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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. 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

PROMOTING POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH &
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all Members of the Community

World Mental Health Day

Saturday, October 10th 2009

2pm – 5.30pm Glenroyal Hotel, Maynooth

Admission Free

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 for 4 - 12 years. Booking essential

Thursday 29th October 3.00 p.m.

Puppet Show followed by disco with Annetoinette Gleeson - Mills "Booky Wooky" for 0 - 12 years.
All welcome.

Friday 30th October 10.00 a.m. - 11.30 p.m.

An tSnathaid Mhoir from Belfast: Bilingual Drama & Art Workshop: Hunters & Giants for 8 - 11 years.
Booking essential

We also have invited local schools to a variety of author visits and workshops in the library.

The Author visits are: Fiona Tierney, Paul Tubbs, Niall de Burca, Gabriel Fitzmaurice, Tom Kelly
and Jane Mitchell

The workshops are facilitated by The National Print Museum and The Natural History Museum

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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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Question

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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. 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 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.

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.

Any amount in excess of this is counted as income of €4 per €1,000 per week.

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 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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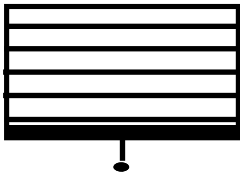


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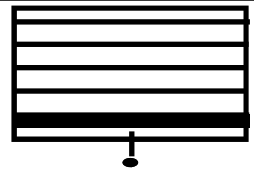
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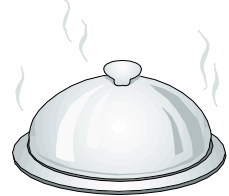
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Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Coming Events

Our Halloween tea dance will take place on Sunday Oct. 18th 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 15th 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 8th. Many thanks to Eddie Casey and all his generous staff.

Finally **our Annual Dinner will take place on Sunday December 13th 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

STORY TIME IN POLISH

Agnes will resume story telling in Polish in Maynooth Library.

Come along on Tuesday mornings at 10.00 a.m. and enjoy storytelling in your native language.

Maynooth Community Library will resume late opening (1.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.) on Thursdays from September 10th 2009.

Pre-School Story Time on Wednesday mornings at 10.00 - 10.30 a.m.

Our Story telling sessions for all preschoolers aged 2 - 4 years resumed on Wednesday 2nd September 2009.



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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 26th 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 15th November at 11.30 and our Christmas Concert which will probably take place on Sunday 6th 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.

Hope to see you soon.



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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

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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 month's 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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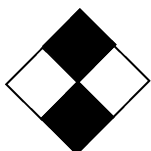
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Puzzles—Sudoku

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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
TOTAL MARK	400	271

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.

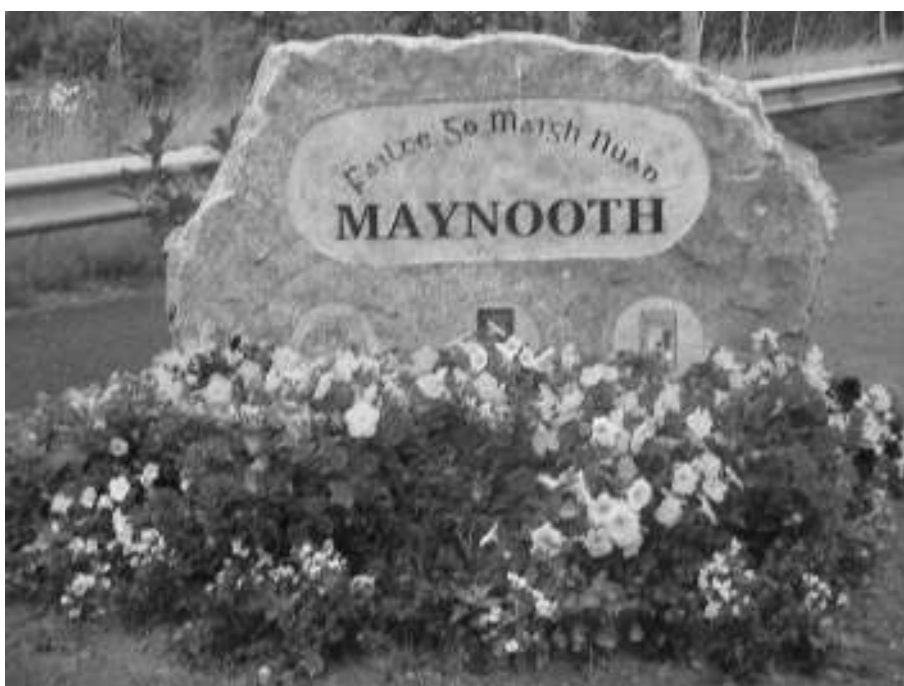
Coming from Dillion's Row direction, there are so many new builds, not all of tasteful design, but the stone wall in front of charming cottages provides attractive entrance to town. From Kilcock side, the university is a mighty presence and looks very well, with the trees along the entrance and vista 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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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.



