rate	€1,100	€1,104	€996
Quarterly rate	€275	-	-
Monthly rate	-	€92	€83
Paid until month after:	Child's 6th birthday	Child turns 5½	Child's 5th birthday

## Question

My 75-year-old mother got a letter from the HSE about her medical card, asking for details of her income. She gets a Widow's Pension of €230.30 a week, plus €200 a month from a private pension. She also has some savings, on which she earns interest. Will she lose the medical card? What should she do?

## Answer

All existing medical cards for people over 70 were valid until 2 March 2009. Since then, they continue to be valid if the holder's income is below the relevant limit.

Your mother will only have to reply to the HSE's letter if her gross income is more than €700 a week or €36,500 a year. If it is not, she can simply keep her card, and does not have to contact the HSE. Gross income means pensions, earnings, interest from capital and all other sources of income.

We can calculate your mother's total pension income as follows:

<b>Widow's Pension</b>	<b>Private pension (weekly equivalent)</b>	<b>Total weekly</b>	<b>Total yearly</b>
€230.30	€46.15	€276.45	€14,375.40

This is well below the limits of €700 a week or €36,500 a year. Whatever savings she has would

have to be quite large to bring her up to these limits.

For example, if she had €50,000 in savings, the first €36,000 would be ignored, so only €14,000 would be taken into account. An interest rate of 4% would yield €560 per year or €10.77 per week to add to her pension of €276.45. She would still be well below the income limits and could continue to use her medical card.

If her income did go above the limits, she would have the following options:

Apply for a Drugs Payment Scheme (DPS) card, which would cover all but the first €100 per month of prescribed drugs, medicines or appliances: and Record all her medical expenses on a Form Med 1 (available from [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie) or Lo-call 1890 306 706) and claim tax relief on them at the end of the year: or  
Apply for a discretionary medical card on the basis of her personal circumstances  
N.B. People over 70 who exceed the medical card income limits will also exceed the GP Visit Card limits. As a result, people over 70 cannot get a GP Visit Card. If they qualified on the GP Visit Card means test, they would have kept their medical card.

## Question

I work five mornings a week, Monday to Friday. What time off should I get for St Patrick's Day and the Easter period?

## Answer

St Patrick's Day (17 March) is a public holiday. It fell on a Tuesday in 2009. As a half-time employee you were entitled to a half-day's paid leave on that day, unless your employer had nominated one of the following alternatives at least 14 days before the public holiday:

An extra half-day's pay  
An extra half-day of annual leave  
A paid half-day off within a month  
Easter Monday is also a public holiday. It falls on 13 April in 2009. As with St Patrick's Day, you are entitled to a half-day's paid leave on Easter Monday, unless your employer nominates one of the above options at least 14 days before.

Good Friday is not a public holiday. While some schools and businesses close, you have no automatic entitlement to time off work in respect of Good Friday. Check the position with your employer.

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There are nine public holidays in Ireland each year:

New Year's Day (1 January)  
St Patrick's Day (17 March)  
Easter Monday (movable)  
First Monday in May, June and August  
Last Monday in October  
Christmas Day (25 December)  
St Stephen's Day (26 December)

Public holiday entitlements apply to employees even if they are not usually scheduled to work on the day of the public holiday. The entitlement is pro-rata (one-fifth of weekly pay or hours).

N.B. As a part-time worker, you must have worked more than 40 hours in the five weeks before a public holiday to be eligible for public holiday entitlements.

Information about public holiday entitlements is available from the National Employment Rights Agency (NERA) which operates a Lo-call information helpline on 1890 808 090. NERA's website is [www.employmentrights.ie](http://www.employmentrights.ie).

If you have a complaint in relation to holiday entitlements, contact a Rights Commissioner at the Labour Relations Commission, Tom Johnson House, Haddington Road, Dublin 4, Lo-call 1890 220 227, [www.lrc.ie](http://www.lrc.ie).

**Further information is available from Citizens Information Centres and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, LoCall 1890 777 121.**



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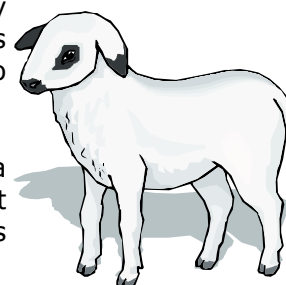
## Features

# Meadow in Summer Time

John woke up and looked out the window at the warm sunny morning. He had no school today as it was Saturday. He took his time getting dressed and then went down to have his breakfast. His mother, Lisa, was frying sausages and eggs on the pan. John's little sister, Brid, was in her high chair playing with her rattle. His sister was a lovely little girl, and she always had a smile for everyone.

John's mother told him to sit down and eat his breakfast. It is a lovely morning so they decided they would go outside and get a bit of sunshine, and take Bríd with them. John's daddy worked in the local bank five days a week. They were a very happy family who lived in a nice house in the country about six miles from the town.

As it was Saturday James always went out to buy the newspaper and would be back for a cup of tea. When he came back John told his dad that they were going for a walk as it was such a nice day. His dad decided that he would join them and he would read his paper later.



Lisa got Bríd ready and put on a little pink dress that she had bought recently. John got himself ready for their walk in the sunshine. There was a park just out a bit from the town so they decided to walk there. John wanted an ice cream so James went to the shop and bought John an ice cream. Lisa was too small to eat an ice cream but she was happy in her mothers arms. John sat happily eating his ice cream. Then they headed back in the other direction. The sun was coming up now and it was getting quiet warm.

As they walked back along the road they looked out in the fields. There were lambs jumping around and dancing in the fields. They looked lovely out there in the summer sunshine. "Look daddy at all the lambs" John exclaimed. "They would look lovely in my picture for the art competition in school" John said. "I didn't hear anything about an art competition" said his dad. "Well there is an art competition for all the boys and girls in the school. We have two weeks to draw one. I am going to draw lambs in my picture". "That is a good idea" said his dad. They stood there in the sunshine looking out at the lambs.

"Daddy I have to paint a picture for next week for the teacher. Everybody in the class will be painting one. Just now I think I would like to paint one of the lambs and sheep in the field". "Well why don't I go back to the house and I will get the camera and then I will take a picture and you can paint it for your competition" replied his dad. "Yes daddy that would be mega". John stayed with his mother and Brid. James went to get the camera to take the picture of the meadows with the lambs jumping around there. He was back in ten minutes. He held the camera out to take a picture of the lambs. He took four pictures. "We will get them developed tomorrow and then you can paint the picture you want to" "That will be just great" replied John.

It was getting towards the afternoon and everybody was getting hot and sweaty. They all needed to cool down. So Lisa suggested that she would make some cool lemonade for everybody. "Why don't we have some lunch in the shade and drink some cool lemonade". John and James agreed. They happily had lunch in the shade and drank some cool lemonade.

John had school on Monday. When he came home that evening from school he couldn't wait for his daddy to come home with the photographs. James arrived home at half past five. He had the photographs. That evening John painted a lovely picture of the lambs running around in the sunshine. He soon had his picture ready for the day of the judging of the pictures. The teacher looked at all of the pictures. They were all very good. She liked the one of the lambs running around in the sun. John got first prize in the competition that day. He came home very happy that he had come first.

Lisa was busy in the kitchen when he arrived home. "Look mummy I came first in the art competition today" he shouted. Lisa congratulated her son and said that he was a very clever boy. The prize was a colouring book and some crayons. John knew his daddy would be delighted about him coming first. And so he was. So they all sat down and celebrated that evening.





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To view her website go to [www.upstairsdownstairs.ca](http://www.upstairsdownstairs.ca)

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## How to Search more effectively with Google

In some cases you will be disappointed by the results you get from a search engine. The search engine blindly sums up all sorts of unrelated pages that contain your keyword. You may be unable to find the exact information you need.

Here are some frequently occurring problems, and several things you can do to improve your search results.

At other times a search will yield too many results. When this happens, you can try to: fine-tune your search by using more than one keyword or by using a synonym your search to web pages in the English language. In this way you can prevent *Google* from 'muddying' your search results by presenting web pages in other languages; search by using a directory instead of a search engine. For example when trying to do a search using a very broad keyword, such as the word *animals*, try instead to search within a topic, subject or category.

To search by topic:

- Surf to [www.google.ie](http://www.google.ie)
- Click [more ▼](#)
- Click [Even more >>](#)
- Click **Directory**

Now you will see an overview of all the various topics. If you click one of the topics, you will see a number of categories. Clicking a category will lead you to further additional sub-categories. Eventually you will reach a page where you can choose several links that will lead to your specific subject.

### The Google Toolbar

If you frequently use Google, you may want to install the *Google Toolbar* to help you use *Google* more readily when working in *Internet Explorer*.

1. Click the **Address Bar**
2. Type: <http://toolbar.google.com>
3. Press Enter
4. You will see the *Google Toolbar* installation screen
5. Click Install Google Toolbar 6



6. Click to remove checkmark by 'Set Google as default search'.
7. Click [Accept and Download](#)
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10. Click **Run** again
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*Google Toolbar* will be installed and *Internet Explorer* opens a new window. You will see that the *Google Toolbar* has been added to the *Internet Explorer*.



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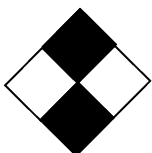
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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies



## Maynooth Golf Society

**Outing to Trim Golf Club 28/3/09**  
**Sponsored by David Weafer Glenmore Electrical**

**T**rim Golf Club was the venue for the first outing of the year for members of Maynooth Golf Club. 36 members and visitors braved the cold and very windy conditions on this challenging course. The winner on the day was Pat Connolly with a score of 31 Stableford points closely followed by 5 players all with a score of 30 points. Norman Kavanagh was eventually awarded second place after a count back on the back 9 and Brendan Bean was third after a count back on the back 6.

We would like to welcome the new members to the society. For those interested in joining Maynooth Golf Club please contact any committee member.

### Result Sheet

1st Prize	Pat Connolly	31 pts
2nd Prize	Norman Kavanagh	30 pts B9
3rd Prize	Brendan Bean	30 pts B6
4th Prize	Seamus Grant	30 pts
5th Prize	Tom Flatley	30 pts
6th Prize	Gerry Reilly	30 pts
7th Prize	Tim Mullane	29 pts
Front 9	Dermot Myles	17 pts
Back 9	Mick Fahy	16 pts
Visitors	P.L. Malone	23 pts
Nearest The Pin	Tom Coffeey	



*From left Norman Kavanagh 2nd place and winner Pat Connolly of recent Maynooth Golf Society to Trim 28th March sponsored by Glenmore Electrical.*

**Next Venue: Outing to Mullingar Golf Club on Saturday 9th May**

**( Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup)**





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#### **Clinics:**

- Second Thursday each month : 5.30 p.m. Leixlip, Court Yard Hotel (Lobby)  
6.30 p.m. Maynooth, Glenroyal Hotel (Lobby)  
7.30 p.m. Kilcock, O'Keefe's
- Celbridge Fianna Fáil Office, every Saturday morning 10 a.m.
- Jones, Main St., Clane, every Saturday morning 11 a.m.
- Naas Constituency Office, Town Hall Lane, (Tel.045-888438)  
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## **Maynooth GAA Dinner Dance**



**Former club secretary Dominic Nugent receives a special recognition for his many years of service to Maynooth GAA club from current club chairman Colm Nolan and former club chairman Matt Doran (left).**



**Mc Brendan Coffey interviews Maynooth ladies Football Manager, Anto Mooney**



**MC Brendan Coffey interviews Maynooth camogie under 21 captain, Elaine McAuliffe on stage**

## Castle Keep Art Group celebrates another successful exhibition 2009

Despite recessionary times it was great to see such a good turnout for the opening of the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibition in the Post Primary School on the 17<sup>th</sup> April. The exhibition continued until Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>.

The exhibition was opened by Mr. Tom Ashe the first principal of the Post Primary School who complimented the exhibition. He welcomed the Mayor of Kildare Senan Griffin and Councillor John McGinley and noted the Group's success in receiving a grant €500 from Kildare County Council for tuition. There was over 70 works on display from a 15 member group. The range of media – oils, pastels, watercolours, pen and ink, etchings, block print and lino prints mirrored the range in subject matter – landscapes, seascapes, figurative, botanical still life and abstract studies. Many local scenes were depicted such as views of Carton, St. Patrick's College, Trim Castle and Rathcoffey Castle. Connemara, Dingle and Tipperary landscapes also got a look in.

An added attraction at the exhibition was the inclusion of four transition year students, Niamh Donaldson, Niamh Richardson, Grace Soon and Susan Crowe who displayed wonderful artworks including ceramics with the theme *Food for Thought*. These pieces received lots of attention from the public. One item in particular a pencil drawing by Niamh Donaldson appealed at least one viewer and a purchase was made. Congratulations to all the students who contributed.

We would like to thank everyone who helped make the event the success it was in particular all those who come to the exhibition year in and year out. It was our great pleasure to have Mr. Tom Ashe to open the event. Our thanks also to the VEC and Mr. Johnny Nevin, Principal of the Post Primary School for providing a great venue and for their help and support in setting up and for looking after us so well as always.

We meet once a week on an informal basis for a "meet and paint" session. No experience is necessary to join. We have one exhibition per year just after Easter and arrange for some tuition during the year. If anyone is interested in joining the group or would like to find out more about it please contact 01-6289349 (evenings). We welcome new members.

### Susan Durack – Castle Keep Art Group.



Opening the Exhibition - Tom Ashe with  
Deaglan Ó Ceallaigh Chairman of the Group



Betty Farrell & Rita McAssey



Elaine Bean & Eileen Quinn

## *Sir John Betjeman, Sir John Piers, and the Westmeath Examiner!*

Did you know that the former British poet laureate, Sir John Betjeman, had his third ever poem printed by the Westmeath Examiner, back in 1937.

Some 150 copies of “**Sir John Piers**” were printed for Betjeman, who wrote it under the pseudonym Epsilon.

The poem is based on the true story of Sir John Piers of Tristernagh, who engaged in a bet with a friend, that he would seduce the new wife of a friend of his, Lord Cloncurry, who lived at what’s now The Lyons Estate, near Hazelhatch, in Kildare. The Annals of Westmeath report that this affair had its conclusion in the Court of the Kings Bench, where Lord Cloncurry, the injured party, successfully sued Piers for “criminal conversation” a euphemism for something a bit more....private, say, than conversation.

Piers scarpered to the Isle of Man – losing his recognisances in the process, and was eventually forced to pay up everything he had. He did return to Ballynacargy, he eventually lost the cottage he had built himself there, in the Encumbered Estates Court.

The poem, suggesting the words Piers may have used in his seduction of **Lady Cloncurry** says:

“I love your brown curls, black in rain, my colleen,

I love your grey eyes, by this verdant shore

Two Derravaraghs to plunge into and drown me,

Hold not those lakes of light so near me more.”

It refers to Lough Ennel, to Lord Belvedere, to Glencara, to Sunderlin of Baronstown, to Portloman, to Tristernagh.

### **I. The Fate Champatre**

Oh, gay lapped the waves on the shores of Lough Ennel  
And sweet smelt the breeze 'mid the garlic and fennel,  
But sweeter and gayer than either of these  
Were the songs of the birds in Lord Belvedere's trees.

The light skiff is push'd from the weed-waving shore,  
The rowlocks creak evenly under the oar,  
And a boatload of beauty darts over the tide,  
The Baron Cloncurry and also his bride.

Lord Belvedere sits like a priest in the prow,  
'Tis the Lady Mount Cashel sits next to him now.  
And both the de Blacquieres to balance the boat,  
Was so much nobility ever afloat?

The party's arranged on the opposite shore,  
Lord Clonmore is present and one or two more,  
But why has the Lady Cloncurry such fears?  
Oh, one of the guests will be Baronet Piers.  
The grotto is reached and the parties alight,

The feast is spread out, and begob! what a sight,

Pagodas of jelly in bowls of champagne,  
And a tower of blancmange from the Baron Kilmaine.

In the shell-covered shelter the grotto affords  
The meats and the pies are arranged on the boards,

The nobility laugh and are free from all worry  
Excepting the bride of the Baron Cloncurry.

But his lordship is gayer than ever before,  
He laughs like the ripples that lap the lake shore,  
Nor thinks that his bride has the slightest of fears  
Lest one of the guests be the Baronet Piers.

A curricule rolling along on the grass,  
The servants make way to allow it to pass,  
A high-stepping grey and the wheels flashing yellow  
And Sir John in the seat, what a capital fellow!

Huzza for Sir John! and huzza for the f'te,  
For without his assistance no f'te is complete;  
Oh, gay is the garland the ladies will wreath  
For the handsomest blade in the County Westmeath.

The harness is off with a jingle of steel,  
The grey in the grass crops an emerald meal,  
Sir John saunters up with a smile and a bow  
And the Lady Cloncurry is next to him now.

Her eyes on the landscape, she don't seem to hear  
The passing remark he designs for her ear,  
For smooth as a phantom and proud as a stork  
The Lady Cloncurry continues her walk.

### **II. The Attempt**

### **III. The Exile**

### **V. Tristernagh To-day**

Dockleaves lapping it, maidenhair flapping it,  
Blue veins mapping it, skin of the moon,  
Suck of the bog in it, cold of the frog in it,  
Keep it away from me, shrouded cocoon.  
The worms are moving this soft and smooth thing  
And I'm the creature for foolish fears,

There's not a feature that's super nature  
'Tis only rational, 'tis  
SIR JOHN PIERS

**Well worth a read, and you can read the complete text on:**

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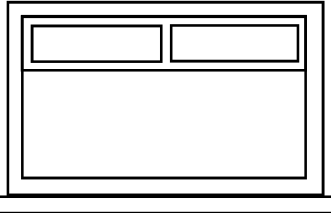
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## *When the Past was the Present.*

**Maynooth Local History Group presented "When the Past was the Present" in Maynooth Public Library during April.**

The display was the 2nd to be held and the curator was Fergus White. The display included photographs of the North Kildare Cycling Club (Pegley Collection), The Weafer Family, Pa Weafer and Entertainment in Maynooth throughout the ages.

Maynooth Local History Group is always looking for photographs.



The Friendly Brothers of the Mortality Society of Maynooth.  
Outing to Glendalough 1920's.



Cycle Race 1956.  
The 1956 Kildare Grand Prix  
leaving Maynooth.  
Barney O'Brien in the lead.



Maynooth Minstrels. Probably early 1900's. The man on the extreme right is Thomas Weaver.



Kit and Paddy Dunne of the St. Marys Brass and Reed Band wearing new 1932 uniforms with young Eddie.





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# Recipes

## Sicilian Almond Cake

### Ingredients:

75g/3ozs Self Raising Flour  
75g/3ozs Butter  
150g/5ozs Castor Sugar  
Grated Rind of 1 Lemon  
2 Eggs  
100g Packet Ground Almonds  
1 Teaspoon Almond Essence  
For Decoration  
25g/1oz Icing Sugar  
25g/1oz Toasted Flaked Almonds.



### Method:

Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas 4. Lightly grease and base line an 18/20cms/7/8inch sandwich tin. Beat butter, sugar and lemon rind until light and fluffy. Gradually whisk in the eggs. Gently stir in alternate spoonfuls of flour and ground almonds, then stir in the almond essence. Transfer to prepared tin and spread evenly. Bake for about 30/40 minutes until risen and golden brown or until a skewer inserted in the centre comes out clean. Leave to settle in the tin for 5 minutes, then turn onto a wire tray to cool. Dust top of the cake with icing sugar, mark into slices, then, scatter the toasted almonds over.

## Ganny's Apple Cake

### Ingredients:

225g/8ozs Self Raising Flour  
175g/6ozs Margarine  
175g/6ozs Sugar  
3 Eggs  
1 level teaspoon Cinnamon (optional)  
3 Apples (peeled & cored)

### Method:

Beat margarine and sugar together. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Stir in the sieved flour and cinnamon, if used. Roughly chop the 3 apples and stir into the mixture. Place into a greased and base lined 900g/2lb loaf tin. Bake in a pre-heated oven at 190°C/375°F/Gas 5 for 30 minutes approx. Allow to stand in tin for about 5 minutes, then turn onto a wire tray to cool.

## Summer Classic - Salad Nicoise

### Ingredients:

150g Greens Beans  
2 Tomatoes  
4 Eggs  
1 Lettuce  
12 Small New Potatoes  
20 Black Olives  
1 tbsps Chopped Parsley  
2 Cans of Tuna or 400g of Fresh Tuna

### Vinaigrette:

50ml Red Wine Vinegar  
Pinch of Salt and Pepper  
1 tbsps Water  
2 tsp Dijon Mustard  
1 tsp Crushed Garlic  
1 Shallot  
150ml Olive Oil  
1 Baguette

### Instructions:

Make the vinaigrette by mixing some chopped garlic, diced shallots and red wine vinegar before combining with a fork until all the ingredients have been mixed together evenly. Hard boil your eggs for 9 minutes in boiling salted water before removing and allowing them to cool down. Peel the eggs and set to one side. Using a jug or pouring bottle add the olive oil into the mixture in a slow consistent stream until all the oil has been added and it is a smooth consistency. Cook the new potatoes in some boiling salted water for about 15 minutes or until they are soft when you insert a small knife. Remove the potatoes from the water and cool under cold running water. Repeat the same process of cooking in boiling water before cooling down under cold running water with the beans. The beans should only take 5/6 minutes. Remove the tuna from the fridge and allow it to come to room temperature as you start to make the salad. Mix the quartered tomatoes, black olives, green beans, halved new potatoes and halved peeled eggs in a large bowl very carefully. Heat your grill pan or barbecue to an extremely high heat. Season the tuna with salt and pepper. Sear the tuna on each side for one minute on the extremely high heat so as the tuna is seared on the outside and pink in the middle. Remove the Tuna from the grill and cut into thin slices against the grain. Wash your salad and place into a bowl along with your vegetables and sliced tuna. Drizzle the dressing over the salad and serve immediately.





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## May Diary Planner



### Maynooth ICA

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Crafts Every Monday Night  
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### Maynooth Toastmasters

Monday 11th & 25th May at 7.45 p.m.  
in Glenroyal Hotel Maynooth

### Maynooth Local History Group

Thursday 14th May at 8.00 p.m. in O'Neill's  
Public House.

### Maynooth Scouts

Race Night to be held on 23rd May from  
8.00 p.m. in The Glenroyal Hotel

### Maynooth Community Library

Feng Shui Workshop—Monday  
18th May at 8-10 p.m.

Louise Hay Workshop: Live Your Best  
Life—Monday 8th June at  
8-10 p.m.

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### University of Third Age

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## **Maynooth Local History Group**

Programme

April – June 2009

Everyone Welcome

**Thursday 14 May 2009**

**Venue: O'Neill's Public House**

**Main Street, Maynooth at 8.00pm**

Speaker: Angela Byrne

*The European travels of Mr John & Mrs Dorothea Catherine Ladeveze*

*Adlercron of Moyglare, 1806-1844*

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**June – Outing to be determined.**

For further details contact secretary:

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# **Maynooth Tidy Towns**

### **M**ORE POSITIVE NEWS ON THE PARKS .

Following on from last month where we showed the devastation caused to the three open spaces in Maynooth as a result of the sewerage system upgrade works we are pleased to advise that there is better news this month. Following a letter written to Mr. Michael Malone, Kildare County Manager, we have been asked to come up with proposals to reinstate the areas involved. We cannot prevent works that are needed in the town but the very nature of these works (involving tunnelling) meant that much more damage than what was expected occurred. We must acknowledge the support of a number of local Councillors to ensure that our proposals will be agreed. The opportunity exists for the people of Maynooth to have work done in these areas that would previously have been difficult to achieve. Maynooth Tidy Towns have come up with proposals and we will be involving local residents in finalising the plans. There is an urgent need to bring the plans forward for agreement with Kildare County Council as the works are due for completion in July 2009 and the contractor will then go off site.

### **A**NUAL COLLECTION THE WEEKEND MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>

We are very dependent on your support to fund our projects such as the hanging baskets. Money is not easy to get and we are always appreciative of what you can afford to give us. We will be collecting at a number of shops as well as at the church gate. Please ensure that you are happy that the collectors are doing so for us when making a donation as all collectors carry formal Garda permits. We do not undertake door to door collections.

### **A**NUAL NATIONAL TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION

The time of year has come again where we have to make the application for the National Competition. Please advise us if you (especially a business) if you have a waste minimisation /recycling project going. Also if your residents association is planning an environmental project that will be completed in 2009, we would like to include it as part of the application. Judging takes place anytime from June 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> and an extra effort on your part to keep the environment in Maynooth clean and tidy would be appreciated for that period. If you want to get involved as part of Maynooth Tidy Towns for that period please call or text our group contact number 087 3153189.

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## *Features*

### *Community groups in Maynooth receive funds under Intel Ireland 2008 'Matching Grant Initiative'*

To mark the Intel Corporation's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary a new approach was conceived where Intel employees undertook voluntary activities in the community the corporation would give a grant for each hour worked under the company's 2008 'Matching Grant Initiative'. This initiative, which was part of an Intel global 'one million volunteer hour' 2008 challenge, involved Intel employees in Ireland giving voluntary time to local community organisations throughout the course of last year. While the original target given to the employees in Ireland was 35,000 hours which was an increase on the usual annual level of around 7,500 hours, such was the interest in the scheme that a total of 56,000 hours was achieved by the Irish staff. In Ireland, eighty organisations including many charities and sports clubs benefited from the programme and the matching financial support came in at US\$300,000.

Maynooth Community Council acted as the NGO for the town and led the compiling of projects in the town that were submitted to the programme for support. Over 400 hours of voluntary time was delivered in Maynooth with Maynooth Community Council, Maynooth Soccer Club, Maynooth Tidy Towns, Maynooth ICA and Maynooth 3<sup>rd</sup> Age being the beneficiaries. The impact was two fold in the sense that the work was done for us and at the same time we received a grant for each hour worked stated Paul Croghan who co-ordinated the Maynooth programme of work.

Maynooth Community Council representatives attended a ceremony in Intel on April 1<sup>st</sup> when we were presented with a cheque for US \$4,245 by Jim O'Hara head of Intel Ireland. On behalf of all the groups that received support in Maynooth we would like to both thank and congratulate the Intel employees. While the "Intel Involved" community support programme has run for many years with many community groups being supported over the years, the company's 2008 'Matching Grant Initiative' has raised the bar in terms of how Intel supports the local community Paul Croghan commented. The reach of the projects this year also stretched well beyond the local areas with a number of national voluntary organizations benefitting from support.

Maynooth Community Council would like to single out one Intel employee who was an immense support to us this year as we moved office to the Tesco complex. Patrick Ennis a young man who lives in Celbridge saved us substantial costs in our office move as well as devised and delivered specialist training for the office staff and of course gained us significant funds under the 2008 'Matching Grant Initiative'.



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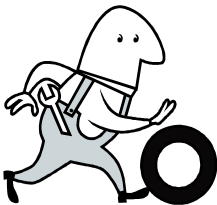
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# Horoscopes



**Aries—March 21—April 20**

You've made progress in a relationship. You were once perfect strangers and now you know each other well. You'll benefit by using the element of surprise to remind someone you're an ever-evolving mystery.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 6, Colour Blue.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

Count all your many positive traits. You need to be confident in order to take advantage of the opportunities you'll be given. Realizing what you're good at helps you know which options are best.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 23, Colour Pink.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

You are adventurous, energetic and ready to take on the world. There are those around you who can't match your glee, but they'll go up a notch just being in your vicinity.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 21, Colour Red.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

You have a talent for sorting out good ideas from bad. People who either can't decide on a plan or are confused about the one they've chosen will come to you for advice.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 33, Colour White.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

You are being asked to compromise by someone who has not been willing to bend to accommodate you. Get distance from this situation and the other person just might change his or her tune.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 10, Colour Violet.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

What was supposed to be a temporary situation seems to be lasting forever. Good communication fixes it. Make new rules or remind the other people involved what the original arrangement was.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 12, Colour Orange.



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

You are an excellent sounding board, open to listening to the details, going with the tangents and following the entire story. Do put limits on the time you dedicate to others. Your own purpose needs more attention.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 16, Colour Grey.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

Spend your energy in research. Ask questions and learn the challenges, wants and needs of others. You cannot persuade anyone to your point of view without first understanding where they are coming from.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 19, Colour Green..



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

You are strong and capable, but it's unwise to expect yourself to do it all. Sometimes it just isn't possible to balance everything with grace. Your best move is to delegate a task before it drops by the wayside.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 15, Colour Black.



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

You dream of greatness. So when you get a pat on the back for doing good work, it's just not enough. Be grateful anyway as you aim higher.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 25, Colour Light Green.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

You'll be striking a deal. Be careful not to cage yourself into a situation that has you doing and giving more than is good for you. Be very cautious.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 26, Colour Lilac.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

Older family members need you. Forgive again and let the past stay where it belongs. Life is too short to let things get in the way. You can therefore not be blamed in the future.

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# Party Political-Labour News



*Emmet Stagg T.D.*

## Maynooth Labour News



*Cllr. John McGinley*

### Sewerage Upgrade Works in Maynooth

At the Leixlip Area Committee Meeting on 20 March, Councillors were given a presentation on the Lower Liffey Valley Regional Sewerage Scheme (LLVRSS) by Council Officials and David Conor of Tobin Consulting Engineers. Cllr. John McGinley and the other Councillors asked that an Information Meeting be held in Maynooth so that the public, Tidy Towns and the Business Community could get information on the works and make their views known. This meeting was held on the evening of the 31st March in the Glenroyal and all houses in Maynooth were notified in advance.

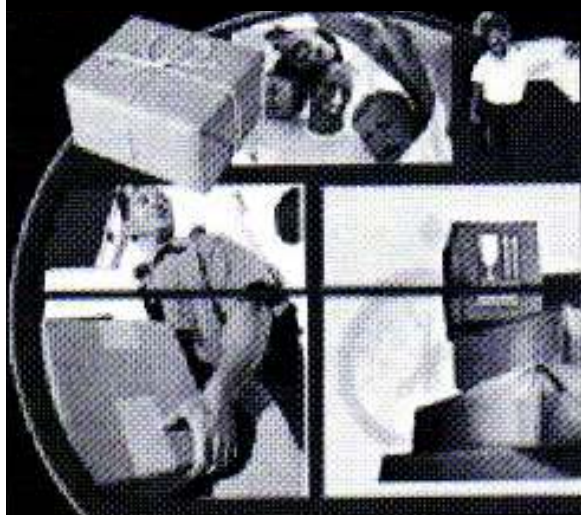
The meeting was attended by four engineers representing the Council and one engineer from the contractor, Ward & Burke. It was a very positive and worthwhile meeting. Cllr. McGinley was given the following assurances:

- The contractor agreed that there would be no noise related work between 8pm and 8am.
- All re-instatement would be at least to the standard of what was there beforehand. The Tidy Towns were asked to submit their preferred re-instatement for the little Pound and to make suggestions for Pound Park/The Green.
- The Tidy Towns Committee to outline what they want the Council to put in a letter for the Tidy Towns Adjudicators so that the Sewerage Works does not impact on the scoring for Maynooth.
- The large pipe at the Castle/College Gates green will be removed when the tunnelling is finished and all that will be left there will be a manhole cover. The work is held up at present as Ministerial Approval has to be given for a Heritage Site such as this.
- The timing of the Surface Water Sewerage Works on Main Street and Back Lane to be carried out so as not to impact on students going to their Leaving Cert Exams. The works on the South Side of Main Street from the Avenue Cafe to The Roost will take place from the 18<sup>th</sup> June to the 9<sup>th</sup> July and the works on Back Lane will take place from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> June.
- All of the work in Maynooth to be completed by Mid July.
- Positive consideration is being given to Cllr. John McGinley's request to have the "Bandstand" moved to NUIM

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

"That Ward & Burke Construction Ltd. be asked to move the "Bandstand" from Pound Park/The Green, Maynooth, to the agreed location on NUIM grounds, as a gesture of goodwill to the residents of the area who have suffered great disruption as a result of the Lower Liffey Valley Regional Sewerage Scheme (LLVRSS)."

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# Party Political-Labour News

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## **Temporary Provision of Additional Car Parking Capacity in Maynooth**

Cllr. John McGinley and his fellow Councillors asked Council Officials some time ago to approach TESCO with a view to leasing the largely unused old car park. Councillors were advised at the Area Meeting on 20 March that TESCO had refused to lease any of the car park as they would need it for busy times such as Christmas. This extraordinary response by TESCO was condemned by John and his fellow Councillors as the Council leasing the car park was a win win for all concerned. The Council officials were asked to approach TESCO again as any problems with their peak time shopping at Christmas could be overcome very easily.

## **Possible Provision of Car Parking beside St. Mary's Catholic Church**

Also, Cllr. John McGinley and his fellow Councillors had asked Council Officials to approach the owners of the derelict site beside the Church with a view to leasing it for use as a Council car park and for Church goers. Councillors were advised at the Area Meeting on 20 March that the owners had refused to lease the site. In Cllr. John McGinley's view it is completely unacceptable that the owners of this eyesore should refuse to co-operate with the council.

Cllr. McGinley has repeated his view to the Council that the site sign is an unauthorised development and that it is also a dangerous and derelict site that children are able to gain access to. John has asked the Council to take action against the site owner and hopefully there will be a positive outcome where we all gain.

## **Reply to Cllr. McGinley's Motion on the Removal of Graffiti:**

John was given the following reply to his motion:

*"In May 2008 Pobal introduced funding to community groups for a graffiti reduction programme and this was brought to the attention of all the county's Tidy Town Groups at the time. It appears from the Pobal website ( [www.pobal.ie](http://www.pobal.ie) ) that the programme may still be in operation.*

Environment Section does not have the resources to remove graffiti from property."

John was further advised that the funding from Pobal is not available to County Councils and only community groups such as Tidy Towns or Residents' Association can apply.

John asked that the Council remove the graffiti from the new Teenage Activity Area in the Harbour Field as soon as possible as it is an eyesore and if left there will only encourage more vandalism.

## **Reply to Cllr. McGinley's Motion on Banning HGV's & Putting Traffic Calming on Moyglare Road**

At the March Leixlip Area Committee meeting of the Council John got the following reply to his motion:

*"Traffic counts on this road carried out in September 2008 show HGV traffic at less than 5%. This level of HGV traffic would not be considered excessive and would be in keeping with recorded levels on other roads in the area. The difficulty with prohibiting traffic from using certain routes is that the displaced traffic must use alternative routes. This aspect would have to receive attention before any consideration would be given to the introduction of a HGV ban.*

*With regard to traffic calming , I regret to inform the committee that the traffic calming budget for the county is extremely limited and a number of projects have already been prioritised which will fully expend the monies available."*

John then proposed that the Council make a case to the Dublin Transportation Office (DTO) for funding as the Moyglare Road is unique in Ireland as it has Schools at all three levels off it i.e. NUIM, Post Primary and Boys School. The DTO fund traffic calming at schools and the case for extending the traffic calming on Moyglare Road, in John's opinion, is very good. His proposal was agreed and the Council will now write to the DTO as requested.

## **Extension of Yellow Lines at the Entrance to the Council Car Park is Needed**

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to extend the recently painted yellow lines at the entrance to the Council car park at Supervalu by a further 12m in order to stop cars from parking in a dangerous and illegal manner at this corner.

## **Left Turning Lane Sought for Exit to Straffan Road from Greenfield Estate/Shopping Centre:**

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

*"That a left turning lane be constructed at the exit of Greenfield Estate onto the Straffan Road in order to make it easier for the Estate Residents and customers of Greenfield Shopping Centre to exit safely."*

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# Party Political-Labour News

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## Status of Noise Abatement Measures on M4

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

*"What is the current status of the introduction of noise abatement measures on the M4, particularly at Maynooth?"*

### REVIEW OF 2008 ALLOCATION OF DISABLED GRANTS SHOWS KILDARE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST

Deputy Emmet Stagg sought information from the Minister for Housing in relation to the amounts sought by each Local Authority for the Operation of the Disabled Grants Scheme and Housing Aid for the Elderly Scheme in 2008 and the amount subsequently allocated to each Local Authority.

The Minister has advised Deputy Stagg that Estimated Demand for the Schemes in 2008 totalled €158 Million and the total allocated including Local Authority Expenditure amounted to €95 Million, roughly 60% coverage of the estimated demand.

On two levels stated Deputy Stagg the figures show that Kildare is being discriminated against, the amount allocated compared to the amount sought and the allocation to Counties with Low Populations. Astoundingly in some instances Local Authorities were allocated more funding than the estimated demand for the schemes when they originally supplied figures to the Department in 2007, namely Cavan County Council, Kerry County Council, Laois County Council, Leitrim County Council, Offaly County Council, Roscommon County Council and Waterford County Council

Kildare Co. Council estimated that demand in 2008 would be €8,305,000 and the total allocation in 2008 was a paltry €2,717,064, only 33% of the amount sought. This compares to Carlow County Council receiving 79%, Clare County Council 92%, Longford County Council 60%, Westmeath County Council 91%, South Dublin County Council 80%, Limerick County Council 69%. Other areas did worse than Kildare such as Sligo County Council 29% and Wicklow County Council 25%. These figures show clearly that the allocation of resources to Kildare and other Counties is entirely discriminatory declared Deputy Stagg.

When you look at population figures Kildare with 186,000 people was allocated €2.7 Million, Laois with a population of 67,000 people was allocated €2.6 Million, Cavan with a population of 64,000 people was

allocated €2.2 Million and Carlow with a population of 51,000 people was allocated €2.2 Million. This again shows that Kildare is being discriminated against stated Deputy Stagg.

These grants stated Deputy Stagg are to provide basic services such as downstairs bedrooms and toilets for people who are disabled or with serious heart or respiratory problems to ensure they can live at home. The grants cover the installation of walk in showers or stair-lifts. They also cover door/window/roof repairs and more importantly rewiring of old houses for elderly people.

With a waiting list of over 500 grant applications in Kildare, valued at some €7 Million, it is critical that Kildare gets a fair share of the allocations in 2009 to give people the opportunity of some comfort whilst living in the community and Deputy Stagg stated that he would be raising the iniquitous and scandalous allocations with the Minister.

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## Letter To Our Readers

**I** wonder if you could help please? I was brought up in Maynooth & went to school at the Pres. Convent, leaving in 1953. I would love to know whatever became of my old classmates, including Anne Mallon, Lil Hyland, Marie Monahan, Anne McDonagh, Betty Gleeson, Evelyn Smith, Margaret Bracken, Eileen Brady, Nellie Corrway, Nuala O'Donnell & many more, too numerous to list here, but none forgotten! Sadly my old school photos were lost in a house move many years ago so I can't include one. I would love to hear from any of them. My surname was O'Reilly then. Many thanks if you can help.

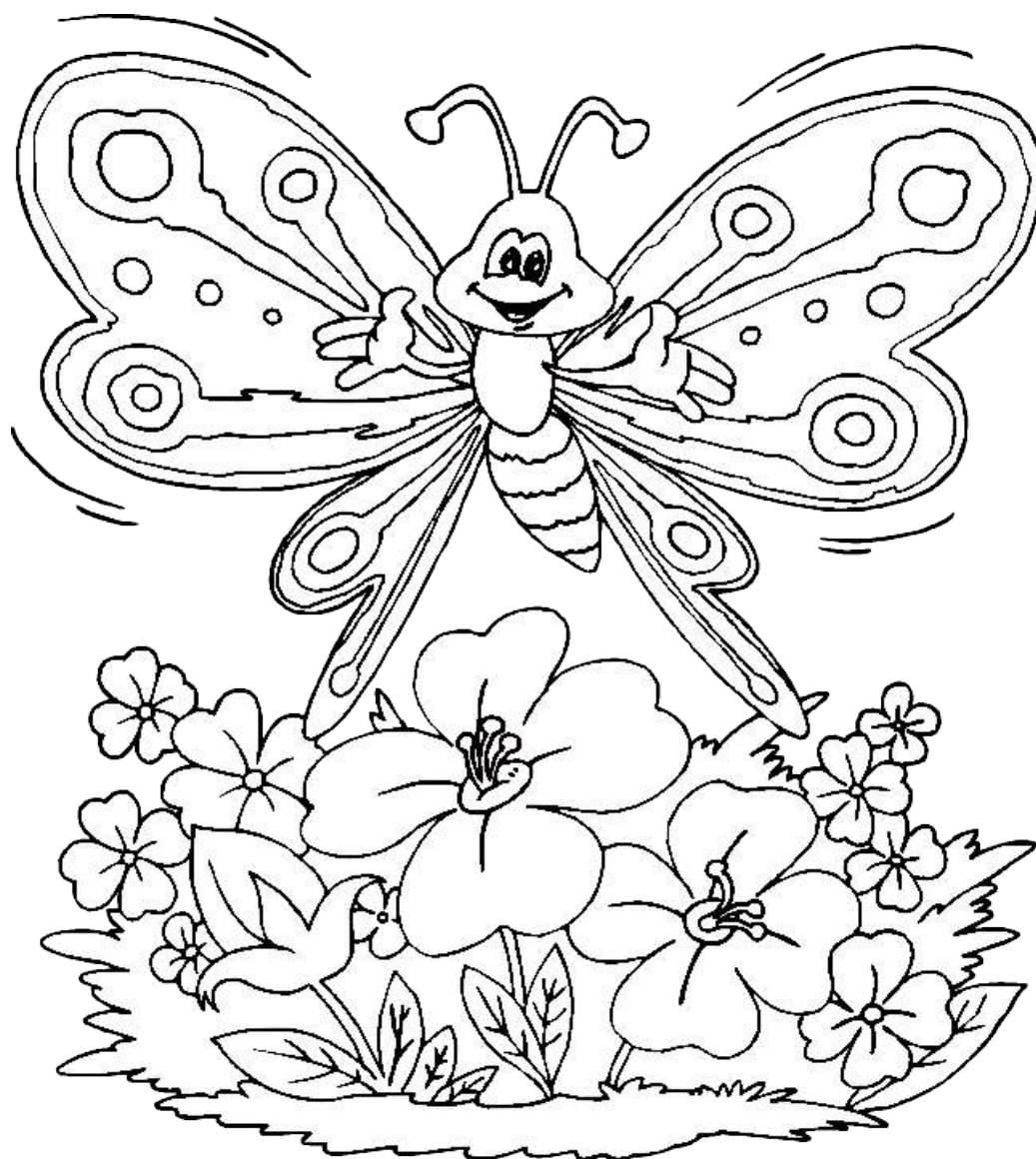
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# Party Political—Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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## **Government supporting enterprise and employment with supplementary budget - Fitzpatrick**

Supporting enterprise and employment has been a focus of this Government's supplementary budget according to local Fianna Fail TD, and Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"The Government is conscious that securing employment and creating new jobs is vital if we are to reverse the economic downturn. This is why this supplementary budget is focusing on job creation and supporting enterprise."

"The Budget made provision for in excess of €500 million for capital investment in enterprise through IDA Ireland, Enterprise Ireland, the County and City Enterprise Boards and Science Foundation Ireland. In doing so, the Government has prioritised investment in the most productive sectors of our economy and has invested in the creation of jobs by cementing the foundations of export led recovery and growth."

"This Budget also provides €100 million for the establishment of an Enterprise Stabilisation Fund that will enable our internationally trading companies survive the current global downturn by supporting their drive to reduce costs and gain sales in recession hit overseas markets."

"The creation of the National Asset Management Agency will also free up banks to lend to small businesses again by taking over the bad debts from banks."

"The Government is maintaining the largest per capita capital investment programme in Europe of €3.1 billion which will assist the creation and maintenance of jobs in the construction sector. In addition the Government made €100 m available last October for sustainable energy and the green economy and this will assist and support the creation of 7,000 jobs. The school building and modernisation programme is expected to create 3,000 jobs with an investment of €613.5m."

"The Government is also keen to support the up-skilling of workers and the supplementary budget will now provide 128,000 training places for the unemployed through FÁS and the Job Search/National Employment Action Plan referral capacity has nearly doubled from 6,500 to 12,250 cases per month."

"The Government increased the number of Short Course places by 51,000 in February, bringing the total to 78,000 and an additional 12,015 places were announced in this Budget bringing the number to 92,000 training places."

"Redundant apprentices will benefit from an additional 700 places on a new Institutes of Technology training programme, which means that approximately 3,400 redundant apprentices in total will now be able to progress their apprenticeships."

"An additional 400 places provided for in the budget will increase the number of places on Community Employment Scheme to 22,700 this year."

"This Budget also outlined a new work experience scheme, the details of which are currently being finalised, which will provide 2,000 six-month places to those who are unemployed and it will include the placement of graduates."

"A pilot training programme of 277 places at a cost of €1 million is to also be introduced for sustaining vulnerable

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employment. Under this programme workers who are placed on a three-day week and receiving social welfare payments for the days they are not working will receive 2 days training a week for a period of 52 weeks. Again the details of this will be finalised shortly."

"The Department of Enterprise with the Department of Education and Science will be also provide 1,500 third level places on a part time basis to the unemployed so that they may pursue a third level qualification."

"All of these measures are designed to support the unemployed, support their up-skilling and retraining to ensure that they are best placed to take advantage of any available employment opportunities."

"Being prepared for the up-turn that will inevitably come is vital. In the meantime it is crucial to encourage and support businesses and those who are unemployed and I am pleased that the Government has outlined these practical measures to do so," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Changes in payments to TDs and Senators welcomed - Fitzpatrick**

Kildare North Fianna Fail TD, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the announcement that there will be considerable changes in the payments to members of the Oireachtas following the supplementary Budget announced by Minister for Finance, Brian Lenihan TD.

"TDs and Senators will take a 10% reduction in all expenses other than mileage where a 25% reduction has already taken place. Payments to the Chairs of Oireachtas Committees will be halved and payments to committee Vice-Chairs and Convenors will be abolished. TDs will no longer receive long service payments or increments.

Former Ministers will not receive pensions while they are still serving as members of the Oireachtas. TDs and Senators who avail of paid leave of absence as teachers will not longer be able to avail of the arrangement whereby they can keep the difference between their teacher's salary and the cost of employing a replacement."

"All of these payments on top of regular salaries seemed like unnecessary expenditure in these difficult economic times and I am pleased that the Minister has made these necessary changes."

"It is vital that the public can see that members of

the Oireachtas are going to be hit by measures in this Budget. It is up to us to lead by example and I think it was important that the Minister reformed the system of payments and expenses to Ministers, TDs and Senators."

"I hope that these changes will go some small way to help restore public confidence in public representatives. The country is going through a difficult period and it is important that we as politicians play our part too. We are all tightening our belts now and I hope these changes will help save the taxpayer a substantial sum in the years to come," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **New National Asset Management Agency to free up funding for business**

The Government has provided for a new National Asset Management Agency (NAMA) to assist in the functioning of the banking system which will benefit small businesses and consumers according to member of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee and Kildare North Fianna Fail TD, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"It is vital that banks are actively encouraged to start lending to small business in particular, to help to protect jobs and stimulate growth in the local economy. Banks provide the lifeblood of the economic system and small and medium sized enterprises provide the lifeblood of our local economy."

"If banks do not lend to individuals and businesses the economy will contract even further, jeopardising jobs and livelihoods."

"It is vital that banks are given a clean bill of health if they have big loans that cannot be serviced and allowed to strengthen their balance sheets and increase the flow of credit, particularly to small and medium sized enterprises."

"The Government, through NAMA will purchase the land and development at an economic price that reflects the current economic climate. Both the developers and banks will take a significant loss where they were originally purchased at an inflated price. NAMA will realise these assets over time in a way that protects the taxpayer."

"NAMA will not allow developers or other borrowers to get out of paying their loans they will have to repay what they owe, just as if the loan was with their original lender. It simply allows that original lender to free up extra monies to continue to lend."

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"It is expected that the value of these loans will be in the region of €80 to €90 billion and will be considerably less than the original full value of the loans as NAMA will take into account the current values of property, land or developments. The original lender will have to take on these losses."

"While this move will increase the national debt, NAMA will try to cost the servicing of the debt from income accruing from the assets. The debt itself will be repaid from funds raised from the sale of assets or the repayment of the loans by the existing customer."

"The Government has taken this move to ensure the stability of the Irish financial system and promote lending while also seeking to protect the interests of the taxpayers."

"This measure is not designed to save developers it is designed to increase the capability of banks and financial institutions to lend to stimulate economic growth which is vital for the future of local industry and jobs," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick. -

### **On-line application of facility for 2009 Single Farm Payment Scheme now open – Fitzpatrick**

Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the news that the on-line application facility for the 2009 Single Farm Payment applications is now up and running.

"Applications for the 2009 Single Farm Payment will be taken with the Department of Agriculture's on-line application facility. Applications for the Disadvantaged Areas Scheme, and all other area based schemes, including the new Upland Sheep Payment can now also be made on line."

"This on-line facility is a further indication of the Department's commitment to make applying for grants as easy as possible for farmers and minimise the time and red tape around applications."

"The on-line application form also helps to reduce the potential mistakes or errors made by farmers and helps to prevent delays as the form has inbuilt compulsory fields helping to reduce errors or omissions. Incorrect paper forms need to be returned to the applicant slowing down the payment of the grant."

"The Minister tells me that almost 25,000 farmers are already registered with the Department to use the on-line facility and a further 25,000 have nominated an agent to fill in the form on their behalf. I am especially pleased that the option of nominating an

agent has had such a strong take up. The Minister recognised that some applicants may not have access to or be comfortable using an on-line facility. To ensure that this did not prove to be a barrier to using the on-line application, agents can be appointed by the applicant to fill out the form."

"Kildare farmers who have yet to sign up for the on-line facility can make enquiries via the website [www.agfood.ie](http://www.agfood.ie) or by telephoning the lo-call number, 1890 252 118," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

### **Kildare Business to benefit from EU Recovery Plan - Fitzpatrick**

Kildare businesses will benefit from a new EU wide recovery plan agreed by European leaders including the Taoiseach, Brian Cowen and Foreign Affairs Minister Micheál Martin, according to local Fianna Fáil TD and Government Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"Ireland has emerged as a major winner in a EUR5 billion recovery plan. The new plan will deliver cheaper, cleaner power to Kildare, improve broadband access and protect jobs."

"The EU will provide EUR110 million for an electricity inter-connector between Ireland and Wales, this will open up the energy market for businesses in Kildare and across the country. This will open up the market by reducing the need for gas imports to fuel our power stations"

"Ireland will also get funding to improve broadband in communities across Kildare. Securing high speed internet access will ensure that businesses in our communities will be able to compete with any other location in the EU for new industry."

"This package is a clear example of the direct benefit Kildare and Ireland receives by being at the heart of Europe. My colleagues the Taoiseach and Minister Martin are working to ensure we continue to have a central role in Europe so as we can continue benefiting from investments and supports such as this. By working together the EU will ensure the best outcome for our peoples during this time of economic uncertainty."

"Over the coming weeks both men will be working to help secure the strongest possible guarantees to address the concerns of voters in Kildare about the Lisbon Treaty. Minister Martin assures me that the Government's priority is to get robust guarantees to address issues such as neutrality, taxes and workers rights."

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"The Government remains on track to secure those guarantees by the middle of the year."

"I will be remaining in close contact with both the Taoiseach and the Foreign Affairs Minister during this period to ensure that concerns of people in Kildare are addressed before we vote in a new referendum," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Planning and Development Act should be changed to Facilitate Greater Consultation and Reduce Conflict between Minister for Environment and County Councils.**

Provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000 should be improved to enable more discussion and consultation between local authorities and the Department of the Environment when City and County plans are being drawn up. This would lead to fewer disagreements between Local Authorities and the Department of the Environment and result in more timely and effective local planning.

These are some of the key findings contained in a report published by the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Environment, Heritage and Local Government. "The findings of the report recommend a clear process whereby this form of discord could be avoided in the future", according to Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick who is a member of this committee.

The report states that the Planning and Development Act should be amended to allow for a period of consultation involving the Department, local authorities and general public, should there be a direction to vary a County Development Plan. Furthermore, new development plans should not be initiated within two years of local council elections. This measure is to facilitate continuity, by ensuring that the councillors who commenced the plan are still in office when the plan is to be completed.

"The recommendations contained in this report should considerably assist the process of co-ordination between local and central governments. In future, more collaboration is needed to bring about a more efficient working relationship between local authorities and government departments. This relationship is crucial to ensure effective and successful local

administration", added Michael.

The recommendations of the report will be passed on to the Minister for Environment, Heritage and Local Government to advise him regarding any changes to the legislation.

The report itself will be laid before the Houses of the Oireachtas.

County Development Plans provide a framework for land use, development, strategic planning, conservation and heritage. It provides objectives, standards and development controls which will be applied to all development within the County.

For a full copy of the report see [www.oireachtas.ie](http://www.oireachtas.ie) Issued on behalf of Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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## **MAYNOOTH U3A**

Bernadette Duffy, a relative new member but definitely not new to charring meetings, as was evident from her performance. She dealt with all the business, there was no rushed ending and demonstrated the effectiveness of time management. Our 'Go for Life' programme proved very worthwhile. It was fun, sociable and not without its competitive edge. We had a taster of curling, bowls and croquet. Hurry along the summer when we can transfer our skills into the great outdoors. Do I hear someone volunteering their back garden! What a lovely colourful account Ursula gave us regarding the trip to Kilkenny. We look forward to seeing more of her literary talent during our creative writing classes. It was great to see our own Anne McGarry on the telly in conjunction with the Third Age Foundation, Summerhill. A Performance worthy of a nomination! Irene entertained us with a mouth-watering talk on gardening. The prospect of early potatoes, spring onions and fresh strawberries had us hanging on her every word.

May will be a busy month with our forthcoming AGM. What are your aspirations, dreams and vision for U3A? This months meetings are on Friday 1st 15th and 29th at 11.00 in the Community Library. As always new members are very welcome.

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## Party Political—Áine Brady T.D.

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*Aine Brady T.D.*

### **Budget 2009 - Free pre-school year will help families who need it most and protect local jobs - Brady**

The introduction by the Government in the Supplementary Budget of a free pre-school year has been welcomed by local Fianna Fáil TD Áine Brady.

The scheme is expected to benefit some 70,000 children every year.

"The provision of a free pre-school year will help families who most need assistance and it will also crucially help maintain jobs in the childcare sector."

"This aim of the scheme is to provide one year of quality pre-school education to children in the year prior to entry into primary school."

"The provision of a year's free pre-school to all children will promote equality of opportunity at the most important development stage of children's lives. Regardless of income or ability to pay, all children will be entitled to avail of this pre-school service," stated Deputy Brady.

"Children enrolled in playschools will receive free pre-school provisions of 3 hours per day, 5 days each week over a 38 week year."

"All children aged between 3 years and 3 months and 4 years and 6 months at September 1 each year will be eligible."

"All community and private pre-school services which meet the requirements of the scheme will be invited to apply for entry to the scheme and all notified pre-school services will be contacted by the Office of the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs by the end of May."

"The Minister for Children and Youth Affairs Barry Andrews TD will be introducing the scheme from January of next year. A helpline will be in place with effect from Monday, 20th April to answer queries from parents and childcare providers in relation to the operation of the new Scheme. The number is 1 890 30 30 39."

"Fianna Fail in Government has prioritised investment in childcare, dedicating some €1 billion in developing childcare infrastructure over the last decade. This significant investment in infrastructure has made it possible to introduce this pre-school year," concluded Deputy Brady.

### **Boost for Kildare small and medium sized firms expected – Brady**

Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North Áine Brady has welcomed the news that the European Investment Bank is making a total of €300 million available for loans for Irish small and medium sized firms.

"The €300 million from the European Investment Bank provide three banks, AIB, Ulster Bank and Bank of Ireland with funds to enable them to lend to companies that have projects that further EU policy objectives."

"These funds have the potential to provide a great boost to Kildare firms. Small and medium sized firms in Kildare have had a difficult time in this economic downturn and I have heard from local business people that access to vital capital has been a source of difficulty."

"It is essential that we continue to give practical support to small and medium sized enterprises as they form such an important part of our economy and are one of the biggest employers in the country."

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"The European Investment Bank increased its lending for small and medium-sized enterprises by more than 42 percent in 2008 and EIB President Philippe Maystadt has stated the commitment of the Bank to provide rapid additional support for the European economy in the current crisis."

"I am delighted that the European Investment Bank is assisting Ireland with these funds. It shows yet again the importance of Ireland being a full and enthusiastic member of the European Union. It is by working together that we will come through this global economic crisis," concluded Deputy Brady.

### **Maynooth Boys School gets funding approved for Extension.**

Deputy Aine Brady has been informed by the Minister for Education at a meeting with the Minister on Thursday last, that Maynooth Boys National School has been successful in securing funding for an extension.

'I am delighted that Maynooth Boys National Schools has been successful in securing funding to enable the school to provide a 3 classroom extension which will replace the existing two prefabs and provide an additional classroom at the School.' stated Deputy Brady.

'While I have worked extremely hard to bring this issue to a successful conclusion, I do want to acknowledge the work of the Principal, Board of Management, Teachers and Parents, who worked in a positive and professional manner with all concerned, and brought this project to the next stage.'

'The Department Officials will be in contact with the school authorities and agree a way forward to the tender and construction stage. I arranged for the School Management to meet with the Minister for Education on his recent visit to Maynooth. I want to thank the Minister for the pro-active and innovative approach he has taken to resolving the issue.' stated Deputy Brady.

'This announcement, taken with the approval for the construction of the new Maynooth Gael Scoil, the approval for the construction of a New School in Ardclough, the completion of the extension to the Girls School in Maynooth and the new Educate Together in Maynooth, demonstrate to any fair observer that we are punching above our weight from an investment in Education Infrastructure perspective in these challenging times.' concluded Deputy Brady.

### **Income levy – Briefing Note – Budget 2009**

Doubling of the three income levy percentage rates

The new percentages will be 2%, 4% and 6%

Lowering the income levy thresholds/entry points for the new income levy rates

Proportionate - higher levy rates apply on the higher segments of income

The lowest income levy will now apply for the first time to people earning between €15,028 and €18,304.

Where one earns from €15,028 up to and including €75,035 one pays 2% on all of one's income from €1 to €75,035 inclusive.

e.g. if someone earns €16,000 per annum, that person will pay 2% on all of that €16,000, not just the portion from €15,028 to €16,000.

(but someone on a medical card will be exempted from the levy)

### Additional impact of new income levy rates

**Rounded figures used** in following tables and examples to illustrate additional impact

Gross annual salary – all income	Extra impact	Gross impact
€15k - €18k	+2%	2% (Wage earners at this level paying a levy for the first time)
€18 - €75k	+1%	2%
Gross annual salary –	higher segments of income	
€75k - €100k	+3%	4%
€100k - €175k	+2%	4%
€175 - €250k	+4%	6%
€250k upwards	+3%	6%

For the earner of €15,000 gross annual salary, €5.75 will be paid in the week, €300 in the year as a result of the 2% levy.

For the earner of 300,000 gross annual salary, the increased levy rates will mean paying €300 in the week and €15,655 in the year in addition to their existing taxes



## Puzzles—Sudoku

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Super Difficult									
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3	5	9	4	2	1	7	8	6	
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# Easy



## **The Recession: the EU made it possible and the Lisbon Treaty would make it Worse**

In June 2008 the Irish people rejected the Lisbon Treaty because of fundamental concerns on neutrality, company taxation, human rights, Ireland's right to a permanent Commissioner and the transfer of greater powers to the Big States.

With the Government, the political and business elites now committed to do the bidding of the Brussels bosses and rerun the referendum. They will hope to convince the electorate that without the 'generosity' of Brussels that Ireland will never recover from the present financial and economic crisis.

However, it was EU financial and monetary policies that facilitated the recession in the first place as is evident the following:

### **1. EU control of Irish interest rates costs us dear**

In 1998, just prior to Ireland joining the Euro, our GDP growth stood at 8.7% and inflation was at a low of 2.2%. To discourage excessive borrowing the Irish Central Bank pegged interest rates at a prudent 6.2%. We handed over control of interest rates to the European Central Bank in Frankfurt, naively believing they would set rates to suit all the economies across the EU. However, this didn't suit the German and French economies and by 2000 interest rates had dropped to 4.5%. Stripped of the responsibility for domestic fiscal disciplines Ireland's brave banker fraternity were soon fueling the building sector boom. This proved highly lucrative for them and their new best friends – the developers and speculators – but it also resulted in rampant house price inflation and massive mortgages for homeowners.

### **2. Pay cuts required because of EU monetary policy**

We all agree that the enormous salaries paid to bankers and politicians need to be slashed, but why the need to cut the modest salaries of PAYE workers? Due to a sharp drop in the value of the currencies of our largest trading partners, the UK and US, Irish exports have suffered a loss of competitiveness in those markets. The logical action to take is to devalue our currency accordingly, thereby making our exports cheaper and imports dearer. As a result Irish workers are being subjected to crude and humiliating pay cuts with many unscrupulous employers taking full advantage of vulnerable workers.

### **3. The recession has shown Lisbon Treaty to be both flawed and out of date**

The Lisbon Treaty was conceived when globalization and financial capitalism were the buzzwords and the 'idea of the all-powerful market which wasn't to be impeded by any rules or political intervention' was at its zenith. At its heart, Lisbon promotes an "open market economy with free competition". Protocol six of the treaty states: "The internal market as set out in Article (1-3)...includes a system ensuring that competition is not distorted."

### **4. Budget deficit bullies**

Our budget deficit is expected to rise to an 11% ratio of GDP. EU rules oblige member states to keep GDP ratios under 3% but this has proven impossible for most members. Ireland, with the highest ratio in Europe, has been given until 2013 by the EU Commission to get the deficit to below 3%. Given the severity of Ireland's position the economic pain involved in reducing State spending on essential services and levying further taxes on PAYE workers to meet the EU target may prove intolerable for citizens to bear. Therefore, the pace and manner of sorting the budget deficit should be a matter for the Dáil to decide, not the Brussels bureaucrats. However, faced with Irish non-compliance the Commission is empowered to impose fines, as per regulations incorporated into the Lisbon Treaty.

### **5. Ireland has "nothing to fear except fear itself"**

While Ireland has serious economic challenges to overcome, all is not doom and gloom. Our long-term growth potential remains intact with ready access to relatively unlimited labour, capital, skills and land resources. By over-focusing us on our current budget deficit and mocking the Irish for falling foul of policies facilitated by the EU in the first place, the selfsame EU elites are hoping that financial stress will force Ireland to seek help from fellow euro members and that the Irish electorate, cowed by strong recession will cave in and adopt Lisbon II.

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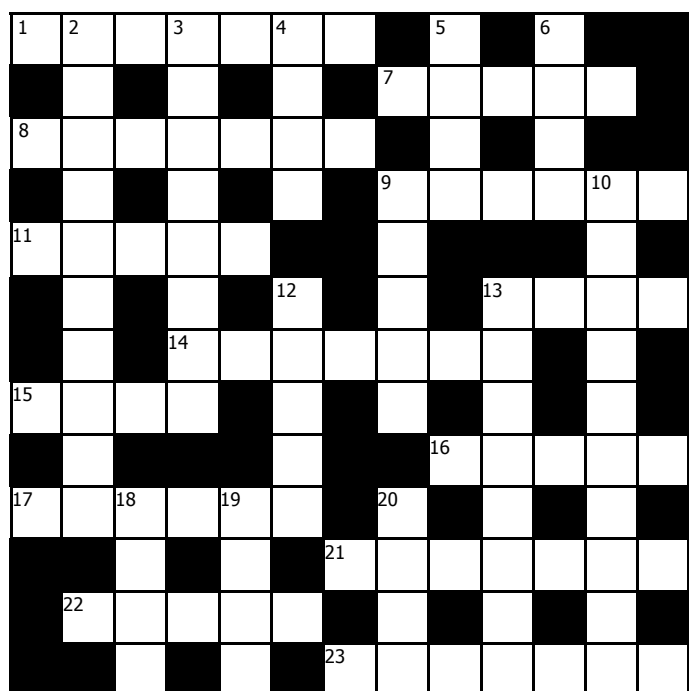
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11. Europe No.1 hit,  
The \_\_\_ Countdown (5)
13. Powder (4)
14. Freedom (7)
15. Woodwind instrument (4)
16. Loose-fitting (5)
17. Black\_\_\_, Anna Sewell novel (6)
21. Large Ape (7)
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10. Californian City (3,7)
12. Everlys' hit, \_\_\_ Eyes (5)
13. Explosive compound (8)
18. Smallest particle (4)
19. Fold (4)
20. Frayed (4)

## Solutions to crossword no. 76.

Across: 1. Reproach, 5. Ward, 7. Nero, 8. Hydrogen, 9. Friend, 12. Besiege, 15. Wayward, 19. Hatred, 21. Cavalier, 22. Numb, 23. Said, 24. Exercise.

Down: 1. Ran off, 2. Rhone, 3. Aphid, 4. Huddle, 5. Whoopi, 6. Dundee, 10. Idly, 11. Nora, 12. Bad, 13. Sofa, 14. Ewer, 15. Winches, 16. Wizard, 17. Refine, 18. Edible, 19. Horse, 20. Tunic.

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*T*he secret of happiness is to admire without desiring.

*B*eing deeply loved by someone gives you strength while loving someone deeply gives you courage.

*P*arents can only give good advice or put them [children] on the right paths, but the final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands.

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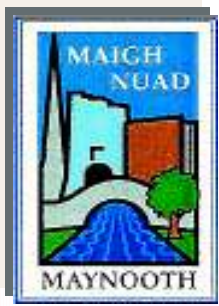
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Thugamar féin an Samhradh linn  
Samhradh duilliúir thugamar an chraobh linn  
Thugamar féin an Samhradh linn.'*

'Summer summer milk from the calves  
We brought the summer with us  
Summer greenery we brought the branch with us  
We brought the summer with us'

Summer has arrived in Maynooth and with the arrival of fine weather it can only mean the end of the school year. To those pupils who are finishing sixth class in The Presentation Girl's National School, St. Mary's Boy's National School and Gaelscoil Uí Fhiaich we wish them every good fortune. As they embark on their next step to secondary education they will feel a little trepidation for the future mingled with a touch of nostalgia for their old school. But big school is really one big adventure and after eight years in primary school, all are up for the challenge. To those Students in Maynooth Post Primary School who are about to sit the State Junior and Leaving Certificate Examinations we extend our best wishes and a message to persevere in your diligence so that your effort will bring its own reward. We extend the same best wishes to the students sitting examinations in St. Patrick's College and The National University respectively.

The new executive officers of Maynooth Community Council as returned at the A.G.M. are as follows, Mr. Tom Mc Mullen, Ms. Muireann Ní Bhrolacháin, Mr. Willie Saults, Ms. Deirdre Cullen, Mr. Paul Croghan and Mr. Colm Ó Cearúil. The new Community Council will continue:

- 1 'To promote through a common effort, the wellbeing of the inhabitants of the Maynooth area, without distinction as to age, sex, race, colour, religion or political opinion'
- 2 To provide or secure whatever facilities or amenities it considers to be lacking or desirable in the Maynooth area.
- 3 To provide or help to provide employment in the Maynooth area.
- 4 To assist where possible the local authority in the exercise of its office in the Maynooth area,

(The Constitution of Maynooth Community Council)

As a Council we will strive to achieve the above aims and objectives. We are very conscious of the continuous problem of parking in Maynooth, we are acutely aware of the lack of a Community Centre and the pressing need for a second Secondary School for Maynooth. We would appreciate the support of new members in helping us to resolve old problems and to achieve new objectives. We meet on the first Monday of the month in the Glenroyal Hotel at 8.30p.m. Please bring a mandate from your housing estate or your voluntary club or organisation.

I wish Mr. Andrew Mc Mullen and his hard working committee every good fortune with The Maynooth Geraldine Cultural Festival / Féile Chultúrtha na nGearaltaigh Mhaigh Nuad. This year's festival promises to be the best ever and we look forward to the many events listed in this month's issue of *The Maynooth Newsletter*.

Guím gach rath ar na n-iarrthóir 's na toghcháin áitiúla. I wish each candidate in the Kildare County Council elections the very best of luck. Win or lose each have shown by their interest in standing for election that they care about Maynooth and wish to promote our interests in Kildare County Council.

Samhradh faoi bhláth chuig Mhuintir Mhaigh Nuad!

Colm Ó Cearúil

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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council meeting 11 May 2009

Among the issues raised and discussed at the meeting were the following:

### **Well-being and mental health of our young people.**

Chairperson, Colm O Cearúil, expressed the Community Council's great sadness at the recent tragic events in Maynooth and other nearby towns involving young people. He offered the Council's condolences to the families of the young people involved. It was agreed that the Community Council will seek advice on taking an initiative towards helping address this issue.

### **Membership and attendance drive.**

Muireann Ni Bhrolcháin, Community Council secretary, said that it was time for the Council to remind all the local organisations, groups and bodies, such as residents associations, sports clubs, schools, colleges, and so on, that they are entitled to elect delegates to the Community Council. She pointed out that, due to their membership size, many residents associations are entitled to elect two or even three delegates. It was agreed that the Council will contact local organisations and encourage them to participate.

Important issues face Maynooth at the moment: the mental health and well-being of our young people, the development of the university town project, preservation of our heritage, proper planning for our town, traffic problems, and many more. It is very important that the community is actively interested and involved in these issues, and important that everyone in the community is aware that they can influence things for the better if they participate.

### **The Festival.**

Hilda Dunne, Local History Group, said that Maynooth festival will be called the 'Geraldine Cultural Festival' this year. Andrew McMullon, Festival Committee, outlined some of the programme planned for this year. Included will be events at the Castle, with recitals by the Band, cultural presentations, and theatre. Andrew hopes to organise a 'Battle of the Bands' for local rock bands. He'll also be organising football, a talent competition, a poster competition for children, table quizzes, and more. A final programme will be advertised nearer the event.

### **Noise in the Lyreen area.**

Deirdre Cullen, Lyreen Residents Association, raised the problem of loud noise emissions from extraction/generator plants in the residential part of the town centre. She said there was a very severe instance of this at present in the Lyreen area, running '24/7', which is causing great distress to nearby residents, some of whom live within a few feet of the machinery. This kind of noise causes distress and disturbance to residents in their houses and gardens, and also interferes with street-life, and the general ambience of the town centre. She said that proper town planning would foresee this sort of problem and ensure it didn't occur.

**Deidre Cullen P.R.O.**



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# Summer Recipes

## Spring Onion Chilli Prawns

### Ingredients

20g/<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>oz butter  
2 spring onions, sliced  
1 clove garlic, crushed  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> red chilli, seeds removed ( prevents it from being too spicy) and finely chopped  
4 king prawns, cooked, and peeled, tails left on  
small handful coriander leaves <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lime, juice only

### Method

1. Melt the butter in a saucepan over a medium heat and add the spring onion, garlic and chilli and cook for one minute.
2. Add prawns and heat through.
3. Transfer the prawns, spring onion, garlic and chilli onto a serving dish, scatter over the coriander leaves and drizzle with the lime juice.

## Oriental sticky Chicken Wings and Drumsticks

### Ingredients

6 chicken drumsticks, preferably free-range  
6 chicken wings, preferably free-range  
For the marinade:  
2 tbsp clear honey  
3cm/<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>in piece of fresh ginger, peeled and grated  
1 garlic clove, crushed  
2 tsp soy sauce  
3 tbsp orange marmalade  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp grated orange zest  
1 tbsp sesame oil

### Method

1. Slash the chicken drumsticks three to four times each with a sharp knife and place in a non-metallic bowl with the chicken wings. Mix together all of the marinade ingredients and pour over the chicken. Leave to marinate for at least 2 hours, or overnight if you can, turning occasionally.
2. Once it has marinated, place the chicken on the barbecue over medium-hot coals and cook for about 20 minutes, brushing with any marinade left in the dish as it cooks. If it's colouring too quickly, move to a cooler part of the barbecue to cook more gently. It's important you cook the chicken all the way through.

## Beef Bourguignon Kebabs

### Ingredients

900g/2lb sirloin or rump steak, cut into 4cm/<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>in cubes  
225g/8oz rind less smoked streaky bacon  
18 button onions, peeled  
24 button mushroom, wiped  
olive oil for brushing  
salt and freshly ground black pepper

### For the Marinade:

5 tbsp red wine  
3 tbsp olive oil  
1 tbsp tomato purée  
2 shallots, finely chopped  
2 garlic cloves, crushed  
2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley  
12 small fresh bay leaves  
12 x 25cm/10in flat metal skewers

### Method

1. Mix together the ingredients for the marinade and pour it into a non-metallic dish. Stir in the steak, cover and leave to marinate at room temperature for 2 hours or in the fridge overnight.
2. The next day stretch the bacon rashers on a board with the back of a knife. Cut each rasher in half and roll up tightly.
3. Drop the button onions into a pan of boiling water and cook for 2-3 minutes until just tender. Drain and refresh in cold water.
4. Thread the cubes of beef, the onions, bacon rolls, mushrooms and bay leaves from the marinade alternately on to the skewers. Brush the mushrooms and the onions with a little extra olive oil and then season the kebabs well with salt and pepper.
5. Barbecue the kebabs over medium-hot coals for 6 minutes, turning and basting with the leftover marinade now and then.

### Summertime Favourite Avocado Chilli Dip

6 green chillies, skinned, seeds removed, chopped  
3 tbsp milk  
250g/8oz cream cheese  
1 clove garlic, minced  
3 ripe avocados, peeled, seeded, mashed  
3 tbsp sour cream

1. Blend all ingredients together until creamy.
2. Allow to sit for at least an hour to blend flavours.

## Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

The next meeting of the Maynooth Flower & Garden Club will take place on Tuesday 16th June in Loftus Hall, St. Patricks College at 8.00 p.m. A floral demonstration will be given by Christine Hughes. Admission to non members €5 and everyone is welcome to attend. All arrangements will be raffled at end of night. This will be our last meeting before the summer holidays. The annual outing is on 20th June to visit Rev. McMillan's garden, places need to be booked now, contact Marguerite on 087 6689960.

### The results of the Spring Show held on the 25th April.

The National University of Ireland Maynooth Perpetual Cup for Best Exhibit in Show

**Winner: Mary Hayde**



The Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup for Best Use of Colour

**Winner: Noeleen O'Brien**



The Bradshaw Perpetual Cup for Best Use of Colour

**Winner: Moira Baxter**

Amanda Harris Cup for Most Innovative Use of Plant Material

**Winner: Pat Dalton**

The Satchwell Perpetual Cup for Best Exhibit in Classes 1, 2 & 3 "Take 5", "Happy Times" and "Spring Basket"

**Winner: Hannah Kelly**

The Flower Pot Perpetual Cup for Winner of Class 4 ("Waste Not ...")

**Winner: Mary Hayde**

RHSI Medal for Winner of Class 5 ("Crystal Clear")

**Winner: Adrienne Thompson**

Maynooth Flower & Garden Club Perpetual Cup for Winner of Class 6 ("Pottering")

**Winner: Sarah Angel**

The Aoifa Perpetual Cup for Winner of Class 7 "Bowl of Beauty"

**Winner: Betty Farrell**

Maynooth Flower & Garden Club Miniature Cup for Winner of Class 8 ("A Touch of Spring")

**Winner: Imelda Desmond**

Perpetual Trophy for Best Entry in Plant Section

**Winner: Judy Barry**

RHSI Medal for Winner of Class 13 ("A Collection of Spring Flowers")

**Winner: Judy Barry**

# Pet Corner

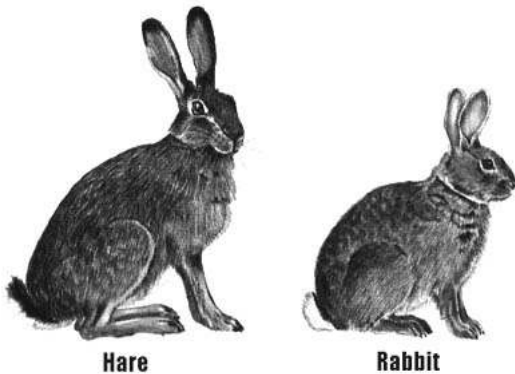
## Coping with Pet Loss

Anyone who considers a pet a beloved friend, companion, or family member knows the intense pain that accompanies the loss of that friend. Intense grief over the loss of a pet is normal and natural. Don't let anyone tell you that it's silly, crazy, or overly sentimental to grieve! People who don't understand the pet/owner bond may not understand your pain. **You have a right to feel pain and grief! Someone you loved has died, and you feel alone and bereaved.**

One needs time to work through grief and loss before attempting to build a relationship with a new pet. If your emotions are still in turmoil, you may resent a new pet for trying to "take the place" of the old, for what you really want is your old pet back. Children in particular may feel that loving a new pet is "disloyal" to the previous pet. When you do get a new pet, avoid getting a "lookalike" pet, which makes comparisons all the more likely. Don't expect your new pet to be "just like" the one you lost, but allow it to develop its own personality. Never give a new pet the same name or nickname as the old one. Avoid the temptation to compare the new pet to the old one. It can be hard to remember that your beloved companion also caused a few problems when it was young! A new pet should be acquired because you are ready to move forward and build a new relationship-rather than looking backward and mourning your loss. When you are ready, select an animal with whom you can build another long, loving relationship-because this is what having a pet is all about!



## The Hare



At first glance it is easy to mistake a hare for a rabbit, particularly at a distance. The best way to tell the difference is by the hare's longer, black-tipped ears, and longer, more muscular hind legs. Both hares and rabbits have a split lip, or hare-lip, although there are slight differences. A rabbit's top lip is split up to the nostrils, but has a layer of skin to cover the gums. A hare's top lip is split so that the gums are visible. As a result, the top 'buck' teeth may protrude, particularly in old age.

From the moment of birth, hares live out in the open. For the first weeks of their life, the leverets instinct is to lie completely still in their 'milking forms'. Like most mammals born in the open, leverets have a coat of fur and are soon fully mobile. This

is in complete contrast to rabbits, which are born naked, blind and helpless in the security of a burrow. To keep warm the hare has a thick coat, which is white on the underside and reddish-brown above, flecked with tawny gold, black and white to camouflage it. Like a rabbit it has a sensitive nose and a split or hare-lip. The average life-span of a hare is two and a half years. Hares are not, as a rule, sociable; but they do show an intense interest in each other during the mating season. Groups of individuals, consisting of several males called jack-hares, will pursue a female (doe) in a chaotic, free-for-all display. During their dispute over the doe the jacks have boxing matches. They rise up on their hind legs, box and batter each other with their forepaws and turn in circles with their hind legs thumping the ground.

The hare's large eyes have a very glassy quality. The eyes are on the side of the head and so give good wide field vision, they can also look backwards. Sometimes, when being chased, the hare will run straight into a net or other object, since it suffers from a blind spot immediately in front.

**If you have any funny pet stories, or any pet story please send them into The Newsletter for publication. Love to hear from you.**

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# June in the Garden

June is a rewarding month in the garden as you start to see the fruits of your labours. Herbaceous borders come alive with colour and the vegetable patch is full of fresh pickings.

## Flower garden

### Lilies

Potted lilies will be growing quickly now and as their flowers start developing they will need some support. Push several canes into the compost around the edge of the pot, linking them up with string to provide stability. If border lilies are not supported by neighbouring plants, use stakes around these too.

### Roses

Sprinkle rose fertiliser around roots to encourage strong growth and a good flower display. Water in if rain does not fall within a couple of weeks or hoe into the soil, taking care not to harm the roots.

### Bearded iris

Once irises have finished flowering in June, congested clumps can be lifted, divided and replanted. Reduce the leaf area by half and replant so that the rhizomes rest at the soil surface. Use our guide to dividing irises to get the best results from your plants.

### Primulas

Dig up large clumps now and divide into individual plants, each with leaves and roots. Replant into newly prepared soil.

### Summer bedding plants

Plant out tender bedding plants once all danger of frost has passed. If they have been grown in the greenhouse, harden off in a cold frame for a few days before planting out. Pots and trays of bedding plants can be placed on the patio during the day, but moved back under cover at night. Give them a boost by watering them in with liquid fertiliser.

### Lupins and early perennials

Remember to cut off the old flower stems before they start to set seed. This will tidy the appearance of the plant but as an added bonus may even encourage a second flush of flowers. Also keep a watchful eye out for lupin aphids which should be controlled with an insecticide if necessary.

## Greenhouse

### Cuttings

As soon as cuttings taken earlier in the season have produced a good root system, or plants have outgrown their pots, pot them into a slightly larger pot. Try and use the same compost as they were potted in before.

Don't overfill with compost, but leave a gap at the top of the pot that can be watered into.

### Fuchsias

Many young plants, including fuchsias, benefit from having their shoot tips pinched out to encourage branching. If left, shoots can grow very long and lanky, while pinching out creates bushier plants with more stems that ultimately carry more blooms.

### Take cuttings

Take cuttings of geraniums, fuchsias, coleus and other houseplants.

### Hippeastrum

Pick off dead flowers and seed-heads, unless you are aiming to save seed for new plants. Let the stem die down naturally, then cut it away neatly at its base.

### Feed containerised plants

Most composts only contain sufficient nutrients to feed plants for about four to six weeks after potting up. Potted plants will then benefit from a weekly liquid feed to promote strong growth and generous flowering and fruiting. Learn the best way to feed your plants with our handy guide.

### Greenhouse shading

Paint greenhouses with a shading paint or put roller blinds or shade netting in place for hot days.

### Tomatoes

Tap the blooms on greenhouse tomatoes to improve pollination.

## Kitchen garden

### Vegetable seedlings

Thin out rows of vegetable seedlings growing from earlier sowings, such as beetroot, lettuce and radish. Final spacings are usually indicated on seed packets. Congested seedlings never reach their full potential, as they distort one another as they grow, resulting in a much smaller crop. Carefully pull out unwanted seedlings, leaving the rest at the desired spacing, then water the row to settle the soil back around the roots of the remaining ones. Crops to sow outside in early June include runner beans, dwarf French beans, kohlrabi, carrots, marrows, cauliflowers, peas, ridge cucumbers, sweet corn, swede, lettuce, endive, squashes and spinach.

### Bird control

Spread nets over soft fruit bushes, such as currants, and over strawberries growing in rows or in containers. Once blackbirds and other birds find fruits to their taste they will return again and again and will quickly strip plants of unprotected fruit.

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# Features

## Face Painting in The Glenroyal Shopping Centre

Tiddlywinks & Scallywags Montessori had a face painting day in the Glenroyal Centre.

They are looking forward to their Summer Camps which will be held from June 22nd to July 17th



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# Clubs, Organisations And Societies

## I.C.A. Notes

The Guild continues to be very busy with crafts & sports, and the general competitions, Maynooth Guild collected € 5,216 for the Cancer Society. The national AGM took place on 27th May in Lyrath Hotel in Kilkenny. The next federation meeting will be held in Kilcock and Maynooth will host the September Federation meeting.

Kildare ICA week will take place in An Grianán from 22nd to 26th June and the weekend takes place from 6th to 8th November. A sports weekend takes place from 4th to 6th September and the classes are Pitch and Putt, Salsa Dancing and Bowling. We are busy working on our own Guild of the year booklet which has to be completed by 31st August. Competition for the Guild next month is decorated cup cakes. The Guild are starting to work on a Centenary quilt depicting ICA and Maynooth and the ICA is 100 years old in 2010.

An Grianán garden party takes place on Fri 26th June and Guild members will attend this evening. The Easter raffle was won by Veva Kearins and second place went to Mary Deane. Guild raffle was won by Mary Dunne, with Eileen Flynn taking second and Rosemary Hanley third. The monthly competition of "Knowing Dublin" was won by Margaret Houlihan and Rosemary Hanly. Second place went to Norah Mc Dermott and Mary Mc Namara and there was a tie for third Joe, O Connell and Teresa Corcoran and Eileen Flynn and Mary Dunne. Next meeting Thursday 4th June in ICA Hall.

**Norah McDermott P.R.O.**

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The Treaty is dead,  
I had a pain in my head,  
So to bed, for sometime  
I did go,  
Some said Yes,  
Some said No,  
and others don't know  
I was confused and upset  
Then I started to sweat,  
Was it Yes,  
Was it No,  
Or maybe don't know  
Now Europe's gone mad  
The opposition is glad  
So we will reflect for  
sometime,  
And then things, will be  
fine.  
But one thing for sure  
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On Holidays  
To Lisbon  
I'll Go.

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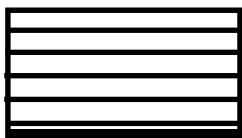


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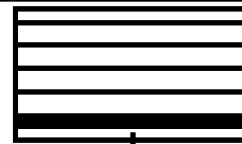
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# Poetry Corner

## *Summer Has Come Without the Rose*

*Has summer come without the rose  
Or left the bird behind?  
Is the blue changed above thee,  
O world! or am I blind?  
Will you change every flower that grows,  
Or only change this spot,  
Where she who said, I love thee,  
Now says, I love thee not?*

*The skies seemed true above thee,  
The rose true on the tree;  
The bird seemed true the summer through,  
But all proved false to me.*

*by A.W.E. O'Shaughnessy*

## *Green Summer*

*Summer flies by and the soft voices cry  
for a mist of cool and a clear blue sky  
White clouds drift and within their mist  
Is a safe, still place like a solitary kiss  
With the new day's birth on this age old earth  
All the lost loves wail and the sad ones curse  
Will they cry no more, will they lie still for  
Just a blue sky dawn or a sun drenched floor?  
Brave the headlong sprawl, break the helpless  
fall*

*In our drifting haze, do we feel at all?  
For our summer goes and the still voice knows  
It will reign again when the soft wind blows.*

*by Carey Lenahan*

## *By An Island Lake*

*Long drawn, the cool, green shadows  
Steal o'er the lake's warm breast,  
And the ancient silence follows  
The burning sun to rest.  
The calm of a thousand summers,  
And dreams of countless Junes,  
Return when the lake-wind murmurs  
Thro' golden, August noon's.*

*by William Stanley Braithwaite*

## *Girl Of Donegal*

*I searched here and there  
For the girl of my dream  
One with divine company to share  
And made each other a team  
In all of my loneliness  
While the days swiftly fall  
One which my heart cares  
Was the beauty of Donegal*

*She walked with much grace  
Eyes as blue as the sky  
No one could ever replace  
No one could ever pass by  
Her red hair dangling down  
A stern face soft but proud  
She gave me not a frown  
While my desire shouted out loud*

*A girl like you I said  
Means the entire world to me  
And in her eyes I read  
The dearest one you'd ever see  
With a face like blossom rose  
She talked with easy breath  
There in nature's beauty pose  
Without any sign of fret*

*Along the dewy grass we lay  
And kissed with passion strong  
A time words cannot fully say  
Made a vow forever to belong  
The birds sang praise  
Songsters of the valley adore  
Lived in harmony many ways  
And who could ask for more*

*Lady of the mountain  
Precious woman of the heart  
On your love be counting  
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Tomorrow is a brand new day  
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# June Diary Planner



## Maynooth I.C.A

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**1st Thursday of the Month**  
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in the I.C.A Hall in the Harbour

**Crafts Every Monday Night**  
**at 8.00 p.m.**

## Maynooth Toastmasters

**Monday 8th, 15th & 22nd June**

In Glenroyal Hotel Maynooth at 7.45 p.m.

