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MAYNOOTH HARVEST GATHERING FESTIVAL – A SUCCESSFUL WEEKEND!



Maynooth Community Council ran a very successful Festival over three days from 26 to 29 September. The Festival took place in The Square, the Castle, Post Primary School, St. Mary's Catholic Church, St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Tescos, the Harbour, Russell Library St. Patrick's College Maynooth, JPII Library NUI Maynooth and Maynooth Community Library.

The Festival was launched by NUI Maynooth University Librarian, Cathal McCauley in the new university library on Thursday 26th September. The attendees included a delegation from the Mayor's Office of Canet-en-Roussillon led by Emmanuell Garbani de

Lacvievier and Jocelyn Hodapp, as well as community representatives from Maynooth. This September marked the second anniversary of the signing of the twinning charter between the towns. A DVD of the signing ceremony was shown during the launch which impressed our Canet visitors. An online exhibition of Maynooth photo's and publications by Maynooth authors prepared by the Maynooth Community Council Office was also shown during the launch. Tours of the new library were provided by library staff. Our thanks go to Michael O'Dwyer who very kindly provided the necessary translation for the evening.

Since last year's Festival there has been an increase in the number and variety of programme events – music, song, dance, poetry, prose, history talks and walks, library exhibitions, online exhibitions, art exhibitions, dog shows, table quizzes, pub theatre, pony rides, martial art display, combat theatre display, scouts display and treasure hunt, bird watching, family fun events, mobile planetarium, environmental information by Transition Maynooth. The scarecrow competition (organised by Curves Maynooth) was great fun and brought many families to the festival. First prize went to Maynooth Boys' National School for "Neil Armstraw", second prize went to "Cailin" Presentation Convent and third prize went to "Captain Hook" Educate Together.

The success of the festival was due to the participation of many groups and individuals in the town. We had Maynooth Brass and Reed Band, Maynooth Gospel Choir, Maynooth Castle Keep Art Group, Rita Doyle, Catherine Maher and the Tully schools of Dance, the Maynooth Zumba troupe, Barry Smith aka Tony Savino, Maynooth Scouts, Maynooth Music Academy, Route 66, the Jazz Freaks, local bands Lemon and Pound Lane Big Band, Maynooth Local History Group, Maynooth Students Union Comhaltas Ceolteoiri Eireann Maynooth, National Learning Network Maynooth and many more - thanks to all.



The International Office of NUI Maynooth highlighted the Festival to their new incoming students. The weather was in our favour which made for a great turnout over the weekend. Our delegation from Canet-en-Roussillon enjoyed the events immensely. They reported that they experienced a great welcome from the organisers of and participants in the festival. They enjoyed fine dining in our local restaurants. They were amazed at the variety of events in the Festival which showed many aspects of the town and its community that they would not have been aware of before. A webpage has now been added to the MCC website which provides links for people in

Maynooth to make their own contacts with Canet.

<http://maynoothfestival.maynoothcc.com/canetinformaton.html>

An additional element to this year's festival was the Taste of Maynooth Raffle which was the main fundraising event towards next year's festival. This was given excellent support from all of the eateries in the Town who gave generous gift vouchers as prizes for the raffle. The first prize of 10 evening meals went to the Guest Family, the second of 10 lunches to Keith Doyle from Newcastle and third prize of six coffee breaks went to Bernie Kane, Tesco's which I am sure are very welcome after her work in organising the Tesco events for the Festival.

Credit is due to all who sold tickets on behalf of the Community Council. We would like to express our gratitude to those businesses who gave spot prizes for both the children's and community quizzes; to the OPW for opening the Castle and to both St. Mary's Churches, Maynooth Post Primary School and Maynooth Community Library for hosting events for the Festival, Cathal McCauley, NUI Maynooth Library for launching and providing tours of both JPII and Russell Libraries. Thanks are also due to Declan Kennedy of Brady's who supplied the power for the music events in The Square; to McMahons, O'Neill's and the Brady's who provided the venues for the Pub theatre, quiz and for the provision of spot prizes; to Willie Saults and Pat Farrell for all their work and support over the weekend and to Willie Kiernan for providing the sound equipment. Finally and by no means least thanks to John Doogan and the office staff for their help with the festival, programme and online exhibitions.

The Festival is organised by a small voluntary committee, working with a modest budget. We endeavour to improve on each Festival. We welcome and have noted suggestions from people who gave their opinions and ideas over the weekend. We express our thanks to the people of Maynooth for their continued and valued support.

Susan Durack PRO Maynooth Community Council and Maynooth Harvest Festival Committee





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1. Initiation – preparation
2. Whelping – having the pups
3. Passing the afterbirth or placenta

Initiation

In the last week of pregnancy your pet will begin to look for a place to have the pups where she is comfortable and secure. This is called nesting. It is a good idea to have a whelping pen organised for her because some bitches will want to have their pups in the house if left to their own devices. Generally shredded newspaper is used as bedding.

During the last 12 hours restlessness and excessive panting are noticed.

Whelping



The onset of this stage is indicated by straining. The water bag, in which the pup is contained and nourished, appears and will rupture. The head of the pup arrives and this will require the greatest effort to deliver. Some breeds find this stage more difficult than others.

Bulldogs and Pekinese have large rounded heads in comparison with the Collie and Greyhounds and so

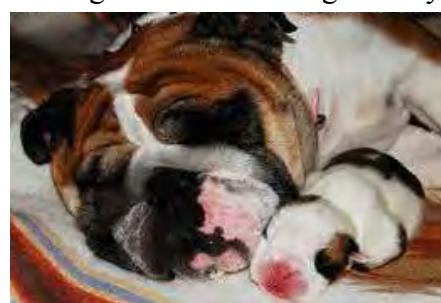


have more difficulty having pups. Time of delivery for the first pup can be up to 1 hour after straining is first noticed. On delivery the mother will lick and clean the pup. This process will tear the sac around the pups head and both stimulates and allows the pup to start breathing. The second pup is delivered generally after a resting period of maybe 30 minutes but, this can vary up to 2 hours. Straining between the birth of pups is normal but, if straining continues for an extended period and no pup is appearing you should contact us at Maynooth Veterinary Clinic 01 6289467.

The time taken for a bitch to have her pups can vary greatly and obviously can be determined by the number she is expecting ie. 4-8 is the average – greater than 10 is a large litter. Some bitches will be 12 hours in labour, others will be shorter 4-6 hours.


Third Stage

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We would also like to thank the following Restaurants and Cafes for their generosity in making "The Taste of Maynooth" competition such a success:

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TONY SMITH MEMORIAL WALK 2013 TO RAISE IN EXCESS OF €7,000



The Tony Smith Memorial Walk 2013 was held on Sunday 20th October and will raise in excess of €7,000 for Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee. At the time of writing the sum raised to date is €7,219 but this figure will rise over the coming weeks.

The Annual Walk is organised by Maynooth Labour Branch and all funds raised go directly to the Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee who use it in their various supports for senior citizens in the area.

The Walk was led off from Maynooth G.A.A. grounds at 3 pm on Sunday 20th by Deputy Emmet Stagg and Cllr. John McGinley and then proceeded down to the Main Street, up Carton Avenue and into Carton Estate. We would like to thank Carton Estate for their continued support for our Annual Walk.

The Sponsored Walk was first held in 1979 and was the idea of the then Treasurer of Maynooth Labour Branch, Tony Smith, who wanted to assist the senior citizens of the Town. Tony died tragically at the age of 33 in 1982 and the Walk was then renamed in his honour.

The proceeds of the Walk will be handed over to the Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee at their Annual Christmas Party on December 8th.

Finally we would like to thank the Participants and all those who sponsored us for this worthy cause.

Dave Moynan
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Editorial

The Festival was regarded by most to be a success and most events were well attended. The accompanying raffle was also a success and the Newsletter would like to take this opportunity to congratulate those involved. There were a number of criticisms voiced during the weekend and these will be taken on board by the committee. There is a full report in this edition with plenty of photographs as well – a picture tells it more than any account.

It was surmised in the previous editorial that the Government-sponsored proposal that the Seanad be abolished might be rejected by the people and indeed this was the case and decisively so. But what now? Like so many other events in Irish life, once mentioned it is now more or less forgotten and all the proposals for reform seem to have vanished. It seems a golden opportunity for reform at all levels in the Oireachtas – both Dáil and Seanad. The strength of certain senators was evident on the No side as well. Three in particular stood out - David Norris, John Crown and Catherine Zapone who were successful advocates of the cause. These are the type of senators who would not be TDs and who would be lost to public life in a sense if the Seanad were abolished. They add so much to political life in this country.

The analysis in the media was quite patchy and left quite a lot to be desired. There was great surprise when the result was announced but the No side must have been more determined than the Yes side as is often the case. The opinion polls were quite wrong about the result but the turn out was disgracefully low in places. One wonders if it is time to make voting compulsory; the right to vote was so hard won in this country and particularly the vote for women. Perhaps a referendum should not be considered valid unless there a certain percentage of votes cast.

The next election is three years away and the turn out then will be interesting to watch. The voters are turning on the Labour Party at present and the Budget was another opportunity for protest; it was the pensioners who turned out again but not in the same numbers as previously. Their anger was mainly directed towards the Labour Party there as well. Interestingly, people seem to have forgotten already that it was during a Fianna Fáil led government that the economic collapse occurred. With massive emigration again, the best of our young people are leaving as they did in the eighties. This leaves behind the more conservative-minded and they may very well return Fianna Fáil to power in 2016. The local elections will have its own story to tell as well and this will give the electorate an opportunity to speak.

A major problem that has arisen in the aftermath of the so-called Celtic Tiger is the quality of the homes that were constructed during that period. The disaster of Priory Hall may be replicated in other places and pyrite is a very serious problem for those unfortunate people who have discovered this in their homes. It is not that long since the last of the tenements were knocked down in this country and with the bad quality of these modern dwellings, it would appear that we are building the tenements of the future. Evictions and repossessions hold painful folk memories for Irish people from the days of the famine and those words strike horror into people's hearts. But this time the homes were built by Irish people and the evictions are also brought about by our own. There is a bleak future for young couples who have bought tiny apartments that were intended as starter homes but now they are stuck in them with small and young children. These apartments are not like those on the Continent where there is room for storage, bicycles etc. Practically every small and large town in the country has been disfigured by these builds and in many cases they are only skeletons that will probably never be completed and may have to be demolished. But will Ireland learn? Will this happen again in the future? There is no evidence that Irish people learn from the past despite our supposed love of and interest in history.