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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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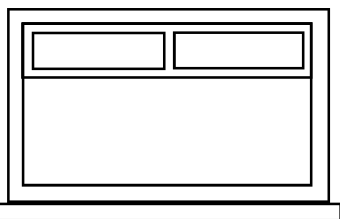
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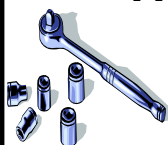
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Are You in Control of your Website?

A website is an important marketing tool in today's modern business. It increases the company's visibility and enables communication with a global audience. It can be a powerful instrument or it can be a stagnant brochure.

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

Mark 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 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



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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
into The Diary please contact The
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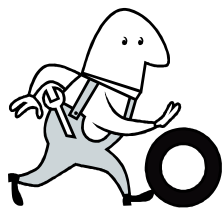
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Sean Hever

Children's Colouring Competition

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Ali Crawford

Real Life Heroic Animals

Toby the Hero Dog – Golden Retriever Rescue



Toby 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



Binti 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



JoAnn 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

It 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"



Niall De Burca (Local Storyteller)



Niall De Burca tells a story



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Local History Group

The following pictures are from the Photo Exhibition "Memories of Maynooth" which took place for the Month of September in the Library. This is the 3rd and last exhibition from this very successful series. The response from the locals, students etc. showed again the interest from all age groups. All of these photos are now in the Maynooth Library Archive for all to enjoy.

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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- ◆ 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.
- ◆ To save on toilet paper usage, **flatten the roll** so it decreases the amount of paper been pulled at each visit!



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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 HURLING CAMP



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***JOHN COMMERFORD & ELAINE MCAULIFFE AT
MAYNOOTH GAA HURLING CAMP***



MARK CUMMINS - HURLING COACH

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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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(BA Psychology), John O'Connor.*



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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.



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Alan Donnelly (BA. Finance).



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*Dr. Bernard Mahon (Dept. of Science), John
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*Misheck Chamunovwa
(BA. Finance and Accounting).*



Patrick Duignan (PhD. History).

Clubs, Organisations & Societies



Maynooth Golf Society

Result Sheet

Athlone Golf Club 29/8/09

Shay Moore Memorial Cup

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1st Prize	Terry Moore	31 pts.
2nd Prize	Sean Moore	30 pts.
3rd Prize	John Carroll	27 pts.
4th Prize	John Byrne	24 pts. B9
5th Prize	Gerry McTernan	24 pts.
6th Prize	Mark Kehoe	23 pts. B9
7th Prize	Niall Farrell	23 pts.
Front 9	Kevin Loftus	14 pts.
Back 9	Barry Farrell	14 pts.
Visitors	Robert Moore	31 pts.
	Maura Moore	25 pts.
Nearest the pin	Mick Flynn Jnr.	
2's	John Carroll Liam Farrelly	

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.

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Maynooth Golf Society



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***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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'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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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 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

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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.