Guests are always welcome.

## Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

**Tuesday 16th June at 8.00 p.m.**

In Loftus Hall  
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Non Members Welcome To Attend  
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## Maynooth Community Library

Polish storytelling series starts on  
**Tuesday 2nd June at 10.00 a.m.**

Adult and children's Chess Club every  
**Monday at 6.00 p.m. in Library**

Children's Book Club Tuesday  
**2nd June at 3.30 p.m.**

## University of Third Age

**June's Meeting Friday 12th and 26th**  
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## *Feature : All the girls in Summer Camp*

It was the first day of the holidays. The girls were running out of the school gates for three whole months. Lisa and Brigid walked home together. "What will you do for the summer". Lisa asked Brigid. "I don't know." My parents are going on a cruise. "Mine are going to France". Well what will we do then?. I don't know. We will have to think of something. Pity we can't go with them. It would be fun.



Well we have to think quick. They are going next week and they have to know what we are doing. They are not leaving me on my own. Mine said the same thing said Brigid. Look said Lisa. I will call around to your house tonight and we will think of something. That's a good idea. Off they went home. They lived pretty near each other.

That evening Lisa called around to Brigid's house. They went out into the garden. Brigid had some squash ready to drink as the evening was warm. Lisa picked up a summer brochure for what teenagers could do during the summer holidays. One activity was a summer camp for girls. Look said Lisa here is a brochure for a summer camp. Do you think we should apply? "Yes" said Brigid. That's a swell idea. Give me that said Brigid looking at the advert.

It was for four whole weeks, long enough for their parents to go on their holidays and be back again for the end of camp. Lets apply. The two girls filled in the form for the summer camp. The next morning they walked to the town and posted their applications. They should have a reply by the end of the week. Will we tell our parents what we are going to do. Lets . They have to pay for our summer camp anyway. Lisa and Brigid told their parents what they wanted to do during the summer. Their parents agreed that at least the two of them would be supervised. The following week they sent the money and the week after that everybody would be going on a break.

Lisa and Brigid took the bus to the camp. They were sleeping with ten other girls in their dormitory. The next morning they were awoken at seven o'clock. So much for a lie in during the summer. All the girls crept out of bed still half asleep. They washed and dressed and went for their breakfast, which consisted of cereal toast and tea.

Their first activity was a swimming competition. All the girls knew how to swim so it was straight to the swimming pool. A skinny girl won. In the afternoon they were to do art. Lisa hated art, they sneaked into town instead, they thought they might be missed but went ahead. They doubted they would call the roll again. They looked around the shops. We better head back for tea at four o'clock. When they got back they weren't missed.

The two girls enjoyed their break at summer camp. They had a great time swimming and playing tennis and going to the cinema. They didn't do anything bold for the four weeks. It all passed too quickly. All the girls got to know one another. They swapped stories about school and family.

They stayed there for the duration of the summer camp. On Friday nights their parents would ring them and ask them how they were enjoying themselves. Then they girls were allowed to watch a film in the play room. Lights were out at ten o'clock every night.

All too quickly the four weeks passed and it was time to go home. On the last day the girls were picked up by a family member. They exchanged addresses and telephone numbers with one another and said that they would keep in contact.

Their parents would be back from their holidays now. When they were at home they exchanged stories telling about their summer.

When they went back to school after the remainder of the holidays they told of their time spent at summer camp. The teacher asked everybody to write a story about what they did during the summer.

Everyone did just that.

By **Enda Clavin**

# Maynooth Geraldine Cultural Festival

Chairperson, Andrew McMullon and Festival Committee invite all to the launch of Maynooth Festival in Brady's Pub at 9 p.m. with Push for Porter on: **Thursday 25th June.**

**Some of the other Festival events are:**

**On-going from 25th-28th June**

**The Joe Murphy Memorial Trophy Tesco 7-a-side Inter Estate Soccer Tournament From 15th to 28th June**

**Ladies & Gents Golf Tournament in Carton**

**Thursday 25th June:**

- A night of light entertainment will take place in the Geraldine Castle with the St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band.
- Maynooth Local History Group
- Irish Dancing with Scoil Rince Uí Dhubhail
- Light-Heated Poetry and Verse by the Local Writers' Group and U3A Group
- Table Quiz O'Neill's Pub 9 p.m.
- Children's Table Quiz St. Mary's BNS 3.30 p.m.
- Festival Art Competition Ongoing all schools closing date Wednesday 10th June

**Friday 26th June**—An Nuadha Players, Plays, Friday 26th , Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th in the Geraldine Castle. A new play by local writer Martina Murphy. Titled "The Ten perhaps Fifteen Minute History of the Tuatha de Dannan." The second play of the evening is "Ruby of Elsinore" a one act play by Bruce Kane.

Entertainment in all local Establishments

**Saturday 27th June.**

The Family Car Treasure Hunt in association with Maynooth Football Club. Starts 6.00 p.m.

Also at 3.00 p.m. the unveiling of a plaque detailing the history of Manor Mills.

This is followed by refreshments and a Family Fun Day at Manor Mills SC.

**Sunday 28th June**-The 8th Kildare Maynooth Scouts Group will display their scouting craft and skills. Also a Family Fun Day in The Harbour Field.

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# Clubs, Organisations & Societies



## Maynooth Golf Society

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*Secretary: Marty Maguire*  
*Treasurer: David Weafer*

Millicent Golf Club was the venue for second outing of the year of Maynooth Golf Society which was sponsored by Euro Farm Foods (Pat Connolly).

Weather conditions were very good and 39 members and visitors competed for prizes at this well prepared course.

The winner on the day was Sean Farrelly with a score of 37 points, 2nd place was Mick Fahy with 36 points, and 3rd place was Liam Farrelly with 35 points. All other prize winners are listed below.

We would like to thank all our members and visitors, who attended and supported this outing.

Our next event is "The Eddie Kavanagh Cup" at Mullingar Golf Club on 9th May.

We would also like to thank Pat Connolly who, sponsored the event, and who presented the prizes in Brady's Pub to all our prize winners.

### RESULT SHEET

Outing to Millicent Golf Club 18th April 2009

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5th Prize	Tim Mullane	30 pts
6th Prize	Brendan Leigh	29 pts B9
7th Prize	Barry Farrell	29 pts
Front 9	Niall Farrell	20 pts
Back 9	Gerry McTernan	15 pts
Visitors	R Tobin	39 pts
Nearest the Pin	Tom Coffey	
2's Club	Sean Farrelly	

**Next Venue: Mullingar Golf Club - Eddie Kavanagh Memorial Cup**

# Clubs, Organisations & Societies

## Maynooth Tidy Towns

### **Annual Collection 2009**

On behalf of the committee please accept our gratitude for your generosity to us during our annual collection which took place in May. The cost of putting up the hanging baskets and maintaining them as well as other open spaces for the season together with the other projects are significant and without your financial support these could not happen. To our non-committee collectors we appreciate your support.

### **Reinstatement Plans for "The Green" and the "Small Pound"**

Maynooth Tidy Towns has received a commitment from Kildare County Council that these two areas as well as the area outside Maynooth Castle will be fully reinstated following completion of the sewerage treatment works upgrade. It is unfortunate that it was necessary for the contractors to go into these areas but as the work involved tunnelling these areas were in the firing line. Maynooth Tidy Towns takes the view that the damage creates an opportunity for these areas to be enhanced as part of the reinstatement works. To this end we have drawn up plans for all three areas and these will be submitted to Kildare County Council following wider community agreement in particular with adjoining residents of the areas involved. It is anticipated that the reinstatement works will be completed in 2009 – if not we will be on the case.

### **National Tidy Towns Competition 2009**

Maynooth has entered the competition again this year despite concerns that some works in the town could damage our chances of achieving a good score this year. We have been here before and we are positive that we will at least hold our own. The main issues that impact on Maynooth's performance is the presence of litter and tidiness on the days that the judge calls. Because we are in the higher level performing towns we are judged on two occasions between June 1<sup>st</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> August. Judging can take place anytime so it would be appreciated if you could be extra careful in ensuring that you do not cause any issues that will impact negatively on Maynooth's score.

Paul Croghan  
Acting Chairperson  
Maynooth Tidy Towns

## *Maynooth Community Library*



### **Storytelling in Maynooth Community Library**

A new storytelling series in Polish starts in the Library on Tuesday 2nd June at 10.00am. Agnes will tell stories and will have a sing song in Polish.



### **Chess Clubs**

Adults and children's Chess Clubs continue in Maynooth Library every Monday evening at 6.00pm.

### **Children's Book Club**

The book's to be discussed at our next junior book club on Tuesday 2nd June at 3.30pm. are:

"A Dog for Life" by L.S. Matthews 8 - 12 years

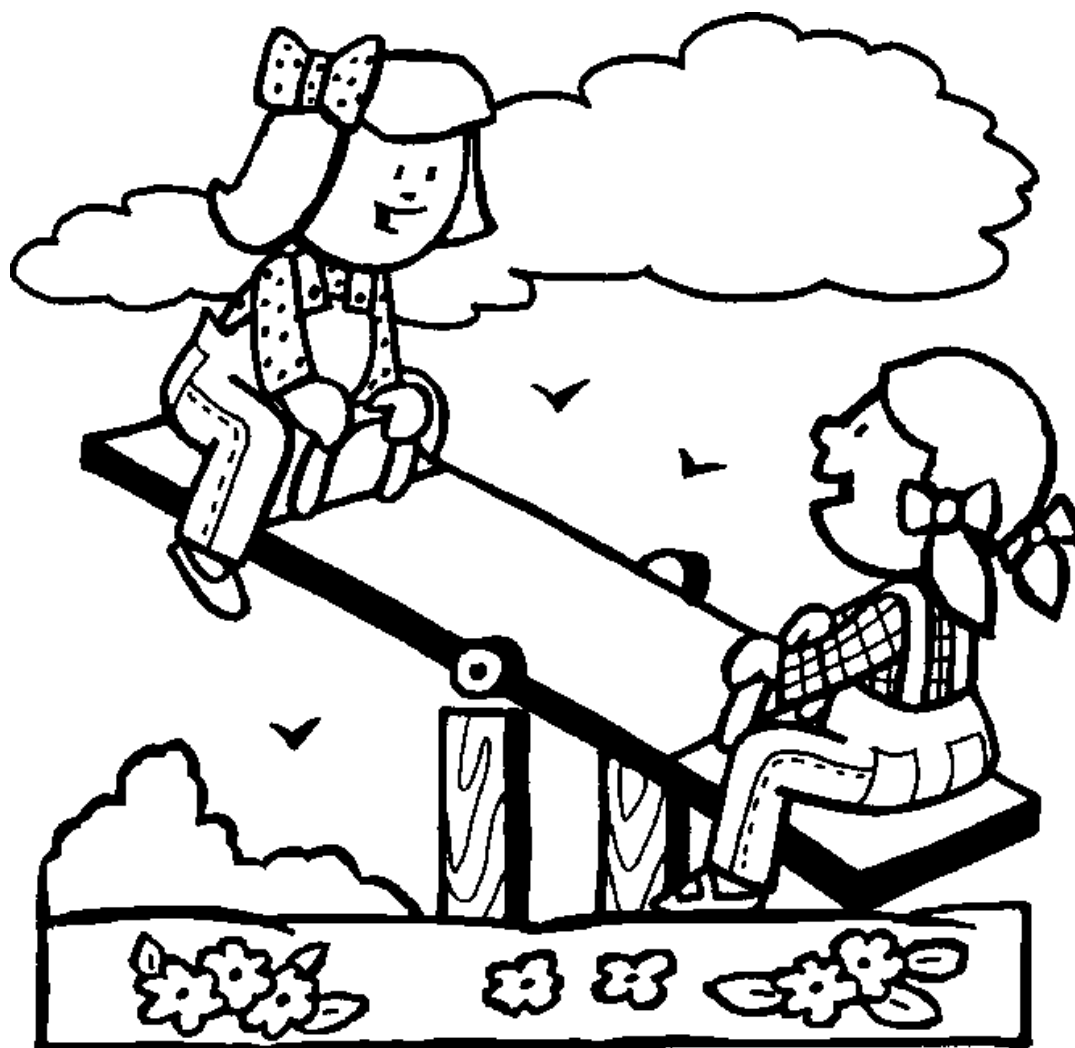
"Spy Dog" by Andrew Cope 5 - 7 years

This will be the last book club meeting before the start of the Summer holidays. Those who were unable to attend the last meeting can still collect their book in time for the next book club meeting on 2nd June.

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# Children's Colouring Competition

## June 2009



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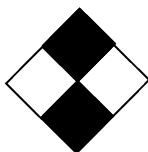
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# Horoscopes



**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

Monday 15th is your lucky day. It is going to be all sunshine. Your finances are going to be on the up and up. Think of your friends as one of them will need a little love.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number is 4. Colour Red



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

Your friends will love you this month as you are giving them a party. Make sure they appreciate it. It will be worth your while for the future.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 2, Colour Orange.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

This month should see you in a little bit of trouble on the social front. You are stepping on some one's toes. Be careful next time. Your love life will blossom though.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 8, Colour Blue.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

This the sting sign. Make sure somebody does not sting you this month as it would prove lethal. There is love on the horizon. All is as it should be.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 7, Colour Gold.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

As Gemini is the twin sign you should look for some love in your life. There will be plenty of fun for you this month. Look on the bright side of things.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 6, Colour Pink.



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

Ah the cupid sign. You are looking for love this month. It will come your way. Grab it with both hands as it will be gone the following morning.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 5, Colour Silver.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

This month you should get out more. People will be happy to see you. Things financial are secure for this week. Some little person is going to come your way to be loved.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 3, Colour Green.



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

You should be happy this month. You are financially secure and so is love. Why don't you go out a little bit as this will be rewarding.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 10, Colour Black.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

AH the Lion Sign—this is the sign of bravery! You are going to be brave this month. Don't look for anything. However you can hope, o don't despair. You will be happy about something.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 9, Colour Yellow.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

The water sign. It will prove fatal this month. Your friends will love you. Why not go out a bit more with them. Go with someone who appreciates you.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 12, Colour Grey.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

This week should see you all out in your finery. There is a special occasion for you. Be polite as it should make you a lot of friends. Be happy.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 5, Colour White.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

This month will bring some happiness. Your friend will tell you something. Pay heed to it. Things are working out for you.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 15, Colour Brown.



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## Community Games



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Niamh Feeney.*



*Sarah Curran-Kildare Final in Art*



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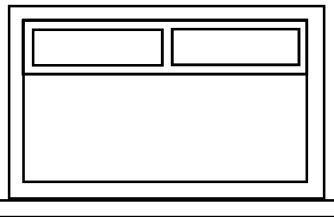
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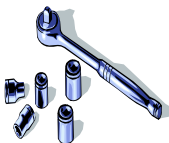
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## DIY Beauty Ways to Care for your Hair

Health, strength and beauty of hair depends primarily on its nerve vigor and the good circulation of the oily scalp secretion which gives it gloss and luster. Beauty is not so much a matter of color where hair is concerned. If your hair has a fine glow, a rich sheen, is thick and long, it will be beautiful irrespective of its pigmentation. Hair often makes an otherwise plain person beautiful. And practically every woman, if she cares to make the effort, may have beautiful hair.

The hair should never be worn "**done up**" constantly. This is injurious because every part of the hair should have frequent air and sun baths. For normal shampoo employ Castile, tar or vegetable soaps, and Green soap for oily hair. A good egg shampoo may be made of an egg, thoroughly beaten, one tablespoon alcohol, four ounces bay rum, a pinch of borax, and four ounces of Castile soap mixed in a pint of hot water, to be used when cool.

If you have the least suspicion of a curl in your hair, brushing around rather than straight will bring it out. Do not worry if you shed your hair. It is natural for the hair to shed — and to keep right on growing in again. Only see to it that the in growth is equal to the loss by shedding.

Most hair troubles could be prevented in the start by ordinary good care of the hair, and the maintenance of the state of general good health. Of course, various diseases affect the hair: fever dries it out and makes it fall; . Some skin diseases have the same effect. In general, if you are healthy, broadly speaking, your hair will be healthy too.

**Dandruff**—What we have to deal with in dandruff is a horny layer cast off by the scalp. This layer thickens, closes the pores, diminishes the hair's oil supply, and prevents the perspiration glands from getting rid of waste. Soon the hair loses tone and colour, and is covered with whitish powder. Then it starts to itch and fall. In an advanced state of the disease, the hair falls out, and blood crusts form on the scalp as a result of scratching. Digestive disorders, toxic elements in the blood or local irritation may cause dandruff, and it is communicable.

## Quotations

"The problem with people who have no vices is that generally you can be pretty sure they're going to have some pretty annoying virtues."

When one door closes another door opens; but we so often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door, that we do not see the ones which open for us.

Books are the carriers of civilization. Without books, history is silent, literature dumb, science crippled, thought and speculation at a standstill.

Good communication is as stimulating as black coffee, and just as hard to sleep after.

Even if you do learn to speak correct English, whom are you going to speak it to?

When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen.

The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Just listen. Perhaps the most important thing we ever give each other is our attention.... A loving silence often has far more power to heal and to connect than the most well-intentioned words.

Focusing your life solely on making a buck shows a poverty of ambition. It asks too little of yourself. And it will leave you unfulfilled.



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*Monsignor Hugh Connolly, President of St Patrick's College, Maynooth.*



Monsignor Connolly is a priest of Diocese of Dromore, born in September 1961. He is a native of Burren near Warrenpoint, Co Down where his sister, Rosemary, runs a well known solicitor's practice. He is a former student of Abbey Christian Brothers School, Newry and was ordained in Maynooth in June, 1987. As a young priest he studied for his Doctorate in moral *theology* at the Gregorian University, Rome which he completed in 1991.

Before being appointed President of Saint Patrick's College in 2007, he was Professor of Moral *Theology* and had been Registrar and Vice-President. The College comprises the Pontifical University where 400 students study *Theology*, and the National Seminary where 70 seminarians prepare for priesthood.

He particularly enjoyed his time teaching in the Pontifical University. He believes that *Theology* students discover a family-like bond with fellow students, and this is helped by the small College atmosphere of Saint Patrick's where lecturers and students interact very closely. As a result, past students have a great affection for the College, and tend to stay in touch after graduation. Students of the Pontifical University also have the benefit of the larger community, as they share the campus with the 7,000 students of the National University of Ireland, Maynooth.

Most students of the College come straight from school, but several students of *Theology* in Maynooth have already had careers or raised families and want to return to study, sometimes having missed the opportunity first time round. These students may be older than their teachers, and are a most welcome addition to the College, and enrich the whole community with their wisdom and experience.

At a personal level, Monsignor Connolly likes to travel, and each summer heads off with a rucksack, often to South America. He is very adept at languages, and can speak Spanish, French and Italian and is working on his Portuguese.

During the Easter break from his presidential duties, he went to Lourdes with the *Pilgrimage Trust*, where young people with disabilities are given a holiday. He finds this work very rewarding, and is constantly amazed by the generosity of the young helpers who accompany the young people. Each group is accompanied by a nurse, a doctor and a chaplain.

Monsignor Connolly has authored a book, published in 1995, on the *Irish Penitentials* and in 2002 published the volume *Sin* in the New Century *Theology* series. Monsignor Connolly was Executive Secretary of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference from 1991 to 1997.

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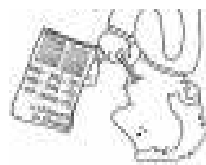
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Solutions



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## MAYNOOTH U3A

U3A has reason to celebrate this month because we are now in existence three years. Thanks to Maeve Moloney for having the courage and confidence to establish a group in Maynooth. The U3A organisation is slowly growing throughout Ireland and meeting the social, educational, and cultural needs of the over 50s. For the past 3 years our members have enjoyed being challenged both mentally and physically. To ensure mobility there has been walking, pitch and putt, swimming and the 'Go For Life' programme. Lots of our members are particularly interested in history and have visited the Museums, Art Gallery and places of great historic interest. Socially, there were very successful trips to Belfast, Kilkenny and Arann Islands and we can't forget quite a bit of dining out. Presently, we are enjoying a creative phase. With the guidance of our tutor Paddy we are exploring and developing the short story with particular emphasis on characterisation. The imaginations are on fire and every week we listen as each member reads her very own creation. Well done to everyone because for most it's a totally new experience. Congratulations to all our budding authors.

As usual we welcome new members and perhaps you might come along to our June meetings on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 in the Community Library.

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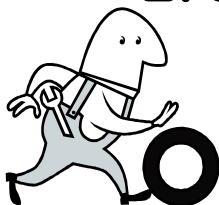
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## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question:

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### Answer:

You may qualify for the new 1-year Short-term Enterprise Allowance, introduced on foot of the Supplementary Budget in April 2009.

This new scheme allows people who qualify for Jobseeker's Benefit (with 104 PRSI contributions paid in the past 2 years) or who have been awarded statutory redundancy to get immediate access to Back to Work Enterprise Allowance (BTWEA) Payment while setting up a business. This will be payable for the duration of your Jobseeker's Benefit entitlement (that is, either 9 or 12 months).

Enterprise Ireland may help if your business meets the criteria of a "High Potential Start-up". These criteria are listed on [www.enterprise-ireland.com](http://www.enterprise-ireland.com). You may also be able to get workspace in one of the Community Enterprise Centres funded by Enterprise Ireland.

Your local City or County Enterprise Board (CEB) may be able to provide support. Your business must have the capacity to be commercially viable, and the CEBs give priority to enterprises in the manufacturing or internationally traded services sectors. The sort of help they provide includes capital grants, employment grants and feasibility study grants. [www.enterpriseboards.ie](http://www.enterpriseboards.ie).

Useful guides to starting your own business are available on [www.basis.ie](http://www.basis.ie) and on [www.dsfa.ie](http://www.dsfa.ie).

### Question:

I am buying my first home shortly and rely on getting Mortgage Interest Relief on my repayments. Will I still get this relief after the Supplementary Budget?

### Answer:

You are referring to the new changes to Mortgage Interest Relief which were announced in the Supplementary Budget on 7th April 2009.

With effect from 1 May 2009, Mortgage Interest Relief is being discontinued for all mortgages after the seventh year. However, these are special transitional measures in 2009 for people who have had a mortgage for more than 7 years.

The Government has announced that it plans to review the scheme and eventually abolish the relief.

In your case, as a first-time buyer, you will be entitled to Mortgage Interest Relief at a rate of 25% for the first and second years of your mortgage.

For the third, fourth and fifth years, you will get relief at 22.5%.

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Under the new changes brought in by the Supplementary Budget, your entitlement to Mortgage Interest Relief will end after the seventh year.

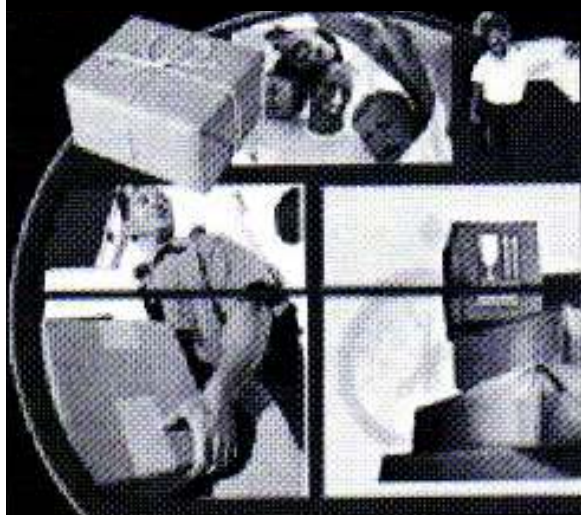
### Question:

What is Domiciliary Care Allowance? How do I apply? Is there a means test?

### Answer:

The Domiciliary Care Allowance (DCA) is a monthly payment made to the carer of a child (aged under 16) with a severe disability who lives at home. The disability must be likely to last for at least one year, and the child must





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need constant care and supervision that is substantially more than that normally needed by a child of the same age. There is no means test.

Up to 1 April 2009, the DCA scheme was run by the Health Service Executive (HSE). The administration of the scheme is moving from the HSE to the Department of Scoil and Family Affairs (DSFA). Since 1 April 2009, the DSFA from September 2009.

Before this transfer, the means of the child (but not of the carer) were assessed and the payment could be reduced. From now on, neither the child's means nor the carer's own means are taken into account.

The full rate of DCA in 2009 is €309.50 per month. You can also get a Respite Care Grant (currently €1,700) which is paid during each year.

You may get a half-rate payment if your child is in residential care and goes home for 2 or more days a week, for example, if he/she attends a residential service from Monday to Friday and goes home at weekends.

There is no restriction on the number of children for whom you may claim DCA and Respite Care Grant. In other words, if you are caring for more than one eligible child, you may claim the payments for each child).

DCA does not affect your entitlement to Child Benefit. You may also qualify for Carer's Benefit or Carer's Allowance if you meet the relevant conditions.

To apply, you need form Dom Care 1. To get this, you can text "FORM DCA" and your name and address to 51909; download from [www.Welfare.ie](http://www.Welfare.ie); ask at your Social Welfare Local Office or Citizens Information Centre; or Lo-call 1890 202 325. Fill in parts 1 to 5 of the application form and have your child's doctor complete parts 6 and 7. Attach any relevant reports or assessments, and send the form to Domiciliary Care Allowance Section—address on form.

## **Question:**

I am applying for a driving test. What does it cost and how long is the wait?

## **Answer:**

The Road Safety Authority has increased fees for driving tests with effect from 7th April 2009.

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- Moped (category M)
- Motorcycle (Categories A, A1)
- Works Vehicle (category W)

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# *Celebration Of First Holy Communion*

Saint Marys Parish Maynooth.  
Saturday 9th May 2009.



*Fr. Paul Coyle, Charlie Kavanagh.*



*Fr. Liam Rigney PP.*



*Charlie McMyler.*



*Marie Gleeson, Dara Gleeson  
(Grandson), Michael Gleeson.*



*Geraldine Quinn (Mam),  
Cathal Quinn, Fred Quinn (Dad).*



*Clint Simon.*



# Clubs, Organisations and Societies

## Maynooth GAA Club

GAA celebrate 125 years, Maynooth play a match with a difference

By Brendan Coffey, Maynooth GAA PRO

May was a special month for the GAA with 9 May set aside as Lá na gclub, a day for clubs across the country to celebrate 125 years of the association.

In Maynooth there was plenty of drama as players and mentors joined forces for the day to play against another team of coaches and players. There was plenty of drama but plenty of fun too.

On the Friday night there was a fundraising table quiz held in the clubhouse for this year's Féile competitions and the club has three teams entered – two boys football teams and one girls team. The camogie team are also off to the hurling and camogie Féile in Offaly after winning the Kildare title for the first time ever.

The Maynooth boys A team also completed a first by winning the final of the A Féile, beating Moorefield in the final. The B team did really well to reach the D final but lost out to Ellistown in the final.

The minor footballers created another piece of history when they won the club's first ever league title at the top level. After a fantastic run of wins to qualify for the final against Moorefield, Donal McAvinue's side showed great skill and maturity to win the title.

Meanwhile the club's senior footballers and hurlers have had mixed fortunes of late. The footballers are struggling in the bottom four of division of the senior football league with just one win against Johnstownbridge and two draws at home to Kilcullen and Round Towers. However the performance against Towers should give the team a boost after taking a point from the table toppers.

The senior hurlers enjoyed a great win over Ardclough in April but have been less successful in their most recent outings, losing to Ros Glas and Celbridge.

The junior B football team remain the talk of the club though after some action packed games in the club. Mick Gillick has masterminded a hugely talented bunch of players who are nothing if not entertaining. Crowds have been growing for the third team games and there is talk that they may become all ticket events before the end of the year. Gillick, a former club chairman and well known community activist, is taking it all in his stride.

"I'm delighted to see so many people taking an interest in the third team at least, even if they're jumping on the bandwagon now. I've been in charge for more years than I care to remember but I love just as much, even if Mark Nugent breaks my heart.

"We have a great bunch of players who have shown great commitment and dedication over many years and it's about time they got the recognition they deserve. My motto is simple: worry about the first half in the first half and worry about the second half when we get to half-time. We've had one win so far but the important thing at this time of the year is performance. The lads know that this is all building towards championship later in the year," said the managerial maestro.



**Alex Birchall poc fada Winner**



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# *Celebration of First Holy Communion*

Saint Marys Parish Maynooth.  
Saturday 16th May 2009.



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### **Use your votes to defend Irish national and local democracy and rebuke Brussels**

People's Movement is a non-party political movement that seeks to extend popular sovereignty and to promote democratic values in Irish life. We oppose attempts by the EU to further extend its control to all levels of society and seek to counteract its dominance of Irish political and economic life. In particular, we oppose the attempt to overturn the Irish decision of June 2008 to reject the Lisbon treaty in a Lisbon Two referendum threatened for next October. Therefore, we view the elections of 5 June as an opportunity for the electorate to send a strong message to the Brussels bureaucrats and to the compliant Irish political elites that the people of Ireland are not for turning on their rejection of Lisbon.

We know that Brussels and the Irish Yes side intend to use the recession to frighten the electorate into hoping that by granting more powers to the EU we will be saved from economic meltdown – despite the fact that it was the policies of Brussels and their Irish supporters that caused the problems in the first place. Accordingly, we wish to remind voters of how the recession was caused and what is at stake with the Lisbon Treaty. Furthermore, we urge voters to raise these issues with political canvassers, demand that their parties change their support for the failed EU policies and critically analyse each candidate's position on a second Lisbon referendum before casting your votes on 5 June.

All 27 EU Members are in economic crisis. Ireland is worse than most because of the borrowing binge, which was encouraged by the cosy cartel of Irish bankers and our elite political parties. Europe's biggest hitters, Germany and France, dominate European Central Bank policies but for Ireland this meant:

**Bank interest rates out of kilter for the Irish economy:** Frankfurt set rates at too low a level during the 'Celtic Tiger' years. Cheap money fed the property boom. It made billionaires of developers and the banksters – but resulted in rampant house price inflation and massive mortgages for homeowners.

**Falling exports due to over-valued euro:** Over 70% of our exports go to the UK, the US and outside the eurozone. The Irish Exporters Association reported total exports in 2008 fell by €6 billion and that the 6% decline to the UK can mainly be accounted for by the 33% depreciation in sterling against the euro. But the ECB failed to act because it doesn't suit Germany and France to devalue the euro. The resultant massive job losses in Ireland are of little concern to them.

**Why the Pay Cuts and job losses?** Because the euro was not devalued our Government and employers have embarked upon a crude 'internal devaluation'. Private sector employees and public and civil servants together have suffered savage reductions in pay. In turn demand for goods and services has collapsed and, bereft of banking facilities, small and medium enterprises are hemorrhaging jobs at an alarming rate. Unemployment will soon exceed 500,000. All are, pension values, investments, profits, social welfare entitlements, etc.

**Tax increases and service cuts:** the EU has Ireland given until 2013 to get our debt to GDP ratio down to 3% and the Government has set about achieving this with a vengeance. Yes, we need to sort out the deficits, but most economists now say it will take a generation to sort out the financial mess at the banks and government finances. Deflating the economy now with more taxes and cut backs can only lead to further economic and social carnage.

**EU-supported bailout for the bankers:** evidence has emerged that Finance Minister Lenihan coordinated his Emergency budget and the setting up of a National Asset Management Agency with EU officials. It seems the EU intend to use Ireland as a testing ground for a 'bad' bank, a device which will shift the banks' losses of up to 90 billion euro to the Irish State. If this works (or they get away with it) the NAMA concept may well be employed elsewhere in the EU. Most economists are opposed to NAMA and see temporary nationalisation as the only workable solution.

### **The Lisbon Treaty – out of date and fatally flawed**

The Lisbon Treaty is the very embodiment of the EU's neo-liberal dogma, which assumes that banks and markets are at their most efficient when unfettered. It was conceived ten years ago when globalisation and financial capitalism were rampant. The whole world now knows to its bitter cost how disastrous such policies were.

We urgently need the EU and the ECB's euro policies to take real account of Ireland and other smaller countries' economic needs and make provision for our unique economic conditions. But Lisbon provides for increased legal powers for the ECB and states:

'The ECB...shall have legal personality, shall enjoy in each member state the most extensive legal capacity accorded to legal persons under its laws.

And it compounds the unequal relationship for smaller states by declaring:

'the votes in the Governing Council shall be weighted according to the national central banks' shares in the subscribed capital of the ECB.'

Germany and France, whose populations total 147ml. and together command a GDP wealth, in millions of dollars, of 6,533,250 - as compared to Ireland's 273,328 - will always call the shots at the ECB. Clearly, Lisbon copper fastens Big States control of the ECB and condemns the smaller states to a future of permanent disadvantage. The rules governing the ECB must be changed.

We urge voters to raise these critical issues with local and Euro candidates and cast their highest preferences for those who opposed the Lisbon Treaty or who oppose holding another referendum before exercising their preferences for the other Candida

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## Party Political-Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

### **Grant of €32,000 for Kildare for Public Education and Awareness Initiatives on Litter and Graffiti**

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick is pleased with today's announcement by Minister John Gormley, T.D., Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, and Mr. Michael Kitt, T.D., Minister of State at the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government, of the allocation of €32,000 to Kildare County Council for public education and awareness initiatives in relation to both litter and graffiti. It is hoped that this money will assist local authorities to continue their important work in this area.

The grant covers a broad range of measures to raise public awareness and promote anti-litter and anti-graffiti activity at local level, said Deputy Fitzpatrick. Eligible projects include local media campaigns, clean-ups, primary/secondary school competitions, exhibitions and the production of videos, posters and leaflets. There is a particular focus on involving schools and young people and on voluntary initiatives carried out by community groups.

The appearance of a community remains vital to both social and economic activity; it will assist our tourism industry greatly, added Deputy Fitzpatrick who acknowledged the role being played by local authorities and urged them to continue their work with community groups to tackle the litter and graffiti problems in their area.

### **Fitzpatrick welcomes official opening of Hazelhatch Station**

Local Fianna Fail TD, Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the official opening of the Hazelhatch train station by the Minister for Transport, Noel Dempsey.

"I was delighted to welcome Minister Dempsey to Kildare to open the station."

"This up-grading of the Hazelhatch station is great news for the commuters of the north Kildare area. It is now possible to travel to Heuston Station in 15 minutes."

"As part of the up-grading of the facilities at the Hazelhatch station, additional car parking spaces will hopefully encourage more commuters to take the train," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

### **Fitzpatrick calls for renewable energy project to be based in Kildare**

Kildare North Fianna Fail TD and member of the Oireachtas Committee on Environment has called for a proposed renewable energy project to be based in Kildare.

"The Environment Committee which I am a member of has invited proposals from County Councils on the

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feasibility of locating renewable energy projects in their local authority areas.”

“The renewable energy projects will follow the example of the town of Gussing in Austria where 50 new companies have been established and 1000 people have been employed since the 1990s through the establishment and expansion of systems of producing energy from sustainable local resources.”

“Leinster has been identified as a location that would be suitable for such a project as well as the establishment of a Solartuer School which will provide training in renewable energy technologies to students and skilled workers in the building, engineering and other sectors.”

“I am confident that Kildare, the north of the county in particular would be an ideal location for such an environmental project,” concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Official Opening of Leixlip Garda Station.**

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick welcomed Minister Dermot Ahern TD, Minister for Justice to Kildare on Monday May 25<sup>th</sup> last at the official opening of Leixlip Garda Station.

The opening of Leixlip Garda Station late last year allied with the new Kildare Garda Division which came into operation on January 1<sup>st</sup> serves to enhance the professional and efficient service being provided by the Gardai to all our communities, said Michael.

Leixlip Garda Station under the expert direction of Superintendent Giblin and his staff provides a 24 hour service and is the headquarters of a new Garda District which stretches from the north east of the county to Carbury in North West Kildare and now includes Maynooth.

## **GRANT AID OF €300,000 FOR HORTICULTURE GROWERS in Kildare**

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick has been informed by Mr.

Trevor Sargent T.D., Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, with special responsibility for Horticulture that a grant aid package of approximately €300,000 under the Grant Scheme for the Development of the Horticulture Sector has been announced for Kildare.

Grants to 7 horticultural producers in Co. Kildare for capital investments in new facilities are provided for in the package. The grant aid covers all areas of the horticultural production sector - including mushrooms, protected crops, nursery crops, field vegetables, soft fruits/apples and bee-keeping/others – and will help to fund on-farm investments.

Among those to benefit are Rentes Plants Ltd, Ballinadrimma, Moyvalley, Brendan Bryne, Corduff, Coill Dubh, Campbell Plants Ltd., Clonagh, Maynooth, L & K Dunne Nurseries, Russelstown, Woodview Nurseries, Ballyteague, Declan O'Brien in Naas and Woodside at Newlands, Naas

These are substantial and well deserved grants to persons with a proven track record in the business added Deputy Fitzpatrick, and he would urge shoppers to be on the look out for locally grown fruit and vegetables and reminded them that fresh local food in season tastes good and with less transportation and storage costs is better for the environment. We should support local producers and by doing so we are making an investment in our own community.

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# Party Political-Áine Brady T.D.

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*Aine Brady T.D.*

## **Budget 2009 - Free pre-school year will help families who need it most and protect local jobs - Brady**

The introduction by the Government in the Supplementary Budget of a free pre-school year has been welcomed by local Fianna Fáil TD Áine Brady.

The scheme is expected to benefit some 70,000 children every year.

"The provision of a free pre-school year will help families who most need assistance and it will also crucially help maintain jobs in the childcare sector."

"This aim of the scheme is to provide one year of quality pre-school education to children in the year prior to entry into primary school."

"The provision of a year's free pre-school to all children will promote equality of opportunity at the most important development stage of children's lives. Regardless of income or ability to pay, all children will be entitled to avail of this pre-school service," stated Deputy Brady.

"Children enrolled in playschools will receive free pre-school provisions of 3 hours per day, 5 days each week over a 38 week year."

"All children aged between 3 years and 3 months and 4 years and 6 months at September 1 each year will be eligible."

"All community and private pre-school services which meet the requirements of the scheme will be invited to apply for entry to the scheme and all notified pre-school services will be contacted by the Office of the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs by the end of May."

"The Minister for Children and Youth Affairs Barry Andrews TD will be introducing the scheme from January of next year. A helpline will be in place with effect from Monday, 20th April to answer queries from parents and childcare providers in relation to the operation of the new Scheme. The number is 1 890 30 30 39. "

"Fianna Fail in Government has prioritised investment in childcare, dedicating some €1 billion in developing childcare infrastructure over the last decade. This significant investment in infrastructure has made it possible to introduce this pre-school year," concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Brady welcomes Minister to Maynooth for sod-turning**

The Minister of State at the Department of Health and local Fianna Fail TD, Áine Brady has welcomed the Minister for Education, Batt O'Keeffe TD to NUI Maynooth for the sod-turning on the new Humanities and Social Sciences Building.

"I am delighted to welcome Minister O'Keeffe back to NUI Maynooth for this important milestone in the development of the new Humanities and Social Sciences Building."

"The new humanities and social sciences building will house three separate research institutes - the National Centre for Geocomputation; the National Institute for Regional and Spatial Analysis; and An Foras Feasa which

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will undertake ground breaking research to bring Ireland's cultural traditions to life."

"This expansion is part of NUI Maynooth's ten year plan and I must congratulate all of those at NUI Maynooth involved in pushing the project forward."

"In these difficult economic times, this Government has focussed on research and development as a growth area that will result in new ideas and enterprises that will provide sustainable jobs that will bolster the economy."

"NUI Maynooth has proved to be an important part of social, educational and economic life of north Kildare and continued investment and expansion of the campus is great news for the area," concluded Minister Brady.

## **Bus Service for Maynooth raised again with Dublin Bus.**

Deputy Aine Brady has again raised the issue of improving the service provided by Dublin Bus for Maynooth Commuters. Dublin Bus have again assured me that they will:

- Look again at the Provision of a Service to Moyglare Road and will work with Kildare Co. Co. in providing Turning Circle for Buses.
- Provide Bus Stops adjacent to Griffith Rath Service to Straffan Way and Beaufield Estate

Following my representations, Dublin Bus continue to engage with Kildare Co. Co. to discuss the local infrastructure in order to facilitate an effective Bus Service.

## **Schools Urged to Participate in Walk to School Week**

North Kildare TD, Minister of State, Aine Brady, has urged schools to participate in the Walk to School Week, from 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> of May. The aim of the upcoming **Walk to School Week** is to get 50,000 students walking to school on 20 May as part of the national Walk on Wednesday initiative.

'In recent times, many schools in Kildare have participated in the 'Walk on Wednesdays' initiative as part of the Green Schools programme. The work of all concerned, parents, teachers and Board of Managements deserve to be recognised.'

'The Green Schools Travel programme has been a real success since it began in 2005. Walking, cycling and public transport can be real alternatives to the car. The programme's main target is to encourage children that are within 2km of the school to walk to their school "

'Today, a total of 317 schools, including a significant number of schools in Kildare, covering 70,000 children countrywide are taking part in the Department of Transport funded Green Schools Travel programme".

'Health promotion is part of my new role, and I see initiatives such as 'walk or cycle' to school as key enablers for starting our younger citizens on a road to a healthy lifestyle.'

For further information on the Green Schools Travel programme visit [www.greenschoolsireland.org](http://www.greenschoolsireland.org) or contact the An Taisce Green Schools Travel team on (01) 400 2202. Schools may register for the Walk on Wednesday initiative by emailing [walktoschool@eeu.antaisce.org](mailto:walktoschool@eeu.antaisce.org) or visit [www.greenschoolsireland.org](http://www.greenschoolsireland.org). \_concluded Minister Brady.



## Party Political - Labour News



*Emmet Stagg T.D.*

### MAYNOOTH LABOUR NEWS



*Cllr. John McGinley*

#### **Provision of Youth Cafe**

Cllr. John McGinley has asked the Council to speed up the provision of a Youth Cafe at TESCO. Maynooth residents will be aware that as part of the Planning Permission granted for the new TESCO a Unit measuring 4,500 sq. ft. in area has to be provided for community use. Cllr. McGinley got agreement in principle that a Youth Cafe would be provided for. John has also been in regular contact with Kildare Youth Services and they have advised him that an area of 1000 to 1500 sq. ft. is all that is required for the Youth Cafe. Council Officials will decide what other community uses will be catered for that would not be in conflict with the Youth Cafe. John has suggested that the remaining 3,000 sq. ft. could accommodate a Theatre and Performing Arts Centre.

#### **Cllr. McGinley Gets TESCO Hoarding Removed**

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley TESCO have removed the ugly hoarding from in front of the old car park.

Its removal will mean that Dublin Road will be more attractive to the Tidy Town Adjudicators and also that people will see that the individual shops are still open for business.

#### **Provision of Additional Parking at Maynooth**

Cllr. John McGinley got the following Progress Report from the Council:

"Further discussions have taken place with Tesco and I have made contact with two landowners who would be interested in providing an "all day" pay parking facility. Negotiations are ongoing at present."

#### **Eyesore Beside St. Mary's RC Church**

Cllr. John McGinley asked the Council to take action to have the large sign advertising the owner of this derelict site removed as it was unauthorised. It is very disappointing that the owner only removed the Advertising and left the hoarding in place. In addition the owner has refused to lease the site on a temporary basis to the Council for use as a car park.

John has again asked the Planning Department of the Council to take appropriate action now as it could have a negative impact on the scoring for the Tidy Towns Competition if the hoarding is not removed and the site cleared up as a matter of urgency.

#### **Proposal to Ban HGVs from Moyglare Road Maynooth and Install Speed Cushions**

Cllr. John McGinley got the following reply to his motion:

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"Due to the constricted financial climate, it is expected that funding from the DTO/DoT will be severely curtailed, as in other Government Departments. The DTO has funded both the Traffic Management and Public Transport Interchange Plans in the town and until these schemes progress to public consultation, no funding for implementation measures are expected.

***In order to examine the area of Moyglare Road, the scope of the Traffic management Plan would need to be extended to include this area towards the county boundary. Until this happens, it is not possible to determine what affect changes to the traffic management regime in the area will have on the wider catchment area."***

Cllr. McGinley stated that the Council should not predetermine the actions of the DTO and that a strong case should be made to them seeking funding for traffic calming for this road which is unique in Ireland in that it has first level, second level and third level educational facilities.

## **Removal of the "Bandstand:"**

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

"That Ward & Burke Construction Ltd. be asked to move the "Bandstand" from Pound Park/The Green, Maynooth, to the agreed location on NUIM grounds, as a gesture of goodwill to the residents of the area who have suffered great disruption as a result of the Lower Liffey Valley Regional Sewerage Scheme (LLVRSS)."

## **John was given the following reply at the Area Meeting on 15 May:**

"It would be inappropriate for Water Services as Project Managers to raise this suggestion. It is not relevant to the scope of the works and would result in increased contract costs."

Cllr. McGinley stated that the reply was total rubbish. He said that the Park has to be completely refurbished as a result of the Sewerage Works and that it would be a waste of money doing so unless the "Bandstand" was removed. Maynooth Tidy Towns are in agreement with John on this. Demolishing it and using it for scrap would not cost much as the Contractors are already on site. John has already identified savings on the contract as it

included surface water drainage for Leinster Street even though this was provided only last year. So it is wrong for the Council to say that there would be increased contract costs.

## **Constructing a Left Turning Lane at the Exit from Greenfield Estate onto the Straffan Road.**

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

"That a left turning lane be constructed at the exit of Greenfield Estate onto the Straffan Road in order to make it easier for the estate residents and customers of Greenfield Shopping Centre to exit safely."

## **John was given the following reply:**

*"I regret to inform the Committee that there is no funding available in the Roads Maintenance budget for this work. This request will be referred to the Roads Design team for their comments."*

John asked that he be given the cost of the work so that funding can be addressed.

## **Noise From the M4;**

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

"What is the current status of the introduction of noise abatement measures on the M4, particularly at Maynooth?"

## **John was given the following reply at the Area Meeting on 15 May:**

***"No noise abatement measures are currently planned for the M4. The Noise Action Plan for County Kildare has been forwarded to the County Manager for approval. The action plan sets out a strategy for the treatment of environmental noise within the county over the next five years. However, any resulting noise mitigation will be dependent on the provision of funding."***

John asked that the NRA be asked to put a low noise thin wearing course of asphalt macadam (similar to that on the N7) on the M4 between Leixlip and Kilcock now. The existing surface is 15 years old and it is due a new coating anyway.

## **Enforcement of the Litter Laws:**

Cllr. John McGinley submitted the following motion

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for the consideration of the Leixlip Area Committee:

"That Kildare County Council strictly enforces the Litter Laws in Maynooth, particularly as it relates to litter on the footpaths outside fast food premises."

## **John was given the following reply at the Area Meeting on 15 May:**

"The Litter Warden continues to monitor the litter in Maynooth. The area is visited approximately four times per week. Indeed during 2008, 93 litter fines were issued for the Maynooth area and included were fines for fast food premises. In 2009 there were 25 litter fines issued for the Maynooth area."

John stated that the footpaths outside fast food premises and pubs were a disgrace and that there was no evidence of proper enforcement of the Litter Laws.

## **Provision of a New Footpath and Public Lighting From TESCO to the Halting Site.**

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

"That a new footpath and public lighting be extended on the South Side of the Dublin Road from TESCO to Blacklion Halting Site in the interests of public safety and that it be made a condition of any Planning Granted under 09/396 (LF Properties Ltd.) to provide same."

He was supported by all the other Councillors at the Area Meeting on 15 May. Officials stated that they could not comment in public on a Planning Application.

## **Restoration of the Car Activation of the Pedestrian Lights at Kingsbry:**

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

"Why will the Council not re-commission the Loop on the Pedestrian Signals at Kingsbry, Maynooth?"

## **John was given the following reply at the Area Meeting on 15 May:**

"The vehicle loop at the pedestrian signals at Kingsbury, Maynooth was decommissioned early last year due to safety concerns. Allowing pedestrian crossings to be controlled by vehicle sensors on side roads is considered to be unsafe and not standard

practice. If there are problems with traffic exiting the side roads the safe and standard practice is to put in place a full signalised junction, subject to a study of the environment and all vehicle and pedestrian movements in the area. Unfortunately there are no resources available, at this time, to carry out such a study or to install or maintain additional signalised crossings."

John stated that the reply was total nonsense as cars exiting from Kingsbry have been activating the lights for the last 15 years and there was no question of safety concerns then. Indeed the new system is a safety hazard. The other Councillors agreed with John.

## **Switching on The New Pedestrian Lights at Cluain Aoibhinn:**

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

"Why is Finance Section holding up the switching on of the Pedestrian Lights on the Rathcoffey Road, Maynooth, whose installation was completed in February?"

## **John was given the following reply at the Area Meeting on 15 May:**

"A payment was issued to ESB in March, however, due to administrative difficulties this payment was returned and had to be redrawn. This has now taken place and it is hoped that the lights will be switched on shortly."

John stated that it is an awful pity that it took over three months to get a payment of €385.90 to the ESB to make a connection for lights that cost €40,000.

John has also contacted the ESB on the 15 May asking them to carry out the work as soon as possible.

## **Removal of Graffiti from Harbour Field Area, Maynooth**

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

"Please source or seek funding for removal of graffiti in the area on the grounds that action now will deter further appearances."

## **John was given the following reply at the Area Meeting on 15 May:**

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"Graffiti removal in the playground is being funded from the playground maintenance budget in the current year's estimates. Graffiti removal has been an ongoing process since the start of the year."

## **Straffan Wood Taking in Charge**

It was agreed at the Leixlip Area Committee on 14 May that a recommendation would go to the full Council to take Straffan Wood housing estate in charge provided that the issue regarding the areas to be transferred to the Management Company has been clarified with the Developer.

## **STAGG AND MCGINLEY SUGGEST MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSAL FOR DUBLIN ROAD, MAYNOOTH**

Deputy Emmet Stagg and his colleague Cllr. John McGinley have suggested modifications to the planning proposal for 226 apartments in 4 and 3 Storey Blocks on the Dublin Road, Maynooth. The Carton Avenue Action Plan does allow for taller buildings on this particular site but Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley have indicated that three Storeys is the maximum acceptable. They also pointed out that with the removal of the 4<sup>th</sup> Storey from the two Blocks on the Western edge of the site the applicants should incorporate a roof on each of the blocks in line with the Heritage of Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg and Cllr. McGinley also pointed out in their submission that if these modifications were made that they would not pursue the planning file further within the planning process.

We await the reaction of the Planners and the applicants to our suggestions.

## **44% REDUCTION IN REGIONAL AND LOCAL ROAD GRANTS FOR KILDARE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has criticised the decision by the Minister for Transport to slash the Regional and Local Road Grant Allocations to Kildare Co. Council by 44%, down from an allocation of €28,178,630 in 2008 to a revised allocation in 2009 of €15,769,264, following the Supplementary Budget on April 7<sup>th</sup> last.

Nationally the Total Grants allocated to all Local Authorities in the State fell by 26% and Deputy Stagg stated that Kildare seems to have been targeted for special treatment by the Minister and the Government with an additional 18% cut.

The cuts now imposed, stated Deputy Stagg, see €5

of a million taken from the Clane/Kilcock Improvement Scheme and a further €3 million taken from restoration improvement projects throughout the County. €4.5 million of funding has been withdrawn from the Enfield/Edenderry Improvement Scheme which means that even if An Bord Pleanála give the CPO the go ahead this year work will not commence on this seriously deficient major road.

Last February then backbench T.D. Aine Brady welcomed the original grant to Kildare for these works, whilst ignoring the fact that originally the figures were cut by 13%. This further cut of an additional 31% is staggering and shows a contempt by this Government for the people of the County.

When FF and Green Canvassers call to your homes over the next five weeks you should ask them why Kildare has suffered so severely in the bailout of the

Bankers and Developers concluded Deputy Stagg.

## **COUNCIL HOUSING BUDGET SLASHED BY 44%**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has reacted angrily to the announcement of the Capital Allocation for Local Authority Housing for Kildare Co. Council which sees funds slashed by 44% since 2008.

In 2008 stated Deputy Stagg the allocation to Kildare Co. Council was €45 Million and the 2009 allocation is only €25 Million. This reduction in funding for the building/purchase of Local Authority Housing is a 44% reduction whilst Nationally funding has been cut by 27%. Again as in the allocation of roads funding where Kildare lost out significantly one has to ask why Kildare is being punished so harshly by this Government.

With just under 4,000 housing applicants on Kildare Co. Council's Housing Waiting List and with the building industry in serious decline the allocation by the Government will impact severely on those who cannot afford to provide their own housing accommodation and on workers in the building industry.

In addition to the Governments attack on traditional council housing there has also been a reduction in funding for the Voluntary and Co-operative Sector of 24% in Kildare, down from €13 Million in 2008 to €9.835 Million this year. Nationally funding for this sector fell by 18% so again Kildare is being targeted for higher cuts than elsewhere.

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Minister of State Aine Brady welcomed these allocations on May 1<sup>st</sup> and stated she was *delighted to welcome this important funding*. I now pose the question to her – How can your Government stand over a 44% reduction in Kildare against a 27% cut Nationally in Council Housing funding.

In any event Deputy Stagg stated that funding should not have been cut at all as the retention of the National Budget of just over a Billion Euro for Council Housing in 2008 would have given the building industry a boost.

## **ALLOCATION OF DISABILITY AND HOUSING ADAPTATION GRANTS ROTTEN TO THE CORE**

Reacting to the announcement of an allocation of €1,870,000 to Kildare Co. Council for Disabled Person Grants, Housing Adaptation Grants and Mobility Grants, Deputy Emmet Stagg has claimed that the allocation of the Grant money nationwide is Rotten to the Core.

The Grant to Kildare Co. Council stated Deputy Stagg covers less than a third of the current waiting list of Grants sought by Disabled and Elderly people which presently stands at €5,731,000 and involves 587 individuals and families. These stated Deputy Stagg are very real people who have suffered a disability and need downstairs accommodation, or are elderly people who require stairlifts or level access showers. Others on the waiting list are elderly people whose homes require rewiring, central heating or replacement of substandard doors and windows.

It will take at least three years to meet existing demands in Kildare which is placing an incredible strain on disabled people and our senior citizens who have a right to live with some modicum of comfort in their homes.

The really galling thing about this is how Kildare's Elderly and Senior Citizens are treated compared to those in other Counties stated Deputy Stagg. Simply comparing the allocations to population we see a clear inequality which is typical of FF political life:

COUNTY	ALLOCATION	POPULATION 2006
KILDARE	€1,870,000	186,075
LEITRIM	€1,790,000	28,837
LAOIS	€1,910,000	67,012
CARLOW	€1,357,500	50,471
MONAGHAN	€2,177,500	55,816
ROSCOMMON	€1,910,000	58,700

Deputy Stagg stated that he intended to question the Minister further in relation to the allocation of these funds because its time that Disabled and Elderly people in Kildare received a fair share of the funds available.

## **GOVERNMENT ABANDONS CARE OF THE ELDERLY**

Deputy Emmet Stagg questioned the Minister for Health in relation to the number of elderly people awaiting admission to a Public Nursing Home in Co. Kildare and the number of people on the waiting list for Home Care Packages. The HSE have advised Deputy Stagg that there are 188 people on the waiting list for long stay beds in Co. Kildare, 18 of whom are in Acute Hospitals and 94 who are living in the Community. Of those living in the Community 12 require extended care as soon as possible. The remaining 76 are in Private Nursing Homes with inadequate levels of subvention. In relation to the Home Care Packages there are 160 people on the waiting list.

The figures show that the Government are not prepared to put in place resources to care for our Senior Citizens when they are unable to care for themselves or remain in the Community. Even the scheme of Home Care Packages, specifically designed to allow senior citizens to remain in their local community with assistance is at a standstill with no new Home Care Packages approved in 2009 to date. The really shocking figure stated Deputy Stagg is that 94 people deemed eligible for Long Term Care are living in the Community, placing immense pressure on families to care for them without adequate training or back up assistance. The fact that 12 of these require extended care as soon as possible, with no place available for them is nothing short of scandalous treatment of our Senior Citizens.

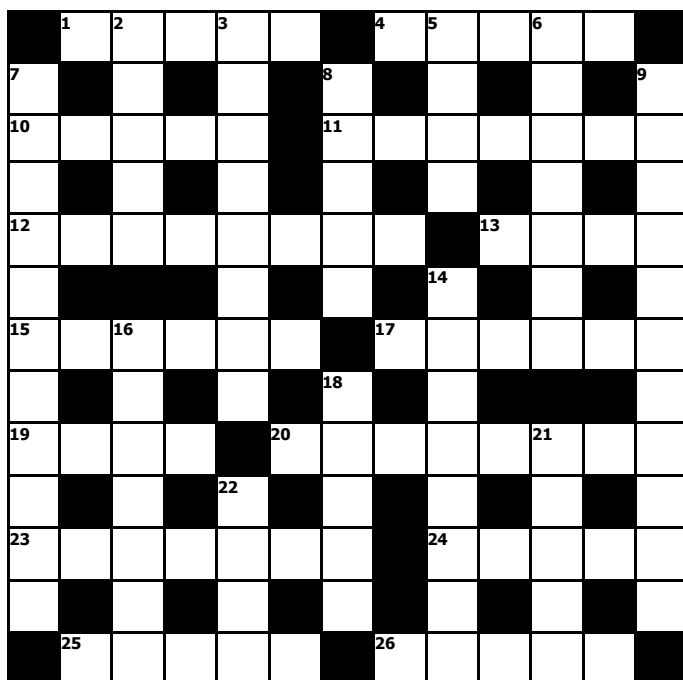
The only answer to this continuing problem is a major investment in Public Nursing Homes based in our larger towns along the lines of the Maynooth Community Care Unit. The investment would provide jobs in construction, provide the badly needed care for our Senior Citizens and remove families from the clutches of the Profit driven Private Nursing Homes. That is Labour's answer but regrettably FF and the Greens simply don't care enough concluded Deputy Stagg.

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# Features

## Crossword No. 78.



Entries in before: 14th of June

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Across:

1. Perspire (5)
4. Suit of cards (5)
10. Communications device (5)
11. Light rain (7)
12. Hart to Hart actress, \_ \_ \_ Powers (8)
13. Equitable (4)
15. Flinch (6)
17. Puzzle (6)
19. Marc Bolan's group (1,3)
20. Viable (8)
23. Apparent (7)
24. The Scales [zodiac] (5)
25. Edge (5)
26. Novelist \_ \_ \_ Bainbridge (5)

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### Down:

2. Golf club (5)
3. Fragrant (8)
5. Deposited (4)
6. Large bird of prey (7)
7. Dissatisfaction (11)
8. US singer, \_ \_ \_ Cochran (5)
9. Actor in a Touch of Class (6, 5)
14. Liquefy (8)
16. Butchers knife (7)
18. Period of hire (5)
21. Impressionist, \_ \_ \_ Davro (5)
22. Scythed (4)

### Answers to crossword No. 77.

#### Across:

1. Quashed, 7. Jolly, 8. Aspirin, 9. Slowly, 11. Final, 13. Dust, 14. Liberty, 15. Oboe, 16. Baggy, 17. Beauty, 21. Gorilla, 22. Porch, 23. Incense.

#### Down:

2. Unsuitable, 3. Suitable, 4. Exit, 5. Bowl, 6. Glow, 9. Short, 10. Los Angeles, 12. Ebony, 13. Dynamite, 18. Atom, 19. Tuck, 20. Worn.

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**Participants are not insured and enter the competition at their own risk.**

Names of players and entry fee must be submitted with the official entry form. The team must be named after a housing estate e.g. Old Greenfield.

Fifteen minutes will be played each way and three substitutes may be used.

The format of the competition will be decided by the committee.

All games must start at the stated time, in the event of a team being late the match will be awarded to the opposition, under no circumstances will any postponement be given.

Any team playing players not included in their entry form will be removed from the tournament.

The organising committee will not be responsible for any articles lost or damaged.

The organising committee will not be responsible for any injury to any player.

All protests will be dealt with by the organising committee.

Protest, together with fee of €10.00, refundable if protest is upheld, must be lodged with the Secretary of the organising committee within thirty minutes of the finish.

Teams will not be included in draw unless entry fee is paid €50.00

In the competition studs may be worn but must confirm to F.I.F.A. standards. Shin-guards must be worn. Match referee's decision will be final in this matter.

Flat footwear must be of proper standard, be safe for wearer and not constitute a danger to other players.

Referee's decision is also final in this matter.

In the event of an objection it will be up to the team allegedly guilty to prove that they are innocent.

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The committee's decision is final in all matters.

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**Entries before 1<sup>st</sup> June 2009 to John McGinley,  
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Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLAYERS NAMES:

(Block Capitals)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Captain/Manager

**N.B. Completed Entry Form together with entry Fee of €50 must be lodged with  
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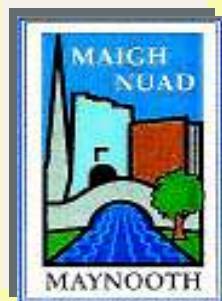
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*Connor Mullally, Donie Mullally, Jakub Zukowski, Ryan Lally.  
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# Editorial

## EDITORIAL JULY 2009

By the time this Newsletter goes to print, the Festival will be over and we hope that everyone enjoyed the various events. We are exceptionally lucky in Maynooth to have the Geraldine Castle as a possible venue and that different groups are using this space. The Castle is open at present and the tours are free. With all the cutbacks due to the recession, many other heritage sites are not open or do not have guides or tours. We would urge all of you to visit and enjoy our Castle – one of the earliest to be built in Ireland after the arrival of the Normans.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate those local councillors who were re-elected to Kildare County Council. It is very important that our town has a local voice on the council. We would also like to commiserate with those who ran and who failed to secure a seat.

It is great news to hear that the new president of An Taisce is a Maynooth resident and a Professor in the College. He is the professor of Geography in NUI, Maynooth, John Sweeny, who is also one of the leading experts on climate change in Ireland. He is a member of the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which was jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007 along with former US vice-president Al Gore. When an expert is required to comment on climate change, the chances are that John will be the man interviewed. We congratulate him on his latest honour and achievement.

As the recession continues the importance of community will probably re-emerge in people's minds and perhaps there is a little more time to become more involved in local activities. Becoming a member of the Community Council is one of the ways in which you can become aware of what are the upcoming issues and to be part of the decision-making for the future of Maynooth. There are a number of sub-committees as well that might be of interest to people. These include: Planning and Development, the editorial board of the Newsletter, The Tidy Towns and the Community Games. If you are interested in getting involved, get in touch with the Community Council office by phoning 6285922 or email [maynoothcc@eircom.net](mailto:maynoothcc@eircom.net). The meetings are once a month only, on the second Monday and they are held in the Glenroyal Hotel beginning at 8.30 and they usually last about an hour and a half. Not a lot of time to spend looking after your town and environment.

**Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin**

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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council meeting 11 May 2009

Among the issues raised and discussed at the meeting were the following:

### **Well-being and mental health of our young people**

Chairperson, Colm O Cearúil, expressed the Community Council's great sadness at the recent tragic events in Maynooth and other nearby towns involving young people. He offered the Council's condolences to the families of the young people involved. It was agreed that the Community Council will seek advice on taking an initiative towards helping address this issue.

### **Membership and attendance drive**

Muireann Ni Bhrolcháin, Community Council secretary, said that it was time for the Council to remind all the local organisations, groups and bodies, such as residents associations, sports clubs, schools, colleges, and so on, that they are entitled to elect delegates to the Community Council. She pointed out that, due to their membership size, many residents associations are entitled to elect two or even three delegates. It was agreed that the Council will contact local organisations and encourage them to participate.

Important issues face Maynooth at the moment: the mental health and well-being of our young people, the development of the university town project, preservation of our heritage, proper planning for our town, traffic problems, and many more. It is very important that the community is actively interested and involved in these issues, and important that everyone in the community is aware that they can influence things for the better if they participate.

### **The Festival**

Hilda Dunne, Local History Group, said that Maynooth festival will be called the 'Geraldine Cultural Festival' this year. Andrew McMullon, Festival Committee, outlined some of the programme planned for this year. Included will be events at the Castle, with recitals by the Band, cultural presentations, and theatre. Andrew hopes to organise a 'Battle of the Bands' for local rock bands. He'll also be organising football, a talent competition, a poster competition for children, table quizzes, and more. A final programme will be advertised nearer the event.

### **Noise in the Lyreen area**

Deirdre Cullen, Lyreen Residents Association, raised the problem of loud noise emissions from extraction/generator plants in the residential part of the town centre. She said there was a very severe instance of this at present in the Lyreen area, running '24/7', which is causing great distress to nearby residents, some of whom live within a few feet of the machinery. This kind of noise causes distress and disturbance to residents in their houses and gardens, and also interferes with street-life, and the general ambience of the town centre. She said that proper town planning would foresee this sort of problem and ensure it didn't occur.

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# I.C.A. Notes

The I.C.A. federation finals in Pitch and putt will take place on 11th July in Elm Hall Celbridge and the national final will be held in September in An Grainan. Our new federation Teachta is very keen to get chat classes through Irish up and running in the federation. Maynooth Guild are looking at organising a night out at the Dog track. Kildare week in An Grainan will take place from 22nd to the 26th June and the Garden party will also take place on 26th June. During this week RTE are doing an I.C.A. promotion on the Grainan which is the official I.C.A. College. Maynooth Guild are starting to work on a Centenary Quilt which will depict I.C.A. and Maynooth, as part of celebrating I.C.A. Centenary 2010. At present the Guild is also completing its book for the Guild of the year for the Betty Manning Trophy. The Federation Annual Quiz will take place on September 19th in the Sarsfield Club in Newbridge so Maynooth team will be out there to retain their title. Maynooth President Margaret Houlihan was in the Final 10 for ICA Centenary Brooch. There were 60 entries in this competition so well done Margaret.

Photography competition in black and white and colour coming up soon and the title is **a day out..** Another competition on the cards is reporting. This has to be no more than 500 words with some ICA aspect. Gempack will also sponsor the Make and Model competition which is to be a two piece outfit to wear at an I.C.A. Centenary event. Music appreciation classes are to be organised Guild federation arts promotion for September so make sure you book your place. The ICA constitution was passed by 94% of members and that is looking good for the future of ICA. Maynooth strategy is that every existing member brings in a new member for September, so we will double our membership, as there is something for everyone in ICA if you read the above report.

The federation will be very involved in the ploughing championships in Athy in September 22nd to 24th and will have to man the ICA tent for three days. Our charity this year was special Olympics and €200 was raised by Guild



**Mary Dunne, Mary O'Gorman,  
National President Carmel Dawn,  
Rosemary Hanley congratulations to all.**

members for the charity. A craft day in federation is organised for 28th November in Sarsfield, Newbridge. The federation also organises a ladies Lunch and fashion show depicting the years 1910-2010 to celebrate the Centenary. Another thought for the centenary is that each Guild on the same day throughout the county, will organise a celebration. The big push for ICA at the minute is to get new members and as I have stated already there is something for everyone in the ICA. The ICA throughout Ireland are known for helping out all charities and Maynooth is no exception. As they help at least 5 charities each year with their collections. The special ICA Raffle winners were: 1. Betty Moore, 2. Martina Foy, 3. Veva Kearins, 4. Betty Farrell, 5. Ann Broughan, 6. Mary Dunne, 7. Catherine O'Reilly, 8. Jo O'Connor, 9. Maura Brown. Results of best Decorated cup cakes.: 1. Jo O'Connor, 2. Martina Foy, 3. Margaret Houlihan.

We had as our guest Speakers, Evelyn McKee from Prosperous, who is federation P.R.O. Evelyn spoke of the way forward for ICA and the importance of new members and that every Guild should work hard on this coming to our Centenary. We owe it to former members who kept the flag flying when things were tough. With recessions and all the down falls at present now is the time for ICA to come to the fore so do come along in September and join ICA Secretaries No. 01- 6286334.

**See you all in September and enjoy summer.**  
Pro. Norah Mc Dermott.



**Receiving I.C.A. Information Officers  
Certificates. Evelyn McKee (Prosperous  
Guild), Mary O'Gorman, (Maynooth Guild),  
National ICA President Ann Marie Derrison,  
and Rosemary Hanley, (Maynooth Guild).**



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# MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

## GYMNASTICS

The local gymnastics event took place on Sunday 24th May in EXCEL in Celbridge, many thanks to Lorraine.

### Winners

#### Maynooth West

**Under 8 Ella O' Connor**

**Under 10 Zoe Mallaghan**

#### Maynooth East

**Under 8 Joint 1st Fiona Lynch  
and Rebecca Wright**

**Under 10 Kelly Nolan**

Well done girls and good luck in the county finals in Naas Panthers Gym on Sun 14th June.

## OLYMPIC HANDBALL

**Congratulations to the Olympic Handball team who got Silver medals in the Kildare County finals. Thanks to Luncina O' Sullivan for all her coaching and organising.**



***Jack Telli, Brian Telli, Oisín O'Sullivan, Fiachra O'Sullivan, Kevin Dunne, Joe Doherty, David Green, Thomas Mooney, Blake Van Duyvenvoorde, & Séan Healy (not in picture)***

## National finals

Congratulations to all who went to the National Finals in Athlone for the weekend of 23/24th May and well done to Sarah Curran who received a bronze medal in her art and to the Table Tennis team who got gold medals ( All Ireland Winners).

## MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES



***Connor Mullally, Donie Mullally,  
Jakub Zukowski,  
Ryan Lally.***

***Winners of the All Ireland Under  
16, Table Tennis***

***Sarah Curran Bronze medallist in the Under  
14 Art All Ireland***



***Participants in the  
Community games***

# DOMINIC NUGENT



Dominic Nugent was born in May 1944 and lived on the Curragh. When he was two, the family moved to Tara where they inherited some property. He is one of five children born to Tommy and Marjorie nee Maher.

Dominic's father Tommy was a leading jockey, and was Champion Amateur Jockey in 1928. He had trained on the Curragh at French House.

Educated at the Dominican Convent Cabra, Dominic was a boarder, he completed his secondary education at St. Patricks Classical school Navan.

Dominic spent the Summer months of 1958 working with horses at Kevin Kerrs stables Clonee Co. Meath. In 1962 he worked in Killeen Castle Stud Farm Dunsany which was owned by Sir Victor Sassoon and in 1966 he went to work at Beech House Stud in Newmarket. He returned to Ireland in 1967 and took up stud work in Grangewilliam Stud in Maynooth which was one of the many stud farms owned by the late Sir Tim Rogers. Dominic decided to make a career change and went to work in a factory in Lucan. As this involved shift work the environment did not suit him so in 1989 he again went back to stud work and racing stables working for Mr. Frank Dunne at Hamwood Stud Dunboyne and remained there until 1993. He applied for a position at Saint Mary's Boys National School Maynooth where he now works as Caretaker.

Dominic married Ann Nevin from Ballygoran in 1975 and they have two sons Mark and Alan.

He became involved with Maynooth GAA in 1995 and was a member of the Grounds and Development Committee, later becoming Chairman in 1996, assistant Secretary to Noel Farrelly of Maynooth GAA and from there to secretary of the Club. He held the position from 1999 to December 2008. Dominic is currently Chairman of Finance Committee of Maynooth GAA.

He has enjoyed all his positions held in the GAA over the last 14 years. Both sons Mark and Alan are also very involved in GAA.

A two mile walk and cycling play a part in Dominic's daily routine. He also enjoys all other sports.

We would like to wish Dominic continued success and good health for the future.

**Mary Cullen**

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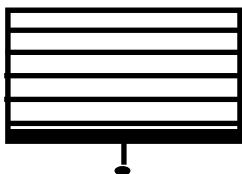


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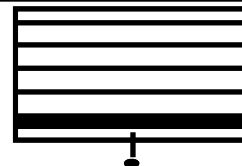
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**Well done to all and good luck at the All Irelands in Athlone in August**

## Maynooth Geraldine Festival 2009

### Art Competition

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2nd	Fabian Dobos	2nd	Daniel Weldron
3rd	Andrew Kelleher	3rd	James Sheriden
4th Class Winners		1st Class Winners	
1st	Conor Cooney	1st	Krisbofer Gray
2nd	Basil Jacob	2nd	Daragh Hewson
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**2nd** Fergal O'Sullivan

**3rd** Eoin Walsh

**Under 8 Boys 80 Metres**

**1st** Conor Von Duyvenvoorde

**2nd** Gareth Ashe/Fergal O' Sullivan

**3rd** Eoin Walsh

**Under 10 Boys 100 Metres**

**1st** Érainn O' Chonaeháin— Bhriain

**Under 10 Boys 200 Metres**

**1st** Conor Loftus

**2nd** Érainn O' Chonaeháin— Bhriain

**Under 12 Boys 100 Metres**

**1st** Dennis Gaffney

**2nd** Fiachra O' Sullivan

**Under 12 Boys 600 Metres**

**1st** Dennis Gaffney

**2nd** Fiachra O' Sullivan

**Under 12 Boys Long Puck**

**1st** Dennis Gaffney

**2nd** Fiachra O'Sullivan

### GIRLS

**Under 8 Girls 60 Metres**

**1st** Ann Marie Travers

**2nd** Ella O' Connor

**Under 8 Girls 80 Metres**

**1st** Ann Marie Travers

**2nd** Ella O' Connor

**Under 10 Girls 100 Metres**

**1st** Saoirse O' Sullivan

**2nd** Áine Jennings/Aoibhín McGibbon

**Under 10 Girls 200 Metres**

**1st** Saoirse O' Sullivan

**2nd** Aoibhinn McGibbon

**3rd** Áine Jennings

**Under 12 Girls 100 Metres**

**1st** Róisín Ní Chonaeháin Bhriain

**2nd** Ciara Condron

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**2nd** Eleanor Geraghty

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**1st** Emma Collins

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2nd Joshua Dunne

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#### Under 12 Boys 100 Metres

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2nd Seán Gill

3rd Tomás Feeney

#### Under 12 Boys 600 Metres

1st Ruadhán Ó Giolláin

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#### Under 12 Boys Long Puck

1st Ruadhán Ó Giolláin

2nd Seán Gill

### Girls

#### Under 8 Girls 60 Metres

1st Emma Gill

2nd Megan Sweeney

3rd Martha Gilligan

#### Under 8 Girls 80 Metres

1st Emma Gill

2nd Megan Sweeney

3rd Martha Gilligan

#### Under 10 Girls 100 Metres

1st Claire Gill

2nd Áine Feeney

3rd Clodagh Hever

#### Under 10 Girls 200 Metres

1st Claire Gill

2nd Clodagh Hever

3rd Áine Feeney/Katie O' Brian

#### Under 12 Girls 100 Metres

1st Sinéad Hever

#### Under 12 Girls 600 Metres

1st Sinéad Hever

#### Under 14 Girls 100 Metres

1st Bríge Sweeney

2nd Niamh Feeney

#### Under 14 Girls 800 Metres

1st Bríge Sweeney

2nd Niamh Feeney

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## Pet Corner

### Keeping Budgies As Pets

**B**udgies are colourful, attractive, sociable birds that are easy to keep and look after. They originate from Australia and can live up to 15 years - so choosing one as a pet is a long-term commitment. They can be kept alone but prefer the company of their own species. If kept indoors they will need regular daily exercise outside their cage and are at their most active during the daytime, sleeping once it gets dark.



**Housing:** Budgies can be housed indoors in a large wire cage with a plastic base or outdoors in a purpose-built aviary. The cage should have some horizontal bars on it to allow climbing – this means many round cages are unsuitable. Bars should be no wider than 12mm apart to prevent escape. Kept outdoors, your aviary should allow room for the birds to fly around properly. Budgies kept indoors will need to be let out of their cage daily to exercise – make sure you keep all doors and windows closed when you do this. **Covering the cage with a cloth at night** will encourage your Budgie to settle down for sleep. You should provide a bath for your bird, either fixed to the outside of the cage or a shallow bowl placed inside the cage – although some birds may prefer to be sprayed with tepid water instead. The cage should also contain plenty of toys to keep your Budgie amused, particularly if it is kept on its own.

**Feeding:** Budgies in the wild eat a wide range of seeds, grains, and vegetation. A good-quality Budgerigar / Parakeet mix makes a good basic diet although supplements may also be required such as cuttlefish which acts as a vitamin supplement, environmental enrichment, and also helps grind the beak down. Small pieces of fresh fruit and vegetables may also be given as treats and fresh drinking water should always be available. Certain foods can be harmful to your Budgie - **avoid giving your pet lettuce, avocado, lemon, potato, or any sweets or drinks designed for human consumption.**

**Exercise & Entertainment:** Budgies are intelligent and inquisitive birds that enjoy playing and climbing. Toys are essential to stimulate them mentally and physically – especially important for birds kept on their own. Budgies can also be taught to mimic sounds and talk. If they hear the same words repeatedly from the same person they may pick them up and **begin mimicking** the words or phrases. A solitary bird will need more attention and affection than a pair or group and should be handled every day.

**Handling:** With patience, Budgies can become quite tame although it is essential they are trained from an early age, and by one person only. The first step is to get the bird used to being stroked inside its cage – use a stick or perch, not your hands. **Start by gently stroking its chest a couple of times a day**, then encourage it to jump onto the stick. Next, repeat the whole process through the door of the cage rather than the bars. Finally, repeat again, using your hands this time instead of the stick. This is a gradual process that may take several weeks but usually works in the end.

To pick up your Budgie, ensure your palm covers its back and wings while your middle and index finger surround the bird's neck. Be gentle – Budgies will bite if they feel stressed. If catching an aviary bird use a padded rim net and never try to catch it in mid flight - always wait until it is perched safely.

**Health:** Budgies can catch Scaly Beak, a contagious condition that requires immediate treatment by a vet. As with all birds, if you are worried about any aspect of your Budgie's health, seek advice from an your veterinarian. For a healthy life, your Budgie needs the following:

- ◇ A good balanced diet with no sudden changes
- ◇ Plenty of toys to keep them amused
- ◇ Water bottle and feed bowls cleaned daily
- ◇ Their nails clipped several times a year – ask your vet for advice
- ◇ A daily bath – essential for their preening activities
- ◇ Regular exercise outside their cage





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# Horoscopes



## **ARIES—March 21—April 20**

Today is a sunny day and so is your life. Romance is blooming for you too. Be careful with your friends because they might be lonely. Please cheer them up.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 5, Colour Blue.



## **TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

This is the bull sign. This month your mood matches it. Be careful what you wish for. You are coming into a windfall. Your children are quiet ratty but you still love them.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 8, Colour Yellow.



## **GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

The evening's will get cool but don't let that stop you from enjoying yourself. Today is your lucky day because you are going to win a prize.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 2, Colour Green.



## **CANCER—June 23—July 23**

There is a party coming your way. Get dressed up as it will be a night to remember. Then there is your financial records. They will be good this month so make use of it.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 9, Colour Red.



## **LEO—July 24—August 23**

Yesterday was not your lucky day. It was raining all day and you had a fight with your best friend. But not to worry. You will make up tomorrow.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 6, Colour Pink.



## **Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

The weather is getting cool but there is still a bit of sunshine. This is like your mood at the moment but your mood will pass. Your love life is blooming at the moment so make the most of today.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 3, Colour White.



## **LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

Today is not your lucky day. It is unfortunate that you are going to have a crisis with your bank manager. You will have to sort this out with him.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 7, Colour Violet.



## **SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

This is the sting sign but don't let it deter you in your life. Your life is very full of love at the moment. Maybe it will be here to stay.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 4, Colour Grey.



## **SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

No need to be secretive and stay mum on those taboo topics like money and politics. You benefit from asking questions and sharing opinions, as long as you're flawlessly tactful.

Your lucky day is Friday Number 1, Colour Gold.



## **CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

It is the day that you're looking forward to something. You will have to wait for it but it will come. When it does everyone will be jumping for joy.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 9, Colour Silver.



## **AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

You're quite caught up in the task at hand and it's turning out to be a rather frustrating one. It's possible that you're forgetting why you wanted to do it in the first place.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 4, Colour Purple.



## **PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

This month will bring some happiness. Your friend will tell you something. Pay heed to it. There are some things that you can't think through. You just have to get started.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 7, Colour Brown.

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## Features

# Neil Diamond

Neil Diamond was born Neil Leslie Diamond, also known as the Jewish Elvis, and The Diamond Cutter. He was born on the 24th January 1941. Neil's origin was in New York City, New York USA. The styles of songs he sang were Rock, Pop, Folk and country. His occupation as a singer and songwriter and musician stretched over many decades. During his career he played guitar and piano. The pitch he sang at was and is Baritone. His career started in 1958 to the present.



## Early life and Career

Neil Diamond was born in Brooklyn New York, to a Jewish / Polish family. the son of a dry-goods merchant. He grew up in several homes in the New York City Borough of Brooklyn, attending Erasmus Hall and Abraham Lincoln schools. There he took part in the SING! and sang in the school choir with Barbara Streisand. Diamond's first recording contract was billed as "Neil and Jack" an Everly Brothers type duo, where Diamond appeared with a high school friend. Diamond spent his early career as a songwriter in the Brill Building. His first success as a songwriter came in November 1965 with the song "Sunday and Me" performed by Jay and the Americans.

## The 1970's

After Diamond had signed a deal with MCA Records label, of Universal Pictures' present company, he moved to Los Angeles, California in 1970. In 1972 Neil played ten sold out concerts at the Greek Theatre in Los Angeles. At the concert performed on Thursday, August 24, which was recorded and released as the live double album **Hot August Night**, Diamond thanked the people in the audience for their participation in the making of the album. A few weeks later in 1972, Diamond performed a series of one-man concerts on 20 consecutive nights at the Winter Gardens Theatre in New York. Every one of these concerts sold out. The album Hot August Night was considered his best yet and has become a classic. In 1976 he released **Beautiful Noise**, produced by the Band's Robbie Robertson. On thanksgiving night, in 1976, Neil made an appearance at the Band's farewell concert, The last Waltz. He performed one song "**Dry Your Eyes**".

## 1990's to Present

During the 1990's Neil Diamond would produce six studio albums. He would cover many classics from the movies and from the famous Brill Building song writers. He also released two Christmas Albums, the first hit number eight on the Billboard's Album chart. The 1990's and 2000's saw a resurgence in Diamond's popularity. "Sweet Caroline" became a popular sing-along at sporting events. Diamond's song "America" was used in Promotional advertisements for the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. On December 31, 2005 Diamond appeared on Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve 2006. In 2007, Diamond was inducted into the Long Island Music Hall of Fame.

## Personal Life

He married school teacher Jaye Posner in 1963. They divorced in 1969. They had two daughters. In December 1969 he married Marcia Murphy (his manager at the time). They had two children, both sons. Diamond's second marriage ended in 1995. From 1996 until 2008 Diamond had a 12-year relationship with Australian Rachel Farley, having met her while she handled marketing during his 1996 Australian tour.

## Charitable Work

In April 1992, Diamond worked with Australian artist Sharon Davidson to launch the Hands Up Project of Artists For Life. After viewing the considerable damage caused by Hurricane Ike in 2008 in Oak Island Texas, Neil set up a charitable fund for the victims of the hurricane.

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## Poetry Corner

### *In Flanders Fields*

*In Flanders Fields the  
poppies blow  
Between the crosses row  
on row,  
That mark our place; and  
in the sky  
The larks, still bravely  
singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the  
guns below.*



*We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.*

**By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD  
(1872-1918) Canadian Army.**

### *LA MER*

*A white mist drifts across the shrouds,  
A wild moon in this wintry  
sky  
Gleams like an angry lion's  
eye  
Out of a mane of tawny  
clouds.*



*The muffled steersman at the  
wheel  
Is but a shadow in the gloom; -  
And in the throbbing engine-room  
Leap the long rods of polished steel.*

*The shattered storm has left its trace  
Upon this huge and heaving dome,  
For the thin threads of yellow foam  
Float on the waves like ravelled lace.*

**By: Oscar Wilde**

### *Sunshine (The Sun)*



*My exotic sunshine on me for  
evermore  
With warmth as I relax out in the open air  
With my sunshine days I've plenty in store  
A pleasure to my body on my deck chair  
Immaculate rays shining down on all life  
Creating new growth of many a kind  
A renewal of summer day to get rid of winter  
strife  
Where I relax in sleepy volleys to unwind*

*The sun reflects on the horizon along the vast  
sea  
Flicking along the rippling waters of a shiny  
blue  
There I swim and relax in waters full of glee  
In a vast brilliant scene of ecstasy so new  
O' far away sun no one knows of your source  
As you shine your gentle heat for all to grow  
Are you a ball of fire or some unknown force  
Whatever controls your sun we do not know*

**By: Patrick Murray**

### *Farewell*

*Flow down, cold rivulet, to the sea,  
Thy tribute wave deliver:  
No more by thee my steps shall be,  
For ever and for ever.*

*Flow, softly flow, by lawn and lea,  
A rivulet then a river;  
No where by thee my steps shall be,  
For ever and for ever.*

*But here will sigh thine alder tree,  
And here thine aspen shiver;  
And here by thee will hum the bee,  
For ever and for ever.*

*A thousand suns will stream on  
thee,  
A thousand moons will quiver;  
But not by thee my steps shall be,  
For ever and for ever.*



**By: Lord Alfred Tennyson**

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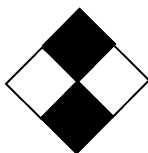
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## Features

### Laura's Pet Pony

Laura was out riding her pony in the warm sunshine. Her pony Pop was galloping across the fields with Laura on her back. It was the summer holiday's and it was quite warm now. She stopped to take a break and dismounted Pop and left her there in the long grass to graze. She sat down in the grass herself and gazed up at the sky. Pop stood lazily eating the grass. Her mother and father would be going on holiday's soon and Laura would have to stay with her grandparents while they were away. She didn't mind because she loved staying with them.

Laura lived on a farm with her parents. Her grandparents had a very large farm with all different animals. It was about an hour's journey in the car to her grandparents farm, she would be going tomorrow. She was really looking forward to staying with them. Her parents would be leaving for their holiday the next day. Laura would be able to stay all day out there just lazing in the sunshine. She nearly fell asleep but for the birds singing in the trees.