The most recent proposed destruction is a new road through medieval Kilkenny. This city has been protected until now and the people appear to have had a real interest in continuing in this vein until this crazy decision was reached. Kilkenny is also the home of the Heritage Council and one can only wonder what that organization thinks of this proposal. The progress will be watched by environmentalists all over the country. Three years after the completion of the M3 at Tara the fallout is still happening and the bad luck continues for those involved. The latest victim is Ferrovial, the toll company, that is going bankrupt in Madrid. Perhaps there is some truth to the 'curse of Tara' after all.

Muireann Ni Bhrolchain

Community Council Notes

Maynooth Community Council Notes October 2013

The Maynooth Community Council met on Monday 14th October at 8.30 in the Glenroyal Hotel.

The Chairman welcomed the members. The minutes were approved, there was no correspondence.

The members were reminded to give their email address and or mobile phone numbers to the Office in order to receive notice of meetings as postage is expensive.

The treasurer's report was read out. The Annual Maynooth Community Council Collection raised €1,520 which was 50% up on last year. While the finances are in a healthy state there is a continued need to fundraise whenever possible.

Sub-committees

Senior Citizens- will have their Tea Dance this Sunday 20th October and will coincide with the Tony Smith Memorial Walk. The walk is an exceptionally good cause and people were asked to support it. The walk begins at the GAA at 3pm. There will be a sale of work on November 17th.

Educate Together – will have their annual fundraiser, a sponsored walks on 24th November. Thanks were expressed to IBM for their donation of €1,170 to the school.

Students Union – have had a busy month. There has been a daily clean up of the town with both students and transition year students from the local Post Primary School taking part. Forty to fifty students have been out cleaning the streets on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

The Drama Society took part in the Festival and really enjoyed it and would like to get more involved next year. Other societies have also expressed an interest in taking part.

The MSU have helped to raise awareness in Mental Health and Cyber Bullying. They have taken part in Social Justice Week and have had John O'Shea to give a talk on the topic. They have organised self defence classes which have been so well attended by female students that two sessions have had to be organised.

Freshers Week was extremely busy and any complaints that were received by MSU have been addressed. Follow up letters have been sent out to residents. It was agreed that austerity has had some effect i.e less noise and less littering in the town.

The initiatives of the MSU were acknowledged and welcomed by the meeting. It was noted that where there are a large number of students away from home usually for the first time that there is bound to be some element of noise and disruption in the town albeit carried out by a small number.

Teen Space – Monthly meetings are going ahead but there is uncertainty over continuing in the Community Space. It was unlikely that this would be resolved in the next week. An alternative location needs to be found.

Maynooth Local History Group – The walks and talks during the Festival went very well. It was reported that the footfall in the Castle on the Saturday of the Festival was c.850. The Castle was well attended on the Sunday also. The Group visited the historic town of Drogheda and visited Millmount Fort which is run by a FAS Scheme. It had been suggested that perhaps Maynooth Castle could be kept open longer if the Maynooth History Group were involved. The first of a series of talks will take place in Carton on 15 October at 8.00pm – The Live(s) of Lord Edward Fitzgerald 1763-1798 by Dr. Liam Chambers (MIL). Other talks in the series are

18 November, 8pm – Dr Ciaran Reilly (NUIM) "Fun and games at Carton": The education of the young

Fitzgeralds in the early nineteenth century
9 December, at 7.15pm Christmas Lecture followed by dinner in the Gold Salon (optional – see below for details) – Prof. Marian Lyons (NUIM), "Garrett More FitzGerald, "the great earl" (c.1456-1513), architect of the Kildare Ascendancy: an assessment of his career on the 500th anniversary of his death".

4 February 2014, 8pm – Prof Christopher Ridgeway (Curator Castle Howard), "No long swimming against the tide? The future of the landed estates in the 21st century - Carton House, Castle Howard and other examples.

11 March 2014, 8pm – Prof. Terence Dooley (NUIM) "The loss of the Fitzgerald fortune, 1903-1948). Light refreshments served each evening from 7.15pm. Admission fee per lecture €10. Separate fee December talk and dinner. Contact sales@cartonhouse1.com for more details.

Maynooth Scouts- The Geraldine Hall project is well underway and will be carried out in two phases. Phase one will be the demolition of the two extensions and renovation of the roof. €200,000 has been secured through leader funding. Phase two will include work on windows, doors, landscaping etc and will require a further €150,000. There was a family bingo day on the 6th October and there was great support from the Senior Citizens Group which included two sizeable donations. Further fundraising events are planned. There will be a cake sale in the Boys' National School after all Masses on Sunday 20th October. There is a 12 days of Christmas National Draw. Tickets will be on sale throughout the town. There will be pre-Christmas bag packs in Dunnes and Tesco's.

The scouts enjoyed their participation in the Harvest Festival. Venture Scouts will camp at Kerdiffstown House on the 4/5/6th October. Venture Scouts have made a video which is now on YouTube. The Scouts will be seriously seeking support from the community and Maynooth Community Council for their fundraising efforts. They will be advertising their events in the Maynooth Newsletter. Josie Moore of the Senior Citizens group endorsed the Scouts and their work at the Geraldine Hall and the need to support them. The need for the support of the Community Council was stressed.

Maynooth Harvest Gathering Festival
Reports from individuals and participants in the Festival indicate that it was a very successful event. There was a major increase in the numbers that visited over the weekend. Thanks were expressed to community groups and individuals for their contributions and support. John Doogan, office manager (MCC), Willie Saults, Pat Farrell, Bernie Kane and the Twinning Committee, were commended for their input and support. Our Canet visitors enjoyed fine dining in Maynooth and were impressed with the variety and diversity of the Festival which they said gave them a wonderful insight to the activities of the town particularly as their own festivals have a narrower focus - usually music and dance based. It was acknowledged by the Festival Committee that there was always room for improvement. Suggestions and ideas received over the weekend were welcomed. (See report in Newsletter).

St. Patrick's Day invitation to Ballymena Borough Council

Keith McCrory addressed the meeting with an idea that Maynooth Community Council, with the suggestion to invite members of the Ballymena Borough Council to Maynooth for St. Patrick's Day. An invitation to view the parade would be one of the activities. It was agreed that Keith explore the idea further.

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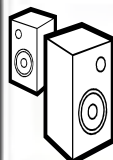
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Getting a pet is a momentous occasion. It is very important to choose an animal that will fit in with the family situation. The first thing to consider is how much time you can spend with the animal and how much time the animal will need your attention. When my children were growing up we had a cat. They are such interesting creatures to be around. They have very individual temperaments and love to be pampered by their owners. That said they are also fiercely independent and are capable of being alone

and love their own company. They make strong bonds but are very choosy about who they get attached to. They are above all a clean animal and its not hard to have them around the house.

It was therefore a great morning when my grandchildren got a kitten. The bed was bought, the food and water dishes, the 'scratcher' and a blanket for the little bit of comfort. It was explained that this was only a tiny baby taken from it's Mother and would be very frightened. The children listened intently and I wondered how much they were actually taking in, but the minute the small girl was introduced to 'kitty' an instant love was formed. The absolute joy when she saw the little ball of fur was palpable and when the terrified kitten was released into the unknown she spoke with a gentle and coaxing voice, reassuring and telling him how much she loved him. It appeared the creature didn't want to know as he immediately found his 'safe place' under the sofa and refused to come out for hours. How and ever hunger and the need to use the facilities (litter tray) overcame and a little head appeared and gingerly came out to explore and roam for a while. The little lady continued to talk to it as it made its way around the room and it soon became obvious to all present who was going to be firm friends. It was no surprise that soon the tiny animal cried every time she left the room.

Perhaps it is a gentle voice, a quiet manner or indeed an



authorative manner they respond to, but when a cat decides to love you it is the most wonderful feeling in the world.

Even the smallest child in a household can learn valuable life lessons when learning to care for an animal. A child will realise that just like people it will need food, exercise, shelter and above all love.

By: Cora Tolan



Wedding Anniversaries

Historically celebrating wedding anniversaries date back to medieval Germany when husbands crowned their wives with a silver wreath on their 25th anniversary and a gold wreath on their 50th. The origins of current gift conventions date back to 1937, when the American National Retail Jeweller Association expanded the list of gifts. The revamped list gave a gift for every year up to the 20th anniversary and then for every 5th anniversary after that. Traditions vary in different countries but generally the main anniversaries are the same.

1 st Anniversary	Paper	15 th Anniversary	Crystal
2 nd Anniversary	Cotton	20 th Anniversary	China
3 rd Anniversary	Leather	25 th Anniversary	Silver
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8 th Anniversary	Bronze	50 th Anniversary	Gold
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10 th Anniversary	Aluminium	60 th Anniversary	Diamond

MAYNOOTH AND 1916 by Seamus Cullen

‘This year 2013 marks the centenary of the formation of the Irish Volunteers in Dublin and to commemorate the event we publish an account on the involvement of the Maynooth Volunteers in the Easter Rising of 1916’.

*We but mustered a few from the plains of Kildare
And bravely we fought for dear Mother Erin
Though forced to surrender, not conquered we were
But strong in our hearts burn the wish to be free,
And we pray for the day to soon come again
And the chance once again to prove we're men.*

This verse describing a county Kildare involvement in the Easter Rising, 1916, was penned by Matthew Maguire one of 15 Irish Volunteers that marched from Maynooth and joined the GPO garrison on Easter week.

The Irish Volunteers were formed in Dublin under the leadership of Eoin Mac Neill in November 1913. Their aim initially was to support the implementation of Home Rule and to oppose attempts by the Ulster Volunteers to prevent the measure from coming into force. The secret Irish Republican Brotherhood [IRB] were prominent in the movement and gained control of the executive. Branches subsequently spread very quickly throughout the county.

The Maynooth Volunteer Company was formed in the summer of 1914 but following the split in the autumn as a result of John Redmond's commitment to World War I two rival Volunteer companies emerged in Maynooth. The National Volunteer Company which followed Redmond's policy on the war was by far the largest. However, this company within a short time largely dissipated and remained in existence in name only. The smaller Irish Volunteer Company which included Domnall Ua Buacalla, the most prominent nationalist in Maynooth remained loyal to the Eoin Mac Neill leadership. They remained active throughout 1915 and early 1916.