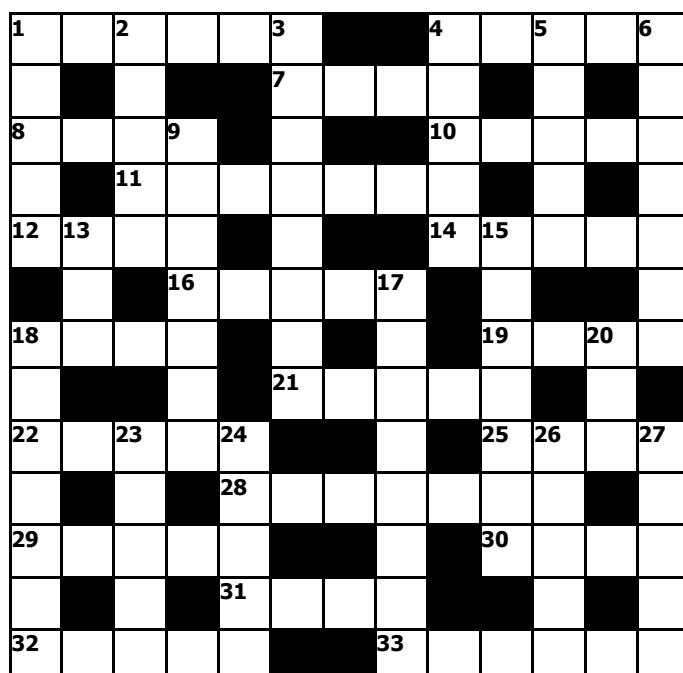
Voluntary secondary schools will get an increase in the school services support grant of €8 per pupil bringing it to €212 per pupil.

Swimming—Community Games



Alison Hastings, Bronze Medal winner of All Ireland Community Games in the Under 10 Freestyle

Crossword No. 82



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Entries in before: ????

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Across:

1. Early smooth-bore gun (6)
4. Shroud (5)
7. Sworn Statement (4)
8. Carbon deposit (4)
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."

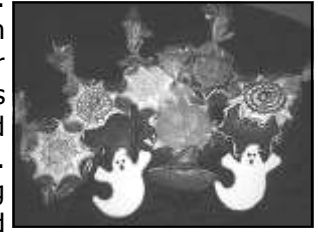
On October 31st after the crops were all harvested and stored for the long winter the cooking fires in the homes would be extinguished. The Druids, the Celtic priests, would meet in the hilltop in the dark oak forest (oak trees were considered sacred). The Druids would light new fires and offer sacrifices 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

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Halloween Fun Word Search

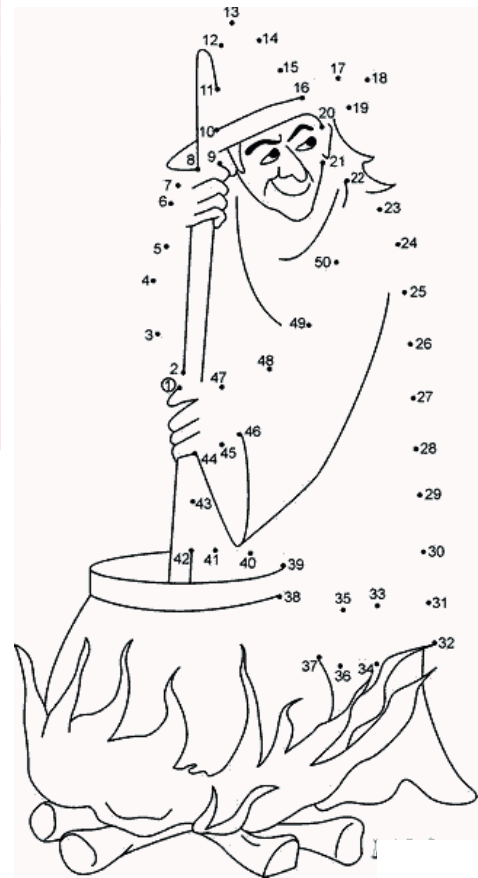
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spooky
vampire
witch

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m o o n o e s c a r e



Join The Dots



How to make a Simple Cat suit



How to make it:

What you'll need:

Cardboard
Dark turtleneck or sweatshirt
hoodie
Dark leggings
Two dark socks or dark knit
gloves
Construction paper or fabric
(to match colour of
turtleneck and leggings)

Plastic headband
Pencil (to draw cat ear
patterns with)
Scissors
Tacky glue or hot glue gun
Long socks
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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