Her grandfather kept horses so she would be kept busy while she was holidaying with him and her granny. She would bring Pop to the farm. Her parents said she could because she was very good about them going on holiday on their own, although they would bring Laura back a present.

She stood up and brushed down her jodhpurs and mounted Pop. She rode back to the yard. It was late afternoon and time for tea now. She went into the dining room for tea with her parents.

The next day Laura was all packed for her trip to her grandparents house. Pop was in her box ready to go. Her daddy was driving her and the pony that day. She kissed her mother good bye and waved back as she was going down the avenue.

It was late afternoon when they arrived. Her grandmother Betty welcomed her. She opened her arms to give Laura a big hug. Her daddy Joe took Laura's case out of the boot of the car, and left it on the steps. Her gran invited them into the house. "You will have a cup of tea before you go back on that long drive." They went inside for a cup of tea. Pip, one of the stable hands, unloaded Pop and took her to the stables behind the house. Pop was a lovely pony. Pip put Pop in her stall and got some oats and water for her.

It was time now for her dad to drive back. He gave Laura a kiss and left the house. "See you in two weeks". Laura watched him drive down the avenue and then disappear. She would have a great time with her grandparents. Simon her granddad came into the house and planted a kiss on Laura's cheek.

"Your Pony is out in the stable, and quite happily eating his food". "What do you want to do for the remainder of the afternoon"? he asked Laura. "I would like to get to know the horses all over again". "Shall we go out into the yard now"? They went out to the yard to see the ponies.

After a while they came indoors and Betty had a delicious supper waiting for them. Laura ate heartily and then went to watch some television with her grandparents. It was getting late and Laura was getting tired and went to bed. Her room was so warm that she had to leave the window open all night.

Laura lay comfortable in her bed and fell asleep. The next morning she was up early and went out to see the ponies before breakfast.

All too soon the holiday was over and it was time to go back home. When her mummy and daddy picked her up outside the house she was full stories of how she enjoyed her holiday.

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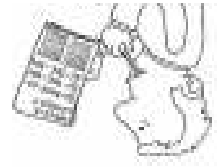
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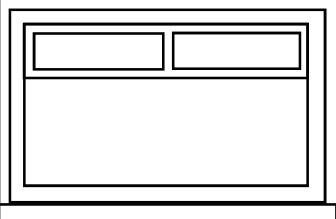
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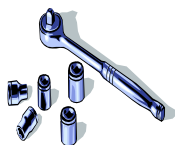
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## Féile 2009

Over the week end of **3rd, 4th, and 5th July**, Maynooth G.A.A. will be involved in the hosting of the **ALL- Ireland Féile Football** Competition. Féile Peil na nÓg.

As a Club, we're very proud to be involved in the hosting of this wonderful festival of under-14 Boys'and Girls' Gaelic football which this year is been held in Kildare. Founded in 1982, Féile Chill Dara will welcome over **150 teams**, their mentors, families and supporters from every county of Ireland and indeed overseas. Féile is now without doubt one of the highlights of the sporting calendar. It encompasses more than just football-Féile Peil na nÓg provides our juvenile players with the opportunity to forge friendships with competitors their own age which will stay with them through the years.



### Would you like to be involved?

**Maynooth G.A.A. Club** will have 3 teams participating in Féile and we **are the 2009 Kildare Division 1 Champions**. We will be hosting teams from Kerry, Clare and Tyrone.

We'd be delighted for your support in the hosting of this event and you can help in one or more of the following ways:

1. Fly the Maynooth G.A.A. colours (flags and bunting)\*
2. Sponsor a display banner or sign of support to our 3 teams taking part\*
3. Sponsor an advertisement or sign at the Maynooth G.A.A. grounds\*
4. Simply come along and see our teams in action over the week end and enjoy the Club's hospitality. We'd love to see you there.

**\* Maynooth G.A.A Club in conjunction with local businesses can arrange the design and erection of all signs, flags and banners.**

Over the coming days a member of our organising committee will be in contact with you but should you have any queries or wish to contact us directly to offer your support please don't hesitate to contact myself or any of the following, Hilary McCabe (087) 6555117, Colm Hoban (085) 1743984, Matt Doran (085) 7226447, Mary Mac Namara (087) 6555117.

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## A Note of Appreciation from the Chairperson and festival committee.

I also wish to thank Hilda Dunne for the work on the evening of light entertainment in the castle, and Rita Doyle and her dancers, and Maher School of Dancing, U3A Group, music by Terry Nealon and Trevor Best and St. Mary's Brass and Reed band.

Thanks to the An Nuadha Players who presented two wonderful plays over the course of the festival. Watch out for a report in this issue.

I wish to thank Marie Gleeson and the office staff and Paul Hand & Alan Grant (our photographer) for their hard work on the preparation of the festival.

Also a special thanks to Patricia Moynan, Loraine Rush and Catherine Carton, hope I am not forgetting anybody for organising the Children's Table Quiz. And a very special thanks to the Boy's'National School for allowing us to hold the quiz in the school.

A special thanks to John McGinley and crew for running the Joe Murphy Memorial Trophy 7-A-Side Soccer.

Thanks to Maynooth Football Club for organising the Family Car Treasure Hunt. See report in this issue.

The festival table quiz was very well supported. Special thanks to O'Neill's Pub, Paul Daly for his help on the score board and organising everything. Thanks to office staff who helped out on the night Mary-Claire Costello, Mary Cullen, John Finnan & Enda Clavin.

Thanks to Supermac's & Papa John's for Sponsoring both the Adults and Children's Table Quiz.

The family Day was a wonderful successful day and was very well attended. Thanks to Maynooth Scouts for organising this event in the Harbour Field. This day proved to be one of the most successful of the festival.

A piece of Maynooth history was revealed at the Manor Mills on Saturday 27th Of June with the unveiling of a plaque detailing the history of the Manor Mills. This was followed by Refreshments and a Family Fun Day which proved to be a great success.

The Castle Keep Art Group organised a wonderful exhibition of their work.

All in all the festival was well attended in all events.

Apologies to anyone that has not been mentioned.

Photographs & Festival Reports are in the following pages.



**Andrew McMullon**

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## plays at the Castle

An Nuadha Players present their second "Theatre in the Castle" evening on Friday 26th Saturday and Sunday, to packed audiences. The performance kicked off with a series of entertaining monologues and a hilarious Monty Python Sketch. This was followed by a fascinating short play by local writer.

Martina Reilly. In the space of 15 minutes we get the condensed history of one of Irelands earlist residents, "The Tuatha De Dannon" the humour, the pace and the physicality of the performances left audiences longing for more.

Ruby is the hairdresser in Elsinore Castle and as such gets the inside track on all the goings on in the Castle. It was Hamlet as Shakespeare never meant it to be and audiences left with a smile on their faces-no mean feat in these difficult times.

Terry Nealon

## An Evening of Entertainment

### Music, Song, Dance and Readings at The Geraldine Castle.

Thursday 25th June saw a wonderful evening of entertainment in the historic surroundings of the castle starting with Irish Dancing with Scoil Rince Uí Dhubhaill followed by Catherine School of Dancing.

Next on was St. Marys Brass and Reed Band senior and junior, all perfectly turned out and musical instruments gleaming in the late evening sun. The children were excited to be asked to conduct the band and rushed to volunteer.

We were sorry to see the dancers and band depart but we had to move on to the next part of evening which took place inside the Castle. We had great stories, fact and fiction from Maynooth Local History Group, U3A and Maynooth Community Council and a musical interlude with Terry Nealon and Trevor Best.

Then with darkness falling and the crows protesting to us for disturbing their sleep as they are early risers we called it a night,

Many thanks to all who helped to make it such a good evening especially the OPW guides.

H. Dunne.  
Maynooth Local History Group.



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As part of The Maynooth Geraldine Festival An Nuadha Players staged three short plays in the Geraldine Castle, Maynooth on Friday 26h June, Monologue Scenes and Monty Python Scetch, Ten to fifteen minute History of the Two a Day, Ruby of Elsinore.



Vini Casey, Fiona Slattery.  
Members of An Nuadha Players.



Vini Casey, Gabriel Martin, Terry Nealon.  
Members of An Nuadha Players.



Geraldine O'Brien, Anita Mc Donnell,  
Members of An Nuadha Players.



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Members of an Nuadha Players



Geraldine Castle, Maynooth.



Ian Priestly, Office of Public Works,  
Geraldine Castle, Maynooth.

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The 8th Kildare Maynooth Scout Group would like to thank the public for attending our Family Fun Day on Sunday 28th June in such large numbers. Our aim on the day was to let the community know more about Scouting in Maynooth, see some of our skills and activities we take part in during the course of the year. The scouts also ran a Bring & Buy sale and parents ran a book sale and raffle to raise funds for the Maynooth conference of Saint Vincent de Paul. We raised over €500 on the day which will be donated in the coming days. There was face painting, wind mill making, coconut cup making, back wood cooking, a Leonardo Bridge was built in the middle of the site. There was a large Teepee tent and a large circular black German tent as well as all the normal scout tents on site for the day. The scouts also built a gate, a dining shelter, wash stands and an open altar fire - which was used for the back woods cooking as well as the very popular BBQ.

We were delighted to welcome onto our site many local dignitaries: TD's Aine Brady, Emmet Stagg and Bernard Durkan as well as many of our local councilors including the new Mayor of Kildare Councillor Colm Purcell, and councilors Senan Griffin, Catherine Murphy, Paul Kelly and John Mc Ginley. This gave the scout group a great opportunity to outline the current situation in relation to the development plans for a Scout Hall in the harbour Filed which will be open and available to other community groups in the town. We want to inject life into the harbour files and create a central focal point in the area. The scout group currently has 102 youth members and 21 adult members along with a very strong parents and friends support group.

Finally the 8th Kildare Maynooth scout group would like to thank our very generous sponsors on the day Garard Mulcahy Butchers, Mac Donald's Maynooth and Maynooth Community Council for all their help in organizing this event and indeed all of the parents and friends who helped in any way to make the day such a success.

Yours in Scouting  
Peter Garrad  
Group Leader  
8th Kildare Maynooth

The outside events commenced with Irish Dancing performances from Scoil Rince Uí Dhubhail from Maynooth. This was followed by Irish Dancing performers from the Catherine Maher School of Dancing. The Junior sections and Senior sections of St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band then followed under the respective batons of Elaine and Áine.

The indoor events then followed commencing with Colm O'Cearuil, representing Maynooth Conradh na Gaeilge entertaining the packed audience with his talk about Irish "War Cries".

Mary Murphy from U3A (University of the third age) entertained with her piece about revenge for a broken romance.

Peter Nevin from Maynooth Local History Group talked about his family's connections with the poet Francis Ledwidge.

Terry Nealon and Trevor Best performed with songs and guitar followed by Emma Connolly from the Maynooth Gateway Writers Group describing life as an Au Pair in France.

The evening concluded with Maeve Mulryan Moloney, a member both of U3A and Maynooth Local History Group, giving an appraisal of the life and times of a 21 year old "Silken" Thomas Fitzgerald.

Mary Cullen from the Maynooth Local History Group presented the indoor events.

See the attachment with the programme of events from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup> June and the Festival is sponsored by Foras Na Gaeilge.

Declan O'Connor



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**Junior Members of The St. Marys Brass and Reed Band.**



**Junior Members of The St. Marys Brass and Reed Band.**



**Rosemary Crowley, Cathal Crowley, Catherine Carton.**



**Dancers from the Catherine Maher School of Dancing.**



**The Dancers from Scoil Uí Rince uí Dhubhaill.**



**Senior Members of the St. Marys Brass and Reed Band.**

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## Table Quiz

Table Quiz Winners	
1st	Joey McBride
	Declan O'Connor
	Brian O'Malley
	John Dredge
2nd	Brian Sheridan
	Billy Hannon
	Sonia Balago Palan
3rd	Richard Molloy
	Sandra Molloy
	Kevin



**Winners of the Festival Table Quiz enjoying the Night**



**Second Place Winners of Festival Table Quiz-  
Brian Sheridan, Billy Hannon & Sonia Balago  
Palan**



**Third Place winners in Festival Table Quiz  
Richard, Kevin & Sandra Molloy**



**Lorraine Rush, Patricia Moynan &  
Catherine Carton**



**Participants in Table Quiz Enjoying  
the Night**

# Maynooth Geraldine Festival 2009

## Festival 7-A – Side Soccer Tournament

Maynooth Town FC kindly made their state of the art facilities at Rathcoffey Road available for this years Festival Seven-a Side's.

The very popular tournament for the Joe Murphy Trophy was blessed with glorious sunshine this year for a change. Twelve teams entered and it was run off on a league basis with four groups of three teams:

Group 1 had Old Greenfield X, Rail Park and Straffan Wood Stags.

Group 2 had Newtown Whispering Eyes, Greenfield Massive and Newtown Inn.

Group 3 had Rathcoffey Rovers, Old Greenfield and Rockfield Albion.

Group 4 had Straffan Way, Supermacs and Greenfield Drive.

In Group 1 uniquely, all three teams finished with the same amount of points and also had the same amount of goals "for and against". The names of the three teams were put into a hat and Straffan Wood were drawn as the victors of Group 1.

In Group 2 Newtown Whispering Eyes beat last years winners, Newtown Inn, 2 goals to 1 in the last match. They topped Group 2 with two wins and 6 points.

In Group 3 Rathcoffey beat a very young, but game, Old Greenfield in a playoff.

In Group 4 Straffan Way beat Greenfield Drive 1 0 in a very exciting last match.

The first semi-final was between Straffan Wood and Rathcoffey Rovers and here the favourites, Straffan Wood, went 1-0 up early in the first half. However, Rathcoffey Rovers fought back to win 3-1 and cause a major upset.

The second semi-final was between Newtown Whispering Eyes and Straffan Way. A young Straffan Way were the red hot favourites but Newtown Whispering Eyes beat them 2-1 in a very exciting match.

The final between Rathcoffey Rovers and the Newtown Whispering Eyes was held at Maynooth Town FC pitches at Rathcoffey Road on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Newtown W.E. went 1-0 up after only 7 minutes through a very well worked goal. Rathcoffey Rovers equalised after 18 minutes and went 2-1 up a minute later.

Newtown W.E. equalised 12 minutes into the second half and despite many chances for both teams a very good game ended 2-2.

And so to a penalty shoot out. After both teams converted their 5 shots it went to sudden death and Newtown Whispering Eyes won 8-7 following a brilliant save from Eamon Gallagher.

It was a deserved success at long last for the Newtown W.E. captain Joddy Connolly.

On behalf of the organising committee I would like to thank all of the teams for taking part and following the success of this years tournament hopefully we will have a greater number of teams entering next year. I would particularly like to thank the following for their help in running the Tournament: Willie Saults, Micheál O'Reilly, John Saults, Pat Moynan, David Moynan Jnr., John Doogan, Christina Saults, Lenny Murphy and Seamus Thompson. Finally I would like to thank the Murphy family for the beautiful trophy.

John McGinley  
(Organiser)

## Features

### Mainéar an Mhuilinn, Maigh Nuad.

**T**agann an logainm “Maigh Nuad” ó Mhaigh an Taoisigh Cheiltigh áitiúil Nuada. B'é Nuada Airgeadlámh an Ceannaire Ceilteach sa cheantar seo. De réir na miotaseolaíochta chaill sé a ghéag i gcath agus rinne Dian Cecht lámh airgid dhó. Dé réir na ndlíthe Ceilteacha bhí ar an Taoiseach a bheith iomlán ina chorp, le gach ball beatha a bheith slán aige nó aici.

Thóg na Gearaltaigh caisleán anseo i 1176. B'é Muiris Mac Gearailt an chéad ridire Angla-Normannach i Maigh Nuad. Bhí an chéad láthair chosanta den déantús móta agus báile ar an láthair seo agus tógadh an Dún ag tús an 12ú chéad . Ba láthair iontach é seo don Dún toisc go ritheann An Laidhrín ( fo-abhainn d'abhainn an Rí) ar an teorainn thuaidh agus go bhfuil fo-abhainn eile ag sní ar na teorainneacha theas agus thoir.

I 1328 tá cur síos ar an suíomh mar seo a leanas.' Caisleán cloiche, halla le cistin cheann tuí, bÁCús, gairdín, feirm, bóitheach, stábla, túirín, scioból, colmlann agus muileann. Is é seo an chéad chur síos ar taifead ar an láthair ina bhfuil Ionad Siopadóireachta Mhainéar an Mhuilinn. Bhí droichead thar An Laidhrín mar cheangal idir an caisleán agus an muileann.

Gabhadh an caisleán i 1535 agus is ann a chur fear Ionad an Rí faoi go dtí athreimniú na nGearaltach i 1550. Rinne Richard Boyle, 1ú Iarla Chorcaí, athair céile Seoirse 16ú Iarla Chill Dara athchóiriú agus méadú ar an gcaisleán ach rinneadh damáiste don chaisleán i rith an chogaidh i 1640. Bhailigh an tIarla leis ón gcaisleán go gairid ina dhiaidh sin agus tháinig droch-chaoi ar an áit, níor fhill siad ar Mhaigh Nuad go ceann céad bliain ina dhiaidh sin.

I lár an seachtú haois déag bhí dhá mhuileann ar an láthair, iad lonnaithe ar an dá thaobh den Laidhrín. Bhí ceann amháin ag déanamh coirce agus an ceann eile ag déanamh plúir. I lár an naoú haois déag bhí na muilte i ndroch-staid. Bhí droch-chaoi ar an muileann plúir agus bhí deireadh leis an muileann choirce. Ba le Diúc Laighean an suíomh ach nuair a d'fhill na Gearaltaigh ar Mhaigh Nuad, chuir siad fúthu i dTeach Carton ar an taobh thoir den bhaile.

Tamall ina dhiaidh sin thóg Edward Kavanagh seilbh ar ghnó an mhuilinn ar an láthair. Bhí cáil ar mhuintir Kavanagh mar mhuilleadóirí i mBaile Átha Cliath. Tar éis roinnt bhlianta thug Edward an gnó ar aghaidh dá mhac Edward. Thug Edward an gnó ar aghaidh dá mhac William. Thug William an gnó ar aghaidh dá mhac Thomas Kavanagh.

Thóg Thomas Smyth as Cill Droichid an Roth Muilinn i 1850 agus lean an roth céanna ag obair go dtí lár na haoise seo caite. Ghabh an Roth Muilinn seo cumhacht as An Laidhrín don mhuileann suas go dtí lár an chéid seo caite. Ba ghnáth-radharc i Maigh Nuad sa bhfichiú haois na sluaite asal is carr ag feitheamh go foighneach taobh amuigh den mhuileann. Ba ócáid shóisialta é seo do mhuintir na tuaithe labhairt le chéile agus b'fhéidir deoch nó dhó a bhlaiseadh sa bhaile. Le himeacht ama ba iad na tarracóirí a tháinig in aith na n-asal is na gcarr. Nuair a díoladh an muileann choimeád muintir Ionad an Mhuilinn an Roth Muilinn ar an láthair. Cé go raibh trastomhas an Roth Muilinn tábhachtach, b'é an toirt uisce is a luas a thug neart don Roth Mhuilinn. Cuid de na rothaí d'fhaighidís a gcumhacht ón uisce ag titim anuas orthu agus cuid eile acu, is ón uisce thíos fúthu a thagadh an tiomáint. Na rothaí ba mhó cumhachta ( iad siúd leis an each-chumhacht ba mhó) ba iad siúd na cinn leis na buicéid ba leithne le trastomhas cuí móide titim uisce. Conas is féidir each-chumhacht roth muilinn a thomhas? Le linn an naoú haois déag nuair a thug suirbhéirí rialtais cuairt ar gach aon mhuileann sa tír – 2,600 díobh – tugadh an treoir seo dóibh: “ an méid uisce ciúbach a a thiocfadh amach as buicéad in aghaidh an nóiméid a mhéadú fá .001325 móide leis an titim uisce - b'shin each-chumhacht an rotha muilinn.” Anuas air sin bhraith cumas meilte an mhuilinn ar líon agus ar mhéid na gcloch meilte. É sin ar fad sular ceapadh an t-inneall áirimh! Le himeacht aimsire tháinig deireadh le ré an Roth Muilinn is na gCloch Meilte is leis na hasail is na cairr le teacht na n-inneall nua-aimseartha. Anseo i Maigh Nuad ghéill Mainéar Mhuileann na nGearaltach ón tríú haois déag slí do Mhainéar Mhuileann na gCaomhánach sa 19ú haois, agus ar aghaidh go dtí Ionad Siopadóireachta Mhainéar an Mhuilinn sa lá atá inniu ann.

Mill-race in valley- Sruth-Mhuilinn sa Ghleann- But no one told the river níor sceitheadh don abhainn The mill is closed nach bhfuil aon Mhuileann ann Sruth-Mhuilinn sa Ghleann-níor sceitheadh don abhainn nach bhfuil aon Mhuileann ann Haiku-Stuart Lane (1932-2007) Grúpa Staire Mhaigh Nuad 2009.

## Features

### Manor Mills Maynooth

**M**aynooth or Maigh Nuad ( the plain of Nuada) is named after a mythological figure in Irish history. The medieval village was developed in the eighteenth century as an estate village by the Fitzgeralds who became earls of Kildare and dukes of Leinster. The first Fitzgerald, Maurice, was an Anglo- Norman knight who was granted the district surrounding Maynooth in 1176. While the original defensive settlement would have been of the motte and bailey type, the stone keep of Maynooth Castle probably began in the late twelfth century. The site was an ideal location for a fortified castle as it was bounded on the north by the Lyreen stream, a contributory of the Rye Water and on south and east by a small Tributary.

In 1328 the site was described as containing a 'stone castle, hall with kitchen , thatch covered hall, bake house, vault in newly built garden, grange [barn or farm ], cow byre, stable, turret, ditch, garden gate, laggard gate, dovecot [and] mills'. This is the first recorded listing of the existence of mills on the site which is now occupied by Manor Mills Shopping Centre. A bridge over the Lyreen connected the castle complex with the mills area. As old station asserts that the back wall of the manorial mill was the front wall of the castle mill. The castle was captured in a siege in 1535. Lord Deputies lived there afterwards and the Earl of Kildare returned in the 1550's. Having being renovated and enlarged by Richard Boyle, 1<sup>st</sup> earl of Cork, Father – in -law to George the 16<sup>th</sup> earl of Kildare, the castle was damaged again in the wars of the 1640's. It appears that the earl left soon afterwards and the castle fell into ruins. The family did not return again for c. 100 years.

By the mid-seventeenth century there were two mills on the site (one in disrepair) and over years buildings were damaged on each side of the mill race which was drawn from Lyreen. Theses included kilns, offices, stores and stables. Sluices were also added. In the mid – nineteenth century one of the mills was involved in the production of flour and the second in the production of corn. However, time took its toll and within a short period, the flour mill was in bad repair while the corn mill was not in use. The property was still in the hands of the duke of Leinster whose family had returned to Maynooth and set up residence in Carton House at the eastern end of the town.

A short time later a Mr Edward Kavanagh took over the running of Manor Mills. His family was already well-known in the milling and corn trade in Dublin. The man who founded the mill besides the ivy-covered castle ruin saw it finally established. In time, the business passed to his son, Edward and then to another member of the family, called William and finally it passed onto the fourth generation of the family Thomas Kavanagh. The mill wheel was built by Thomas Smith millwright of Celbridge c. 1850. It was installed in the mill race and continued by power the grinding mill until well into the nineteenth century.

During the milling season it was a common sight throughout Ireland to see lines of donkeys and carts loaded with sacks of grain making their way to and queuing patiently outside the local mill. In this way it was also a social event, giving the men time to chat and exchange gossip and in some cases even time to visit the local hostelry. Over time, tractors with trailers and then trucks replaced the old carts. When the property mill until and into the nineteenth century. The mill wheel remained in the site.

While the diameter of a mill wheel was important, it was the volume of flow of water provided the mill with its working power. While some wheels were powered by water from above, others were powered by water from below. The most powerful wheels ( the ones with the highest horse power) were the ones with the greatest breadth of bucket, contained with diameter and fall of water.

How do you work out the horse power of a working mill wheel? During the Mid-Nineteenth century when government surveyors visited every millowner in the country –all 2,600 of them – they were given instructions. "When a bucket –wheel has been properly constructed, the cubical content of water discharged per minute multiplied by .001325 and by the fall will give the effective horse power'. In addition a mill's grinding capacity also depended on the number and size of the millstones with which it opened. And all this before the invention of the calculator!.

Over time, the old mill wheel and grinding stones together with the donkey's and carts outlived their usefulness and were discarded in favour of more modern methods. And over time, what had once been Fitzgerald's Manor Mills in the thirteenth century gave way to Kavanaghs' Manor Mills in the Nineteenth century which in turn gave way Manor Mills Shopping Centre in the Twenty –first century.

Mill-race in valley

But no one told the river

The mill was closed (Haiku-Stuart Lane (1932-2007)

Maynooth Local History Group 2008

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## Maynooth Manor Mills.

On Saturday 27th June as part of The Maynooth Geraldine Festival a Plaque was unveiled to commemorate the Mill in Maynooth which was opened in 1328 and closed in 2000. The Plaque was unveiled by Maynooth Local History Group and was funded by Manor Mills Shopping Centre. Entertainment was provided by Push for Porter and Rita Doyle School of Dancing. Nearby an Art Exhibition was held by the Castle Keep Art Group.



Darren Smyth, Manager Manor Mills SC with Plaque.



The Mill Wheel at Manor Mills.



Sheila Kavanagh whose late Husband Thomas Kavanagh was the last owner of the Manor



Girls from the Rita Doyle School of Dancing.



Push for Porter.



Terry Nealon.



Castle Keep Art Group.



Castle Keep Art Group.



Lily Gorey enjoying the Sunshine.

# Maynooth Geraldine Festival 2009



Declan Sheridan, Cub Leader.



Scouts Tent.



Peter Garrad, Group Leader.



Eoin McCormack.



Conor Murpny, Ursula Murphy, Yvonne Murphy.



Andrea Faulkner, Darryl O Connor.



# Maynooth Geraldine Festival 2009

## **Maynooth Community Festival Family Car Treasure Hunt in association with Maynooth Town Football Club**

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June last, Maynooth Town Football Club organised a Family Car Treasure Hunt as part of the Maynooth Community Festival. The event began at 6pm and nine families took part in the hunt to find clues and scavenger items, and the route took them from the clubhouse to first Rathcoffey after a brief stop at Ladychapel, and then onwards to stops at Mainham Cemetery, Kilcock and finally Maynooth Castle.

In addition to the many clues and riddles they had to figure out and collect, a variety of scavenger items were also collected on route by the teams of treasure hunters, and plenty of creativity and ingenuity was used. All arrived safely back at the clubhouse for tea and biscuits before the winners were announced.

The prizes for the event were very kindly sponsored by: Greenes, The Avenue, Donatellos, Royal City, Bradys, Stone Haven, Twist Café and Boots.

The winning teams were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: Margaret Phillips, Luke Gisbey, Cian Hutchinson
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bill Tinley and Family
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: TJ Byrne and Family

### **Table Quiz in O'Neill's Pub**



# July in the Garden

## Essential tasks for July

Although maintenance is key in July, you can still introduce new bedding plants to keep your garden looking bright and beautiful throughout summer

## Flower garden

Trim Clematis montana if large and overgrown. Pinch out the growing tips of basket and container plants to encourage them to produce bushy even growth and lots of flowers. Encourage chrysanthemum shoots to branch out and carry more blooms by pinching out shoot tips from June to early July. This technique is called stopping.

## Sow seeds

Biennials, such as foxgloves, sweet williams, Canterbury bells and forget-me-nots, should be sown as soon as fresh seed is available.

## Pests and diseases

Use a forceful jet from a garden hose to knock aphids off water lilies and other garden plants. Spray roses to protect them against problems with mildew, blackspot or rust.

## Summer bedding plants

Finish planting out summer bedding plants in borders, baskets and containers. Fill gaps with large argyranthemums, fuchsias or pelargoniums.

## Cut down early-flowering perennials

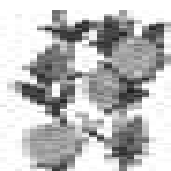
Remove faded flowers on perennials such as lupins and delphiniums. Early pruning often encourages a second flush of flowers late in the season. Cut the flower-spike down to just above a new shoot or leaf, and give each plant a generous liquid feed to encourage fresh growth. Remove the seedheads from aquilegia to prevent them from spreading.

## Greenhouse

All potted plants need a daily check for watering. Add a full-strength liquid feed once a fortnight or a dilute one more regularly. If you find that watering is taking up too much of your time, follow our tips to help you water more effectively.

## Ventilation

Open ventilators and doors every morning, but close them again on cool evenings. Do check that birds or cats aren't getting in, use netting if necessary.

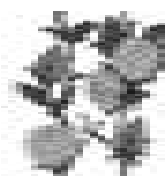


## Growing bags

Never let crops in growing bags go short of water. Standing the bags on gravel trays or on reservoirs with wicks through the base can prevent drying out.

## Cuttings

Pot on rooted cuttings of pelargoniums, argyranthemums, fuchsias and other plants as soon as the roots have filled their pots. Take cuttings from the non-flowering shoots of shrubs and climbers.



## Herbs

Woody stemmed herbs such as sage and thyme produce lots of fresh healthy new shoots at this time of year, which will quickly root if taken as cuttings. Learn the best way to take cuttings of woody stemmed herbs.

## Harvesting

Harvest beetroot and other crops while they are still young and tender. Early potatoes will be ready to harvest soon. Check one plant first to assess the crop size. Leave them to develop further if the potatoes are too small, and water the rows every week.

## Fruit crops

Enjoy the fruits of your labours by picking rhubarb, strawberries, raspberries, currants, cherries and gooseberries. Remember to net fruit bushes to keep birds away, but it is important to check the netting daily to ensure that no birds have become trapped.

## Sweet corn

Plant out pot-grown sweet corn. Place the plants in blocks, not rows, spacing them out about 45cm (18in) apart each way.

## Crops to sow

From June to early July the following vegetable crops can be sown directly outside: lettuce and salad leaves, radishes, kohlrabi, spring cabbage and endive, plus dwarf French beans for a late crop. Winter spinach can be sown from July to September.

## Water onions

Never let onions go short of water or their yield will be severely reduced. Water plants thoroughly once or twice a week if conditions are dry, and keep down weed competition by hand or using a hoe.

## Cordon-trained fruit

Side shoots on cordon gooseberries and currants should be pruned back to about five leaves or 10cm (4in) long.

## Fruit trees

The natural June drop will thin out a heavy fruit crop to some degree, but it is worth lending a hand. Pick off any small, damaged or diseased fruits to leave those remaining spaced 10cm (4in) apart.

# *Maynooth Community Library*

## Storytelling in Maynooth

### Community Library



A new storytelling series in Polish starts in the Library on Tuesday 2nd June at 10.00am. Agnes will tell stories and will have a sing song in Polish.



## Chess Clubs

**Adults and children's Chess Clubs continue in Maynooth Library every Monday evening at 6.00pm.**

**Children's Summer Reading Club Starts July 1st. and Runs Until August 26th.**

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## Children's Summer Activities

**Tuesday 7th July - Crafts Workshop.** Paint your T-Shirt for children ages between 7 years - 11 years at 3pm - 4.30pm. **Booking essential.**

**Friday 10th July - Gymboree** - song, dance, fun and games aimed at children between 18 months and 5 years at 11am - 12pm. **Booking essential.**

**Tuesday 14th July - Science and Experiment.** Workshop with Gerard McMahon aimed at 10 years - 12 year at 3pm - 4pm. **Booking essential.**

**Friday 17th July - Musical Theatre Workshop** with Katie Carpenter for children ages between 7 years - 12 years at 10am - 12pm. **Booking essential.**

**Tuesday 21st July - Crafts Workshop.** Paint your own T-Shirt for young adults ages between 12 years - 15 years at 3pm - 4.30pm. **Booking essential.**

**Bookings taken for the above from Wednesday 24th June.**

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Email: [maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie)

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### **Family Heritage Treasure Hunt**

23rd Aug Glendalough Co. Wicklow  
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Sunday July 5th 1-5pm  
Blackrock Park, Dublin  
Free Event  
Bring Teddy's and Picnic blankets

### **International Bog Day**

Bog of Allen Nature Centre  
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Bring a picnic Further info (045) 860133

### **Star-B-Q Roundwood Co. Wicklow**

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### **National Gallery Family Programmes**

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## MAYNOOTH U3A

One chapter ends and so begins a new one. At our recent AGM three of our officers, Maeve and Helen resigned. We owe much gratitude and thanks to all of them for three years of hard work and dedication and for developing U3A into a vibrant group which meets a vital need in the community.

Congratulations to our new officers Helena, Denise and Irene all who aspire to seeing the club grow and develop. Thanks to Joan who is continuing as treasurer and provides an important element of continuity. Like all politicians we too went 'to the country', well as far as Kilcloone, for our post AGM lunch. There we toasted a years work well done and afterwards some of writers had an opportunity to showcase their work. Good luck to Mary who volunteered to read her own short story "A spiders web I weave" during the Geraldine Cultural Festival.

It is so full of intrigue we were somewhat concerned but Mary assured us that it was definitely fictitious. Ger, many thanks for organising the venue and lunch and as a pub spy might say "We will be back"! It was encouraging to see so many present for our AGM and confirms the fact that we are all committed to U3A and what it represents. I know that the members will give the incoming committee all the co-operation and support that it needs to be effective and successful.

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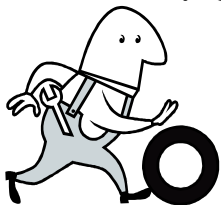
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# Maynooth Ladies Golf Society

The Club had its fourth outing this year to Grange Castle, Clondalkin on Saturday 23rd May. Sixteen of our members played and the weather was good for the most part, with one or two short heavy showers. Everyone enjoyed the day. The course itself was in excellent condition and well maintained. The winners were:



**1st – Ann McQuillen**  
**2nd – Ann Finn**  
**3rd – Louise Saults**  
**4th – Idel Hutchinson**

Each winner was presented with Killarney Crystal.

**New members are always welcome. Our joining fee is €50. We have an outing once a month to different golf courses starting February through to October. If you wish to join contact Louise at 0868793610**

**Our next outing is to Millicent Golf Club, Clane on Saturday the 20th June 2009.**

## Tidy Towns



### **Maynooth Tidy Towns cut verges on approach roads**

With grass growing very quickly this year Maynooth Tidy Towns undertook a programme to trim all the approach road verges as well as areas in the town centre. It was important to do this work as judging in the National Tidy Towns competition can take anytime between 1<sup>st</sup> June and the 31<sup>st</sup> August. The work was carried out in early June and it is expected that Kildare County Council will repeat this work in July when these areas will be overgrown again.



### **Intel Volunteers paint bollards in the square**

The bollards in Maynooth Square have needed to be repainted for a number of years. As part of their community support programme a number of Intel staff painted the bollards on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2009. In a time where it is still difficult to get people to give even just an hour a week to support our work, the support we get from Intel staff on a number of projects is much appreciated.

### ***Towns clean-ups continue on Sunday Mornings and one evening a week .***

For those that do not know Kildare County Council is unable to provide a seven day street cleaning service in Maynooth. Conscious that even during the week it can be difficult for Kildare County staff to get retrieve some litter because of parking in the town, volunteers from Maynooth Tidy Towns has restarted our Sunday morning clean-up. They start at around 8am and cover the town centre area including the back lanes. These will continue until the end of August and are supplemented by more peripheral areas being cleaned by the committee volunteers one evening a week. If you want to help out we can be contacted at 087 3153189.

Paul Croghan  
Vice-Chairperson  
Maynooth Tidy Towns

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# Funday

On Monday 22nd June a Funday was held by parents in NUI Maynooth for the 6th class pupils of St. Mary BNS., Presentation Girls School, Gael Scoil Uí Fháich, Kilcloone Primary and Mulhussey Primary. Activities included Soccer, Rounders, Obstacle Course, Art and Céilí. Around 150 pupils attended and all were awarded Certificates.



Nicole O' Shea and Kellie Ryan.



Donna Ffrench, Luke Coyle and Donal Reilly.



Thomas Mooney and Christen Senekhel.



Kurtis Walsh and Craig Greaves.



Parents, Fiona Flanagan, Martha Maxwell and Finula Haran.



Pupils attempting the Obstacle Course.

*Wonderful retirement Party for Deputy Principal of Maynooth Boy's National School Pat O'Connor.*



**Pat O'Connor, Anne O'Connor & Tony Behan past pupil**



**Past pupils & Peter Brady**

Mr. Pat O'Connor who has taught in the Boy's National School for the past 40 years celebrated his retirement with family, friends, past pupils, and with past and present colleagues. Pats has a passion for education and this was well respected by all his pupils and the community over his 40 years at St Mary's. Pat had a huge interest in the GAA, and had a great report with the local GAA club and Pats love of the game was always to encourage involvement in sport. Pat is a native of County Clare, but the family lived in London for a number of years, before returning to Ireland in the 1940s.

Pupils and staff played a specially made video that highlighted the great life of Pat O'Connor. Dominic Nugent welcomed all to the special night. Principal Peter Coakley spoke about Pat's great life, interests, his love of teaching and sport. Pat started his teaching career in a place called Duniry in County Galway and in 1966 started his long association with Maynooth, Pat got married in August 1973 to Ann Brennan and they had five children.

After all the speeches Pat had a few words of his own for the huge gathering. Pat thanked all the guests for being there: he said that he felt that Maynooth was his home town. He paid tributes to many people, his wife Ann and family, the teaching staff, and boards of management over the years. Pat finished by praising the wonderful facilities that are in Maynooth Boy's National School and all the achievements acquired over the years. Pat ended by thanking all the people of Maynooth, the children, and the many, many children that he taught over his 43 years in St Mary's Boy's National School.



**Pat & Breda Nevin**  
**Pat had many years enjoyment with the school with Hurling & Football**



**Margaret O'Mahony & Kit Burchill enjoying the celebrations**

## *A Night Of Celebration Cont'd*



**Patricia and Pat Moynan enjoying the night**



**Ella Levy**



**Fergie Molloy and**



**Mary And Noel Lysaght**



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# Clubs, Organisation And Societies

## Maynooth Town FC News June 2009

**M**aynooth Town FC have enjoyed a very successful season on the pitch:

- The Sunday Senior Team reached the final of the Lummy O'Reilly League Cup and they also finished runners up in their league, gaining promotion to the Major 1 Division of the Leinster Senior League.
- The 16A schoolboy team enjoyed a double this year - winning both their league and cup.
- Both under 13 teams reached the semi-finals of the league cup, each losing narrowly to be denied a place in the final.
- At the under 12 level, the 12 Premier team won their league and the 12B team finished as runners up in their league.
- At the under 10 age group, the 10B team finished runners up in their cup while the 10H team achieved the runners up spot in their league.
- The under 9C team also recorded a double after they won the cup and league.
- The under 8b team won the league cup.

Each of the other teams in the club had a very good season and competed in their respective leagues, finishing in very respectable positions.

Players and Managers are now looking forward to the rest during the summer break before they have to begin the campaign again next season.

### Some upcoming events:

#### **FAI Summer Soccer Camp**

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Cost €99 per child

For More Info or to Book Your Place go to:

[www.summersoccerschools.ie](http://www.summersoccerschools.ie)



**Pre-season training** for all teams begins again in August:

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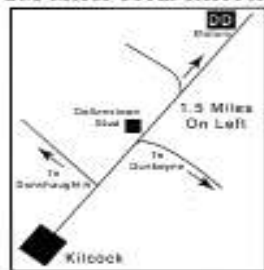
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**Sunday 8.00am - 9.00pm**

## Features

### AIB Junior Saver Competition.

AIB Maynooth in conjunction with Gaelscoil Uí Fhíach held an Easter colouring competition. The two winners from the Junior Classes were Kelly Ní Dhaímhín (age 7-1st Class) and Aoibhe Ní Tharlaigh (age 8– 2nd Class).

Ron Dardis of AIB presented each of the winners of the AIB Junior Saver Competition with a €25 voucher for Smyths Toys.



*Luke Bray, Kelly Ní Dhaímhín, Aoibhe Ní Tharlaigh, Ron Dardis (AIB. Maynooth Branch Manager).*



*Ken Burke (AIB. Regional Director), Michelle Walsh (AIB. Student Advisor), Máirín Ní Chéileachain (School Principal), Ron Dardis, Luke Bray, Kelly Ní Dhaímhín, Aoibhe Ní Tharlaigh.*





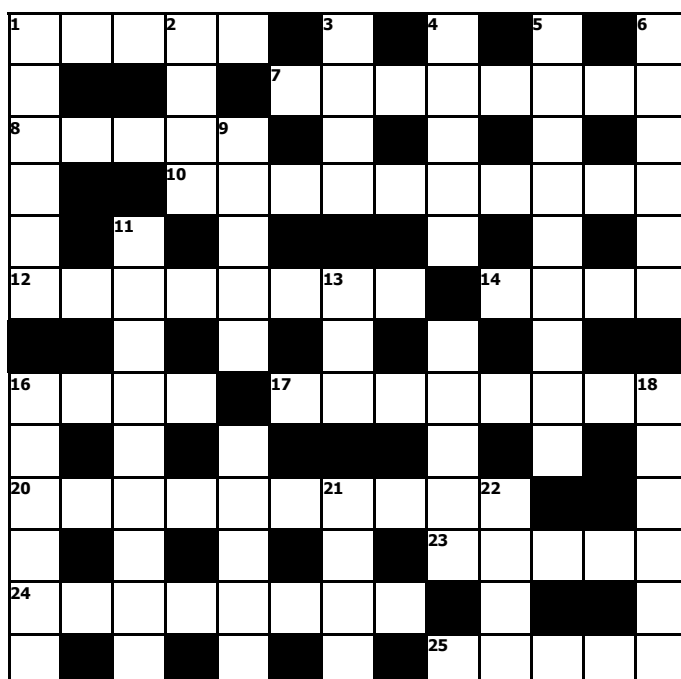
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## Crossword No. 79.



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#### Across:

1. Combine (5)
7. Flat tyre! (8)
8. Brush (5)
10. Country, Capital Wellington (3,7)
12. Freshwater tortoise (8)
14. Style of dance (4)
16. Sleeve-end (4)
17. Determined (8)
20. Bad luck (10)
23. Dehydrated (5)
24. Cut off (8)
25. TV quizmaster, \_ \_ \_ Deayton (5)

#### Down:

1. Non-conformist (6)
2. Girls Name (4)
3. Question (4)
4. Fragment (5)
5. Bold (9)
6. Interfere (6)
9. Leapt [anag] (5)
11. Abundance (9)
13. Eisenhowers nickname (3)
15. Located (5)
16. Perpetrate (6)
18. Mass migration (6)
19. Majestic (5)
21. Arduous expedition (4)
22. The Green Isle (4)

#### Solutions to crossword No. 78.

**Across:** 1. Sweat, 4. Clubs, 10. Radio, 11. Drizzle, 12. Stefanie, 13. Fair, 15. Recoil, 17. Riddle, 19. T.Rex, 20. Feasible, 23. Obvious, 24. Libra, 25. Brink, 26. Beryl.

**Down:** 2. Wedge, 3. Aromatic, 5. Laid, 6. Buzzard, 7. Frustration, 8. Eddie, 9. George Segal, 14. Dissolve, 16. Cleaver, 18. Lease, 21. Bobby, 22. Mown.

Doodle Box



### **EU parliament elections: a further shunt to the right at Brussels**

While the most notable outcome in the Irish results were the successes for Joe Higgins and the Labour Party, in contrast, the overall result was characterised by further advances for the conservative European People's Party (EPP). They have won the elections for the third consecutive time in a row, with 267 out of 736 seats. Their champion, José Manuel Barroso, is now expected to continue as President of European Commission and we can expect more free-market policies that have crippled the Irish economy. Long gone now is the social Europe of the 1990s to which many Irish people were attracted. Cruel financial rectitude and mass unemployment will be the hallmarks of this meaner EU regime.

### **Never mind the guarantees – it's the economy now**

Since Ireland's NO to Lisbon in June 2008, our government has engaged itself in phoney negotiations with Brussels to secure what can only be legally worthless guarantees on ethical issues, tax sovereignty and our neutral status. These fake concessions are supposed to bamboozle voters into overturning their position of last year. However, this process is not only duplicitous but also out of date - due to the international financial and economic tsunami that has engulfed Irish society.

The up-to 60 billion euro bank bailouts, the soon-to-be-exceeded 500,000 dole queues, the tax and levies hikes, etc. are all as a direct consequence of the neo-liberal, EU-promoted policies that were slavishly followed by successive Irish governments and greedily implemented by our banking and business elites. All of this has now exposed further fatal flaws within the Lisbon Treaty pertaining to its financial provisions. Ireland and other peripheral countries in the eurozone have suffered from the European Central Bank's policies on interest and exchange rates that have been set at levels suited to French and German economic conditions. To correct this bias against Ireland we must again reject Lisbon for it contains the following clause which copper fastens French and German control of the controlling body of the ECB:

**'the votes in the Governing Council shall be weighted according to the national central banks' shares in the subscribed capital of the ECB.'**

The only way that smaller states can escape a future of permanent disadvantage within the ECB is to have Lisbon's ECB clauses scrapped and a new mechanism created to reshape banking policies that genuinely provide financial stability for all within the eurozone. It is on such issues that the Lisbon Two referendum debates must be centred!

European trade unionists also want Lisbon changed

At a conference held on May 27-28, the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) called on the European Council to adopt an unambiguous and binding commitment to fundamental social rights as part of the guarantees to be given to Ireland ahead of the second referendum on the Lisbon Treaty. Their letter to the Council stated:

You will see that we are calling for a bigger Recovery Plan, better coordinated and directed action at European level, no return to the 'casino' capitalism which has caused the crisis, and for a Social Progress Protocol to be added to the EU treaties, with a revised Posted Workers Directive, to correct the present, worrying unbalance between the free movement of services and collective bargaining at national level.

### **Sound man Eamon – no Lisbon Two**

The Labour leader, Eamon Gilmore, is deservedly Ireland's most popular political leader: his independent and straight-talking stance in holding government and banking bosses to account for their disastrous policies has found favour with the public. For this he and his colleagues have been rewarded at the recent polls. He was also spot on when he said after the result of the referendum last year that Lisbon is dead and should not be revisited. "I do not think there is any question of treaty being put a second time to the people." Mindful of the increasingly anti-worker and right wing direction of the EU, we urge Eamon and his party to stand firm on his principled stand of respecting the Irish people's decision of June 08 and give courageous leadership against Lisbon Two.

Eamon, James Connolly's words, "*The cause of Labour is the cause of Ireland, the cause of Ireland is the cause of Labour*", are most prescient at this critical juncture in Irish history.

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# *Children's Colouring Competition*

## *July 2009*



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No \_\_\_\_\_

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## Party Political—Áine Brady T.D.

**Aine Brady TD - Constituency Office Maynooth, No 4 Centre Point, The Mall, Maynooth - available to meet constituents every Monday. Please phone 01 618 3057 (Hannah or Eamon) or 01 628 5269 (Trish) for an appointment.**



*Aine Brady T.D.*

### **Parents urged to apply now for Back to School Clothing & Footwear Allowance**

Over 140,000 families with school-going children are expected to apply for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance this summer, according to Minister for Social and Family Affairs Mary Hanafin T.D. This scheme will see parents being assisted with the back to school costs through payments of €200 or €305 depending on the age of their children. Minister Hanafin urged eligible families to apply in plenty of time, in order to ensure that they receive payment before the new school year starts. **"Probably the furthest thing from most parents' minds this week is the start of the new school year. But we know that families always find this a pressurised time financially, so I would urge them now to take the time to apply for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance, as it can take 6- 8 weeks to process applications and receive payment."**

The number of children benefitting from the scheme has increased over the past number of years, rising from 161,000 in 2006 to over 200,000 last year. Given increased income thresholds and the increase in the numbers on the Live Register, the numbers likely to benefit this year are expected to be over 250,000 children. Expenditure on the scheme this year is expected to be €68million.

Minister Hanafin said in the changes introduced in the Budget this year "means that an estimated 18,000 more families will benefit as the income thresholds for entitlement to the scheme were increased by €50." This brings the income limits for the allowance for parents with one child to €560 for couples and €407 for those parenting alone.

Another special measure which was introduced in the Budget was an additional allowance of €215 payable to 18 year olds in full time education for whom, the half rate Child Benefit is now applied. Total back to school payment in respects of children aged 18 is €520. The scheme is administered on behalf of the Department by the Community Welfare Division of the Health Service Executive, with staff in place now to deal with claims. A person may qualify for payment of an allowance if they are in receipt of a Social Welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement), or Health Service Executive payment, are participating in an approved employment scheme or attending a recognised education and training course and have household income at or below certain set levels. Minister Hanafin said "the purpose of the household income limit is to ensure that the allowance is directed at those with the greatest need."

The mobile text service now makes it even quicker for parents to apply for the relevant forms. For those who are eligible, they can now apply by text message to request an application form.

Text - FORM BTSCFA - to 51909 followed by their name and address, or

Application forms are available on the Department's website at <http://www.welfare.ie/EN/Forms/Documents/bscfa.pdf> or at [http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws\\_public/application-forms](http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws_public/application-forms).

There is also a 24 hour Lo - Call leaflet line number to order forms – 1890 20 23 25

Completed applications should then be returned to the relevant address for your area outlined on the Community Welfare Service website [http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws\\_public/](http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws_public/)

Applications for the allowance can be made between the beginning of June and the end of September each year.

A person may qualify for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear scheme if they are:

getting a Social Welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement) or a Health Service Executive (HSE) payment or taking part in an approved employment schemes or training courses: and

getting a Qualified Child Increase with their social welfare payment and their household income is within the limits in either of the tables below.

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## Income Limits for 2009 are RATES OF PAYMENT

The rates of payment are :

<b>Couple with :</b>	<b>Income Limit</b>	<b>Lone Parent with</b>	<b>Income Limit</b>
1 child	560.00	1 child	407.00
2 children	586.00	2 children	433.00
3 children	612.00	3 children	459.00
4 children	638.00*	4 children	485.00*

\*Limit is increased by €26.00 for each additional child.

- a) €200 in respect of children aged 2 to 11 on the 30th September 2009;
- (b) €305 in respect of children aged 12 to 17 on the 30th September 2009;
- (c) €305 in respect of children aged 18 to 22 on the 30th September 2009 who are in full time education.
- (d) As a special measure introduced in Budget 2009, an additional amount of €215 is payable for children aged 18 ONLY in respect of whom half rate Child Benefit is in payment. Total payment in respect of children aged 18 is €520.

Further information on the scheme is available on Social and Family Affairs website <http://www.welfare.ie/>. Links to application forms are available on the Department's website at <http://www.welfare.ie/EN/Forms/Documents/bscfa.pdf> or at [http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws\\_public/application-forms](http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws_public/application-forms).

## Applications for Working Training Programmes now accepted

The Minister of State at the Department of Health, Aine Brady TD, has stated that FAS is now accepting applications for both the Work Placement Programme and a pilot Short Time Working Training Programme, both of which were announced recently.

'Both of these programmes, which are aimed at assisting the unemployed and those on a reduced working week, were contained in April's Supplementary Budget.'

"With the increasing numbers of people who are unemployed this Government is continuing to develop and put in place new programmes that will enhance the work experience and training opportunities for people that are becoming unemployed.'

'Last March, I met with the Tánaiste and proposed that we have such programmes. I also made contact with FAS and the Minister for Social and Family Affairs to discuss such schemes. I am delighted that these

programmes are now available and they will enhance the skills of the people that are now find themselves unemployment.'

'From 2nd June FÁS local offices will be taking applications from people who are interested in either Programme, with a view to placing them or commencing their training within a period of weeks.'

'These schemes will bring valuable experience to many and enable people to benefit fully from an economic upturn, when it comes, as it well'

'Traditionally social welfare payments for jobseekers were conditional on the recipient actively seeking work. These new schemes waive that requirement and see us move from welfare for unemployment to welfare to work." Concluded Minister Brady.

## Information Note of the Scheme:

The details of the new activation programmes are as follows:

### WORK PLACEMENT PROGRAMME

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR STREAM 1:

#### GRADUATES (1,000 PLACES, SIX-MONTH DURATION)

- Graduates must have graduated before 2009.
- Graduates must have attained a full award at level 7 or above on the National Framework of Qualifications.
- Graduates must be on the Live Register for a period of at least 6 months and in receipt of Job Seeker's Allowance, from the Department of Social and Family Affairs.
- The placement will be for a six-month period.
- FÁS will administer the Programme.
- Local FÁS offices will be the first point of contact for those interested in the Programme.
- FÁS will allocate a number of places to each FÁS Region having regard to the size of the Live Register in that Region. Each Region will then allocate places on 'first in first served' basis within their own allocation.
- FÁS will refer all potential participants to providers.
- On referral from FÁS, the provider of the work experience may interview potential participants.
- DSFA will continue to pay social welfare entitlements to participants on the Programme.

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR STREAM 2:

#### • (1,000 PLACES, SIX-MONTH DURATION)

- Participants must be on the Live Register for a period of at least 6 months and in receipt of Job Seeker's Allowance, from the Department of **Social and Family Affairs**.

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- This stream will be open to all individuals who do not possess a full award at level 7 or above on the National Framework of Qualifications.
- 250 places will be ring-fenced for under 25's.
- The placement will be for a six-month period.
- FÁS will administer the Programme.
- FÁS will allocate a number of places to each FÁS Region having regard to the size of the Live Register in that Region. Each Region will then allocate places on 'first in first served' basis within their own allocation
- Local FÁS offices will be the first point of contact for those interested in the Programme.
- FÁS will refer all potential participants to providers.
- On referral from FÁS, the provider of the work experience may interview potential participants.
- DSFA will continue to pay social welfare entitlements to participants on the Programme.

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:**

### **PROVIDERS**

- The Programme will be open to both public and private sector employers.
- The maximum number of placements with a single provider shall be 10 or 10% of their workforce whichever is the smaller.
- The placement will be for a six-month period.
- Prospective providers shall register with FÁS.
- On referral from FÁS, the provider of the work experience may interview potential participants.
- The placement will not be provided to fill an existing vacancy
- The placement will not be provided to displace an existing employee

### **MONITORING:**

- FÁS will design and implement a monitoring system.
- A Review Group will be established to review the Programme.

## **SHORT TIME WORKING TRAINING PROGRAMME**

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

#### **277 PLACES OVER A 52-WEEK PERIOD**

- There will be 277 places available.
- Each placement will be for a period of 52 weeks.
- FÁS will administer the Programme.
- FÁS will offer flexible learning to individuals to enable them complete courses should they go back full time.
- Local FÁS offices will be the first point of contact for those interested in the Programme.

- FÁS will be the initial provider of training.
- The Programme will be limited to people currently on systematic short time and in receipt of social welfare payments.
- DSFA will continue to pay participants social welfare entitlements whilst receiving training whilst on systematic short time working.

## **Funding for Kildare Volunteer Bureau welcomed by Brady.**

Aine Brady TD, Minister of State at the Department of Health and Children has been informed by her colleague Minister John Curran TD, at the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, that Kildare Volunteer Bureau is to receive €125,270.

'The primary role of the Bureau is to match members of the public interested in volunteering with local community organisations seeking volunteers.'

'Volunteers are a very important ingredient in building communities. Kildare has undergone many fundamental changes in recent years, with the rapid change in our population base. However, we have retained a tradition of people helping each other and working together.' stated Minister Brady.

'The fact that we are now seeing a significant increase in the number of people of all ages and backgrounds who are interested in volunteering bodes well for our volunteering culture into the future.'

'In addition, we have seen an initiative by Intel early this year which rewarded volunteerism. Intel, as part of its 40th Anniversary Celebrations provided matching grants for employees that volunteer their time to sporting organisations. This meant that every hour volunteered by an employee was matched with \$10 by the Intel Foundation. Clubs in Kildare that participated in the scheme eared up to max \$10,000 from the Intel Foundation.' Concluded Minister Brady.

## **Minister Brady welcomes € 500,000 allocation for Housing Aid for the Elderly in Dublin/Mid Leinster**

Áine Brady, T.D., Minister for Older People and Health Promotion, today 19 May, 2009 welcomed the announcement by her Government colleague Minister for Housing and Local Services, Michael Finneran T.D.

that the Task Force on Special Housing Aid for the Elderly, under the aegis of the Department of the

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## Áine Brady T.D.

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Environment, Heritage and Local Government, is allocating a funding of €500,000 to the Dublin/Mid Leinster of the Health Service Executive for 2009. This allocation of funding is being made available for the carrying out of essential repairs to houses occupied by elderly persons living on their own under the Special Housing Aid for the Elderly scheme.

"This funding will ensure that all outstanding applications in the Dublin/Mid Leinster region will be processed and allowing older people to remain in their own homes and communities for as long as possible."

Announcing the funding, the Minister said that she was delighted with the effectiveness of the scheme in helping older people to live in their own homes.

Aine Brady TD, Minister of State at the Department of Health

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### **The Miracle Prayer**

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many favours. This time I  
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(mention here). Take it  
dear heart of Jesus and  
place it within your own  
broken Heart where your  
father sees it.

Then, in His merciful eyes  
it will become Your favour  
Not mine. Amen

Say this prayer for three  
days. Promise publication  
and prayer and favour will  
be granted, no matter  
how impossible.

Never known to fail.  
thanksgiving for favour  
received.

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## **Unprecedented Level of Interest in Home Energy Saving Scheme.**

The recently launched Home Energy Saving scheme has proven immensely popular among Irish homeowners. In just four months over €16 million in insulation grants is being paid to approximately 12,000 householders nationwide. Over 2,000 construction workers and trades people have registered to carry out the works.

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick is urging people to think ahead, "while it may not be foremost in people's minds during the summer months, now is the time to get the work done. Well insulated and energy efficient homes will mean reduced energy bills as well as increased warmth and comfort. With a budget reaching €50million for this year, significant funding is still available. Apply now by calling Sustainable Energy Ireland on 1850 927000 or online at [www.sei/hes](http://www.sei/hes).

## **Details of new green FÁS courses for construction sector.**

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment has announced the detail of a number of new training programmes for those who have lost their jobs in the construction sector. The new FÁS courses are aimed at helping those in construction convert or upgrade their skills set to take advantage of the new wave of green and clean-tech opportunities coming on-stream nationally.

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick who is the Convener of the Enterprise, Trade & Employment added, "*This Government is committed to increasing the skills levels and help develop new skills sets for workers who have lost their jobs that will allow them take advantage of opportunities in new emerging growth areas within the construction sector. These include the installation of energy efficient and renewable technologies, together with compliance and energy rating work. This is the direction we need to be going in.*" said Michael.

Some of the new courses on offer through FÁS as follows:-

- **Gas safety and installation courses:**
- **Sustainable Energy courses:**
- **Building Energy Rating:**
- **Smart/Intelligent Building Systems:**
- **Insulation technologies and techniques:**

Plans were well advanced to further expand this initial offering of green and clean-tech construction sector courses with the following additional courses due to come on stream later this year:

- **Micro-Electricity Generation Wind Turbine & Photovoltaic**
- **Passive House Building:**

In addition, under the **Skillnets Training Networks Programme** a number of relevant training courses are currently provided to participants, including construction workers, in knowledge areas such as Building Energy Rating, Low Carbon Energy Assessment, Air Permeability Training, Energy Savings and Water Hygiene.

Contact your local FAS Office for more details.

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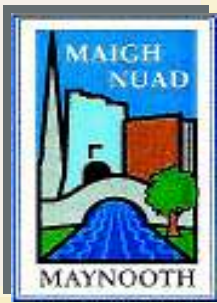
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# Editorial-August

For the third year in a row it seems that summer has decided to abandon Ireland. Although not as wet as the last two summers, it is certainly far from what people were looking forward to. The country and the county could do with some clement weather with the bad news that continues to buffet the people week after week. The drop in income coupled with unemployment means that the option of escaping to a sun holiday is not as easy an option as it was in the past.

The early Irish believed that bad weather, as well as famine, war and other ailments were a sign of bad kingship or leadership. Many of our old Irish stories give accounts of the landscape reacting to the bad decisions or judgments of the early kings resulting in their loss of kingship. Perhaps there is something to be said for an enforced change of government every five or seven years – if only to give the ruling party some time to recover from the pressures of governing. The present lot seems exhausted and completely bereft of ideas or remedies.

The issue of increasing crime was a much-discussed item at the most recent Community Council meeting. Crime will rise throughout the country as unemployment increases. Therefore, the recommendations of the McCarthy “An Bord Snip Nua” report to cut the number of gardai stations in the country in half does not fill one with confidence that this crime rise will be dealt with.

It is difficult to find anything positive in all the ‘doom and gloom’ that the An Bord Snip report brought with it. The announcement of Intel and they will be letting 300 people go shortly is bad news for the county and for North Kildare in particular and shows that no industry or business is immune to the dreadful recession that haunts us. The anger of the last number of months seems to be replaced by a numbed silence as if we are traumatized, or simply a desire to leave. A number of people have said this recently – that all they want to do now is leave. But the option of emigration that sent our well-educated workforce abroad during the eighties is not as readily available this time. The country itself will have to cope with a growing number of highly educated young people now unemployed who are not used to bad times and one wonders what will become of them and how they will react to the increasingly depressing state of Ireland.

It is important that we do not lose sight of those areas in which we, the Irish, excel, namely tourism, culture and the old-fashioned idea of ‘Ireland of the welcomes’. Most of these got lost in the consumerism of the Celtic Tiger and, as a result of rampant development some of our beautiful tourist attractions have been over-run and destroyed. If we are to develop the area of ‘cultural tourism’ as recommended by the Minister, Martin Cullen, we will have to take a long, hard look at ourselves and what we value. One shining light in the last short while was the much-vaunted visit of Real Madrid and that they stayed right here at Carton House in Maynooth. We didn’t see them but we are assured that they were actually there!

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin

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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council meeting 8 July 2009

**Among the issues raised and discussed at the meeting were the following:**

### **Anti-social behaviour and crime in Maynooth**

Paul Croghan, Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee, reported that a large number of newly planted trees on the Kilcock Road had been vandalised, and pointed out that this particular sort of vandalism was not usual in Maynooth. Concerns have been expressed about anti-social behaviour and crime in local estates, and in Maynooth town centre, by a number of Community Council members at recent meetings. The Community Council has agreed to take steps to highlight this problem and to seek more effective action by the Gardai. The Council will ask residents' associations and other organisations to outline the specific problems in their local areas. The Council plans to invite local Gardai to discuss the issues raised by this survey at a forthcoming Council meeting. Many members felt that if the laws concerning under-age and public drinking were actually enforced in Maynooth, then a large percentage of anti-social behaviour and crime incidents would be eliminated.

### **Need for premises and facilities for clubs and organisations in Maynooth**

The urgent need for a community centre in Maynooth was highlighted by Josie Moore, Senior Citizens Group, and by members of Maynooth Scouts. Both organisations have been without adequate premises and facilities for some time. The Scouts have suggested that facilities could be provided for their club at the Harbour Field, within the terms of the Local Area Plan for that area. Maynooth has a large number of organisations with wide-ranging needs – for example, An Nuada Players have been looking for theatre space for some time - and a number of different kinds of community space are urgently needed.

### **Youth mental health and suicide prevention**

Maynooth Community Council has wanted to help in some way with the issues of youth mental health and suicide prevention in our area, and members of the Council's executive committee have sought advice from a number of organisations. The HSE has invited the Community Council to participate in a new initiative on these issues, and the Council hopes to provide a community perspective and to help create community links to the process as the initiative gets going.

### **The Irish language stream at Maynooth Post Primary School**

Colm Ó Cearúil, Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, expressed concern that Junior Certificate students in Maynooth Post Primary School's Irish language stream would not be able to take maths through Irish this year. Council members stressed that the Irish stream was a unique and very important asset to Maynooth Post Primary School, both academically and culturally, and they wished to see it continue and flourish. Members supported Colm Ó Cearúil in his hope that the Irish language stream might expand to include a Leaving Certificate class in the future.

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# Maynooth GAA News

## CAMOGIE NEWS

The first team played their final game of the league against Celbridge on Monday, 13 July, and lost by a point which rules them out of qualifying for the final.

The championship begins on Monday, 10 August against Cappagh at home and Maynooth have two more games in the round robin series against Leixlip and Sarsfields and the top two qualify for the intermediate final.

The junior team are still in contention for the knock-out stages of the league with two matches remaining. The championship begins on Saturday 8 August against Nurney, away. Maynooth have five matches in total and their remaining games are against Johnstownbridge, Moorefield, Kill and St Laurence's. Again the top two qualify for the final.

## LADIES FOOTBALL

The first team have one big game to build towards this year and that is the final of the intermediate championship which will be against Balyna where manager Anto Mooney will be hoping her team that win the cup named in honour of her dad, Tony, when the sides meet, probably some time in late August.

## MEN'S FOOTBALL

The first team secured their place in division one of the senior league with a good finish to the campaign although they went down to Rathangan in their final game on Saturday, 11 July. Wins against St Kevin's, Ellistown, Allenwood, Johnstownbridge and Monasterevin coupled with well earned draws against Round Towers and Kilcullen ensured Declan Cryan's side safely maintained their top flight status, which is crucial to the development of the team.

They play Monasterevin in the first round of the championship which will be during August but date depends on how the Kildare senior football team now fare in the All-Ireland series.

The second team picked up just one point all the way through a very dispiriting league campaign where numbers were always hard to come by. They will now drop back to division four while the third team continue to cling on in division five. With just two games remaining they have four points and need a couple of good results to ensure their survival for another year.

In his latest move manager Mick Gillick has entrusted stalwart Mark Nugent with a defensive role.

Gillick revealed that he always had faith in

the chocolate salesman.

"I've seen him sell Wispa bars before they came back into fashion. He can sell double-deckers to kids who never heard of them."

Before last Monday's crunch tie with St Kevin's Gillick told Nugent why he felt a change would work.

"Look Mark you've played in the forwards long enough, you know what it takes to get a score so you know how to stop someone getting a score, cogito ergo sum," Gillick said, using his best Latin to emphasise to Nugent that he saw him as a footballing intellectual on his level, not a mere dogsbody who would do any job he was asked. Read it all and more on the junior football page of **Maynoothgaa.com**.

The minors are awaiting a date for the first round of their championship after their first round clash with Naas was postponed because of the Kildare minors' Leinster final replay with Dublin.

Well done to John Comerford, Mark Donnellan and John McAndrew who have represented their club and county with great distinction so far.

## HURLING

After a good opening round win against Confey the first team were due to play Naas in the second round on Thursday 16 July where a win would put them in a good position to make the final four. Their remaining games are against Moorefield, Celbridge and Ardclough.

The juniors began their championship against Naomh Bríd on Friday 17 July and they are also involved in a round robin format. They finished their league campaign with a narrow one point defeat to Sallins, 2-13 to 1-15, but it's a performance that should put them in good shape for the championship.

## FÉILE

There was heartbreak for Maynooth's under 14 football team when they lost the final of the All-Ireland Féile to Ballyboden St Enda's on Sunday 5 July in St Conleth's Park Newbridge. Maynooth were the first Kildare team since 1994 to make the division one final of what is the biggest underage competition in the country.

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# Maynooth GAA News

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The lads began with a very impressive win against Omagh St Enda's but a surprise defeat to Rostrevor from Down put their hopes in jeopardy but a big win against Two Mile House meant they qualified for the semi-finals on score difference, where they beat St Michael's from Cork which meant that Maynooth descended on Newbridge for the biggest final of the competition.

Unfortunately two early second half goals for Ballyboden put paid to Maynooth's chances but they did the club and town pride by making the final.

Many congratulations to all the members of our young Feile B squad who gallantly competed in div 4 of Feile Peil Na nOg. Having qualified for the semi-final of the Under 14 league Division 5 we looked forward to Feile with enthusiasm. Our young lads gave their all in their 3 matches against our hosted team - Eire Og, and Northern Gaels and Rathangan. Not helped by injury, they are to be commended for their heroic efforts. Although these lads accrued no points, they have trained just as hard, played as competitively and played with pride in their club jersey, as any team in Feile in any Division.

The experience gained will no doubt be invaluable in their quest to reach Feile '10 in Derry next year. The fact the squad will be boosted by 6 of the A squad rejoining the panel - (of whom we are so proud) bodes well for next year. Competition for places should be hectic. Well done to every member of the squad who played in all 3 matches and showed the true meaning of Feile in the sporting, competitive, never say die attitude - you should be proud of yourselves. Well done. Thanks to all parents for their support. Thanks for the memories

The Maynooth girls had a very successful Féile last weekend, going down by only two points to the holders and having the highest total score of all the teams in Division 1.

Maynooth girls played in Division 1 of the Féile, hosting Southern Gaels of Kerry. The opening game on Friday saw the girls play the Kerry champions (who were attempting to win a third consecutive Féile). Seven points down at halftime and turning to

play into the breeze the Maynooth girls found a new strength and were eventually pipped by just 2 points. A great show against a very strong Kerry side.

**Final score: Maynooth 4-2 Southern Gaels 3-7**

An early start on Sat., and it was the turn of St. Eunan's from Letterkenny. The home side raced into an early lead but by half-time there was only a point between the teams. The second half proved the most exiting 15 minutes of football as first one team, and then the other got their noses in front. However with the last kick of the game a goal for the home side saw them emerge victors by three points.

**Final score: Maynooth 7-2 St. Eunan's 5-5**

In their final group match the home side took on local rivals Cappagh. Maynooth knew that in order to qualify they had to beat Cappagh by a big score and hope that St. Eunan's could overcome Southern Gaels. The home side kept their side of the bargain with a big win against a much depleted Cappagh team. Southern Gaels defeated St. Eunan's to claim the semi-final spot ahead of Maynooth.

**Final score: Maynooth 6-3 Cappagh 0-1**

Maynooth Squad: Roisín Behan, Aoife Coleman, Emma Collins, Niamh Condell, Aibhinn Conway, Katie Donnellan, Dearbhla Egan, Jane Finnegan, Aoife Greally, Sarah Greally, Ciana Heneghan, Ciara Hewson, Ali Kelly, Orlaith Kirwan, Ciara McMahon, Jennifer McMahon, Sian Millar, Niamh Murray, Emer Ní Cheallaigh, Jane O'Connor, Sarah O'Leary, Aoife O'Sullivan, Louise Qualter, Alison Tierney & Meave Walsh.



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# Freddie Mercury

**F**reddie Mercury was born Farrokh Bulsara on the 5th September 1946. His country of origin was Mumbai, India. He was an Indian British singer, song - writer. He played the piano, keyboards and the guitar. He was best known for being lead singer of the rock group **QUEEN**. As a performer, he was known for his vocal prowess and flamboyant performances.

In 1954, at the age of eight, Freddie was shipped to St. Peter's School, a boarding school for boys in Panchgani near Bombay (Now Mumbai) India. At St. Peter's he was a bright student who excelled at several sports.

He was especially adept at boxing, with a strong left hook. At school, he formed a popular school band, called the Hectics, for which he played the piano. It was also at St. Peter's where he began to call himself "**FREDDIE**". Mercury remained in India with his grandparents and aunt. He completed his education in India at St. Mary's ISC-Mumbai. At the age of 17, Mercury and his family fled from Zanzibar as a result of the 1964 Zanzibar Revolution.



As a child, Mercury listened to a considerable amount of Indian Music, and one of his early influences was the Bollywood playback singer Lata Mangeshkar. Regarded as one of the best vocalists and front men in the history of music, Mercury's vocal range spanned three octaves. Mercury wrote ten out of seventeen songs on the *Queen's Greatest hits* album. Mercury is noted for his live performances which were often delivered to stadium audiences around the world. He displayed a highly theatrical style that often evoked a great deal of participation from the crowd.

As a young boy in India, Mercury received formal piano training up to Grade IV. Later on, while living in London, he learned Guitar, as much of the music he liked was Guitar orientated. In addition to his work with Queen, Mercury put out two solo albums and several singles. His solo work was not so commercially successful. Mercury's two full albums outside the band were Mr. Bad Guy, and Barcelona.

In the early 1970's Mercury had a long time relationship with girlfriend named Mary Austin, whom he had met through guitarist Brian May. He lived with Mary Austin for many years. However, by the mid-1970's he began an affair with a male record executive at Elektra Records, This ultimately resulted in the end of his relationship with Mary Austin.

According to his partner Jim Hutton, Mercury was diagnosed with AIDS in the Spring of 1987. Around that time, Mercury also claimed in an interview to have tested negative for the virus. On 22nd November 1991, Mercury called Queen's manager Jim Beach over to his Kensington home, to discuss a public statement. He made his statement the next day on the 23rd of November. A little over 24 hours after issuing the statement, Freddie Mercury died on 24th November 1991 at the age of 45 years. The official cause of his death was bronchial pneumonia resulting from AIDS. Although he had not attended religious services in years, Mercury's funeral service was conducted by a Zoroastrian priest. Mercury was a Parsi. The Parsis are "Iranian of the larger of the two Zoroastrian communities of the Indian sub-continent" and Indian- based Zoroastrian community.

A Statue in Montreux, Switzerland ( by sculptor Irena Sedlecka ) has been erected as a tribute to Mercury. It stands 3 metres high overlooking Lake Geneva and was unveiled on the 25th November 1996 by Freddie's father and Montserrat Cabellé. Beginning in 2003 fans from around the world gather in Switzerland annually to pay tribute to the singer as part of the " Freddie Mercury Montreux Memorial Day" on the first weekend of September.

In his will, Mercury left the vast majority of his wealth, including his home and recordings royalties, to Mary Austin, and the remainder to his parents and sister. He further left £500,000 to his chef Joe Fanelli, £500,000 to his personal assistant Peter Freestone, £100,000 to his driver Terry Giddings, and £500,000 to Jim Hutton. Hutton moved back to the Republic of Ireland in 1995, where he still lives. He was involved in a 2000 biography of Mercury, Freddie Mercury The UNTOLD STORY. In 2006 Hutton gave an interview to celebrate what would have been Mercury's 60th Birthday.

*He was a really truly remarkable artist of our times.*

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**Candle Wax:** To remove wax from carpeting or other fabric, first scrape away any excess. Then, place a brown paper bag over the wax and run a warm iron over the bag. The wax will melt right into the bag! Continue moving the bag around as you pick up the wax so you are always using a clean section. If a little grease stain remains on carpet, sprinkle with baking soda and allow to sit overnight before vacuuming, which will remove the grease residue. If coloured wax leaves a stain on carpet, blot with spot remover or carpet cleaner, following label directions.

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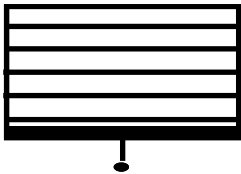


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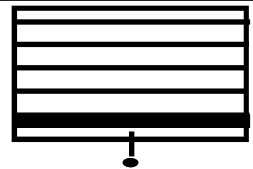
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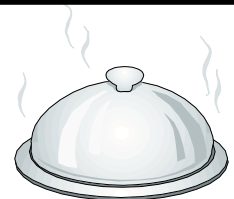
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Just herself in her dark shadowed room  
Where once her family played in fun  
Knowing that her final day be soon  
To a heavenly tomorrow that dreams just  
begun*

*The heartburn fire twinkles its light  
Casts its weary shadows on the wall  
A photo frame of her wedding a precious  
sight  
Time alters everything as the years fall  
Once where children trod on the kitchen  
floor  
Is now vacant hearing the lonely wind  
Now she is ready for our heavens door  
With a good soul that has little sinned*

*In silence she sleeps with her prayers  
Of life's emotions past in her mind  
A sunken dream with god she shares  
Into tranquillity her soul soon find  
Yes she passed away in the silent night  
Her hands clenched firm and cold  
So an end to all her earthly plight  
So is her destiny as life's pages fold*

**By Patrick Murray**

### *Thoughts in a Garden*

*What wondrous life is this I lead!  
Ripe apples drop about my head;  
The luscious clusters of the vine  
Upon my mouth do crush their wine;  
The nectarine and curious peach  
Into my hands themselves do reach;  
Stumbling on melons, as I pass,  
Ensnared with flowers, I fall on grass.*

**By Andrew Marvell**

### *A Night Rain in Summer*

*"Open the window, and let the air  
Freshly blow upon face and hair,  
And fill the room, as it fills the night,  
With the breath of the rain's sweet might.  
Hark! the burthen, swift and prone!  
And how the odorous limes are blown!  
Stormy Love's abroad, and keeps  
Hopeful coil for gentle sleeps.*

*Not a blink shall burn to-night  
In my chamber, of sordid light;  
Nought will I have, not a window-pane,  
'Twixt me and the air and the great good  
rain,  
Which ever shall sing me sharp lullabies;  
And God's own darkness shall close mine  
eyes;  
And I will sleep, with all things blest,  
In the pure earth-shadow of natural rest."*

**By James Henry Leigh Hunt**

### *In August*

*"August rushes by like desert rainfall,  
A flood of frenzied upheaval,  
Expected,  
But still catching me unprepared.  
Like a match flame  
Bursting on the scene,  
Heat and haze of crimson sunsets.  
Like a dream  
Of moon and dark barely recalled,  
A moment,  
Shadows caught in a blink.  
Like a quick kiss;  
One wishes for more  
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## **\*\*How I Ate\*\*** **\*\*Myself Healthy\*\***



**F**or many years I struggled to control my weight, due in no small part to a poor diet. I ate anything and everything and unfortunately the majority of my choices were poor because I never looked at the labels on the side of the packets which would have told me their nutritional value.

As I am a chronic **Psoriasis sufferer** and have used every cream imaginable that might help alleviate the problem, which didn't, after being told by the specialist years earlier that there was no known cure, I decided that I would tackle the problem by making changes to my diet. But how could I do this?, I knew no-one who could advise me on how to go about it. However, as I used to do some of my shopping in the health shop, and the assistant was a Nutritional Therapist, I asked her if she could help me. The first thing she asked me to do was for the following week, was to keep a record of everything I ate from the time I got up in the morning to when I went to bed at night and record how I felt after. I did this and handed it back the following week. She spoke to me and told me in no uncertain terms that my eating habits had to change. Of course secretly I knew this myself but nothing could have prepared me for the shock of what was to follow.

Following the first of many consultations, I had to make wholesale changes to my diet. Out went the grills, sweets, crisps, breads, cakes, fast foods, my favourite tipple which was Guinness, pork of any description and chocolate. In came the **new diet mung beans, kidney beans, broccoli, cauliflower, brown rice as it's easier to digest, cous cous, fish preferably mackerel, salmon un-smoked and a number of supplements that would help my digestive tract to recover.**

The above was only a taster of the changes that I had to make. I had to drink at least 1.5 to 2 litres of water a day as this would help the bowels to function much easier. I also had to walk for at least half an hour a day as this too was good in helping with my blood circulation.

I started the diet mid September 2007 and at that time I weighed 14 stone 6 lbs and I had a 36 inch to a 38 inch waist which was far too heavy for a man of my size as I am only 5 foot 5 in height. I set out with determination that I would do this as my weight and my Psoriasis could get out of control and then there was the danger of things like obesity and heart disease. Also I suffered quite frequently from heavy nose bleeds and some quite heavy . Over time, and as the weeks and months passed, I found it easier to eat things I would not normally have eaten. I invested in a steamer and got away from the less conventional way of boiling as this was seen to remove important nutrients from the vegetables. Some of the items I found myself steaming were things like carrots, leeks, turnips, celeriac which has a very strong taste, red onions and garlic which are seen as an anti septic and which protect against colds and flu. In the beginning I thought I would die from my diet change. I invested in a juicer . At lunchtime there I was drinking a mixture of my sticks of celery, carrots and some fruits combined that I had just juiced. **In the juicer I also mixed celery, beetroot, courgette, cucumber, carrots, mango, apple, cut off a bit of root of ginger which gave the juice a bit of a bite and I even stuck in some pear.** By the time I was finished juicing there was a multitude of flavours in it and it was dark maroon in colour courtesy I think of the beetroot. Sticks of celery and carrot were used to dip in hummus which can be bought in stores like Tesco and Londis. You can make it yourself but it has to be made exactly to a smooth paste like texture. It's made from chickpeas and lemon juice and one or two other ingredients.

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## How I Ate Myself Healthy

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By Christmas 07, I was feeling really good in both mind and body. I was doing a VTOS course in Leixlip and making rice and salads for the lunch. From 14st. 6 lbs, I went down to 12st. 2 lbs. It was a good feeling to have accomplished so much in so little time. My condition, which was deteriorating fast before I made some changes, was now beginning to move in the right direction. I was drinking the water the way I was told to as this would help my bowel get rid of waste a lot easier. Water is a good way of cleaning out the system, true you might be running to the loo more often than you'd like but in the long run, internally you begin to feel much better and much healthier. **During the early part of September, I attended an event at the RDS in Dublin called "The Rude Health Show."** At this, a number of food experts and indeed doctors as well, gave talks on how best to manage your health. One of the people that I got speaking to was **Jan de Vries who is a well known authority on health issues throughout the British Isles and beyond.** He has published many books on health issues including Psoriasis and how best to tackle the problem. I had read one of his books particularly the piece he wrote on Psoriasis as it had information in it that would help me in the long run on how best to manage my condition. I bought some of his books to find out more information about this condition and how best to improve the symptoms, which might someday clear up this persistent problem completely.



In October I will be two years on this particular diet, and even though I have made yet more changes, I feel some of the decisions I have made have not been altogether the right ones. For instance, I tend to eat a lot more rice cakes than I should and find I am not eating enough veggies which is a very important part of this diet. I am eating quite a lot of chicken and while this might not be seen by many as a bad thing, the chicken I eat is not of the organic or free range variety which I was advised to eat. Not a wise move I have to admit. Yes I do eat a healthy breakfast which consists of oatmeal porridge, a mixture of sunflower, sesame, pumpkin and linseeds— all of which are different kinds of seeds mixed together. I also add brazil nuts cut up and mix them in with the seeds.

I am still chopping and changing to see which other health benefits might best help me in my fight to beat this fairly common complaint, but I definitely think by eliminating certain foods and introducing food which you wouldn't have even considered is the way to go. Don't get me wrong I'm not saying going to the doctor is a bad thing, quite the contrary, I just think that by making such changes, taking into account that everything nowadays is sprayed with pesticides, insecticides and every other kind of contaminant, people just have to watch and then wash thoroughly everything including veggies as this too could be doing harm to your digestive system. **Hopefully I might have helped some of you out there unfortunate enough like me to suffer from this chronic condition and may have given you a few ideas on an alternative way of fighting this debilitating disease.**

**John Finnan**

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### *The Badger*



**A**lthough its closest relations are other carnivores like the Otter and the Marten, the Badger is for all the world Ireland's bear. It has a similar shape and a low centre of gravity and frequently adopts bearlike attitudes. Its favourite food is earthworms and other invertebrates but a variety of berries, fruits and nuts are also taken. Small mammals and other animals are also occasionally killed and eaten.

Adult Badgers are usually less than a metre in length but are very heavy for their size. The striking black-and-white head pattern and greyish body fur give the Badger a singular appearance. The under body is blackish as are the large paws. The Badger's claws are more than an inch long and are used to great effect by the burrowing and foraging animal. They leave an unmistakeable print in soft ground.

Badgers are nocturnal though they may be seen at dawn and dusk going to and from the sett. A sett is an underground tunnel usually opening out into a network of tunnels which may be occupied by several Badgers. The entrance is often in woodland and reasonably adjacent to agricultural land where earthworms and other food can be sought. Characteristically there is a communal toilet outside, near to the sett entrance; old bedding material (dried grasses, leaves and moss) is deposited outside too. These are good indicators of an occupied sett.

Young Badgers, from one to five (per litter) are produced in early spring and nurtured by the adults for about two months. Some young may overwinter with the adults in their sett. The Irish name Broc is used universally as a term of endearment for the Badger and it is affectionately regarded in story and folklore. It is ironic that so much abuse has been levelled at this harmless animal as well. Badger baiting - a barbaric activity in which a captive Badger is pitted against a series of dogs - still occurs in parts of the country despite public outcry.

### *How to prevent Pet Fleas*

**S**ummer Is coming and so are the fleas. Fleas not only cause intense irritation to your dog or cat, they can also transmit other nasty diseases such as tapeworm. Ensuring your dog is living in a clean environment is the most important aspect of keeping him flea-free this summer.

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## Recipes — Marinades & Dressings

### Lemony Mediterranean Marinade

- Juice and grated rind of 1 lemon
- 2 Crushed garlic cloves
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 Stem chopped fresh rosemary



Mix all the ingredients and marinate chicken for up to an hour and fish for just an hour.

### Tikka Marinade

- 2 Tablespoons of natural yoghurt
- 1 teaspoon tikka paste
- 2 Tablespoon chopped coriander

Mix yoghurt, tikka paste and coriander, add chicken and leave in the fridge for one hour or over night.

### Minty Yoghurt Marinade

- Juice and grated rind of lemon
- 2 tablespoons natural yoghurt
- 4 tablespoons chopped mint
- Freshly ground black pepper

Mix lime, yoghurt pepper and half the mint together, marinate chicken or lamb and then sprinkle the rest of the mint when cooked.

### Basic Mayonnaise

- 2 egg yolks (at room temperature)
- 2tsp white wine vinegar
- 1tsp English mustard
- 2tsp Dijon mustard
- tsp salt
- Freshly ground white pepper
- 100ml olive oil mixed with 200ml vegetable oil
- Juice of half a lemon (optional)

Put the egg yolks, white wine vinegar, mustards and salt and pepper into a stainless steel or glass bowl on a damp cloth to stop it slipping (don't use an aluminium bowl, otherwise it will make the mayonnaise go grey).

### Honey and Mustard Dressing

- 1 tbsp French mustard
- 1 tbsp honey
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and crushed
- 1 tsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tbsp cider vinegar
- 6 tbsp sunflower oil
- salt and pepper, to taste

Put the mustard, honey, garlic, balsamic and cider vinegar in a food processor and whiz together. With the motor still running, pour the oil in through a funnel. Season with salt and pepper and serve.

### French Dressing with Lemon

- Ingredients:
- 3/4 cup vegetable oil or olive oil
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Put all ingredients in a jar with a screw-top lid. Cover jar and shake vigorously to blend well. Chill dressing for 8 hours or overnight. Shake well before using.