In the autumn of 1915 Pdraig Pearse Director of Organisation of the Irish Volunteers, appointed Ted Kelly a medical student who was a native of Maynooth as volunteer organiser for county Kildare. The IRB of which Pearse and Kelly were members were making plans for a rising while Britain was at war and county Kildare with the largest concentration of British military in the country was vital to their plans. Kelly had mixed success in his endeavours but managed to re-organise some Irish Volunteer Companies and to obtain the affiliation of others to the Volunteer leadership in Dublin. A secret military council within the Volunteer leadership had emerged and James Connolly from the Irish Citizen Army was co-opted to this council. Plans were made at this stage for a rising to commence at Easter 1916. Tom Byrne a veteran of the Irish Brigade that assisted the Boers in the Boer War was appointed by Pearse to lead the operations in county Kildare. Early on Holy Week 1916, both Byrne and Ted Kelly travelled to Kildare and contacted the various Irish Volunteer Companies passing on the news of the rising. The Volunteers in Maynooth were informed of the rising by Byrne on

Holy Thursday night.

The Maynooth Company of the Volunteers mobilized on Easter Sunday along with other companies in county Kildare. However, a message to Ua Buacalla from Eoin Mac Neill cancelled any movement of the Volunteers. This countermanding order by Eoin Mac Neill was also published on the Sunday Independent. Ua Buacalla, later received orders from Pearse informing him not to leave the district but to await further orders.

In the afternoon of Easter Monday news reached Ua Buacalla from a van driver that the rising had commenced. No dispatches or orders had been received in Maynooth and Ua Buacalla cycled to Dublin to see the situation for himself. Returning to Maynooth he made preparations to return to Dublin and take an active part in the rising. At this point Patrick Colgan seemed to be directing the operations of the Maynooth Company, with Buckley acting as an influential father figure. Colgan had been informed by a priest in Maynooth College of the news from Dublin and sent word to the company members to mobilise at the back of Buckley's Shop. One member Pat Kirwan was not mobilised due to the fact that he was a married man with a young family, despite this he joined his comrades. The group at this stage were all Maynoothmen with the exception of William O'Regan a native of Kells in county Meath. Two men that were not members of the company now joined, Patrick Weafer, who was Captain of the defunct Maynooth National Volunteer Company and Oliver Ryan a Dublin man employed in Maynooth College. Not all of the company mobilised as two had gone to Fairyhouse Races.

One of the first objects of the company was to make contact with the Dunboyne Volunteers with a view to coordinate activities and this was carried out by Jack Maguire. However, while this was happening Tom Byrne, Ted Kelly and Tom Harris who had been assisting them throughout the weekend arrived in Maynooth with the intentions of getting into Dublin. The Kildare Volunteer plans which were to be carried out under Byrne and Kelly were in tatters due to conflicting orders throughout the weekend.

The new plan for the group now assembled at the back of Buckley's Shop was to attempt to get to Dublin fully armed and assist in the rising. With Tom Byrne in charge, they decided to go first to Maynooth College. As the Volunteers marched through Maynooth a local man who was in a high state of intoxication insisted in joining them and had to be dissuaded in a tactful way. Another more serious incident occurred on the street as two unarmed members of the RIC, Sergeant Peter Cleary and Constable Michael Nolan followed them. Ted Kelly approached them, drew his revolver and informed them that he would shoot both if they didn't back off. This they did.

The volunteers entered the college and held a meeting with the President Monsignor J. Hogan who unsuccessfully advised them against taking part in the rising. When his advice fell on deaf ears he gave them a blessing although it was not regarded as his blessing to participate. The group left by the College Canal entrance, which is now closed up and proceeded by the Canal towpath to Drunconra.

Having spent the night in Glasnevin Cemetery they managed to march on an unguarded route to the GPO where they were given a rousing reception and welcomed by both Pearse and Connolly. They were the only company from the country to successfully get into Dublin and join the rebels in Easter Week.

The Maynooth Company were engaged in heavy fighting throughout the week and there are many stories of their participation and various encounters. It is recorded by some sources that Joe Ledwith was the last man to leave the GPO before the roof collapsed. Two of the group Ted Kelly and Tom Harris were wounded in the fighting. Following the surrender four volunteers escaped. Three of them Joe Ledwith, Patrick Weafer, and Sean Graves returned to Maynooth and were promptly arrested, court-martialled and sentenced to two years in prison. Tom Byrne was the fourth rebel from the group to escape and he subsequently avoided capture. Ted Kelly when his injuries were healed escaped from Jervis St Hospital assisted by his aunt who was a nun on the staff of the hospital. She was a member of the Cullen family from Greenfield, Maynooth.

Included among the Maynooth participants were the company captains of both the Irish Volunteers and the National Volunteers and also the captain of the local Gaelic football team. Various individuals from the contingent were also prominent in local groups such as the Maynooth Bass and Reed Band and the Gaelic League.

Many arrests followed the collapse of the rising with Irish Volunteer members that had been in contact with Tom Byrne and Ted Kelly among those targeted by the authorities. Including among the arrests were the Kenny brothers John and Edward from Maynooth. They had mobilized for duty on Easter Monday but were granted permission to withdraw and bid farewell to their mother. Having done so they failed to return.

Within weeks of the rising and particularly following the executions the mood of the country had changed. A gradual release of the prisoners began by the late summer and by Christmas all the Maynooth detainees and prisoners had been released.

Four county Kildare companies Maynooth, Athgarvan, Kill and Naas together with Dunboyne in county Meath mobilized for duty on Easter Week but only the Maynooth Company successfully made it to Dublin. The incident on Easter Monday on the Main Street Maynooth involving Ted Kelly and two members of the RIC was the first armed rebel incident in county Kildare since 1803.

The 1803 incident occurred when Maynooth rebels loyal to Robert Emmet fired at a mail coach at two locations on the main street in the town. There had been no armed incident in county Kildare in 1848 and 1867 when attempted rebellions occurred in the country. It is ironic that between the 1798 rising and the first violent incident of the 'War of Independence' in county Kildare in January 1920, there were only two violent rebel incidents and both occurred in Maynooth carried out by local rebels.

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Addendum

The Maynooth Volunteer Company including Thomas McGee and Patrick Ledwith who had been absent at Fairyhouse and also the Kenny Brothers all played an important part locally in the 'War of Independence'. McGee served as Captain of the company during the period with Thomas Mangan, serving as First Lieutenant. Patrick Colgan for most of this period served as Commandant in charge of the Kildare Battalion. Donal Ua Buacalla played a leading part in the political struggle during the period serving as a TD and Chairman of Kildare County Council.

One of the forgotten figures of the Maynooth contingent was Tim Tyrrell, His fight in the militant side of the struggle that began on Easter Monday 1916, only ended on 1 December 1922 when captured by the Free State Forces during the Civil War following an encounter at Pike Bridge. He was the last of the Maynooth GPO men to be freed from prison for political activity when he was released on 7 June 1924 more than 8 years after the Easter Rising.

Appendix:

The names of the 15 men that marched from Maynooth to the GPO on Easter week 1916

**Thomas Byrne - Patrick Colgan - Sean Graves
Thomas Harris - Ted Kelly - Pat Kirwan
Joe Ledwith - Jack Maguire - Matthew Maguire
Thomas Mangan - Oliver Ryan - Timothy Tyrrell
William O'Regan - Domnall Ua Buacalla & Patrick Weafer**

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee Notes

Our Halloween Tea-Dance on Oct 20th in conjunction with the Tony Smith Memorial walk was very successful indeed. Many thanks to all who supported this fund raiser, the Labour Party who organise the walk, those who walked, those who parted with their cash and of course Carton and the GAA who allowed us to invade their property. Congratulations to all who came in fancy dress and entered into the spirit of the occasion. As I write this article our people are preparing their banners for the protest on Tues Oct 22nd Re: abolition of tel. allowance, Medical cards, Death Grants etc. and will join the march to Kildare street.

Our next event will be our sale of Work on Nov. 17th at 3pm in the Aula Maxima in Maynooth college. This is our main fund raising event and all we ask is that you give us the same support that you have so generously given to us in the past. Our people will be calling to your door during Nov looking for the usual donations of bottles, toys, cakes, etc. Now would be a good time to clear out your attic. Remember one person's trash is another's treasure. A word of caution though, most of you know our committee by now, but if you are in any doubt about the caller ask for ID.

Maynooth is getting bigger by the minute and if we don't get to your house you can contact me on 0879002296. You can leave items at my house, with any committee member in your area or at the Aula Maxima on Sat. Nov. 16th / Sun 17th. We will be selling tickets for our Monster hamper this year at Tesco on Sat Nov 2nd, at Manor Mills on Fri. Nov 8th and at SuperValu on Thurs Nov 7th Fri 8th & Sat Nov 9th and we thank them all for this facility

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With over €300,000 spent on new equipment and refurbishment, the Glenroyal which is recognized for its personal service has upgraded equipment and accessories of which consists of 22 new treadmills, 15 new cross trainers, 10 new upright Bikes, 4 Recumbent Bikes, Steppers, 20 Spin Bikes, Selectorized Strength Machines, New discovery plate loaded machines, Icarian strengths stations and new benches.



Claira Barbour Sales and Marketing Manager Glenroyal with Kildare Footballer Brian Flanagan.

Mickey Ned O'Sullivan gave an interesting talk on keeping up your fitness regime throughout the year and called on GAA experts Graham Geraghty and Brian Flanagan for their input. They explained how the Gym comes into play in the harsh dark winter months and is an essential part of keeping their fitness level where it should be, Mickey thanked the Glenroyal for inviting him to what he explained as "A Truly Enjoyable Evening" With this new state of the Art equipment All Cardio machines have the functionality to be personalized and the ability to set goals and monitor their work outs, it will track progress on mobile applicators through smart phone and manually add all other exercise done. Members took the opportunity to get pictured with their favourite sporting hero. Rob Kearney, Eoin Reddan and Sean O'Brien were among the celebrities getting snapped up.

Sharon Madigan delivered a dynamic talk on Diet and Nutrition in our daily lives, for the more committed gym members Noel McPartlin advised how to maximise Power and Strength. Eamon O Muircheartaigh joined in the seminars and gave his expert advice on the benefits of fitness when managing Arthritis. Claira Barbour Sales and Marketing Manager for The Glenroyal Leisure Club thanked all Guests and members who joined in their celebration. Claira added "The Glenroyal Leisure Club is one of the best in Leinster. Located in the Glenroyal Hotel the purpose built club is fantastic for relaxing leisurely swims or more strenuous workouts. The Leisure Club team strive to get to know every member and create a club with a great atmosphere. The Glenroyal Leisure Club has all the latest equipment and excellent facilities for your workout and we're always here to help with any advice or direction you may need."

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L to R Graham Geraghty, Eoin Reddan, Rob Kearney, Ted Robinson and Sean O'Brien at the launch in the Glenroyal.

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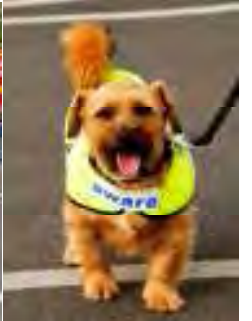
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Maynooth Tidy Towns

Thank you to all who sent good wishes to the team on our National Tidy Towns Award, the presentation of the Bronze medal at time of writing has not been made and further recognition will be given at the Annual Kildare County Council Community Awards being held for the first time in NUIM on the 30th October. Full report and photos of both events in next newsletter.

Below you will see photos of the wilful damage caused to the much admired sign in the Dukes Harbour area this sign was commissioned by Maynooth Tidy Towns last May, attempts were made in September to deface by Graffiti and permanent damage was done to the fabric of the Sign in October along with damage to planting outside the GAA premises and a huge amount of glass debris all on one night.

Congratulations to all for a wonderful Community Festival we were delighted to play our part in the festival by ensuring that the town looked at it's best with clean ups and hanging baskets and new flowers been planted in the square.

Our volunteers, despite the above setbacks continue to work on Saturday morning, and our Sunday morning Clean up continues for the foreseeable future. We have finished our Mid week clean up until next Spring, thanks to all who helped this year.

Also in this edition you will see or may have seen the Gum removal team supported by Kildare County Council in operation on the streets of Maynooth, this is part of the programme launched earlier in the Summer(see previous newsletter) to rid and educate about gum litter. We plan to enter this part of the tidy of the National Tidy Towns competition in 2014.

As you are aware we greatly improved our position in the IBAL competition the judges are currently out and about so please make a special effort to keep Maynooth Tidy to keep us up with the leaders.

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25-Aug	2,19,22,23	€2,650	Colette Kavanagh - Sean O Keane - Victor O Neill
01-Sep	5,8,9,18	€2,700	Gina Folan - Colette Kavanagh - Jenny Sutton
08-Sep	1,6,16,19	€2,750	Patsy Leavy - Liam Curley - Terry Hinds
15-Sep	5,8,12,24	€2,800	Aidan Dempsey - Aisling & Liam - Caroline Mc Cabe
22-Sep	1,7,10,17	€2,850	B, J & D Penny - A & M Murnane - Martin O' Grady
29-Sep	6,13,16,17	€2,900	Michele Hever - Austin Duffy - Ger Nugent
06-Oct	11,18,20,21	€2,950	Finn Geraghty - May Mahoney - Siobhan Millar
13-Oct	11,14,17,28	€3,000	Tess & Derek - Mary Mc Grath - C & A Mallaghan
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Maynooth Labour News

Public Light to be replaced at Band Hall Maynooth

The Area Engineer has advised Cllr. McGinley that the reinstallation and ESB connection of this light will be progressed in the coming weeks.

Parson Hall Residents Association and 66 bus service to Newtown, Maynooth

The Area Engineer gave the following Report to the Area Meeting on 18 October:

"These two items relate to the same location. A public consultation process will be entered into in respect of the proposed bus turning area. The elected members are advised that the proposed closure of the pedestrian access will be considered as part of the proposed public consultation process for the bus turning area."

Cllr. McGinley again expressed his annoyance that the two items were being linked. The pedestrian access provides an escape route for burglars and needs to be closed off to provide security for the residents. The Area Engineer responded by saying that funding for the bus turning area would be unlikely if the pedestrian access was closed off. Cllr. McGinley told him to get another turning area and suggested the area at the junction of Greenfield Lane/Meadowbrook Road.

Presentation Convent School, Carton Avenue

The Area Engineer gave the following Progress Report at the Area Meeting on 18 October:

"The area office intends to go to tender for the repaving of the entrance to the Carton Walk scheme on the 17 October and commence the works on the 25 November. As part of our consultations for this scheme, school parents asked us to reconsider the current one way system on Pound Lane. We consider that their suggestions to allow two entry to the lanes from the Moyglare Road side and from the Dunboyne Road ends, with one way exit from the lanes to the Main street, has merit and should be pursued."

He also stated that "proposals for any changes to the no entry signs on Pound lane and connected lanes to the Main St are a separate issue and will require Section 38 consultation. Allowing entry from the Dunboyne road will allow parents to drop and continue down Pound lane rather than having to do a U turn. I would also like to include entry from the Mill Street."

Noise Reduction M4

Cllr. McGinley and other Councillors have been trying to get the NRA to reduce noise levels on the M4 for many years. Councillors were given the following report at the Area Meeting on 18 October.

"The roads and transport department has had discussions with the NRA regarding noise mitigation measures, however, no commitments have been given thus far. The Council will continue to pursue this matter with the NRA and will update the members should any progress be made."

Cllr. McGinley asked that the Director of Services writes to the NRA asking them when they will be re-surfacing the M4 with low noise emitting tarmacadam as the existing surface is 19 years old. They should also be asked when they will be erecting noise barriers.

Cllr. McGinley Demands Action on Illegal

Parking

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Cebridge Area Committee on 18 October:

"That the council's traffic wardens take immediate action to stop the illegal parking outside NUI, Maynooth on the Kilcock Road, Maynooth and at the slip way into Manor Mills shopping centre."

John got the following reply:

"Gardai have been very active in last few weeks at the new roundabout at the new NUIM entrance and the Council's own Traffic Wardens were patrolling the R148 recently."

Cllr. McGinley Asks for Pay Parking to be Introduced in Maynooth Without any Further Delay

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Cebridge Area Committee on 18 October:

"That the pay parking bye-laws for Maynooth be processed without any further delay."

John got the following reply:

"It is the roads and transport department's intention to bring the draft parking by-laws to the November area meeting."

John read out the following E mail that he got from a local business person:

"Local business contributed over 1 million in parking levies as we renovated.

We cannot survive without proper parking. Every day the same cars are parked in the same spots ALL DAY blocking customer turnover. We need your help before there is nothing but filthy take-aways and vacant units left."

Cllr. McGinley Asks for a Footpath on Pikes Bridge to Ballygoran Road

As a result of Cllr. McGinleys motion a deputation from the residents made a presentation to the Area Committee on 18 October. In a very professional presentation they outlined their following main concerns:

1. Excessive speeding causing danger to pedestrians (speed limit is 60kmhr)
2. Increased volumes of traffic to INTEL, Carton House, TESCO, McDonalds and Schools.
3. Bus stop with no footpath or lighting beyond Carton Gates
4. Dangerous winter driving conditions.

They Area Engineer will come back to the next Area Meeting on 15 November with proposals on traffic calming.

Stagg Welcomes 21% Drop in Crime and Setting up of New Traffic Corps in Leixlip

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the announcement at the County Kildare Joint Policing Committee on Monday October 7th by Chief Superintendent Mike Byrnes concerning the dramatic reduction in crime in the County of 21% in the first 9 months of 2013 compared to the same period in 2012.

Chief Superintendent Byrnes advised that recently compiled statistics showed that a range of crime areas including burglaries, assaults and public order offences had decreased significantly. Burglaries are down 26%,

assaults are down 18%, public order offences are down 12%, criminal damage is down 22%. There were however a number of areas where there was an increase in crime, notably an 11% increase in assault causing harm, 16% increase in thefts from shops and a 12% increase in thefts from Motor Vehicles.

Deputy Stagg thanked the Chief Superintendent for the work done given the limited resources available to the force and the new more difficult roster for members of the force that was now in place.

Deputy Stagg further welcomed the announcement that a new dedicated Traffic Corps was to be established in the North Kildare Sub-Division which will be based in Leixlip. Up to now the whole County was covered by the Traffic Corps in Naas and the new group in Leixlip will ensure by their actions that the law is enforced, the roads will be safer and lives will be saved.

7,000 CHILDREN TO BENEFIT FROM FREE GP CARE IN KILDARE NORTH – STAGG

Approximately 7,000 children in Kildare North are to benefit from the roll-out of free GP care, which was announced in this week's Budget, according to Labour Deputy Emmet Stagg.

"I am pleased to confirm that approximately 7,000 children in Kildare North will be eligible for free GP care when it is rolled out, based on the latest Census data. This is a historic and significant initiative which means that local families with children aged five and under no longer have to give a second's thought about visiting the doctor when their child gets sick.

"After years of making sacrifices to help stabilise the country, it is only fair that hard-pressed families get something back from this Government. The roll-out of free GP care, along with other initiatives such as book rental schemes for every primary school in Ireland, is a shining example of how the Government is trying to make a tangible difference to people's lives and circumstances.

"I commend my colleague, Labour Minister Alex White, for championing this particular issue at the Cabinet table for many months and I hope that families in the locality can reap the benefits when the measure comes into effect in the second half of next year.

"There is clear evidence that people delay or avoid visiting their GP where a fee is required. Removing this cost barrier will mean that local families will be far more likely to address medical problems at an earlier stage, leading to better outcomes and treatment that is of less cost to the State.

"The Labour Party has long been campaigning for the principle of universal access to GP care and this is the first step. I am pleased that a Labour Minister has delivered this historic public health initiative which not only reforms our health service but also gives something back to families."



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Dear Emmet,
I refer to my recent meeting with you and Deputy Bernard Durkan along with representatives of the parents' associations from Maynooth. The deputation put forward the view that the new Maynooth Community College being established in 2014 should be configured along with the existing Maynooth Post-Primary School in a junior school / senior school scenario rather than as two separate fully vertical schools.
I have fully considered the matter and I am of the view that the schools can operate successfully as two vertical schools. I consider this to be the optimum configuration for the two schools and indeed the best provision that can be made for the pupils in the area.
I think it would be useful for me to set out in some detail the management and governance arrangements that it is envisaged will apply in the Maynooth Education Campus to illustrate how the two schools would operate in a fully vertical manner and to clarify this for the parents' associations.
As you will be aware, the Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training board (ETB), comprising the former Kildare VEC will be the patron of the new school which will be known as Coláiste Phobal Maigh Nuad (Maynooth Community College). Kildare and Wicklow ETB owns a 40 acre site within the Maynooth environs and arrangements are now well advanced for the two new school buildings to be constructed on that site, in a Campus environment, to accommodate both the new school and the existing Maynooth Post-primary school. Also, if required, the campus facilities would accommodate a Special Needs Unit and an all-Irish Aonad.
The Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board has developed a specific management structure for this new innovative Educational Campus that will be constituted along the lines outlined below and illustrated in the attached diagram. **(Note from Editor: Diagram not supplied with letter)**
The fundamental concepts of the management and governance structure for the Maynooth educational campus will provide as follows.
In order to guarantee to Parents/Guardians and Students a fair and equitable enrolment policy for both schools and to ensure that the overall management of the campus would be as cohesive and effective as possible, it is proposed that a single **Governing Authority** be established. The Governing Authority will be representative of the stakeholders from both schools together with members of the Education and Training Board and will be under an independent Chairperson. This authority would be established under the provisions of the Education and Training Board Act 2013.