### Marie Rose Sauce

- 4tbsp mayonnaise
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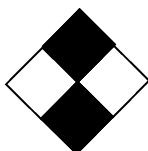
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# Horoscopes



**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

You're out in the world giving it your very best. Pat your own back over the next three days, then suddenly people will start responding the way you want them to.  
Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 11, Colour Violet.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

Someone in your life appears confident, assertive and in control on the outside but on the inside is like a little child who desperately needs your attention and respect.  
Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 2, Colour Blue.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

Just because you've been in a personal or business relationship with someone for a long time doesn't mean you can predict his or her behaviour. Stay on your toes.  
Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 5, Colour Orange.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

You'll get both external and internal validation. It's wonderful to hear compliments and adulation, and even more wonderful when you don't need to hear it because your source of self-esteem is inside yourself.  
Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 1, Colour Purple.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

A sunny attitude will be a barrier against all the stuff you want to keep out of your life today. Your fantastic mood attracts more happy people to you.  
Your lucky day is Friday, Number 14, Colour Green.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

You are an expert at restraint and planning and you also know when to let loose for some spontaneous fun. A few ideas: Take a dance break, give a funny gift to the boss or drive to the next town for lunch.  
Your lucky day is Monday, Number 6, Colour Red.



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

In some way, you'll be the life of the party even when there is no party. Celebration is a state of mind. You'll enjoy how others react to your charms.  
Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 8, Colour Pink.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

Most unpleasant things, if ignored, will simply go away. However, there are those instances when you must face the problem and stamp it out.  
Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 12, Colour Yellow.



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

Your sensitivity to other people's emotions will make you influential. You will be using your ability to emote what others are feeling when they are unable to do it themselves.  
Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 3, Colour White.



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

Your walk on the bright side will be tempered by a practical if not slightly pessimistic friend. When you learn of possible mishaps, you can then prevent them from occurring.  
Your lucky day is Friday, Number 10, Colour Wine.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

Does what you give the world make you feel good? Or is it causing you tension? There's probably a slight change that will improve your mood.  
Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 24, Colour Brown.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

You are in the flow. You've an effervescent sense of felicity. Synchronistic events boggle your mind and you're awed by the way pieces of life's puzzle fit together.  
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## A Definitive Guide to Websites

**T**his article is intended to give a broad overview of the Internet and Websites for beginners. Just about everybody now has heard of the Internet. But what is the difference between the Internet and websites? **What are the elements of a website? Hopefully, I can help you understand a little more.**

The Internet is an ever expanding collection of websites. Just like your computer is a collection of software, i.e. Operating System, Internet Browser, Email Program. However, the Internet on the other hand expands at around 10 million web pages per day. Google currently indexes approximately 8 billion web pages. You can gain access to the Internet by using your computer an Internet Browser (Internet Explorer or Firefox) and a subscription with an Internet Service Provider (ISP). Some popular ISPs in Ireland are Eircom, Digiweb, Irish Broadband. They provide a service that allows you to connect to the Internet. You then use a browser to view web pages. Contrary to popular believe, the browser is not the Internet, it is just a device used to view web pages on the Internet.

A website is collection of web pages and other media. A website is stored on a server, which is just a powerful computer that serves the website to the Internet. Once a website is stored on a server it is then available to anyone on the Internet. The company that owns the server is called a hosting company. If you were having a website built then you would need a hosting company in order to store and serve your website.

A website will always have a website address or otherwise known as a URL. A typical URL would be google.com or dakor.ie. A website address is a user friendly way to remember a website name, otherwise you would have to remember an I.P. address. Just imagine trying to remember the I.P. of my website, http:// 208.113.223.92 instead of www.dakor.ie. When you type in a URL into your browser the Internet goes to work and looks up the I.P. address associated with the URL. The I.P. address tells your browser where the server is located and what website you are looking for. Of course, all of this is done in split seconds and then the website is displayed on your browser.

**There are three main elements to a website: design, navigation, and content.** A lot of business owners tend to primarily focus on the website design. However, It is important to have a good mix of all three elements. If a website looks good but is difficult to navigate or does not have good content then the visitors will probably not come back for a second visit.

If a website has a lot of content but the navigation falls short of expectations then it will frustrate the visitors which means they probably will not come back for a second visit.

A website has six seconds to keep a visitor's attention. In those six seconds the visitor will evaluate the design and navigation to decide if it is worth investing time in exploring the website further. They quickly calculate whether the time invested in staying on the website will provide a good return of finding what they are looking for.

The design of the website is important but tends to receive an over-weighted importance to the owner of the website. A website design should represent the company culture and the products or services. As a website is a visual medium the colour scheme should be chosen based on the target market. For example, if a website is about monster trucks then a bad colour scheme would be pastels, a flower shop should not have a black background.

The content of a website is just as important as design. Content of a website is one of the deciding factors of search engine ratings. Search engines and visitors love to find a diverse range of content on a website. However, the content should all be pertaining to the same theme.

Without navigation the Internet would not have survived. Navigation is the element of a website that helps visitors access other sections of a website. The navigation of a website is the visual representation of the content structure. The most common structure is top-down design, this allows for the most general category to be displayed as the primary navigation. The visitor then decides which element in the navigation to select that will result in them finding what they are looking for. When a general element is selected more detailed options will be presented based on that element.

So the next time you visit a website, be conscious of the three elements of design, navigation and content. Think about the design, does it match the product/service. Is it easy to navigate around the website, does it have a search facility? Did you use it? Why did you use it and not the navigation? Did you find additional information on the website that you didn't know before? Will you return to that website?

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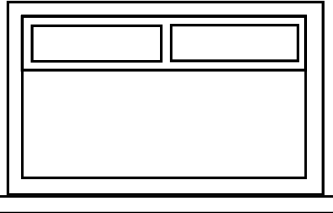
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It's that time of year again and hopefully this year we get the weather to enjoy the outdoors. Before you get excited about having a barbecue there are a few things you need to know about the safest way to cook your food. Preparation is the key to safe food, and the first thing to do is make sure your barbecue is clean and well set up. If it's a gas bbq make sure you leave the lid open while it heats up as gas can build up and cause the lid to blow, but once it's hot you can start right away. With a charcoal bbq you must wait till the coals have settled down and the flames have gone, if you don't the food will burn on the outside and stay raw in the middle. The best way to make sure food like pork, sausages, chicken and burgers are cooked through is to start them indoors and finish on the bbq. Steaks are fine as they will cook easily. The important thing to remember is that all food that has been chopped or minced must be cooked through, stick a fork in the thickest part and make sure all juices run clear. When using frozen food make sure it has thawed out fully beforehand, and if cooking for a lot of people and you all want to eat together keep the cooked food in a hot oven not on the table in the sun. Keep all salads in the fridge till you need them as bacteria can build up in the heat especially on mayonnaise, always wash your hands when going from one food to the next. Don't put cooked food onto a surface where you had raw meat unless you clean and sterilise it first, just remember its common sense most of the time and if your at a picnic bring sterilising wipes for your hands and put all packaging in the nearest bin as bacteria can transfer to your food. It might sound like a lot to do but its better then food poisoning and only takes planning. Below are tips at a glance and some tips for marinades. **Have a great summer.**

## Tips for a Good Barbecue

- **Light the barbecue** well in advance, make sure its hot and flames have died down
- Make sure you **wash your hands**
- **Thaw all frozen food**, preferably in the fridge
- Keep all **food in the fridge** till needed, or cool-box if on a picnic.
- Keep raw and cooked **food separate**.
- Never put cooked food on **a surface that had raw food** unless it has been cleaned properly.
- **Turn food regularly** and move it round to ensure its cooked through.
- Don't use the **same marinade that raw food** has been in for other food.
- Check that the juices run clear by **piercing the thickest part**.
- With gas bbq make sure you leave the **lid open** while its heating as a build up of gas can make it blow.
- **Never use petrol** to light the bbq, only recommended fluids.
- **Take care not to spill fluid anywhere**.
- Keep the area clear and **don't wear loose clothes**, try a fire resistant apron.
- **Don't leave the bbq unattended at any time** especially if children are there as splashes can hurt them.
- **Finally be safe and enjoy your bbq**



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# Clubs, Organisations & Societies



## Maynooth Golf Society

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<b>2nd Prize</b>	<b>Tom Campbell (24)</b>	<b>31pts—(B.9)</b>
<b>3rd Prize</b>	<b>Gary Moffatt (24)</b>	<b>31pts—(B9)</b>
<b>4th Prize</b>	<b>Joey Edwards (10)</b>	<b>31 pts</b>
<b>5th Prize</b>	<b>Michael Flynn (Jnr) (8)</b>	<b>29 pts</b>
<b>6th Prize</b>	<b>Sean Moore (20)</b>	<b>28 pts (B9)</b>
<b>7th Prize</b>	<b>Barry Desmond (5)</b>	<b>29 pts</b>
<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Norman Kavanagh</b>	<b>16 pts</b>
<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Brendan Leigh</b>	<b>17 pts</b>
<b>Visitor</b>	<b>Tim Lowry (14)</b>	<b>30 pts</b>
<b>Nearest the Pin</b>	<b>Gerry Reilly</b>	
<b>Two's Club</b>	<b>John Carroll—Mick Fahey Brendan Leigh—Gerry Reilly</b>	

Next Outing: Captain Kevin Loftus Prize to Headfort 25th July

## QUOTATIONS

Life is a long lesson in humility.

The secret of a good life is to have the right loyalties and hold them in the right scale of values

Life is just a mirror, and what you see out there, you must first see inside of you.

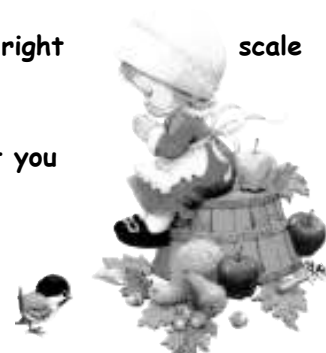
The purpose of life is to fight maturity.

The secret of a good life is to have the right loyalties and hold them in the right scale of values.

The first step to getting the things you want out of life is this: Decide what you want.

What matters in life is not what you are, but what you do.

Live, Love, Laugh and Forgive for it's the Key to true happiness.



**LOVE IS THE BEAUTY OF THE SOUL**

### **MAYNOOTH U3A**

There were ideal weather conditions for our outing to Powerscourt House and Gardens in June. All went according to plan and a great day was had by all. Congratulations to both Maeve and Mary on their respective performances in the Castle during the Festival. No need to feel bored during our long hot summer because Irene, Maura and Maeve have informed us of endless possibilities of places to visit, concerts to hear and gardens to see. Those who went to the Garden Party in All Hallows gave a glowing account of the day. There was lots of food, prizes galore, treasure hunt and of course the 'Best Hat Awards'. Not sure if it was a case of sour grapes but some of our members were rather harsh in their criticism of the winners! Ladies, dare I suggest you put your thinking hats on now! Time to go exploring, and Helena is leading us on an expedition to the Arigna Mines. A reminder of our musical evenings at TLC Centre on the 2nd Monday of the month. Thank you to Pat our accomplished pianist who is so generous with her time. Just one meeting during August, on Friday 14th in the Library. We shall return to our normal schedule of meetings on September 4th. Happy Holidays.

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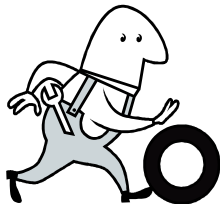
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# Clubs, Organisation And Societies

## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

My employer wants to reduce my working hours because of a decline in her business, but I have nothing in writing from her. What should I do?

### Answer

A reduction in working hours is a change to your contract of employment. It cannot happen unless both you and your employer agree to it. You should ask your employer for details of the reduced business activity, who else has been asked to reduce their working hours and what were the criteria for selection.

You should also ask your employer to give you written details of the proposed change to your contract, including a review date. You should respond to her in writing. If you accept the change, you should stress that your acceptance is temporary. At the review date the change can be reconsidered and you can ask to return to the original terms and conditions of your contract.

If you agree to work fewer hours, you may qualify for some financial supports, depending on your circumstances. These include jobseeker payments, Family Income Supplement and Mortgage Interest/Rent Supplement.

If your hours or pay are reduced to less than half the normal weekly amount, this is called a "short-time situation". This must be a temporary situation and your employer must notify you before it starts, ideally by using Part A of form RP9. Your employer can put you on short time if it is in your contract of employment or if it is custom and practice in your workplace. Otherwise your employer should not put you on short time without your agreement. However, if you do not agree, you may be made redundant.

If the short-time situation continues for 4 weeks or more, or for 6 weeks in a period of 13 weeks, you may claim a redundancy lump sum. If you do this you are considered to have left your job voluntarily and so you will lose any right to notice or pay in lieu of notice from your employer.

For detailed information on reduced working hours and redundancy, see the Citizens Information Board's microsite [www.losingyourjob.ie](http://www.losingyourjob.ie).

### Question

My daughter's uniform for her new school is very expensive. Can I get any payment to help with it?

### Answer

The Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance (BTSCFA) is available to families on certain social welfare or other State payments to help with the costs of school clothes and footwear. You may also claim for children aged 18-22 who are in full-time education if you are on a social welfare payment that includes a Qualified Child Increase for them. The scheme runs from June to the end of September each year.

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If you are getting a social welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement) or a payment from the Health Service Executive (HSE) you are eligible for BTSCFA if your weekly income is below the following thresholds:

	<b>Couple</b>	<b>Lone parent</b>
1 child	€560	€407
2 children	€586	€433
3 children	€612	€459
4 children	€638	€485
Each additional child	€26	€26

If you are on a Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme (VTOS) or are getting a Back to Education Allowance, you are also eligible. The allowance is also available to people on employment schemes such as Community Employment, Back to Work Allowance, Rural Social Scheme and Revenue Job Assist if their gross weekly household income is less than €317.43 (the threshold for keeping secondary benefits). If they do not meet this condition they can apply under the normal income limits given above.

The allowance paid is €200 for each child aged 2-11 years before 1 October 2009 and €305 for each child aged 12-22 years before 1 October 2009.

Application forms are available at your local health centre. Where you send the form depends on the county you live in – ask at the health centre.

## Question

I have been working for ten years but am about to lose my job. I believe I am eligible for Jobseeker's Benefit. How do I go about applying for this payment?

## Answer

You apply at your Social Welfare Local Office. Contact your Social Welfare Local Office to find out if you can get an appointment. (However, not all Local Offices have an appointment system.)

It is important to apply on the first day that you become unemployed because you will not get paid for the first three days of your claim.

If possible, get the application form UP 1 in advance, and fill it in as far as you can. You can get this form from [www.welfare.ie](http://www.welfare.ie), from Lo-call 1890 202 325 or from your post office, Social Welfare Office or Citizens Information Centre. You will need to gather the following information and documents:

1. Your Personal Public Service Number (PPSN)	2. Proof of identity: passport or long form birth certificate, plus driver's licence; bank book, post office book or credit union book; rent book or bank card
3. The PPSNs of your spouse or partner and of your children	4. Your most recent end-of-year statement of PRSI and tax paid (P60)
5. Your P45 or a letter from your employer confirming the last day you worked	6. Proof of address: household bills, rent book or tax document
7. Proof of efforts to get work: ads you have answered, copies of applications and responses	8. Income details for yourself, your spouse or partner
9. Names and dates of birth of your dependent children	10. Letter from the school or college for any child aged over 18 and in full-time education

If you can't get all of the documents you need immediately, you should still apply for Jobseeker's Benefit, as any delay may result in your losing payment.

## Question

Having graduated from university a year ago, I still cannot get work as I have no work experience to build on. I am living on Jobseeker's Allowance. Is there any scheme whereby I can get work experience and keep my payment?

## Answer

You may be interested in the new Work Placement Programme being run by FÁS. This programme will provide six months' work experience for 2,000 unemployed people who have been getting

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Jobseeker's Allowance for the last six months. Stream 1 of the programme has 1,000 places for graduates and Stream 2 provides 1,000 places for other unemployed people, with 250 of these places being reserved for people aged under 25. Placements will be allocated to each FÁS region according to the number of people on the Live Register in that region.

The work placements will last for 6 months. While you are on the programme you will continue to get your Jobseeker's Allowance.

To be eligible for Stream 1 you must:

- Be unemployed and getting Jobseeker's Allowance for at least 6 months
- Have graduated before 2009
- Have been awarded a qualification at level 7 or higher on the National Framework of Qualifications

To be eligible for Stream 2 you must be unemployed and getting Jobseeker's Allowance for at least 6 months.

If you are interested in participating in the Work Placement Programme you should apply to your local FÁS office. FÁS will refer you to an employer who is registered as a provider with the programme. The employer may interview you as a potential participant.

Placements will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis

**Further information is available from Citizens Information Centres and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, LoCall 1890 777 121.**

## HUMOUR JOKES

**A** prince had a curse put on him when he was a little boy. He could only speak two words every year. But, if he didn't speak for a whole year, he would then be able to speak 4 words the next year and so on.

One day he met a princess named Josie and he wanted to say "My Princess".

The next year he saw her he wanted to say "My princess, i love you".

The third year he saw her he wanted to say "My princess I love you, will you marry me?" But, the young prince, now growing older knew he would have to wait a couple more years.

So, on the fifth year, excited to finally present his question, he visited the princess.

He approached her respectfully and asked, "JOSIE, MY PRINCESS, I LOVE YOU. WILL YOU MARRY ME?"

And the princess said, "Pardon?"



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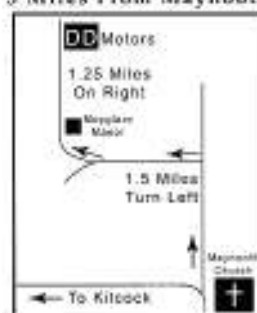
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# August in the Garden

## August in the garden

August is the month for getting the best out of your garden, with very little work you can get bigger crops of apples. With some careful summer pruning you can encourage better growth and keep your trees in shape.



## Prune summer apple trees



- Cut back leading shoots by half to encourage growth of side shoots only pruning new seasons growth, cut just above a leaf.
- Cut back all remaining side shoots to three leaves from base of this seasons growth

## Its time to

- Pick gooseberries when ripe. If they're still green and hard leave a bit longer
- Spray apples and gooseberries for mildew
- Lift early potatoes
- Pick mangetout, peas and beans
- Keep all fruit and veg watered
- Give shrubs and perennial a liquid feed
- Take cuttings from non-flowering shoots on hydrangeas
- Feed roses to keep them flowering
- Be vigilant for signs of lily beetle, vine weevil and other problem pests
- Watch out for ants and flush them out of containers by drenching them with water.
- Some chemical sprays work but only inside.

## Water Feature

Water adds something special to a garden, it doesn't have to be very big so here is a pond in a pot, ideal for miniature waterlilies and other small aquatic plants. Its quick and easy and requires minimal care.

## Here's How

- Get an old tin bath or something similar, make sure its waterproof, put some bricks around the bottom for plant level.
- Put a layer of aquatic compost into planting baskets and poison plants in them, its better to stick to two or three types.
- Fill in around the roots with more compost and press firmly. Water thoroughly to settle compost and top off with a layer of pea gravel. Do all baskets this way.
- Fill your container two-thirds with water and carefully lower the baskets in, standing them on the bricks.
- Place larger plants at the back if its against the wall or in the middle if its out in the open.
- Top up the water to about 3cms from the top and add a large stone to break the surface for birds to drink
- Now relax and enjoy your water feature.

## Problem weeds

- Dock weed is the hardest to remove, you must remove them from the root, try spraying with total weed killer when their small.
- Stinging nettles can survive through winter, so need to be dug out as soon as they appear, if they persist use a weed killer but cut them down first.

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## HUMOUR JOKES

**A** man takes his Rottweiler to the vet. 'My dog's cross-eyed, is there anything you can do for him?' 'Well, 'says the vet, 'let's have a look at him' so he picks the dog up and examines his eyes, then checks his teeth.

Finally, he says ' I'm going to have to put him down. 'What? Because he's cross-eyed?' No, because he's really heavy'

My wife dresses to kill. She cooks the same way.

My wife and I were happy for twenty years. Then we met.

The secret of a happy marriage remains a secret.

After a quarrel, a wife said to her husband, 'You know, I was a fool when I married you.' The husband replied, 'Yes, dear, but I was in love and didn't notice.'

I married Miss Right. I just didn't know her first name was Always.

A man inserted an 'ad' in the classifieds: 'Wife wanted'. Next day he received a hundred letters. They all said the same thing: 'You can have mine.'

## Features

### *On A Sunny Day*

**A**s Breda looked out the window she felt so happy that morning. The sun was just creeping through. The maid, Maria had just brought her a cup of coffee. She drank her coffee and planned what she would do for the day. She thought she would either go for a walk along the beach or browse around the shops and get some lunch in the village.

Breda was coming out of a long relationship with her boyfriend. She was supposed to marry John. John was a loving person when she had first met him, but shortly before the wedding date she found out that John had been cheating on her for months. She had found out through a friend that he was seeing someone else. When Breda had confronted him with it he confessed that he was. They decided that it would be better to break up. John and Breda's relationship was over.

The next day Breda booked herself a holiday to Spain. It was in the middle of July and the sunny holiday was worth it. She had taken her two-week break from work and brought her personal maid Maria with her. Breda had lived with her parents and her brother in a mansion.

She finished her coffee and took a shower and got dressed in a cotton dress with sandals and a sun hat. The apartment was very spacious with a balcony overlooking the sea. When she went into the kitchen Maria had breakfast ready for her. While she was eating breakfast she decided that a walk along the beach would be nice. It was mid-morning now and the sun was really hot. She took off her sandals and dipped her feet in the water and strolled along the beach for an hour and then made her way to the village to have her lunch. She ordered a glass of wine and some pasta and pastries. She just sat there enjoying herself. No more John and his cheating. Breda knew that she was lucky now.

She just sat there watching the world go by. Then she ordered another coffee to finish off her pastry. He asked her if there was anything else that she would like. She said no thanks.

She wandered down the street she came to a book shop and went inside. She wanted to do something that would distract her. So she browsed through the stacks of books and selected one. Clumsily she dropped it. Just as she was about to pick it up a very handsome stranger stooped down and picked it up for her. They looked at one another for a minute. Breda forgot her manners for a second but recovered quickly and thanked the man. "Thank you I was just being clumsy". "That's alright, I am forever dropping things too".

He looked at the book that she had selected. "Well that's a book that I have read." "Do you like this author?" She replied that she just wanted something to read. "Actually there is a play on next week about this particular book". "Would you like to come and see it?" he enquired. Breda was shocked at the invitation. After what had happened between her and her ex she was not sure about another man so soon in her life.

Then she looked at the handsome stranger and said "I will meet you there". She turned around to the man and asked him what his name was. "My name is Jean Cluade". he replied. "My name is Breda, nice to meet you". They discovered that they were staying quite close to one another and decided to meet up for a drink the following evening. Breda left the shop smiling.



**Enda Clavin**



## *Features*

### **FURTHER SUCCESS FOR ST MARYS BRASS & REED BAND MAYNOOTH**

**S**t. Marys Brass & Reed Band Maynooth, the subject of much favourable comment over the past few months, were again in the news last week-end when they returned from the South of Ireland Band Championships with further success.

The Band competed in the Intermediate Section of the Championships which were held in Clonakilty in Co. Cork on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July and came away with a very creditable Third Prize from the eight competing bands, all Munster based with the exception of themselves and Lucan in Co. Dublin. However the icing on the cake was being presented with the huge "Spirit of the Festival" Trophy for coming to the rescue of the Festival Committee who, at the eleventh hour, were left without a Band for the annual Festival Mass in Clonakilty Church on the Sunday morning when the original band were unable to provide the music. St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band were ideally placed to step into the breach with their many years of experience in this area through their Mass for Deceased Members, Corpus Christi Processions and Masses for Cemetery Sunday and they were well rewarded by the tremendous round of applause from the congregation at the conclusion of the Mass. It is hoped to put this trophy on display in a suitable premises in the Main Street over the next few weeks.



Needless to say the Band, which travelled down on Friday and returned on Sunday, had a wonderful time mingling with the members of the other twenty one Bands competing in the Festival and they also gave a very well received Open Air Recital in the Town Park on Saturday afternoon.

Following an exceptionally busy few months the Band now takes a well earned rest and will return to the weekly rehearsal grind in early August to prepare for a recital in Castletown on September 26<sup>th</sup>, the annual mass for deceased members in November and of course their usual hectic Christmas schedule.

If you are interested in learning an instrument, classes will commence in the autumn. Please contact Elaine Bean on 087 9704912 for further information.

**Any other queries regarding the band please contact the secretary Melanie Oliver on 0879704910**

## Features

### *Things to do During These Recessionary Times*

I am sure that if you're like me all this talk of recession is enough to drive anyone around the bend. Don't despair if you feel down or depressed because there are no jobs out there. Why not just go out there and avail of the courses that are available. While there are few opportunities, one of the better ones to try is the Vocational Training Opportunities Scheme or V.T.O.S. for short.

V.T.O.S. is a course which gives adults an opportunity to improve upon what skills they may have, or even those who have no skills at all, a way of getting back into the workforce. The course covers a wide range of topics from computers, languages, office and administration and believe it or not you can even do your Leaving Certificate in English and Maths if you so wish. You can keep all your benefits and you even get a travel allowance. The course caters for people of all ages and the rewards gained (provided you are willing to put in the effort) can be great. It is also a good way of boosting your confidence as your belief begins to grow stronger. I have just completed a two year VTOS course in Leixlip and while there were times when I found the course tough going I really enjoyed the experience and I would recommend that if you haven't done it then you should get out there and do it. It is a good way of improving ones self-esteem while at the same time making new friends. One of the reasons for my going back to education was so that it would exercise the brain as I had forgotten virtually everything that I had been taught ten years previously. I also wanted to improve on my computer skills and my typing which was very poor.

One of the subjects I chose for my second year was Desk Top Publishing. This module covers everything you want to learn about the print media. We made Birthday cards, Christmas Cards, Wedding Invitations etc. The course also included the analysis of pages on newspapers both broadsheet and tabloid. The idea of the analysis is to show you how you might approach an article and how best you might tackle it hopefully by not making similar mistakes to the ones that you spotted while doing your analysis, while you're putting it together. Everything is covered on the course and by finishing time you can even pick out printing mistakes that certain big name newspapers might make. Other subjects I studied during my second term were Text Production, Payroll, Intercultural Studies and Information and Administration.

This was my second time to do this course. No you don't get any more than two years as a V.T.O.S. student, but you can go on as a post-leaving cert student. The one thing here is that you do not qualify for any payments from the social welfare and you may need part time employment as a way of making ends meet. However if you're on a pension you could go in as a student as a way of going back into meaningful employment. Many students choose to go on to third level education where they can go on to further their education. If you feel you're particularly strong in a particular area for instance say you'd like to do database and you feel there are areas in that subject that you don't feel comfortable with why not just get down to your local V.T.O.S centre and see if they have a place available. It might just change your life. The best way of finding more information about V.T.O.S. and other courses is by contacting your local Citizens Information Service Centre.

*John Finnán*

# Clubs, Organisation And Societies

## Maynooth Tidy Towns

### ***Maynooth no longer in IBAL League***

The latest results for the Irish Business Against Litter League released in June did not include Maynooth for the first time in four years as the town was not included in the list of centres to be judged in 2009. Maynooth, Newbridge and Athy were the County Kildare towns that were judged for the previous three years and from 2009 Naas, Leixlip and Celbridge are the three towns representing the county.

So how did Maynooth fare in the league which aims to highlight areas that have a problem with litter by rating the areas from "clean to European Norms" down to "seriously littered"?

In the first judging back in 2005 Maynooth was the 12<sup>th</sup> cleanest town out of the thirty judged. In 2006 we came second lowest and were designated as a "litter blackspot", but in 2008 the result improved so that in our last few results Maynooth was "clean to European Norms" finishing the year as the 22<sup>nd</sup> cleanest town out of the fifty- five judged.

### ***Trees damaged on the Kilcock Road at NUI, Maynooth***

Vandalism is something that thankfully is not prevalent in Maynooth as far as Tidy Towns is concerned. However a number of trees on the Kilcock Road planted by NUI, Maynooth were badly damaged last month necessitating in the need to remove them. It is difficult to understand the motivation for this action as the area is not a heavy pedestrian area and consequently it would seem as if somebody went out to do this intentionally. The crime is most likely recorded on the CCTV cameras in the area so a prosecution could follow.

### ***Maynooth Tidy Towns acknowledge Intel Matching Grants support***

As one of the groups supported for many years by staff from Intel (Ireland) under the community involvement programme we know the value of the generosity of the local Intel staff that helps us out. As part of the Intel Foundation forty years celebrations we received additional support last year as an addition to get the work done we also got funding (€761) for the number of hours Intel employees spent with us.

### ***Sewerage Works reinstatement works should be completed this year***

Maynooth Tidy Towns together with representatives of local residents in the Lyreen area and other interested organisations continue to be involved in working with Kildare County Council and the contractor to progress the completion of the restoration works for the public open spaces that were damaged as part of this contract.

### ***Best Estates and Shop Front Competitions 2009***

Another year is upon us and judging for these competitions run by Maynooth Tidy Towns is imminent. Remember that the judging is aimed at rewarding efforts made in the year to improve the residential areas and for the shop fronts the overall appearance of the premises is what the judges are looking at. As usual all decisions are made by an experienced independent judge on behalf of Maynooth Tidy Towns.

### ***National Competition Result***

As Maynooth is at a certain level in the National Tidy Towns competition we receive two visits from the judges. The final judging can take place at any time up to the 31<sup>st</sup> August. Please continue to support the efforts made to keep the town clean and tidy for another few weeks at least.

**Paul Croghan**  
**Vice-Chair**  
**Maynooth Tidy Towns**

# Puzzles—Sudoku

Easy

2		6						
		7	8					
9		1	7			4	3	
	8							6
6		3						
4			2	3			5	

Medium

4		2	8	6	1			
9			5		7			
		2	4	9				
			5					
6								
6								
8								
3								

Difficult


Super Difficult


Solutions



Super-Difficult								
2	3	9	4	8	5	7	1	6
8	5	4	6	1	7	3	2	9
7	6	1	3	9	2	4	5	8
6	8	7	1	5	9	2	4	3
5	9	3	2	6	4	8	7	1
4	1	2	7	3	8	6	9	5
1	7	5	8	4	6	9	3	2
9	4	6	5	2	3	1	8	7
3	2	8	6	7	1	5	6	4

Difficult								
5	3	1	2	6	8	4	9	7
4	6	7	5	1	9	2	3	8
2	9	8	4	7	3	5	1	6
7	8	9	6	3	4	1	2	5
6	4	5	1	2	7	9	8	3
3	1	2	9	8	5	6	7	4
9	7	6	3	4	2	8	5	1
1	5	3	8	9	6	7	4	2
8	2	4	7	5	1	3	6	9

Medium								
4	3	2	8	6	1	9	5	7
9	1	6	5	3	7	4	2	8
7	8	5	2	4	9	1	6	3
2	9	3	1	5	8	7	4	6
6	5	1	7	2	4	3	8	9
8	4	7	6	9	3	5	1	2
3	6	8	9	1	5	2	7	4
1	2	9	4	7	6	8	3	5
5	7	4	3	8	2	6	9	1

Easy								
2	3	6	5	1	7	9	8	4
5	9	4	3	6	8	1	7	2
8	1	7	2	9	4	5	6	3
4	7	9	6	2	3	8	5	1
6	5	3	9	8	1	2	4	7
1	8	2	4	7	5	3	9	6
9	2	1	7	5	6	4	3	8
7	4	8	1	3	9	6	2	5
3	6	5	8	4	2	7	1	9

# Party Political-Labour News



*Emmet Stagg T.D.*

## Maynooth Labour News



*Cllr. John McGinley*

### Old Greenfield

At the meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare Co. Council held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July, Cllr. John McGinley raised the following Motion:

"That immediate steps be taken to clear up the dumping at the 6 boarded up vacant Council houses at Old Greenfield, Maynooth and that re-refurbishing of the 6 houses be carried out without any further delay."

John was advised that the dumped material would be removed and the other good news is that the Council have got funding to carry out Energy Efficient Works on 15 houses in the Estate. The work will involve replacing windows and doors and wall insulation. The Council will have to move residents out of the houses while the work is being carried out.

### The Square, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley raised the following motion at the Celbridge Area Committee meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July:

"When will proper maintenance of the cobble stones in The Square, Maynooth be carried out"?

John was given the following reply by the Area Engineer:

"Some cobbles that were loose have been taken to the Council yard and these will be replaced when the manpower is available. Where additional cobbles are missing they cannot be replaced, as there are no cobblestones in stock."

Cllr. John McGinley showed the Area Engineer photos of the shoddy workmanship that has been used to date in replacing the cobbles i.e. a bucket of cement thrown in the hole. He again asked that proper re-instatement of the cobble stones be carried out and that the Area Engineer can buy extra cobbles if there are none in stock.

### Removal of the "bandstand"

At the meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare Co. Council held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July, Cllr. John McGinley again raised the removal of the Bandstand from The Green by way of Motion.

The good news is that John's persistence has paid off and that Council have issued instructions for the removal of the Bandstand. Council Officials have assured John that it will be removed before re-instatement of The Green takes place.

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The Bandstand has been a persistent source of annoyance to residents and a gathering point for anti-social activity.

Moyglare Hall

At the meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of Kildare Co. Council held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July, Cllr. John McGinley raised the following motion:

"When will the Council be asking Mycete Construction to complete the footpath in Moyglare Hall, Maynooth, in line with Clause 28 of Planning Permission 02/2491 and in line with the drawings submitted?"

The Councils Planning Control Engineer, Willie Hannigan gave Cllr. McGinley the following reply:

*"The plans submitted for Moyglare Hall show a pedestrian link from the estate on to the Moyglare Road adjacent to the Eircom depot. This footpath is included in the fourth and final phase of the development. The developer has until 15/08/2012 to complete this footpath."*

*Building Control Section has been in contact with the developer regarding the provision of this pedestrian link at the earliest possible date.*

It would be premature and unsafe to provide the pedestrian link in advance of the building works in the vicinity of the pedestrian link. **However, the developer has undertaken to revise the phasing of the development to include the area around the proposed pedestrian link in the next phase of the development.**

*At this point it is not possible to put a timeframe on the provision of the pedestrian link as it is dependent on the completion of the building works in the vicinity of the pedestrian link. The Area Committee will be kept informed of progress on this matter."*

Cllr. McGinley made the point that it would help the developer with sales of houses/apartments if the footpath was completed and Mr. Hannigan agreed to highlight this point in his talks with the Developer.

## Provision of Allotments

Cllr. McGinley has again asked the Council to provide allotments for rent on the 10 acres of Council land at Blacklion. He pointed out that this land has been lying barren for the past 30 years and the demand for allotments in Maynooth is very high.

## STAGG PLEADS WITH HARNEY TO REVERSE CUTS IN CRUMLIN HOSPITAL

Addressing the Dail on a Fine Gael Private Members Motion seeking the reversal of cuts in Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children in Crumlin, Deputy Emmet Stagg pleaded with the Minister for Health to find the money for the bailout of the banks and builders from somewhere other than the Budget of Our Lady's Hospital.

In his address Deputy Stagg pointed out that recently the House debated the horrific abuse of children at the hands of the religious and the State and that the House resolved that no such thing would ever be allowed to happen again. Whilst that debate was taking place, the Minister for Health was withdrawing money from the Children's Hospital, which forced the closure of wards and a life saving operating theatre. If the action is not reversed, it will cause severe suffering, prolonged pain and misery to innocent, sick children.

Pulling no punches Deputy Stagg stated that the closure of a life saving operating theatre is most likely to be the cause of children dying unnecessarily. Deputy Stagg stated that Harney had put in place a system that empowers an unaccountable quango to use taxpayers money as it sees fits. It is not only a shame or disgrace, it is a crime to allow little children to suffer unnecessary pain and misery and even avoidable death. The Minister and her Fianna Fail backers who keep her in office are responsible and Deputy Stagg stated that he would not like to have the consequences of her actions on his conscience.

Deputy Stagg then outlined the cases of two children from his own Constituency whose mothers were seriously concerned at the delay in vital procedures for their children. Both families have the fullest praise for the nurses and staff in Crumlin Hospital but the Minister's resources limitation makes them fearful that their special children will suffer further.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that these and other children had suffered enough and he pleaded with her to find the money for the banks and builders from somewhere other than the budget for Our Lady's Hospital. If she has an ounce of human kindness, she will surely do so. If she is not mindful to heed his plea, Deputy Stagg asked that she would at least heed the pleas of the mothers of the children.

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## **STAGG DISAPPOINTED AT REVISION OF NEWTOWN HALL PERMISSION GO AHEAD FROM AN BORD PLEANALA**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his disappointment at the decision by An Bord Pleanala to grant planning permission for 5 Three Storey Blocks of Apartments/Duplex Complexes comprising 89 units in lieu of previously granted planning permission for 62 houses at the rear of Newtown Hall Estate, Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg had along with his colleague Cllr. John McGinley appealed Kildare Co. Council's original decision to grant planning permission for this proposal because of the impact the building heights would have on the character of the area which comprises two storey houses and 3 three storey buildings, built under the existing permission. They felt that the creation of a line of 8 three storey blocks to the rear of the estate would have been excessive and visually obtrusive.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that the present economic climate may change the developers minds about this proposal and they may yet revert to normal housing, as we have seen in a number of cases recently in Maynooth, but unfortunately that is now out of our hands.

## **TIME FOR DIRECT ACTION ON UNEMPLOYMENT AS NUMBERS SIGNING ON IN MAYNOOTH QUADRUPLES IN 2 YEARS**

Following the publication of the CSO figures for those signing on at Maynooth Labour Exchange at the end of June, 2009, which shows a quadrupling of those on the live register from 1,519 in May 2007, to 5,982 people at the end of June, 2009, Deputy Emmet Stagg has reiterated his call for the Government to invest in job protection and creation as the best way of stimulating the Economy from its present crisis.

There are now more people signing on in the Maynooth Labour Exchange, 5982 people, than there were unemployed in the whole of Kildare in May 2007 when the number of people unemployed stood at 5,411 people, stated Deputy Stagg.

Since the Economic crisis eventually dawned on this Government they have bailed out the bankers with taxpayers money and have imposed stringent measures to try and bring our Public Finances into line, but stated Deputy Stagg they have failed miserably to bring about a comprehensive job protection and creation policy. This is a shocking indictment of their narrow minded focus.

The Labour Party has proposed the following measures to help Job Protection and Job Creation:

- The establishment of a National Investment Bank to invest in our own future and help create and protect jobs by ensuring access to credit for small business.
- A major school building programme to take 40,000 children out of prefabs and put them into proper classrooms.
- Increase Investment in the National House Insulation Programme.
- Getting rid of the Red Tape attached to Grants for businesses seeking to start new businesses or expand existing ones.
- Renationalisation of Eircom to provide a suitable vehicle for immediate roll out of Broadband Nationwide.
- Measures, including tax breaks, to assist employers to retain workers in employment and to take people off the live register.

Significant investment in education and training places for those losing jobs and those going straight from school into unemployment.

Even ICTU with the support of IBEC have proposed the creation of a €1 Billion Job Creation and Protection Plan. The Government continue to dither on this proposal and refuse to take on board the positive proposals put forward by Labour stated Deputy Stagg.

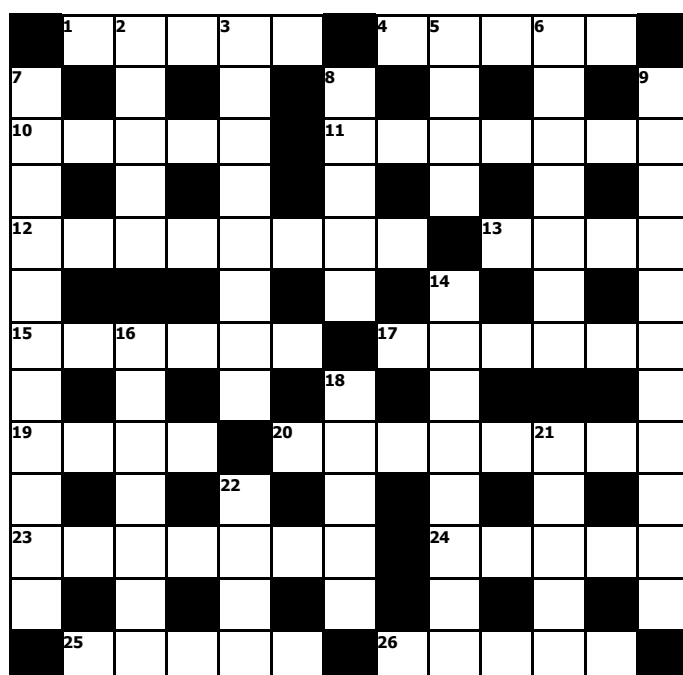
In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that the Labour Party has a very clear vision of how to turn the economy around through a stimulus package that will protect jobs, create jobs and bring confidence back into the Country.

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# Crossword No.80.



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### Across:

1. Play a guitar (5)
4. Gallic gesture? (5)
10. Twos (5)
11. She had her party on TV (7)
12. Countrywide (8)
13. South Pacific island group (4)
15. Lee Harvey \_ \_ \_ , alleged assassin (6)
17. Sci-fi author, Isaac \_ \_ \_ (6)
19. Brood (4)
20. River (8)
23. Ramp (7)
24. Commence (5)
25. Short musical piece (5)
26. Desist.

### Down:

2. Entwine (5)
3. Unimpaired (8)
5. Salute (4)
6. Element, symbol U (7)
7. Financial backing (11)
8. Far Eastern country (5)
9. Fortune- teller (11)
14. Gather (8)
16. Quick-tempered woman (7)
18. Manservant (5)
21. Income (5)
22. William \_ \_ \_ , Scottish pirate captain (4)

### Solutions to crossword No. 79.

Across: 1. Merge, 7. Puncture, 8. Sweep, 10. New Zealand, 12. Terrapin, 14. Jive, 16. Cuff, 17. Resolute, 20. Misfortune, 23. Dried, 24. Isolated, 25. Angus.

Down: 1. Misfit, 2. Gwen, 3. Quiz, 4. Scrap, 5. Audacious, 6. Meddle, 9. Petal, 11. Profusion, 13. Ike, 15. Found, 16. Commit, 18. Exodus, 19. Royal, 21. Trek, 22. Erin.

Doodle Box

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## **Kildare's concerns addressed with robust Lisbon deal**

Concerns raised by Kildare voters during last year's Lisbon Treaty debate have been robustly addressed with the deal secured by Taoiseach Brian Cowen and Foreign Affairs Minister Micheál Martin in Brussels, according to local Fianna Fáil TD, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"Both the Taoiseach and Minister Martin went to the summit to achieve two goals, a Decision on legal guarantees and a Protocol. These have been secured."

"The Guarantees confirm beyond any doubt that nothing in the Treaty impacts on Ireland's control over tax, our military neutrality and our constitutional provisions on the right to life, family and education."

"The deal we have secured from our European partners also ensures we keep our Commissioner. We set out the importance of workers rights in the European Union."

"In the coming months it is now important that voters in Kildare are given an honest debate on the benefits of the EU, the impact it has on our local economy and jobs and what membership has delivered for our local communities."

"The people of Kildare, like those throughout the country are pro-European. Time and again it has been shown beyond any doubt that they want Ireland to remain at the centre of the European Union."

"I look forward to the forthcoming campaign, to meeting the voters and engaging with them about what Europe really means for Kildare", added Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Maynooth Post Primary among Three Kildare schools to benefit from plan for high-speed wireless broadband**

Three north Kildare schools are to get high-speed wireless broadband connectivity as part of the Government's pilot plan to give students instant internet access anywhere in the school, according to local Fianna Fail TD Michael Fitzpatrick.

"The schools that will benefit from this pilot scheme that will run until the end of 2011 are Convent of Mercy on the Sallins Road, the Salesian College in Celbridge and Maynooth Post Primary School."

"The Government is keen to support schools in the development of their IT facilities and to develop schools into centres of e-learning."

"The provision of high-speed wireless broadband will result in students being able to upload and download material faster, access high-volume digital educational content and connect instantly to websites from any part of the school. I am sure that students and teachers at the Convent of Mercy, the Salesian College and Maynooth Post Primary will welcome becoming part of the pilot programme," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

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# **Party Political-Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.**

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## **Kildare holidaymakers to enjoy cheaper mobile calls - Fitzpatrick**

Kildare people heading for holiday resorts in Europe can now enjoy cheaper mobile phone calls and texts thanks to the EU, according to local Fianna Fáil TD, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"The introduction of cheaper roaming charges from July 1st is just one of several initiatives which the EU has brought in to make holidaying and travelling across the continent cheaper from Kildare."

"From this week the cost of text messages has been cut from 29 cent in some cases to just 13 cent. Phone calls are being reduced to 43 cent a minute when making a call and 19 cent a minute when receiving a call. In addition the EU is committed to cutting costs even further within the next two years."

"Kildare families heading for Spain, Greece, Italy and other European hotspots over the coming weeks already enjoy a number of benefits because of Ireland's membership of the EU:

The Euro – the cost and burden of Foreign Exchange is gone for most travel within the EU

Medical Cover – when in another EU States we have the same access to emergency treatment as any local person

Cheap Flights- EU competition rules have paved the way for big decreases in the cost of air fares

"These benefits are not only good for holidaymakers, but there are also good for business across Europe and jobs in Kildare."

"Following on the success of tackling mobile phone charges the EU has now turned its attention to the problem of the wide range of mobile phone chargers on the market. The Union has reached an understanding with 10 mobile phone manufacturers to develop a single charger for Europe."

"Ahead of the Autumn Referendum on Lisbon there will be much debate on our future role in Europe, I will be remaining in close contact with my colleague the Minister for Foreign Affairs Micheál Martin to ensure we have access to the facts before voting," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

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## Lisbon Treaty would copper-fasten Neo-liberalism

There are three aspects to Neo-liberalism: an ideology; a set of institutions; set of policies. The latter are written into the Lisbon Treaty/EU Constitution. From 1980 Neo-liberalism was a dominant ideological force until it unravelled in 2007 with the onset of the current international financial crisis. In other words, the EU is seeking to enshrine Neo-liberalism into its institutions at time when this range of economic policies has been shown to have failed.

Neo-Liberalism is essentially

Liberalisation: tearing down all trade barriers, which leads to the dominance of powerful multi-national corporations

Privatisation: turning more of the economy into profit-making bodies

Price Stabilisation: very afraid of inflation. If wealth is held in large pools of money, then inflation is the big danger. Hence financial interests are more powerful in the neo-liberal context. The driving down of prices brings with it unemployment, which naturally impacts on working people.

Each of these tenets of neo-liberalism is to be found in the Lisbon Treaty and its fundamental commitment to crude market forces is contained in Article 120:

The Member States and the Union shall act in accordance with the principle of an open market economy with free competition, favouring an efficient allocation of resources...

This highlights that the ethos neo-liberalism is at the heart of the treaty and represents an extreme version of unbridled capitalism. It is undiluted in its formulation.

### Liberalization of trade and finance

Foundations are laid for globalised trade and investment in Article 206:

The Union shall contribute, in the common interest, to the harmonious development of world trade, the progressive abolition of restrictions on international trade and on foreign direct investment, and the lowering of customs and other barriers."

This article goes further than the World Trade Organisation's (WTO) agreements on fair trade between countries, and it goes way beyond the conservative consensus. The foundations of financial globalisation are contained within the treaty. Article 63 bans measures by nation states to protect their vital interests:

"All restriction on the movement of capital between member states and between member states and third countries shall be prohibited"

## Privatisation of state companies and public services

Everything is to be subject to the mantra of competition. Article 106 states:

Undertakings entrusted with the operation of services of general economic interest or having the character of a revenue-producing monopoly shall be subject to the rules contained in the Treaties, in particular to the rules on competition...

In line with this, the ESB was recently forced to put up its prices to make it worthwhile for private enterprise to "compete" and prepare this essential national company for early privatisation. Moreover, this Article provides for services, such as public ambulance services, to levy fees and, we could therefore see the creation of private ambulance services.

Public companies are denied state aid. – *Aer Lingus for example*

### Price stabilization

Article 127 of Lisbon states:

The primary objective of the European System of Central Banks (hereinafter referred to as 'the ESCB') shall be to maintain price stability

This is in stark contrast to President Obama's policies. The US Federal Reserve Bank is charged with maintaining price stability *and employment*. *Again the Lisbon Treaty is to the right of conservative consensus.*

Crucially, The European Central Bank is not accountable to democratic control. Article 130 states:

the European Central Bank, nor a national central bank, nor any member of their decision-making bodies shall seek or take instructions from Union institutions, bodies, offices or agencies, from any government of a Member State or from any other body.

Neo-liberalism is opposed to state or democratic influence in the markets. Accordingly, Article 130 highlights the democratic deficit within the EU and Lisbon Treaty.

In order to address the economic crisis, it is vital that nation states regulate the financial sector. The Lisbon Treaty either prohibits this or deems it unwelcome.

Furthermore, it has become necessary to have a stimulus package against unemployment through coordinated Govt spending. This is not facilitated in this treaty. Lisbon is a creature of a discredited and bankrupt ideology.

## Vote no, again.

## Party Political—Áine Brady T.D.

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*Aine Brady T.D.*

### **Brady urges eligible Parents to apply now for Back to School Clothing & Footwear Allowance**

Over 140,000 families nationally with school-going children are expected to apply for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance this summer, according to local TD and Minister of State at the Department of Health Aine Brady T.D.

'This scheme will see parents being assisted with the back to school costs through payments of €200 or €305 depending on the age of their children.' Stated Minister Brady.

**"Probably the furthest thing from most parents' minds this week is the start of the new school year. But we know that families always find this a pressurised time financially, so I would urge them now to take the time to apply for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance, as it can take 6- 8 weeks to process applications and receive payment."**

Minister Brady said in the changes introduced in the Budget this year **"means that an estimated 18,000 more families will benefit as the income thresholds for entitlement to the scheme were increased by €50."** This brings the income limits for the allowance for parents with one child to €560 for couples and €407 for those parenting alone.

Another special measure which was introduced in the Budget was an additional allowance of €215 payable to 18 year olds in full time education for whom, the half rate Child Benefit is now applied. Total back to school payment in respects of children aged 18 is €520.

The scheme is administered on behalf of the Department by the Community Welfare Division of the Health Service Executive, with staff in place now to deal with claims. A person may qualify for payment of an allowance if they are in receipt of a Social Welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement), or Health Service Executive payment, are participating in an approved employment scheme or attending a recognised education and training course and have household income at or below certain set levels. Minister Hanafin said "the purpose of the household income limit is to ensure that the allowance is directed at those with the greatest need."

### **Notes for Editors**

The mobile text service now makes it even quicker for parents to apply for the relevant forms. For those who are eligible, they can now apply by text message to request an application form. **Text - FORM BTSCFA - to 51909 followed by their name and address, or Application forms are available on the Department's website at <http://www.welfare.ie/EN/Forms/Documents/bscfa.pdf> or at [http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws\\_public/application-forms](http://communitywelfareservice.ie/cws_public/application-forms). There is also a 24 hour LoCall leaflet line number to order forms – 1890 20 23 25**

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## **Statement by Áine Brady TD - N4 Leixlip to M50 Road Scheme**

Local TD and Minister of State Aine Brady has welcomed the opening of the upgrade Dual Carriageway between Leixlip and the M50 on the N4, a project that was on time and on Budget. Minister Brady made her comment after attending the opening of the Road on Monday 6th July.

'The €75m upgrade of the 7 Km Dual Carriage will bring benefits to both Bus and Car Commuters, with reduced travels, increased road safety and improved driver comfort. I understand that travel time is reduced by upto 30 minutes in peak times as a result of this upgrade. Bus Companies should also see improved efficiencies as a result of the works.'

'The project involved the upgrade of the Interchange at Newcastle / Lucan eliminating a major bottleneck, widening the lanes from a 2 lane to a 3 lane Dual Carriage and providing a Bus Lane.'

'Commuters effectively now have free flow access to the M50, Dublin Airport and the N11. The M50 upgrade works are progressing, increasing the capacity of the orbital route with the provision of an extra lane and providing a free flow interchange with the M3, and M1. These works will be completed by the end of 2010, providing further relief for our commuters.'

'These works, when fully completed, will also ensure that our goods and services will have easier access to Dublin Port and Dublin Airport, thus assisting Kildare businesses to compete. In recent years, we have seen significant improvement to our road network and the Government is committed to further improvements.'

'I am conscious that we now must focus on having a free flow interchange at Newlands Cross to reduce travel times for Commuters using the N7 from Naas, Clane, Celbridge area. I have made representations to have this work commence as soon as possible.' concluded Minister Brady.

## **Brady urges Public to make submission to Local Area Plans**

Local TD, and Minister of State, at the Department of Health and Children, Aine Brady, has urged residents, community groups and business organisations to make submissions to the Local Area Plans for Leixlip, Celbridge and Collinstown which are now on view.

'The Celbridge, Leixlip and Collinstown Local Area Plans are now on public display at the Celbridge Library (Celbridge Plan), Leixlip Library, Captain's Hill and the Town Clerk's Office in Newtown House (Leixlip and Collinstown). They can also be viewed on Kildare County Council's website [www.kildare.ie/countycouncil](http://www.kildare.ie/countycouncil) or in their office at Aras Cill Dara, Naas.'

'It is important that local people have a say and shape the future of the community they live in. Previously Area Plans have concentrated too much on residential development and did not give adequate thought to Community Facilities, including Youth Cafes.'

'We must use this as an opportunity to retro fit the Community, Public Transport and Youth Facilities that the Council did not cater for in previous plans. While significant progress has been made in recent times with regard to Car Parking at Celbridge's Hazel Hatch and at Louisa Bridge Rail Stations, Car Parking at Confey Rail Station should be addressed in these plans.'

'Since getting elected, I have fought hard to maintain and improve our current Bus Service for Leixlip and Celbridge areas. However, previous plans did not make adequate provision for Buses to service some newly populated areas, by not providing for Bus Turning Circles or Bus Bays. I have made representations to Iarnrod Eireann and Dublin Bus to engage with Kildare Co Co in relation to public transport infrastructure.'

'Local Area Plans, must also focus on how we can nurture local businesses and make them more competitive. The Celbridge, Collinstown and Leixlip area is home to Large Multinational IT Companies and we should use this as an opportunity to designate the area as an IT Hub with a view to attracting further inward investment.'

'We cannot change the past, but we can shape the future of the area and I urge as many residents as possible to view the respective plans and make submissions. Submissions or observations in writing should be marked 'Celbridge Local Area Plan' or 'Leixlip Local Area Plan' or 'Collinstown Local Area Plan' and addressed to Mary Foley Administrative Officer, Forward Planning, Kildare County Council, Aras Chill Dara, Naas, Co. Kildare or emailed to [mfoley@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:mfoley@kildarecoco.ie) to be received **no later than 5pm on 29th July 2009.**' concluded Minister Brady.

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## Three Local Schools to benefit from Broadband Investment says Brady

Local Minister of State, Áine Brady TD, has stated that three local post primary schools in North Kildare will benefit from the Government's investment in Broadband Infrastructure, as these schools will be equipped with a 100 Mbits per second of Broadband connectivity.

'Maynooth Post Primary School, Salesian College in Celbridge and the Convent of Mercy on the Sallins Road, Naas will all be included in the 100mpbs Post Primary Schools Project, which will deliver high-speed broadband connectivity to these schools. It is part of an investment of some €16 million nationally for up to 80 schools taking part in the Project throughout the country.'

'Under the existing Schools Broadband Programme, primary and post-primary schools in Ireland can access a basic level of broadband connectivity. This 100mpbs Post Primary Schools Project marks the next phase in the Government's target to develop our schools as world-class centres of e-learning. It also in line with the Next Generation Broadband Strategy which was published this week.'

'Providing our schools with high-speed wireless connectivity opens up a whole new world of learning for our children. We are taking online learning out of the confines of the computer room. In classrooms and corridors, students and teachers will potentially be able to carry out interactive chemistry experiments and access demonstrations and exhibitions from all over the world.'

'A class learning French in Dublin could talk in real time with a class in France. A Leaving Cert Physics student will be able to take part in Ivy League lectures and experiments. With this level of connectivity, the opportunities for interaction and collaboration are unlimited.' concluded Minister Brady.

## Minister Brady launches Consultation Phase of National Positive Ageing Strategy

The Minister for Older People and Health Promotion, Áine Brady TD, will tomorrow (Thursday, 18th June, 2009) launch the consultation phase of the National Positive Ageing Strategy. The Minister said that the new Strategy will set the strategic direction for all future policies, programmes and services for older people in Ireland. She is seeking written submissions

from individuals (of any age), institutions, agencies, organisations and groups by 24 September.

The preparation of the Strategy takes forward the commitment in the *Programme for Government 2007–2012* to better recognise the position of older people in Irish society, and the Minister said that it will be informed by the UN Principles on Ageing: Independence, Dignity, Self-Fulfillment, Participation and Care.

She indicated that issues relevant to the development of the Strategy include those relating to older people's participation in society, the way services are organised and are used by older people; income, health and social care, housing, transport, education and employment.

The Minister emphasised that the Strategy must be developed within the constraints posed by the present fiscal situation. "It is not the intention that the Strategy will propose new service developments; rather it will set the strategic direction for future policies, programmes and services for older people," she stressed.

Minister Brady said that she looked forward to having as many views as possible to inform the development of the new Strategy. She said that she particularly wanted to hear from older people on how they use services and how those services are organised.

The Minister pointed out that this is the first time that such a wide-ranging strategy will be prepared here. Previous plans have predominantly focussed on health and care services whereas this Strategy will ultimately lead to operational plans by a range of Government Departments. She added that as well as her own Office, ten other Government Departments and the Central Statistics Office are involved in preparing the Strategy.

**Submissions should be sent (by post or e-mail) to:**

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## **Closing date for receipt of submissions:**

Thursday, 24 September, 2009.

## **Home Energy Saving Scheme still open for Business says Brady 17th June 2009**

The Minister of State at the Department of Health, Áine Brady TD, stated this week that funding is still available to homeowners under the Home Energy Saving Scheme for a range of measures to make homes more energy efficient.

'To-date, 352 Home Owners in Kildare have availed of grants under the scheme. Nationally, it has proven to be a very popular scheme with over €16 million in insulation grants being paid to approximately 12,000 homes.'

'While Kildare has many newly constructed home, there still is a large proportion of older homes which are less energy efficient and would benefit from reducing the heat loss by installing any one of a range of measures including roof and cavity wall insulation, heating control upgrades as well as high efficiency boiler upgrades among others.' stated Minister Brady.

'This Energy Scheme offers grants of up to **40% of the typical cost** of energy efficiency upgrade measures. Homeowners who avail of the full range of measures can expect to save approximately **€700 per annum**. Owners of homes built **prior to 2006** can now apply online at [www.sei.ie/hes](http://www.sei.ie/hes) or contact Sustainable Energy Ireland on **1 850 927000**. I would encourage Kildare Home owners to check the scheme out.' concluded Minister Brady.

## **Local University must play key role in Job retention and Job creation says Brady**

NUI Maynooth must play a key role in retaining the jobs we have in Kildare and also act as a stimulus for further job creation according to local TD and Minister Áine Brady who organised a meeting between, recently appointed Minister with responsibility for Innovation, Conor Lenihan TD and the College Authorities.

'Recently, following my request, the Minister of State at the Department of Enterprise with responsibility for Innovation met with the College so that he and his Department were briefed on the work that is on-going in the area of Innovation and Commercialisation of Research at the College and its developing links with Industry. A knowledge provider like NUI Maynooth, will be key to attracting further inward investment to

the area and maintaining existing jobs by fostering Innovation and ensuring that the University's research strategy is relevant to Industry.' stated Minister Brady.

'The University is now working very closely with Industry. Last year the college signed over 18 research collaborations with various companies, giving a total of 50 ongoing research contracts with industry. Their partnership with Intel, for example, involves the provision of a Masters in Engineering programme for all senior Intel engineers throughout the world. Commercialisation is taken very seriously at NUI Maynooth and they in recent years have broken down barriers to facilitate an almost seamless working relationship with Industry.' stated Minister Brady.

'NUI Maynooth are opening their doors to showcase how they can work with both the SME sector and the larger multinational enterprises, to their mutual benefit.'

'Grants of €5,000 to €500,000 from Enterprise Ireland are now available to companies that wish to develop and commercialise Research ideas with academic experts at universities like NUI Maynooth. Following recent budgets, significant tax breaks are available for companies investing further in research and development. In 2008 alone NUI Maynooth completed six license deals with businesses and helped 'spin out' one brand new company from its campus – Socowave – which now employs ten people.' stated Minister Brady.

'The twinning of industry with academia will be the foundation of the future success of the Irish, and indeed Kildare's, economy. Strategic research partnerships between industry and academia can stimulate innovation, create high quality employment and deliver a competitive advantage to our industry.'

**'I am committed to working with all the relevant stakeholders in improving the college's links with, not alone Industry, but also the local community in Kildare. The college must not alone be seen as a traditional educator but also as a valuable resource for Kildare - for our community and for our Enterprises' concluded Minister Brady.**

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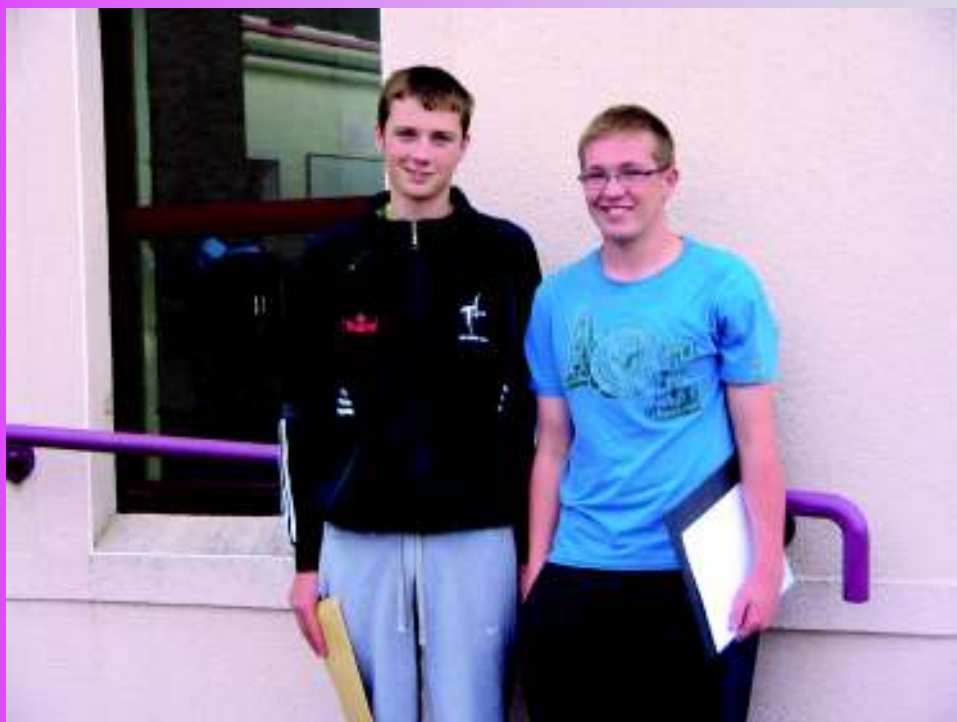
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# Editorial-September

The schools will be returning as this *Newsletter* goes to print and the College will also be welcoming its new first year students as well as the returning body of students. There is still no canteen after the disastrous fire that gutted the previous one and this will be a cause for concern for all those attending the University. There will be a greater increase in student numbers again this year and there are incentives for more mature students to return to education due to the economic downturn.

Maynooth is a relatively quiet town during the summer months and it will be a shock to the system, and the traffic, when the thousands of students return to us in September. With this will return all the parking and traffic problems that the town experiences during the School/College year. There is a growing pressure for parking spaces in the town for commuters using the train and for residents trying to shop locally apart from the problem of the College cars spilling onto the Kilcock Road.

In our neighbouring county of Meath, a new scandal has emerged concerning the ill-fated M3 at Tara. Despite campaigners efforts to bring to the public's attention that the M3 would be tolled twice, before reaching the M50, this has not made headlines until this week when both the Irish Independent and the Meath Chronicle ran articles on the issue. The scandal is that the NRA and the Government have done a deal with the contractors of the motorway, Eurolink, to ensure that they will not lose money on the tolls. If the traffic volumes do not reach the expected levels then the Government, that is the tax payer, us, will have to compensate the toll company. This 'sweetheart deal' is a new one in the context of Public Private Partnerships, so far as we know. It does not apply to the M4/M6 for example where the arrangement is the opposite – that the toll company will compensate the Government (us) if the traffic figures exceed what is expected.

This may not seem relevant to those of us in Maynooth, Kildare but it is. Why would anyone who has to commute to Dublin live in Meath when they can live in Kildare, particularly North Kildare? We are serviced by a decent public transport system, both bus and rail. We may moan about it but there is no denying that it exists. If the deal with Eurolink is to follow its logical conclusion then the railway line to Navan, planned to open in 2015, becomes more difficult. Why put a railway line in competition with a motorway that seems likely not to reach the expected traffic volumes. Couple this with Noel Dempsey's advice, Primetime programme, March 2005 prior to the by-election, that people use the old N3 to avoid the tolls and one must wonder why the M3 was necessary in the first place. Meath commuters will continue to drive to Maynooth to use our car-parking spaces, our trains and buses. And the country will be paying for the shortfall in tolls.

**Muireann NÍ Bhrolchain**

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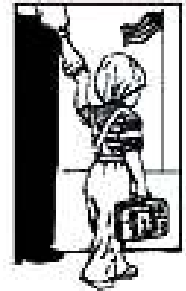
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# First Day of School

**T**he first day at school is certainly a big event in the life of a young child but it can be an even bigger event in the lives of their parents!

When your child starts school everything changes and it is normal to have a range of feelings such as excitement that your child is making a big step towards growing up as well as a sense of loss that he/she is moving away from you towards independence. Most parents also feel a little anxious and worried about what to expect and about how their child will cope without them, particularly if they are going through the experience for the first time.

As a parent, the most important thing you can do to ensure the transition goes well is to take time to prepare yourself and your child so that you feel confident and relaxed about the first day.



## Preparing your child

- Talk to your child about starting school well in advance. If you are feeling anxious, try not to let your child see it. Rather, be positive and matter of fact about what you say – starting school is just another happy event in his/her life, which will give him / her opportunities to play with new children and to learn new things.
- Books about children starting school are a great way of preparing children for the school experience.
- During the summer take a trip with your child to the school building to see he/she knows exactly where he/she will be going.
- The experience of mixing with other children in a structured setting such as a preschool, crèche or playgroup will really help your child settle into school more easily. If you haven't done so already, try and enrol your child in such a group, even for an hour or two a day, so that they get used to being separated from you for a little while and learn to enjoy the company of other children.
- For a few weeks prior to school, it is also helpful to get into a 'school like' routine. For example, rising a little earlier and even introducing a regular table activity, such as drawing in the mornings, so your child is beginning to get used to a set routine.
- Work with the school. Schools usually have very good procedures about helping children settle into the first day. They often have an introductory session for parents and children to come down to see the school and a special routine for the children on the first day. Find out what your school plans to do – remember they are used to supporting the parents as much as the children on the first day of school!

## Easing first day anxiety

Make sure you have all the practical preparations done the day before so that you have time in the morning to be there for your child. Most children are very excited on the first day of school, but if your child is anxious, gently reassure him/her about meeting new friends and doing new things and remind him/her that you will be back at lunchtime.

When leaving your child at the school, follow the teachers lead about when to leave and don't linger too much - a kiss and a wave good bye is usually enough, reminding your child that you will be back soon. Remember that though some children appear a little distressed, most settle really quickly once the parent is gone.

After school do not have too much planned as your children is likely to be tired (especially for the first few days) as they adjust to the new routine. Have some playtime with them, take an interest in what happened in school and give them space to chat, but don't pressure them to say too much.

## Settling into the school routine

Going to school everyday is a big change for children and a routine that can take some time to adjust to. Though some children might handle the first day and even the first week very well, sometimes problems emerge in the second or third week. The novelty of going to school has worn off or the child is feeling tired or unsure about going. At these times, it is important to be gently reassuring, focusing on the good things in school but to gently insist they go to school.

Set up time after school to chat and listen to your child so you can see if there is any particular reason for their reluctance. Also, make sure they have a relaxed routine in the evenings and are getting enough sleep, as simple tiredness from the emotional demands of school is often the issue. Finally, if problems persist, talk to the teacher to see what you can do together to help your child settle. Generally, most of these initial hiccups pass and children settle into a good school routine.



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# Clubs, Organisation And Societies

## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

How do I get a higher education grant? How much is it worth?

### Answer

The Higher Education Grants Scheme provides means-tested grants to eligible students on approved courses. It is administered by the local authorities. You can download the application form from [www.studentfinance.ie](http://www.studentfinance.ie) or get it from your local authority. For the academic year 2009/10 the application should be submitted to your local authority by 31 August 2009.

The scheme is also available to students who are attending full-time undergraduate courses of at least two years' duration in publicly funded third-level institutions in other EU member states, with certain exceptions.

Eligibility is based on income for the tax year 2008. The family income limits for 2009/10 were not yet available at time of writing – see [www.studentfinance.ie](http://www.studentfinance.ie) for updates. The limits for 2008/9 are below.

Number of dependent children	Full maintenance	Part maintenance (75%)	Part maintenance (50%)	Part maintenance (25%)	Exempt from student service charge
Fewer than 4	€39,760	€42,235	€44,720	€47,205	€49,690
4-7	€43,680	€46,415	€49,145	€51,880	€54,605
8 or more	€47,430	€50,400	€53,360	€56,320	€59,280

The limits are increased by a further €4,815 where there are two family members in full-time third-level education, and a further €4,815 for each additional person.

The maintenance grant rates for 2009 are as follows:

	Non-adjacent rate	Adjacent rate
Full maintenance	€3,420	€1,370
Part maintenance (75%)	€2,565	€1,030
Part maintenance (50%)	€1,710	€685
Part maintenance (25%)	€855	€345

The adjacent rate is paid if you normally live 24 km or less from your college. Mature students will receive the non-adjacent rate in all cases.

There are special rates of maintenance grants for disadvantaged students: €6,690 (non-adjacent) and €2,680 (adjacent). The income limit for 2008/9 is €20,147. There is also a Fund for Students with Disabilities – see [www.studentfinance.ie](http://www.studentfinance.ie) for details.

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## Question

I am a widow in my late seventies and find it hard to get to the bank. I want to put my son's name on my bank accounts so that he can get money out for me. Will this affect my entitlement to a DIRT refund or my son's tax liability?

## Answer

Deposit Interest Retention Tax (DIRT) is deducted at source from interest paid on deposits held by banks, building societies, credit unions and the Post Office Savings Bank.

You can claim a refund of DIRT if you are aged 65 or over during the year and if your gross income from all sources is less than €20,000 (or €40,000 for a married couple).

In general, joint accounts where one of the account holders is aged 65 or over will only qualify for the refund of DIRT where the other account holder is that person's spouse. However, if you appoint your son as an agent to operate your bank accounts on your behalf, and if he is named as an account holder for this purpose only, you will continue to qualify for the refund provided that your beneficial ownership of the accounts is not affected.

When making the DIRT refund claim to Revenue, you should include a declaration that you are beneficially entitled to all of the interest paid in respect of your bank deposits.

Your son's tax liability is not affected, as he is operating solely as your agent and will not have any beneficial ownership of the money.

## Question

A neighbour's mother died recently. She was getting an Invalidity Pension and my neighbour believes he can continue to collect the pension for 6 weeks. Is this right?

## Answer

This is a common misunderstanding. The only person who could claim the six weeks' payment after the death of the pensioner would be the spouse or partner of the deceased person, and then only if the deceased

person had been getting a payment (Increase for a Qualified Adult) for the partner or spouse.

If there is a spouse or partner in this position, they should contact the appropriate section within the Department of Social and Family Affairs as soon as possible following the death. The section to contact depends on the type of payment the deceased person received. For Invalidity Pension, it would be the Social Welfare Services Office, Government Buildings, Ballinalee Road, Longford.

They should enclose the death certificate (if available) or a death notice from a newspaper with the application, as well as the payment book(s) or any related cheque(s). They should not cash any existing cheques or vouchers from the pension book. When the Department has received these documents, it will issue a cheque for the amount of the six weeks' payment.

However, if your neighbour was getting Carer's Allowance or Carer's Benefit in respect of his mother, he will continue to get this payment for 6 weeks after her death. He will have to notify the Department of the death. The address for Carer's Allowance and Carer's Benefit is also Social Welfare Services Office, Government Buildings, Ballinalee Road, Longford.

## Question

After almost a year on Jobseeker's Allowance, I want to upskill in order to improve my chances of getting a job. Are there any part-time college courses available, and is there any financial support for someone in my situation?

## Answer

An extra 2,500 part-time third-level places for unemployed people were announced in the Supplementary Budget of April 2009. This scheme will start in September 2009 and provide 1,500 places on undergraduate courses and 1,000 places on postgraduate courses. The courses will focus on getting people back to work by upskilling or reskilling them to meet the needs of exporting sectors such as medical devices, biopharmaceuticals, international financial services and the food sector.

The undergraduate places will be on a range of certificate and degree courses leading to qualifications at levels 6, 7 and 8 on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ). These levels cover Advanced and Higher Certificates, Bachelor degrees and Higher

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Diplomas. The places are intended mainly for people with level 4, 5 or 6 qualifications. The places for graduates will be for part-time postgraduate diplomas or conversion courses.

To qualify for a place on one of these courses you must have been getting Jobseeker's Benefit (JB) or Jobseeker's Allowance (JA) for six months on 1 September 2009. You may be able to keep your JB or JA under the Part-time Option of the Back to Education Programme. The Part-time Option scheme requires that you must continue to be available for and genuinely seeking work. This requirement to be available for work takes precedence over course attendance in cases where there is a conflict between the two.

As these are part-time courses, you will not be eligible for a third-level education maintenance grant or the Back to Education Allowance. There are no tuition fees for the courses, but postgraduate students may have to pay a nominal charge.

Details of the courses and how to apply should be available from your local FÁS and social welfare offices from late July 2009. The courses will start in September and October 2009.

You can find further details about the scheme on the website of the Department of Education and Science [www.education.ie](http://www.education.ie).

**Further information is available from Citizens Information Centres and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, LoCall 1890 777 121.**

## HUMOUR JOKES



A man takes his Rottweiler to the vet. 'My dog's cross-eyed, is there anything you can do for him?' 'Well,' says the vet, 'let's have a look at him' so he picks the dog up and examines his eyes, then checks his teeth. Finally, he says 'I'm going to have to put him down. 'What? Because he's cross-eyed?' No, because he's really heavy'

What do you call a fish with no eyes? A Fish

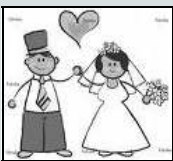


My wife dresses to kill. She cooks the same way.

My wife and I were happy for twenty years. Then we met.

The secret of a happy marriage remains a secret.

After a quarrel, a wife said to her husband, 'You know, I was a fool when I married you.' The husband replied, 'Yes, dear, but I was in love and didn't notice.'



A man inserted an 'ad' in the classifieds: 'Wife wanted'. Next day he received a hundred letters. They all said the same thing: 'You can have mine.'

Just think, if it weren't for marriage, men would go through life thinking they had no faults at all.

I married Miss Right. I just didn't know her first name was Always.



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## Poetry Corner

*Poems by Kildare based poet  
Ann Egan.*

(9/11 memorial Poem)

### *Dawn Tree*

Dawn shafts tree trunk,  
frees the wayward to twine  
and curl shadows to airy bark.

Glints mellow a dark crown  
and stillness moulds the one  
- will not stay, will not go -

in glimmering shades of dance  
to a myriad of silhouettes,  
mystery to its own form.

### *Sedge Hen*

I stand by the lake's edge  
as you sail with unbroken purpose,  
distancing me from your day.

Your black back curves  
like an upturned currach,  
you tread towards the sedges,  
their nets heavy with toil  
bend to you in welcome.

Privy to your secrets,  
they guard your nest,  
plying shadow swords  
to seclude you from my eye.

### *In Memory*

What was it you had said?  
Why did you have to go?  
Each simple little memory  
Now passes by so slow.  
I am stuck in the yesterday  
Not wanting to accept  
The horrid truth that you are gone  
Your life taken without threat  
This morning you awoke  
To face a brand new day  
But a cold-hearted terrorist  
Took that gift away  
Though the grave cry for the lost  
In the settling of the dust  
They failed to shake our foundation  
For in God we put our trust.

*By Michelle Lynn McPeters*

### *Wonderful Sky*

I look up in amazement at the vast sky  
With grey clouds constantly drifting away  
Life changes rapidly but the sky never dies  
As I feel it will be forever to stay  
Clouds burst and rain falls to the ground  
Creating new life with the golden sun  
To its destination by nature it is bound  
It is of this that all life has begun

A sky of wonder is forever in my mind  
A miracle of nature that we cannot ignore  
Many elements in this sky we find  
That generations of people always adore  
Then the sky gradually fades to night  
With twinkling stars that shine for all  
On my own I enjoy its peaceful sight  
As between the stars we are so very small

The sky is part of everyone in this life  
Imagine a world without this familiar sky  
This world can be of bliss and strife  
But just what is this miracle force I cry  
Sky of plenty your in my dream  
That someday we will know more of you  
Reaching to the universe forever more gleam  
Depending on you always I forever grew

*By Patrick Murray*

**A**nn Egan was born in 1948 in Co Laois. Her collections are *Landing the Sea* (Cork, Bradshaw Books, 2003); and *The Wren Women* (Ballyclare, Co Antrim, The Black Mountain Press, 2003). She has published a commissioned novel, *Brigid of Kildare* (Kildare Library and Arts Services, 2001), and has won numerous prizes for her poetry, including several at Listowel Writers' Week; The Athlone Poetry Prize; The Annamakerrig Prize, and in 2001, the Oki Prize. She has also written the lyrics for a CD, *Bímís Dílis/The Spirit of Offaly*.

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# Features



## A GLOWING TAN FOR THE WINTER MONTHS



*If the Summer months are anything to go by, its not looking too good for the Winter weather ahead. Many of us will have flown abroad to brighten our complexions while the more health conscious will have battled with the so-called Irish sunshine. But it doesn't have to be all doom and gloom. Times have changed and hours of sunbathing are no longer needed in order to sport a healthy glow! We can now outdo ourselves and achieve that look whenever suits, whatever the weather! So here are a few tips on how to keep that tan looking good all year round without feeling part of the Oompa Loompa fan club!*

### Oompa loompa doopity DO

**Scrub up:** make sure your skin is completely exfoliated before you begin to avoid dry-patch disasters.

**Rinse down :** spend that extra 30 seconds in the shower and make sure you've removed all soapy residue from your skin, it can play havoc with some tanners

**Moisturise:** all over, but give it time to dry before you move on to the tan

**Strip:** fake tan stains as it dries so avoid destroying any underwear and give a more all-over effect. Take off your clothing before you start and tie up your hair too!

**Select your tools:** applicators such as a hand mitt soak up creams and ensure even application.

**Rub 'er in:** thoroughly apply a light coat all over your skin, using plenty of rubbing and avoiding the knees, elbows and feet. They're a fake tan disaster area waiting to happen.

**Wash your hands:** you DO NOT want orange palms! If you've applied tan to the back of your hands, then carefully soap the palms only and blot dry, make sure you get between your fingers too.

**And now, wait:** most tanners require 2-3 hours for the colour to fully develop. If your rushing, there are products that have an instant effect with the full tan appearing gradually.

**Smell of roses:** its an unfortunate fact that a lot of tanners (some of the best actually), tend to leave a slight chemical smell on the skin. If its bothering you, wait the full development time and then have a light shower

### Oompa loompa doopity DON'T

**Streak:** leave streaking to the crazy football fans. If you're not au fait with application, try a rookie product with an anti-streak ingredient like Fake Bake. Moose is probably the best type for beginners too.

**Be heavy handed:** this isn't a sports massage. Apply your first layer with light, even circular motions. You can always go back and apply another layer if you want to go darker.

**Go white trash:** white toenails with fake-tanned feet is a major fashion faux pas, unless you work at Stringfellows. Try a deep red for a sophisticated, sexy look.

**Think your protected:** check if your fake tan contains an SPF before assuming you're safe in the sun. Its not a real tan remember! Always apply a sunscreen if you're going to be exposing yourself.

**Get forgetful:** apply your tan in an organised manner and don't forget which parts you've done or haven't done. You don't want to end up with one leg darker than the other now do you.

**Forget your real colouring:** you don't want to try applying a deep coppery brown if you're naturally very pale, fake tan is supposed to enhance and flatter, not paint over your skin.

Now you know how, its time to invest! If you don't already have a favourite brand, there's no more reliable source than a recommendation. Ask friends what they use, think about your budget, find a form you like and..... **Go forth and fake!**

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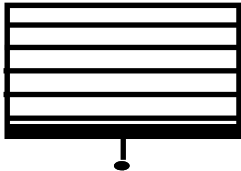


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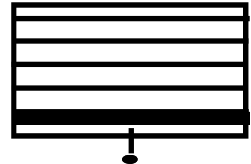
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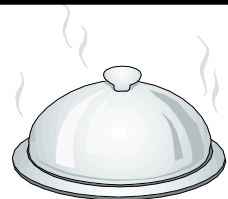
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# PROFESSOR JOHN SWEENEY

## *Prof John Sweeney of NUI Maynooth, Chosen as the new President of An Taisce*

**I**RELAND'S LEADING expert on climate change, Prof John Sweeney of NUI Maynooth, has been chosen as the new president of An Taisce in succession to botanist and broadcaster Éanna Ní Lamhna.

Scottish-born Prof Sweeney is a member of the UN's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which was jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007 along with former US vice-president Al Gore.

He has been a lecturer at the geography department of NUI Maynooth since 1978, specializing in climatology and environmental resource management, and currently leads a number of research projects examining various aspects of climate change in Ireland.

His most recent report for the Environmental Protection Agency, prepared by the Irish Climate Analysis and Research Units at NUI Maynooth, projected that temperatures in Ireland will increase by more than two degrees by the end of the century with significant changes in rainfall.

A graduate of the University of Glasgow, where he was awarded a PhD in 1980, Prof Sweeney has taught and carried out research at universities in North America and Africa. He has also been involved in curriculum development at second and third levels.

Over the past 30 years he has published some 60 scientific papers, edited or co-authored four reports on the likely impacts of climate change here and served as a contributing author and editor of the IPCC's influential Fourth Assessment, published in 2007.

An Taisce's national chairman, Charles Stanley-Smith, said Prof Sweeney "brings a deep appreciation of the human and social impact that the changes will bring and indeed introduced revolutionary concepts of integrated spatial planning as part of the response".

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# September in the Garden

## Flower Garden

Add plants for autumn interest. Create a striking feature in your borders by using some plants that look good during the autumn months. One of the best plants to choose is *Sedum spectabile* 'Brilliant' which produces masses of flat, bright pink flower-heads on upright stems with succulent, glaucous leaves. Grow sedums in full sun in a well-drained soil and divide every few years to improve flowering. Other plants which are also good at this time of year include **Ornamental Grasses, Heleniums and Perennial Asters, Michaelmas daisies.**

## Plan for Spring

Plant up patio pots or borders with **Erysimum**, more commonly known as **Wallflowers**, for a cheery spring show. Although they can be grown on their own, try planting tall-growing Tulip bulbs in a contrasting colour first and planting the Wallflowers over the top. The Tulips will then grow up through them to provide an extra layer of height and colour.

## Deadheading

Deadhead **Roses** as the blooms fade, cutting off the flowers just above the uppermost leaf on the stem. Trim back **Lavender** bushes after flowering to remove the old blooms and shoot tips, taking care not to cut back too heavily into any old wood. Removing faded flowers from perennials and annual plants will also ensure a continued display of blooms.

## Attend to bedding

Give bedding displays, hanging baskets and pots a little attention to ensure their display lasts well into autumn. Pick over plants twice a week to remove any faded blooms, keep watering daily and control pests when you find them. Any tender plants you want to save for next year can also be potted this month, so they are established and ready to bring under cover when the weather turns cooler.

## Support Perennials

Put plant supports around tall, late-flowering perennials to prevent them from being damaged by autumn winds. Create your own plant support.

## Greenfly checks

Look out for greenfly on winter-flowering pansies and other plants. Treat with a suitable insecticide.

## Hardwood stem cuttings

Take stem cuttings of roses in early September by pushing cut stems straight into the soil in a nursery area of the garden, where they can be left to root and develop for about a year. Most types of rose can be propagated from cuttings, especially the rambling types. Just take a length of stem, removing the soft tip above a leaf joint, and cut below a joint at the base, removing all but the top three leaves. Then push the 30cm (12in) cutting into the soil to about half its length.

## Gladioli

Enjoy gladioli spikes in the garden or cut them for displays in the house. Spray plants with a suitable insecticide if **thrips start to be a nuisance**. When flowering is over, the corms can be lifted, cleaned, labelled and stored carefully for planting out again next spring.

## Lilies

Buy Lily bulbs as soon as you find them for sale and plant them straight away. Propagate Asiatic lilies, such as *Lilium* 'Angela North', L. 'Ariadne' and L. 'Enchantment' by picking the small bulbils from their leaf joints and growing them on.

## Vegetables (September - October)

Choose the mild weather during this period to plant or transplant the following: beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, collards, lettuce, mustard, onions, radishes, spinach and turnips. Plant your second planting of fall crops such as collards, turnips, cabbage, mustard and kale.

Refurbish mulch to control weeds, and start adding leaves and other materials for the compost pile. Store your manure under cover to prevent leaching of nutrients.

Water deeply and thoroughly to prevent drought stress. Pay special attention to new transplants. Harvest mature green peppers and tomatoes before frost gets them -- it may not come until November, but be ready.

Harvest herbs and dry them in a cool, dry place.

*Happy Autumnal Gardening*

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## Day's of Enjoyment

It was a cool sunny morning. I was staying in Galway with my family on a weeks holiday. So far the weather was mixed, sunny spells and showers but nothing that would dampen the spirits. This particular morning the family were relaxing after breakfast. We were deciding how to spend the day. My dad and I wanted to visit the Galway Races. My sister, her husband Les and the kids were heading off on a sightseeing trip around the city.