The composition of this Governing authority will include the following:

- Independent Chairperson (1); Principal of Maynooth Post-Primary School and Principal of Coláiste Phobal Maigh Nuad (2); a Teacher and Parent/Guardian nominated by the board of Management of each school (4) and members of the ETB (2). The CEO of the ETB or her/his nominee (1) will also attend meetings.

The responsibilities of the Governing Authority would consist of the following core functions:

- Manage all facilities on the Campus including the Sports Hall, ancillary and catering facilities and the adjacent amenity lands
- Enter into Service Level Agreements (SLÁs) with both schools for the maintenance and upkeep of all facilities on the Campus
- Develop and co-ordinate the overarching enrolment policy for both schools, following appropriate consultations with the respective Boards of management of both schools and ensure that the policy is in keeping with the ETB Policy and DES guidelines. This function does not supersede the powers conferred under the Education Act 1998 to the Board of Managements of the individual schools.

The schools will-

- Provide education to students that is appropriate to their needs and use available resources to so do
- Be managed in a spirit of partnership
- Develop and maintain the unique ethos of each individual school and establish and maintain all other policies required to ensure the orderly day to day management and effective running of each school

In addition to the establishment of the single Governing Authority, the Patron will establish a Board of Management for each school. The functions of the Schools and the Boards of Management are those described under the Education Act 1998 and include the following:

- Ensure that the educational needs of all students, including those with disability or special educational needs, are identified and provided for, in the curricular programmes planned and delivered at the schools,
- Endeavour to promote and deliver quality in teaching and learning
- Ensure the promotion of moral, spiritual, social, and personal development of students and provide health education for them
- Promote the concept of respect for all persons,
- Nurture and support the spirituality (as appropriate and based on belief) of each student and encourage them to be positive and active citizens in a continuously changing society,
- Promote collaboration, co-operation and real partnership between Patron, home, school and community,
- Promote equality
- of opportunity to both students and staff,
- Ensure the effective and efficient day-to-day management of each school,
- Ensure prudent management of financial resources and comply with the accounting and procurement requirements of the ETB and /or DES,
- Ensure the development, updating and monitoring of the education plans of the schools,
- Ensure that good corporate governance practices and policies operate in the school
- Consult with and keep the ETB regularly informed of any decisions and proposals of the individual Board of Management. In particular, the Board must report any proposed changes to official school policy or practice that the Board feels necessary to implement, to ensure good governance of the school. Boards of Management must obtain the necessary approval from the ETB on matters that relate to the reserved functions of the ETB,
- Ensure the development and publication of and adherence to official school policies,
- Promote respect for the diversity of values, beliefs, traditions, languages and ways of life in society by having regard for the principles and requirements of a democratic and pluralist society,
- Promote the development of the Irish language and traditions, Irish literature, the arts and other cultural matters,
- Establish and maintain contacts with other schools throughout the community served by the respective schools,
- Conduct its educational activities in compliance with any regulations published from time to time by the ETB and/or the Minister.

It shall be a function of the Education and Training Board (ETB) to select all staff for appointment to the ETB. It should be noted that it is a function of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the ETB to assign staff to each school in compliance with the staffing allocation as determined and communicated by the Department. In carrying out this function it will be the responsibility of the CEO to ensure the effective utilisation and deployment of all ETB staff. The Principal of each school shall carry out their functions as determined by the Education Act in accordance with policies as determined by the Education Act in accordance with policies as determined by the ETB and in accordance with any directives or regulations issued by the CEO of the ETB and/or the Minister, from time to time.

The pooling of resources of the two schools would mean the provision of the widest possible range of subjects for the pupils in both schools. This will be particularly important during the initial years of the establishment of Maynooth Community College. By pooling the pupils from both schools, it will also be possible to offer a subject in one school where the demand from both schools would bring the class size to a viable number.

You will be well aware that the existing school in Maynooth, under the patronage of Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board, is very highly regarded locally. The intention of the Education and Training Board, is very highly regarded locally. The intention of the Education and Training Board is that the new community college would replicate and achieve the high standards and success attained in the existing school. The synergies generated by the new campus environment should be a significant benefit to both schools towards building on the success of the existing school and should assist them both in attaining high standards. The management and governance structures for the Maynooth Education Campus that have been developed by Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board as outlined above, seek to ensure that the necessary appropriate relationships and close co-operation will exist between the two schools at all levels, from the Principals and the Boards of Management through to the pupils and the staff.#

I hope that this clarifies the position.

Kind Regards,

Ruairi Quinn TD
Minister for Education and Skills

Fianna Fáil Notes

Fianna Fáil select Naoise Ó Cearúil and Daragh Fitzpatrick to contest Local Elections

Maynooth Area Fianna Fáil, covering the former Clane Electoral Area with the addition of Maynooth and Straffan, has selected Naoise Ó Cearúil and Daragh Fitzpatrick to contest next year's local elections.

The selection convention was held in Kilcock GAA Club on Tuesday the 1st of August. At the same selection convention, Local Area Representative for North West Kildare, Ben Doyle was unsuccessful.

Daragh Fitzpatrick, is the son of the late T.D. Michael Fitzpatrick and he is a former member of Kildare County Council between 2007 and 2009 and narrowly missed out on a seat at the last local elections.

Ó Cearúil, the Local Representative for Maynooth has been very active over the past number of months, highlighting issues in Maynooth and further afield. When asked how he felt, he stated, "I'm very honoured and proud to be given the opportunity to go before the people and hopefully represent them. I'm in this to help people and make people's lives a little easier"

At the same meeting Cllr. Liam Doyle declared that he would not be contesting next year's local elections. Cllr. Doyle has been elected to Kildare County Council since 1985 and has served the people of Kilcock and Kildare with distinction. He has always been straight forward and honest.

Upon giving his decision he stated that the primary reason he would not be seeking election was due to the limited powers afforded to the County Council and that he has become disillusioned with it. He said that since he has first been elected, powers have been stripped continuously, powers such as; housing lists, water and student grants to name a few. He thanked his family, his friends and the people of Kilcock for their support throughout the years which was an emotional speech by the esteemed councillor.

Doyle's announcement came as a shock to all present and will no doubt be a surprise to the people of Kilcock. The two selected candidates have big shoes to fill, however Ó Cearúil's appointment shows Fianna Fáil's commitment to renewal and trust in a new generation of politicians. At 24, Ó Cearúil is the youngest candidate to be selected in the country to date.

THE FINAL CUT IS THE DEEPEST FOR BEREAVED FAMILIES

Fianna Fáil Local Area Rep, Naoise Ó Cearúil, has condemned the government's decision to abolish the Bereavement Grant in the budget.

The Bereavement Grant of €850 has been paid to an average of 22,000 families per annum who are eligible to help deal with funeral expenses.

Commentating on the government's targeting of the elderly in the budget, Ó Cearúil stated "The government is now

chasing the elderly with cuts all the way to the grave. This final cut is the deepest for bereaved families.

"Funeral costs in Ireland have risen over the past number of years with the average price in the county around €3,000 to €5,000. The Bereavement Grant is paid to people who have made PRSI contributions over their working life and is vital to help ease the burden of a close family member passing on. This modest grant gave many families peace of mind and was a welcome respite at a time of grief and stress. By abolishing it, the Government again demonstrates its ability to measure the cost of everything and the value of nothing."

ELDERLY CANNOT DEPEND ON MOBILE PHONES TO ACTIVATE PANIC BUTTONS

Local Fianna Fáil Rep, Naoise Ó Cearúil has rubbished suggestions elderly people will be able to use mobile phones to activate their panic buttons or home security alarms following last week's scrapping of the Telephone Allowance in the Budget.

Personal panic buttons and alarms are connected to landline telephones and provide security and peace of mind for elderly people in case of a fall or other emergency.

Ó Cearúil said: "There has been some suggestions that elderly people can use mobile phones to activate their panic buttons now that the Telephone Allowance has been scrapped.

"This is completely inaccurate. Many parts of rural Maynooth do not have mobile phone coverage at all. Many other areas have limited or reduced mobile phone coverage. I have spoken to many elderly people who are petrified of losing the Telephone Allowance and what it will mean for their security. "The telephone is often the most frequent method by which elderly people can contact their loved ones. Taking away this security will mean more and more elderly people will be living in fear. They cannot depend on unreliable mobile phone coverage to access their personal security systems or panic buttons.

"Minister Burton's brutal abolition of the Telephone Allowance will affect over 394,671 people, including the old, the disabled and carers. It is taken as regular income by older people and is essentially a cut of €9.50 to their pensions every month.

"The abolition of this Allowance threatens the very security and welfare of the old, the disabled and their carers. The most isolated areas have the poorest mobile phone coverage, the abolition of the Telephone Allowance will lead to even more rural isolation and this decision needs to be reversed."

Government's Disgraceful attack on the Youth

Naoise Ó Cearúil has expressed his shock at the government's latest attack on young people following the announcement of budget 2014. In particular Ms Ó Cearúil singled out the cutback to the job-seekers allowance for those under the age of 26 as being a step in the wrong direction, especially at a time when youth unemployment is running at an all-time high.

"I was shocked to learn of the details of some of the cutbacks

being imposed in budget 2014. The government has singled out young job-seekers, students and graduates for highly regressive cuts next year.

"The drastic cut to the job seekers allowance for those under the age of 26 will actively encourage emigration. Ireland already has a youth unemployment crisis, with 30% of young people aged 25 and under out of work. Many of those with jobs are underemployment. But instead of providing some real opportunities for these school and college leavers, the government has chosen to remove supports and essentially encourage them to emigrate.

"This policy will force young people to go abroad for work.

The government had the opportunity to focus on job creation for graduates in a bid to reduce youth unemployment, but instead they have taken the easy route out. Young people are wondering what happened to Fine Gael and Labour's promise to create 100,000 jobs?

"This government says that it wants to promote further education for young people. Yet at the same time it is imposing a €31 million cut in funding for third level institutions.

Students are being hit with a third hike in the college registration fee under Ruairí Quinn. Minister Quinn already abolished post-graduate grants this year and is now making it even harder for students to choose third level education.

"The government is gambling with our economic recovery by targeting the future generation. The government has a choice – it can chose to stop the attack on young people and provide them with the support and opportunities they need to build a career here in Ireland. Ógra Fianna Fáil will be campaigning for these changes in the coming weeks."