On arriving in the city centre we said our goodbyes and arranged to meet up later. Dad and I hit the shops for an hour. As the temperature rose so did our spirits. We were looking forward to the day that lay ahead. Around 2 pm we reached the racecourse. It was alive with people. An enjoyable sunny day was to be had by everyone.



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On entering the parade ring, I gazed in awe at the stunning ladies. They were done up to the nines in their finery of hats and dresses. From the corner of my eye I spotted the VIP lounge. I imagined it was full of celebrities. There was no chance of me sneaking my way in as it was well guarded by security.

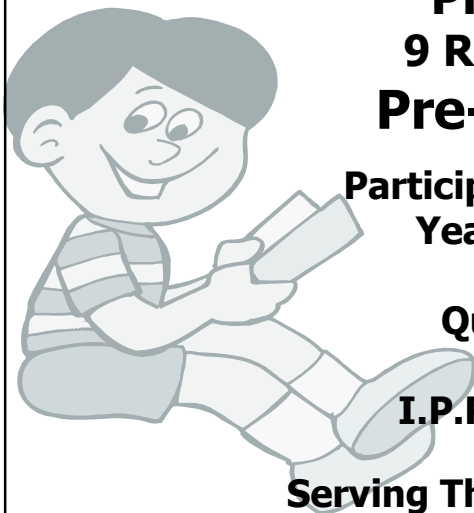
We enjoyed the afternoon, placing a few bets on four of the races. We hollered with the best of them willing our horse to win or place. I left with a smile on my face as my pockets were a little heavier, weighed down with my winnings. On our way back to the holiday home, dad and I stopped off in the village of Oughterard. We picked up a few bits for the tea. Everyone had tales to tell of how their day was spent. It rained heavily that evening so we decided to end the day with some television and board games. The kids settled well that night. The day had worn them out but they were enjoying every minute of the holiday.

The next morning I enjoyed a peaceful lie-in. Dad arrived in to the bedroom with breakfast for me. As we were blessed with a bright sunny morning, my sister headed off early with the hubby and the kids. Dad and I drove to Achill. The sunshine was glorious. We had to cross a bridge to reach the Island. When we came to a lovely sandy beach, we parked the car and went for a walk. The sea was calm. I loved watching the waves ebb in and out over the sand. We brought a packed lunch and we enjoyed a beautiful afternoon by the sea. We hit the shops of Castlebar that evening. I had a few presents I wanted to buy so this was the perfect opportunity. After enjoying a coffee and a cake, we headed off and returned late that evening. My sister had the kids in bed. We sat in peace telling stories of how our day was spent.

The week flew in. On our last day, we said goodbye to my sister and her family. They had to travel back to England on the ferry so they left early that morning. The weather was dreadful. Dad and I headed off to visit Kylemore Abbey. It was an interesting tour, learning about how the nuns used to live. The Souvenir shop was the last stop. We got soaked heading back to the car as the wind and rain swept around us. We spent our last night wandering around the local village, followed by tea and settled down to watch a great film on television that night. We had our bags packed and ready so we were well prepared for the journey back to Leixlip the next morning.

This was a great family holiday. We all really enjoyed it. The children had a wonderful time. We are now looking forward to planning our next family trip for next year!

**Enda Clavin**

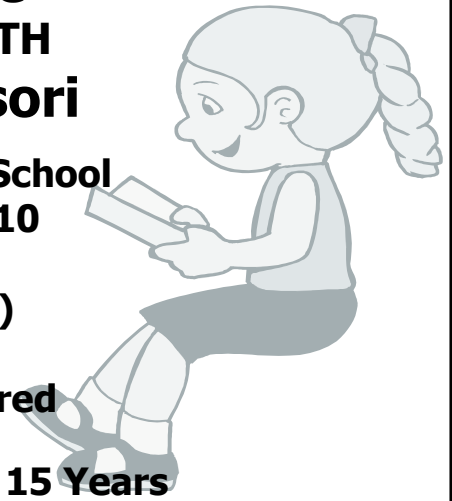


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# Simple Recipes for September

## Chilli Con Carne

### Ingredients;

- 1lb/450g of minced beef/lamb
- 1 onion, finely chopped carrots, peas, peppers, mushrooms etc
- 1/2 tin tomatoes
- 1 beef cube
- 1 teaspoon chilli powder
- 2 dessertspoons tomato sauce
- 1 clove of garlic (crushed)
- 1/2 tin of kidney beans or 1 tin of baked beans
- 1 dessertspoon of flour

### Method

Chop onion and garlic.

Dissolve beef cube in a 1/4 pt/150ml of boiling water. Put minced beef/lamb in dry frying pan. There is sufficient fat in mince for frying. Cook for 20-25 minutes over a low heat until well browned, stirring all the time.

Add onions and garlic to the pan and cook for 2 to 3 minutes. Sprinkle on the flour and chilli powder and cook for 1-2 minutes, stirring all the time.

Add beef stock, tomato sauce and tinned tomatoes. Bring to the boil.

Add kidney beans/baked beans to mince. Simmer for 20 minutes.

## Beef Casserole

### Ingredients

- 1 1/2 lb / 675g round beef steak/rib steak
- 1 dessertspoon cooking oil
- 1 large onion, peeled and chopped
- 1oz / 25g corn-flour
- 7 mushrooms, sliced
- 3 carrots, sliced
- pinch of salt & Pepper
- 1 pt/575ml beef stock (2 stock cubes dissolved in 1pt/575ml of warm water)
- 1 tablespoon tomato puree

### Method

Pre-heat the oven to 170°C / 325°F / Gas Mark 3.

Trim the beef and cut it into thin strips about 2 inches in length.

Heat the oil and fry the chopped onion, mushrooms and carrots for 2-3 minutes. Place in casserole dish.

Fry the beef strips until brown.

Place in the casserole dish.

Mix the corn-flour with the juice in the pan and cook for 2-3 minutes.

Remove from heat and stir in the stock.

Bring to the boil, add the tomato puree, salt and pepper.

Add to the casserole dish and cook for 1 1/2 hours.

## Family Shepherd's Pie

### Ingredients:

- 900g/2lb potatoes, peeled and diced
- 300g/10oz carrots, peeled and sliced
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 100g/4oz onion, peeled and chopped
- 450g/1lb lean minced beef or lamb
- 1 tin tomatoes chopped.

### Method

Cook the potatoes and carrots in boiling water and until tender (about 20 minutes).

Meanwhile heat the vegetable oil in a small saucepan and sauté the onion until softened.

Add the minced meat to the onion and sauté, stirring occasionally, until browned all over.

Add the tinned tomatoes. Cover, bring to the boil and then simmer for about 20 minutes.

When the potatoes and carrots are cooked, drain them and return to the saucepan and mash until smooth. Spoon the carrot and potato mixture on top of the minced meat mixture and bake in a moderate oven for 30 minutes, until the top starts to brown.

**Suitable for freezing.**

*For best flavour and texture, don't freeze the following foods:*

**Milk products:** they'll curdle.

**Boiled eggs:** the whites get watery.

**Custards:** they'll lose texture, get lumpy.

**Mayonnaise:** it may separate.

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In April 2007, Accenture published a study about online product research. They found that 67% of respondents preferred to purchase goods in physical stores, however, 69% of the respondents stated that they use the Internet to research product features as part of the shopping process. They also found that:

- 58% use the Internet to locate items online before going to a store to purchase.
- Only 13% said the Internet has not improved their shopping experience.
- 43% said the online information was the most influential

"Instead of replacing bricks and mortar stores, the Internet is an extension of consumers' in-store shopping experience providing a resource to research product and price," said Jeff Smith, global managing director of Accenture's Retail practice. "Retailers and manufacturers must understand this consumer behaviour trend in order to reach shoppers, educate them, serve them and earn their loyalty." The internet has become second nature to the under 35's. They have easy access to it via their computer at home, their computer at work, and even on their phone. It is an easy reachable resource that will give immediate results, no matter what they are looking for. This market segment believes that if a business does not have a website then they cannot be very reputable. The easiest way to profit from this market is to have a website.

The most obvious benefit to owning a website is marketing your business online. Prospective clients will look for your business website before searching the yellow pages for your phone number. However, there are a lot of other benefits. A website can be used as an opportunity to publish your knowledge of your products or services, it can be used as a communication tool in order to keep in contact with your current clients, or it can be used to inform people of your business or products.

## **Increase your visibility, communicate with the world and expand your client base**

More and more individuals and business people are looking to the Web for products and services.

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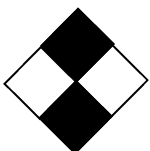
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## Maynooth Golf Society

### Result Sheet

**Headford Golf Club 25/7/09**

**Kevin Loftus Captains Prize**

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1st Prize	Liam Farrelly	38pts.
2nd Prize	Niall Farrell	36pts. B9
3rd Prize	Mark Kehoe	36pts.
4th Prize	Gerry McTernan	35pts. B9
5th Prize	John Carroll	35pts.
6th Prize	Barry Desmond	33pts.
7th Prize	Tom Flatley	32pts.
8th Prize	Norman Kavanagh	31pts. B9
9th Prize	Pat Connolly	31pts. B6
10th Prize	Terry Moore	31pts.
Front 9	Joey Edwards	17pts.
Back 9	Mick Flynn Snr.	17pts.
Past Captain	Liam Farrelly	
Visitors	Joey Glynn	34pts.
	Kevin Loftus Jnr.	27pts.
Nearest the Pin	Joey Edwards 14th & Barry Desmond 8th	
2's	Joey Glynn	

Kevin Loftus Captains prize to Headford Golf Club in Kells had a great turnout of the members for the highlight of the society's calendar. This old tree lined parklands course posed a great challenge and a good test of golfing skill for all who played. The weather was good and sunny for most of the day except for one heavy shower in the latter part of the day, the course was in excellent condition even after the heavy rain of the previous week. A fantastic score by Liam Farrelly of 38 points playing off a handicap mark of 6 took the first prize closely followed in second place by his former caddie Niall Farrell with a score of 36 points and Mark Kehoe in third place on the same score of 36 points. All other results listed above.

Brendan Leigh of Maynooth Windows and Conservatories who sponsored this outing presented the prizes with Captain Kevin Loftus at the captain's dinner at Headford Golf Club after the event which was attended by all who played.

Our last outing was held in Athlone Golf Club on 29th August — The Shay Moore Cup.



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## The Dangers Associated with Smoking !!!

Possibly one of the best things to happen during the Celtic Tiger Economy I think was legislation which made it illegal for people to smoke in public places be it in the workplace or any other public place and that includes on buses, trains and aeroplanes if you pardon the pun. Now that isn't a criticism but it has been argued by the experts in the health field that this piece of legislation was a long time coming and that it will benefit smokers and non smokers alike in the long run.

***Here are what some health experts say about what the effects of smoking can be:***

The experts claim that there are about 700 harmful additives that can be found in cigarettes. Most of the additives are toxic and it would be illegal to use any of these in food. Did you know as well that once a cigarette is lit it ***reaches a temperature of 2000 degrees Fahrenheit.*** Most of these are most definitely dangerous and taken over a long period and WILL at some stage cause serious harm to your health. Some of the toxins include Carbon Monoxide, Carcinogens and numerous Mutagens.

One of the main reasons associated with cigarette smoking and possibly the main reason for people becoming addicted to them is down to the ***nicotine.*** Nicotine has no colour doesn't have an odour and is normally found in tobacco. The nicotine contained within a cigarette can do serious harm to a human beings internal organs. And no organ contained within the human body is safe once a sustained amount of smoking has taken place. Nicotine is a poisonous alkaloid which comes from the tobacco plant. ***Nicotine raises both your pulse rate and blood pressure.*** According to medical experts it affects the brain and quickly becomes addictive. ***Another frightening thought here is that "Nicotine can be found in Weed killer."*** Another chemical which is deadly and a highly addictive part of the cigarette and is found in the cigarette is ***a toxic brown substance*** when the tobacco cools and is called ***"Tar."*** This substance gathers in the lungs and is cancer forming and can kill. ***Believe it or not but another toxic mixture often used in the making of rat poison called Arsenic can be found in cigarettes. Other chemicals containing deadly toxins used in the production of cigarettes are "Methanol- a fuel used by the aviation industry,***

***Polonium 210 - a radioactive element used in the making of nuclear weapons and an atomic heat source and finally Formeldehyde- which causes cancer and can damage your Skin, Lungs and Digestive System. Embalmers use it in preserving dead bodies. There are other deadly chemicals but the above named is just a taste of the many deadly components used in the manufacture of cigarettes.***

The chances of contracting cancer through smoking increases as you get older and is significantly higher among middle aged men and women. And it doesn't just apply to older people, even children can be affected as a result of what's called passive smoking. Problems such as asthma, emphysema and other chest infections can be caught as a result of the dreaded cigarette or as it is often more commonly called "the cancer stick."

*According to statistics carried out worldwide a person dies every 6.5 seconds through the effects of cigarette smoking. That means that 1.5 million people die needlessly every year through the effects of cigarette smoking which is a frightening thought.*

***Seven thousand people die in this country yearly from smoke related illnesses and thousands more are affected either one way or another through chest related illnesses brought about by smoking.***

Because of the health risks associated with smoking it can speed up the aging process. As a person gets older smokers are likely to suffer from the following symptoms– thickening of the arteries, blood clots and are in danger of developing cancer of the mouth, larynx, cervix, oesophagus as well as the bladder, pancreas and kidneys. They are also more likely to show symptoms of a lack of athleticism, wheezing of the chest, coughing and nausea. Eventually they will suffer from an increased resistance to a flow of oxygen to the lungs as well as stained teeth and fingers. There is also likely to be a strong odour of tobacco smoke off their clothes. Smoking will not only affect your health but it will hit you in the pocket as well. Not only are they expensive to buy but the health issues that have to be addressed as a result of smoking will also have to be dealt with.

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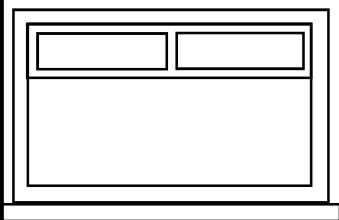
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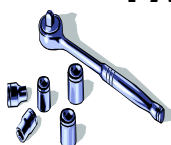
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# September Diary Planner



## Maynooth ICA

Following the Summer Break the monthly meeting will take place on Thursday 3rd September at 8.00 p.m. in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour

Crafts resume on Monday 7th September at 8.00 p.m.

New Members Welcome

## Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

Meeting takes place on Tuesday 15th September at 8.00 p.m. in Loftus Hall, St. Patricks College, Maynooth

Demonstration of Floral Art  
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All welcome.

## Maynooth Toastmasters

Following the Summer Break Maynooth Toastmasters will be holding an Open Night on Monday 14th September at 7.45 p.m. in Glenroyal Hotel

## Maynooth Community Library

Adult and Children's Chess Club takes place every Monday at 6.00p.m.

## Donadea Running Club

Donadea Running Club will hold a 10k Race on Saturday 10th October 2009.

Participants should gather at the Dunmurragh side of Donadea Forest from where the race will commence. The race will finish in Donadea Forest on the castle side of the lake.

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- \* Check all your doors and windows for **sneaky draughts** - the biggest culprit of wasted heat.
- \* May seem silly but change your light bulbs! Invest in some **Low energy bulbs** as they last up to 15 times longer than a normal light bulb and provide the same lighting for a quarter of the running cost.
- \* It sounds ridiculous but if a room is **not occupied then the light should be off**. This sounds easy, but how often do we leave a room thinking we'll be back in a minute and then completely forget that we left the light on.
- \* This also sounds like common sense but is easily forgotten -unplug all electrical devices not being used. Many appliances, **especially PC's, TV's and mobile phone chargers use up power on stand by**.
- \* Place heavy furniture like bookshelves, and sofas against exterior walls to **help block off cold air**.
- \* When cooking use lids on pots and pans to reduce cooking times. For example **never boil water in an uncovered pan** as it boils faster and use less energy in a covered pan.
- \* **Wash your dishes** rather than use a dishwasher.
- \* Hang your clothes on a clothes line or buy a clothes horse if you live in an apartment. If you are urban living and are not allowed place your laundry on the balcony, buy some pegs to **pin your clothes to the clothes horse** and leave out early in the morning or late in the evening. Tumble dryers are notorious for racking up energy units. Plus they ruin your clothes!
- \* Use less water during the day. Simple steps such as turning off your water while you brush your teeth and **taking shorter showers** can save you money on your water bill. You can also save water and money by only running your washing machine or dishwasher when it is fully loaded.
- \* **Perform home repairs** in a timely fashion. Problems such as leaky taps, leaky pipes or windows that do not shut fully can slowly increase the amount of money that you spend on water, heating and cooling.





## Maynooth Toastmasters

*We are resuming the Maynooth branch of Toastmasters on September 14th at 19.45 in the Glenroyal Hotel in Maynooth.*

*Toastmasters is an ideal way for people to gain experience with public speaking, improve their communication skills and polish up on how they deliver presentations. The Maynooth branch currently has over 40 members of all ages and anyone is welcome to join, no matter their background or experience in public speaking.*

*Guests can come along on September 14th for free and see what Toastmasters is like before deciding to sign up.*

*Please feel free to contact me if you need any more info.*

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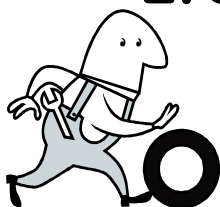
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Hedgehogs are good climbers and can climb over ivy-covered garden walls. If they fall from a height, they immediately curl into a ball as they fall to land unhurt, cushioned by the thick layer of spines. We all like to see hedgehogs visit our gardens. They are often called the gardener's friend, because they eat slugs and snails thereby reducing the need to use slug pellets. This is a good example of biological pest control (using one species to remove another). If you want to put out additional food for visiting hedgehogs, make sure NOT to give them bread and milk. The milk can make them very sick, maybe even kill them. The best food you can give them is tinned dog or cat food, and always leave out a bowl of fresh water for them.

As you move into summer, hedgehogs in your garden may become more noisy. On warm moist summer nights you may be lucky enough to see and hear mating hedgehogs. They seem to ignore humans and you can watch them without disturbing them. So enjoy them at this time of year, because come next October or November they will have hibernated and will spend the winter sleeping.

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One day you bring home another furry bundle of joy. The problem is, the dog currently in residence - the one you adore, who always came to you for pats and snuggles - suddenly decides he wants nothing to do with either you or the new family member. Pets can display jealousy too, and to help smooth the transition to a more-than-one-pet household, try to:



- \*Continue to lavish attention on your "first" pets. It's so easy to get caught up with the newcomer ... but your other pets may be feeling a bit put out. Spend plenty of time with them reassuring them that they're still a special part of the family.

- \*Take things slowly; don't force your pets together. Introduce them in controlled situations, and give them time to adjust at their own pace. Allow them to gain confidence and decide when they'd like to face their new housemates.

- \*Feed them away from each other. Use separate food and water bowls, and keep them physically separated when eating. Do not tolerate aggressive behaviour.

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**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

Keeping things to yourself will give you greater leverage when you want to negotiate. Communicating with people who have common interests will lead to advancement but is likely to create jealousy. Your lucky day is Monday, Number 2, Colour Yellow.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

Don't fall victim to a fast talker or someone pressuring you to make a hasty decision. Don't donate time or assistance before knowing exactly what's involved. Listen, be patient and keep your distance. Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 7, Colour Blue.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

Take a lead position. You have charm, wit and the wherewithal to get others to do things for you. Your energetic, go-getter attitude will inspire others to support your effort. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 11, Colour Violet.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

You may be tempted to take the easy route, allowing someone else to call the shots, but you will regret not taking matters into your own hands. Take note of what's important to you if you want to be successful and find happiness. Your lucky day is Monday, Number 5, Colour Navy.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

Don't be afraid to share your dreams and ask for input to help achieve your goals. Progressive, aggressive action will help you get your point across. A contract can protect you and your interests. Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 25, Colour Orange.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

The more you accomplish, the greater the impression you will make. If someone doesn't meet your expectations, move on. Take on whatever task is undone and show your ability to do things on your own. Your lucky day is Friday, Number 31, Colour Pink.



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

Don't be a follower when you have so much to gain by making your own way. Let your imagination drive you to bigger and better accomplishments. Be intent on presenting your own reforms and ideas. Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 10, Colour Black.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

Don't take chances, not everyone is in your corner. Opposition will be fierce. A short trip will give you some fresh ideas and help you make some changes that will catch everyone off guard. Your lucky day is Friday, Number 22, Colour White.



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

You can accomplish your goals but not at the expense of someone else. If you meddle or take on a task that is too great, you will end up looking bad. Take your lead from a more conservative friend or observer. Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 10, Colour Black.



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

Use your past experience and acquaintances to get things right this time around. Just because something didn't work a long time ago doesn't mean it won't work now. Your timing is much better to, redo, reinvent, recycle and renew. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 9, Colour Maroon.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

Your original ideas will lead you down a path that is exciting and can change your life considerably. Don't let someone's negativity get you down. You are in a good position to debate your case and win. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 15, Colour Green.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

Work secretly if you want to avoid setbacks, disturbances and opposition. Make a couple of alterations at home. A carefully orchestrated talk will keep the one you love protected until your plans are doable. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 12, Colour Wine.



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## Maynooth GAA News



*Maynooth's minor football team, which began their championship campaign against Naas on August 11. Donal McAvinue's side will play three matches in the round robin format and will qualify for the quarter-finals if they finish in the top eight of 12 teams*

*Maynooth minor footballers got a helping hand from their main sponsor Sean Donovan (left) of Donovan's Centra, Greenfield Shopping Centre, Maynooth ahead of this year's championship which began on August 11. Team captain Michael Fahey (right) is on hand to receive a new set of tracksuit tops*



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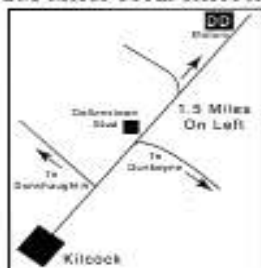
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# Maynooth GAA News

## Ennis makes it easy for Maynooth but Blues are brutal

MAYNOOTH	1-14
MONASTEREVIN	1-5

MAYNOOTH passed their first test in this year's intermediate championship with flying colours after a comprehensive nine point win against Monasterevin.

Scoring just one point in the first half Monasterevin were made look like students who hadn't studied for their exams as Maynooth outplayed, out-thought and out-muscled them during an excruciating hour of football for Paul Bealin's side.

Bealin must have been scratching his head in disbelief when the Blues were kept scoreless for 22 minutes and scored just once in the opening half.

Maynooth hit 1-7 without reply during 17 blistering minutes that established their credentials as serious title contenders.

Pierre Ennis was the star of the show, hitting 1-3 in the first six minutes and getting a further four points to make for an individual tally that was enough to beat the losers on its own.

All over the field Maynooth were hungry for the ball and with complete dominance in midfield they wrestled for every breaking ball like their lives depended on it. With a huge workrate that their opponents could never match, the winners made the most of every opportunity although they could hardly believe the ease with which they took control.

At the interval the match was good as over, the gap 11 points and the score 1-9 to a measly 0-1 after 30 minutes Monasterevin will have to forget if they're to make any headway in the championship.

After Ennis hit 1-3, Niall Naughton and Vinny Hanrahan added a point each until Maynooth's top scorer took over again with two more points from play before Monasterevin finally got off the mark courtesy of Colm McCabe.

Maynooth's determination was such that they finished the half with another brace of points, this time Karl Ennis clipping two fine scores, one from play and one from a free.

Things could only improve for the losers after the break because they couldn't get any worse and an influx of subs, four by the 42nd minute, gave them a badly needed makeover.

They attacked with more purpose and Wayne Carter netted with six minutes to go the Blues were only playing for pride.

Even that was in poor supply for Maynooth finished this hiding with three more points before the end, again Karl Ennis found the range with two more good scores to take his tally to four from wing back while Vinny Hanrahan cleverly fisted over his second point of game.

Maynooth will have to be considered as live championship contenders after this display and with a second round clash with lowly Eadestown next up they already look to have one foot in the quarter-finals.



David Comerford

### MAYNOOTH

Paul Flood; Adam Gunne, Colin O'Neill, Joe Brennan; Sean Kennedy, Niall Byrne, Karl Ennis (0-4, 2fs); Niall Naughton (0-1), Mickey Bennett; Feargal Molloy, Cillian Carr, David Comerford; Vinny Hanrahan (0-2), Hugh Purcell, Pierre Ennis (1-7, 0-3fs). Subs: Alan McAndrew for Molloy, 46.

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# Whitney Houston

**W**hitney Elizabeth Houston (born August 9, 1963) is an American recording artist, actress, and former fashion model. A relative to several prominent soul singers, including her mother Cissy Houston, cousins Dee Dee and Dionne Warwick, and godmother Aretha Franklin, Houston began singing at her New Jersey church as a member of a junior gospel choir at age eleven. After she began performing alongside her mother at night clubs in the New York City area, she was discovered by Arista Records label head Clive Davis.



Houston spent some of her early life touring night clubs with her mother and while Cissy was performing she would occasionally get on stage and perform with her mother. Rolling Stone Magazine praised the new talent, calling her "one of the most exciting new voices in years" while The New York Times called the album "an impressive, musically conservative showcase for an exceptional vocal talent". Houston's second album, *Whitney*, was released in June 1987.

Houston was a supporter of Nelson Mandela and the anti-apartheid movement. During her modelling career days, the singer refused to work with any agencies who did business with a then apartheid South Africa. In June 1988, during the European leg of the tour, Houston joined other musicians to perform a set at Wembley Stadium in London to celebrate a then imprisoned Nelson Mandela's 70th Birthday. Over 72,000 people filled Wembley Stadium, and over a billion people tuned in worldwide as the rock concert raised \$1 Million for charities while bringing awareness to apartheid. In 1989, Houston formed the Whitney Houston Foundation For Children, a non profit organization that has raised funds for the needs of childrens issues around the world. The organization cares for homelessness, children with cancer and AIDS, and other self-empowerment.

Whitney Houston married Bobby Brown on July 18 1992. She has one daughter by him called Bobbi Kristina Houston Brown. Houston appeared in her first starring role in the feature film *The Body Guard* in 1992. In 1995, Houston starred alongside Angela Bassett, Loretta Devine, and Lela Robson in her second film *Waiting to Exhale*; a motion picture about four African American women struggling with relationships. Houston played the leading role Savannah Jackson, a TV producer in love with a married man.

In August 2001, Houston signed the biggest record deal in music history with Arista/BMG. She renewed her contract for \$100 million to deliver six new albums, on which she would also earn royalties.

Whitney Houston separated from Bobby Brown in September 2006. The following month, on October 16th 2006 Houston filed for divorce from Brown. On February 1st, 2007 Houston asked the court to fast track their divorce. The divorce became finalised on the 24th April, 2007.

In March 2007, Clive Davis announced that the singer would be heading back to the studio to record her first album in four years.

Whitney Houston's debut is currently listed as one of Rolling Stone's Greatest Albums of all time and on The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's Definite 200 List. Houston's grand entrance into the music industry is considered one of the 25 musical milestones of the last 25 years according to USA Today. In 1997, the Franklin school in East Orange, New Jersey was renamed The Whitney E. Houston Academy School. In 2001, Houston was awarded the first annual Lifetime Achievement Award by BET.

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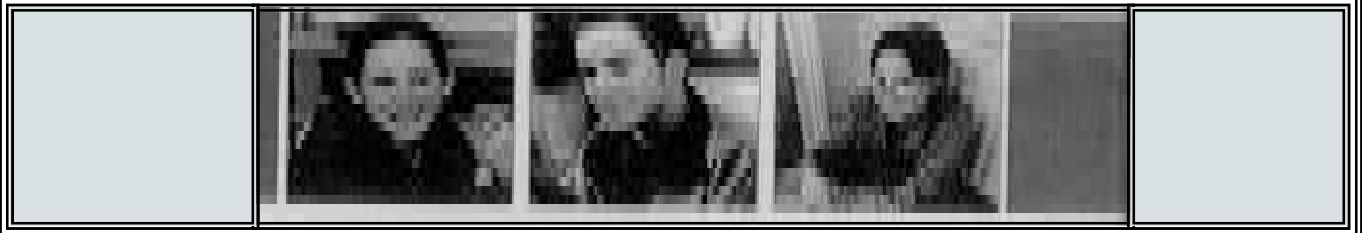
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## **MAYNOOTH U3A**

A group of ladies from Maynooth U3A enjoyed a day out with a difference recently.

The trip was to Arigna Mining Experience in Co. Roscommon. Arigna is a hamlet, situated in the hill country of North Roscommon, a picturesque valley with breathtaking scenery and an unspoiled landscape. It has a history of coal mining going back 400 years.

The last coal mine closed in 1990, and the local community decided to develop a project attempting to maintain life in the valley. The mining museum is the culmination of many years work, with support from statutory and voluntary bodies. As we arrived at the museum on the mountain top, the scenery left us speechless. The panoramic views across Lough Allen to Sliabh an Iarainn and the surrounding mountains is incredible and we spent some time drinking in this unexpected jewel.

Following beverages and snacks in the coffee shop we began the tour. An ex-miner acted as tour guide and his description of a working life of unimaginable severity accepted by the coal miners for generations had our immediate attention.

The journey underground is literally a journey through a life and a way of existence which has been so authentically reborn through this amazing project, that we all felt it was a totally unique experience.

Afterwards we watched a video of a miner at work underground and had a stroll around the exhibition area, which traces 400 years of mining history in the area.

We felt the tour was an education in terms of History, Geography, Sociology, and Human endurance, and came away with an insight into a way of life that most of us could not even imagine.

Helena Kirkpatrick



# BENEFITS OF EATING FRUIT

**W**e all think eating fruits means just buying fruits, cutting it and just popping it into our mouths. It's not as easy as you think. It's important to know how and when to eat.



Shelton who did research on this matter. If you have mastered the correct way of eating fruits, you have the Secret of beauty, longevity, health, energy, happiness and normal weight.

What is the correct way of eating fruits?

## **IT MEANS NOT EATING FRUITS AFTER YOUR MEALS! FRUITS SHOULD BE EATEN ON AN EMPTY STOMACH.**

If you eat fruit like that, it will play a major role to detoxify your system, supplying you with a great deal of energy for weight loss and other life activities.

### **FRUIT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FOOD.**

Let's say you eat two slices of bread and then a slice of fruit. The slice of fruit is ready to go straight through the stomach into the intestines, but it is prevented from doing so.

In the meantime the whole meal rots and ferments and turns to acid. The minute the fruit comes into contact with the food in the stomach and digestive juices, the entire mass of food begins to spoil.

So please eat your fruits on an empty stomach or before your meals! You have heard people complaining - every time I eat watermelon I burp, when I eat durian my stomach bloats up, when I eat a banana I feel like running to the toilet etc - actually all this will not arise if you eat the fruit on an empty stomach. The fruit mixes with the putrefying other food and produces gas and hence you will bloat!

**Graying hair, balding, nervous outburst, and dark circles under the eyes all these will not happen if you take fruits on an empty stomach.**

There is no such thing as some fruits, like orange and lemon are acidic, because all fruits become alkaline in our body, according to Dr. Herbert

When you need to drink fruit juice - drink only fresh fruit juice, NOT from the cans. Don't even drink juice that has been heated up. Don't eat cooked fruits because you don't get the nutrients at all. You only get to taste. Cooking destroys all the vitamins.

**Eating a whole fruit is better than drinking the juice.** If you should drink the juice, drink it mouthful by mouthful slowly, because you must let it mix with your saliva before swallowing it. You can go on a 3-day fruit fast to cleanse your body. **Just eat fruits and drink fruit juice throughout the 3 days and you will be surprised when your friends tell you how radiant you look!.**

**KIWI:** Tiny but mighty. This is a good source of potassium, magnesium, vitamin E & fibre. Its vitamin C content is twice that of an orange.

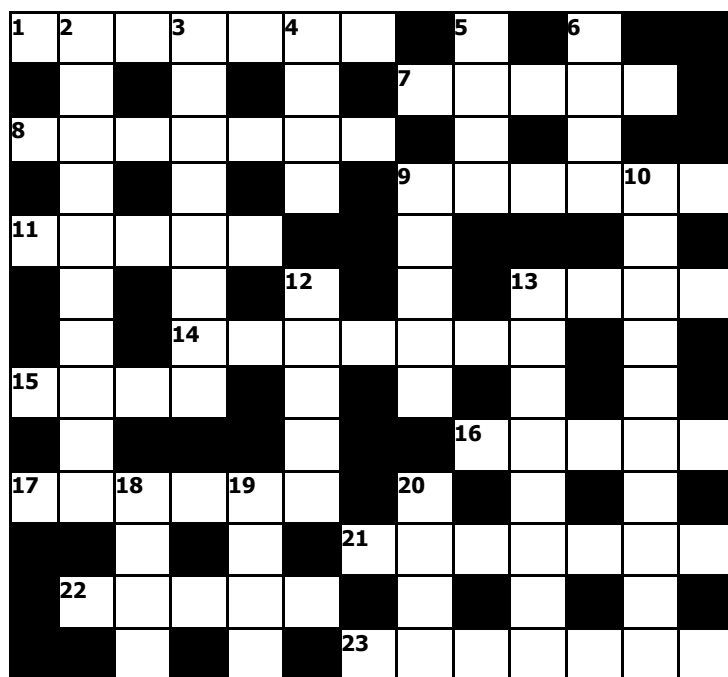
**APPLE:** An apple a day keeps the doctor away? Although an apple has a low vitamin C content, it has antioxidants & flavonoids which enhances the activity of vitamin C thereby helping to lower the risks of colon cancer, heart attack & stroke.

**STRAWBERRY:** Protective Fruit. Strawberries have the highest total antioxidant power among major fruits & protect the body from cancer-causing, blood vessel-clogging free radicals.

**ORANGE :** Sweetest medicine. Taking 2-4 oranges a day may help keep colds away, lower cholesterol, prevent & dissolve kidney stones as well as lessens the risk of colon cancer.



# Crossword No.81.



Entries in Before 16th September

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Across:

1. Surgeons knife (7)
7. US actress, \_ \_ \_ Leigh (5)
8. Passion (7)
9. Fortified wine (6)
11. Cape (5)
13. Church recess (4)
14. Estimated (7)
15. Depend upon (4)
16. Add (3,2)
17. Bring into harmony (6)
21. Alike (7)
22. Order of Greek architecture (5)
23. Broad-blade jungle knife (7)

Doodle Box

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Down:

2. Self-satisfied (10)
3. Apathy (8)
4. River island (4)
5. Hit (4)
6. Juicy fruit (4)
9. Hoard secretly (5)
10. Eating place (10)
12. Wait upon (5)
13. Reprove (8)
18. Walked (4)
19. Singer, \_ \_ \_ Sedaka (4)
20. Elvis film, \_ \_ \_ Las Vegas (4)

Solutions to crossword No. 80.

Across: 1. Strum, 4. Shrug, 10. Pairs, 11. Abigail, 12. National, 13. Fiji, 15. Oswald, 17. Asimov, 19. Sulk, 20. Waterway, 23. Incline, 24. Begin, 25. Etude, 26. Cease.

Down: 2. Twist, 3. Unspoilt, 5. Hail, 6. Uranium, 7. Sponsorship, 8. Japan, 9. Clairvoyant, 14. Assemble, 16. Wildcat, 18. Valet, 21. Wages, 22. Kidd.

# FLOWER ARRANGING

## **A single flower is a beautiful flower.**

Everywhere you look it seems all you see are big and even bigger floral arrangements. Some of them are even downright scary! Little arrangements have their place too, especially the littlest of them all...a single stem. While a single rose or other flower in a bud vase is always elegant, use single blooms in a wide variety of places in many different ways can also be elegant. Place single blooms in tiny vases and containers, float smaller blooms in wineglasses, teacups or other small containers and float larger blooms in bowls or other wide containers. Sometimes a single bloom can be the most elegant and distinctive arrangement .



## **Think beyond vases when looking for a container.**

Do not be afraid of placing a floral arrangement in a container that is not a typical vase. Flower arrangements that are unique and using a unique container are very easy to do. Consider any open container for holding flowers. Even items that won't hold water can be used as vases simply by placing a smaller vase, bottle, or other container inside it. Use our imagination look around your house and see what you can use. What about the old teapot that you never use?

## **Always cut flowers with a sharp knife or pair of scissors**

A very common mistake people make is using a dull pair of scissors or cutting knife...or even worse their fingers...to "cut" flowers either in the garden or when trimming them to fit into an arrangement. A sharp edge is needed to make a sharp even cut that will allow water to enter the flower stems. A ragged edge actually inhibits water and food absorption and will make your flowers fade faster.

## **Flower arrangements don't have to be "perfect".**

Forget the extravagant arrangements. While they might be nice for very formal occasions, smaller arrangements can have just as much, if not more appeal, charm, and beauty. As long as you like the arrangement, and as long as it makes you happy, it is indeed a "perfect" arrangement.

## **Remember that flowers smell.**

You need to keep the scent of flowers in mind when you are making arrangements. Many a dinner party was spoiled by the table centerpiece which was so strongly scented that every dish tasted like the flowers and have made party guests sick by the strong scents of gardenias or lilies in a small or hot room. Remember that even pleasantly scented flowers can be problematic in tight quarters, hot rooms, or on the dinner table. On the opposite side of pleasant smelling flowers lie what we affectionately call "the stinkers". Some flowers just don't smell good, or don't smell good to other people. A flower that smells mildly unpleasant in the garden or florists shop might smell very unpleasant when arranged in a small room or when all you can smell is the flower arrangement.

## **Keep your flowers in a cool location.**

There are few things prettier than a bright bouquet of flowers in a sparkling crystal vase set in a sunny location. As pretty as that flower arrangement is, it won't last long at all in such a warm environment. The cooler the location, the longer your flowers will last. Keeping flowers away from direct sunlight, large lights, heating vents, heaters, active fireplaces, stoves, and even appliances will help them last longer. If you just have to keep an arrangement in a warm location change the water frequently using very cold water and even add an ice cube or two to the arrangement every so often and your flowers will last longer.

# Party Political - Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## **Fitzpatrick welcomes €250 million Government Subsidy Scheme to protect vulnerable jobs**

The Government has established a €250 million Employment Subsidy Scheme that will see payments being made to employers in order to protect vulnerable jobs in the productive sector of the economy according to Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee and Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"This Scheme will see employers being paid a subsidy by the Government to keep on employees as they come under increasing pressure to make redundancies."

"These payments will be vital in protecting up to 27,400 jobs across the country and they will help keep companies functioning and producing in the future interests of the country's exporting potential."

"The Employment Subsidy Scheme will provide a subsidy of €9,100 per employee over 15 months to qualifying exporting enterprises in the manufacturing and/or internationally traded services sectors."

"To qualify, enterprises must be judged to be vulnerable in the current economic climate, but viable in the medium to long term. The assessments will be made by Enterprise Ireland."

"Companies must also employ more than 10 full-time employees, have export sales of at least 30 per cent, and they must not have been in difficulty on July 1 2008 in order to be included in the scheme."

"Over fifteen months, the Employment Subsidy Scheme will provide a maximum subsidy of €200 per full-time employee per week for the first twenty-six weeks, reducing to €150, €100 and €50 respectively for each of the subsequent 13-week periods."

"Under State Aid rules the maximum subsidy payable to any one enterprise, or group of related enterprises, for the duration of the scheme is €500,000. There may be certain reduction on this amount where companies have been approved funding under the temporary aid framework or received de minimis aid."

"This Scheme in addition to the €100 million Enterprise Stabilisation Fund put in place by the Government earlier this year. It is vital that we continue to do everything we can to protect jobs in order to support a faster return to sustainable growth."

The closing date for applications for the Employment Subsidy Scheme is September 4th and interested enterprises may apply online at the dedicated website [www.employmentsubsidy.ie](http://www.employmentsubsidy.ie) or, for enterprises supported by IDA Ireland, contact their IDA Ireland Project Officer directly.

## **EU Membership has never been more important for Ireland - Fitzpatrick**

Retaining a European Commissioner was considered important by 80% of Irish people according to a recent study according to Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North, Michael Fitzpatrick.

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"I believe that Irish people were keen for us to retain a Commissioner because they want to retain a connection with, and influence in, the affairs of the European Union."

"In the past, Ireland has been successful in pursuing our interests on the European stage. We enjoyed a reputation as honest brokers and were the model member state for countries aspiring to join the union. Irish people have been disproportionately successful in securing high office in the European institutions."

"There can be no denying that the outcome of last year's referendum caused many across Europe to wonder whether Ireland's commitment to the union was wavering. We now have the opportunity to send a powerful signal that nothing could be further from the truth."

"By saying yes to Lisbon, by reasserting solidarity with our partners, and by fully implementing Lisbon's enhanced role for the Oireachtas in EU affairs, Ireland can resume its place in the vanguard of the European Union."

"Our membership has never been more important. In these times of unprecedented global challenges – the economy and the international credit crisis, climate change and energy security, regional stability and tackling terrorism – the European Union offers Ireland the best possible means by which to protect our interests and to influence the shaping of global policies and their impacts."

"That is why I am determined to play my part in ensuring that the Lisbon Treaty goes through. I believe that Ireland will deliver a resounding Yes to Europe," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Mental Health Services in Kildare**

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick has received the following response from the Health Service Executive to his enquiry on Mental Services in County Kildare"

The mental health service in the north of the county is divided into two sectors, each with a multi-disciplinary mental health team. The North West sector is based in Kilcock and serves the area between Kilcock and Maynooth and Derrinturn, whilst the North East Team is based in Celbridge and services the area between Celbridge and Leixlip.

The teams share a Day Hospital in Celbridge and a Day Centre in Kilcock, and a Day Centre in Carbury. In addition, the north of the county operates the only homecare team in the Local Health Office area and this has a significant impact on admissions and length of stay in the acute in-patient facility at the Lakeview Unit, Naas Hospital.

All the services in Kildare West-Wicklow Mental Service are operated and managed in the spirit of "Vision for Change". The services operate on a multidisciplinary basis in line with the Vision for Change but as yet do not have the full staffing levels as suggested under the Vision for Change programme.

The Health Service Executive is attempting to re-organise all of its services in order to meet the requirements of strategies under the Vision for Change and the Primary Care Strategy but also need to work within existing resources."

Deputy Fitzpatrick welcomed this response from the Health Service Executive and their commitment to continue to improve the Mental Health Services in County Kildare.

**Issued by  
Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.  
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# Children's Colouring Competition

September 2009



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

## THE WINNERS OF LAST MONTH'S COMPETITION WERE

Under 7 years: Sean Hever, 13, Lyreen Pk, Maynooth

Over 7 years : Ali Crawford, Rathcoffey

Prize money for each age group to be collected at:  
Maynooth Community Council Office , Unit 5 Tesco Shopping Centre,  
Maynooth, Co. Kildare

# Puzzles—Sudoku

Easy

		5		8				
	8		3	1				
	9	3						
	8		6					
	1		2					
	7	9						
	2	3						
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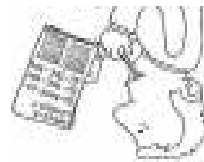
Medium

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8		5		1				
	6	1						
1			7					
3	2							
5			9	3				
		8						
	9							

Difficult


Super Difficult


Solutions



Super-Difficult								
2	7	4	9	8	5	3	6	1
8	1	9	3	4	6	7	2	5
6	5	3	7	2	1	4	9	8
5	4	6	2	7	9	1	8	3
9	3	8	6	1	4	5	7	2
1	2	7	5	3	8	6	4	9
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7	5	6	1	9	2	8	3	4

Difficult								
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7	1	2	9	6	3	5	4	8
8	5	6	7	1	4	9	2	3
1	4	8	3	7	5	2	6	9
2	7	5	6	9	8	3	1	4
6	3	9	2	4	1	7	8	5

Medium								
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5	4	8	9	3	6	2	1	7
7	5	2	3	4	1	8	9	6
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Easy								
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8	5	6	1	3	2	9	7	4
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## Party Political—Áine Brady T.D.

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*Aine Brady T.D.*

### **Employment Subsidy Scheme to assist viable but vulnerable companies says Brady**

The Employment Subsidy Scheme, introduced by the Government last week, is designed to assist viable companies, that export their products or services, protect vulnerable jobs in these current difficult trading conditions according to Local TD and Minister of State, Aine Brady.

'The Employment Subsidy Scheme will provide a subsidy of €9,100 per employee over a fifteen month period to qualifying exporting companies in the manufacturing and/or internationally traded services sectors. Qualifying companies must be judged vulnerable in the current economic climate but viable in the medium to long term, and the scheme is being coordinated by Enterprise Ireland.' stated Minister Brady.

'This Scheme will assist employers retain their workers, their knowledge base and skills-base and also assist in protecting much needed employment. Details of the Scheme can be obtained from my office or from Enterprise Ireland.'

'The Government has recently announced a number of schemes designed to protect jobs or give training opportunities to Graduates and others. These include the €100 million Enterprise Stabilisation Fund which was put in place by the Government in April of this year to assist companies that are experiencing financial difficulties. The Graduate Placement Scheme, taken together with the Work Placement Programme, is designed to enhance the work experience and training opportunities for people that are becoming unemployed.'

'I would urge any company, that feels that they would benefit from the Employment Subsidy Scheme to contact Enterprise Ireland. The closing date for applications for the Employment Subsidy Scheme, which is a temporary measure, is 4 September 2009 and interested enterprises may apply online at the dedicated website **[www.employmentsubsidy.ie](http://www.employmentsubsidy.ie)** or, for enterprises supported by IDA Ireland, contact their IDA Ireland Project Officer directly.' concluded Minister Brady.

### **Brady urges eligible Parents to apply now for Back to School Clothing & Footwear Allowance**

Over 140,000 families nationally with school-going children are expected to apply for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance this summer, according to local TD and Minister of State at the Department of Health Aine Brady T.D.

'This scheme will see parents being assisted with the back to school costs through payments of €200 or €305 depending on the age of their children.' Stated Minister Brady.

**"Probably the furthest thing from most parents' minds this week is the start of the new school year. But we know that families always find this a pressurised time financially, so I would urge them now to take the time to apply for the Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance, as it can take 6- 8 weeks to process applications and receive payment."**

Minister Brady said in the changes introduced in the Budget this year **"means that an estimated 18,000**

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**more families will benefit as the income thresholds for entitlement to the scheme were increased by €50.**" This brings the income limits for the allowance for parents with one child to €560 for couples and €407 for those parenting alone.

Another special measure which was introduced in the Budget was an additional allowance of €215 payable to 18 year olds in full time education for whom, the half rate Child Benefit is now applied. Total back to school payment in respects of children aged 18 is €520.

The scheme is administered on behalf of the Department by the Community Welfare Division of the Health Service Executive, with staff in place now to deal with claims. A person may qualify for payment of an allowance if they are in receipt of a Social Welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement), or Health Service Executive payment, are participating in an approved employment scheme or attending a recognised education and training course and have household income at or below certain set levels.

Minister Hanafin said "the purpose of the household income limit is to ensure that the allowance is directed at those with the greatest need."

## **Straffan School get works approval says Brady**

Local TD and Minister of State Aine Brady, has been informed by the Minister for Education, Batt O'Keeffe TD, that Straffan National School has received approval to carry out some minor works at their school.

'Straffan NS has received funding, under the contingency fund 2009, to carry out minor works at the school.'

'This announcement, taken together with other recent approvals for Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge, Clane, Eadestown, Naas, and Prosperous, demonstrate that the representations that we are making are continuing to have an effect. I have again made representations to the Minister for Education in connection with the provision of a permanent site for St Patrick's NS in Celbridge.'

'The work to replace the Boilers at the Clane Boys National School is now at an advanced stage.'

'I would again like to compliment the Board of Management and the Staff of Straffan school for their work in preparing necessary document to secure this additional funding. The Department will be in contact with the school to discuss the approval. ' concluded

Minister Brady.

## **Tanaiste set to launch new product range at Colortrend says Brady**

The Tanaiste and Minister for Trade and Enterprise will visit General Paints on Thursday next (30th of July) to officially launch their new Colortrend Historic range of paints, a collection of 88 classic colours by times gone by, according to Local TD and Minister of State Aine Brady who requested the Tanaiste for the launch.

'General Paints, or Colortrend as it is now known, is the largest employer in Celbridge employing some 65 people. The company is a 2nd generation 100% Irish owned company and is the only 100% independent paint manufacturer in Ireland.'

'It is important that companies like Colortrend are recognised for their innovation, in particular in these challenging times. The Tanaiste will launch their Colortrend Historic range which will be added to their current product range and continue to improve their market position.'

'In recent months, I visited a number of businesses in Kildare to ascertain at first hand the issues which they face in their market place. It is important that all Government agencies assist in whatever way we can businesses in the current climate. Thursday is a good news story for Coloured, their management and staff and indeed Celbridge.' concluded Minister Brady.

## **Jobless workers to benefit from 1,500 free college places – Minister Brady**

Jobless workers in Kildare could be among those who benefit from a free part-time undergraduate college course targeted at the unemployed this September according to Minister for State for Older People and local Fianna Fail TD Áine Brady.

"The new college places will be on undergraduate certificate and degree-level programmes and will span the sciences, business, engineering and technology sectors." stated Minister Brady.

"The new college places are designed to retrain and upskill workers. Earlier this year, following a query from a constituent, I made representations to a number of different Government Departments including Education and Social Welfare and pressed for such a scheme to be introduced. I also raised the matter with our Local University - NUI Maynooth"

"The places will be co-funded by the Department of Education and the Department of Enterprise, Trade

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and Employment.”

“Thirteen institutes of technology, four universities and the National College of Ireland are part of this initiative specifically aimed at upskilling and reskilling workers for jobs in the sectors of the economy considered key to tackling the recession and driving economic growth.”

“Those who are interested in the courses need to contact their local college directly and should know that they will be asked to confirm that they have claimed jobseeker’s payment for the previous six months or provide a copy of the RP50 for confirming their entitlement to statutory redundancy.”

“I am hopeful that the fact that applicants will be entitled to retain their social welfare payments while on the course will assist potential students. If a student gets a job before their course finishes will not have to pay tuition costs for that academic year.”

“The courses that have been selected for the unemployed workers will meet identified skills needs so as to increase the likelihood for future employment. Courses will be in good manufacturing practice and technology, supply chain management, electronic and renewable energy engineering, environmental and sustainable energy systems, biopharmaceutical and healthcare science, information technology management, business information systems and financial services.”

“Anyone interested can contact their local FÁS office or local Social Welfare Office for further details,” concluded Minister Brady.

### **CCTV to cover Cycle Racks at Maynooth Rail Station says Brady**

Local TD and Minister of State, Deputy Aine Brady, has been informed by Iarnrod Eireann that their CCTV surveillance system will now cover the cycle storage areas at the Maynooth Rail Station.

‘A number of commuters that cycle to the Rail Station at Maynooth have raised the issue of security at the rail station, and in particular with respect to the cycle rack.’

‘Iarnrod Eireann have now informed me, following our representations, that their CCTV Surveillance Systems, which are now installed at most stations, will now cover the cycle rack area.’ stated Minister Brady.

‘This will act as a deterrent to theft and vandalism at the station and I would like to thank those commuters that raised the issue with me. As a user of the service myself, I know that the Maynooth Line has seen significant improvements in the level of service in recent years. We must ensure that those that cycle to the rail station have their property protected as much as possible.’ concluded Minister Brady who also raised the issue with the local Garda Sergeant in Maynooth.

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# *Carton House - Maynooth*

## *A Brief History*

**C**arton House is situated about one mile from Maynooth beside the Galway Road. This great house is nestled among a most beautiful setting of trees and lawns. The Rye Water weaves its way through the estate lands until it joins the river Liffey at Leixlip.

The demesne is surrounded by a five mile long wall and there are five lodge houses dotted along the boundary. On the demesne itself is the famous Shell Cottage which was built for Lady Emily FitzGerald, a quaint cottage which once had a thatched roof and is decorated outside and within with seashells. All this makes Carton a truly magnificent and breathtaking sight.

The original house was built in the early seventeenth century by a member of the Talbot family of Malahide. Sir William Talbot had obtained the lease of Carton's lands from Gerald, fourteenth earl of Kildare in 1603. In 1691 his son, Col. Richard Talbot, who also became Duke of Tyrconnell died at Limerick. That same year his lands were forfeited to the crown. In 1703, the house was sold at auction and was bought by Major-General Richard Ingoldsby (he was at one time a Lord Justice of Ireland). Richard's son Thomas died in 1731, and so Carton passed into the hands of his cousin Henry Ingoldsby who sold the lease back to the nineteenth earl of Kildare - Robert Fitzgerald.



The great German architect Richard Castle was asked to make conversions to the house in order to make it a more comfortable abode. In 1744 the earl of Kildare died. He left Carton to his widow, Lady Mary O'Brien, but she immediately signed the house over to her son James, the twentieth Earl of Kildare. In 1766 he became the first Duke of Leinster.

James married Emily Lennox, a daughter of the second Duke of Richmond. They removed the straight avenues and created a more natural parkland to surround their house. Lady Emily is noted to have had a passion for spotted cows and she kept a collection at Carton, taking great pleasure in watching them graze upon the lawns.

Two of the more important rooms in Carton house are the Saloon and the Chinese Room. The Saloon has a beautiful plaster ceiling which depicts 'The Courtship of the Gods'. It was created by the famous Lafranchini brothers. It is probably one of their first works in Ireland, dating from 1739. The other important room in the house which still maintains its eighteenth century look, the Chinese Room, is decorated with panels of Chinese wallpaper and is embellished with gilt wood. It is not unlike the layout of the print room in Castletown House.

In 1815 Lord Gerald FitzGerald, third Duke of Leinster House (his Dublin residence) hired the eminent Cork architect, Richard Morris to make alterations to Carton House.

Later Carton was to fall out of the hands of the FitzGerald family due to the rashness of the seventh Duke of Leinster, Lord Edward FitzGerald. An extravagant young man with many debts, he sold his birthright in 1910 to a moneylender. He stipulated that should he inherit the Dukedom, he would receive £1,000 for life. He lived until 1979. His elder brother died in 1922. The second son, Lord Desmond died on active service in France in 1916. Thus Carton was lacking in the funds it needed for its upkeep. In 1949 it was sold to Lord Brocket.

Although it is not open to the public throughout the year, visits can be arranged through Maynooth College Visitors Centre. The centre is opened from May to September.

*Information gathered from [www. Kildare.ie/Heritage/History](http://www.Kildare.ie/Heritage/History)*

## Lisbon Treaty and Bord Snip facilitate return of Water Rates

In the 1980s and 1990s successive Governments and County Councils imposed refuse and water charges on householders. In response residents nationwide resisted the charges on the basis that they were a form of double taxation as they, through PAYE taxes, had already paid for these services. In Maynooth and north Kildare resistance included large public meetings, a protest march along Main St. and a campaign of withholding of payment. In response Kildare Co. Co. conducted a reign of intimidation with mass legal actions, withdrawal of refuse collections and disconnection of water supply. Thanks, in the main, to the gallant efforts of residents' action groups a compromise was eventually reached which included the scrapping of water charges and introduction of tax relief for refuse charges.

However, if Government adopts the Bord Snip recommendations water charges will be reintroduced. Colm McCarthy's July report calls for a cut of €100m in the Exchequer contribution to the Local Government Fund and states:

***"The Group considers that local authorities should be self-financing in the longer term and that Exchequer support should be replaced with increased revenue generation from local sources, including such measures as may be suggested by the Commission on Taxation in its forthcoming Report, and increased cost recovery levels for appropriate services. Charging for domestic water services would be consistent with this approach, and should in the Group's view be within the remit of a single national water authority".***

So, not only are water charges to return but they are also to be taken away from democratically elected local councils and this vital public utility is to be handed over to some class of an unaccountable authority or powerful corporation. Also, the above extract hints at the later introduction of rates on family homes!

And this is where the Lisbon Treaty comes in: the purpose of Bord Snip is to identify savings of up to €5.3 billion for the Government that it intends to cut from public spending, at the behest of the EU

Commission. Ireland has been given until 2013 to get the deficit of debt/GDP ratios below 3%, as per EU rules enshrined in the Lisbon Treaty. Yes, the public finances need to be sorted, but given the severity of Ireland's position a longer time frame and a socially acceptable consensus on how that is to be achieved should be a matter for the Dáil to decide, not for Brussels bureaucrats to dictate. Furthermore, on the ownership of the proposed water single authority, the Lisbon Treaty is quite explicit. Article 106, states:

**"Undertakings entrusted with the operation of services of general economic interest or having the character of a revenue-producing monopoly shall be subject to the rules contained in the Treaties, in particular to the rules on competition..."**

In the light of the experience of Eircom and Aer Lingus, the impact of EU competition rules will mean that such a water authority will be privatized, and that Kildare Co. Co.'s social function of supplying water will be supplanted by a corporation (probably foreign-owned), Chief among the primary purposes of the authority will be the creation of profits for its new owners.

Such an outcome would represent a fundamental threat to the quality of Irish life. NO to Lisbon II on 2 October will require the negotiation of a new Treaty and allow for the removal of such provisions. Only such an outcome will enable residents to continue to hold their local authority to account for the provision of a secure and safe water supply.

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# Editorial-October

As we go to print, the new students are arriving in Maynooth, hundreds of them on top of the thousands that the town accommodates already, and we welcome them all. Four hundred mature students are signed on for First Year; the Government are encouraging the newly unemployed to go to College. This year students do not pay fees but there is a strong possibility that those choosing to attend third level education next year will be paying for this supposed privilege.

The early retirement scheme for third level teachers/lecturers was so popular that the Department of Finance had to withdraw the offer in the second week of September. It is not a healthy sign that senior staff are desperate to leave and the pattern is repeated throughout the public service; senior detectives are leaving and taking their knowledge and insight with them.

As the country faces three hurdles, NAMA, Lisbon 2 and the budget, the population seems paralysed by the enormity of the financial problems that face the economy, sorry, the country. Sometimes, listening to politicians, journalists and commentators, it seems that Ireland/Éire is not a republic or a country but just an economy. In the past fifteen years, there has been so much emphasis on this economy, we have forgotten community, arts, culture, heritage and everything that made us what we are.

The parents of the eighties hardly envisaged their children facing a financial crisis that is even worse than the one that they battled themselves. What makes people really angry is that no-one takes responsibility in Ireland, no-one resigns when wastage, corruption and incompetence is exposed. Perhaps we are all complicit in this dirty quagmire. We treat our TDs as our personal MABS advisors; we won't re-elect them unless they get us whatever we want; be it a medical card, a house to which we are entitled, a rezoning ... forgetting that their job is to legislate not to dispense favours. They don't resign because we re-elect those who do wrong.

Whistle-blowers are not welcome in Ireland – just look at how long it took FÁS to act on an insider anonymous letter. There are very few offices that deserve the respect that goes to the Comptroller and Auditor General as they expose the incredible wastage by certain of our politicians. We get the Government we deserve and it says a lot about us as a people.

It is difficult to find any positive news but the latest Tidy Towns report on Maynooth makes encouraging reading. The full report can be found here: [http://tidytowns.ie/u\\_reports/2009/2009%20County%20Kildare%20Maynooth%20377.pdf](http://tidytowns.ie/u_reports/2009/2009%20County%20Kildare%20Maynooth%20377.pdf). There is great praise for the lack of litter, the estates, the approach road and compliments to the committee for their great work. We would like to extend our congratulations to them as well and call for more volunteers to help them.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin

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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council meeting 14 September 2009

**Among the issues raised and discussed at the meeting were the following:**

### **1. Tidy Towns Competition**

Paul Croghan, Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee, reported an improved result for Maynooth in this year's Tidy Towns Competition, despite the upheaval caused to some of our local green areas during the recent drainage works. Maynooth scored particularly well for Overall Development Approach and Landscaping. Paul said that this was encouraging for the future, given the circumstances this year, and reminded the meeting that the Tidy Towns Committee has an ongoing need for new volunteers. He said that working with fellow volunteers each week was very rewarding and fun, and encouraged people to join in for next season.

### **2. Scouts at Geraldine Hall**

Cynthia Gallagher, Maynooth Scouts, said that the Scouts have made arrangements to have use of the Geraldine Hall as their Den - a very suitable location as it is beside the Harbour Field. Cynthia reported a big increase in Scout membership this year, and said that the Scouts are seeking adult volunteers to help with their activities. She said that the Geraldine Hall would also be available for other groups. This was welcomed by other Community Councillors, some of whom remembered attending 'hops' and other social events there many years ago! It was suggested that the Hall might become a suitable venue for Local History Group events in the future.

### **3. 'Community Gathering' event on suicide prevention**

Deirdre Cullen, Community Council PRO, announced a forthcoming seminar being organised by the HSE's working group on Mental Health and Suicide Prevention in North East Kildare. The seminar, entitled 'Community Gathering – Promoting Mental Health and Suicide Prevention in North East Kildare' will take place on Saturday 10th October at the Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth, from 2.00pm to 5.30pm. It is aimed at young people, parents and all members of the community in Maynooth, Leixlip, Celbridge and Kilcock, and surrounding areas.

The keynote speaker will be Craig Hodges, from Headstrong, and there will be a presentation from Community Action on Suicide, Clondalkin. There will also be workshops on the SPHE program in schools, effective communication across the generations, peer-mentoring, and safety and social networking via the internet and mobile phone.

Maynooth Community Council is involved in the working group which is organising this seminar, along with the HSE, Celbridge Mental Health Association, National Educational Psychological Services, Turas le Cheile, and other groups. All members of the community are welcome to attend.

### **4. Youth Café**

Councillor John McGinley reported progress on the plan for a Youth Café, Theatre and Arts Centre at the Tesco site on Dublin Road and anticipated that a premises would be developed during the next phase of the Tesco Development, in 2011.

**Community Council Report**  
**D. Cullen PRO**



# Community Gathering

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## Presentations

### Promoting Mental Health & Wellbeing of Young People

Keynote Speaker Craig Hodges, Headstrong

### Community Action on Suicide, Clondalkin

Fr. John Dunphy & Maureen O'Mahony

The North Clondalkin Community Action on Suicide Group

## Workshops

- **Social Personal Health and Education (SPHE)**  
Niamh Digan, SPHE Support Service, Department of Education & Science & the HSE
- *"Communicating across the generations: How to talk about the difficult stuff."* Lorraine Shortt, Kildare Youth Services
- *Peer Mentoring* Nuala Smith, Headstrong
- **Safety and Social Networking** The National Parents Council



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# DIY FOR BEAUTIFUL HAIR

## For Volume

Mix the juice of one lemon with 100 ml of water and put into a spray bottle. Spray lightly through your hair, then blow dry. The acidity of the lemon juice swells the strands giving volume. Remember though if out in the sun the lemon will lighten your hair so take this into consideration.



## Ran out of shampoo?

Beat two fresh eggs in a cup of warm water. Massage the mixture through your hair. Leave on for ten to fifteen minutes then rinse with tepid water.

Warning: Don't use hot water to rinse hair or you'll end up with scrambled egg on your hair!

## For a brilliant deep conditioning treatment

Liquidize a banana, add some wheat germ oil, and a few drops of aromatherapy oil (to counteract the banana smell) spread through middle to end of hair lengths and leave for a while. Wash and condition hair as normal.

## Problem with dandruff?

Dissolve some Aspirin in a dandruff shampoo and the problem will clear up fast.

## For dehydrated hair

Blend an egg, a tablespoon of olive oil and a quarter of cucumber in a food mixer. Cover your hair with the mixture and leave for ten minutes. Rinse with lukewarm water and you will be left with softer silkier hair!

## To tame curly hair

Use just a 5 cent size (depending on hair length) of olive oil and mix it with your favourite styling product. Voila!! Tamed curly hair.

## Washing hair

When washing your hair with beer, what you need to do is mix up one part beer and three parts water and pour over your hair for the final rinse and you'll be left with super-shiny hair'.

Always after a wash, rinse your hair with vinegar and warm water and leave for 3 minutes and rinse for beautiful shiny hair.

If you've done your own permanent dye job and the colour is far too strong use fairy liquid as shampoo, as it strips the colour out quicker than normal shampoo.

Put real mayonnaise, not miracle whip, on your hair over night with a plastic cap. This promotes stronger strands and growth.

Old rags can create perfect ringlets with damp hair-simply cut into strips and wrap 2inch sections of hair around and leave over night.

If you have frizzy hair and all you long for is sleek hair, then use 2 medium size blobs of mayonnaise into your hair then rinse and condition as usual - it works wonders!



**Maynooth Community Library  
Children's Book Festival  
October 1st - 30th**

**Thursday 1st October 3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.**

Kite Making Workshop with Chester Beatty Library for 6 - 12 years. Booking essential

**Monday 5th October 3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.**

Drama Workshop - Enid Blyton in the Library with Breda Konstantin for 4 - 10 years. Booking essential

**Tuesday 13th October 3.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.**

Craft Workshop with Mary - Make and Do for 9 - 12 years. Booking essential

**Wednesday 28th October 2.30 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.**

Jungle Dave Animal Roadshow [www.davesjungle.com](http://www.davesjungle.com) for 4 - 12 years. Booking essential

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# Senator Edward Kennedy

Edward Moore "Ted" Kennedy was born on the 22nd February, 1932 and he died on the 25th August 2009 in the United States of America. He was a United States Senator from Massachusetts and a member of the Democratic Party. In office since November 1962, Kennedy served nine terms in the Senate. At the time he was the second most senior member of the Senate since Robert Byrd of the West Virginia, and the third-longest-serving senator of all time. He was manager in his brother John's successful 1960 successful campaign for president, then worked as an assistant district attorney for Suffolk County, Massachusetts. He was seriously injured in a plane crash in 1954 and suffered back pain for the rest of his life. He was chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labour, and Pensions Committee.



Ted Kennedy was the youngest of nine children by Joseph P. Kennedy Sr. and Rose Fitzgerald. He had attended ten different schools by the time he was eleven years old. Ted Kennedy entered Harvard University College and in his Spring Semester was assigned to the athlete-oriented Winthrop House, where his brother's also lived. Kennedy enlisted in the United States Army in June of 1951. Following basic training at Fort Dix, he requested assignment to Fort Holabird for Army intelligence training. After a few weeks he left without explanation and went to Camp Gordon for training in the Military Police Corps. In 1952, he was assigned to the honour guard at SHAPE in Headquarters in Paris.

While still at school, Ted Kennedy met Virginia Joan Bennett, known as Joan, while delivering a speech at Manhattan College in October. She was a senior there, had worked as a model and won beauty contests, but was unfamiliar with the world of Politics. They were married by Cardinal Francis Spellman on November 29, 1958, in Bronxville, New York. They had three children together: Kara Anne, Edward Jr. and Patrick.

Ted Kennedy was sworn in to the senate on November 7th 1962. On November 22 1963, he was presiding over the Senate, task given to junior members, when an aide rushed in to tell him that his brother John. F. Kennedy had been shot. Ted flew to the family home to tell his stroke afflicted father that his son had been shot.

Ted Kennedy finally threw his hat into the ring for the Democratic nomination in the 1980 presidential election by launching an unusual, insurgent campaign against the Incumbent Jimmy Carter. The Chappaquiddick incident became a more significant factor than the staff expected, with several newspaper columnists and editorials criticizing Kennedy's answers on the matter. Chappaquiddick hurt Kennedy badly among Catholic voters. During a St. Patrick's Day Parade the day before, Kennedy had to wear a bullet-proof vest due to assassination threats as hecklers yelled "Where's Mary Jo?" at him. Carter crushed Kennedy on polling day, winning 155 of 169 delegates. His Presidential campaign was over. In January 1981, Ted and Joan announced they were getting a divorce. The proceedings were generally amicable, and she received a reported \$4 million dollar settlement when the divorce was granted in 1982.

Kennedy had an easy time with his re-election to the Senate in 2000, as Republican lawyer and entrepreneur Jack. E. Robinson 111 was sufficiently damaged by his past personal record that Republican state party officials refused to endorse him. Kennedy got 73% of the general election vote, with Robinson splitting the rest with Libertarian Carla Howell.

Kennedy remained neutral as the 2008 Democratic nomination battle between Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton and Senator Barack Obama intensified, as his friend Chris Dodd was also running. Kennedy gave an endorsement to Obama on January 28, 2008, despite appeals by both Clintons not to do so. It was a move that was seen as a symbolic passing of the torch. Kennedy said that it was "time again for a new generation of leadership," and compared Obama's ability to inspire with that of his fallen brothers.

On May 17, 2008 Kennedy suffered a seizure, and then another one as he was rushed from the Kennedy Compound to Cape Cod Hospital and then by Helicopter to Massachusetts General Hospital. On May 20, Doctors announced that Ted Kennedy had a malignant glioma, a type of cancerous brain tumour.

On January 20, 2009, Kennedy attended Barack Obama's presidential inauguration in Washington. Unfortunately he suffered a seizure at the luncheon immediately afterwards. He was taken via wheelchair from the Capital building, and then by ambulance to Washington Hospital Centre.

However, by June 2009 Kennedy had not cast a Senate vote in three months, and his health had forced him to retreat to Massachusetts where he was undergoing another round of chemotherapy.

Kennedy died of brain cancer on Tuesday, August 25 2009, at his home in Hyannis Port, Massachusetts.

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## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

How do I ensure that I will be able to vote in the Lisbon Treaty referendum?

### Answer

All Irish citizens aged 18 or over on polling day and living in the State are entitled to vote in referendums.

For you to exercise your right to vote, you must be registered with your local authority (County or City Council). You can check the Electoral Register for 2009/2010 at [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie). Copies of the Register are also held in Local Authority Offices, Post Offices, Garda stations and Public Libraries.

If your details do not appear you can apply to be included in the supplement to the Electoral Register. To be registered in time to vote in the referendum on 2 October 2009, you should ensure that the completed application form reaches your local authority by Tuesday 15 September 2009.

If you are on the register but have moved address from one Dáil constituency or local electoral area to another, you will need application form RFA3. You can download this from [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie) or ask your local authority to post it out. If your details are not on the Register at all you will need form RFA2, available in the same way. To amend incorrect details, use form RFA1.

There is a Postal Voters List which you can register on if you cannot go to a polling station because of a physical illness or disability, because you are a full-time student living away from home, because of your occupation or because you are in prison. There are special arrangements for members of the Defence Forces and the Foreign Service who are stationed overseas, and for their spouses. There is also a Special Voters List for people living in hospitals, nursing homes or similar institutions who wish to vote at these locations.

These lists come into force on 15 February each year. Your application must be received on or before 25 November of the previous year. However, as in the case of the main Electoral Register, you may apply for inclusion in a supplement to the postal or special voters lists at any time. These supplements close at a specified time in respect of each election or referendum. The postal and special voters supplements for the Lisbon Treaty referendum are now closed.

### Question

I have just applied for a medical card but I am concerned that my savings are too high. How are my savings means-tested? I am single.

### Answer

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has published detailed guidelines for the assessment of means for both the medical card and the GP Visit Card. The **income** guidelines vary for people under and over 70 but **Capital** (savings) is assessed in the same way for both. The guidelines are available on [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie).

As you are single, the first €36,000 of savings or similar investments is disregarded. (For a couple this would be €72,000.)

The next €10,000 is counted as income of €1 per €1,000 per week.

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The next €10,000 is counted as income of €2 per €1,000 per week.

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Alternatively, if you wish, you can have the actual interest rate applied if you provide a certificate of interest paid on savings in the last full calendar year.

If your money is held in fixed-term or long-term savings products that apply the interest after a fixed number of years, the HSE can take account of the interest earned in the year of maturity of the investment. Alternatively, if you wish, the HSE can apply the national rate to determine the income. The calculation of interest includes Deposit Interest Retention Tax (DIRT).

If any of your savings or investments come from certain State compensation schemes, they are not assessable and are disregarded in the means test.

## Question

The business I work for is closing down and redundancy is being mentioned. I am here as a temp for the last three years but I am paid by an employment agency. Am I entitled to a redundancy payment?

## Answer

If you are paid by the agency, you are what is called an "agency worker" – that is, a person who has an agreement with an agency to work for another person.

For the purposes of the redundancy legislation, whoever pays your wages will normally be considered to be your employer. Therefore, as the employment agency pays your wages you will not be entitled to a redundancy payment.

While agency workers do not have the same employment rights as other workers, they do have certain rights under the following employment laws:

- Unfair Dismissals Acts 1977 to 2007
- Redundancy Payments Acts 1967 to 2007
- Minimum Notice and Terms of Employment Acts 1973 to 2005
- Organisation of Working Time Act 1997

- Payment of Wages Act 1991
- Maternity Protection Acts 1994 and 2004
- Employment Equality Acts 1998 to 2008

It is important for you to know who is responsible for ensuring compliance with the legislation – the agency or the firm for which you work. This depends on which rights you are seeking to enforce. Under the unfair dismissals legislation, for example, the employer is the business you work for rather than the agency. Compliance with health and safety requirements is also the responsibility of the business.

The National Employment Rights Authority provides information about workers' rights and entitlements. [www.employmentrights.ie](http://www.employmentrights.ie) Lo-call:1890 808 090

## Question

I have been renting a flat for the last five months but have just lost my job and will be living on Jobseeker's Benefit until I find another one. Can I get some help with my rent in the meantime?

## Answer

There is a special payment called Rent Supplement, which is paid to people living in private rented accommodation who cannot provide for the cost of their accommodation from their own resources. In general, you will qualify for this payment if your only income is a social welfare or Health Service Executive (HSE) payment and you satisfy the other conditions.

The Supplementary Budget (April 2009) made changes to the Rent Supplement scheme. One of the changes is that entitlement to the payment is now restricted to people who are existing tenants for at least six months or who are on a local authority housing list following a full housing assessment. This change came into effect on 27 July 2009. As you have only been renting for five months, you will not be regarded as eligible for Rent Supplement for another month, unless you have been assessed and placed on a housing list.

When you have been renting for six months, you may be eligible for Rent Supplement if the accommodation is suitable for your needs and the rent is below the maximum rent level set for your area. Apply to the Community Welfare Officer (CWO) at your local health centre. The CWO will decide if you are eligible for Rent Supplement and calculate the amount you will get.

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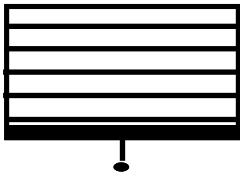


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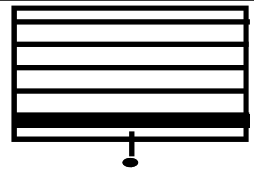
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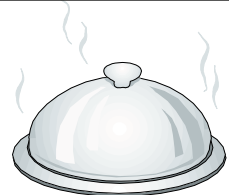
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## Clubs, Organisation And Societies

### Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Coming Events

Our Halloween tea dance will take place on Sunday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in the G.A.A club. The Tony Smith memorial walk, which is organised by the Labour Party, will also take place on the day and will start from the G.A.A. club at 3pm. All monies raised goes towards our fuel and social fund. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the G.A.A. and the Labour Party for their continued support.

Our next event will be our sale of work which will take place on Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup> in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth College. This is our main fundraising event which is needed this year more than ever, as most government grants towards voluntary groups have been suspended. Many thanks to Colm Nelson and staff in Maynooth College, for without this facility there would be no Sale of Work.

Our shopping night at Supervalu this year will take place on Tues. December 8<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks to Eddie Casey and all his generous staff.

Finally **our Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday December 13<sup>th</sup> in the Glenroyal Hotel** and I thank Kate and all the staff who have made this a wonderful event each year.

**Josephine Moore.**

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Your weekly income after paying rent must not fall below a minimum level known as the Supplementary Welfare Allowance rate. For a single person aged over 20, this is currently €204.30, which is the same rate as Jobseeker's Benefit.

When the CWO calculates your level of Rent Supplement it will be reduced by at least €24. This is because you must pay a "Household Contribution" of at least €24 towards your rent. You may pay more than €24 because you are also required to contribute any additional assessable means that you have over and above the Supplementary Welfare Allowance rate towards your rent.

Rent Supplement is paid to you weekly or monthly by cheque, Electronic Fund Transfer or post draft, usually in arrears.

**Further information is available from Citizens Information Centres and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, LoCall 1890 777 121.**

## Maynooth Community Library

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Agnes will resume story telling in Polish in Maynooth Library.

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# St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band

## BAND BULLETIN

Having recovered from the excitement and exertions of the Clonakilty Week-end and that most elusive commodity called a "Summer Break" the Band is now back in action preparing for their busiest period of the year. First up is our recital at Castletown House in Celbridge on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September from 2 – 4 pm as a part of a special Open Day. For some unknown reason it has been a long, long time since we have visited Celbridge, maybe people in that neck of the woods have not heard of us?. I know we have played in St. Raphael's on a number of occasions in the distant past but hopefully the Castletown recital will set something in motion. We are also working towards our Annual Mass for Deceased Members on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30 and our Christmas Concert which will probably take place on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December at a venue still to be arranged. Add to that the usual Christmas Carol Services and you have a very full programme to see us out for the remainder of the year.



We would like to extend a sincere thank you to all who supported our recent week-end collection. Unfortunately, in common with others, for health and safety reasons we are no longer permitted to collect from cars on the Main Street which was always a major boost to our funds but we are looking at ways to compensate for those losses for next year's collection as we are aware that there is a great appreciation of the Maynooth Band in the Community and your response has always been tremendous.

Those of you of a certain vintage will recall a fabulous American (I think) group called The Beach Boys who recorded a fabulous number called Good Vibrations. How does this relate to Maynooth Band you may ask. Well our poor centuries old Band Hall at Pound Lane (come to think of it a very appropriate name indeed for what is happening at present) has been subjected to very "Bad Vibrations" over the Summer due to the works associated with the Liffey Valley Water Works which are creating havoc in this area in particular. The area on this if the town resembles a war zone and it really is difficult to envisage it ever getting back to it's original state. However there is always an upside no matter how bad things seem. Since the works began we have not had to contend with the drinking parties which were a regular feature of the wall (sorry bar seat) in front on the Park beside the Band Hall and now that the Space Age Bandstand has taken flight there is one more similar location taken out of the equation.

The new classes are now back in full swing, the Junior Band is back to rehearsals and the future is looking quite bright. Recorder classes will be commencing so if you are interested in starting a musical career contact Elaine Bean 087 9704912 for further information. We are still looking for experienced musicians, in particular Tuba, Trombone and Euphonium players, who might like to join us. Rehearsals are every Monday night (**except Bank Holidays**) from 8 to 10pm and you will indeed be made most welcome.

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# Horoscopes



## **ARIES—March 21—April 20**

Because your mind is spinning on important matters, you're not so easy to get to know right now. The new people you meet will probably find you to be complex and enigmatic. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 12, Colour Blue.



## **TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

There is excitement in the air. Intriguing offers come your way, but you must act quickly or they disappear. Avoid going on a wild chase. Just keep your head. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 17, Colour Red.



## **GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

A relationship takes your focus. You may be content with the way things are, but that doesn't mean you don't want to make them even better. Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 15, Colour Yellow.



## **CANCER—June 23—July 23**

You don't take yourself too seriously, which is why others will do just that. Your irresistible charm seems to happen without you being conscious of it. You're not trying hard, but you're winning anyway. Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 25, Colour Pink.



## **LEO—July 24—August 23**

Don't let the demands of work get in the way of your freedom-loving spirit. You can have your cake and eat it too -- it just requires that you get very creative and perhaps a bit sneaky too. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 19, Colour Midnight Blue.



## **VIRGO—August 24—Sept 23**

You may feel drawn to studying obscure topics. There are those out there who will love to learn your views and share their own. Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 16, Colour White.



## **LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

Even though you are generally low-maintenance emotionally, you are still a complex individual. The one who understands is the one that will steal your heart. Your lucky day is Friday, Number 16, Colour Cerise.



## **SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

You don't need or want to know how everything comes together, but some people will explain every detail. If you grin and bear it, there will be something interesting in it for you. Your lucky day is Monday, Number 14, Colour Green..



## **SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

When a couple are not getting along well, it affects everyone else around them. Steer toward those who are in harmony with each other and you'll feel happy. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 9, Colour Wine.



## **CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

There's something to figure out today. It will be a bit of work. Before you start, make sure the end result will be worthwhile. Your lucky day is Friday, Number 36, Colour White.



## **AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

Your free time is yours alone. Let no one lay claim to your schedule. And you really shouldn't have to account for your whereabouts at every turn either. Reclaim some of your autonomy. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 15, Colour Green.



## **PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

Your communication skills will be tested. You may encounter someone who makes you nervous and then it's more difficult to send a clear and strong message. Think of this as a drill. You're constantly improving. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 42, Colour Purple.





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# Clubs, Organisations & Societies

## Maynooth I.C.A. Notes

We have returned after a two month break and are settling into a very busy year's work. Two new members, Lil O'Rourke and Helen Pearce were welcomed into the guild. There is a big drive on now to get new members to celebrate 100 years of ICA in 2010. Guild members collected €1048.76 for the Heart Foundation. This foundation is looking for old mobile phones as a fundraiser. The Federation will hold a walk day on Sunday 4th October as an awareness day. The Guild was asked to collect for Arthritis Ireland on weekend 3rd, 4th October.

A Craft Day will be held in Sarsfield in Newbridge on 28th November. Classes are glass etching, calligraphy, sock-it-to-me, gingham embroidery, jewellery making, card making and flower arranging. The Guild made a donation of €200 to Special Olympics, which was our charity this year. A Federation Quiz took place on the 19th September and the winning team go ahead to take part in the National ICA Quiz. Maynooth were the National Winners last year so they will be defending their title later on in the year. The Guild was also a Federation Winner in the Guild of the Year Book and will now go forward to the National Competition in this event so congratulations to all who did major work on producing this book. Arising from the winning of this competition, **does anybody out there know where our previous book of 1980-1982 is?** This book was sponsored by A.I.B at the time. Would you check and see if you have the book as we would be delighted to get it back.

The Federation weekend will take place in "An Grianan" from the 6th-8th November and the Christmas dinner will take place on Tuesday 1st December also in "An Grianan". The knitting and stitching competition will take place in the R.D.S from 29th October to 1st November. Tickets are €15. Badminton has started back on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the College and crafts in the ICA hall on a Monday night.

Maynooth hosted the Federation meeting on the 15th September in the Post Primary School at 8 p.m. The Ploughing Championships took place in Athy from 22nd to 24th September. Again the guild was working at this event. The Federation was involved in demonstrations over the three days and also played hostess to visitors who called to the Ploughing Championships. The Guilds in the County were involved in a big craft display, ably looked after by Mary O'Gorman. Other members were involved in demonstrations in Card Making, Butter Making, Hat Making, Bogland Environment, Beading, Christmas Crafts, Digital Photography, Gardening, Story Telling and Poetry-Reading. Something for everyone. Birthday Greetings were sent to Guild Members who celebrated their Birthdays during the summer, especially to Betty Farrell who celebrated her 86th Birthday and was presented with a lovely chocolate cake. As you can see we have a very busy start to our new year.

### Competition Winners at the Guild Meeting were :

1. Cora Walsh,
2. Mary McNamara,
3. Mary O' Gorman

### Raffle Winners were :

1. Veva Kerins,
2. Betty Farrell,
3. Eileen Flynn

Next months Competition is something depicting Halloween. Maximum size 2 ft x 2 ft. Next month is also our auction month for our charity so don't forget to bring auction items to this meeting. The next meeting will take place on Thursday 1st October at 8 p.m. in the ICA Hall in the Harbour and we would love to see some more new members turning up. As you can see by this report there is something for everyone in ICA and we are all kept very busy keeping the show on the road. Well done to our teams who went forward for the Quiz.

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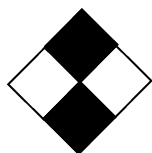
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# Puzzles—Sudoku

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## Tidy Towns Competition 2009

### Adjudication Report

Centre: Maynooth      Ref: 377  
 County: Kildare      Mark: 271  
 Category: F      Date(s): 14/6/09

	Maximum Mark	Mark Awarded 2009
Overall Development Approach	50	44
The Built Environment	50	36
Landscaping	50	42
Wildlife and Natural Amenities	50	27
Litter Control	50	30
Waste Minimisation	20	9
Tidiness	30	17
Residential Areas	40	26
Roads, streets, and Back areas	50	32
General Impression	10	8
<b>TOTAL MARK</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>271</b>

### Overall Development Approach:

Thank you for your comprehensive application and welcome to the Tidy Towns competition 2009. Maynooth Tidy Towns has a steady set of 16 volunteers, with much shared experience, and new members joining in recent years, although the rate of newcomers joining has slowed. Your set up is well organised and a social event in January starts this year. Fundraising may be a challenge this year as the local businesses usually donate for the floral displays. Valuable contributions have come from a wide base, notably the Intel community involvement, local Supervalu and Glenroyal Hotel. There exists excellent partnerships with local schools and the neighbouring town. There is a good rolling 5-year plan submitted with a clear vision for the town. It would be good to include indicative costs of projects listed, to assist with your own planning, and to give an indication of lead partner for projects, although this is included in cases which refer to the various liaison persons within Tidy Towns. There seem to be a few instances where conditions of planning permissions are not being applied by developments until the Tidy Towns press for it, whereas this should be a role for development control within local authority. The sewage upgrade works underway is causing huge disruption but it will be worth it and there is huge potential for improving areas through reinstatement afterwards. Well done and keep up the good work!

### The Built Environment:

The tree lined avenue of Maynooth is a delight, with the imposing castle and St. Patrick's college at the end, it's a wonderfully planned town. There are some fine buildings in the college, and fine churches. The lovely buildings on the Dublin Road unfortunately have inappropriate signage such as at the row with the Euro saver shop. The solicitor's sign at entrance to town has letters missing which does catch the eye as its in such a prominent spot. The shopfronts on main street are mostly very well presented, with Elite Confectionery, Coonan's auctioneers, Brady's, Caulfield's and the Mill Cellar all worth a mention. The red and white shop at Dublin end has a nice frontage and traditional metalwork in the window, but the current sign does not do it justice, its possibly a shop

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for car related products but difficult to tell. Is this the old hardware shop? There used to be an interesting slanted glass frontage along here which is sadly gone. I note the large derelict house at main junction/ Parson St. is to be restored which is good. Larine House looks very well on the square, as does the hard landscaping here. There are a couple of new restaurants which have a classy, elegant appearance—The Avenue and Greene's. Some lovely restored and brightly painted cottages were noted in Leinster Cottages and Cross Lane. It is a pity that a large heritage building going towards Dillon's Row is not looking its best and there are interesting features in the frontage such as railings. While others along here are delightful, and the old stone walls were noted, as they were in many places throughout the town.