Seanad Referendum

The Referendum on the abolition of the Seanad was defeated. Fianna Fáil were the only party to seek a NO Vote on the Referendum. Maynooth Fianna Fáil Rep, Naoise Ó Cearúil commented after the result; "I am extremely happy that the people of Ireland and Maynooth voted no to this Power Grab" "People saw that it was a cynical ploy on political reform by the Government. To be honest, I don't think this result had much to do with political parties, it was down to people seeing through Fine Gael's lies. The most important thing now is that Real reform is delivered in the Seanad and the Dáil"

Fianna Fáil Events in Maynooth in October

Old Carton Cumann Meeting

Selection Convention in Kilcock

Canvassing for Seanad Referendum

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Wolfe Tone Commemoration in Bodenstown

The Fianna Fáil Candidate for Maynooth, Naoise Ó Cearúil is building a team to contest the 2014 Local Election. If you have an hour or two to spare during the week, get in touch with Naoise on (086) 456 5204.

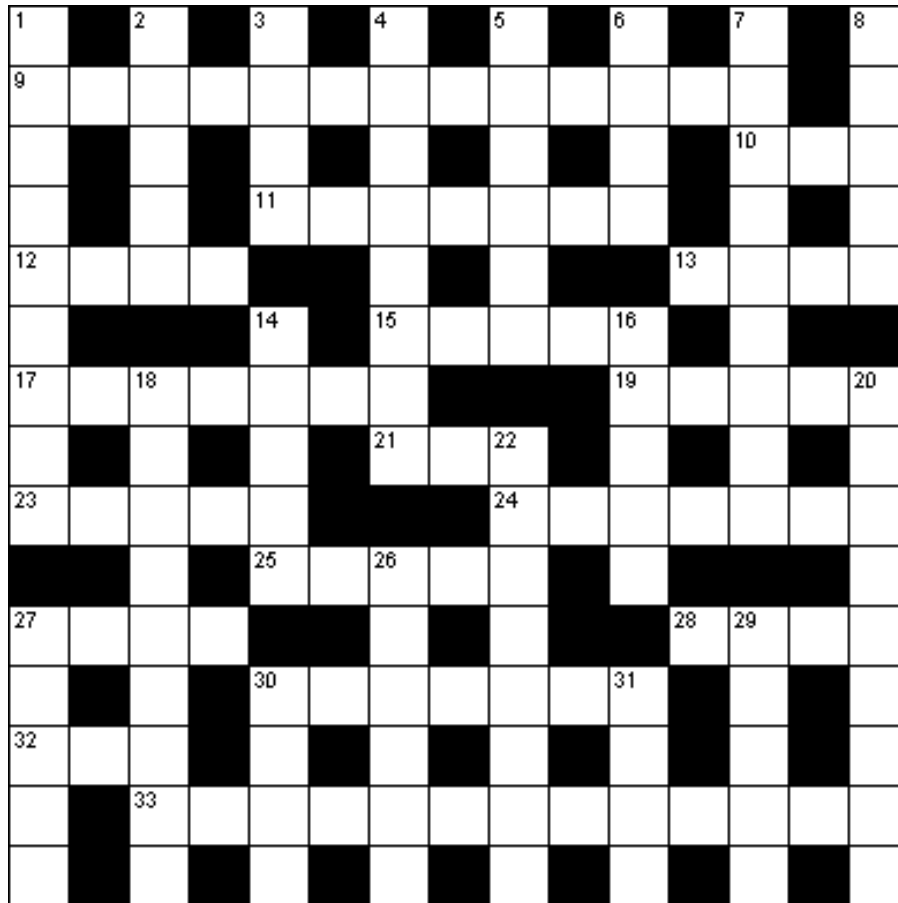
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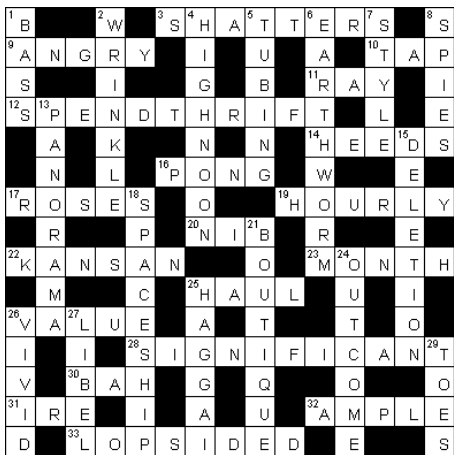
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- 32. Obtained (3)
- 33. Entertainer who does impressions (13)



- 1. Four-footed (9)
- 2. To use up (5)
- 3. Obscene (4)
- 4. One million watts (8)
- 5. Live (6)
- 6. Male deer (4)
- 7. Opponent (9)
- 8. Spiteful (5)
- 14. Light wood (5)
- 16. Short and fat (5)
- 18. Genuine (9)
- 20. Pachyderms (9)
- 22. Star-like symbol (8)
- 26. Ass (6)
- 27. Counterfeit (5)
- 29. Look for (5)
- 30. Headwear (4)
- 31. Watch (4)

Answers to Crossword 418



**Entries in before:
19th November 2013**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

**Winner of Crossword
No. 418 October**

**Rebecca Doyle
Carton Court
Maynooth**

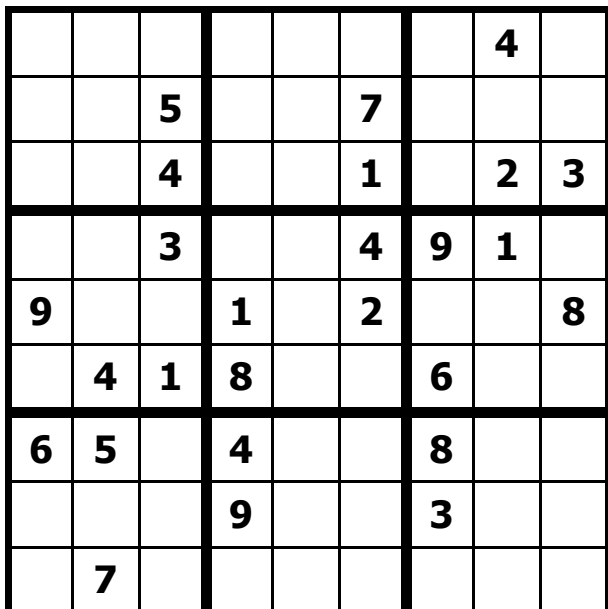
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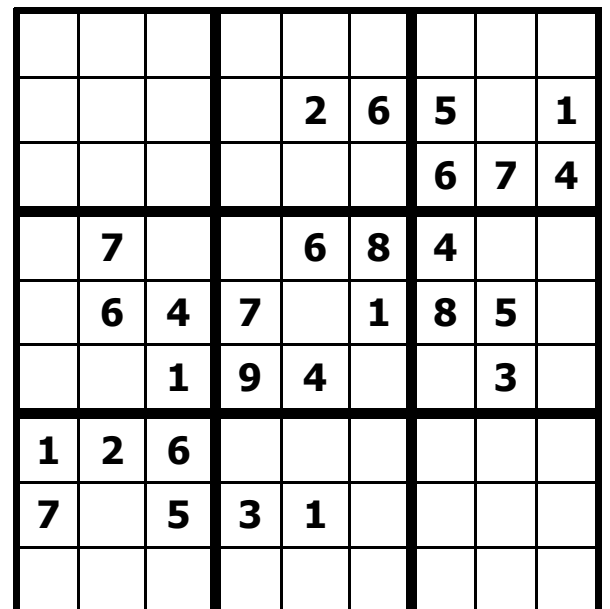
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**Sudoku Challenge
November 2013**



Super Difficult



Win a €10 book voucher if you are the first entry drawn with both puzzles correct.

Send completed puzzles to and collect prizes from
Maynooth Newsletter
Unit 5 Tesco Shopping Centre Maynooth.

Entries must arrive before: 19th November 2013

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Congratulations to October Winner:

**Geetha Karthikesan
Moyglare Hall
Maynooth**

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Catherine Murphy Independent TD

E-mail: catherine.murphy@oireachtas.ie - Phone 01-6156625

Status Quo is Not Acceptable; Reform is the Only Option

Independent TD Catherine Murphy-who had advocated a yes vote, this afternoon welcomed the democratic decision of the electorate in the Seanad referendum.

"The electorate have spoken and it is clear the Seanad will remain but despite government protestations to the contrary during the campaign the Seanad cannot be allowed to remain in its current format. Nobody can honestly claim that those who voted to retain the Seanad voted to maintain the status Quo."

"The Government have got to acknowledge the will of the people and move forward now with true reform of all the political institutions of the state. It is simply not acceptable for them to say reform is not on offer; it may not have been offered but it was certainly demanded and that demand must be met urgently if we are to build robust political institutions that are fit for purpose in twenty first century Ireland."

"We need to stop tinkering around the edges with piecemeal reform and proceed instead with wholesale changes to the political institutions of this country. We need to release the Dáil from the stranglehold of the Executive and allow it more control over its own agenda. We need the local government reform proposals to be far more radical so as to truly decentralise power to the citizens and enhance governance at a local level which would have the benefit of addressing the excessive localism that is dominant in our national politics."

Seanad Abolition is Preferable, Political Reform is Essential

Independent TDs Catherine Murphy, John Halligan and Thomas Pringle today came together to call for a Yes vote in the Seanad Referendum though all three were adamant about the need for accompanying root and branch political reform if a unicameral system is to be effective.

Speaking about his lack of trust in this government to carry out any type of reform, Thomas Pringle stated; "if this referendum is defeated it will be up to them to carry out the needed reform and we simply cannot rely on them to do it and for that reason I am reluctantly supporting a Yes vote in this campaign."

Meanwhile, John Halligan was clear in his desire to abolish the Seanad; "the existing Seanad is an indefensible waste of time and money. The Seanad is virtually powerless; it can only delay, not overturn, legislation. The last time it actually did so was almost 50 years ago."

Summing up the need for reform, Catherine Murphy highlighted the fact that in other countries where a unicameral system works best, there is a high performing system of local government.

"Real reform at local government level is required if we are to have a unicameral system that can be effective. At the very least we need to set out a timeline for evolution of local government powers and functions. It is vital that we focus our attention on the separation of the Dáil from the Executive in order to achieve true reform."

TDs Collaborate to Launch Principles for an Alternative Budget

Tommy Broughan TD, John Halligan TD, Catherine Murphy TD, Patrick Nulty TD, and Thomas Pringle TD today jointly launched a Pre-Budget document entitled "Principles for a fair and progressive approach."