## **Landscaping:**

It is great to see the Mill Wheel retained as a feature in the new shopping complex. An information panel would be appropriate here to inform on its significance. Carton Avenue is a wonderful asset for the town but the notice board here needs some attention as the info could not be seen clearly. The rain may be getting inside. The cottages on Convent Lane were decked out with brackets for the hanging baskets but no baskets as yet. I would suggest removing the brackets if they are not being used. Otherwise these are a delightful row of well presented houses. The planters in the square were bare and awaiting plants. The square is a modern feature of hard landscaping that is unusual and attractive.

The trees at the Tesco boundary are good and help to soften and screen the complex. The ground is still rough where they have been planted and it would be good to see this finished off.

Nice job on the grotto in St. Mary's church.

## **Wildlife and Natural Amenities:**

There is a plan for this section which, when put into action should gain you marks. The presentation from the Heritage Officer in 2008 no doubt boosted your understanding of biodiversity and what you wanted to achieve, as did consultations with wildlife expert provided through Kildare County Council. The idea of a panel at the Parson St. river is a good one, as this area could be misconceived as being untidy, whereas the bankside vegetation could be good natural habitat. Some concern was raised over machinery working near the river opposite the Manor Mills.

There was quite a bit of sediment dislodged into the watercourse as part of the sewage works and this was reported to the council at the time as there was potential to impact negatively on fisheries. The canals and rivers are excellent local amenities which can be managed for complimentary multi-purposes of reaction and biodiversity.

## **Litter Control:**

There was no litter on any approaches, very good for a town this size, and none in the residential areas or the main street. There was quite a bit of litter however on the back lanes, mostly of broken glass and a few items which did not appear to have been there a long time. Overall excellent litter management in place. The clean up after dogs signs were noted. Again, the partnership approach of working with neighbouring town and Intel is applauded, as is the linkage with National Spring Clean. The problem you face with bin lids disappearing is a shame and good luck in finding a solution. Hopefully the council cutbacks will not mean illegal dumping response times are delayed.

## **Waste Minimisation:**

Well done to the schools and all involved in the green-schools programme, for achieving awarded flags and for the on-going links with the Tidy Towns committee. The University action on waste prevention is also noted, as is the new green waste composting initiative at Rail Park.

Further marks could be gained here by promotion of waste prevention through workshops or seminars, for example, on home composting. There are a host of events and initiatives that could be applied and are described in the Race Against Waste handbook.

## **Tidiness:**

Very tidy, well marked roads, paths and cycleways throughout. While many lane buildings have been restored, there are several derelict sites mostly used as parking bays with a profusion of no parking signs and graffiti. Traffic in town is a challenge, and plans for more parking spaces are noted. There are a few unsightly building sites around town, but the Leinster Arms has made good efforts on effective screening. There's a noticeable hoarding opposite the Manor Mills complex, and the sewage works underway are causing disruption throughout town. Pity the entrance to the college is blocked. I'm sure all the residences look forward to when they are finished! The plans for old parish hall are noted and welcomed!

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## **Residential Areas:**

There are very nice floral displays at entrance to Cluain Aoibhin, and lovely houses and gardens out the front, but the estate in the back looks tired and quite unkempt. This is also the case with Meadowbrook, with some properties neglected and overgrown weeds at kerbs. This appears to be the challenge of having a large number of rental properties, many inhabited only during the college term. Has there been any approach to landlords to chip in for maintenance of estates? There was some graffiti evident in Beaufield/College Green but no litter so some progress is being made here. The stream running through Meadowbrook is a good amenity and natural bankside vegetation provides good wildlife habitat. Newtown Lawns and Castle Dawson appear well cared for. The profusion of new build, empty houses and apartments, is a sad sight, but a common one throughout the country at this time. Moyglare Abbey is very neat and well cared for, with lovely name signs for different sections within. Pebble Hill has some great natural hedgerows at the back and summer plants along the entrance road add a touch of colour. Lyreen Park also very neat, and the lovely name sign at O'Neill Park was noted.

## **Roads, Streets and Back Areas:**

All approaches clean and litter free. From the Straffan/motorway side generally very good once over the bridge with very neat, clean edges and cyclepaths. Marvellous new nameplate at motorway entrance to the town, a nice way to mark the 50th anniversary of the competition.

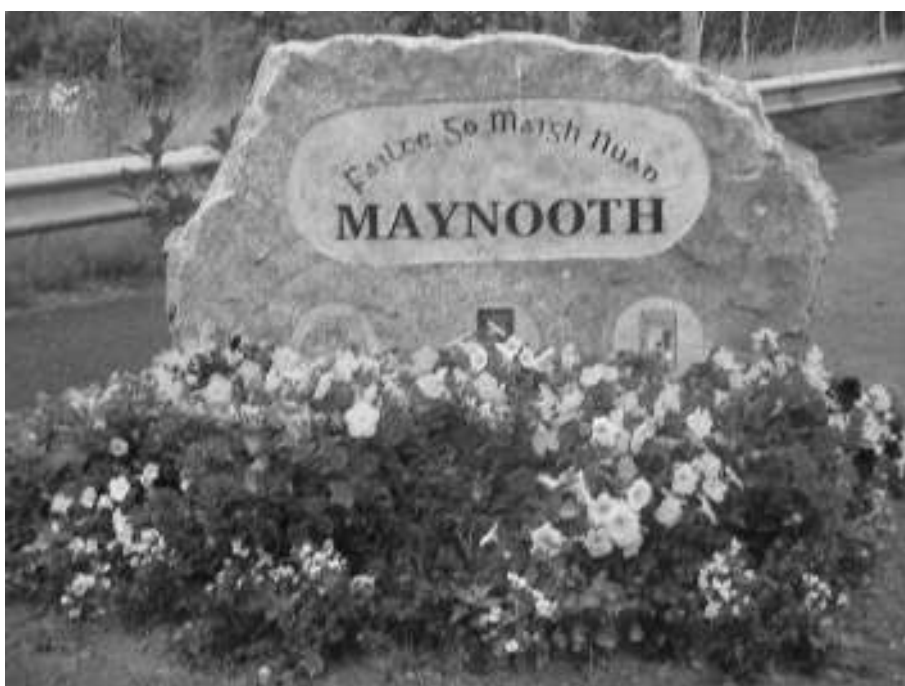
Coming from Dillion's Row direction, there are so many new builds, not all of tasteful design, but the stone wall in front of charming cottages provides attractive entrance to town. From Kilcock side, the university is a mighty presence and looks very well, with the trees along the entrance and vista into the modern north campus. The new shopping complex is smart and frontage of Aldi screened by lovely old stone wall on this approach.

Resurfacing works needed on the laneways after damage from machinery for the sewage upgrade works.

## **General Impression:**

A fine town, laden with history but with vibrant presence. Many excellent facilities and amenities, well integrated town. Challenges are in residential areas with short-term residents, traffic management, and disruption from developments. A strong, well organised committee should continue to achieve good results in competition. Good luck!.

**This Commemoration Stone was erected by Maynooth Tidy Towns to commemorate their 50th Anniversary. It is hoped that similar commemoration stones will be erected at all approach roads into Maynooth.**





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## *Go See The Book of Maynooth!*

The handwritten book of Maynooth is currently on display in the Maynooth Community Library. The Newsletter will feature some of the writings and images from the book over the coming months.

The concept of the Book of Maynooth was originated by the late Stuart Lane of Kilcock early in the year 2000. The idea, based on The Great Book of Ireland (1991), was to create a single handwritten book which would contain a representative collection of poems and other writings by authors from the area together with examples of work of local visual artists.

Stuart Lane together with John Conroy and Hilda Dunne headed up the committee which included well know local writer Mary O'Donnell and poet Ann Egan.



The authors were required to handwrite their work on a piece of vellum that and was later bound in high quality leather at Marley Park.

The Newsletter would like to thank Stuart's family, John and Hilda as well as Caoilfhionn Murphy (local artist) for giving us permission to reproduce the writings and artwork in the book.

The inclusion in the Newsletter brings renewed attention to the book that may encourage people in the community to go and see the book to get a proper sense of not only its literary content but also the workmanship and visual beauty of the item itself.

# Book of Maynooth

## Rodanstown Graveyard

Religeeen by the townlands mearing  
where for the kug of seven centuries  
unnumbered earthborn palesfolk rest  
in quiet dignity, beneath coverlets of  
feathered grasses — shaded by yews  
And lulled by cooing of woodquests.

A hint the fallen wall — stokes of the church  
the big house time — walk straight as pike  
through nest dressed parkland to the haggard  
Fields trig and trim, that never saw whin not  
buachalowry but sleek horses and cattle  
grazing softly in the summer sun.

Sleep well my honoured forebears  
You could have found a worse resting place.

By



# Back To School

## Scoil Uí Fhíaich.



*Jennifer Nic Aodha.*



*Junior Infants at Scoil Uí Fhíaich.*

## Presentation Girls' Primary School.



*Aisling Ennis, Jessica Ennis,  
Sophie Fitzgerald.*



*Lucy Travers, Mark Travers.*



*Students of the Presentation Girls Primary  
School.*



*Anne Gannon, Erica Gannon.*



# Back To School

## Boys' National School



***Irena Legniece, Thomas Legnieks.***



***Eugene Doddy, Darragh Doddy.***



***Tom Grehan, Geraldine Grehan.***



***Eoin Wallace, Niamh Wallace.***



***Grace Parker, Matthew Parker, Guy Parker.***

# Recipes for Halloween

## Halloween Tea Brack

### Ingredients:

- 225g / 8oz Self Raising Flour
- 375g packet of Fruit Mix
- 300ml / 1/2 pint Cold Tea
- 125g / 4oz Caster Sugar
- 1 Egg (beaten)
- Good pinch Mixed Spice
- Ring or other Charms
- Honey or Golden Syrup (for decoration)



### Method:

- \* Place fruit and tea in bowl and leave to soak overnight.
- \* Add sugar, egg, flour and mixed spice and mix well.
- \* Wrap ring and any other 'charms' in greaseproof paper and stir into mixture.
- \* Transfer to a greased and base lined 20cm/8" round cake tin or 900g/2lb loaf tin.
- \* Bake in a pre-heated oven 170°C/325°F/Gas 3 for approx. one hour or until risen and firm to the touch.
- \* Cool on a wire tray. When cold, wrap in greaseproof paper and keep for two days before cutting.
- \* Melted honey or golden syrup may be brushed over brack before cutting.

## Halloween Cupcakes

### Ingredients:

- 175g/6oz/6 tablespoons Self Raising Flour
- 125g/4oz/4 tablespoons Caster Sugar
- 125g/4oz Margarine
- 2 Eggs
- 2 tablespoons Cold Water



### Method:

- \* Pre-heated to 200°C/400°F/Gas 6.
- \* Put bun paper cases into bun tray.
- \* Place flour, sugar, margarine, eggs and water into a bowl. Beat all ingredients together with an electric mixer or wooden spoon until the mixture is smooth.
- \* Put heaped teaspoons of mixture into each bun case.

- \* Place in the oven on the top shelf and bake for about 15 minutes until golden.
- \* Cool on a wire tray. When cold, decorate as liked!

### Decoration Idea:

- Chocolate cupcake (body)
- Canned chocolate icing
- Chocolate sprinkles (hair)
- 2 pieces of eye-type sweets ( use Bassett's Liquorice Allsorts)
- 1 package of black string lace liquorice (legs)

## Pumpkin Cauldron

### Ingredients:

- 1 pumpkin, 25cm/10" in diameter
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 6 chicken thighs, skinned, boned and chopped
- 2 leeks, trimmed, washed and sliced
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and crushed
- 2 red peppers, seeded and sliced
- 120g/4oz smoked streaky bacon, de-rinded and chopped
- 30g/1oz plain flour
- 570ml/1 pint chicken stock
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 2 tbsp fresh parsley, chopped
- salt and pepper



### Method:

- \* Heat the oven to 190C/375F/Gas 5.
- \* Take the top off the pumpkin to make a lid and scoop out the seeds. Cut away the flesh from the insides, making sure you do not cut through the skin. Cut the pumpkin flesh into 1cm/½in cubes.
- \* Heat the oil in a large pan and quickly fry the chicken until golden but not coloured. Remove.
- \* Add the leeks, garlic, peppers and bacon to the pan and cook for 3-4 minutes until the vegetables are starting to soften. Stir in the flour and cook for 1 minute. Stir in the stock, bring to the boil and season well. Add the chicken, pumpkin cubes, bay leaf and cinnamon stick.
- \* Pour the mixture into the pumpkin and put the lid on. Lightly oil the skin of the pumpkin with a little more oil and place on a baking sheet. Bake in the oven for 45 minutes until the chicken is cooked through and the stew is piping hot.
- \* Stir in the chopped parsley and serve straight out of the pumpkin cauldron.





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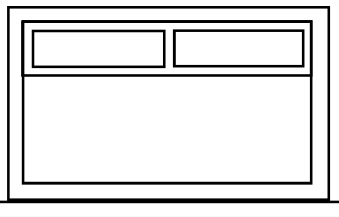
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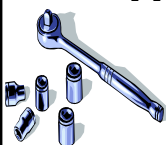
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Websites are often built without any thought of future upgrades or modifications. The business owner gets excited about creating a company website and spends a lot of time ensuring the right design, pictures and content that portrays the company's products or services. However, all too often, once the website is launched, it is forgotten about. Left as an artist would leave a painting. Yet, a website is not the same as a painting. It is an organic, expandable marketing device.

A stagnant website, a website that is not regularly updated, may lose search engine position and customer's attention. Search engines like Google seek out and award websites that update their content on a regular basis. They give the website a higher ranking because they assume the company must be actively trading if they are adding new content or modifying older content. Search Engines like Google understand that the customer searching for a company or product will appreciate a website with a lot of content that is kept fresh. A visitor will only return to a website if there is something new to see. They might stay on a website in order to learn more about a product, but it would be highly unlikely that they would keep coming back if the content is not updated or continuously improved.

Continuous improvement to a website can be achieved either by paying a web development company to make the changes or by installing a Content Management System (CMS) into the website so that the website owner can change their own content. Some web development companies provide website maintenance contracts for a monthly fee. A contract of this nature will give the website owner a certain amount of hours of website modifications or enhancements for the month. The website owner will inform the web development company of what changes are needed and provide the content to them. The web development company will then make those changes at a discounted hourly rate. On the other hand, having a content management system will cut out the web development company and put the website owner back in control of their website again. With a customer friendly CMS, the website owner will stay in control of their own website. A Content Management System (CMS) is a software application that controls all elements of a website. It allows a user with little or no knowledge of programming or mark-up languages to create and manage website content. Contrary to popular believe, a CMS cannot be attached to a website. A CMS is used as a building tool for a website. If a website does not currently have a CMS system then one would need to be installed and the website would need to be rebuilt. The right CMS will give the website owner almost full control over their website. They will be able to modify content, upload images and PDF's, add images to a webpage, add new webpages and even create a new section of their website. The CMS will also facilitate the business owner to write blogs or news items, update products on an

E-commerce website and even email out newsletters. All of this can be achieved without any prior knowledge of programming or website technology.

## **Advantages of a Content Management System (CMS)**

The advantages of having a CMS system on your website can be seen immediately. First and foremost, it puts the business owner back in control of their website. The business owner and their staff manage the content creation of the website, reduced costs can be realised by taking charge of this service, communication with clients is improved, testing marketing material is simplified, customer service is enhanced, and the website becomes expandable and modifiable.

## **Changes can be made anywhere, anytime**

Other advantages of having a CMS system on a website is that the website owner can make immediate changes to their website from anywhere at anytime. This removes any bottlenecks that could occur if the company has a web team or hires a web company on retainer.

## **Restricted User Accounts**

A good CMS system will also provide user accounts that can restrict access to certain areas of the website administration. This will allow the website owner to set up an account for staff members and allow them access to a specific section, i.e. the Blog section. A restricted account will prevent them from editing content which they are not authorised to change.

## **Design is Preserved**

All CMS systems store the content of the website in a database, this helps to separate the design from the content. Content from all authors is then displayed consistently throughout the website using the same design. The website owner does not need to worry about a staff member breaking the website as they cannot make modifications to any of the design.

## **Navigation automatically modified**

A good CMS system will automatically adjust the menu items when a new webpage is added. Of course the website owner will have the option of having the webpage display on the menu system or not. This will also prevent broken links in the menu, as the system will automatically remove the link to the menu if the webpage is removed.

## **Cooperation**

Making use of groups and user accounts the website owner can assign certain tasks to individuals or groups. This encourages faster updates and ownership of content. Collaboration among authors is enhanced and accountability is generated.

Vince Doherty (Maynooth)

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## *Maynooth Credit Union*

### *€10,000 Prize Winner 2009*

**M**ark Reddy, professional photographer, was thrilled when he got the good news on Saturday 12 September, minutes after his number had come first in the 2009 Cash Prize Draw in Maynooth Credit Union.

The timing of this win was particularly good. Mark was made redundant after fifteen years in the job when his employer went out of business last year. However, he and two colleagues, Nat, another photographer and Mike an accountant, set up Trinity Digital a professional photography company. Their just-launched website [www.trinitydigital.ie](http://www.trinitydigital.ie) offers a glimpse of their impressive portfolio, featuring several well-known brand names among the clients. At the end of the first year, Trinity Digital is poised to do very well. For Mark, the €10,000 prize feels like an unexpected reward for the hard work and persistence it takes to get a business off the ground in a challenging environment. Maynooth Credit Union has been part of this success, according to Mark. Credit Union loans enabled him to purchase photographic equipment that he now uses in Trinity Digital.

The recent presentation of the cheque was a family affair. Mark was accompanied by his wife Jenny and their four-year-old son, Dillon and by Jenny's Dad, Seamus Byrne, all members of Maynooth Credit Union, as are the couple's two other children, Josh, 7 and Evan, 11 months.

It was a bit of a challenge for the PRO to have a professional on the other side of the camera!



**Three generations:**  
Prize winner Mark Reddy, Pikesbridge, arrives at Maynooth Credit Union with Dillon (4), and Seamus Byrne (father-in-law) to collect his €10,000 prize.



**Presentation:**  
Peter Greene, Chairperson, Maynooth Credit Union, presents the cheque for €10,000 to Mark Reddy, Pikesbridge.

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# October Diary Planner



## Maynooth ICA

Meetings take place every  
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in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour

Crafts Every Monday Night at 8.00 p.m.

New Members Welcome

## Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

Maynooth Flower & Garden Club A.G.M.  
takes place on Tuesday October 20th at  
8.00 p.m.

in Loftus Hall, St. Patricks College,  
Maynooth.

Guest Speaker on the evening is  
Brenda Delany who will speak on  
Giverny—Monet's Masterpiece.

All welcome to celebrate 29th Birthday

## Maynooth Toastmasters

Monday 5th, 12th & 27th  
in Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth  
at 7.45 p.m.

## University of Third Age

October meetings take place  
Friday 2nd, 16th & 30th at 11.00 a.m.  
in the Community Library.

New members welcome.

Enquires: Bernadette 01 6289131

## Donadea Running Club

Donadea Running Club will hold a 10k Race  
on Saturday 10th October 2009.

Participants should gather at the  
Dunmurragh side of Donadea Forest from  
where the race will commence. The race will  
finish in Donadea Forest on the castle side of  
the lake.

Medals will be presented to each participant at  
the Castle.

Volunteers for marshalling duties are required.

## Maynooth Community Library

Children's Book Festival takes place  
on 1st—30th October

## Maynooth Senior Citizens

Halloween Tea Dance takes place  
on Sunday 18th October at 3.00 p.m.  
in the G.A.A. Club, Maynooth

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk will take  
place on the 18th October and will start from  
the G.A.A Maynooth at 3.00 p.m.

If you would like your event for October put  
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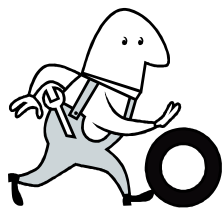
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### Children's Colouring Competition

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**Ali Crawford**



# Real Life Heroic Animals

### Toby the Hero Dog – Golden Retriever Rescue



**T**oby is a 2-year-old Golden Retriever who was awarded for being a heroic animal. This hero dog found his owner choking and he performed a modified version of the Heimlich Manoeuvre. When Toby found his owner choking he jumped on her chest and dislodged the apple that was stuck in her throat.

Toby the hero dog received the ASPCA Dog of the Year Award after saving his owner's life. Toby used instinct, bravery and loyalty when he saved his owner from choking. Golden Retrievers are known for their unwavering kind temperament and their dedication to those who love them the most.

### Winnie the hero cat saved the lives of her family.



**A** petrol-powered water pump in the family basement caused an odourless but deadly gas to fill the house. When Winnie sensed that something was wrong, she jumped on her owners bed and woke them up. The hero cat jumped, nudged and meowed relentlessly as the house filled with fumes. Winnie's meows were similar to screams and the hero cat persisted. Meanwhile, the couple's 14 year-old-son lay unconscious in another room. Because of Winnie's persistence, the ambulance was called and the family were treated and survived. Winnie is a true heroic animal.

### Animal Hero Gorilla Saves Toddler



**B**inti Jua is a female Western Lowland Gorilla that lives at the Brookfield Zoo in Brookfield, Illinois. Binti Jua received international attention when she saved the life of a small child. On August 16, 1996, a three-year-old boy fell 18 feet into the gorilla enclosure at the Brookfield Zoo in Chicago. The child was lying unconscious when Binti Jua picked him up and protectively cradled him into her arms. Binti Jua gently carried the child to the zookeeper's door, where he could be rescued. Binti Jua had her 17-month-old baby, Koola, clutched to her back throughout the incident.

The boy spent four days in the hospital and recovered fully. Binti Jua displayed an incredible act of animal altruism when she saved the life of this small child. Binti Jua has touched the hearts of people all over the world. This animal hero story is truly inspiring and Binti Jua is one of the most famous animal heroes ever known.

### Lulu: The Heroic Pig



**J**oAnn Altsman of Pittsburgh attributes her Vietnamese Pot Belly Pig, Lu Lu with saving her life. JoAnn was taking care of her daughters potbellied pig named Lulu. JoAnn suffered a major heart attack while she was watching Lulu. She cried for help, but no one could hear her. Lulu knew that JoAnn was in trouble and ran out of the house. The pig lay down in the middle of the street and stopped all traffic. Lulu tried relentlessly to get help. Lulu would return to the house to check on JoAnn, and then return to the street searching for someone to help. Finally, someone noticed Lulu and followed her to the door. JoAnn was rushed to the hospital and she survived. Without Lulu's help, JoAnn might not be here today. Lulu the potbellied pig is a well known animal hero in America.

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# October in the Garden

## Flowers

Nights with freezing temperatures return in October. Some gardeners welcome the first killing frost and look forward to more time for relaxing or planning next year's gardens. Others wish to prolong the season and are prepared to cover tender plants whenever freezing temperatures are predicted. Sheets or lightweight tarps spread loosely over plants such as petunias, begonias or impatiens will trap the heat stored in the ground overnight and prevent freezing damage. Sometimes plants protected for one or two nights will keep growing and blooming for several more weeks until the really cold weather arrives.



roots before it needs to put out leaves and flowers in spring. More roots mean a greater ability to find food and water, so the tree is less likely to be stressed the summer after planting. It is therefore healthier, better able to resist disease and will grow away more strongly. Trees that bleed or are susceptible to disease if pruned in the spring may be pruned now. This includes maples, birch, black walnut, oaks, honey locust and

mountain ash. Prune young trees to a single central leader; remove broken, crossed or rubbing branches; and gradually remove lower branches. Always make proper pruning cuts just beyond the branch collar but not leaving stubs.

## October Gardening To Do List

Tropical plants are becoming popular additions to many decks, patios and porches. As the name implies these plants have no frost tolerance and must be brought indoors or covered before any freezing temperatures. Some plants such as hibiscus and mandevillas can be carried over the winter in your home next to a patio door or large window where they will receive good light.

Tulips provide more spring colour than nearly any other plant and are best planted in October. Drifts of a dozen or more bulbs of one variety make the most impact and can be easily planted by digging the whole planting area 6"- 8" deep, space the bulbs according to the package directions, fill in the soil and water well. Bulb fertilizer may also be incorporated below the bulbs.

Garden cleanup in the Autumn should include removing any diseased plant tops but healthy perennials, ornamental grasses and some annuals can be left standing for winter interest, to catch snow and provide seeds for birds.

## Trees

Late Autumn is the best time to plant trees. Although a tree looks asleep when its leaves have fallen, its roots grow a bit whenever the ground temperature is above freezing and the sun is shining. So if you plant then, it has the chance to grow new

- ◇ Finish planting container-grown trees and shrubs
- ◇ Plant needle-bearing evergreens early in the month
- ◇ If the month is dry, repeat the September soaking
- ◇ Check ties on trees, and loosen any that look tight
- ◇ Cover compost to keep it warm and working
- ◇ Cut back on feeding houseplants (do not feed dormant houseplants)
- ◇ Protect roses for winter
- ◇ Cover perennial, vegetable, bulb, and strawberry beds for winter
- ◇ Plant summer-blooming shrubs and vines
- ◇ Protect tender plants from frost
- ◇ Plant your bulbs indoors for a Christmas Display

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## **University of Third Age**

**I**t was heartening to see so many back after the summer break and hence a very vibrant meeting. Helena, Jo, Mona and Maeve had just returned in time from their last-minute trip to Paris. They didn't just gloat, they passed around the photos too. Ladies was that really necessary? Autumn is here and with it a host of courses, seminars, training and workshops to avail of. What a lovely distraction from our depressing economy and gloomy weather. Such was the interest and enthusiasm that one member was heard to say 'not enough days in the week'. For the next 10 weeks, together with Kate our drama tutor we shall be exploring all that hidden talent amongst us. Broadway beckons! Delighted to say our bookclub is back in action. September book : The American Wife by Curtis Sittenfeld, a rather long novel which hopefully will help while away the dark evenings. No doubt, The Third Age Foundation in Summerhill will be delighted that so many of our group have volunteered to train for their Senior Help Line. Thank you for your commitment to such an essential service. The October meetings will be on Fridays 2nd 16th and 30th at 11.00 in the Community Library. Don't be feeling left out. **We will be delighted to see new members.**

**Further info: Bernadette 6289131.**

# *Presentation Girls' Primary School Library Launch*

The Presentation Girls Primary School was awash with Harry Potters, Sleeping Beauties, Cinderellas, Snow Whites and Belles on Friday 11th September for the grand opening of the schools much anticipated new school library.

The library was opened by Niall De Burca a well known and much loved storyteller.

The new library contains over 5000 books and caters for all the pupils from junior infants to sixth class.

Principal Marie Fitzgerald said in her launch speech ' **Giving children book selections and a love of books is important** now if the children are to develop a desire for reading in the future or for the long term.' She also thanked the many, many hours spent by parents, particularly Liam Kelly and teachers on fund raising, setting up this fabulous new resource.

The more things you read, the more things you will know. The more you that you learn, the more places you will go.

**- Dr.Seuss, "I Can Read With My Eyes Shut"**



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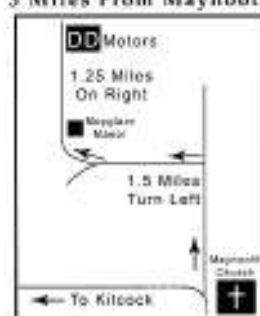
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The collection was compiled by Fergus White and Terry Nealon of the Local History Group  
with the co-operation of the Library Staff.

For more information on the photographs contact Terry Nealon 086-8068068



**Can you spot friends or family in our photo spread.???????**





## *Local History Group*



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# A MISER'S GUIDE TO THE RECESSION

- ◆ Save "junkmail" reply envelopes for filing recipes, receipts etc.
- ◆ **Trade things you don't want with friends, neighbours, and relatives.**
- ◆ Become a "**brown bagger**". Take your lunch to work.
- ◆ Save and reuse plastic sandwich bags and paper lunch bags.
- ◆ Tie soap remnants in a piece of nylon net and use as a body sponge.
- ◆ Crumpled up used aluminium foil is ideal for scouring pots and pans.
- ◆ Paper towels are *too expensive* for a **miser**, use washable dish cloths instead.
- ◆ Save empty plastic food containers for storing leftovers & freezer use.
- ◆ **Go to the cinema at early weekend times when film prices are cheaper.**
- ◆ **Don't buy expensive gifts. Give exotic home grown plants or bake a cake.**
- ◆ Organize a baby-sitting club with friends & neighbours. **Take turns.**
- ◆ If you're not going out to shop, leave your credit cards at home.
- ◆ Pay credit card charges when they become due so interest isn't added.
- ◆ Car-boot sales are excellent for both buying and selling.
- ◆ Start your **children** earning money at an early age.
- ◆ Check monthly bills closely, including your bank balance. Big companies can and do make mistakes.
- ◆ Examine your bill at restaurants to make sure no error has been made
- ◆ Buy things **out of season** for big savings, such as *after Christmas.*
- ◆ **Grow** your own herbs and spices in window-sill flower pots.
- ◆ Bread becomes stale more quickly in the refrigerator. Store it at **room temperature** or in the freezer.
- ◆ Instead of buying house plants, get cuttings from friends.
- ◆ **Dilute** your shampoo with a small amount of water– **for easier rinsing.**
- ◆ Before buying anything new, ask yourself if you really need it.
- ◆ Look in oven window to check on what's cooking. Opening the oven door lowers the temperature, increases cooking time and wastes energy.
- ◆ **Clean** light bulbs work better! **Dirty** ones can reduce light by up to 25%. Dust them off. Life will look better and you'll save energy.
- ◆ **Install 2-way switches in halls and stairways so light can be switched off from different locations. Family members will be encouraged to turn off the lights and save energy.**
- ◆ Use fabric softener sheets to eliminate static cling in skirts by rubbing on pantyhose.
- ◆ Use old newspapers to stuff leather handbags in storage.
- ◆ For a snack, *save juice from canned fruit.* Add a little water and make ice-pops. Kids love it and your not throwing the juice down the drain.
- ◆ Get your books from the library. Simply put, **its hard to beat free.**
- ◆ Keep tyres properly inflated. It keeps you safe and costs less on petrol.
- ◆ When toothpaste is almost gone, cut the bottom off the tube and **double** the usage.
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# Maynooth GAA News

## MINOR FOOTBALLERS:

After an excellent season which included winning the Division One league title, the minor footballers eventually bowed out of the championship at the quarter-final stage after a narrow one point defeat to Athy.

Maynooth lost their first game of the championship to Naas but bounced back with wins against Moorefield and Athy in the round robin stages only to draw Athy again in the quarter-finals.

Having conceded an early goal, Donal McAvinue's side were always up against it but they fought back well to take the lead late on. The team would rue too many missed chances in a dominant second half display though, allowing the reigning county champions to win by the minimum, 1-9 to 0-8.



## LADIES FOOTBALL:

She might have shed a tear if it was her own captain collecting the trophy named in honour of her dad. Maynooth manager Anto Mooney kept her emotions in check as she had the unenviable task of presenting the intermediate title to Balyna captain, Aisling Holton.

Mooney's dad, Tony, gave years of dedication to the game his daughter grew to love but she'll have to wait another year at least to get her hands on Tony's trophy.

After holding their own in the opening half, Maynooth trailed by just a point at half-time, when the sides changed ends Balyna blitzed their opponents with four goals and ran out comprehensive winners by 4-10 to 0-4, when the final was played in Donore on Saturday, 5 September.

Claire Hurley starred for the winners, hitting an incredible three goals that made this a game to remember. She will be the first to acknowledge that it was the hard-work further out the field that enabled her to get on the end of some wonderful moves.

Kildare captain, Aisling Holton, was the driving force, soloing through the middle with great purpose and she set up a handful of goal chances in the first half.

The winners couldn't capitalise at that stage as Maynooth stuck to their task with great determination and led for most of the half only to concede three

points before the interval. Pamela Sherwood hit the cross bar in the final minute of the half as the ball ricocheted over the woodwork and handed Balyna a 0-5 to 0-4 interval advantage.

Maynooth were up against the elements after the break and it told as Balyna took command. When Hurley found the net for the first time in the 39th minute it was the beginning of the end for Maynooth.

Erica Burke scored a second goal two minutes later and Hurley completed her hat-trick with cool finishes in the 48th and 51st minutes.

## MAYNOOTH:

Rachel Tallon; Aisling Farrell, Catriona Dolan, Anne Marie Farrell; Sarah Quinn, Sinead Murray, Michelle Kearney; Fiona Bradley (0-1), Siobhan McCourt; Michelle O'Connor, Michelle Carey, Hazel Mulligan (0-2); Aodhin McBride (0-1), Ginny Breslin, Anne Dempsey. Subs: Eimear Connolly for A Dempsey, 42; Louise Walsh for A Farrell, 42; Zoe Dunbar for M Kearney, 55.

**DESPITE** the heartbreak of losing the intermediate final just four days beforehand, Maynooth's ladies football team showed great character to beat Grange (0-11 to 1-5) in the senior championship the following Tuesday, 8 September.

Grange have been the standard bearers for ladies football in Kildare and it is a huge achievement for Anto Mooney's side to claim a championship win against them and away from home too

## MEN'S FOOTBALL:

Maynooth are due to play Kill in the quarter-finals of this year's intermediate football championship after going through the round-robin stages unbeaten.

Declan Cryan's side recorded the most impressive win in the first round of the Kildare Intermediate Football Championship on Sunday, 16 August, with a nine point win against last year's beaten finalists, Monasterevin on a 1-14 to 1-5 scoreline.

The winners were superb in the first half, scoring 1-9 as they left their opponents scoreless for most of the half and the south Kildare outfit only had one point at the break, Maynooth leading 1-9 to 0-1 with Pierre Ennis in excellent form, scoring 1-6 in total.

Maynooth made it two wins from two with a comprehensive win, 2-15 to 1-5, against Eadestown

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# Maynooth GAA News

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on Saturday, 22 August in Leixlip. Pierre Ennis was the star of the show again with ten points in all, five of them from play, while Vinny Hanrahan bagged two goals in what turned out to be a complete rout for Declan Cryan's side.

Maynooth remained unbeaten following the first three rounds after Niall Naughton's late equaliser ensured a 0-14 to 1-11 draw with Rathangan on Saturday evening, 5 September. Rathangan led by 0-9 to 0-7 at half-time and an early second half goal looked to have given them the win but Maynooth fought back well in the closing stages to secure a point and cement their place in the quarter-finals.

## UNDERAGE NEWS:

Maynooth under 12As, led brilliantly by "The Estonian Bomber" Vilyar Orumaa maintained their unbeaten start to the Autumn league campaign beating Confey in Leixlip by 5-7 to 2-5 on Saturday, 5 September. Captain for the day Vilyar had three goals and a point to his name by the end of play as reward for an outstanding performance at full forward.

Maynooth started slowly and conceded the first score to Confey but quickly made amends with points from Jack Travers, Vilyar and Aidan Brophy. The Maynooth midfield pairing of Andrew Kelleher and Aaron O'Brien gradually wore down their opposite numbers and sent great ball into their forwards. Cian Hutchinson made best use of this ball scoring 1-2 in the next ten minutes and Luke Gisbey had also added a point before Confey managed their second score of the game. Maynooth however, were not yet finished and ended the half with a well deserved goal from corner forward Jack Travers. Confey added one more point before the referee blew for half-time with Maynooth leading 2-6 to 0-3.

The second half started brightly for Maynooth with goals from Conor Dooley and Vilyar. Matthew Doran then landed his trademark long range effort before Confey got off the mark with a well taken free. Maynooth tired a little at this stage and conceded goals in quick succession to give Confey a glimmer of hope. They rallied well to keep Confey at bay with fine defensive performances from Niall Doddy, Niel Kelly and Cian Walsh on the fullback line and halfbacks Gary Vavasaur, Cillian Madden and Matthew Doran, who were all well marshalled by Shane Sweeney in goal. The Bomber had the final word however when he caught a high ball in from Jake Murphy and capped his excellent performance with a well taken goal.

Maynooth's next outing next Saturday 12th away to

Celbridge may prove to be a trickier task but on this form they have no reason to fear any team in the division.

## CAMOGIE NEWS:

Maynooth lost out to Cappagh by six points (1-7 to 0-4) in the final of the Kildare intermediate camogie championship on Saturday (29 August). Although Maynooth were just two points down near the end of the first half, a Cappagh goal just before the interval left Pat Comerford's side facing an uphill battle in the second half.

Cappagh tagged on a couple more points after the break, having led 1-5 to 0-3 at the halfway stage, and Maynooth only had a Louise Walsh 45 to show for their efforts in the second half. Although Cappagh were the better team on the day, Maynooth battled all the way to the finish and can be proud of their achievements.

Well done to Hazel Mulligan who got one over on her former Maynooth football teammates, as she lined out with Cappagh in midfield, where she had a fine game.

## HURLING:

The senior hurling team are through to the semi-finals of the championship where they will meet Celbridge on Sunday 27 September, following four wins and a draw in the group stages.

After an easy win against Confey, Maynooth won their second match in this year's intermediate hurling championship with an impressive win over Naas, 3-17 to 0-4, in Celbridge on Thursday, 16 July. Maynooth never really looked to be in trouble and will look to build on this performance against Celbridge, Moorefield and Ardclough in the coming weeks.

Maynooth then beat a much fancied Moorefield in the third round of the intermediate hurling championship. In wet conditions Maynooth scored two late points to seal a win, 0-11 to 1-6.

Mark Cummins hit a free and a point from play to seal Maynooth's third win of the campaign which secures their place in the semi-finals although there are still two group games remaining against two of the toughest teams in the competition - Ardclough and Celbridge.

A first half goal left Moorefield level at half-time although Maynooth had dominated a low scoring affair, leading 0-5 to 0-2 at one stage. Conor Diggins was on form at full-forward and might have had a goal from his very first run but the referee awarded a

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# Maynooth GAA News

## ***MAYNOOTH GAA HURLING CAMP***



***MAYNOOTH COACHES***



***MAYNOOTH HURLERS WITH COACHES***



***JOHN COMMERFORD & ELAINE MCAULIFFE AT  
MAYNOOTH GAA HURLING CAMP***



***MARK CUMMINS - HURLING COACH***

# Maynooth GAA News

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close range free which Cummins converted.

Further points from Hugh Nevin, Diggins (line ball) and Cummins helped Maynooth build up their lead until a late goal pushed Moorefield in front.

The sides were level at the break when Brendan Coffey added a point before the break, 1-3 to 0-6, and it was nip and tuck after the interval with points from Nevin and sub T .J. Curran keeping Maynooth on level terms.

It was level with just five minutes to go when Curran was fouled going through on goal and Cummins slotted the resultant free before adding another point from play to seal the win.

Maynooth: Declan Buckley, Shane Devereux, Shane Barry, Harry Oliver, Paul Moylan, Joe Brennan, Ger Greally, Eanna Lohan, Ed Cooney, Mark Cummins, Stephen Noonan, Fiachra Lohan, Brendan Coffey, Conor Diggins, Hugh Nevin. Subs: T J Curran for Noonan, Alan Sweeney for Cooney, Fergie Devereux for F Lohan, Mark Nugent for Coffey.

Maynooth and Celbridge ended up all square, 0-7 each, in a close intermediate hurling championship game played in poor conditions in Kilcock, on Wednesday 29 July.

Celbridge started the stronger side and were two points clear before Maynooth registered their first score through a Mark Cummins free. On a very wet evening with constant showers there was never more than 2 points between the sides throughout the game.

Tied at 0-4 points a piece at half time, both sides had chances to win in but in the end but could not take them.

Maynooth: Declan Buckley; Shane Devereux, Shane Barry, Harry Oliver, Paul Moylan, Joe Brennan, Ger Greally, Fergie Devereux, Hughie Nevin, Mark Cummins, Stephen Noonan, Conor Diggins, Fiachra Lohan, TJ Curran, Mark Nugent. Subs: Graham Kenny for Nugent.

In the final group game against Ardclough in Celbridge, two first half goals from Brendan Coffey helped Maynooth to a seven point win, 2-9 to 0-8 on Thursday, 27 August.

## WALK TO CROKER

The historic Walk to Croker took place on All-Ireland football final Sunday, 20 September, when 100 members of Maynooth GAA club walked from the town along the canal into Croke Park where they were met by GAA President, Christy Cooney.

The walk helped raise funds for the club and proved a huge hit with everyone involved in what was a unique event. See all the pictures in next month's newsletter.



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# NUI Maynooth. Graduation Day.



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Junmei Zhang ( HDip. Finance)*



*Bernie O'Connor, Anne O'Connor  
(BA Psychology), John O'Connor.*



*Mary Metcalfe, Laura Metcalfe (BSc. Psychology),  
John Metcalfe.*



*Adam Reilly, Nicola McKenna  
(BA. Finance and Accounting).*



*David Costello (BA. History)*



*John Merriman, Anne Merriman,  
Niamh Merriman (BA.Psychology)*

## NUI Maynooth. Graduation Day.



*Rod Guiney (BA. Psychology), Sean Guiney,  
Ronan Guiney, Neasa Guiney.*



*Alan Donnelly (BA. Finance).*



*Ian Heggs, Christine Heggs ( PhD. History),  
Elizabeth Heggs.*



*Dr. Bernard Mahon (Dept. of Science), John  
Lowry (Professor of Chemistry).*



*Misheck Chamunovwa  
(BA. Finance and Accounting).*



*Patrick Duignan ( PhD. History).*

# Clubs, Organisations & Societies



## Maymooth Golf Society

### Result Sheet

**Athlone Golf Club      29/8/09**

**Shay Moore Memorial Cup**

**Sponsored by Moore Family**

<b>1st Prize</b>	<b>Terry Moore</b>	<b>31 pts.</b>
<b>2nd Prize</b>	<b>Sean Moore</b>	<b>30 pts.</b>
<b>3rd Prize</b>	<b>John Carroll</b>	<b>27 pts.</b>
<b>4th Prize</b>	<b>John Byrne</b>	<b>24 pts. B9</b>
<b>5th Prize</b>	<b>Gerry McTernan</b>	<b>24 pts.</b>
<b>6th Prize</b>	<b>Mark Kehoe</b>	<b>23 pts. B9</b>
<b>7th Prize</b>	<b>Niall Farrell</b>	<b>23 pts.</b>
<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Kevin Loftus</b>	<b>14 pts.</b>
<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Barry Farrell</b>	<b>14 pts.</b>
<b>Visitors</b>	<b>Robert Moore</b>	<b>31 pts.</b>
	<b>Maura Moore</b>	<b>25 pts.</b>
<b>Nearest the pin</b>	<b>Mick Flynn Jnr.</b>	
<b>2's</b>	<b>John Carroll Liam Farrelly</b>	

The Shay Moore Memorial Cup was played for at Athlone Golf Club on 29th August '09. 35 members and visitors played this superb 18-hole parkland course situated in the centre of the country bounded on three sides by picturesque Lough Ree. Its tree-lined fairways and undulating terrain make it a true test of golf which was reflected in the scoring. For the first time in many years the weather gods favoured us and it remained dry for the day, which made the event all the more enjoyable.

The winner for the second year in a row was Terry Moore with a score of 31 points followed by his brother Sean Moore with a score of 30 points. Both Terry and Sean are brothers of Shay to whom this cup is dedicated. Third place was John Carroll with 27 points. The cup and prizes were presented at Athlone Golf Club after the competition.

We would like to thank the Moore Family for their Sponsorship and their attendance at this annual event.

Our last outing was to New Forest on Saturday 19th September for the Paddy Foy President's Prize.

# Clubs, Organisations & Societies

## Maynooth Golf Society



***Brendan Leigh, Maynooth Windows & Conservatories,  
sponsor Of Captain's Day, Headfort***



***Norman Kavanagh (Past Captain),  
Tom Flatley (Vice Captain),  
Kevin Loftus (Captain)***



***Terry Moore (Winner) & Kevin Loftus (Captain)  
Athlone Shay Moore Cup***



***Kevin Loftus (Captain), &  
Liam Farrell (Winner) Headfort GC***



***Terry Moore (Winner), Joe Moore (Presenting  
Prize to Brother Terry) & Kevin Loftus (Captain)  
Athlone Shay Moore Cup***

On 2 October we will be voting on precisely the same Lisbon Treaty as we rejected last year. Not a comma of it has been changed.

### **What about those "Guarantees"?**

EU leaders have agreed a list of statements that do not change the Treaty in any way but reiterate what it already says. They are not legally binding under EU law; and even if they did become legally binding in the form of a protocol in the future, as planned, British PM, Gordon Brown, confirmed: "The protocol clarifies but does not change the content and application of the Treaty . . . Treaty assurances have made explicit what was implicit in the Treaty already." Furthermore, there is no legal obligation on member-states to stick to their word, and the present EU governments cannot guarantee their successors will deliver on the pledge. So, think of a post-dated cheque - the value of which is questionable and the signatories to which may well no longer be valid when the bearer attempts to cash it at some unknown future date. Now you have the guarantees sussed!

Below are eleven solid reasons to vote NO to Lisbon. They have been checked for legal accuracy by authorities on European and Irish constitutional law.

**More Power to the Big Powers:** It would radically shift control towards the Big States by basing EU law-making primarily on population size. At present EU laws are made on the basis of a "double majority" system - a simple majority of the 27 EU States (14 or more), as long as between them they have a weighted majority of 255 out of a total of 345 votes. Under this system the Big States have 29 votes each and Ireland has 7. Under Lisbon EU laws would be made by a majority of States (at least 55%, 15 or more), as long as they have 65% of the total EU population between them (Art.16 TEU). This change would double Germany's voting power in making EU laws from its present 8% to 17%, increase Britain's, France's and Italy's from 8% to 12% each, and halve Ireland's vote to 0.8%.

**Ireland's Commissioner:** It would abolish our present right to "propose" and decide whom our Commissioner is, by replacing it with a right to make "suggestions" only, leaving it up to the incoming Commission President to decide. The EU Prime Ministers have promised each State a permanent Commissioner, but what is the point of us continuing to have a Commissioner post-Lisbon when the Irish Government can no longer decide who that Commissioner would be?

**Workers' rights:** It would copper-fasten the Laval and related judgements of the EU Court of Justice, which put the competition rules of the EU market above the right of trade unions to enforce pay standards higher than the minimum for migrant workers. At the same time, Lisbon would give the EU full control of immigration policy (Art.79 TFEU).

**EU Taxes:** It would permit the EU to impose its own EU-wide taxes directly on us for the first time in order to raise its own resources for the EU itself, without the need of further Treaties or referenda (Art.311 TFEU).

**Intel Corporation:** It would amend the existing treaties to give the EU exclusive power as regards rules on foreign direct investment (Arts.206-7 TFEU) and give the EU Court of Justice the power to order the harmonisation of national indirect taxes if it judges that these cause a "distortion of competition" (Art.113 TFEU, *Protocol 27 on the Internal Market and Competition*). These steps would threaten Ireland's 12.5% corporation profits tax and could undermine employment at Intel and other local US companies.

**From EEC to a Federal EU State (Art.1 TEU).** It would make the EU legally separate from and superior to its 27 Member States and would sign international treaties with other States in all areas of its powers (Arts.1 and 47 TEU; *Declaration 17 concerning Primacy*). It would turn Ireland into a regional state with the EU's Constitution and laws having legal primacy over the Irish Constitution and laws in any cases of conflict between the two. Ireland would thus formally cease to be a sovereign independent State in its own right in the international community of States.

**Irish vetoes in over 30 new policy areas would be abolished:** including public services, crime, justice, policing, immigration, energy, transport, tourism, sport, culture, public health, the EU budget, climate change etc.

**A self-amending Treaty:** it would permit the EU Prime Ministers and Presidents to shift most remaining EU policy areas where unanimity is required and a national veto still exists - for example on tax harmonisation - to qualified majority voting on the EU Council of Ministers, without need of further EU Treaties or referendums (Art. 48 TEU).

**No popular mandate for EU President:** only heads of States can appoint the new super EU President for up to five years without allowing voters any say as to who he or she would be. This would thereby abolish the present six-month rotating EU presidencies (Art.15 TEU).

**Further EU militarisation:** it would require Ireland to "progressively improve their military capabilities" (Art.42.3 TEU) and to aid and assist other Member States experiencing armed attack "by all the means in their power" (Art.42.7 TEU).

**No to Lisbon is the best No to NAMA:** This madcap scheme, whereby Irish taxpayers take on bad debts of private banks in the hope they will start lending money again to businesses and citizens, is being pushed by EU's Central Bank. Only a vote against Lisbon can save the country from the Government's bail out of bankers and developers.

Finally, we urge voters to remain focused on the actual contents of the Treaty and not to be swayed by scare tactics or false promises. After all, it's only the Treaty we'll be voting on not the urgings of the politicians, bankers and big business bosses, from Brussels to Leinster House, who have led us into the worst recession since the Great Depression.

**KEEP THE FAITH – VOTE NO TO LISBON AGAIN**

# Party Political-Labour News



Emmet Stagg T.D.

## Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

### The "Bandstand" is Gone

Cllr. John McGinley's campaign to have the "Bandstand" removed from The Green has been successful. John's persistence has paid off and the "Bandstand" was removed as part of the re-instatement work by the sewerage contractors. John would like to thank the residents of Leinster Cottages and the Tidy Towns Committee for their great support in the campaign. The Council have also agreed to John's demands that a high level of re-instatement will be carried out by the sewerage contractors on the Green, the Small Pound and the Green at the College Gates.

### Council Agree to Provide Allotments in Maynooth

The Council have agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's proposal to develop allotments for rent at the Council 10 acres of land at Blacklion. John was given the following reply to his motion at the Area Committee on 11 September:

*"Further to the report to the July Meeting regarding the development of allotments at the Wonderful Barn and Maynooth Road. It is proposed to develop allotments of 100, 150 & 200 sq.m in size. Regarding the management of the allotments it is proposed that the allotments would be rented on an 11 month license annually and that all allotment holders will be required to form a management committee to administer the running of the allotments. A design for the layout of both sites including the exact layout and number of the varying sizes of plots and the costs for constructing the site is being worked on and will be presented at a future meeting of the area committee."*

### Provision of Additional Parking in Maynooth

The Area Committee was advised by Council Officials that no progress had been made in securing additional parking spaces in Maynooth. Neither the Mill Centre nor TESCO were prepared to lease Parking spaces to the Council. Cllr. John McGinley had previously made it very clear that he would not agree to Pay Parking being introduced without Long Term Parking and additional parking spaces being provided.

As residents will be aware most spaces in our only Public Car Park, beside Super Valu, are taken up by train commuters from early morning. Iarnrod Eireann have failed miserably to meet their obligation to provide enough parking spaces for their customers.

### Cobble Stones in The Square

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have sourced replacement cobble stones for those missing at The Square.

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# Party Political-Labour News

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## **Paving Slabs on the footpath outside the Elite Café:**

Following representations from Cllr. John McGinley the Council have repaired the loose paving slabs outside the Elite Café.

## **The Lisbon Referendum:**

We think that Proinsias De Rossa put the case for Voting Yes very well:

### **LISBON IS ABOUT A BETTER EUROPE: NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS**

Speaking at the press launch of the Brussels based group 'Europe for Ireland' Labour MEP Proinsias De Rossa said: "Nothing in the Lisbon Treaty threatens the people of Ireland in any way. On the contrary, the Charter of Fundamental Rights places new obligations on Europe in its decision-making to defend, uphold and respect these social, political and human rights.

"These rights apply equally to all - men, women, and children, young and old, workers of all kinds, employed and unemployed, farmers and those working in the fishing industry. A yes vote is not a judgment on the Irish Government. It is a vote for a better Europe, nothing more, nothing less.

"The hardcore NO campaigns are driven by fear and loathing of the European Union. They promote fear amongst those already fearful for their future. Their real agenda is to stop in its tracks the development of a more democratic Europe, in the hope that the Union will unravel. That is the objective of the United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP) which wants instead a European Free Trade Area without European environmental or workplace protections. Small states like Ireland would sink without trace in such an arrangement.

"Meanwhile C  ir also wants the Union to go away. They hate everything the European Union stands for: equality, pluralism, tolerance of difference, and respect for all. They hark back to a time when you tipped the forelock to your 'betters' and lived behind walls of censorship, protectionism and isolation, or got to hell out of it to England.

"The outcome of a YES will be a more progressive Europe, while a NO vote victory will strengthen the reactionaries in Ireland and in Europe. Already in the European Parliament a combination of Eurosceptics and neo-Nazis are stronger as a result of Europe marking-time since the defeat of the European reforms in Ireland, France and Holland.

"An inability to deal effectively with the economic crisis will lead to confidence in the Union continuing to decline, and the drift towards protectionism, already perceptible, will quicken. That is not in the interest of Ireland's work force or its farming or fishing communities or in Ireland's interest generally. Ireland needs to be able trade freely with the rest of Europe, but on the basis of common environmental and workplace standards agreed by all and applying to all with the force of law. Otherwise we cannot survive. *"Neither Ireland nor Europe can afford the political turmoil that rejection of the Lisbon Treaty will lead to. A YES vote is critical because we urgently need Europe to end the last decade of navel-gazing and get stuck into tackling the jobs and financial crisis, the climate change and the global poverty and hunger crisis."*

**Tony Smith Memorial Walk** The Annual Sponsored walk in Aid of Maynooth Senior Citizens is being held this year at 3pm on Sunday 18 October from Maynooth GAA grounds on the Moyglare Road. The Walk is a joint venture between Maynooth Senior Citizens and the Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party and last year we raised €9,010. We ask that you give as generous as possible to this worthy cause.

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### **Planning permission for New St Patrick's School in Celbridge to be lodged says Brady**

The application for Planning permission for the New St Patrick's School in Celbridge has been lodged with Kildare Co. Co. according to local TD and Minister of State, Aine Brady.

'In recent months, I have been in regular contact with the Minister for Education, Batt O'Keeffe TD, to bring this issue to a conclusion. Recently, the Minister for Education, following a meeting I had with him, gave approval to Kildare VEC to purchase the 3 acre site for the new school.'

'I understand from Kildare VEC, that the application for planning permission for the new school has been lodged with Kildare Co Co, which edges the project closer to a conclusion.'

'In 2006, following a meeting I had with the then Minister for Education, Mary Hanafin, her Department gave approval for the new school for Celbridge, a year ahead of the proposed date for approval, which eased the pressure for school places. This has significantly improved the capacity for primary school places in Celbridge and has improved the educational infrastructure in the town.'

'The school is currently located adjacently to Celbridge GAA. I would like again like to compliment all those involved in process to date, and I will continue to maximise the pressure on the Department and Kildare VEC to bring the project to its next stage, as soon as possible.' concluded Minister Brady.

### **Surface of Car Park at Maynooth Rail Station raised with Iarnrod Eireann**

Local TD and Minister for Older People and Health Promotion, Aine Brady, has raised the issue of the state of the Car Park at the Maynooth Rail Station with Iarnrod Eireann.

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## Party Political—Áine Brady T.D.

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'There are sections of the Car Park that needs to be repaired and some users of the service have also raised the issue with me. I have raised the issue with Iarnrod Eireann and I have asked them to carry out remedial repairs at the very least.'

'As a regular user of the service myself, I fully appreciate that the service has improved in recent years, with increased frequency and increased capacity. Providing a reliable and frequent service will always attract additional rail commuters, however, we must also focus on the ancillary services to ensure that a complete, satisfactory package is available for our commuters.' concluded Minister Brady.

### **CCTV to cover Cycle Racks at Maynooth Rail Station says Brady**

Local TD and Minister of State, Deputy Aine Brady, has been informed by Iarnrod Eireann that their CCTV surveillance system will now cover the cycle storage areas at the Maynooth Rail Station.

'A number of commuters that cycle to the Rail Station at Maynooth have raised the issue of security at the rail station, and in particular with respect to the cycle rack.'

'Iarnrod Eireann have now informed me, following our representations, that their CCTV Surveillance Systems, which are now installed at most stations, will now cover the cycle rack area.' stated Minister Brady.

'This will act as a deterrent to theft and vandalism at the station and I would like to thank those commuters that raised the issue with me. As a user of the service myself, I know that the Maynooth Line has seen significant improvements in the level of service in recent years. We must ensure that those that cycle to the rail station have their property protected as much as possible.' concluded Minister Brady who also raised the issue with the local Garda Sergeant in Maynooth.

## Mrs. Quinns Charity Shop.

**A** new Mrs. Quinns Charity Shop will open in Acol House, Market Square, Maynooth on Monday 21st September.

Mrs. Quinns Charity Shops fundraise for the National Council for the Blind and are looking for volunteers. This is their 75th shop to open.



***Caroline Hamill, Audrey O'Neill.  
Mrs. Quinns Charity Shop.***

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## Young people in Kildare have opportunities in EU – Fitzpatrick

As young people in Kildare consider their options following the Leaving Cert results many will be given the opportunity to do some of their studies in Europe thanks to the European Union, according to local Fianna Fáil TD, Michael Fitzpatrick.

“Over the past two decades 26,000 Irish students have been given the opportunity to travel abroad for part of their course work to carry out studies in other European countries, while a further 6,000 have undertaken work experience with firms in Europe.”

“The EU has been at the forefront in forging links between young people across the continent. In addition through the European Social Fund a further €130 million has been made available to those who want to improve their job prospects by upskilling.”

“On October 2nd voters in Kildare will have their say on the Lisbon Treaty. One aspect of the Treaty which has not been the subject of debate has been the support it offers to young people.”

“As well as ensuring a better Europe for the future the treaty also offers opportunities for our young people including volunteering abroad, increased access to sport and give a say to those who want a voice on our future.

- If passed, the Lisbon Treaty will create a new European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps.
- The Treaty includes a commitment to promote “fairness and openness in sporting competitions and co-operation between bodies responsible for sports.”
- Budding politicians will also be interested to learn that the Lisbon Treaty would include the participation of young people in democratic life in Europe among the Union’s aims. This is a welcome prospect since we will need all generations on board to deal with the big issues which the Treaty will help us tackle. Issues such as climate change, energy security and conflict prevention.

These are initiatives which have not necessarily captured the headlines, but they do represent opportunities for the future. After the celebrations I would encourage people of all ages across Kildare to consider the role the EU has played in supporting our youth.”

“Anyone with questions about the Lisbon Treaty and the legal guarantees which we have secured can get more information at [www.lisbontreaty.ie](http://www.lisbontreaty.ie) or by studying the White Paper on the Treaty which is available at libraries”, concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## Good news for shareholders as new laws strengthen their rights - Fitzpatrick

There is good news for shareholders as new regulations come into law that will make it easier for them to hold their publicly listed companies to account and have their say about how those companies are run, according to

# Party Political-Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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Fianna Fail TD for Kildare North and Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick. "New regulations will see new rights for shareholders as they access company information. Shareholders will now be able to vote at general meetings electronically so they can participate without being present."

"The new regulations are designed to increase the understanding, activism and engagement of shareholders with the companies that they own by increasing transparency and making shareholder participation simpler."

"The regulations will also oblige companies to answer shareholder's questions at general meetings, oblige them to public documents and information regarding a general meeting on their website including the votes taken; allow shareholders representing at least 5% of the voting shares to call a general meeting; allowing shareholders representing at least 3% of the voting shares in a company the right to put items on the agenda and table draft resolutions for a general meeting and strengthening shareholders' rights in relation to the appointment of proxies at general meetings."

"The new regulations will apply to companies that have their registered office in the State and whose shares are admitted to trading on a regulated market situated or operating within the EU."

"This is good news for shareholders as it will increase their rights in the companies in which they hold shares and compel companies to be more open and transparent in their dealings with their shareholders," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## School Grant Increases

Recent remarks on the withdrawal of the book grant in some schools conveniently ignore the **increases in funding** for the day-to-day running of schools announced in last year's Budget.

These increases give schools greater flexibility in how they use their funding.

In giving each school one grant instead of a number of separate grants for different purposes, each school now has total flexibility on how to use it.

The Department, through a formal circular to schools, has made it clear that capitation funding can be used to

provide school books where it's a priority for the school.

The increase of €21 per pupil brings the grant to €200 per pupil and means that primary schools are getting more funds this year than last year.

The capitation grant for post-primary schools was increased by €14 per pupil bringing it to €345 per pupil.

In addition, the ancillary services grant for primary schools has been increased to €155 per pupil.

Taken together, these increases mean that primary schools eligible for the full ancillary services grant receive €355 per pupil - or almost €25 extra - in this school year to cover their day-to-day running costs.

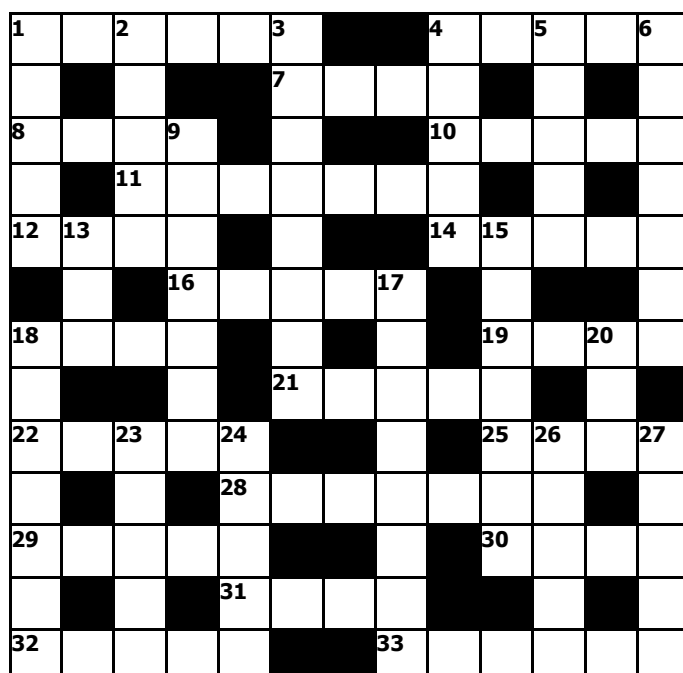
Voluntary secondary schools will get an increase in the school services support grant of €8 per pupil bringing it to €212 per pupil.

## Swimming—Community Games



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# Crossword No. 82



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### Across:

1. Early smooth-bore gun (6)
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7. Sworn Statement (4)
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10. Reserved (5)
11. Italian rice dish (7)
12. Requirement (4)
14. Chairs (5)
16. Number (5)
18. Yell (4)
19. Attraction (4)
21. Nook (5)
22. Measure of length (5)
25. Fit of temper (4)
28. Peter \_ \_ \_ , goalkeeper (7)
29. Map Book (5)
30. Uproar (4)
31. Pivotal point (4)
32. Tuna Fish (5)

### Down:

1. Worker in stone (5)
2. Music for a film (5)
3. Sledge (8)
4. Pandemonium (5)
5. String instrument (5)
6. Rebuff (7)
9. Small fish (7)
13. Age (3)
15. Ruler (7)
17. Indiscreet (8)
18. Dense (7)
20. Piece of wood (3)
23. Claw (5)
24. Literary composition (5)
26. Actress \_ \_ \_ Dobson (5)
27. Praise (5)

### Solutions to crossword No. 81.

Across: 1. Scalpel, 7. Janet, 8. Emotion, 9. Sherry, 11. Cloak, 13. Apse, 14. Guessed, 15. Rely, 16. Tot up, 17. Attune, 21. Similar, 22. Doric, 23. Machete.

Down: 2. Complacent, 3. Lethargy, 4. Eyot, 5. Bash, 6. Pear, 9. Stash, 10. Restaurant, 12. Serve, 13. Admonish, 18. Trod, 19. Neil, 20. Viva.

Doodle Box

# HALLOWEEN

## *The Story of Halloween*

Halloween is one of the oldest holidays with origins going back thousands of years. The holiday we know as Halloween has had many influences from many cultures over the centuries. From the Roman's Pomona Day, to the Celtic festival of Samhain, to the Christian holidays of All Saints and All Souls Days.

Hundreds of years ago in what is now Great Britain and Northern France, lived the Celts. The Celts worshipped nature and had many gods, with the sun god as their favourite. It was "he" who commanded their work and their rest times, and who made the earth beautiful and the crops grow. The Celts celebrated their New Year on November 1st. It was celebrated every year with a festival and marked the end of the "season of the sun" and the beginning of "the season of darkness and cold."

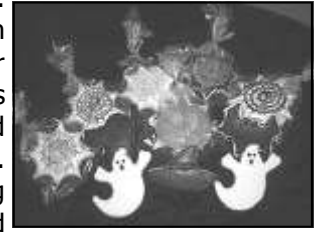
On October 31st after the crops were all harvested and stored for the long winter the cooking fires in the homes would be extinguished. The Druids, the Celtic priests, would meet in the hilltop in the dark oak forest (oak trees were considered sacred). The Druids would light new fires and offer sacrifices of crops and animals. As they danced around the fires, the season of the sun passed and the season of darkness would begin.

When the morning arrived the Druids would give an ember from their fires to each family who would then take them home to start new cooking fires. These fires would keep the homes warm and free from evil spirits. The November 1st festival was called Samhain (pronounced "sow-en"). The festival would last for 3 days. Many people would parade in costumes made from the skins and heads of their animals. This festival would become the first Halloween.

During the first century the Romans invaded Britain. They brought with them many of their festivals and customs. One of these was the festival known as Pomona Day, named for their goddess of fruits and gardens. It was also celebrated around the 1st of November. After hundreds of years of Roman rule the customs of the Celtic's Samhain festival and the Roman Pomona Day mixed becoming 1 major fall holiday.

The next influence came with the spread of the new Christian religion throughout Europe and Britain. In the year 835 AD the Roman Catholic Church would make November 1st a church holiday to honour all the

saints. This day was called All Saint's Day, or Hallowmas, or All Hallows. Years later the Church would make November 2nd a holy day. It was called All Souls Day and was to honour the dead. It was celebrated with big bonfires, parades, and people dressing up as saints, angels and devils.



But the spread of Christianity did not make people forget their early customs. On the eve of All Hallows, Oct. 31, people continued to celebrate the festivals of Samhain and Pomona Day. Over the years the customs from all these holidays mixed. October 31st became known as All Hallow Even, eventually All Hallow's Eve, Halloween, and then - Halloween. The Halloween we celebrate today includes all of these influences, Pomona Day's apples, nuts, and harvest, the Festival of Samhain's black cats, magic, evil spirits and death, and the ghosts, skeletons and skulls from All Saint's Day and All Soul's Day.

## Halloween

*Halloween is here again this year so be aware of this scary night.*

*As soon as the darkness draws near,  
many spirits will drool with their fright,  
Strange faces will call  
to each door looking  
for apples and nuts at  
their fill,*

*These little monsters we  
so much adore shall in-  
habit the night a shiv-  
ery chill.*



*They will sing songs with great fun,  
celebrate the night until very late,  
the night will not be over done until the  
bonfire is burning great,  
Witches and monsters have again arose,  
This festive night held so dear,  
A child's imagination certainly  
grows, This spooky night full of cheer.*

**Patrick Murray**



# Children's Colouring Competition

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# Fun For Halloween

## Halloween Fun Word Search

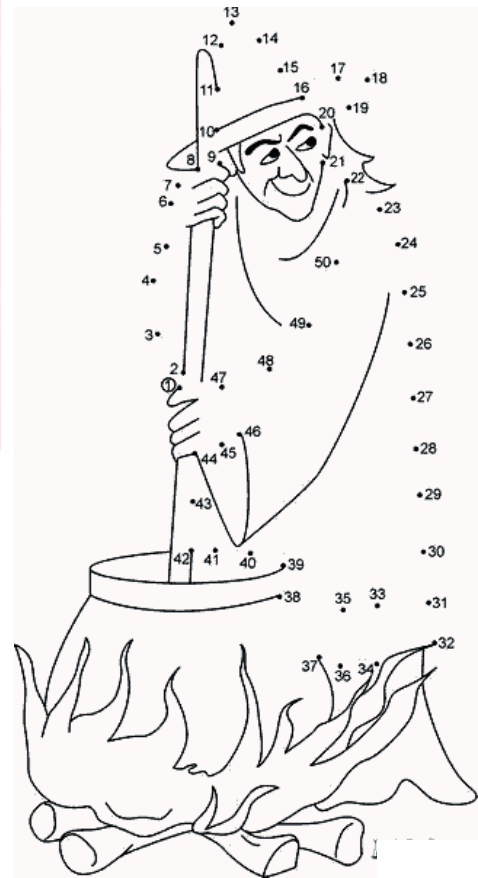
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## Join The Dots



## How to make a Simple Cat suit



How to make it:

What you'll need:	Plastic headband
Cardboard	Pencil (to draw cat ear patterns with)
Dark turtleneck or sweatshirt hoodie	Scissors
Dark leggings	Tacky glue or hot glue gun
Two dark socks or dark knit gloves	Long socks
Construction paper or fabric (to match colour of turtleneck and leggings)	Large safety pins
	Craft paint or markers, optional
	Face paints or makeup

Draw cat ears on the cardboard. Cut out the ears. Cover with construction paper or fabric using glue. Attach the ears to the plastic headband. It might be helpful to have a bent "tab" built into the ears before gluing, so that they stay attached and perky!

Make a tail out of stuffed long socks (sports socks from your husband work well) and safety pin them to the seat of the leggings. You can also sew a tube from the ear fabric, stuff it, and then attach it to the seat of the leggings (see photo). If you use white socks, you can use some old craft paint or markers to coordinate with the rest of the outfit.

Use the two dark socks or the dark knit gloves for "paws." Draw cat whiskers on your child's face and colour their nose dark.

## Halloween Jokes

**Why do witches fly on brooms?**  
Because vacuum cleaners are too heavy.

**How do witches keep their hair in place?**  
Scare spray.

**Why don't witches ride their brooms when they're angry?**  
They're afraid of flying off the handle.

**What do you call a witch who lives at the beach?**  
A sand-witch.

**What do you call two witches living together?**  
Broommates.

**What do you call a witch's garage?**  
A broom closet.

**What do they teach in witching school?**  
Spelling.



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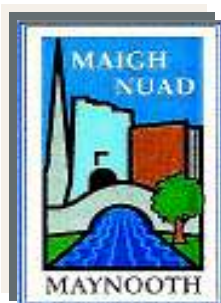
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# Editorial-November

In these days of difficult economic circumstances it is heartening to hear that there is some good news for the town of Maynooth. Plans are in train for a Youth Café to be located in the town. This is accompanied by the news that the Scouts are interested in developing and looking after the Geraldine Hall; they will also make the Hall available to other community groups if these plans go ahead. Both these issues were discussed and welcomed at the recent Community Council Meeting. Another important, and related, event was the Community Gathering on suicide prevention that took place on October 10<sup>th</sup> in the Glenroyal Hotel. It is absolutely essential that the Teen Café development goes ahead to give the teenagers of Maynooth a focal point in which they can meet, socialise and discuss their lives and problems. Because of the downturn in the economy the development levies that were gathering when huge expansion was taking place have now dried up and many of the related plans have been put to one side.

By the time the Newsletter goes to print the expected visitors from Canet en Roussillon, who are interested in twinning, will have come and gone to Maynooth. There have been many plans in the past to twin the town to similar town abroad and perhaps this will come to fruition.

The ongoing sagas of FÁS and the Ceann Comhairle over the past number of months did not stop the Green Party from propping up the Coalition Government. This is despite the fact that there is no commitment in the agreement between the parties not to tax the most vulnerable in society. The Greens have dragged an agreement from Fianna Fáil not to bring in fees for third level education but there is no commitment not to raise the registration fee that now stands at approximately €1,500. This will continue to climb and will replace the deferred fees. The heads of the Universities are generally in favour of the re-introduction of fees for students but how this will benefit the colleges is difficult to understand. Surely, if fees are re-introduced, the Government will simply take away completely the subsidies paid per student to the Universities. If students pay fees, they will also demand a much higher level of services from the different institutions. In view of the fact that these same heads of Universities who refused to take a cut in their salaries – it is surprising that the student population is not more vocal and protesting loudly at the cuts taking place in the Universities throughout the country. Perhaps they realise that protesters are simply ignored in Ireland, whether they are right or wrong.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin

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# Maynooth Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council meeting 12 October 2009

Among the issues raised and discussed at the meeting were the following:

### **Maynooth Teen Café**

Labour Party County Councillor John McGinley told the meeting that Tesco Development Phase 2 was unlikely to be completed before 2011/12 and that the promised community-use premises would not become available till then. However, suitable premises for a new Teen Café/Youth Centre in Maynooth had now been found in the town centre. Some funding was available for this project, and many members of the community have expressed an interest in helping to establish the Café.

John is setting up two committees of people willing to become involved, one of adults and one of teenagers, and anyone interested in helping is invited to join in. The meeting welcomed this development and agreed to set up a Community Council sub-committee to work on this issue. Facilities for teenagers have been particularly lacking in Maynooth for many years, and the Youth Café initiative ties in, in a very timely way, with the present initiatives on the promotion of positive mental health among young people.

### **Ongoing Community Response re. Mental Health Promotion and Suicide Prevention**

Community Council PRO Deirdre Cullen reported that the 'Community Gathering' promoting positive mental health and suicide prevention among young people in North East Kildare, held on 10 October, was very successful.

Presentations were made by Craig Hodges, Headstrong, on the Australian experience, and by Fr. John Dunphy and Kay Healy, North Clondalkin Community Action on Suicide Group, outlining how the community responded to a perceived rise in suicides among young people in Clondalkin, and the role that drug abuse plays in the mental health of young people in that area. The workshops included an interesting discussion of a 'peer-mentoring' scheme for young people in Athboy, and a discussion of the Social Personal Health and Education programme in schools. Feedback on this last topic suggested that parents needed to be more informed about this programme so as to be able to have a positive input, and that the course might be 'revamped' so that young people would engage with it more seriously.

What happens next, how this positive-mental-health-promotion initiative goes forward, is up to all of us in the community, as well as to professionals working in the field—we all need to work together. The Community Response Sub-Group, which organised the seminar, will meet later this month, and hopes to draw members of the wider community into the initiative. Meanwhile, anyone interested in becoming active in this initiative can leave their contact details at the Maynooth Community Council offices at Tesco Shopping Centre, Maynooth. The Community Council is represented on the Community Response Sub-Group, along with many other organisations, and plans to set up a working sub-committee on this issue in the near future.

### **Crime and Anti-social Behaviour**

Maynooth Community Council Chairperson Colm Ó Cearúil reminded the meeting that, following concerns expressed by many community councillors, the Community Council wanted to take an initiative on the issues of crime and anti-social behaviour in Maynooth. Councillor John McGinley pointed out that there is already a Safety group working on these issues in Maynooth. It was decided to invite this group to a Community Council meeting in the near future, with a view to assisting them and collaborating with them in the future.

### **Visit of Town Councillors from Canet en Rousillion, France**

Colm Ó Cearúil reported that a delegation of Town Councillors from Canet en Rousillion, in France, would be visiting at the end of the month, with a view to twinning their town with Maynooth. This delegation is particularly interested in education, sport and tourism.

### **Rathcoole Community Council Incinerator Campaign Fund**

Secretary Muireann Ni Bhrolcháin told the meeting that Rathcoole Community Council had written to Maynooth Community Council seeking financial assistance towards the legal fees they have incurred in their successful appeal to An Bord Pleanála against a proposal to build an incinerator in their area. They pointed out that nearby areas such as Maynooth have been protected against poisonous emissions and dioxins by their action. It was decided that the Community Council executive would see what could be done to assist Rathcoole in some way.

## **Maynooth Community Library Maynooth Film For All**

Maynooth Film for all Club's next film is The Lemon Tree and takes place @ 7.45 in John Hume Lecture in NUI Maynooth on 4th November. This is a multifaceted drama straddling the Palestinian- Israeli divide that's full of irony, generosity, anger and pure crowd-pleasing optimism. Winner - audience Award, Berlin International Film Festival 2008.

### **Polish Storytelling**

Agnes tells stories in Polish for toddlers every Tuesday morning in Maynooth Library. All welcome.

### **Junior Reading Club**

The next meeting of the junior reading group is Tuesday November 3rd between 3.30 and 4.00 p.m. The book to be discussed is Michael Morpurgo's "Alone on a Wide Sea". There are still places available for those who would like to join.

### **Parent and Toddler Group**

A parent and toddler group takes place every Wednesday morning in the library for stories and sing-along.

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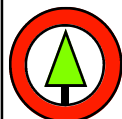
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## **FIRST ANNIVERSARY**

**Richardson Harry ( 2 Parson St. Maynooth) DIED Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> 2008.**

The family of the late Harry would like to thank most sincerely everyone who sympathised with us during our sad loss, to all those who attended the Removal Service or Funeral Mass those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy, floral tributes, those who phoned or called to the house to see us personally especially our neighbours and dear friends.

We would like to thank Mr. Flanagan and his team at Blanchardstown hospital, Maynooth Respite centre and Larchfield nursing home. A particular note of thanks to Carmel Clarke and The Hospice Homecare Team from the Curragh , District Nurses Emer and Eileen, and the Management and staff of Moyglare Nursing home who took very special care of Harry during his last few years.

Thanks to Dr. Maurice Cowhey, Dr. Yvonne O'Sullivan, Mairead Riordan, FR. Liam Rigney PP, Fr. Paul Coyne CC , Fr. Joe Cullen and especially Fr. Brendan Casey Chaplain of Moyglare nursing home. Thanks to Reillys Funeral Directors for their courtesy and compassion, Maynooth GAA Club for the Guard of honour, Sandra Brady for Singing at the funeral Mass. The altar society, Maynooth senior citizens committee, and Dermot & Helene O' Neill and the staff of O' Neill's public house.

As it is impossible to thank everyone individually we hope this Acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our sincere Gratitude.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Harry's Anniversary Mass will take place at St. Mary's church Maynooth at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## **University of Third Age**

**Delighted to report that our Drama class is progressing nicely. It is proving to be stimulating, creative and most importantly fun. Kate our tutor is definitely challenging us but in a very supportive environment. Consequently all the members are stepping outside their comfort zones and taking risks both emotionally and physically! Our imaginations are on fire in our efforts to bring life into what would have been heretofore, inanimate objects. We shall never again look at domestic appliances with the same cold eye. All of life's emotions are being conveyed - the terror, the humour and the romance. We can only assume that Helen's reference to 'the lovers' was simply a Freudian slip. It was a revelation to see Kate weave our personal autumnal associations into a piece of drama. It demonstrated that we ourselves have such potential and are an actual source of material. Ladies break a leg for the Grand Finale!**

**November meetings are on Friday 13th & 27th at 11.00 in the Community Library.**

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## *Go See The Book of Maynooth!*

The handwritten book of Maynooth is currently on display in the Maynooth Community Library. The Newsletter will feature some of the writings and images from the book over the coming months.

The concept of the Book of Maynooth was originated by the late Stuart Lane of Kilcock early in the year 2000. The idea, based on *The Great Book of Ireland* (1991), was to create a single handwritten book which would contain a representative collection of poems and other writings by authors from the area together with examples of work of local visual artists.

Stuart Lane together with John Conroy and Hilda Dunne headed up the committee which included well know local writer Mary O'Donnell and poet Ann Egan.



The authors were required to handwrite their work on a piece of vellum that and was later bound in high quality leather at Marley Park.

The Newsletter would like to thank Stuart's family, John and Hilda as well as Caoilfhionn Murphy (local artist) for giving us permission to reproduce the writings and artwork in the book.

The inclusion in the Newsletter brings renewed attention to the book that may encourage people in the community to go and see the book to get a proper sense of not only its literary content but also the workmanship and visual beauty of the item itself.

This months feature "A Last Ride Through The Hill Field 1904", a true story written by Hilda Dunne concerning her aunt's journey from Ladychapel to Maynooth to join the Presentation Convent at Maynooth.

# Book of Maynooth

## A Last Ride Through The Hill Field 1904

Elizabeth looking out the window of the bedroom she shares with her sisters, felt the heat rising towards her from the cobble-stoned farmyard, outside the byre, the cats lay stretched out, replete after the dishes of warm milk which paddy the cowman gave them daily after milking.

The swallows dive bombing them were ignored, but the felines mood would change as they got hungry and small piles of feathers in the corners of the barn told their own tale. She crosses the landing, passing her parents room where she and her siblings were born, moved down the stairs past the grand-father clock which has boomed in the births and deaths of generations of her family.

She paused to stare into the drawing room where mama played the piano on winter's evenings, then into the front parlour where visitors were received before running down the back hall, towards the pantry where gleaming preserving pans stood on their edges on the shelves, into the kitchen where a black leaded range gleamed radiating heat all year. The coal it burned came by train from Dublin to Maynooth, then by horse and cart. Looking into the back parlour which served as a school room, Elizabeth remembered her early schooling before heading off to boarding school and the happy hours she spent playing with her youngest brothers Frank, four years and Ebbie five years and if mama was away bringing the couple of foxhound puppies in to join in the fun.

In the outer farm yard she collected a bridle from the coach house and went into the stables, her grey mare "Cratloe Castle" whinnied with delight when she saw her mistress, who then led the animal out and in to the Chapel fields. She leapt astride instead of side saddle, coaxing her into a canter and then galloped in full flight, Elizabeth with her long fair hair billowing out behind, sailed over the ditch and down the hill field, knowing Mama if watching, would have a fit at the sight of her daughter taking such liberties. Two hours later Elizabeth was sitting with Mama & Papa in the pony and trap on her way to join the local convent an enclosed order where she would spend her life teaching the local children.

It would be forty-four years before she saw her home again when John Charles, the Arch Bishop lifted the ban enclosing the order; in that time the Copper Beech Trees grew to maturity, her parents and some of her siblings had died, and she only three miles away never got to say good-bye to them when they were laid to rest at Lady Chapel Grave Yard.







# November Diary Planner



## Maynooth ICA

Meetings take place every  
1st Thursday of the Month  
at 8.00 p.m.  
in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour  
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New Members Welcome

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## Maynooth Senior Citizens

Sale of Work  
takes place on  
Sunday 15th November in the  
Aula Maxima, Maynooth College at 3 p.m.

## Maynooth Toastmasters

Monday 9th & 23rd November in the  
Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth  
at 7.45 p.m.

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5th November, 2009 Dr Amos Edelheit,  
Philosophy, NUIM  
“The Florentine Dispute on Evil”  
Response: Dr. Cyril McDonnell  
Chair: Dr. Michael Dunne

19th November, 2009 Ms Susan Gottlöber,  
Philosophy Department, NUIM  
“Tolerance as the Crucial Identity-Generating and  
Constituting Momentum in Heterogeneous Societies”  
Response: Dr. Amos Edelheit  
Chair: Dr. Cyril McDonnell

## Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

Christmas Gala  
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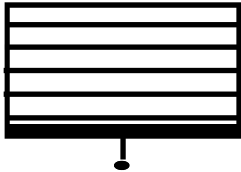


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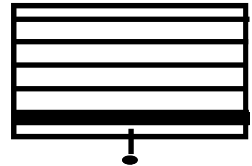
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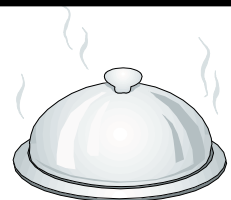
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# Recipes

## Leek, Onion and Potato Soup

### Ingredients:

- 4 large leeks
- 1 medium onion, chopped small
- 175 g Frozen Mashed Potato
- 1 oz (25 g) butter
- 11/2 pints (850 ml) stock,
- 10 fl oz (275 ml) milk
- salt and freshly milled black pepper



### Method:

Begin by trimming the leeks, discarding the tough outer layer. Now split them in half lengthways and slice them quite finely, then wash them thoroughly in two or three changes of water. Drain well. In a large, thick-based saucepan, gently melt the butter, then add the leeks, onions and potatoes, stirring them all round with a wooden spoon so they get a nice coating of butter. Season with salt and pepper, then cover and let the vegetables sweat over a very low heat for about 15 minutes. Add the stock and milk, bring to simmering point, cover and let the soup simmer very gently for a further 20 minutes or until the vegetables are soft – if you have the heat too high the milk in it may cause it to boil over. Put the whole lot into a blender. Leave it to cool a little first, and blend to a purée. Return the soup to the saucepan and reheat gently, tasting to check the seasoning. Add a swirl of cream or crème fraîche before serving and sprinkle with freshly snipped chives or parsley.

## Irish Stew

### Ingredients:

- 1-1½ kg neck or shoulder of lamb
- Bouquet of parsley, thyme and bayleaf (tied together with twine)
- 3 large onions, finely chopped
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 3-4 carrots, chopped into bite-sized pieces
- 1 small turnip, chopped into bite-sized pieces
- Some small new potatoes, peeled and quartered, or large potatoes, peeled and chopped
- 75-100g cabbage, shredded
- Finely chopped parsley and dash of Worcester Sauce

### Method:

Remove the meat from the bone, trim off all the fat and cut into cubes. Keep the bones, place the meat in a pot, cover with cold salted water. Bring to the boil, drain and rinse the lamb.

In a fresh pot put the meat, bones, bouquet of herbs, onions, seasoning, carrots, leeks and turnip and cover with water. Simmer gently for one hour. Skim off the foam as it rises. (This is very important for the final flavour and appearance of the stew.) Add the potatoes and continue cooking for 25 minutes. For the last 5 minutes add in the cabbage. When the meat and vegetables are cooked remove the bones and bouquet for herbs. Stir in the chopped parsley and a dash of Worcester sauce. Serve in deep bowls with soda bread.

## Autumn Pudding

### Ingredients:

- 675g / 1 1/2 lbs Autumn Fruits (cooking apples, blueberries, etc.)
- 175g / 6oz Self Raising Flour
- Pinch of Cinnamon
- 125g / 4oz Margarine (at room temperature)
- 125g / 4oz Light Brown Sugar
- 2 Eggs
- 4 tablespoons Cold Water
- Sugar to sweeten fruit



### Method:

Preheat oven to 190°C/375°F/Gas 5. Lightly grease an ovenproof pie dish.

Peel, core and slice apples. Mix the fruit used and place in the prepared pie dish; sweeten with sugar.

Put the remaining ingredients into a large mixing bowl and using the "all in one" method, beat all ingredients together until smooth.

Spread over the fruit and bake until nicely risen and golden brown, about 40 minutes. Serve hot with custard, cream or ice cream.



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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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As many of your readers may or may not know, Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> was the date for this years annual coffee morning in aid of the Hospice Foundation. I held such an event at my house that day and I would like, through your pages, to thank some people, without whom the occasion would not have been a success. To all those people who donated cash, raffle prizes or their time I extend a sincere thanks. Thank you also to the people who attended the coffee morning. A sincere word of thanks to my family, friends, and neighbours without whom I could not organise such an event.