The TDs say they came together in a collaborative effort to point Ireland in a different direction, away from austerity and towards an economic policy based on equality and social justice. The budget document contains three core principles: The introduction of a wealth tax, a four year jobs stimulus programme, and absolute opposition to further cuts in public spending.

Patrick Nulty TD said;

"The last seven budgets introduced by Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and Labour have hammed families on middle and lower incomes. Ordinary people have borne the brunt of a disastrous bank bailout. Our proposals are based on tax justice, tackling unemployment and addressing our un-sustainable debt. We aim to provide a sustainable alternative to austerity."

Catherine Murphy TD was eager to draw attention to the massive strain that the astronomical debt burden places on our economy;

"People talk about us having got a 'bail-out' when in reality we have had a millstone of crippling interest placed around our necks. Not only did we pay the bondholders but we also assumed responsibility for massive interest repayments. We can wrangle around with various budget adjustments but the fundamental issue remains that we must deal with the excessive burden of debt that was placed on us - a burden that continues to grow on a daily basis."

Tommy Broughan noted the growing inequality in Irish society that has resulted from the succession of austerity budgets;

"People are at their wits end entering their sixth year of cutbacks and lower incomes. The gap between the rich and poor sections of our society continues to widen as income inequality is on the rise. The Irish people deserve a new and fairer fiscal policy in Budget 2014."

Thomas Pringle TD was adamant on the need to restore confidence to citizens instead of crippling them further:

"Minister Noonan has stated in reply to a parliamentary question that to make no budget adjustments in 2014 would reduce the General Government Deficit to 5.8%. We only need a budget that will achieve a deficit reduction of 0.7% to meet the Troika Targets and ensure our exit from the bailout programme. I believe that this shows that we need to declare an end to austerity and allow citizens the respite and confidence to participate in our economy and society."

John Halligan joined in the call to open genuine dialogue on real alternatives in this budget and urged the Government to think outside of the austerity box and look at the very practical proposals contained in this document to stimulate growth and reduce the strain on Irish society.

Pyrite Remediation Scheme Must Include Industry Stakeholders

Independent TD for Kildare North Catherine Murphy today welcomed the long awaited remediation measures for those suffering with pyrite affected but expressed her dismay at the fact that industry stakeholders have essentially been let off the hook by the Ministers decision not to impose a levy on them.

"While it absolutely essential that these homes are repaired as a matter of urgency, a key issue is who should pay? €10 million in State funding is a great first step but we also need to be demanding contributions from all the stakeholders involved in this debacle. Quarry owners, the Construction Industry Federation the Irish Concrete Association and Homebond, for

example, must step up to the plate and help with the remediation measures required."

"For the Minister to forgo the levy on the industry stakeholders makes no sense, and it places a strain on the State that should in fact be shouldered by those directly involved in causing the problems that pyrite affected homeowners now face."

"Another flaw in this scheme is that it does not provide any retrospective relief for those people who have, in many instances, taken on large debts or spent their savings in order to repair their homes during what has been an excessively long process to get to this scheme today. Many people simply could not wait and now they will be excluded from any benefit of this scheme. They are doubly hit by being required to pay Property Tax on the remediated homes."

MAYNOOTH GUILD ICA NOTES

Gathering Day organised as part of Maynooth Community Harvest Festival was a great success. Many former guild members were welcomed back and had a good "catch up" We had visitors from all around the country on the day. The Federation 60th Anniversary Dinner Dance was on Oct 4th in Kilashee Hotel. 15 members attended and had a great night.

Our next project is "Federation Guild-of-the-year" competition. The theme is "Gathering and Homecoming" This covers drama, craft, baking, recycling and Litir a sscriobh abhaile tareis dul thar lar lag lorg obair
Date is Sept 23rd

A craft day will take place in Clane GAA hall on 30th Nov List of classes from craft promoter. Cost €20 with a small charge for materials on the day
Craft work nights continue each Monday at 8o'clock. Members continue to knit hats and scarves for Simon Community.

The October guild night was Auction Night. Many interesting items were "auctioned" all donated by members. Proceeds will go towards part-scholarships to An Grianan. Badminton continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the College Sports Hall at 11o'clock.

Winners of Oct guild comp:- Margaret Houlihan and Mary O Gorman. Nov comp is Smallest Jug (not a toy)

The Annual Ecumenical Service for deceased members will take place at the November meeting.

The next meeting takes place on Nov 7th at 8o'clock. New members welcome.

MAYNOOTH STUDENTS HAVE BEEN A GREAT SUPPORT TO MAYNOOTH TOWN

STUDENTS at NUI Maynooth took part in initiatives recently to raise money for charity as part of the university's students union's annual 'Give a little, Do a lot' campaign.

The campaign is more than just raising money for charity though. It is about the students giving back, not just to the local community in Maynooth, but to their own communities at home. As Msgr. Dermot Farrell, former President of St. Patrick's College Maynooth once said: "Maynooth's past has done much to shape modern Ireland. It's future has much still to contribute to the spiritual, cultural and material welfare of Ireland." It is the hope of Maynooth Students Union that the students will take something away with them to continue to shape Ireland's future.

On the Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of Fresher's week, students from NUI Maynooth were joined by Transition Year students from Maynooth Post Primary School for a town clean-up operation. Each day the students met at 8.15am outside Supermac's Maynooth where they collected their gloves and bags.

Splitting up into groups the students combed the highways and byways of Maynooth collecting cans, bottles and other rubbish discarded by revellers the night before.

Johnny Nevin, Principal of Maynooth Post Primary School was "delighted with the student's participation in such an important initiative". He added that it was "heartening to see such a positive response to this local initiative in taking responsibility for the environment and the local area".

The student's teacher, Ms Nicol Henry was delighted with the success of the event and how it "highlights the importance of creating links with the town and that it was great to see some of our students involved."

Teresa Murray, a member of the Maynooth Post Primary Parents Association and the Governing Authority of NUI Maynooth, commented on how it was "great to see students taking some civic responsibility". Ms. Murray was very proud of the "noticeable difference that the student's efforts have made to the town" over the week. She said the students were a "visible presence on the streets of the town which was greatly appreciated by the local residents". NUI Maynooth student Sean Cushen, who took part in the cleanup operation said that "this little time out of our day makes all the difference".

"Maynooth students have been a great support to Maynooth town and community" said Ms Susan Durack, PRO of Maynooth Community Council.

"Through the activities of the Maynooth Students Union (MSU), there has been regular student involvement in clean-ups in conjunction with Maynooth Tidy Towns.

"MSU is a member of the Maynooth Community Council and its current President, Ben Finnegan is keen not only to participate and help in local events but also to initiate and collaborate in new projects that would benefit the town" added Ms. Durack, "we are delighted to have the MSU as part of the MCC and we look forward to further collaboration with them"

This is a sentiment which was echoed by Mr. Frank Fitzmaurice, Director of Corporate Services, NUI Maynooth.

"I would like to congratulate everybody from the University, Maynooth Post Primary School and Maynooth Tidy Towns who were involved in the clean-up of the town" said Mr. Fitzmaurice. "Our students and staff play a very active role in the local community and this week's project is a very practical example of how the University and the town integrate effectively. "creating an environment of which we can all be proud is very important to NUI Maynooth and I commend everybody involved".

When some of the concerns from local residents were put to him, Ben Finnegan, President of Maynooth Students Union made it clear that the Union has a zero tolerance policy where students engage in inappropriate behaviour.

"As Prof. Mulkeen (Registrar, NUI Maynooth) said during orientation week, the University will co-operate fully with the gardai in all matters, that too is the position of Maynooth Student's Union" said Mr. Finnegan. "where students engage in disruptive behaviour we would ask all residents to either get in touch with the gardai or ourselves so the matter can be dealt with swiftly"

This year Maynooth Student's Union is taking a proactive attitude towards combating disruptive behaviour.

When asked as to why the Union didn't ban the sale and consumption of alcohol on Union property, Ben was very clear in his response. "We cannot allow the careless actions of a few to ruin the fun for the majority who act with due respect and concern for local townspeople" he said "Here at MSU we want to provide a venue where all students can safely and responsibly consume alcohol" continued Mr. Finnegan. "As history has shown us, you cannot solve a problem related to the excessive consumption of alcohol by outlawing it, but only by educating people as to how to consume it safely"

For more information on Maynooth Student's Union's initiatives or to report any issues you may be having Ben can be contacted by email at president@nuimsu.com or by phone on (01) 7086436. For students looking for information in relation to addiction, Aidan McNally VP Welfare can be contacted by email at welfare@nuimsu.com or by phone on (01) 7086808

By: Cathal Burke

Maynooth Golf Society

Results Sheet 2013

Moyvalley Golf Club Date 21/ 09/2013

Paddy Foy's Presidents Cup sponsored by
McMahons Bar & Lounge

1st Prize	Paul Farrelly	39pts
2nd Prize	John Thomson	38pts B9
3rd Prize	Pat Connolly	38pts
4th Prize	Niall Byrne	37pts B9
5th Prize	Terry Moore	37pts
6th Prize	Mick Flynn Jnr	37pts B9
7th Prize	Marty Maguire	37 pts B6
8th Prize	Brendan Behan	37pts
9th Prize	Darren Moran	36pts B9
10th Prize	Barry Doyle	36pts
Front 9	Dave Weafer	19pts
Back 9	John Carroll	22pts
Visitor	A Morrison	
Nearest the Pin	Mick Flynn Snr	
2's Club	Brendan Bean, A Morrison, Paul Farrelly, Mick Flynn Snr	

Next Outing : Joe Murray Cup Edenderry GC
19th October for the Joe (dodo) Murray Cup.

Maynooth Golf Society played Moyvalley Golf Club on Saturday 21st September for the Paddy Foy (memorial) Presidents Cup. This event was kindly sponsored by Mc Mahons bar & Lounge who also provided food to all the golfers and friends who attended the presentation in McMahons Bar that evening.

40 members and visitors played for the new Presidents Cup, a new cup to be added to the golf society list of trophies. The weather conditions were sunny and warm, good for golf; the scoring was good and competitive. The winner of the presidents cup was Paul Farrelly with a score of 39 points to win the cup by a single point from, in 2nd place John Thompson 38 points, 3rd place Pat Connolly 38 points, 4th place Niall Byrne 37 points. All other winners listed above. The prizes were presented by Liam Farrelly (nephew) of Paddy to all the winners in McMahons Bar. Thanks to Sean and all the staff at McMahons for their sponsorship and the food. A gracious thanks was also extended to Ted Kehoe (Kehoe's Restaurant) and Supervalu for their sponsorship for this outing.