As always the generosity of the people of Maynooth has not been found wanting and the final sum raised at my house on the day was €4,600, for which St. Brigids Hospice, The Curragh are most grateful. The Hospice foundation does fantastic work discreetly and professionally and all too often this goes unrecognised.

The annual coffee morning gives us all a chance to show our appreciation and as such I hope I can count on your support again next year.

It is impossible to name everyone individually so I hope this acknowledgment will be accepted by one and all as a token of my gratitude.

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# Features

## Kylie Minogue

**K**ylie Ann Minogue was born on the 28th of May 1968 in Melbourne Australia. She is an Australian pop singer, songwriter and actress. After beginning her career as a child actor on Australian television, she achieved recognition through her role in the television soap *Neighbours*, beginning her career as a recording artist in 1987. Her first single, “Loco-Motion” spent seven weeks in the Australian single charts and became the highest selling single of the year. She was the first child of Ronald Charles and Carol Ann Jones. She has one sister Danni also a singer and actress and one brother called Brendan who works as an news cameraman.



Her singles were well received but after four albums her record sales were declining and she left Stock, Aitken & Waterman in 1992. Minogue returned to prominence in 2000 with the single “Spinning Around” and the dance-oriented album *Light Years*, and she performed during the closing ceremonies of the 2000 Sydney Olympics. Minogues’ breast cancer diagnosis in 2005 led to the postponement of the remainder of her “Showgirl” — The Greatest Hits Tour and her withdrawal from the Glastonbury Festival. Her hospitalisation and treatment in Melbourne resulted in a brief but intense period of media coverage, particularly in Australia, where the Prime Minister issued a statement supporting Minogue.

On July 8 2005 she made her first public appearance after her surgery, when she visited a children’s cancer ward at Melbourne Royal Children’s Hospital. She returned to France where she completed her chemotherapy treatment at the institute of Gustav-Roussy in Villejuif near Paris. In December 2005 Minogue released a digital –only single, “*Over the Rainbow*”, a live recording from her “*Showgirl*” Tour. Her children’s book, “*The Showgirl Princess*” written during her period of convalescence, was published in October 2006, and her perfume, “*Darling*” was launched in November.

### **2006-present Showgirl : The Homecoming Tour, X and Kylie X2008.**

In November 2006, Minogue resumed her *Showgirl :The Homecoming Tour* with a performance in Sydney. She had told the journalists before the concert that she would be highly emotional, and she cried before dedicating the “*Epecially for You*” to her dad a survivor of prostate cancer.

In February 2007, Minogue and Olivier Martinez announced that they had ended their relationship, but remained on friendly terms. Minogue was reported to have been saddened by false accusations of Martinez disloyalty. She defended Martinez, and acknowledges the support he had given during her treatment for breast cancer, commenting “he was always there, helping with the practical stuff and being positive. In late September 2008 Minogue made her Middle East debut as the headline act at the opening of Atlantis. The Palm, and exclusive hotel resort in Dubai, and from November, she continued with her *Kylie 2008 Tour*, taking the show to cities across South America, Asia and Australia. The tour visited 21 countries, and was considered a success, with ticket sales estimated at \$70,000,000.

She hosted the 2009 *Brit Awards* on 18 February 2009 with James Corden and Mathew Home. She is scheduled to embark upon her first North America tour, which will include shows in the U.S. and Canada during September and October 2009.

Minogue has been inspired by and compared to Madonna. In January 2007 Madame Tussaud’s in London unveiled its Fourth waxwork of Minogue, only Queen Elizabeth II has more models created. On 23 November 2007, a bronze statue of Minogue was unveiled at Melbourne Docklands for permanent display. Kylie always shines at what she does and she is a wonderful symbol of our modern times.



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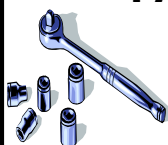
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# November in the Garden

## Perennials, Annuals, and Bulbs

Make sure that the canes of your climbing roses and other vining plants are securely fastened to their supports. Winter winds can whip and severely damage unprotected plants. Don't tie them so tightly that the string or twist-tie cuts into the stem. I recommend using a length of an old nylon stocking because it will stretch as the plant grows, rather than cutting into the stem, as string will do.

Mound five to six inches of soil around the bases of your hardy fuchsias and roses. Use soil from another part of the garden, rather than risking damage to the roots by digging around the base of the plant.

Cut Chrysanthemum stems to 2-3 inches from the soil once they have begun to die back.

## Fruits and Vegetables

Cut the tops off your asparagus plants, and add a winter dressing of aged manure to the bed.

Cover strawberries two inches deep with hay or straw.

Secure your raspberry canes to stakes to protect them from being whipped by the wind.

## Lawns

If you haven't already applied an Autumn or Winter type of lawn fertilizer (20-9-9), now is the time to do it. This encourages good root development and helps improve the colour of the lawn. Lime can also be applied, if needed.

Give your lawn a good raking to lift away accumulations of debris.

Keep leaves raked from the lawn. They should be composted. Alternatively, you can just mow over them, turning them to a mulch which adds important nutrients back to the lawn.

## House Plants

Winter heating dries the air out in your home considerably. Help your house plants survive by misting them or placing the pots on a pebble filled tray of water to ensure adequate humidity and moisture.



Pot up some Spring flowering bulbs for indoor colour during the winter. Store the pots in a cool, dark place, until new growth emerges from the soil, and then move them to a bright window.

Continue to watch for insect or disease damage and take the necessary steps to control the problem.

## Make leaf mould

Most leaves can be turned into leaf mould, but some take longer to compost than others. Oak, alder and hornbeam will soon rot down, while sycamore, beech, horse chestnut and sweet chestnut take a little longer. Leaves from conifers and evergreen plants will take between two and three years to compost and are best added in small quantities only, shredding them first to help speed up composting.

If you only have a small garden, you can save them in bin liners, but if you have the space - and a lot of leaves to collect - try building a leaf bin.

## Prepare the greenhouse for winter

Before the winter sets in, clean the exterior of the greenhouse by washing the panes of glass with warm water and a sponge.

## Minding our feathered friends

If you're a bird lover, one of the best things that you can do to help wild birds through a difficult winter is to provide a source of fresh water in freezing conditions. When temperatures plummet, it can be difficult for wild birds to find a source of water. If you keep a plastic sheet in your birdbath to help you remove frozen water and replace it regularly with fresh, the birds will find it.



Many people like to supplement their garden birds' diet with extra food - especially in the winter. This can be a real life-saver in harsh weather. What benefits the birds also benefits the human inhabitants of the house, by the addition of beautiful wild creatures and hours of entertainment.

There is also an important knock-on effect for the organic gardener - birds will get used to searching for food in your garden and will search for greenfly, caterpillars and snails during the rest of the year.



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# FLOWER ARRANGING

## Using Floral Foam Effectively

**C**hoose the right foam for the flowers you are using. Generally, green water-retaining foam is for fresh flowers and foliage, whilst the brown stiffer foam is for dried or artificial flowers.



Always soak your foam in a bucket or large bowl - never under the tap as this can leave dry spots inside the foam which can't be detected from the outside. This can cause stems to wilt. Fill your bucket or bowl with fresh water, then drop the foam onto the water. Allow it to take up the water naturally (this takes only around 20 seconds for today's modern foams). Do not push the foam under the water. When the top of the foam is level with the surface of the water, take it out immediately and allow it to drain. Over soaking can cause the foam to break up in use.

For traditional arrangements, always cut your floral foam so that it is about 1" higher than the rim of your container. This allows plant material to be arranged more naturally, with some stems flowing down to the sides and front of the arrangement. If the foam is level with the rim of the container, then you can only arrange your stems sticking upwards, resulting in a stiff, unnatural look.

When pushing stems into the foam, make sure that the bottom of the stem stays in contact with it. This means that if you push a flower in too far, don't just pull it up, as this will leave an air-pocket under the stem, causing it to wilt. Always start another hole.

Keep the foam supplied with water daily. Plant material uses the water stored in the foam, and once this has dried out, the flowers will wilt.

When using anchor tape to secure your foam into position, try squeezing it together as it passes over the foam - this will make it narrower and give you more room on the foam. How many times have you tried to insert a stem, only to find tape?

If your floral foam fills the rim of the container, there will be no room to add water without it spilling over the edge of the container. You can get round this by cutting a V shaped notch in the foam before inserting it into the container. It will then be easy to pour water into the notch without it spilling over.

Although it's tempting, never re-use foam. If your foam already has holes from a previous arrangement, then you could be putting your stems into thin air! This will create an air lock under the stem, causing it to wilt.

If you have soaked your foam, but find you have more than you need, then keep any left over foam in a plastic bag until you need it. Once soaked foam has dried out, it becomes very difficult to soak again. If you're really desperate, then soaking the foam in very hot water will help it to take up the water again.

I have found that the best way to make arrangements with daffodils, tulips, and other very soft stemmed flowers it to cut the flower to the size you require and then press a straw into the stem, then cut the straw leaving enough to press into your foam.,

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### *SILENT THOUGHT*

*Silent are the hours on my own  
In brooding thought inside my mind  
Sitting on my chair being all alone  
Thinking thoughts of many a kind  
My life is here with me now  
Still living in all of my desire  
It is of life I make a vow  
That of my beliefs not to tire*

*Still I feel love for everyone  
Such passion that is within my life  
In deep prayer my soul has gone  
Feeling contentment with little strife  
In this vast world I am alive  
With my senses for to explore  
In a troubled world to survive  
But I have coped many a time before*

*I feel for this earth much within  
This feeling grows stronger in time  
In this world my dreams begin  
With my active thoughts to unwind  
My life is of many an emotion  
With my heart troubles to express  
It is beauty I give my devotion  
That is within my mind to caress*

**By Patrick Murray**

### *November Morning*

*"A tingling, misty marvel  
Blew hither in the night,  
And now the little peach-trees  
Are clasped in frozen light.*

*Upon the apple-branches  
An icy film is caught,  
With trailing threads of gossamer  
In pearly patterns wrought.*

*The autumn sun, in wonder,  
Is gayly peering through  
This silver-tissued network  
Across the frosty blue.*

*The weather-vane is fire-tipped,  
The honeysuckle shows  
A dazzling icy splendor,  
And crystal is the rose."*

**By Evaleen Stein**

### *Autum*

*"Yet one smile more, departing, distant sun!  
One mellow smile through the soft vapory air,  
Ere, o'er the frozen earth, the loud winds run,  
Or snows are sifted o'er the meadows bare.  
One smile on the brown hills and naked trees,  
And the dark rocks whose summer wreaths are  
cast,  
And the blue gentian-flower, that, in the breeze,  
Nods lonely, of her beauteous race the last.  
Yet a few sunny days, in which the bee  
Shall murmur by the hedge that skirts the way,  
The cricket chirp upon the russet lea,  
And man delight to linger in thy ray.  
Yet one rich smile, and we will try to bear  
The piercing winter frost, and winds, and  
darkened air."*

**By William Cullen Bryant**

### *I Do Not Mind You, Winter Wind*

*I do not mind you, Winter Wind  
when you come whirling by,  
to tickle me with snowflakes  
drifting softly from the sky.*

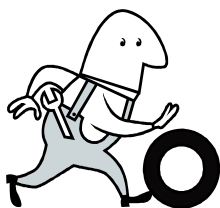
*I so not even mind you  
when you nibble at my skin,  
scrambling over all of me  
attempting to get in.*

*But when you bowl me over  
and I land on my behind,  
then I must tell you, Winter Wind,  
I mind . . . I really mind!*

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## *The Giant Panda*

High in dense bamboo forests in the misty, rainy mountains of south western China lives one of the world's rarest mammals, the Giant Panda, also called the Panda. Only about 1,000 of these black and white relatives of bears survive in the wild. Pandas eat almost nothing but bamboo shoots and leaves and used to be able to move quite easily from one mountain top to another in search of food. The valleys are mostly inhabited by people. Pandas are shy and they don't venture into areas where people live. This restricts pandas to very limited areas. The most serious threat to the panda is loss of habitat. Already confined to small remote areas in the mountains of China, much of their natural lowland habitat has been destroyed by farmers, development and forest clearing, forcing them further upland and reducing and fragmenting their habitat. This fragmentation of habitat is detrimental to the panda's ability to find food.



To save Panda habitat, the Chinese government has set aside 12 nature preserves where bamboo flourishes and giant pandas are known to live. Fragile Panda habitat will be protected from development by people and also from damage caused by cattle, sheep and goats as they graze on any emerging seedlings and trample the thin mountain soil. Efforts are being made to introduce Pandas to new areas not currently occupied by it in order to expand its habitat. Strips of land, called bamboo corridors, have been created to help pandas migrate or move from one area to another. This technique opens more habitat to pandas. When pandas move greater distances to find mates, they can spread their genes further in the population.

## *The Mountain Gorilla*

Youngsters tumble, climb, and run playing follow the leader. Another group plays a rowdy game of king of the mountain. Several adults watch the action, relaxing nearby. Is this a playground scene at school? No, guess again. It's a lush mountain forest high in the Virunga mountains of Africa, and the playmates are young mountain gorillas under the watchful eyes of their mothers.

Mountain gorillas have been on the brink of extinction for decades. There are just 700 mountain gorillas left in the wild and it is estimated that 200 of those live in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The other populations live in Rwanda and Uganda.



The situation for mountain gorillas has not improved despite the best efforts of conservation organizations around the world. In July 2007, four mountain gorillas were found slain in the DRC. The rangers who protect the gorillas in the DRC's Virunga National Park have been unable to even visit the gorilla groups in the past three months, as fighting by rebel groups has become too intense. In the past decade more than 100 rangers have lost their lives trying to protect the gorillas and many had not been paid by the government for years.

Saving the mountain gorilla is important, not just because it's an incredible animal, but also because the tourist income can make a real difference to the lives of the people living in the area. Rwanda's main tourist attraction is its mountain gorillas and the money and visitors they attract have helped fuel the country's economy. The communities living near the mountain gorillas protected areas are also benefiting directly.

Dian Fossey, the American zoologist known throughout the world from the movie "Gorillas in the Mist," is credited with the first successful anti poaching efforts in the gorillas' park. Beginning in 1963, she and her staff regularly patrolled the forest and removed snares set to capture antelope and other animals. Although gorillas were not the poachers' main targets, snares often trapped gorillas and they lost a hand or a foot to infection. Fossey's efforts were too successful for her own personal safety, and she made the ultimate sacrifice 20 years after her work began: she was murdered in 1985, presumably by poachers.

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**K**ildare County FC was formed as recently as March 2002. The club crest shows a horse's head inside a football. A horse's head was chosen because the area where the club is based are known as the

Thoroughbred County and their nickname is "The Thoroughbreds." The football represents the sport played by the club. The Club's colours are Black and White. The current manager is Joe Somerville and he was appointed in April 2009. They are based in Newbridge and play their matches at Station Road.

## Kildare County's first manager was Dermot Keely (2002-2003).

- In 2004 Kildare County narrowly missed out on a playoff spot against the second last team of the Premier Division in 2004, finishing fourth in a season where three teams were promoted to the Premier Division.
- Kildare County became the first side to defeat Athlone Town in their new stadium in Lissywoolen on April the 14th 2007. Kildare County won the fixture 2-0 with Padraig Amond scoring twice, the first goal being the first ever opposition goal to be conceded by Athlone at their new venue.
- Captain Philip Byrne made his 100th appearance for the Kildare County in all competitions in the sides 1-0 victory over Finn Harps on 21 April 2007 while Alan Byrne made his 100th appearance for the club in the 1-0 defeat to Cobh Ramblers in Saint Colmans Park on October 6th.
- In 2008 Kildare County were to suffer their biggest ever loss and record their biggest ever victory in the space of under a week. The thoroughbreds suffered a 6-0 defeat to Dundalk and less than 7 days later beat Monaghan United 4-0.
- In 2009 Kildare County after losing their licence were allowed play in the First Division in place of Cobh Ramblers on



February 16th. Kildare County were themselves in financial difficulties and were forced to slash the players wage bill in order to survive.

Their worst defeat came against Sporting Fingal who put eight past the hapless goalkeeper in front of a home crowd at Station Road. The final straw for the man in charge came in Century Homes Park after a 5-1 drubbing to Monaghan who were also winless and only on 1 point before that match.

*Kildare County F.C's current panel and their positions.*

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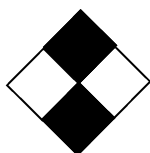
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My working week was reduced to 3 days a while ago and I get Jobseeker's Benefit (JB) for the days that I don't work. I have been informed that the JB payment is due to end shortly. Can I re-qualify for this payment after working a 3-day week for the next 13 weeks? What are my options?

### Answer

You are referring to the general rule whereby someone who has used up their entitlement to Jobseeker's Benefit may re-qualify by working and paying the appropriate PRSI contributions for at least 13 weeks.

However, in order to qualify for Jobseeker's Benefit you need to have suffered a "substantial loss of employment". When you originally went on a reduced working week you would have satisfied this condition. However, if your employment pattern has not changed during the course of your JB claim you are now classified as a part-time worker for the purposes of assessing any new claim. As a result, the 3 days that you don't work will no longer be regarded as substantial loss of employment, and you will not re-qualify for Jobseeker's Benefit after 13 weeks of part-time work.

Depending on your earnings and your family circumstances, you may be able to apply for Jobseeker's Allowance for the 3 days that you don't work. Alternatively, you may qualify for Family Income Supplement (FIS) which is a payment from the Department of Social and Family Affairs to help people at work on low incomes to support their families.

While you are still getting Jobseeker's Benefit, you may qualify for a place on the new Short-Time Working Training Programme (run by FÁS) and continue to get your Jobseeker's Benefit. The programme allows participants to improve or add to their skills. The training offered is flexible, in order to allow people to complete the courses if they return to full-time work. Places are limited. Contact your local FÁS office.

### Question

Having lost my job, I am about to apply for Jobseeker's Benefit. As I live in a very remote area, it will be hard for me to travel to sign on every week. Are there any concessions for people in my position? Also, how do I collect my payment?

### Answer

In general, people claiming Jobseeker's Benefit are required to go to their Social Welfare Local Office once every 4 weeks (not weekly) and declare that they are still unemployed and looking for work. This is called "signing on". The Social Welfare Local Office gives each person a date and a time to sign on each month.

This general arrangement applies to people who live 10 miles or less from their nearest Social Welfare Local Office.

There are special arrangements for people who live over 10 miles from their nearest Social Welfare Local Office. If you live this far away, you may be allowed to sign on every 12 weeks instead.

Your Jobseeker's Benefit will be paid weekly by the Department of Social and Family Affairs, but you do not have to call to the Social Welfare Local Office to collect it. You can collect it from your nearest Post Office each week.

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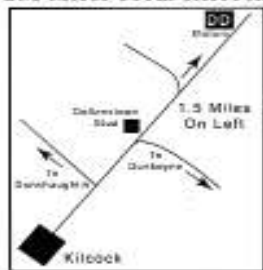
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## Question

I am setting up my own business and will need to pay self-employed PRSI. How do I register for this? What does self-employed PRSI cover? How do I continue contributing if my business closes?

## Answer

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However, since 2007 it is no longer a requirement to register separately with the Department. When you register as self-employed with the Revenue Commissioners you will automatically be registered for PRSI. You will find information on registering as self-employed (using form TR1) in booklet IT 48 Starting in Business. Both form and booklet are available on [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie).

When you are registered for PRSI you will pay at Class S. This class applies to self-employed people, including certain company directors, people in business on their own account and people with income from investments and rents. It doesn't cover you for jobseeker, illness or disability payments, but it does cover you for the following social insurance payments:

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- Guardian's Payment (Contributory)
- State Pension (Contributory)
- Maternity Benefit
- Adoptive Benefit
- Bereavement Grant

If your business closes and you stop being self-employed, or if your annual income falls below €3,174, and you are under age 66, you may apply to become a voluntary contributor.

Voluntary contributions give cover for the pensions that you were covered for when you were last working and paying compulsory PRSI. To become a

voluntary contributor after self-employment, you must have worked and paid PRSI for at least 260 weeks and apply within 12 months after the end of the tax year during which you last paid PRSI.

## Question

My parents have been getting the free TV licence, electricity allowance and similar benefits for several years. However, my father died recently. Can my mother still claim these benefits? She is in her early sixties and now lives alone.

## Answer

You are referring to the Household Benefits Package, which covers a Telephone Allowance worth €26 per month as well as an electricity or gas allowance and a free TV licence.

Since your late father was getting the Household Benefits Package and your mother is aged between 60 and 65, she may now qualify for the Household Benefits Package in her own right by availing of a special concession for widowed people in this age group.

She must be getting one of the following payments:

- State Pension (Transition)
  - Widow's/Widower's (Contributory) Pension
  - Widow's/Widower's (Non-Contributory) Pension
  - One-Parent Family Payment (Widows/Widowers)
  - Widow's or Widower's Pension under the Occupational Injuries Benefits Scheme
  - An equivalent social security pension/benefit from a country covered by EU Regulations or from a country with which Ireland has a Bilateral Social Security Agreement
  - An ordinary Garda Widow's Pension from the Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform
- She may have to produce documentary evidence proving that your late father was getting the Household Benefits Package.

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# Maynooth GAA News



**Back Row left to right** Siobhan O'Shea, Niamh Kearney, Karen Feehan, Elaine Kelly, Emma Lynch, Aoife Toomey, Louise Doran, Samantha Ward, Stephanie Gavin, Clare McNamara, Grainne Hoban, Laura Tierney, Amy Morrissey, Tara Fagan.

**Front Row Left to Right** Ciana Heneghan, Jenny Dwyer, Eimear Sinnott, Sarah Greally, Hannah Stack, Kate Montgomery, Louise Walsh (Captain), Kerry Faherty.

## Ladies Under 18,s Division 1 County Champions

### Maynooth Team and Scores

Niamh Kearney		
Kerry Faherty	Laura Tierney	Siobhan O'Shea
Sarah Greally	Louise Walsh (0-2)	Louise Doran
Grainne Hoban (-1)	Claire McNamara	
Stephanie Gavin	Kate Montgomery (-2)	Amy Morrissey
Ciana Heneghan (2-1)	Samantha Ward (1-0)	Tara Fagan

Subs: Elaine Kelly (1-0) for Tara Fagan, Hannah Stack for Siobhan O'Shea (injured)  
Aoife Toomey for Kerry Faherty (injured), Karen Feehan for Stephanie Gavin, Tara Fagan for Karen Feehan,  
Jenny Dwyer, Emma Lynch, Jenny Tyrrell, Megan McGrath (not used).

Referee: Kevin Hannon (Kilcock)

# *Maynooth Toastmasters*

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# Maynooth GAA News

## Maynooth Retain Minor Camogie Crown

Congratulations to the Minor Camogie team who retained their championship crown after a fierce battle against a strong Celbridge in Donore. Maynooth won this title for the second year in a row with a 4 point win. Well done to all the girls and the management team.



### Maynooth 4-6      Celbridge 3-5

The Maynooth Camogie team successfully defended their Championship title with a superb but hard earned victory over Celbridge played in Donore on Sunday last 27/9/09. It was a game which epitomised all the skills of the game- the highest standard of striking, catching in the air, hooking and blocking and some classic solo runs to boot. Celbridge playing against the wind in the first half settled very quickly into their stride and scored a goal and point within 5 minutes with Sinead Cummins raising a green flag and Nicole McDonagh notching a point from the 30 yard mark. Maynooth midfielder Grainne Hoban helped by some superb work from Stephanie Gavin responded with a fine point from play in the 7th minute. Three minutes later the sides were level when Maynooth centre forward Kate Montgomery broke through the Celbridge defence and her goal bound was well saved by Sarah McNiff in the Celbridge goal but goal poacher supreme Ciana Heneghan was on hand to flick the sliotar to the net. A further point from a 45 by Louise Walsh put Maynooth into the lead, but this was short lived when Celbridge corner forward Alison McCarthy took advantage of some hesitancy in the Maynooth defence and goalkeeper Niamh Kearney had no chance with the low ground strike which found the corner of the net. The last 5 minutes of the first half saw an exchange of points between Kate Montgomery for Maynooth and Celbridge full forward Sinead Cummins leaving the half time score.

### Celbridge 2-2      Maynooth 1-3.

Celbridge dominated the early stages of the second half and scored a superb goal from Sinead Cummins and point from Claire O'Sullivan to leave 2 goals between the sides. It looked even at this early stage of the second half that Celbridge were on their way to victory but Maynooth had other ideas and were in no mood to give up their crown easily. A long delivery from Louise Walsh found Maynooth full forward Samantha Ward who rounded her marker and handpassed the sliotar to the net in the 42nd minute. This score seemed to revitalise the whole Maynooth team and they were the dominant team for the next 10 minutes. A long range free from Maynooth centre back Louise Walsh was latched onto by Ciana Heneghan who having shrugged off her marker scored the best point of the day from the left wing, Maynooth substitute Elaine Kelly became very influential in the forward line and after winning possession 50 yards from goal she soloed all the way to the 14 yard line before striking an unstoppable shot to the Celbridge net. Celbridge replied with a fine long range point from their midfielder Triona Byrne. Kate Montgomery (from play) and Louise Walsh (long range free) eased Maynooth into a 2 point lead with 11 minutes remaining. Maynooth scored their fourth goal in the 50<sup>th</sup> minute when a shot from Elaine Kelly was parried by the goalkeeper but Ciana Heneghan pounced to hit the rebound to the net. For the remainder of the game Celbridge mounted a serious assault on the Maynooth defence but their only reward was a point from Claire O'Sullivan. The Maynooth defence held firm with Laura Tierney, substitute Hannah Stack, Louise Walsh and Sarah Greally putting in superb performances.

Celbridge are to be commended on a fine performance but Maynooth were truly deserving of victory and when their inspirational captain Louise Walsh received the Championship Trophy from Kildare Camogie Chairperson Margaret Sexton the joy and ecstasy on the faces of the Maynooth players and supporters was a treasure to behold.

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# Maynooth GAA News

## BY BUGGY, BY BOAT, BY GORRAH: THEY MADE IT TO CROKER

**The Sabbath** was meant to be a day of rest but before the country had risen from its bed the 99 walkers from Maynooth GAA club had already travelled seven miles.

And by communion time at first mass they were searching for holy water to cure the sores on the balls of their feet. Fr Paul Rigney didn't offer absolution when they set out at 7 am, like the men of 1916 had received, but he blessed the people before him, who wore green bibs instead of trench-coats and carried water instead of weapons.

Former club secretary, Dominic Nugent, burst from the blocks, using all the experience he has gained walking the streets of Maynooth selling club lotto tickets. Senior hurling manager, Killian Fagan, was quick to overtake him and it was very nearly a case of the hare (Fagan, 40) and the tortoise (Nugent, 66). Fagan took a wrong turn and what he thought was a canal gate turned out to be the guarded entrance of someone's back garden. He made no mistake when he bypassed Nugent the second time.

Michael Cotter chose a different route, literally. The canal was a sickly green sight for the walkers on the embankment but Cotter cruised down the waterway in his kayak. For the last stretch into Croker he had to carry the boat on his back, where he was joined by Maynooth footballer Paul Flood and his baby's buggy. Flood could have done with a push himself but he had to grin and bear the final half mile of the 15 mile route. When they reached Cross Guns bridge, hurling chairman Aidan Sinnott was basking in the sunshine. "When you've got great legs you should show them off," he said with his trademark Wexford wit. "It's a great day for the club and the community. We had a great chat on the way in – we talked about football and hurling and NAMA."

Speaking of money, the north Kildare GAA club made close on €20,000 from their efforts, each walker raising a minimum of €200. Club organiser Eamon O'Flaherty was delighted with the event, in particular the efforts of dual star Joe Brennan and club chairman Colm Nolan (the deadly duo also help to manage the club's under-16 hurling team). Brennan, rising late from his bed as usual, had to jog most of the way and Nolan kept him company despite giving away a couple of decades in age.

When Croker came into view the cameras flashed and the crowds roared. RTÉ's Marty Morrissey was assailed by the marching mob, he roared "the Crom Abú" and Pat Nevin knew that his work was done. "Now can I go to work?" asked Morrissey when Maynooth had finishing posing with him. Next up was former GAA president Nickey Brennan.

**"If there's a replay, I'll walk it with ye," he promised.**

**Finally**, current president Christy Cooney broke from his hectic schedule, which included a meeting with An Taoiseach Brian Cowen at 12.17 (some watches had him meeting Maynooth at 12.16), and wished everyone well as they negotiated the toughest part of the day – getting home for a pint.

As the great Pat Nevin often says, winners' medals aren't put into your hand they're printed on your heart. On Sunday the Crom Abú walked back in time and proudly felt the hand of history on their chests.

**By Brendan Coffey, Maynooth GAA PRO**





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*Well done Crom Abú*



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# Maynooth GAA News

## HURLING NEWS

Well done to the Intermediate Hurling Team who won the championship on Sunday, 11 October. They came out on top against a fancied Moorefield side by four points, 2-10 to 0-12 with goals coming from Graham Kenny and TJ Curran. They played the Louth champions in the Junior Leinster Club Championship on Sunday 18 October.

Maynooth team: Declan Buckley; Shane Devereaux, Shane Barry, Harry Oliver; Paul Moylan, Joe Brennan, Hugh Nevin; Ed Cooney, Eanna Lohan; Mark Cummins (0-6fs), Mikey Gillick, Fiachra Lohan (0-1); Graham Kenny (1-1), Karl Ennis (0-1), Feargal Molloy (0-1). Subs: Ger Greally for Gillick; TJ Curran (1-0) for Kenny.

Former Tipperary manager Ken Hogan came to the club on Thursday, 15 October, for a coaching session which was a great success.

## FOOTBALL NEWS

The Intermediate Football qualified for the county final against Kilcullen in Newbridge on Saturday, 17 October. Having won the title in 2005, and only losing senior status Maynooth are aiming to make an impressive return to the senior ranks.

## UNDER 11 CAMOGIE

The u-11 camogie final in Kilcock on Sunday 4th October was no place for the faint-hearted as Maynooth and Naas went toe to toe in a titanic battle for the Division 1 title, which ended in 0-1 apiece draw. The prediction that this game would go right to the wire proved correct, as an additional ten minutes of extra time was not enough to separate the rivals at the end of a wonderful sporting occasion. While both teams will feel that they could have come away from Kilcock as Division 1 champions, the replay offers the prospect of another great clash in what is fast becoming one of the great match-ups in underage camogie in the county.

Maynooth were slow to start this county final against old rivals Naas, with the girls taking some time to settle into the big day. Naas took advantage of this and had Maynooth on the back foot for long periods of the first half. They got their reward for this pressure when their centre back drove over a fine 45 to give her team a one-point lead. Although Maynooth showed glimpses of what they can do as the half wore on, the signs did not look good as Naas turned over at half-time a point ahead with the advantage of the hill to come in the second half. The second half called for heroes to stand up if Maynooth were to retrieve the situation and as has been the case so often with this team, heroes were to be found all over the field. None more so than Sinead Hever, Aoife Smith and Anne Ward, whose performances turned the game in Maynooth's favour. Team captain and goalkeeper Hever, made a string of excellent saves to keep her team in contention, while in front of her, defenders Ward and Smith relieved the pressure on the Maynooth team with a series of wonderful clearances. Following on from their lead the other Maynooth girls stepped up to wrestle control of the game from Naas. In midfield Roisin O'Neill and Laoise Millar got on top of a strong Naas pairing and set the foundation for a period of sustained Maynooth pressure. This pressure was rewarded with 10 minutes remaining when half-forward Aoife Walsh was fouled as she bore down on goal. The Maynooth supporters held their breath as O'Neill stood over the free 30 yards out from goal and 10 yards to the right of the posts. However, O'Neill seemed to be the calmest person in the ground as she drove the free high and straight between the posts to bring the sides level. Both sides had chances to clinch a late victory, Maynooth's best effort coming when a long clearance from defense found full-forward Aoife Lynch 30 yards from goal. In one movement Lynch rose the ball, turned and drilled a rocket of shot towards the Naas goal. Although it looked for all the world that the final would be decided by this piece of magic the ball flew inches past the wrong side of the upright with the Naas goalkeeper helpless.

With the game level at full time both teams pressed for a victory in the 10 minutes of extra time but neither team could find the breakthrough. In the end a draw was perhaps a fair result and both teams can now regroup and prepare for what will surely be another epic battle in the replay. The spirit and intensity in which this game was played was a credit to every girl involved, and each and everyone of them was a credit to their respective clubs. The date for the much anticipated replay will be posted as soon as a time and venue has been decided.

# Maynooth GAA News

Squad: S. Hever, A. Smith, C Jones, S. Monaghan, A.Ward, L.Millett, L.Boyle, R.O'Neill (0-1), L.Millar, B.Kearney, R.NiChonichain-Bhrian, A.Walsh, R.Forde, A. Lynch,A. Monaghan, T.Ganly, E.Coyle, S.Quinn, M.Hamilton, B. Kearney, A. Walsh, M. Hogan, A.M.Howard, M.Doran, G. O'Sullivan, B.Boylan, R.Hever, C.Condron, C.Bristow, A. Hafdioui, N.Jennings

## UNDER 13 BOYS FOOTBALL

Maynooth 2-7 Sarsfields 5-5

Although the final score would indicate otherwise - this is a game that Maynooth could and should have won. With both teams missing players and many Maynooth lads struggling with injuries Maynooth were a match for a team that has won every competition they have entered from under 8 til the present. Stunned by an early goal Maynooth gradually pulled back the deficit and should have led at the break with the crossbar coming to Sars rescue when a goal seemed certain. Maynooth played brilliantly and only trailed by a single point after playing against a strong wind and heavy rain. Halftime score 2-3 to 2-2.

Maynooth had Sarsfield's on the ropes in the first ten minutes of the 2nd half and should have built up a lead but unfortunately missed 5 easy scoring opportunities. Sarsfield's could not believe their luck and started to run with the ball. Sarsfield's superior physique and stamina proved crucial. An unfortunate own goal helped them greatly.

Credit to our lads they did not drop their heads but unfortunately we took the wrong option often and many attacks ended in the keepers hands. Maynooth were also unfortunate - having to withdraw several players with injuries.

Well done lads on a great effort. With a bit of luck this game could have gone your way.

I'm sure we learned a lot from this game and will work hard in training over the next few months to build up our fitness and stamina for next year's Feile as we seem to have a habit of fading out of games in the last 20 minutes,  
The management will take advantage of playing many challenge games to help in this regard,

## MINOR CAMOGIE

Congratulations to the Minor Camogie team who retained their championship crown after a fierce battle against a strong Celbridge in Donore. Maynooth won this title for the second year in a row with a four point win. Well done to all the girls and the management team.





# Juicing - The Healthy Alternative

One of my recent articles entitled "How I Ate Myself Healthy," I mentioned how I invested in a new juicer and how you can get the best out of your fruit and vegetables.

Since then I have acquired a new blender courtesy of a present from my better half as well and this means that I can combine both the goodness from the juicer and the blender combined. And to help me get the best out of both I bought a book entitled "The Juice Master" by juicing expert Jason Vale. I tried this over the weekend and I have to say some of the recipes contained within this book are not only good for you but he gives a breakdown of all the different juices and smoothies and what health benefits you get from drinking each juicy recipe.

One of the recipes that I found was good for your skin and would benefit me was a recipe which puts elasticity back into your skin and it was a smoothie called "Skin Deep." The ingredients needed are as follows:

½ Avocado  
6 Brazil Nuts  
¼ Cucumber  
Stick Celery  
4 Large Apples (**preferably Royal Gala**)  
4 Ice Cubes

Method:

Juice the apples, cucumber and apples only and add to the blender along with the ice, avocado and brazil nuts.

Blend for 45 seconds or until smooth and add to a deep wine glass. Taste the goodness and enjoy. Contained in this recipe are vitamins A, B, A1 B1, B2 B3, B5, B6 C and E. Contained within these vitamins are riboflavin, iron, calcium, copper, phosphorus, zinc, magnesium, folic acid, beta-carotene, selenium, lecithin and essential fatty acids. Brazil nuts contain lecithin, selenium and essential fatty acids all of which are vital in holding your skins elasticity and a good

complexion. The lecithin in the brazil nuts are a natural fat emulsifier and as such helps the body to absorb the essential fats needed for good skin.



Cucumbers are excellent for rejuvenating muscles and are also best natural diuretic known to woman or mankind and are simply excellent for any skin problem. The juice of the celery helps to flush the system of excessive carbon dioxide, which plays a part in the body's largest organ - the skin. Apple juice doesn't just taste refreshingly good but is also excellent for cleaning the colon and promoting good-looking skin.

Avocado contains essential fatty acids in (omega oil form), which all helps to promote excellent skin.

*Other areas of the book advises you to eat slowly in order to give your digestive system a chance to break down the food so that those parts of your body gets the essential vitamins it needs. Also as I have said before regular exercise and drink at least 2 litres of water a day as this helps flush out toxins out of your system.*

Jason has researched the benefits of fruit and vegetables and how we tend to take these powerful products for granted and that if we ate and indeed drank more of its properties then we probably wouldn't be running to the doctor quite as often as we tend to at the moment.

From a personal point of view since I changed my diet I know I feel a whole lot healthier then I did a few years ago and I'm just sorry that I had not tried this diet a lot sooner and people often tell me that I look a good deal healthier. That is all down to sound nutritional advice and a bit of hard work on my part even if I say so myself.

The Juice Master can be bought from any of the main bookshops in your area. This book contains some excellent nutritional advice, not just on juicing but how best we should look at food and in particular food labels.

# Horoscopes



**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

You're not sure you're doing the right thing, but as long as no one is correcting you, move ahead. Hesitation will cause a loss. With confidence you'll figure things out eventually. Your lucky day is Monday, Number 3, Colour Green.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

You'll be in an effusive mood. Your warm and specific compliments go straight to the heart of the one you love. A Leo connection is highlighted. Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 8, Colour Blue.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

Stay open to the possibilities. Someone who is not your type will hold a fascination. You may not hit it off immediately, but this person will grow on you. Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 36, Colour Red.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

An opportunity that will allow you to profit and learn will present itself. Make last-minute changes if it will ease your mind and secure your position. Domestic problems will surface, stay calm. Your lucky day is Friday, Number 2, Colour Purple.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

An opportunity will occur, be ready to take on the challenge. You won't have to look far to find answers, but verify the facts you're given. An exaggerated point of view can throw you off course. Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 27, Colour Navy.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

You'll be inclined to take on someone else's responsibility. In doing so, you will open up communication with someone who has something to offer. Meeting someone extraordinary will change the way you think about your future. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 42, Colour Ivory.



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

You will want to make a generous move. Consider first whether this is really fair to everyone, especially you. Act responsibly, but don't be a scapegoat. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 50, Colour Violet.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

If something doesn't seem right, it probably isn't. Don't give in to anyone trying to persuade you to make unnecessary changes. Stay put until you have the protection you need to move forward. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 25, Colour Pink.



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

Someone will criticize you for your inability to follow through with a promise. Trying to talk your way out of a situation may work at first, but sooner or later, you will be asked to keep your word. Your lucky day is Monday, Number 18, Colour Cerise.



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

Don't let past pressures or memories stand in your way. Old emotions may flare up, but you have to do what's best for yourself. Love is in the stars. Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 19, Colour Grey.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

Someone may be uncertain about where you fit into their future. If you can't get a straight answer, move on and cut your losses. Invest in yourself by signing up for a course, investing your money or doing something to update your look. Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 14, Colour White.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

You may have to answer questions if you haven't done things by the rules. A relationship will need a little tender loving care if you don't want to send the wrong signal. A short trip for two can do wonders for your love life. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 21, Colour Sky Blue.





# Party Political-Labour News



*Emmet Stagg T.D.*

## Maynooth Labour News



*Cllr. John McGinley*

### NEW KILDARE GARDA DIVISION - WORST MANNED GARDA DIVISION IN THE STATE

Deputy Emmet Stagg sought information from the Minister for Justice in relation to the number of Gardai assigned to each Garda Division in the State.

Disappointingly the figures show, stated Deputy Stagg, that the New Kildare Garda Division is the worst manned Garda Division in the State when comparing the number of Gardai per Division on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2009, with the population at the time of the 2006 Census. In the response to Deputy Stagg the Minister did state that the Commissioner was in the process of re-aligning Garda Divisional Boundaries to make them coterminous with local authority boundaries. However whilst there may still be some areas of Counties included in different Garda Divisions not associated with their County, the sorry picture portrayed of Garda numbers in Kildare cannot be affected in any meaningful way by the Ministers assertion.

Here are some examples of Garda Ratio`s to population (Cities Excluded):

#### **GARDA DIVISION      NUMBER OF GARDAI PER POPULATION**

Kildare	1 Garda for every 580 people
Roscommon/Longford	1 Garda for every 312 people
Louth	1 Garda for every 355 people
Westmeath	1 Garda for every 316 people
Wicklow	1 Garda for Every 359 people
Wexford	1 Garda for Every 460 people
Laois/Offaly	1 Garda for every 415 people
Meath	1 Garda for every 525 people
Cavan/Monaghan	1 Garda for every 287 people
Donegal	1 Garda for every 309 people
NATIONAL AVERAGE	1 Garda for every 343 people.

These figures show that our Garda Force in Kildare has been systematically discriminated against stated Deputy Stagg. There are Gardai assigned to Counties for Historical Reasons who should be assigned to the Kildare Division. A review of the Kildare and Meath figures shows a very similar problem where there has been massive population growth but little to correct the ratio of Gardai to population levels.

The end result of all this is that Gardai in the Kildare Division are under pressure to deliver a proper service to the Public, a service that is paid for through Taxes.

For many years now Deputy Stagg stated that he had been raising this issue with former Minister for Justice`s and Garda Commissioners but it seems that nobody wants to act to reassign Garda to where they are required based on Crime Levels and Population Levels.

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In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he would raise the issue further with the Commissioner once more to see if the people of Kildare can get the Policing Service they require and deserve.

## **Provision of a Teen Cafe in Maynooth**

Cllr. McGinley has been campaigning for a Teen Cafe for Maynooth for some time. John's original intention was to have it in the TESCO community unit granted under the Planning Permission for their new Store. However the downturn in the economy has delayed the construction of this building and it is not now likely to be ready for at least two years.

As we need this teenage facility now more than ever the County Council agreed to Cllr McGinley's proposal to seek an alternative premises that could be used in the meantime. The Council are at a very advanced stage in securing such a premises and it is an ideal location. It is John's view that we need an Adult Committee and a Teenage Committee in order to progress the Project. The Community Council agreed at its meeting on 12 September to set up a Sub Committee specifically for the Teen Cafe and Cllr. McGinley will convene a meeting shortly of those who have expressed an interest. Please contact John if you are interested in developing this facility.

Also, we need a Teenage Committee. If you are an interested teenager or you know of one who may be interested please get them to contact John and he will arrange a meeting where the teenagers can elect their own Committee.

## **Allotments At Blacklion**

As regular readers will know the Council have agreed to Cllr. John McGinley's proposal on the provision of allotments at Blacklion, Maynooth

More details on the allotments will be provided at the December Area Meeting. It is intended to make them available for use next year. John will advise residents of the details through his Newsletter Notes and E mail Distribution List.

## **Provision of Additional Parking in Maynooth**

Cllr. John McGinley was advised at the Area Meeting on 9 October that the Council were actively engaged with an interested party on the provision of additional parking in Maynooth. If this comes to a satisfactory conclusion the Council can then implement a Pay Parking Scheme for the town.

## **Provision of a Roundabout or Traffic Lights at the Meadowbrook Link/Straffan Road Junction:**

Cllr. McGinley got the following reply to his question asking "What progress has been made on the installation of a roundabout or traffic lights at the junction of Straffan Road/Meadowbrook Link Road?

*"A planning application which impacts on this junction has been recently granted with a condition to signalise the junction. Traffic management has had preliminary discussions with the developer in relation to this proposal."*

Cllr. McGinley stated that he would prefer a roundabout at this location as we already have more than enough traffic lights in Maynooth. John asked that action be taken without any further delay as it is a very dangerous junction and it is an accident waiting to happen.

## **Extension of the Bus Service to Moyglare Hall**

Cllr. McGinley got the following reply to his question asking "What progress has been made with Dublin Bus in extending their Service to Moyglare Hall Estate, Maynooth?

*"I have not yet received a definitive response from Dublin Bus. I will follow up on this matter and brief the members should any progress be made."*

John asked that the matter be again taken up with Dublin Bus as they say that they are awaiting a response from the Council.

## **Maynooth Local Area Plan Deferred**

The Maynooth Local Area Plan has been deferred pending the completion of the County Development Plan at the end of 2010.

## **STAGG CALLS FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR DISABILITY AND HOUSING ADAPTATION GRANTS**

Deputy Emmet Stagg questioned the Minister for Housing in relation to the provision of additional funding to Kildare Co. Council to clear the large backlog for Disabled Persons grants, Housing Adaptation Grants for the Elderly and Mobility Grants.

Last May Deputy Stagg stated a sum of €1,870,000 was allocated for such grants to Kildare Co. Council despite the fact that the Waiting List for such grants in Co. Kildare stood at €5,371,000 and involved 587 individuals and families. These stated Deputy Stagg, are very real people who have suffered a disability and need downstairs accommodation, or are elderly people who require stair-lifts or level access showers. Others on the waiting list are elderly people whose

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homes require rewiring, central heating or replacement of substandard doors and windows.

It will take at least 3 years to meet existing demands in Kildare which is placing an incredible strain on disabled people and our senior citizens who have a right to live with some modicum of comfort in their homes.

The Minister in his response to Deputy Stagg indicated that he would review the funding position in the event of any under-spend by other local authorities.

Deputy Stagg indicated that he was disappointed with the Ministers response as he clearly does not recognise the crisis facing many elderly and disabled people throughout the County. A special allocation is required to clear the backlog once and for all and he indicated that he intended to raise the matter further with the Minister for Housing.

### **STAGG SLAMS HARNEY TREATMENT OF CHILDREN ON HEARING TESTS**

Deputy Emmet Stagg again questioned the Minister for Health in relation to the waiting times for Hearing Tests for children in Newbridge and Tallaght Health Centres.

The HSE responding to Deputy Stagg on behalf of the Unaccountable Minister for Health has indicated that the waiting times for hearing tests for children in Newbridge Health Centre (which serves Maynooth) is approximately 13 months and for Tallaght Health Centre (which serves Leixlip and Celbridge) the waiting time is 16 months.

Deputy Stagg has described the waiting times as scandalous when compared with a wait of just 3 to 4 weeks in June 2006 for hearing tests for children. The delay will cause damage to children in their early developmental years and is an attempt by this Right Wing Minister for Health and friend of the Bankers and Developers to effectively privatise the service by forcing already financially stressed parents to seek private appointments because of the delays in the Public Service. It is quite unacceptable for Harney to use children in this way in her quest to ruin Public Health Services.

In view of the shocking treatment of such children Deputy Stagg has indicated that he will be demanding the holding of additional clinics to clear the backlog which has been allowed to build up.

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## BAND BULLETIN

### St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band



The Recital at Castletown House in Celbridge which we mentioned last month turned out to be a really special event. We performed right in front of the fabulous famous House bathed in sunshine and in front of a large attentive audience. The programme of popular music went down a treat and the two hour programme felt like little more than half that time. The Recital featured both the Senior and Junior Bands separately with the two coming together in a huge finale.

Our next event, which is our most important of the year, is our annual Mass for Deceased Members which will be held in St. Mary's Church on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30. It is a wonderful celebration remembering who have filled the ranks of the band throughout the years and to whom a great debt of gratitude is due for helping to ensure the survival of Maynooth Band through the ages. We extend a warm welcome to relatives and friends of these deceased members to join with us in remembering them.

We are now taking names for the new recorder classes, which are the prelude to actually learning to play an instrument, and those interested should contact the Band Secretary Melanie Oliver at 087 9704 910.

The new music classes are now back in full swing, the Junior Band is back to rehearsals and the future is looking quite bright just now. We are still looking for experienced musicians, in particular Tuba, Trombone and Euphonium players, who might like to join us. Rehearsals are every Monday night (except Bank Holidays) from 8 to 10pm and you will indeed be made most welcome.

**Hope to see you soon.**



# Party Political-Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## **Disabled Parking Bays at schools.**

By way of a Dail Question, Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick asked the Minister for Education and Science what National and Second Level Schools in Kildare North have disabled parking bays.

In his reply Minister Batt O'Keeffe stated that the Department of Education Technical Guidance Documents require that all new school buildings and extensions are designed to cater for persons with varying ranges of physical ability and to ensure that they are not disadvantaged by design limitations. These guidance documents state that at least one car-parking space, near the main school entrance, should be provided for disabled users and the number of reserved spaces should be in accordance with the Building Regulations and the National Disability Authority guidelines. Parking provision should be as stated in the guidance documents, subject to the planning requirements of the relevant Local Authority.

In the case of older schools, where the school authority is not in a position to provide the required amount of parking spaces for disabled users, application under the Emergency Works Scheme may be made to the Department of Education for funding to provide same.

I would ask Principals to look at the parking facilities at their schools with a view to improving disabled parking.

## **Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick welcomes the extended Rural Transport Programme in the Renewed Programme for Government.**

The Rural Transport Programme has been extended to every county in Ireland. The provision of a full-scale transport system in rural areas using the network expertise of Bus Éireann, the physical infrastructure and personal resources of the school transport system and the financial resources currently being spent on transport by the HSE and the Department of Education is to be explored.

"This is a clear commitment in the renewed programme for government to a continuation and expansion of the Rural Transport scheme", added Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **New Scheme of Community Support for Older People to be launched in October.**

Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick welcomes the announcement by John Curran T.D. Department of Community, Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs that the Review of the Community Support Scheme for Older People will be completed this month.

In 2009 3,695 people benefited from the Community Support for Older People Scheme and overall 100,000 have benefited from the Scheme since its inception in 1996.

The Review has had in excess of 100 written submissions to date, in addition some 100 Community Groups contributed to the review through a telephone survey conducted by Department of Community, Rural & Gaeltacht Affairs.

The Department Officials also met representatives of An Garda Síochána at national and local level, the Fire Services, Officials of other Government Departments and the Health Service Executive, along with other interested parties. The main priority was to deal with issues surrounding with welfare and security of Older

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People and to establish what other measures might be implemented to improve the administration and operation of the scheme.

"I would urge all Communities to support the new Reviewed Scheme for Older People and to ensure the Older and more vulnerable members of our community are fully protected" said Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick.

## **Fuel Allowance being paid to customers from this week-Over €400million to be spent on fuel support.**

Minister Mary Hanafin has today announced that some 334,000 long-term social welfare recipients are this week set to receive additional weekly payments under the Department of Social and Family Affairs Fuel Allowance scheme. Almost €220million is being spent on this scheme alone in the coming months.

This Government has extended the payment this year by 2 weeks to 32 weeks and also increased the weekly rate by €2 to €20 per week, added Deputy Michael Fitzpatrick. "Customers will see this additional amount in this week's payment and it will continue until the end of April", he added. "We recognise the additional pressures there are on people dependent on social welfare payments during the winter months.

The weekly rates payable are €20 (Fuel Allowance) and €23.90 in Smokeless Fuel areas.

The vast majority of people eligible are state pensioners, widows and people with disabilities, who are more vulnerable to the effects of cold weather.

The Fuel Allowance can also be paid alongside the Household Benefits package which provides support for people over 66 years of age and certain other people under that age who are in receipt of a social welfare type payment or fulfil a means test. The Household Benefits package includes the electricity allowance or the gas allowance.

### **How to apply**

To apply for Fuel Allowance fill in application form NFS 1 available on [www.welfare.ie](http://www.welfare.ie). This application form is also available from your local post office.

**Full details of the Fuel Allowance scheme available on [www.welfare.ie](http://www.welfare.ie)**

**Fitzpatrick welcomes Government efforts to reduce waiting times for Jobseeker claims**

Kildare North Fianna Fail TD Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed Government efforts to reduce the waiting times for those seeking Jobseeker payments.

"There are a number of offices around the country where there are unacceptably long delays in processing claims and the Department of Social and Family Affairs have put a number of measures in place to deal with this."

"The national average processing times are currently 4 weeks for Jobseekers Benefit and just over 7 weeks for Jobseekers Allowance, which is a means tested payment."

"Means testing claims is a detailed and complex process. Waiting times for some offices is longer than the average and this is not acceptable."

"I am aware that there were difficulties when staff were required to change their working conditions and take on extra responsibilities. I know that while some disagreements remain that staff in Kildare are dedicated to the task in hand and I am sure that the remaining dispute will be resolved shortly."

"Since May 2008, some 350 extra staff have been assigned to local Social Welfare offices, new Local Office Support Units and the Departments Inspectorate, 190 have since January 2009.

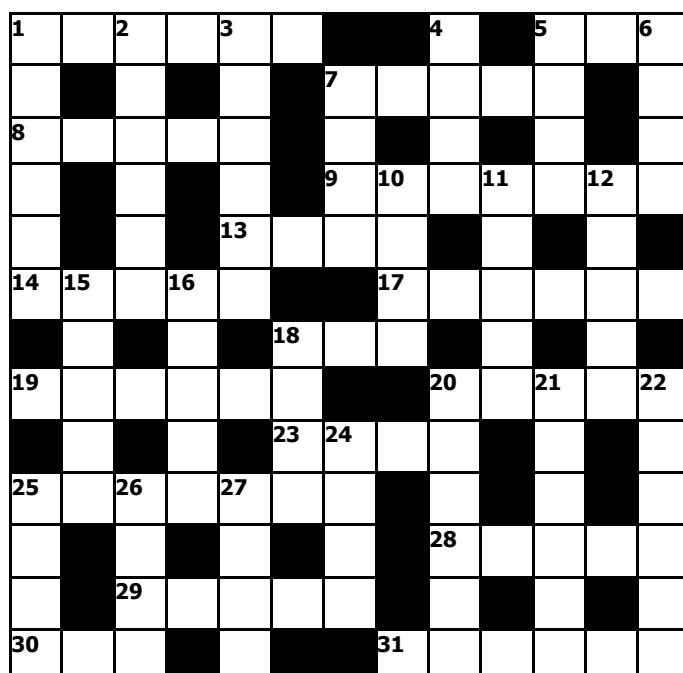
"Included in these extra staff were 16 Social Welfare Inspectors who were assigned in March 2009 to various locations around the country to undertake means testing and other work associated with processing claims for the jobseekers allowance."

"Local Office Central Support Units have also benefited from an extra 68 posts in 6 locations."

"Local offices around the country have benefited from 110 posts some of which have been filled by temporary staff, pending the assignment of permanent staff. In addition arrangements are also in train to allocate a further 24 Inspector posts."

"I know that the Department will continue to monitor staffing levels and the time taken to process claims. Losing a job is often a difficult and distressing time, particularly for those who have never experienced unemployment. It is vital that we make the system of claiming benefits as speedy and accessible as possible to support those who need it. I will be in touch with the Minister regarding the position in Kildare. I am keen to ensure that local staff be given support should they require it," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

# Crossword No. 83



Entries in before: 16th November

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Across:

1. Sons of the \_ \_ \_ Laurel & Hardy film (6)
5. Insane (3)
7. Obsession (5)
8. Poison (5)
9. Cover (7)
13. John Wayne's nickname (4)
14. Pass on (5)
17. Small clothes cupboard (6)
18. Interval (3)
19. Put aside (6)
20. Dish (5)
23. Confederate (4)
25. Source of beer? (7)
28. Throw (5)
29. Motored (5)
30. Period of time (3)
31. Young child (6)

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## Down:

1. Eat greedily (6)
2. Open shoe (6)
3. Cure (6)
4. Betting stake (4)
5. Barley extract (4)
6. Grim (4)
7. Disguise (4)
10. Assistance (4)
11. Neighbourhood (5)
12. Happening (5)
15. Early anaesthetic (5)
16. Permit (5)
18. Equipment, tackle (4)
20. Monty \_ \_ \_ , TV series (6)
21. Fleet of warships (6)
22. Virtuoso (6)
24. Ancient harp (4)
25. Hairless (4)
26. Whirlpool (4)
27. Berkshire school (4)

## Solutions to crossword No. 82.

Across: 1. Musket, 4. Cover, 7. Oath, 8. Soot, 10. Aloof, 11. Risotto, 12. Need, 14. Seats, 16. Digit, 18. Call, 19. Pull, 21. Niche, 22. Metre, 25. Rage, 28. Shilton, 29. Atlas, 30. Riot, 31. Axis, 32. Tunny, 33. Squall

Down: 1. Mason, 2. Score, 3. Toboggan, 4. Chaos, 5. Viola, 6. Refusal, 9. Tiddler, 13. Era, 15. Emperor, 17. Tactless, 18. Compact, 20. Log, 23. Talon, 24. Essay, 26. Anita, 27. Extol.



## The magnificent 10,000 and Intel's cruel blow

On behalf of the activists of the *People's Movement's* I wish to applaud the No voters of Maynooth who combined with citizens in Kildare North to register in excess of 10,000 votes against Lisbon 2.

Together we refused to bow to the combined might of the Brussels bureaucracy, the supine Irish political establishment, the brash business bosses and the media (with honourable exceptions) who spared no expense and showed no respect for the democratic process in reversing the decision of the electorate in June 08.

Overall, the result cannot reasonably be described as determining the will of the people; rather it represents the fear of the people. Hundreds of thousands of voters went to the polls with heavy hearts and cast reluctant Yes ballots.

Commentators and historians will, in time, collect and analyse all the black arts of politics and constitutional illegalities employed by the Yes side. No doubt their findings will include: the intervention of the European Commission; part funding of Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and Labour by their sister parties in the European Parliament; the Irish Government's unlawful use of public funds; the blatant bias of the Referendum Commission and its reduction to a thinly-veiled arm of Government propaganda; a no-limits spend by Intel, Ryanair and other companies, in possible breach of Irish company and tax law.

Jim O'Hara's thanks to Yes voters: 240 compulsory redundancies in Intel

Although Intel announced these redundancies last July, before General Manager Jim O'Hara's intervention into the Lisbon campaign, the fact that they were immediately imposed within a week of the referendum result was cruelly insensitive. Indeed, implementation meetings between management and staff commenced on the Sunday evening – barely twenty four hours after the official Yes verdict – in direct contradiction to the Yes side's promise that adopting Lisbon would save Irish jobs. It is puzzling that as Intel continues to develop new generation chips it was unable to retrain and re-deploy FABs 10 and 14 staff into growth areas. Given that Mr. O'Hara spent hundreds of thousands of euro on Intel's Lisbon campaign, would this money not have been better spent in staff upskilling? In terms of morale within the company's 4,000-strong workforce the redundancies represent a serious failure of corporate management practice. And in terms of the local community the arrival of significant extra numbers to join the 6,185 already signing on at the Maynooth Welfare Office, these redundancies highlight that beneath the shadow of the Intel Campus north Kildare has now become an unemployment black spot. Thank you, Mr. O'Hara.

Michael Quinn, Sec.North Kildare branch

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Waiting for the budget this year is a little like a dental appointment or an exam, the waiting will probably be worse than the event itself but there is an increasing anger and frustration among the general public. The government is drip-feeding the bad news so that it may not feel quite so bad when the grim day finally arrives. The result of the uncertainty however is that people are reluctant to spend and they do not know what will be taken from them in December. The exodus of shoppers to the North of Ireland to get bargains is a further blow to the economy but how can this be stopped? It is all very well to ask people to pull together and to be patriotic but looking at the price differences it is difficult to blame those who drive north every couple of weeks.

There is no doubt that 2009 has been an annus horribilis and the sooner that it is over the better! The Newsletter would like to take this opportunity to wish all our readers a happy and peaceful Christmas and may 2010 be an improvement on '09. The word prosperous might not be quite appropriate this year.

### **Recalling the passing of a dear Community Member**

For many years before the formation of Maynooth Community Council John Read worked with Ted Kelly and Liam Bean to produce a monthly issue of Maynooth Newsletter. Early in the 1970's Maynooth Community Council was set up under the auspices of Fr. O'Higgins, Chairperson and John Barnwell on the Committee as well as John Read, Tom McMullon, Liam Bean and Ted Kelly along with other members of the community. The idea was to secure for the community the use of the Geraldine Hall and the Newsletter was set up. John sold the newsletter outside the church no matter what the weather was like. The Council carried on for a few years but disintegrated when there was no movement or sign of the Hall being handed over. John Read, Leo Bean and Ted Kelly felt that the most important role of the Council was the Newsletter and they dedicated a lot of time and effort into ensuring that events occurring in Maynooth were covered each month.

John Read was a leading member during this period and his efforts shouldn't be forgotten. John was also a founder member of Maynooth Credit Union as well as working with C.I.E. for many years and he was also a member of the Maynooth Badminton Club. John was very involved with the community and served it well.

**Muireann Ni Bhrolchain**

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# Maynooth Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council meeting 9 November 2009

Among the issues raised and discussed at the meeting were the following:

### **Future of Geraldine Hall**

The proposed handing over of the lease of the Geraldine Hall by the County Council to the Scouts was discussed. There were differing opinions as to the appropriate use of the Hall. Colm Ó Cearúil, Chairperson, was of the view that the Hall should not be given exclusively to the Scouts, and that its use should not be under their sole control. He pointed out that the Scouts would have a 99-year lease on the Hall. The Community Council had, he said, put detailed plans to Kildare County Council a few years previously, proposing that the Geraldine Hall would form the core of a Community Centre and Community Council offices building. This was seen as part of the Action Area Plan adopted by KCC for the Harbour area of Maynooth. Many long-standing Community Council members had understood that the use of the Hall for community and cultural purposes had been agreed.

Councillor John McGinley (Labour), said that had been the original plan for the Hall. But this would not happen now as there were no funds for the Harbour AAP, and he said that all six Local Area County Councillors supported giving the lease of the Hall to the Scouts. Terry Nealon (An Nuada Players) had hoped that the Geraldine Hall would be developed to contain a theatre and arts centre, but said he would support the Scouts' use of the Hall since there was no other money available to restore it. He would have to look elsewhere for a theatre site. Tom McMullon, Vice-Chairperson, said that as a member of the Community Council he had a long-standing interest in the Hall. He would like to see it as a 'Public Forum'. The Scouts were admirable, he said, but he would like to see what was being proposed.

C. Ó Cearúil asked if the 'heritage' part of the Geraldine Hall could be vested in the Community Council, and asked to what extent the community would have use of the Hall. J. McGinley said it would take €100,000 to restore the Hall and the Community Council did not have this kind of money. Peter Garrad (Scouts) said the community could have use of the Hall during the day when the Scouts were not using it.

In response to a query from Deirdre Cullen, PRO, who asked if the Hall would sometimes be made available during the evening, P. Garrad said that the 'heritage' part of the building would be available on some evenings. T. McMullon welcomed this, and D. Cullen suggested that the Local History Group would be one suitable user of the 'heritage' building in the evenings. She asked if the Scouts would be prepared to present their plans and drawings to the Community Council for feedback and comment, before submitting them in a planning application. P. Garrad agreed that the Scouts would present their plans before sending them in.

J. McGinley proposed that the Community Council support the Scouts getting the lease of the Hall. The proposal was seconded by P. Garrad. A vote was taken by a show of hands, and a majority was in favour of the Scouts use of the Hall.

### **NUIM to present plans for New Library**

Frank Fitzmaurice, Director of Corporate Services, N.U.I.M., will make a presentation at the next Community Council meeting, on 14 December, outlining the proposals for re-development of the N.U.I.M. library and ancillary development works on the Kilcock Road.

### **Canet Twinning Project**

C. Ó Cearúil reported that the Canet town-twinning visit had been very successful and that the Canet visitors were anxious to take the process to the next phase. An ad hoc committee had been working on this project up to now, but a sub-committee would now be set up. H. Dunne (Local History Group) and T. Nealon agreed to join. P. Garrad said there were no scouts in Canet itself but they would help. It was agreed to seek membership and support from the local sports groups: Rugby, GAA, Soccer, and others such as the schools, who might participate in exchanges etc. T. Nealon noted that the lack of facilities in Maynooth was shown up during the visit, and that the visitors asked him where the cinema and theatre were. J. McGinley said that twinning is very expensive and that the sub-committee should check the feasibility of the idea. C. Ó Cearúil said he would seek funding and support from Kildare County Council.

### **Parking causing problems at Moyglare Road**

Mattie Callaghan (Tidy Towns Committee) said that they had complained to the local KCC engineer, Eilis Murray, about parking on the Moyglare Road near the schools tearing up the verges. Cars were also parking at bollards, making pedestrians have to walk on the road. C. Ó Cearúil said the Community Council had written to KCC asking for a traffic management plan for that area, but nothing had been done. He also said the nearby land opposite Manor Mills was an eyesore. Josie Moore (Senior Citizens) said the Catholic Diocese should buy this land for use as a car park for churchgoers.

**D. Cullen PRO**

## Maynooth Community Library

**A large selection of new DVD's has arrived in Maynooth Library.**

### **Crafts with Mary.**

Mary will hold a craft session for children in Maynooth Community Library on the week of 9th December. Please ask at desk for details or visit our website at [kildarecoco.ie/library](http://kildarecoco.ie/library).

### **Maynooth Film for All.**

The next screening of Maynooth Community Film for All is on Wednesday 9th December at 7.45pm. The film to be screened is "Encounters At The End of the World". In his first documentary since the Grizzly Man, director Werner Herzog, accompanied only by his cameraman, travelled to Antarctica, with rare access to the raw beauty and raw humanity of the ultimate "Down Under". The venue for the screening is the comfortable surroundings of the JHL2, lecture hall in the John Hume building, North Campus Maynooth College.

### **Christmas Closing Times for Maynooth Community Library.**

Maynooth Community Library will close on Wednesday 23rd December at 5pm to Tuesday 29th December inclusive. Re-opening on 30th and 31st December 9.30 - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm. Closed on 1st January. Normal opening hours resume on Monday 4th January 2010.

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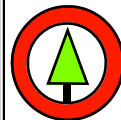
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*Of a June day.  
I got to this turning by accident  
Erupting earth unnoticed until the newsman  
Made a scene of Stonehenge defiles by  
Baton chased power play, made small  
By closed minds wielding.*

*If the glass is half full, we have reached  
The peak of the year, a fulsome spring berthed  
Boasting every shade of green droplets of dew  
Splitting reds and blues to secondary hues  
If the glass is half empty we start tomorrow with  
The fall, the slow decline that takes us in icy chill  
Occasional glimpses on the corkscrew of what  
We left behind passes for granted.*

*So for the day that's in it,  
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*The Book of Maynooth is on display in  
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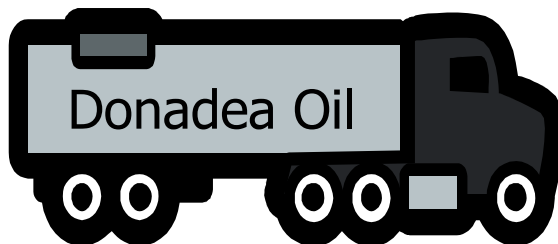


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## Town Twinning of Canet en Roussillon and Maynooth.

The recent visit by the delegation from Canet to Maynooth was an outstanding success. The community of Maynooth rose to the occasion by showcasing our town and left the delegates with the desire to formally sign the twinning charter between our two towns in 2010. The exercise reinforced for us the value of all Maynooth has to offer to both residents and visitors.

On Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> of October the delegation was welcomed to Maynooth by Mayor of Kildare, Councillor Colm Purcell at an official reception sponsored by Kildare County Council in the Glenroyal Hotel. Speaking in French, Irish and English the Mayor spoke of the benefits of town twinning and how he was pleased to see Maynooth becoming part of the twinning programme enjoyed by most other major towns in the county. A lecture entitled, The History of Maynooth was delivered by eminent local historian Mary Cullen in which she recounted the history of Maynooth from the twelfth century to modern times in an interesting and enlightening manner. The theme of Maynooth and the French Connection was delivered by Mr. Declan O' Connor and subsequently delivered in French by Ms. Ann Kelly. The Rita Doyle Junior and Senior troupe of Irish dancers delighted and entertained the assembled guests and dignitaries with their exhibition of traditional Irish dancing. A lively and entertaining night of traditional music was provided by local musicians Push for Porter, go raibh fada buan sibh!

On Monday morning the delegates were given a guided tour of the twelfth century Maynooth Castle courtesy of Ms. Catherine O' Connor of The Office of Public Works. We appreciate that the O.P.W. opened the castle especially on a bank holiday Monday and made staff available for the guided tour. We then brought the visitors from the twelfth century to the twenty first century, when Nobel Prize winner and Head of Climatology Research in the National University of Ireland Maynooth Professor John Sweeney showed the delegation the cutting edge technology and methods used by N.U.I.M. in researching climate change. Esquires in the Manor Mills shopping centre a fair-trade café provided refreshments to our guests courtesy of the proprietor Mr. John Dunne. Ms Rita Edwards from the Maynooth History Group explained the significance and history of the millwheel in the context of the Mill in Maynooth. In the afternoon Mr. Bruno Canet who is a member of the Canet fire service took special

interest in the fire drill performed by Maynooth fire service in the Harbour field. A rapport was established between the firemen and after gifts were exchanged a commitment to establish a relationship between the two stations was agreed upon by representatives of both stations. Mr. Paul Croghan



*Reception to welcome the French Delegation  
Bruno Canet, Colm O'Cearuil, Geraldine Ní O'Cearuil,,  
Emmanuelle Garbani de Lacviver, Peter Garrad & Hilda Dunne*

gave a talk on the history of the Royal canal and its influence upon the development of the town. The delegation was most impressed by the playground facilities in the harbour field and especially by the exercise area for senior citizens which they hope to replicate in Canet. Carton Avenue was the next port of call and a viewing of the plaque erected by Kildare County Council to commemorate the French Revolution and its influence on subsequent Irish history. The flora, fauna and recreational value of Carton Avenue were examined and appraised. The delegation then had the opportunity to view the magnificent walks and facilities of Carton House in the falling hours of daylight.

In the evening a historical tour of Carton House was provided by Mr. Conor Mallaghan where the delegation and dignitaries attended a dinner hosted by the Mallaghan family. The seal of the town of Canet was presented to the Cathaoirleach of Maynooth Community Council by the Ms. Emmanuelle Garbani de Lacviver, Councillor Delegate to twinning to formalise the relationship between Maynooth and Canet. Minister Áine Brady congratulated the representative of Maynooth and Canet for bringing the venture to fruition and wished the project every success in the future

On Tuesday morning the delegates were afforded the



## Town Twinning of Canet en Roussillon and Maynooth.

opportunity to view and study The Book of Maynooth in Maynooth Library. The Book was written in 2000, to commemorate the millennium and contains works by local writers, poets and artists. The delegates were then treated to a guided tour of St. Patrick's College by Mr. Dominic Mc Namara. The College was built in 1795 for the education of the native population and is one of the jewels in the crown of the Maynooth cultural landscape. We watched with pleasure as the delegation stood in awe, enthralled by the works of art in the College Chapel.



*Bruno Canet, Emmanuelle Garbani de Lacvivier, Aoife Travers, Karen Feehan, Sarah Jennings, Ellen Sweeney, Deirdre Smullen, Catherine Wanschoor, Gisele Gayraud & Rita Doyle*



*Bruno Canet, Councillor Delegate to Sports being presented with a miniature Fire-engine by members of Maynooth Fire Brigade. Philip Doyle, Eoghan Matthews & Brendan Kelly.*

Our visitors were shown the manuscripts housed in the Russell Library and given a demonstration on the precise technique of restoring damaged manuscript paper.

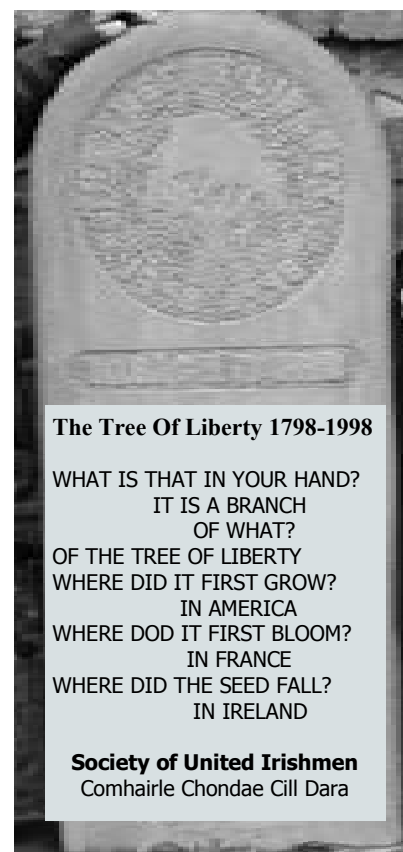
The visitors were duly impressed and were revived by the hospitality and welcome extended by the College. Our busy afternoon schedule brought us to the offices of N.U.I.M. where Professor Jim Walsh, Vice-President of N.U.I.M. explained the composition and work of the University to the delegation. Professor Walsh outlined the future plans for the University and its role in Irish society. The delegates expressed particular interest in the Universities French, Spanish, English, Law, Geography, Information Technology, Research & Development and Sports Departments. Students from Canet attend Perpignan University and the possibility of developing links between the two bodies will be explored. A warm welcome was extended to the delegation by the staff of M.C.C. office. The supervisor of the office Ms. Marie Gleeson spoke of the success of the project and was looking forward to the continued working relationship between our two towns. The flag of Canet was presented to the office as a symbol of the relationship between our two towns. The Maynooth G.A.A. club was the venue for a demonstration of hurling which the delegates found to be most interesting and enjoyable. Ms Hilary McCabe was on hand to educate the visitors on the role of the club in the life of the town and the role of the G.A.A. in the life of the nation. On Monday evening the delegation were permitted to attend a public meeting, with observer status convened by Councillor John Mc Ginley to establish a youth café in Maynooth. It afforded an opportunity to observe democracy in action in Maynooth. The grand finale of presentations was by Mr. Fergus White who explained a visual display of photographs entitled Maynooth through the ages. Ireland's involvement in European affairs during World War 2 / The Emergency was recounted to our visitors in French. In their farewell address the delegation highlighted how grateful they were to the community of Maynooth for such a warm welcome. They stressed how educational and informative the visit had been and that they were looking forward to reporting back to the Council of Canet their positive experience of Maynooth.

I wish to take the opportunity to thank all who helped make the visit a success. When called upon the community of Maynooth rose to the challenge to showcase our town. The exercise had the effect of reminding us of what Maynooth has to offer. The town of Maynooth is now a major urban centre with a population of over 21,000, composed of over 12,500 residents, complemented by a student population of over 8,500. We have matured as a town but we have also matured as a community in that we feel secure enough to give and receive that which is best with our twin town in the south of France, Canet en Roussillon.

## Town Twinning of Canet en Roussillon and Maynooth.



*Mr. Jocelyn Hodapp, Catherine Wanschoor,  
Emmanuelle Gardani de Lacviver, Bruno Canet, Gisele Gayraud.*



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# **Mullen Print Advertisement**

## *A Real Christmas Miracle - by Susan Leonard*

When I recall precious Christmas memories, I think of a very special story, one which represents the magic and glory of the season. This is a true story, as told to me by my husband, a professional Santa Claus, of a real Christmas miracle which he experienced. A story that I think will cause YOU to believe.

Three years ago, a little boy and his grandmother came to see my Santa at Mayfair Mall in Wisconsin. The child climbed up on his lap, holding a picture of a little girl. "Who is this?" asked Santa, smiling. "Your friend? Your sister?" "Yes, Santa," he replied. "My sister, Sarah, who is very sick," he said sadly. Santa glanced over at the grandmother who was waiting nearby, and saw her dabbing her eyes with a tissue.

"She wanted to come with me to see you, oh, so very much, Santa!" the child exclaimed. "She misses you," he added softly. Santa tried to be cheerful and encouraged a smile to the boy's face, asking him what he wanted Santa to bring him for Christmas. When they finished their visit, the Grandmother came over to help the child off his lap, and started to say something to Santa, but halted. "What is it?" Santa asked warmly.

"Well, I know it's really too much to ask you, Santa, but " the old woman began, shooing her grandson over to one of Santa's elves to collect the little gift which Santa gave all his young visitors. "The girl in the photograph ... my granddaughter ... well, you see ... she has leukaemia and isn't expected to make it even through the holidays," she said through tear-filled eyes. "Is there any way, Santa ... any possible way that you could come see Sarah? That's all she's asked for, for Christmas, is to see Santa." Santa blinked and swallowed hard and told the woman to leave information with his elves as to where Sarah was, and he would see what he could do. Santa thought of little else the rest of that afternoon. He knew what he had to do. "What if it were MY child lying in that hospital bed, dying," he thought with a sinking heart, "this is the least I can do."

When Santa finished visiting with all the boys and girls that evening, he retrieved from his helper the name of the hospital where Sarah was staying. He asked the assistant location manager how to get to the Children's Hospital. "Why?" Rick asked, with a puzzled look on his face. Santa relayed to him the conversation with Sarah's grandmother earlier that day. "C'mon .... I'll take you there," Rick said softly. Rick drove them to the hospital and came inside with Santa. They found out which room Sarah was in. A pale Rick said he would wait out in the hall.

Santa quietly peeked into the room through the half-closed door and saw little Sarah on the bed. The room was full of what appeared to be her family; there was the Grandmother and the girl's brother he had met earlier that day. A woman whom he guessed was Sarah's mother stood by the bed, gently pushing Sarah's thin hair off her forehead. And another woman who he discovered later was Sarah's aunt, sat in a chair near the bed with a weary, sad look on her face. They were talking quietly, and Santa could sense the warmth and closeness of the family, and their love and concern for Sarah. Taking a deep breath, and forcing a smile on his face, Santa entered the room, bellowing a hearty, "Ho, ho, ho!" "Santa!" shrieked little Sarah weakly, as she tried to escape her bed to run to him, IV tubes intact. Santa rushed to her side and gave her a warm hug. A child the tender age of his own son -- 9 years old -- gazed up at him with wonder and excitement. Her skin was pale and her short tresses bore telltale bald patches from the effects of chemotherapy. But all he saw when he looked at her was a pair of huge, blue eyes.

His heart melted, and he had to force himself to choke back tears.

Though his eyes were riveted upon Sarah's face, he could hear the gasps and quiet sobbing of the women in the room. As he and Sarah began talking, the family crept quietly to the bedside one by one, squeezing Santa's shoulder or his hand gratefully, whispering "thank you" as they gazed sincerely at him with shining eyes.

Santa and Sarah talked and talked, and she told him excitedly all the toys she wanted for Christmas, assuring him she'd been a very good girl that year. As their time together dwindled, Santa felt led in his spirit to pray for Sarah, and asked for permission from the girl's mother. She nodded in agreement and the entire family circled around Sarah's bed, holding hands.

Santa looked intensely at Sarah and asked her if she believed in angels. "Oh, yes, Santa I do!" she exclaimed. "Well, I'm going to ask that angels watch over you," he said.

Laying one hand on the child's head, Santa closed his eyes and prayed. He asked that God touch little Sarah, and heal her body from this disease. He asked that angels minister to her, watch and keep her. And when he finished praying, still with eyes closed, he started singing softly, "Silent Night, Holy Night, all is calm, all is bright." The family joined in, still holding hands, smiling at Sarah, and crying tears of hope, tears of joy for this moment, as Sarah beamed at them all.

When the song ended, Santa sat on the side of the bed again and held Sarah's frail, small hands in his own. "Now, Sarah," he said authoritatively, "you have a job to do, and that is to concentrate on getting well. I want you to have fun playing with your friends this summer, and I expect to see you at my house at Mayfair Mall this time next year!" He knew it was risky proclaiming that, to this little girl who had terminal cancer, but he had to. He had to give her the greatest gift he could, not dolls or games or toys, but the gift of HOPE. "Yes, Santa!" Sarah exclaimed, her eyes bright. He leaned down and kissed her on the forehead and left the room.

Out in the hall, the minute Santa's eyes met Rick's, a look passed between them and they wept unashamed. Sarah's mother and grandmother slipped out of the room quickly and rushed to Santa's side to thank him. "My only child is the same age as Sarah," he explained quietly. "This is the least I could do." They nodded with understanding and hugged him.

One year later, Santa Mark was again back on the set in Milwaukee for his six-week, seasonal job which he so loves to do. Several weeks went by and then one day a child came up to sit on his lap. "Hi, Santa! Remember me?!" "Of course, I do," Santa proclaimed (as he always does), smiling down at her. After all, the secret to being a \*good\* Santa is to always make each child feel as if they are the only child in the world at that moment. "You came to see me in the hospital last year!" Santa's jaw dropped. Tears immediately sprang in his eyes, and he grabbed this little miracle and held her to his chest. "Sarah!" he exclaimed. He scarcely recognized her, for her hair was long and silky and her cheeks were rosy, much different from the little girl he had visited just a year before.

He looked over and saw Sarah's mother and grandmother in the sidelines smiling and waving and wiping their eyes.

That was the best Christmas ever for Santa Claus. He had witnessed, and been blessed to be instrumental in bringing about this miracle of hope. This precious little child was healed. Cancer-free. Alive and well. He silently looked up to Heaven and humbly whispered,

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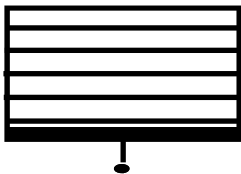


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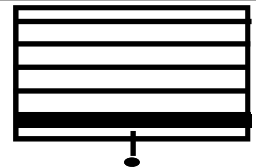
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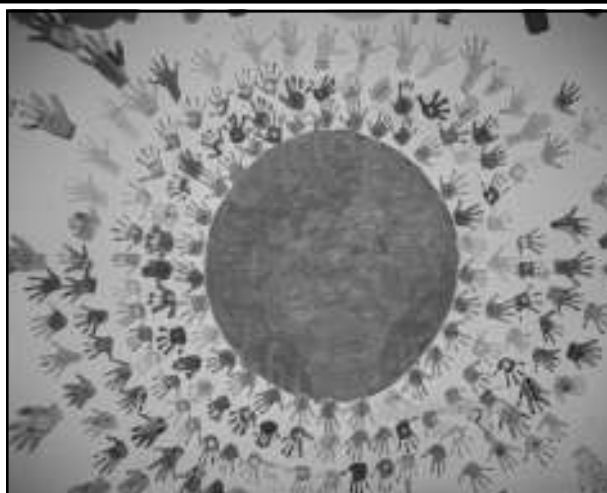


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**Science Week**

Science Week was marked by an exhibition of experiments in our school hall co-ordinated by Ms Mc Garry. Children from every class came to view the displays of the girls from 2nd class to 6th class

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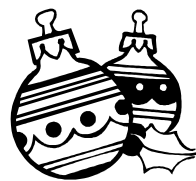


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# Clubs, Organisation And Societies

## Maynooth Citizens Information Centre Know Your Rights

### Question

I was made redundant from my job a few months ago and since then I have been looking for jobs but haven't found anything yet. I'd like to do some unpaid voluntary work to keep my skills up. How would this affect my Jobseeker's Benefit payment?

### Answer

If you want to do voluntary work and continue to get Jobseeker's Allowance or Jobseeker's Benefit, you must apply under the voluntary work option before you start the work. The decision is made by a Deciding Officer in your Social Welfare Local Office. In considering an application, the Deciding Officer will look in particular at two things: whether the work is voluntary within the meaning of the scheme and whether you would continue to satisfy the statutory conditions for getting the jobseeker's payment (which include the requirement that you are available and looking for work).

A number of factors are taken into account when determining whether the work involved is voluntary. These include:

- The aims and standing of the voluntary organisation (they can be national or local voluntary groups)
- The type of work involved
- The weekly number of hours worked

Examples of unpaid voluntary work a jobseeker may do include assisting youth clubs, care groups, church groups, sports groups, cultural organisations and local residents' associations.

When considering whether you continue to meet the conditions of your jobseeker's payment the Deciding Officer will need to be satisfied that you are available to take up employment, if offered it, and that you are making genuine efforts to find work. This applies whether the voluntary work is full or part-time.

To apply, fill in an application form (VW1), which is available from your Social Welfare Local Office.

### Question

I've been working in Ireland on a work permit but have just been made redundant from my job. Will I be able to apply for another work permit?

### Answer

If you are working on a work permit and lose your job through redundancy you should notify the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment and return your work permit. From 28 August 2009 there are new provisions for newly redundant people who were working on a work permit.

#### **If you have had a work permit for 5 years:**

If you have been made redundant after working on a work permit for 5 consecutive years you no longer need a permit to work in Ireland. You should apply to your local immigration officer who will

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issue you with a stamp 4 immigration permission for one year. This permission may be renewed annually and it allows you to take up any employment but not self-employment. (Within the Dublin District immigration officers are based in the Garda National Immigration Bureau (GNIB), and outside Dublin in the local Garda District Headquarters.)

## If you have held a work permit for less than 5 years:

The Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment will allow you a period of 6 months to find another job. When you find another job you have to apply for a new work permit. A labour market needs test is not required. If you were made redundant from a job on the list of ineligible categories you may apply for a new work permit for a job on that ineligible list.

You should contact your local immigration officer to confirm your immigration status. If you have more than 6 months before your immigration permission expires, you can reside in Ireland under your stamp 1 permission for a further 6 months. If you have less than 6 months' immigration permission you can have your immigration permission extended to 6 months which means you will have to pay €150 for a new GNIB card. If you have not found a new job after 6 months you will be expected to leave Ireland. If you then get an offer of employment in Ireland you may apply for a new work permit.

## Question

What is the Fair Deal Scheme for nursing home care and how does it work?

## Answer

The Nursing Homes Support Scheme, often referred to as the "Fair Deal", is a new scheme of financial support for people who need long-term nursing home care. It covers all types of nursing homes including approved private nursing homes, voluntary nursing homes and public nursing homes, (such as HSE Community Hospitals and Community Nursing Units). It comes into operation on 27 October 2009.

If you are currently in a **private** nursing home you can opt to continue your current arrangement or you can apply for the Fair Deal Scheme. The arrangements for people currently in **public** nursing homes do not change but new

applicants are assessed under the Fair Deal.

There are three steps to applying for the scheme. First of all you apply for a *Care Needs Assessment*. This is carried out by healthcare professionals, for example, a nurse, and will consider whether you can be supported to continue living at home or whether long-term nursing home care is more appropriate.

You must be assessed as needing long-term nursing home care to be eligible for State support. People who are already in nursing homes when the scheme starts do not need to have a care needs assessment carried out.

The next step is a *Financial Assessment*. This looks at your income and assets to work out what your contribution to your care will be. You contribute 80% of your income and 5% of the value of any assets you own each year. (If the assets include land and property the contribution based on these assets can be deferred and not paid during your lifetime. If the assets include your home or, in certain cases, a farm, the deferred contribution based on these assets is capped at 15% or three years of contributions at 5%.) The HSE will then pay the balance of your cost of care. For example, if the cost of your care is €1,000 and your weekly contribution is €300, the HSE will pay the weekly balance of €700. This payment is called State support.

The next step is *choosing your nursing home*. The HSE will give you a list of nursing homes. This list includes public, voluntary and approved private nursing homes. You can choose care in any nursing home on the list provided that the home can cater for your particular needs and has a place for you.

## Question

What are credited contributions?

## Answer

If you are an employee, Pay Related Social Insurance (PRSI) deductions are made from your earnings each week. Your PRSI contributions to the Social Insurance Fund can help you to qualify for social insurance payments, such as Jobseeker's Benefit and State Pension (Contributory).

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### St. Marys Parish Maynooth

Thursday 24th December Christmas Eve	10:00 AM 5:00 PM Children's Mass 7:00 PM 9:30 PM Midnight Mass
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Friday 25th December Christmas Day	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 11:30 AM 12:45 PM
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<b>Confessions:</b>	Penitential Service after 10:00 AM Mass. Individual Confessions will be heard up to 12:00 noon
Saturday 19th Dec.	
Thursday 24th Dec. Christmas Eve	Confessions after 10:00 AM Mass up to 12:00 noon

### St. Marys Church of Ireland, Maynooth

Sunday 20th December	Carol Service 11:30 AM
Friday 25th Dec. Christmas Day	10:00 AM Service

### Ladychapel

Thursday 24th Dec. Christmas Eve	8:00 PM
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Friday 25th December Christmas Day	10:00 AM
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### Maynooth Community Church Maynooth Post Primary School

Sunday 13th Dec.	Ecumenical Service 8:00 PM
Sunday 20th Dec.	6:00 PM Service
Friday 25th Dec.	10:30 AM Service
Sunday 27th Dec.	10:30 AM Service

## CHRISTMAS ART EXHIBITION



**A limited number of acrylic, watercolour & watercolour / ink paintings by Maynooth artist BRIAN TUOHY are now on view at The Mill Wine Cellar \* Mill St. Maynooth.**

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### *THE CHRISTMAS TREE*

Fairy lights on the Christmas Tree  
Flickering like magic in the night  
A special sight for my eyes to see  
With very many different colours of light  
Many treasures are on each pine  
That is a treat for the young ones  
A spirit of the Season is always mine  
A sense of happiness each child belongs  
On the top shines a silver star  
To remind us how Jesus found his way  
A peaceful star shown from afar  
And guided a place for them to stay  
Gifts galore underneath this tree  
A treat for each child in store  
A special feeling it is for me  
When I once was a child before.

*By Patrick Murray*



# Christmas Crafts

## Fresh Pine Centrepiece

If you're lucky enough to have a pine or spruce tree, you may be able to trim enough branches to make these beautiful pine centrepieces for almost no cost. Fresh boughs can also be found where Christmas trees are sold, or at craft stores and garden centres.



Material:	
Container for centrepiece (bowl, planter, etc)	Floral wire
Floral foam for fresh flowers	Candle
Candle holder ( any sort will do)	Waterproof glue
Fresh Pine and Spruce branches	Faux Snow or white paint & Paint Brush

Glue the floral foam to the centre of your dish. . Allow the glue to dry completely. Place your candle holder in the centre of your foam and add enough water to completely saturate the floral foam.

Glue the floral foam to the centre of your dish. You could use a regular glass soup bowl about 11 inches wide. Allow the glue to dry completely. Place your candle holder in the centre of your foam as shown here and add enough water to completely saturate the floral foam.



Begin inserting pieces of pine as shown at right, beginning at the outside edge of the foam and working your way toward the centre until you reach about one inch from the outside of your candle ring.

With the empty space surrounding your candle holder, insert small pieces of spruce staying far enough away from the candle holder (about a quarter inch) so that you can easily lift your candle holder out of the piece and re-insert it. Add any springs of pine or spruce throughout the arrangement to cover any hollow areas.

To add pine cones to your arrangement, simply wrap floral wire around the bottom of your cone, and twisting the wire to secure it to the cone. Leave enough excess wire so that you can insert the wire into the foam. Refer to the photos for placement of pine cones. Half of the pine cones used in each arrangement has white snow added to the edges of the cones. To do this, simply paint on a little faux snow (white paint works too) along the edges of the pine cones.

Add a few Berries or simply add a few artificial floral leaves. Place your candle in the holder and you're all done.

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# ***December in the Garden***

## ***Go Green with your Christmas Tree***

**T**he use of evergreens to decorate homes dates back to pagan times, when they were considered to be a symbol of eternal life. They were used as decoration during the winter solstice, a celebration of light and rebirth. This year, consider purchasing a living Christmas Tree for your home. They really aren't that much more expensive than a cut tree. This is an excellent way to improve your landscape, and at the same time, save a tree. Before bringing a living tree into the house, water it thoroughly. Living Christmas Trees should not be kept in the house for any longer than 10 days.



Acclimatise the tree to being outdoors again for a month.

- Start off with the tree in a sheltered area with some natural light - a porch, conservatory or garage and gradually move the tree down the garden to a more exposed area.
- If you have a very large garden and want to plant your tree in a lawn, choose a location in full sun, as this will ensure an even shape to your tree.
- Then dig a square hole, one spade deep. Cultivate the soil, paying attention to creating good drainage.
- Fill the hole and plant the tree on the resulting mound, making sure that the root collar is at ground level, not below - this will improve the tree's chances of survival.
- Keep an area up to 1m (3.5ft) around the tree completely weed free - mulch with bark. If planted in the lawn, this area should be up to 2m (6.6ft) around the tree.

## ***Caring for house plants during the winter.***

**H**ouse plants need varying amounts of water and fertilizer at different times of the year. They need the most during summer when light levels are high and days are long. They need the least during the short days of winter. The primary reason for this is light. Light fuels plant growth. More light allows more growth, which results in a greater demand for water and nutrients. When light is limited, the need for water and nutrients decreases dramatically. Therefore, it becomes easy to overwater and over fertilize during the winter months. Excess water and fertilizer can kill a plant by damaging the root system.

Overwatering can suffocate roots by eliminating oxygen, and excess fertilizer can burn roots.

It is never wise to water on a set schedule. Rather, allow the potting soil to tell you when watering is needed. Check to see if the soil is a moist 1-inch deep by inserting your finger into the potting mix. Don't water unless the mix is dry. Another method of determining when to water is the weight of the pot. Use the former method to determine how light the pot should be before watering.

Another common mistake homeowners make with houseplants is fertilizing during the winter in order to perk plants up. This is the exact opposite of what should be done. Remember it is a lack of light that gives plants the doldrums, not a lack of fertilizer. Therefore, it is best not to fertilize at all during the middle of winter (December-January)

## ***Perennials, Annuals, and Bulbs.***



**I**f you potted up some bulbs, such as **hyacinths, daffodils or tulips**, last September for winter forcing, keep an eye on them. Make sure they remain moist, and in the dark until they have established their root systems.

It is possible that they have already filled their containers with roots and that the new top growth has begun. If this is so, bring them into the house and set them in a cool room, in indirect light. After a week or so, move them into bright light, and watch them go to town!



***Remember our feathered friends during the winter.***



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# Christmas Recipes



## Smoked Salmon & Avocado Terrines

### Ingredients:

- \* 450g of thinly sliced smoked salmon
- \* 100g of mild goat's cheese, broken into small pieces
- \* 3 tbsp snipped chives
- \* 3 large ripe avocados, peeled, stoned and finely chopped
- \* 3 tbsp lemon juice
- \* Sunflower oil for greasing
- \* Sweet chilli sauce for drizzling
- \* Salad leaves and vinaigrette to garnish

### Method:

Lightly oil 8 small ramekins. Line with cling film, then the salmon (either 1 large or 2 smaller slices), allowing plenty of overhang. Gently mix together the cheese, chives and avocado with the lemon juice and plenty of seasoning. Spoon into the salmon-lined ramekins, press down, fold over the overlapping salmon, then cling film to seal in the mixture. Can be made the night before, but if making on the day they should be chilled for at least 4 hrs. On the day, gently lift the terrines out of the ramekins using the cling film, then remove the film. Place the terrines on plates with some baby salad leaves tossed in a little vinaigrette. Drizzle the terrine and plate with sweet chilli sauce. Serve on their own or with toast.

## All-in-one Fruit Cake Recipe

**Important :** All ingredients must be at room temperature.

- \* 175g/6 oz butter or margarine, softened
- \* 175 g/6 oz soft brown sugar
- \* 3 eggs
- \* 15 ml/1 tbsp golden syrup
- \* 100 g/4 oz glace cherries
- \* 100 g/4 oz sultanas
- \* 100 g/4 oz raisins
- \* 225 g/8 oz/2 cups self-raising flour
- \* 10 ml/2 tsp ground mixed spice
- \* 2 tablespoons whiskey
- \* Makes one 20 cm / 8 in cake

### Method:

Place all the ingredients in a bowl and beat together until well blended, or process in a food processor. Spoon into a greased and lined 20 cm/8 in cake tin and bake in a preheated oven at 160°C/325°F/gas mark 3 for 1.5 hours until a skewer inserted in the centre comes out clean. Leave in the tin for 5 minutes, then turn out on to a wire rack to finish cooling.

## Mulled Wine

Serves 6 - 8

Preparation and cooking times

Ready in 10 minutes plus infusing time



### Ingredients:

- |                        |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| * 1 Bottle of Red Wine | * 4 tbsp Clear Honey       |
| * 150ml Grand Marnier  | * 3cm piece of Root Ginger |
| * 100ml Brandy         | * chopped                  |
| * 1 Orange peeled      | * ½ tsp Whole Cloves       |
| * 1 Lemon peeled       | * 1 Cinnamon Stick         |

### Method:

Slowly heat the alcohols in a large saucepan and gently simmer for about 10 minutes. Add the orange and lemon peels, honey, ginger and spices, then remove from the heat and let it infuse for at least 20 minutes. Before serving, reheat gently, then strain into a jug.

## Simple Mince Pies

### Ingredients:

- \* 350g/12oz Cream Plain Flour
- \* 225g/8oz Butter (at room temperature)
- \* 125g/4oz Golden Caster Sugar
- \* 1 jar Mincemeat
- \* 1 small Egg (beaten) - optional for brushing
- \* Icing Sugar for dusting

### Method:

Preheat oven to 200°C/400°C/Gas 6. Lightly grease two bun trays. Place flour into a large mixing bowl. Rub in the butter, then mix in the sugar. Bring the mixture together to form a ball! Do not add any liquid, keep bringing the dough together and it will form a ball.

Press small walnut sized pieces of pastry into each section of two patty tins. Put a teaspoon of the mincemeat into the centre. Take slightly smaller pieces of pastry than before and pat them out between your hands to make round lids, big enough to cover the pies. Top pies with the lids, pressing the edges together to seal – you do not need to seal them with milk, egg or water as they will stick on their own! If liked they may be brushed with the beaten egg.

Bake for about 20 minutes until golden. Leave to cool in tin for 5 minutes, then remove to a wire tray.

To serve, dust with icing sugar.



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# ICA Notes

October and November meetings have been held and lots of work has been done, Maynooth Guild came second in the Federation Quiz and congratulations to all. Thanks to Guild members who helped with arthritis collection in October. Congratulations to all who were involved in the creation of the Guild Year Book and Maynooth were winners in the Federation Quiz. The competitions coming up at the moment are Gem Pack Baking, Make and Model, Creative Writing 1500 words.

Beaumont Shield for singing songs, the Eleanora Gibbon Shield for singing songs in Irish, Patsy Lawlor Cup for Set Dancing and National Shield for half set. With that line up there is something to suit every ones taste so we would like to see some new members join ICA.

It is also delightful to see that some past members have returned to the fold and we welcome them with open arms.

The Federation Walk Day took place on 4th October on the canal banks at Digby Bridge and was enjoyed by all. Badminton continues each Tuesday and Thursday in the college and there are craft nights on Monday at 8pm in the ICA. hall. Federation Craft Day took place on Saturday 28th November in Sarsfields in Newbridge and was organised by Mary O'Gorman.

Winners of Cook Books for Celebrity Kitchen in October were Betty Farrell and Catherine O'Reilly. Winners of Odlum's Cook Books were Nell McLoughlin and Madeline Stynes. October raffle winners were Jo O'Connell, Nell McLoughlin and Mary Halton. October competition winners were 1. Teresa Corcoran and Jo O'Connell, 2. Rosemary Hanley, 3. Cora Walsh and Mary O'Gorman.

ICA at National level have sent a press release to Government on the forthcoming budget. ICA are totally opposed to cuts in child benefit, cuts to any vulnerable groups, cuts to old age pensions and cuts in Cancer Prevention. They are also asking that breast checks be extended to 70 years as this is what European directives are advocating and this is something that ICA feel should follow nationwide.

ICA are celebrating 100 years in 2010 and the Centenary launch will take place on 20th January 2010 in St. Patrick's Hall and the Centenary dinner will be held in the Ferrycarrig Hotel, Wexford on the 6th May 2010 with celebrations on the 7th May 2010 in Bree. A.C.W.W. trips will take place from 21st to 28th April 2010.

Centenary celebrations will take place in the ICA College at An Grianán, with a Garden Party on the 9th July 2010.

The new Centenary book is now on sale at €40. The National AGM. will take place on 26th May 2010 in Woodlands Hotel in Adare. The Federation Centenary Dinner Dance will be in February 2010. The last Federation meeting took place on 19th November in the Day Care Centre in Kildare town at 8pm. Maynooth Guild were invited to the Tidy Towns Celebration night in the Glenroyal Hotel, and also to the twinning meeting, both invitations were accepted and attended.

There was a great response to the shoe box appeal by the Guild, and thanks to all members for their donations, no doubt so many little children will benefit from this at Christmas.

Scholarships to An Grianán were won by Madeline Stynes and Catherine O'Reilly and we are sure they will enjoy their week in the ICA College in Termonfeckin, Co.Louth.

November Guild competition winners were - 1. Eileen Flynn, 2. Cora Walsh, 3. Rosemary Hanley. The raffle winners were - 1. Rosemary Hanley, 2. Teresa Corcoran, 3. Mary O' Gorman.

The Guild would like to thank Eilis O'Malley and Rev. Janice Aiton for organising the lovely Memorial Service for deceased members at the November meeting and also thanks to them for our Guild competition on the night.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 3rd December 2009 at 8 pm.

We would like to invite all members to this meeting as it is our Christmas Party and great fun will be held by all. We would also like to invite past members to come along and join in the fun.

As you can see by this report there is a lot going on in the ICA. and something for everyone.

You can sing, dance, write stories, cook, sew, do sports, photography, art, etc.

So we want to see a full hall at our December meeting and all to join in and enjoy the fun at our ICA Hall in the Harbour.

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Easy

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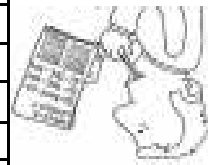
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Super Difficult


Solutions



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### Broccoli Cream Cheese & Pear and Almond Soup:

1 x 250g head of broccoli  
1 large onion  
2 white parts of leek, chopped  
40g butter  
855ml vegetable stock  
150g low fat soft cheese  
2 x 15ml spoons fine oatmeal  
4 ripe pears  
175g toasted, flaked almonds  
570ml milk  
salt and freshly ground black pepper

1. Trim the broccoli into tiny florets, chop the stalks quite small.  
In a large saucepan, melt the butter and add the chopped leeks, onion and broccoli stalks (leave aside the florets for later).  
Stir well and leave to sweat for ten minutes. Then add chopped pears.

2. Stir in the oatmeal, almonds and milk a little at a time, stirring well after each addition.  
When the milk is stirred in, add the stock and seasoning.  
Whisk well and simmer gently for ten minutes.  
While the soup is cooling, steam the broccoli florets for about 5 minutes.

3. Pour the soup and place the soft cheese into a food processor, and blend until smooth.  
Return the soup to a rinsed out pan, add the broccoli florets and re-heat gently, adjusting the seasoning.

4. Serve with crusty French bread.

### Rosemary Roast Potatoes with Garlic:

10 medium potatoes  
4 x 5ml spoons dried rosemary, crushed  
1 wine glass of olive oil (extra virgin)

4 Garlic cloves, crushed

Scrub potatoes in their skins and cut into four.  
Steam for ten minutes, then toss in olive oil, rosemary and crushed garlic.

Place the potatoes on a warmed baking tray and roast in hot oven for 30 minutes at 190°C/375°F/ Gas Mark 5.

Serve immediately, the outside should be crunchy.

### Chestnut & Chocolate Ice-Cream with Apricot Sauce:

225g bitter chocolate  
4 x 15ml spoons maple syrup  
225g canned chestnut purée  
1.2 Lt. double cream, whipped  
2 x 15ml spoons kirsch  
3 free range egg whites (optional)  
225g whole canned chestnuts in syrup, drained (save a few for decoration)

1. Melt the chocolate into maple syrup, over a pan of hot water. Blend well together and stir into the chestnut purée. Beat in the cream and kirsch.  
Whisk the egg whites until stiff and then fold into the mixture (optional). Freeze for two hours in a shallow tray covered with foil.

2. Scrape out and blend in a mixer until smooth. Put in a bowl and stir in the chopped chestnuts. Spoon into a mould, cover and freeze for 30 minutes before serving. Loosen the mould by slipping into hot water. Turn onto serving dish, decorate with reserved chestnuts, cut in half, and apricot sauce.

### For the Sauce:

450g tinned apricots in natural juice  
2 x 15ml spoons apple juice concentrate

3. Strain the apricots from their juice in the tin. Place apricots and apple juice concentrate together, and blend in food processor until smooth (should be a runny purée consistency).

4. Serve with ice-cream. Enough for ten portions, small amounts as it is very sweet.



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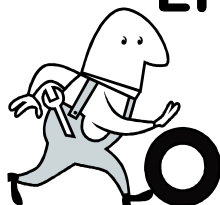


End of year is fast approaching. What a marvellous year it has been for our group. It has been full of energy, vibrancy, adventure and fun. New activities brought corresponding new learning. Members grew in confidence, pushed our their boundaries and were spontaneous. Some excelled at the game of curling during the "Go For Life" programme while others learned to be gracious in defeat! There were some rather intriguing and some enthralling stories heard and a lot of talent exposed during the creative 'outside the box' particularly when it came to editing and reading the silly news! The learning hasn't stopped there. As the year comes to a close many of our members are participating in the 'Log On and Learn' computer programme. An appropriate slogan might be: don't stop me now.

We would like to acknowledge and appreciate the support of the Community Library throughout the year. Thank you to Barry who is always anticipating our needs. Thanks to all those who in a variety of different roles contributed to developing the organisation and most importantly offered friendship and support when needed. Wishing all our members and their families a peaceful and Happy Christmas.

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# Maynooth GAA News

## MAYNOOTH'S FOOTBALLERS WINNING RUN CONTINUES.

A late goal from Pierre Ennis put the gloss on another fine Maynooth victory in the Leinster intermediate championship as a difficult trip to Dundalk on Sunday 22 November, ended with a rather easy 1-8 to 0-1 victory for the Crom Abu against the home side St Malachy's.

Conor Canning was the only scorer in an amazing first half, dominated by the wind, and the winners led by 0-1 to 0-0 at the interval. Maynooth got on top midway through the second, now playing with the breeze and some fine scores helped them build a cushion before sub Michael Fahey set up Ennis for the goal in the 58<sup>th</sup> minute.

After that victory against St Malachy's Maynooth have home advantage for the final against Westmeath champions, Tubberclair, which was due to be played on Sunday 6 December.

Maynooth completed an historic Kildare intermediate double after the football team saw off Kilcullen on Saturday, 17 November. They won convincingly by a ten point margin, 3-14 to 0-13. It was a double following the previous win last weekend.

Interestingly the same double was also completed 10 years ago in 1999.

A first half goal from Karl Ennis ensured Maynooth led by 1-6 to 0-6 at half-time although Kilcullen were in touch and causing problems but a 32<sup>nd</sup> goal from Conor Canning, when brilliantly volleyed the ball past Kilcullen keeper Paddy Meagher when Pierre Ennis' handpass put him through although a goal looked impossible. With a six point lead for most of the second half Michael Fahey wrapped things up for the Crom Abu in the 56<sup>th</sup> minute with a simple goal when Niall Naughton's effort for a point hit the bar and rebounded to the grateful Fahey, who was only on the field a few moments. Fahey added a point before the end to round off an impressive victory. Pierre Ennis picked up the man-of-the-match award after Cillian Carr had collected the Hugh Campion trophy.

### U21S BOW OUT AT FIRST HURDLE

Maynooth bowed out of the under-21 championship at the first hurdle after a disappointing defeat to Round Towers by three points, 1-8 to 1-5, in Naas on Saturday (7 November).

Towers led by four points at half-time, 1-4 to 0-3, scoring a goal just before half-time but Ross Cullinane brought Maynooth level after the break when he netted after a bungled clearance by the opposition full back line.

However Towers kicked three points on the trot after that goal to take control and they held on for victory.

MAYNOOTH: Mark Donnellan; Dean McAvinue, Peter

Warren, Cian Egan; Shane Delaney, Joe Geary, John Comerford; Conor Canning (0-2fs), Stephen Travers; Mikey Gillick, John McAndrew, Seamus McBride(0-1); Michael Fahey (0-1), Ross Cullinane (1-1), Paddy Comerford. Subs: Cormac Molloy for Gillick, 40; Philly McCarron for Travers, 45; Josh Gunne for P Comerford, 56.

## RUAIRI KELLY CUP

Sunday, November 29, marked the first ever presentation of the Ruairi Kelly Cup for the winners of the Kildare minor A hurling championship. The final was between Killard and Naas and members of the Kelly family presented the cup to the winning captain. It's a fitting way to remember Ruairi, who died in 2008, and played hurling and football with Maynooth from underage through to the senior ranks, and was captain of the club hurling team in 2007 and 2008.

### U21 CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS

Maynooth claimed the county under-21 title with a well earned victory over Cappagh in Naas on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November. The winners led from start to finish and came out on top on a scoreline of 3-3 to 1-3.

Goals from Samantha Ward, who netted twice, and Kate Montgomery and points from Louise Walsh (two) and Ciana Heneghan helped Maynooth to a comprehensive victory. Well done to all the girls and management.

Having already beaten Celbridge to claim the minor A championship for 2009, Maynooth went on to make it a double celebration with victory over Cappagh on Sunday.

The match played in Naas was one of the most competitive matches of the year and while a two goal cushion in the end might suggest otherwise the Maynooth team were put under immense pressure from their opponents right through the match and their strength of character and sheer hunger and determination was the major factor in achieving victory. Both teams are to be congratulated on a fine display full of skill, tenacity and great determination. For the Maynooth, team manager Pat Comerford and his assistants Eamonn Toomey, Colm Hoban and Brian Walsh the year has certainly ended on a very positive note. The defeat to Cappagh in the intermediate final has been followed by two successes in minor and under 21 a championship final.

Congratulations to all the players, mentors for their hard work and dedication during the year and a special word of thanks to all the supporters who came out during the year to support the various teams.

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# Maynooth GAA News

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MAYNOOTH: Niamh Kearney; Therese Doran, Aisling Farrell, Laura Tierney; Sarah Greally, Louise Walsh (0-2), Claire McNamara; Siobhan McCourt, Louise Doran; Grainne Hoban, Michelle O'Connor, Kate Montgomery (1-0); Ciana Heneghan (0-1), Samantha Ward (2-0), Karen Lynch (captain). Subs: Stephanie Gavin for Sarah Greally; Emer Connolly for Karen Lynch; Michelle Doran for Laura Tierney (injured). Subs not used: Emer Sinnott, Siobhan O'Shea, Hannah Stack, Jenny Dwyer, Kerry Faherty, Aoife Toomey, Emma Lynch, Tara Fagan, Amy Morrissey, Megan McGrath, Karen Feehan, Sally O'Brien, Laura Corcoran.

## **BORD NA NÓG AWARDS NIGHT A HUGE SUCCESS**

There was lots of excitement in the club on Friday night last as the annual Bord na nÓg awards were presented in the clubhouse. Well done to the organising committee for arranging such a fine evening where the club once more got to show itself in style to visiting clubs.

## **MAYNOOTH TOPS AT SCÓR ONCE MORE**

Not to be outdone by the footballers, Maynooth's Scór na nÓg entrants took the Kildare club of the year crown when they won three more county titles on Sunday 22nd November in Allenwood.



## **NEW CLUB SHOP OPENING TIMES**

New winter opening times for November until the end of mid-February.  
Saturday morning 9.45 - 11.30. Anyone who needs anything and cannot attend at this time may contact Mary @ 087 6188392 or Nuala @ 087 6989672.

## **LOTTO LATEST**

There was no winner last weekend 22nd November so this week's jackpot is now €2,700.  
Last week's numbers: 3, 7, 21, and 22. Winners of €25: Finbarr Coughlin, Tom Coffey, Frances Kearney, Noel Kerin, Ciana Heneghan.

# Horoscopes



**ARIES—March 21—April 20**

You'll be around people who seem to know a lot about how the world works. It's all theory and hypothesis, though. Don't worry about knowing a lot. You know what is useful, and that's what counts.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 4, Colour Red.



**LIBRA—Sept 24—Oct 23**

You'll be an important part of a group activity. The problem you encounter will be an opportunity for you to rise up as a leader. Your reaction will set the tone that all will follow.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 33, Colour Blue.



**TAURUS—April 21—May 21**

There's a chance that your wildest dreams are about to come true. The rarest combination of circumstances has congealed into a window of shining possibility.

Your lucky day is Wednesday, Number 6, Colour Green.



**SCORPIO—Oct 24—Nov 22**

Some action you took was insufficient. You'll be correcting yourself. Instead of focusing on your mistake, figure out what caused it. Go to the source.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 16, Colour Purple.



**GEMINI—May 22—June 22**

You have a suspicion that someone in your circle is displeased with you. The best way to deal with it is to ask point blank. You're so charming that you can smooth it all over with a few well-chosen words.

Your lucky day is Saturday, Number 25, Colour Violet



**SAGITTARIUS—Nov 23—Dec 21**

Reinvent yourself. Don't stop when it seems you've done enough. Your standards are higher. If you follow the crowd, you'll do yourself an injustice.

Your lucky day is Sunday, Number 29, Colour Pink.



**CANCER—June 23—July 23**

Baking is an underappreciated therapy. You might try it as a diversion from stress. Bust out that biscuit recipe and you'll start to relax -- not to mention, you'll make someone happy.

Your lucky day is Monday, Number 15, Colour Yellow



**CAPRICORN—Dec 22—Jan 20**

You already know of many things you're good at, but you still have a calling that you haven't answered. This is a fine time to do very little. Tune out the noise and listen to the urgings of your soul.

Your lucky day is Thursday, Number 20, Colour Black.



**LEO—July 24—August 23**

Animals teach us a lot of life skills: patience, loyalty, playfulness. A pet will contribute to the happiness of your family. In return, you'll do something nice for your favourite furry friend.

Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 12, Colour Grey.



**AQUARIUS—Jan 21—Feb 19**

A beautiful piece of clothing catches your eye. Revel in a bit of vanity. For you, this indulgence is therapy because your self-discipline makes it so rare.

Your lucky day is Friday, Number 39, Colour Navy Blue.



**Virgo—August 24—Sept 23**

You can't be sure whom you're dealing with now. Challengers become champions and vice versa. Just keep showing up and doing your best. Keep this up in the New Year and you will be delighted with the result.

Your lucky day is Sunday, number 52, Colour Silver.



**PISCES—Feb 20—March 20**

Keeping hope alive is almost as important as breathing. A long-dormant dream is stirring. Your story is just starting to get more exciting. Your lucky day is Tuesday, Number 48, Colour Lavender.



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- Avoid giving your pet any of your leftovers as this can cause diarrhoea.
- Keep your pet away from cooked bones as they can splinter or get lodged in your pet's throat or can cause serious damage by puncturing the intestinal tract.
- Do not give your pet chocolate as it is toxic especially to dogs.



#### *Pet hazards around the Christmas tree.*

- Fallen Christmas tree needles are very sharp and can easily get stuck in your pet's paws or throat. Sweep tree needles up regularly or fence off your Christmas tree to separate your pet and tree.
- Do not hang your chocolates from your Christmas tree as they are highly toxic and your pet will be tempted if he can see and smell them.
- Cover up electric cords and flashing tree lights so your pet can't chew them and electrocute himself.
- Try using fairy lights that don't flash as some pets when up close can get very scared by these.
- Christmas tree decorations can cause a nasty accident or be fatal to your pet. Cats, and young pets especially, will show a great interest in decorations hanging from your tree. Try to use unbreakable decorations and nothing too small. Avoid tinsel or ribbons as these are dangerous to the gastrointestinal tract if your pet swallows them.
- Make sure your tree is well anchored so your pet can't pull it over.

**If you are getting a new pet— Please do not get it until after Christmas.**

#### **The Advantages:**

- It's less stressful on your pet to be introduced to a "normal routine" as opposed to hectic holiday time.
- You don't have to find a place to keep the pet until Christmas morning.
- Children can help pick out which one to make their new friend.
- You can see how they interact together.
- No stress of housebreaking during the holidays (in case of dog).
- No worries if relatives have allergies.
- No figuring out what to do with your pet while people visit or where to put your pet while you go to visit.
- You will have more time to devote into making everyone comfortable with the new addition in a relaxed atmosphere and can explain the care needed for your pet.
- Your pet is less likely to be cast aside as gifts are explored and played with.
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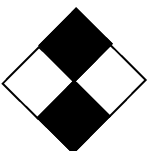
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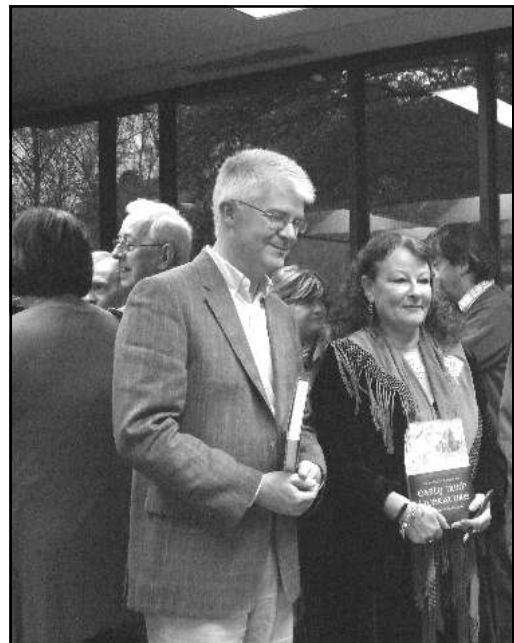
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## Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin Book Launch

The secretary of the Community Council, Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin had a book launched on the early literature of Ireland on Monday afternoon, 9<sup>th</sup> November. Conor Newman, Chairman of the Heritage Council and lecturer in archaeology in NUI, Galway, launched the book entitled, *An Introduction to Early Irish Literature*, in the John Paul 11 library, National University of Ireland, Maynooth. The librarian, Cathal McCauley, and the Head of the School of Celtic Studies, Dr Tadhg Ó Dúshláine spoke in praise of the book before Dr Ní Bhrolcháin spoke briefly to those present. She is a senior lecturer in the School of Celtic Studies and the event was attended by past and present students as well as colleagues from Galway and Dublin. Emmet Stagg TD was also present. The book is mainly designed for students of the subject, those studying the early Medieval Irish period but it is also suitable for the general public who have an interest in the literature of pre-Norman Ireland. You can learn more about those stories that we heard in school - Cú Chulainn, Finn mac Cumail, Cormac mac Airt. This exciting and readable book introduces the reader to the wonderful world of early Irish myth and legends. Read about shaman-poets and druids, mythology, the heroic sagas like the *Cattle Raid of Cooley*. Find out about the early festivals, gods and goddesses of the Tuatha Dé Danann and the heroic biography of kings of Tara and heroes - their births, boyhood deeds, how they found their wives and their dramatic deaths. Read about the famous women - goddesses, queen Medb of Connacht, the tragic story of Deirdre and her lover as well as other worldly visits to strange and wonderful lands and much more.



*Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin. Author of An Introduction to Early Irish Literature, Conor Newman, Chairman of the Board of the Heritage Council who officially launched the book agus An Dr. Tadhg Ó Dúshláine, Roinn na Nua-Ghaeilge, NUI Maynooth*



*Heritage Council Chairman Conor Newman, Muireann Ní Brolcháin (Author)*



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The boxes are then wrapped in Christmas paper and labelled for either a boy or a girl. They are then sent off to parts of the world less fortunate than ourselves.

The boys learnt that even a colouring book and some pencils could make someone's day in some places.

This simple act of generosity gives hope to children caught in the midst of wars, natural disasters and extreme poverty and shows them they have not been forgotten.

The children worked very hard collecting the shoe boxes and the corridors as ever were filled with colourful boxes this year.

Thanks to boys and parents for boxes and teachers for their co-ordinating effort.



*Matthew Moloney, Aodhan McGarry, Darragh Nolan, James Sheridan.*



*Presents collected for Operation Christmas Child.*



*Pupils of Maynooth Boys National School.*



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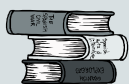
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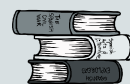
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## Books By Maynooth Authors



**B**uying a book by a local author or about your local area makes an ideal and meaningful Christmas gift.

It is interesting and heart warming to see that the recession has not affected the literary output of our local writers. In fact I would say that we have seen an increase in such activity over the last few months. I would like to highlight some authors and their works and would like to remind readers that these publications would make ideal Christmas gifts.

One of our local and more senior and long serving community members Peter Cullen has brought out a book on his life before and after coming to Maynooth. The book **"Loughorna to Laraghbryan"** is an interesting memoir. At 83 years of age the author has remarkable powers of recall and has an engaging and relaxed style of telling a story. This book will be of particular interest to those who have been living in Maynooth for a number of years as they will identify with the characters, events and places mentioned.

Maynooth Town Local History Group has two publications which are available in the Maynooth Bookshop. **"Myths and Memories"** gives descriptions and historical backgrounds to the local graveyards in the area, there are more that one would think. Exploring Maynooth is a practical handbook for walkers that describes a range of walking routes around Maynooth including length and time of the walks.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin's book **"An Introduction to early Irish Literature"** published by Four Courts Press was launched recently in the JPII Library NUI Maynooth. Muireann who is on the staff of the Irish Department at NUI Maynooth and has been a long time resident of Maynooth, was involved in the setting up and continues to be part of the Community Council. Muireann is also a high profile activist with the Save Tara Campaign. This book discusses the rich written heritage of the Old and Middle Irish period, 600 – 1200, and is suitable for students of medieval Ireland as well as the general reader who wants to learn about the stories, poetry and themes of early Irish literature.

Screenwriter Patricia Groves has written a book entitled **"Petticoat Rebellion"**. Published by Mercier Press, the book explores the life of the Anna Parnell and her relationship with her brother. Anna Parnell was an enigmatic character but Groves has successfully brought her to life as well as giving the international and national political context in which



Anna Parnell lived and operated in. Patricia has also made some short movies, check out Trish Groves' webpage at <http://www.facebook.com/trishgroves>.

Rob Kitchen's book **"The Rule Book"** is a real page turner. Rob is a director of a research institute at NUI Maynooth and has a number of academic publications to his credit. This is his first work of fiction, a whodunit described as a 'police procedural novel' set in and around Dublin. Readers will be interested to note that some of the events take place at Maynooth College.

Martina Reilly has several books and plays to her credit. Most of us will have heard of this author as she has had good media exposure. She is a writer of adult and teen fiction. Her latest offering is **"The Wish List"** an adult fiction with the ingredients of "Love, romance and finding unexpected friends". Martina has been involved in various local drama projects including those of the Nuadha Players. For more information check out Martina and her literary output at <http://tinareilly.info/>.

For those readers who are interested in the spiritual domain, Lorna Byrne has brought out an autobiography **"Angels in my hair"**. Published by Random Press it describes Lorna tells the reader that "she sees angels and spirits; that they are her constant companions". She has received glowing testimonials from such people as Jim Corr, Daniel O'Donnell and William Roche of Coronation Street. Lorna divides her time between Kilkenny and Maynooth.

Another publication worthy of mention Maynooth: **"Irish Historic Towns Atlas"**, produced by Arnold Horner and published by the Royal Irish Academy (1995). This publication would make an ideal gift for those interested in the historical development of Maynooth town. A brilliant source of reference, that outlines the history of the Town, College and Carton, a must for anyone interested in pursuing a local history project. Some other towns covered in the series include Trim, Kildare, Mullingar, Kells and Athlone.

A book brought out by John Drennan under the auspices of the Maynooth Community Council in 1994

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was "**Cannonballs and Croziers**". This is a history of the town to more recent times than that of the other excellent history of Maynooth. Mary Cullen's books "**Maynooth a short historical guide**" is perhaps one of the most sought after books. Unfortunately it is out of print. Second hand book dealers such as Carraig Books (01-2882575) may have copies from time to time.

**Most of the above titles are available in Maynooth Bookshop.**

The following are the most recent publications. The full list can be accessed at <http://history.nuim.ie/publications/localhistory>

Milne, Kenneth *The Dublin liberties, 1600-1850* (2009) ISBN 978-1-84682-191-2

Cronin, Denis A. *Who killed the Franks family?* Four Courts Press, Dublin (2009) ISBN 98-1-84682-190-5

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- \* Measure the width of your neck using a measuring tape.
- \* Add two inches to the width of your neck; this is the length you will need to cut the ribbon to make your necklace. Adding two inches is necessary to make sure you have some breathing room in the necklace when you're wearing it.
- \* Cut the ribbon to size. Also cut a square about  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch in length of the Velcro.
- \* Glue one side of the Velcro on one end of the ribbon and the opposite side on the other end. You can also sew the Velcro on if you want to ensure its security on the ribbon.
- \* Decorate your necklace by sewing on a , a teardrop-shaped bead pendant or a cameo brooch in the centre of the ribbon. You can also use hot glue to affix some burnished crystals or beads.

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## ***THE GRADUATE MICHAEL O'RIORDAN***

**B**orn and reared in Oldcastletown Kildorrery Co. Cork. Michael came to Maynooth in 1954 seeking work at St. Patrick's College Maynooth. His first nine years were spent serving his time in catering and in 1963 he was appointed College Butler, the position which he held for forty years until he retired on 30th September, 2003.

In 1965 on the 4th January Michael married local girl Lily Dempsey of O'Neill Park. They have five children Mary, Ann, Joey, Trina & Shelley. All his children are living locally. They have eleven grandchildren ranging in ages from twenty years to six months.

He joined the Maynooth Fire Brigade part-time in 1969 and remained with them until 1993. He was Station Officer from 1983 until 1993. His greatest achievement in his Stewardship was he got the new Fire Station up and running and during his time he saw some terrible tragedies but also witnessed some very happy outcomes.

In 1993 he got fully involved with the G.A.A. Club especially the second team. He was also involved with the Credit Union at this time.

After retiring totally from St. Patrick's College for two years he then applied in 2005 to see if he could do a Degree in Theology. After been accepted as a candidate for the degree he sought a deferral for one year. They accepted so that he could take up a University course in 'The Return to Learning' for one year. He started a Theology course in 2006 which lasted for three years.

Michael graduated with a Bachelor in Theology degree on Saturday 7th November 2009 at the Pontifical University, St Patrick's College Maynooth. Michael says "in terms of age the "Return to Learning Programme" was a great foundation".

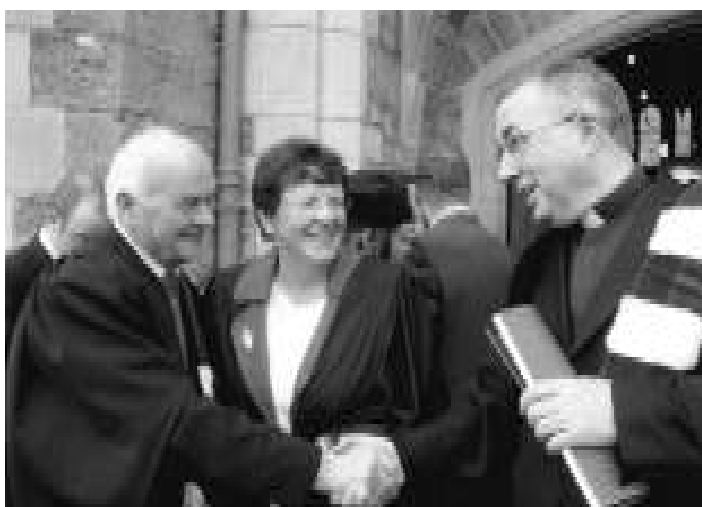
Michael would like to thank both ladies who supervised "The Return to Learning" course and to all who assisted him in his studies particularly his wife Lily and family and a special word of thanks to Mary McCourt for all the essays that she produced for him.

Michael is finding time on his hands now to pursue his hobbies which include Football Reading, Walking, Swimming and his latest hobby his allotment on the Dunboyne Road.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Michael and to wish him every success in his future endeavours.



***Michael, Daughter Trina Fanning & Granddaughter Siobhan McCourt  
Photo J.B.F.***



***Michael, Sr. Bríd Liston Dr. Martin Henry members of the faculty of Theology. Photo J.B.F.***



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## Town's Award Night 11th November 2009

### Speech By: Mr. Mattie Callaghan - Chairman

Tonight, we are celebrating success in 2009, both in the national Tidy Towns Competition, and the achievements of our local residential areas, and business premises.

The work of trying to maintain Maynooth as a clean and nice place, involves the work of many people.

I would like to mention two young people in particular who, came out to join, and are the basis of a junior committee.: Keelan Murphy and Ross Kavanagh.

At this point the Chairman made a presentation to both boys.

Others that are active in our community are:

- ♦ Kildare County Council Staff.
- ♦ Resident Association Members.
- ♦ Business Community (some more active than others)
- ♦ Maynooth Environmental Group - in the Harbour
- ♦ Carton House Hotel in Carton Avenue
- ♦ NUI Maynooth - Outside their complex
- ♦ Larne House in the Square and with the hanging baskets
- ♦ Intel employees as part of their support for the community
- ♦ Others gave us equipment and, in particular I would like to acknowledge the support from Justin Dunne for the ongoing use of his pick - up van.

As I said earlier, we have some young members who have just joined us this year. On our committee, we have adult members of the same family.

We have members of The Cushen, Baxter and Farrell families. We also have members with many years service to Tidy Towns.

To end tonight, I would like to thank The Farrell Family.

Firstly, because we have Richard and Mary with us for many years. In fact Richard has 25 years as an active member of Tidy Towns, and has been a great support to many members over those years, therefore I would like if you could join me in thanking Richard & Mary for their ongoing support to Maynooth Tidy Toens.

Thank you all for coming, and to all our winners—congratulations, and safe journey home.

#### **Best Shop Front Competition**

Best original Shop Front - CPL Motors

Best Unique Shop Front - Dawson Menswear

#### **Residential Awards**

##### **Small Estates (under 100 houses)**

Cluain Aoibhinn (over 25 years old)

Woodlands (under 25 years old)

##### **Large Estates (more than 100 houses)**

Greenfield (over 25 years old)

Beaufield (under 25 years old)



***Two junior members : Keelan Murphy  
& Ross Kavanagh  
with Mattie Callaghan***



***Aidan O'Rourke Presenting award to Andrew  
McMullon for Cluain Aoibhinn***

**Town's Award Night 11th November 2009**  
**Speech By: Mr. Mattie Callaghan - Chairman**



*Sean Cushen, Mattie Callaghan, & Janet Dooley*



*Richard & Mary Farrell - 25 years service  
with Maynooth Tidy Towns*



*Colm Purcell, Lord Mayor of Kildare, Mattie  
Callaghan & Freddie O'Melia*



*Ciaran Lanigan & Paul Lanigan received their  
award from Robert O'Reilly*



*Moirá Baxter Presenting award to  
Des Matthews for Woodlands Estate*



## December/January Diary Planner



### Maynooth ICA

Meetings take place every  
1st Thursday of the Month  
at 8.00 p.m.  
in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour  
Crafts Every Monday Night at 8.00 p.m.  
New Members Welcome

### Donadea Forest Park

Stuck for a Christmas Gift?  
Come along to Donadea Forest Park  
Saturdays & Sundays  
5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, 19th & 20th December.  
Xmas wreaths, swags and decorations, woodcraft,  
jewellery, local photography, paintings, homemade  
cakes, tarts, plum puddings, mince pies, xmas cards  
depicting local scenes. All made by a group from  
the Donadea Community.  
Trevor Sargeant Minister of State for  
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food will launch this  
event on Sunday 6th December at 12.00 p.m.

### University of Third Age

December meeting takes place  
Friday 11th at 11.00 a.m.  
in the Community Library.  
New members welcome.  
Enquires: Bernadette 01 6289131

### Maynooth Toastmasters

Monday 14th December in the  
Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth  
at 7.45 p.m.  
After the Christmas Break we will be back  
Monday 11th January in the  
Glenroyal Hotel at 7.45 p.m.  
New Members Welcome

### Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

December Club Nite  
Club Members Share Christmas Ideas  
Tuesday 8th December  
in the Loftus Hall, Maynooth College  
All Welcome.  
Come and get into the Christmas Spirit  
Tea, Coffee/Mince Pies served after  
Demonstration

### Maynooth Community Library

Maynooth Film for All club's next film is  
"Encounters at the End of the World" which  
takes place on  
Wednesday 9th December at 7.45 p.m. in  
John Hume Lecture Hall in NUI Maynooth.  
Crafts with Mary  
Mary will hold a craft session for children in the  
library on 9th December.  
Ask at desk for details.

### Maynooth Senior Citizens

Senior Citizens Shopping Night  
at Supervalu takes place  
Sunday 8th December.  
Annual Dinner Dance takes place  
Sunday 13th December  
in the Glenroyal Hotel.

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# Party Political-Labour News



Emmet Stagg T.D.

## Maynooth Labour News



Cllr. John McGinley

### Update on the Provision of a Teen Cafe in Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley acted as conveynor on behalf of the Community Council in calling a meeting of people interested in setting up a Teen Cafe.

The meeting was held in the Glenroyal on 27 October and Cllr. McGinley gave the following address to those in attendance:

*"The purpose of the meeting tonight is to elect a Chairperson and Secretary in order to progress the Teen Cafe proposal.*

*First of all I would like to give you some background information on how we got to where we are on the provision of community facilities in the town.*

*Around three years ago the Community Council made a submission to Kildare County Council for an Arts Centre and Community Facilities at the Geraldine Hall. This proposal was based on wide-ranging consultation and research conducted by Maynooth Community Centre Partnership, Maynooth Action Strategy, Maynooth Community Council and Maynooth Arts Forum. The proposal catered for a Theatre and Arts Centre, Senior Citizens and Youth Cafe, with Maynooth Community Council being the Anchor Tenant. This proposal was consistent with Kildare County Council's Maynooth Action Area Plan of February '06.*

*The intention was that the Community Centre would be built by the Developers of the Harbour Area as the community gain for the people of Maynooth. There were five different developers and the Plan was that they would act as one and produce a Five Star development for this central part of the town. Unfortunately one of the developers jumped ship and decided to go it alone with a truly awful proposal that was eventually rejected by An Bord Pleanala.*

*However, everything was held up for two years and as a result the peak of the Celtic Tiger was missed and there was now no chance of the project being funded by the developers in the short to medium term.*

*So we had to go to Plan B.*

*In January '08 the County Council's Planning Department helped to provide a possible alternative venue.*

*It was a Condition of the Planning for the new TESCO premises that TESCO would provide Unit 16 on the first floor for community use. It is 485 sq.m and the end use of the space would be decided by the Council's Director of Services.*

*I suggested to the County Council that the space be divide one third for the Teen Cafe and the other two thirds for the Theatre, now that the possibility of them being provided at the Geraldine Hall by developers was no longer probable.*

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# Maynooth Golf Society

**K**ilcock Golf Club was the venue for The John Tiernan Memorial Cup on the 7<sup>th</sup> November. 30 brave golfers battled the wet and windy elements on the layout of Kilcock Golf Club for this annual trophy. Home advantage saw Michael Flynn Jnr. win the cup with a very good score of 39pts of a handicap of 8, followed by Gerry Mc Ternan with a score of 36pts and John Byrne 35pts. Presentation of the prizes was held in Caufield's at 9.30 that night to a large gathering of friends and fellow golfers of the late John who was a great supporter of the golf society. Our next event is the annual Golf Scramble at Knockanally in aid of Maynooth Senior Citizens on 5<sup>th</sup> December.



## Result Sheet—John Tiernan Cup

Outing to Kilcock Golf Club Date 7th November 2009

1st Prize	Mick Flynn (Jnr)	39pts
2nd Prize	Gerry Mc Ternan	36pts
3rd prize	John Byrne	35pts
4th Prize	Barry Farrell	34pts B9
5th prize	Liam Farrelly	34pts
Front 9	Kevin Loftus	21pts
Back 9	Joey Edwards	17pts
Visitors	R Tobin	32pts
Nearest the Pin	Mick Flynn (Jnr)	
2's club	Joey Edwards	

**Next Venue: Knockanally Golf Club 5th December**



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*On the 16th July I had a meeting with Director of Services, Peter Minnock and Des O'Sullivan from Kildare Youth Services (KYS) and Mary Haughey from the Health Service Executive (HSE). The intention of the County Council is to fully involve KYS, HSE and another body called Cill Dara ar Aghaidh in the development and ongoing running of the Teen Cafe.*

*At the meeting on 16 July last Peter Minnock advised us that the TESCO Community unit would not now be available for use for another two years because of the economic downturn.*

*I suggested that we look for an immediate meeting with TESCO to see how we could bring things forward. I made the following suggestions:*

- 1. Instead of providing us with the free unit would TESCO develop a Teen Cafe and Theatre at the Geraldine Hall instead?*

*Would TESCO make available an existing space on a temporary basis for a Teen Cafe?*

*On the 23 July Peter Minnock, Cllr. Senan Griffin and myself had a meeting with two of TESCO's senior people Louise Phillips and Michael Sullivan.*

*Unfortunately, the TESCO reps stated that my suggestion for the Geraldine Hall was a non runner.*

*TESCO stated that they would consider my proposal for temporary Teen Cafe on an existing unit further. They made the point that it would have to be fitted out at our cost and then all would have to move to the new unit after a year.*

*It was agreed that we would meet again on the 21 September.*

*The other Area Councillors also attended the meeting on 21 September.*

*TESCO's Louise Phillips stated that the best case scenario for completion of the community unit was mid 2011. A TESCO Board decision has to be made before construction can begin. The principle to build is still there.*

*In order to provide a premises for the Teen cafe in the meantime TESCO considered renting a portacabin but the rental is prohibitive.*

*It was suggested that we pursue the rental of a suitable premises elsewhere in the town and both Cllr. Griffin and myself contacted estate agents to see what was available.*

*A suitable premises has been identified. It is 2100 sq. ft. and the County Council believe that it would be ideal for a Teen Cafe and because it is so big we might also be able to incorporate a Theatre and Performing Arts Centre. At the Community Council Meeting two weeks ago I proposed that the Community Council set up a Sub-Committee in order to help progress the Project and that brings us to the meeting here tonight.*

*Also, the good news is that The Scouts are very interested in refurbishing the Geraldine Hall for their use and also for other community groups. They are in direct discussions with the Council's Director of Services, Peter Minnock and your local County Councillors on progressing the Project."*

Those present the elected Hugh Gallagher as Chairperson and Deirdre Cullen as acting Secretary. Hugh proposed and it was agreed that a Public Meeting should be held in order to elect as broad a Committee as possible. This meeting is likely to take place in early December and it will be advertised widely.

*Extension of Dublin Bus service to Moyglare Hall Estate, Maynooth*

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following update at the Area Meeting on 5 November:

**"The Transportation Department has contacted Dublin Bus to determine their timescale for the delivery of the extension of their services. A number of civil engineering works required on the Moyglare Road has been identified and a request to the Dublin Transportation Office for capital funding to undertake this work to the benefit of bus passengers in the area will be prepared once a reply is received from Dublin Bus."**

*Reinstatement of green areas in Maynooth*

Cllr. John McGinley was given the following update at the Area Meeting on 5 November:

*"This work is being carried out as part of the Lower Liffey Valley Regional Sewerage Scheme Network Contracts. A reinstatement plan was drawn up following consultation with Maynooth Tidy Towns Committee and Leinster Cottages Residents Association.*

*Reinstatement of Pound Park has commenced. The Bandstand has been dismantled and transported to storage. The foundations of the Bandstand have*

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*been removed. The contractor has started installing the base of the footpath in the park. Over the next fortnight the construction of the footpath and paved areas as well as installation of bollards will be completed. Once the above work is completed a landscaper will carry out topsoiling and seeding.*

*A price has been received from the contractor for the planned reinstatement of The Little Pound. An instruction has been issued to proceed with this work. The work is currently being scheduled.*

*The Contractor is scheduled to recommence tunnelling works next week from the drive shaft in the green area outside the main entrance to Maynooth College. Tunnelling will take approximately three weeks followed by manhole construction which will take one and a half weeks. Reinstatement is scheduled to be complete by early December."*

## **Cllr McGinley again calls for the Traffic Lights at the Glenroyal to be Switched OFF**

As most residents will know there was traffic chaos in Maynooth during the first week in November. The Gardai had to take charge of Traffic Control at the Glenroyal/Straffan Road junction because of the inability of the traffic signals to do so. At the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council on 5 November Cllr. McGinley again demanded that the traffic lights at the Glenroyal be switched OFF as they are doing more harm than good. John asked that the North/South pedestrian signals remain. The Council Officials replied as follows:

*"There is an identified fault with the wireless communication signals within the town of Maynooth. The repair of this fault has been costed and it is expected that this fault will be repaired this month. It is expected that within a period of 4 weeks the SCOOT system will revert to running to optimum effect."*

Junction of Greenfield Estate/Shopping Centre with Straffan Road

Cllr. John McGinley's motion to the Area Committee asked:

What is the estimated cost of providing a left turning lane at this busy junction?

He got the following ridiculous reply:

**"The Traffic Management Section do not agree that a left turning lane is required at this junction. The provision of a widening scheme for a minor road, cul-de-sac, will involve using private land and will also have a detrimental impact on pedestrians on the Main Straffan Road needing to cross the widened side road. The needs of vulnerable road users in the area would be considered in preference to users of a cul-de-sac."**

As the engineer who gave the reply had obviously looked at the wrong junction Cllr. asked to meet him/her on site.

## **ADULT AND CHILD PSYCHOLOGIST SERVICE IN KILDARE ON ITS KNEES**

Deputy Emmet Stagg questioned the Minister for Health in relation to the number of Adult Psychologists and Child Psychologists currently employed in Co. Kildare and the number of psychologists who would be required to meet existing demands.

The HSE responding to Deputy Stagg stated that at present there were 9 Psychologists employed but indicated that the numbers required to meet existing demands in Kildare would be 36 psychologists. A further 3 psychologists are to be recruited shortly.

Deputy Stagg has described the figures as startling where we effectively have a service operating at 25% of the level required. In effect the Government is condemning both adults and children to continued distress unless relatives or parents can afford private psychologists. This stated Deputy Stagg is nothing short of scandalous and given the present economic conditions under which people are living the demands on the service are only going to increase.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that he would raise the insufficient level of service with the Minister for Health further.

## **522 PEOPLE AWAITING ASSESSMENT FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN KILDARE**

Deputy Emmet Stagg questioned the Minister for Health in relation to the number of people in Co. Kildare who were awaiting assessment for Occupational Therapy.

The HSE responding to Deputy Stagg on behalf of the Minister indicated that there were 288 adults awaiting assessment and 234 children awaiting assessment for Occupational Therapy.

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These figures stated Deputy Stagg show that the Government and the Minister for Health simply do not care about the welfare of people requiring Occupational Therapy. 7 posts remain vacant in the service and the HSE will not recruit additional Occupational Therapists.

Occupational Therapy is a vital component in assisting people to rehabilitate following an accident or stroke and the delay in assessment obviously delays the provision of assistance and their final recovery.

Deputy Stagg stated that he would question the Minister for Health in relation to the failure to fill the vacant posts in the service in Kildare.

## **LABOUR MOTION SEEKING TWO YEAR MORATORIUM ON FAMILY HOME REPOSSESSIONS VOTED DOWN BY GOVERNMENT**

Deputy Emmet Stagg has expressed his disappointment at the decision by the Government to vote down a Labour Party Private Members Motion which was debated in the Dail on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November, and which sought the introduction of a two year moratorium on family home repossessions.

The motion if passed stated Deputy Stagg would have given borrowers who were making reasonable efforts to meet their obligations to pay their mortgage some sense of comfort given the strained economic times we live in. It would have removed the element of fear for those making serious efforts to pay their mortgages. It would have shown that the Government is not joined at the hip with the bankers and developers who are getting €54 Billion under NAMA. Separately this measure, if it had been agreed upon, could have been a crucial element in securing an agreement for national recovery given the harsh measures before us now which the public are expected to take.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that the very people who drove the Housing Market to unsustainable heights, forced young couples into purchasing overpriced properties, gave developers and bankers a free rein, are now the ones who will not step in and take reasonable measures to protect those making an effort to pay their mortgage. Fianna Fail should be ashamed of themselves for abandoning ordinary people at this time of economic crisis.

## **Dail Transcript of Speech by Deputy Emmet Stagg Wednesday November 4<sup>th</sup> Labour Private Members Motion Seeking two-year moratorium on family home repossessions**

**Deputy Emmet Stagg:** I thank Deputy Ciarán Lynch and the Labour Party for putting this motion before the House.

During the period of financial madness, large numbers of families were forced to purchase their homes 50 miles to 70 miles from their workplaces and communities at high prices. A high percentage of them have recently lost their jobs or businesses and are no longer able to pay the high mortgages on their homes. The finance houses, banks, building societies and sub-prime lenders will take off their sheep's clothing and be seen for the greedy wolves that they are, mercilessly pursuing the home owner for every last penny due. Home owners will be dragged before the courts where their homes will be taken from them and be left then with the further debt arising from the negative equity on their homes.

The Labour Party motion, if passed and implemented, would take the first steps in preventing this inevitable scenario. Last night I listened to the Minister of State, Deputy Martin Mansergh, reading a script outlining the Government's position. I was somewhat surprised the Office of Public Works has taken over responsibility for housing. His speech was pathetic. It refused to accept or recognise the reality of the crisis facing thousands of families whose homes are threatened, instead claiming there was no practice of mass evictions in modern Ireland. It stressed we should be careful lest we upset the banks as it may affect our credit rating.

Either the Government is blind to reality or it could not give a damn about the little people. The Government could find €54 billion to bail out the banks and its friends, the developers and builders. As far as those home owners in trouble are concerned, it is a case of let the devil take the hindmost. For this Government, the home owner with a mortgage he cannot pay is the hindmost and can go to the devil.

Deputy Willie Penrose in a forceful contribution to this debate described the financial carousel that faced the home seeker during our period of financial madness when second-hand council houses could change hands for up to €500,000. Home buyers were faced with the might and resources of the finance houses and developers only to be poorly served by the

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surveyors and solicitors they hired. Banks with their sheep's clothing on shovelled money at the home buyers, convincing them to buy now before there was another increase in price.

In one instance I know of in my area, a developer increased the price of houses in one day by €20,000 per unit. The banks sanctioned the extra loans and mortgages over the mobile telephones of purchasers. The response was simply, "Get in quick, no problem with the extra money". I am sure some bank manager got a bonus for that nice deal. The builder certainly did.

The sheep's clothing is off now and we can see the greedy wolves for what they are while the Government says not to disturb the bankers. All of this could have been prevented and avoided. The Government played a key role in creating and magnifying the problem which is now a crisis. If the Government had implemented the Kenny report on building land, thereby controlling its price, regulated the financial institutions and not adopted the McCreevy light-finger regulation, none of this would have occurred. Of course, Fianna Fáil never had any intention of doing so as it would have offended their paymasters in the Galway Races tent. Now the home owner must pick up the tab and is abandoned by the Government. The Fianna Fáil-Green Party Government has been derelict in its duty.

The stark reality is that tens of thousands of families are unable to pay their mortgages. They must be housed somewhere which they can afford. Instead of them swelling the lists for RAS, rent subsidy or social housing, the Labour Party argues the best option is to let them stay where they have already established their homes with their families. In turn, they should be allowed to pay what they can afford and when their situation improves they can resume full payments on their mortgages.

Unfortunately, during our period of financial madness, houses were used as a common commodity to be speculated on, to invest in and to increase the wealth of those already well-off. If the speculators are in trouble now, they will not get any sympathy from me. A home is not just a piece of real estate or property. A home is usually a once-in-a-lifetime purchase where families put down roots and become part of a community. It is where family members love one another and children are born and reared to adulthood. It is the place where members of a family are protected, cared for and can feel secure. A home is a permanent place of shelter, the roof over one's head and the place to where everyone returns. The right to a home is a basic human right. To treat a home as just another piece of property that can be given or taken away at the behest of a financial institution is immoral. It is the denial to that right to a home and shelter. I urge the Government to seriously think again before rejecting this Labour Party motion.



## **Support Your Local Cab Company**

I have a Business in Maynooth for the last ten years called **Maynooth Express Cabs**. I re-mortgaged my house to buy this business and things were good until about two years ago.

I have 45 drivers operating out of my office of which 95% are local people from Maynooth and surrounding areas.

We have a major issue with taxis coming from Dublin, Naas, etc. standing for hire all over the main street and even outside our entrance. I do not have a problem with the Taxis when they operate legal, driving up and down until they are flagged down. On any given night an unofficial rank is set up on the main street, which I have pictures to prove. I have been onto the Taxi regulator and local Garda,

Our business is been effected by this. From January unless something is done we may have to close at 8p.m. every night.

A lot of families will be effected by this including my own. The Regulator says he only has limited staff for the whole country to deal with situations like this.

If they started issuing a fine for €250 they would not be long about covering their wages. The local Garda are on hand trying to do what they can but limited staff is not helping.

Mark Nolan would welcome the Communities views on this matter.

**Mark Nolan**



# Maynooth Newsletter

## 2010 Calendar



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# Party Political-Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

## **Good news for Kildare homeowners facing mortgage difficulties - Fitzpatrick**

The newly agreed Programme for Government includes measures that will help to protect Kildare homeowners who face difficulties with their mortgage repayments according to local Fianna Fail TD Michael Fitzpatrick.

"I am very supportive of any action that will assist homeowners during this economic downturn. Many homeowners in Kildare are facing job losses, reduced salaries or reduced hours which can severely affect their household income. Protecting the family home is a priority for people and we need to support them in that."

"Under the new Programme for Government, Fianna Fáil and the Green Party have committed to introducing new measures to protect families who are having difficulties with their home mortgage payments.

"The Government will conduct a review of the existing arrangements. Solutions that are being considered include reduced interest rates; longer maturity dates; the rolling up of outstanding interest; banks taking equity in the house or banks taking ownership and leasing back to the resident with rent payments coming off the overall mortgage."

"I have raised this issue repeatedly in recent times so I am very pleased to see that the Government has given this commitment. The exact details of the plan are still to be worked out but I am encouraged by the commitment to mortgage holders," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Fitzpatrick welcomes funding for Toni River flood works**

Local Fianna Fail TD Michael Fitzpatrick has welcomed the news that funding has been awarded to tackle flooding of the Toni River in Celbridge.

"The Minister of State at the Department of Office of Public Works, Martin Mansergh has informed me that funding of €150,000 is being made available to Kildare County Council for work to alleviate flooding of the Toni River in Celbrige."

"This river has burst its banks in the past causing severe difficulties for local residents."

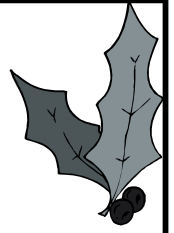
"The funding was awarded following an application from Kildare County Council. The OPW prioritised projects that required immediate measures or studies in their areas and I am pleased that the Toni River has been targeted for funding."

"I know that the Minister was keen to prioritise areas where there was substantial risk to homes and other properties."

"I am confident that work will begin shortly and will make a substantial difference to the area," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

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## A Letter To Santa



Santa Claus  
The North Pole

December, 2009

Dear Santa Claus,

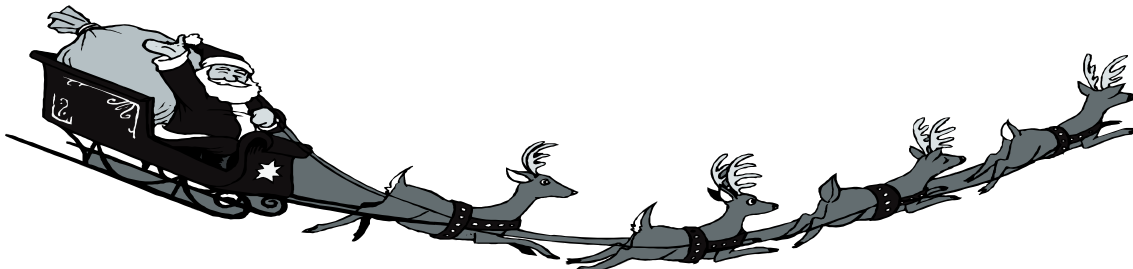
Love,

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Post your letter in Casey's SuperValu Maynooth (beside Glenroyal Hotel)  
Santa will be visiting on Saturday 12th December to collect all your letters.



# Party Political-Michael Fitzpatrick T.D.

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## **Community Support for Older People Scheme makes a welcome return – Fitzpatrick**

The Community Support for Older People Scheme that was suspended has been re-opened pending the consideration of a comprehensive review of the operation of the Scheme according to local Fianna Fail TD Michael Fitzpatrick.

"The Community Support for Older People Scheme was a very popular way of providing grants to local organisations who worked in the community to assist older people."

"The grants helped to pay for small security measures for older people including the once off cost of installing monitored alarm systems, security lighting, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors."

"I am pleased that Kildare's community and voluntary organisations participating in the Scheme will once again be able to receive this valuable funding. I understand that local groups have been notified and have been advised of the conditions attaching to the reopening of the current Scheme."

"I would like to commend the hard work by those community and voluntary organisations who work so hard to assist our local older people. I am delighted that this Scheme is re-opened as I know that the measures that are paid can give increased sense of personal security to older people and allow them to remain in their own homes living independent lives for longer," concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

## **Fitzpatrick urges Kildare firms to apply for new jobs support**

Kildare firms should examine if they are eligible for a new Government offer to support jobs which are viable but under threat by the current economic challenges, according to Fianna Fáil TD and Convenor of the Oireachtas Enterprise Committee, Michael Fitzpatrick.

"Following confirmation that 435 firms nationwide are to receive support to maintain over 7,400 jobs the Government is now opening up a second round of the scheme. Kildare firms which are considered vulnerable but viable can receive €9,100 over 15 months for each qualifying employee."

"The scheme is aimed at helping firms to avoid making people redundant by offering financial support to retain jobs. The new round will be open to a broader range of Kildare firms and will take on board a number of points made by the business community."

"Details will be announced next week, but it has been confirmed that the support will be open to both exporting and non-exporting companies. It will be managed by Enterprise Ireland which has been working hard to support medium and small sized firms in Kildare and throughout the country. These firms traditionally form the backbone of our economy."

"A special website has been established at [www.employmentsubsidy.ie](http://www.employmentsubsidy.ie) and details of the second round will be made available here in the coming days as well as through Enterprise Ireland offices."

"I would encourage all Kildare companies, especially those who may have not been eligible for the first round, to examine the new conditions and see if they are eligible for a scheme which is aimed at keeping jobs in our communities", concluded Deputy Fitzpatrick.

# Children's Colouring Competition

**December 2009/January 2010**



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## **THE WINNERS OF LAST MONTH'S COMPETITION WERE**

**Under 7 years: Seán Mahon, Silken Vale, Maynooth**

**Over 7 years: Orlaith Elliott, Donadea, Co. Kildare.**

**Prize money for each age group to be collected at:**

**Maynooth Community Council Office , Unit 5 Tesco Shopping Centre,  
Maynooth, Co. Kildare**

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*Aine Brady T.D.*

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### **Grants under the Scheme of Community Support for Older People recommence says Brady**

Local TD and Minister of State Aine Brady has been informed by her colleague Mr. John Curran T.D., Minister of State at the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, that his Department has announced the re-opening of the Scheme of Support for Older People.

'I have been informed by the Department that it has agreed to lift the suspension of the Scheme pending consideration of a comprehensive review of the operation of the Scheme and the putting in place of revised arrangements for 2010.' stated Minister Brady.

'The Kildare Community and voluntary organisations that participated in the Scheme in recent years have been notified and have been advised of the conditions attaching to the reopening of the current Scheme.'

'The Scheme assists qualifying older people, aged 65 years and over, by means of community based grants. Funding is provided towards the once-off cost of installing monitored alarm systems, security lighting, and smoke/ carbon monoxide detectors.'

'Great credit is due to the invaluable work carried out by the local community organisations in promoting and operating the Scheme of Community Support for Older People.' concluded Minister Brady

### **Minister Brady welcomes the introduction of A Fair Deal**

Áine Brady, T.D., Minister for Older People and Health Promotion, today (5th October 2009) welcomed the announcement today of 27th October as the date for the introduction of the new Nursing Homes Support Scheme, A Fair Deal.

"The Fair Deal scheme aims to make long term nursing home care accessible and affordable whether in a voluntary, public or private care home and will free families from anxiety over financial commitments for the care of their loved ones." stated Minister Brady who steered the Legalisation through the Houses of the Oireachtas. Noting that an initial 12,000 applications are expected, Minister Brady urged those wishing to avail of

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the financial support towards nursing home costs under A Fair Deal to familiarise themselves with the application process so as to be ready to apply to the HSE on the 27th of October.

Further information on the Fair Deal can be obtained on the HSE website [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie) or by phoning the HSE helpline on 1 850 24 1850.

The Minister also identified that, depending on a person's capacity to apply for the Nursing Home Loan, a person may, from today, apply for the appointment of a care representative through the Circuit Court.

## **New measures to protect family home welcome – Minister Brady**

The Government is set to introduce new measures to protect family homes for those who face difficulties in paying their mortgages according to Kildare North Fianna Fail TD and Minister of State, Áine Brady.

"As part of the reviewed Programme for Government we were keen to address the difficulties faced by many families in meeting their mortgage commitments following loss of income following redundancy, job loss or reduced hours."

"It is essential that greater flexibility is provided for the family home. New measures that will be brought in include reduced rates; longer maturity dates; rolling up of outstanding interest; the bank taking an equity interest in the home or the bank taking ownership and leasing it back to the resident with rent payments coming off the loan."

"Many families in the commuter belt are experiencing real hardship and anxiety due to changes to their financial circumstances. There are over 14,000 people now receiving mortgage interest supplement, an increase of over 75% since the end of 2008. This is a real indication of the level of difficulties out there."

"I raised the issue of Kildare homeowners facing difficulties with the Minister for Finance and I am pleased that practical measures are due to be introduced and that protecting the family home is to be prioritised," concluded Minister Brady.

## **Grants still available under Home Energy Saving Scheme says Brady.**

Local TD and Minister of State, Aine Brady, has urged Householders, as winter approaches, to check out the

Home Energy Saving Scheme as Grants are still available to improve the energy efficiency of their homes.

'The Home Energy Saving (HES) scheme provides grants to homeowners who are interested in improving the energy efficiency of their home in order to reduce their energy and heating costs. The scheme is open to all owners of existing houses built before 2006. Sustainable Energy Ireland administers the scheme.'

'It is also providing, on a National Basis, employment opportunities for over 5000 construction workers and BER assessors.'

'Assistance will be provided by way of fixed grants towards the costs of implementing energy efficiency measures. The types of measures currently eligible under this scheme are roof insulation, wall insulation, high efficiency boilers and heating control upgrades.'

'Grants from €250 to €4000 are available under the different categories and details of the scheme can be obtained from Sustainable Energy Ireland on 1850 927000, [www.sei.ie](http://www.sei.ie), e-mail [hes@sei.ie](mailto:hes@sei.ie).' concluded Minister Brady.

## **Funding for ICT Equipment for North Kildare Schools says Brady**

Local TD and Minister of State, Aine Brady, has been informed by the Minister for Education and Science, Batt O'Keeffe TD, that four Schools in North Kildare will receive grants for ICT equipment over the coming days as part of the Government's continuing efforts to make technology an integral part of the learning process.

'St Patrick's School in Celbridge will receive €13,500, Maynooth Girls Primary School will receive €10,000, Maynooth Educate Together will receive €4,500 and Gaelscoil Nas Na Riogh, Piper's Hill, Naas will receive €7,500.' stated Minister Brady after meeting with Minister O'Keeffe last Wednesday.

'The money will be transferred to the school's accounts over the next week or so and they will receive by email documentation and guidelines regarding the procurement of the equipment such as computer hardware, software and digital equipment under the scheme. The grant will enable schools to equip these new classrooms with information and communications technology.' 'This investment comes on top of the announcement earlier this year that St.

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Laurance's in Sallins and St. Patrick's in Celbridge would receive significant investment for ICT equipment. In addition in June of this year, funding was allocated to Maynooth Post Primary School, Salesian College in Celbridge and the Convent of Mercy on the Sallins Road, Naas which will deliver high-speed broadband connectivity to these schools.'

'This latest investment will enable these schools to radically improve their information communications technology (ICT) capacity in the classroom and will assist the schools in equipping their new classrooms with appropriate technology to integrate ICT into teaching and learning.'

'I will continue to work with all the Education Stakeholders in North Kildare to ensure that we get as much resources as possible in these challenging economic times.' concluded Deputy Brady.

## **Celbridge to receive €150k for Flood Relief works says Brady**

Local TD and Minister for Older People and Health Promotion, Aine Brady, has been informed by her colleague Dr. Martin Mansergh, T.D., Minister of State with special responsibility for the Office of Public Works (OPW) that funding is being made available to Kildare Co Co to address the flooding issues associated with the Toni River in Celbridge.

'€150,000 is to be allocated to Kildare Co Co to minimise the risk of future flooding from the Toni River in Celbridge.'

'In the summer of 2008, the Toni River burst its banks and caused significant flooding in Celbridge. At that time, I met with local residents in Celbridge and committed myself to working with all the stakeholders to put in place a plan to minimise the risk of reoccurrence.'

'I want to commend Kildare Co Co and the OPW, who have worked with local organisations to secure the funding for the project.' Concluded Minister Brady.

## **Additional Funding for Housing Adaptation Grants says Brady**

Local TD and Minister for Older People and Health Promotion, Aine Brady, has been informed by her colleague, the Minister for Housing, Michael Finneran TD, that Kildare Co Co, is to receive additional funding for the Housing Adaptation Grant Schemes for Older People and People with a Disability.

'I have been informed that the Department of the Environment will be allocating an additional capital

allocation to Kildare County Council of €663,750, for the payment of Housing Adaptation Grants for People with a Disability, Housing Aids for Older People, & Mobility Aids Grant.' Stated Minister Brady.

The announcement was made following a meeting between Minister Brady and Minister Finneran on the issue last week.

'Earlier this year, over €1.8m was allocated to Kildare Co Co for the scheme and this €663,000 is a significant addition to that allocation.'

'A housing adaptation grant is available to eligible people, where changes need to be made to a home to make it suitable for a person with a physical, sensory or intellectual disability or mental health difficulty to live in.' stated Minister Brady.

'It will also act as a local stimulus package for small contractors and provide valuable local employment.' Concluded Minister Brady.

## **HUMOUR FOR CHRISTMAS**

**An honest politician, a kind lawyer and Santa Claus were walking down the street and saw a €20 bill. Which one picked it up?**

Santa! The other two don't exist!

**Father Christmas: I thought I asked you to go out there and clear the snow!**

I'm on my way, Father Christmas.

**Father Christmas: But you only have one welly on!**

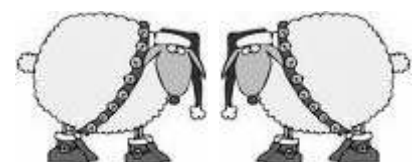
That's all right! There's only one foot of snow!

**What did Santa say to Mrs. Claus when he looked out the window?**

Looks like "rain", "Dear"!

**How do sheep greet each other at Christmas?**

A merry Christmas to ewe

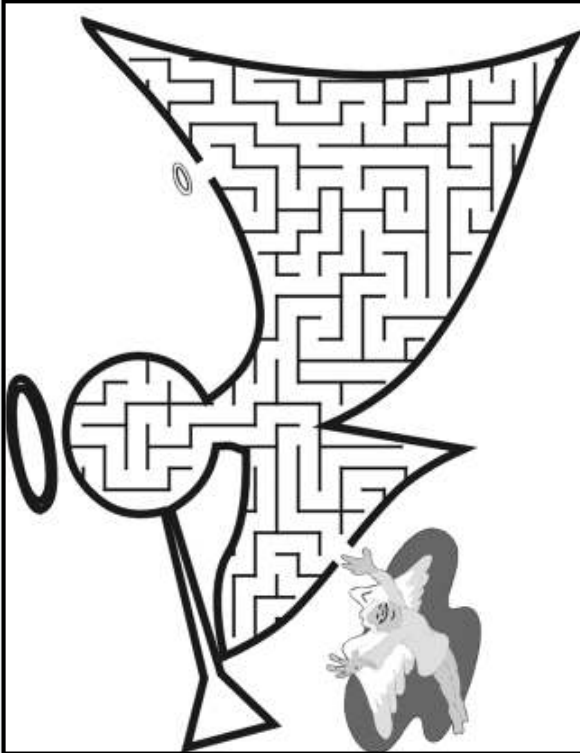




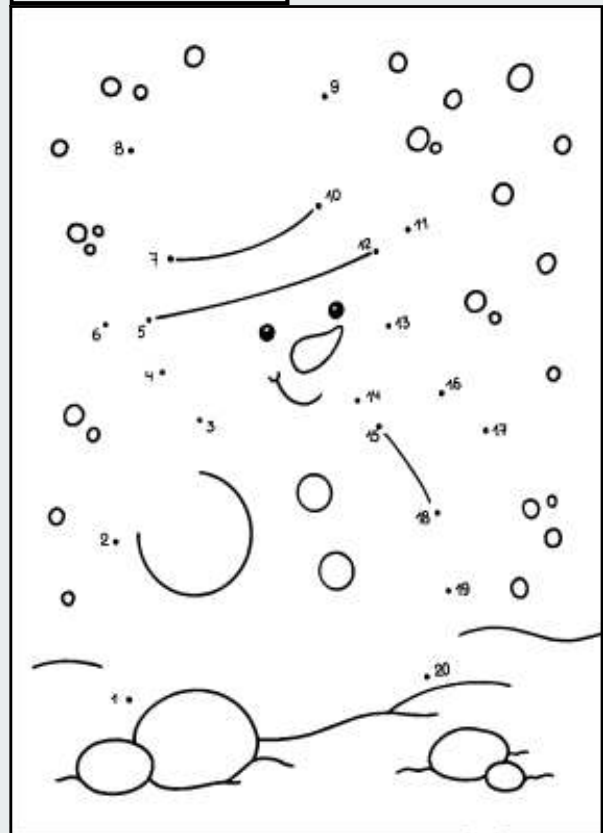
## Children's Corner



Help the angel fly through the angel shaped maze to find his halo.



Connect The Dots



Connect The Dots



Help the dizzy elf find his way down from the Christmas tree before he falls off.







## Children's Corner



### Can You spot The Difference



### Colour By Numbers



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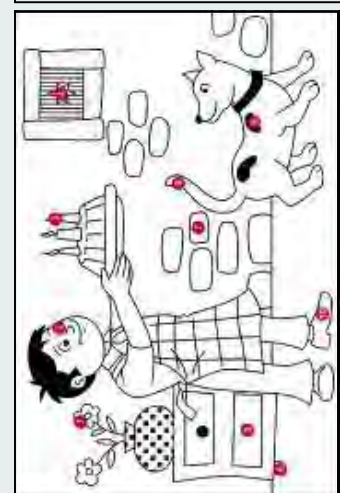
### Silly Jokes

How do you catch a squirrel?  
Climb into a tree and act like a nut.

Why didn't the skeleton cross the road?  
Because he didn't have the guts to do it.

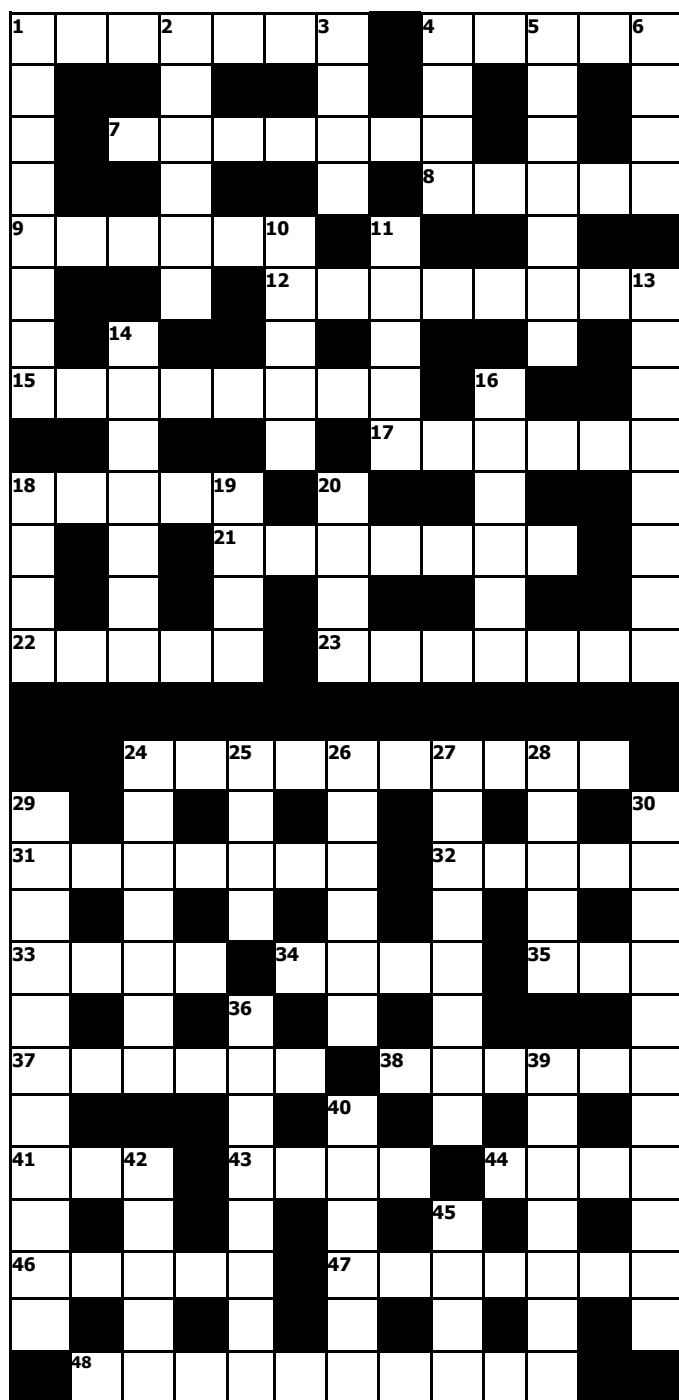
Why don't cannibals eat comedians?  
Because they taste funny.

### Answer to Spot The Difference





# Jumbo Dec/Jan 2010 Crossword No. 84



31. Savage (7)  
 32. Spur-wheel (5)  
 33. Fish of the carp family (4)  
 34. Fairy (4)  
 35. Female deer (3)  
 37. Family in The Darling Buds of May (6)  
 38. Chinese porcelain pattern (6)  
 41. Armed conflict (3)  
 43. Deception (4)  
 44. Sea-bird (4)  
 46. Japanese assassin (5)  
 47. Fade (7)  
 48. Rashly (10)

## Down:

1. Sea in the Mediterranean (8)  
 2. John \_ \_ \_ , late Dad's Army actor (6)  
 3. Remedy (4)  
 4. Take notice (4)  
 5. Farm Vehicle (7)  
 6. Indolent (4)  
 10. Shatter (5)  
 11. The Muhammadan religion (5)  
 13. Famous Tudor warship (4,4)  
 14. Whim (7)  
 16. English painter (6)  
 18. Ferment (4)  
 19. Influence (4)  
 20. Cheerless (4)  
 24. Final heat (7)  
 25. Aquatic bird (4)  
 26. Variety of apple (6)  
 27. Splendid (8)  
 28. Pledged (5)  
 29. Plenteous (11)  
 30. Somnambulist (11)  
 36. Seize by force (8)  
 39. Washing (7)  
 40. Walk in shallow water (6)  
 42. Shooting area (5)  
 45. Racing car service area (4)

## Across:

1. Eradicate (7)  
 4. Holiday Accommodation (5)  
 7. Outer Layer (7)  
 8. Rot (5)  
 9. Friends (6)  
 12. Edible fungus (8)  
 15. Personal magnetism (8)  
 17. Musty (6)  
 18. Actor, \_ \_ \_ Karloff (5)  
 21. Functioning (7)  
 22. Tearful (5)  
 23. Heavy artillery fire (7)  
 24. Nice to look at (10)

## Entries in before: 16th January 2010

### November Winner

Name: **Bernadette Duffy**

Address: **Kingsbry, Maynooth**

## Solutions to Crossword No. 83.

**Across:** 1. Desert, 5. Mad, 7. Mania, 8. Venom, 9. Shelter, 13. Duke, 14. Relay, 17. Locker, 18. Gap, 19. Shelf, 20. Plate, 23. Ally, 25. Brewery, 28. Heave, 29. Drove, 30. Day, 31. Infant.

**Down:** 1. Devour, 2. Sandal, 3. Remedy, 4. Ante, 5. Malt, 6. Dour, 7. Mask, 10. Help, 11. Local, 12. Event, 15. Ether, 16. Allow, 18. Gear, 20. Python, 21. Armada, 22. Expert, 24. Lyre, 25. Bald, 26. Eddy, 27. Eton.



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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

- All vehicles entering **must have a float**, preferably a **live band** with **traditional, rock or pop music**.
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- Do you wish to do a demo (3-4 mins) at Reviewing Stand? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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- **Club/Organisation ~ €20**
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**1 Best Commercial Float**

Trophy

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Perpetual Cup

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Trophy

**7 Best School Float**

Trophy

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Trophy

**4 Best Portrayal of Irish Culture**

Trophy

**6 Best Portrayal of Environmental Awareness**

Trophy

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