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NEWSLETTER
19TH NOVEMBER**

THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked for many favours. This time I ask for a special one (mention here). Take it dear Heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken Heart where your father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes it will become Your favour not mine. Amen

Say this prayer for three days. Promise publication and prayer and favour will be granted, no matter how impossible.

Never known to fail.

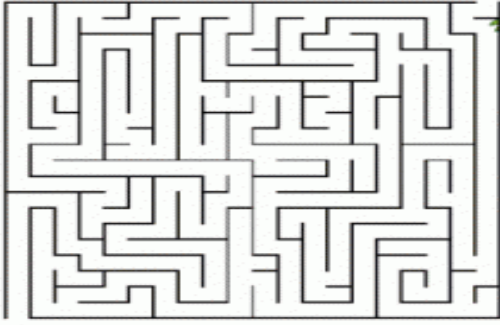
Thanksgiving for favour received.

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Help The Scarecrow

Hungry Scarecrow!

Can you help the scarecrow find his way to the pumpkin patch?



Can you solve our Wordsearch Puzzle?

Word Search



Find the 25 words listed below that are often used in connection with air pollution:

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| 1. air | 6. breathe | 11. bus | 16. car | 21. haze |
| 2. dust | 7. eyes | 12. fresh | 17. lungs | 22. nose |
| 3. oxygen | 8. pollution | 13. sick | 18. truck | 23. carpool |
| 4. particulates | 9. smoke | 14. woodstove | 19. dirty | 24. atmosphere |
| 5. inversion | 10. carbon monoxide | 15. ozone | 20. emissions | 25. environment |

McDonalds Children's Colouring Competition



Prizes:
 Free Family Meal
 From
 McDonald's, Maynooth

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Name: _____
 Age: _____
 Address: _____

 Phone No: _____

October Winners:
 Age: 3 - 5: Summer Doran, Kilcock
 Age: 6 - 7: Anna O'Flaherty, Rail Park
 Age: 8 & Over: Saoirse Reynolds, Parklands

**Prizes for Colouring Competition can be collected at:
 Maynooth Community Council Office, Unit 5, Tesco Shopping Centre.
 Entries must arrive before: 19th November 2013**

McDonald's

November Diary Planner

Irish Girl Guides

Meetings Tuesday evening in Maynooth. For further information contact Jackie on 085 1413787 or visit I.G.G. website www.irishgirlguides.ie

Community Library

Opening Times
Mondays & Fridays
2pm to 5pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays
1pm to 8pm
Wednesday 9.30am to 1pm
& 2pm to 5pm
Saturday 9.30am to 1pm

Toastmasters

Toastmasters meet on the 2nd & 4th Monday of every month in Glenroyal Hotel at 8pm. The meetings are very enjoyable but with a good learning input. They stop for tea half way through and end at 10pm. All visitors are welcome. Felicity Cuthbert PRO

I.C.A.

Monthly meetings take place every 1st Thursday of the month at 8.00pm in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour. Crafts every Monday night at 8.00pm. New members welcome

Taekwon-Do

Children's Classes for 5 years and up held every Tuesday in Presentation Girl's School, 6.30-7.30pm for Children 7.30-8.30pm for Teens/Adults
Fridays in St. Mary's Boys National School 6.30 p.m.—7.30 p.m.
For details: Contact Stephen Doyle 087 6986491

History Group

Meetings every last Thursday of the month in Maynooth Community Council Office Tesco Shopping Centre at 8.00pm. All Welcome

Bridge Club

Open for new members. If you would like to play in a friendly club with Purpose built facilities in the centre of Maynooth, please see our website at maynoothbridgeclub.com. Contact Katherine Cooney 086 8205910

Maynooth Flower & Garden Club

Christmas Demonstration in Glenroyal Hotel on Tuesday 19th November at 8.00pm

Demonstrators: Roisin Graham & Marie Laird
All Welcome

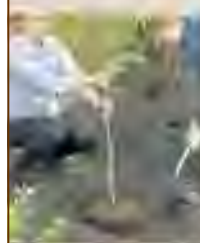
Just a reminder for new member that all meetings are held at 8pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (except where otherwise stated)
Exhibits should be staged by 7.45p
Maureen Fagan PRO

Parent & Toddler Group

Every Thursday from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.
Contact Maynooth Community Council Office 01/6285922 for venue details

If you would like your event put into The Diary please contact The Newsletter 01 6285053/01 6285922

November Gardening



As long as the ground is not waterlogged or frozen you can plant herbaceous perennials, shrubs, deciduous trees roses and fruit trees. Lily bulbs can still be planted in pots this month. Flowers that can be planted now are wallflowers, forget-me-nots, bellis, primulas and violas - not forgetting to prepare the ground first. Prune back shrub roses to stop their shallow roots from being lifted by strong winter winds. Now is the perfect time to plant soft fruits such as raspberries, gooseberries, blackberries and currants. Plant in well prepared soil enriched with plenty of compost or well rotted farmyard manure, to the same depth as they were before. Blackcurrants, however, should be planted lower than usual in the planting hole with 5cm of stem below ground level as this encourages new growth from the base of the plant.

Plant winter onion sets and garlic now. Lift and divide rhubarb if it starts producing lots of thin stems. Sow broad beans and peas. Soak the seeds in liquid seaweed to deter mice. Now is also the time to be planting trees and shrubs until Christmas so that their roots settle in. Tidy up blackberry bushes. Prune branches that have borne fruit down to soil level. New stems should be tied into place and to encourage new roots bury the cane tips in the soil. Cover an empty vegetable plot with a layer of mulch such as composted bark, leaf mould or well-rotted manure. Cut back ornamental grasses and bamboos. Less hardy perennials - do not cut back the less hardy perennials such as penstemons and hardy fuchsias more than a third - the dead stems should afford some protection for the crowns in severe weather. In colder areas, mulch with composted bark or something similar and leave cutting them back fully until they begin to shoot from the base in spring.



Remove any canes or supports that are left over from your summer crops - store them safely and in a dry place. Clear fallen leaves from lawns, ponds and flowerbeds. Raise containers off the ground to prevent water logging. Stop winter moth damage to fruit trees by using grease bands around the trunks. Keep the bands sticky and free from debris until mid April. Wash greenhouse windows and cover them with bubble wrap plastic to insulate. Spike the lawn with a fork or hollow line aerator to stop the soil becoming compacted and brush grit into the holes to improve drainage. Book your mower in for servicing - leaving it until spring just places your machine firmly at the back of a long queue! Heavy frosts may well be on the agenda this month. Either move tender plants inside or keep a supply of fleece, bubble wrap or similar to protect them from freezing conditions

Reduce your fish feeding regimen. When the temperature drops below 65 degrees, your fish needs less food as its body starts to slow down. Start feeding the fish only a few times a week. Low protein and high carbs food are ideal. Stop feeding your fish when temperatures fall below 50 degrees. Use pond balance once a month as a preventative pond care to help control string algae. It is important that you dissolve it in warm water to activate it before adding to your pond. Trim your perennial aquatic plants that will be dormant as the weather cools. Clean out the filter, the skimmer box and the pump.



A garden is a friend, you can visit anytime!



CHRISTMAS RECIPES



Harvest Fruit Loaf

Ingredients

225g/8oz Self-Raising Flour
125g/4oz Margarine (room temperature)
125g/4oz Caster Sugar
150ml/ 1/2pt Milk (less 2 Tablespoons)
2 Eggs
350g/12oz Fruit Mix
1 Level Teaspoon Mixed Spice
Walnut Halves



Method

Preheat oven to 160° C/325° F/Gas 3. Grease and base line a 900g/2lb loaf tin. Using the All-in-One method put the flour, margarine, sugar, milk, eggs, fruit and mixed spice into a mixing bowl. Beat until all ingredients are well mixed. Transfer to the prepared tin. Smooth top with back of spoon. Place the walnuts on top. Bake in the centre of the oven for about 1 to 1 1/2 hours until well risen and a knife pushed into loaf comes out clean. Remove from oven and allow to remain in tin for about 10 minutes. Turn onto a wire tray to cool. Note: If getting too brown during baking cover loaf with sheet of greaseproof paper.

Christmas Cake

Ingredients

225g/8oz Cream Plain Flour (sieved)
175g/6oz Margarine
225g/8oz Dark Brown Sugar
375g Sultanas (one packet)
375g Fruit Mix (one packet)
100g Cherries (one Tub)
100g Chopped Mixed Nuts (one packet)
100g Ground Almonds (one packet)
3 Large Eggs
Rind and Juice of one Orange
1 teaspoon Mixed Spice
2 baby bottles of Brandy



Method

Put margarine, sugar, fruit, rind, juice and one baby bottle of the brandy into a large saucepan. Slowly bring to the boil, stirring occasionally, until the margarine has melted. Turn off heat and leave to cool for approx. 30 minutes. Meanwhile pre-heat oven to 140°C/275°F/Gas 1 and line an 8"/20cm round deep cake tin with greaseproof paper. Stir the eggs, nuts and ground almonds into the fruit mixture and mix well. Finally, stir in the sieved flour and mixed spice. Spoon the mixture into the tin and smooth it out evenly – the back of a metal spoon dipped in water is handy for this! Bake for 2 1/2 – 3 hours approx. After 2 hours, cover with paper if cake is browning too quickly. To check the cake is done, insert a skewer into the centre- if it comes out clean, the cake is cooked. Make holes in top of warm cake and pour over remaining brandy. Leave cake in tin to cool completely. When cold, wrap in greaseproof paper and then tinfoil. Store in a cool dry place.

Note:

This mixture can be divided between two 900g/2lb lined loaf tins or two 15cms/6" round cake tins or a combination of both and will bake in about 1 1/2 hours at the same temperature. This is ideal for those who just want a small cake and the second cake would make a very acceptable Christmas present!

Quick Christmas Pudding

Ingredients

50g/ 2oz Self Raising Flour
125g / 4oz Brown Sugar
125g / 4oz Margarine
2 Eggs
1 teaspoon Cinnamon
1 packet (375g) Fruit Mix
1 tub (100g) Cherries
125g / 4oz Breadcrumbs
300ml / 1/2 pint Stout



Method

Beat margarine and sugar together, add the eggs and mix well. Stir in the flour and cinnamon, next add the fruit and cherries. Mix well. Finally, add the breadcrumbs and stout, stir well. Cover and allow to stand overnight. Next day, transfer to a greased 1 litre / 2 pint pudding bowl. Steam for about 6 hours.



Maynooth Town F.C. Leinster Senior League Tables & Recent Results

Leinster Senior League Major Sunday

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	St. John Bosco	7	6	1	0	24	9	15	19
2	Maynooth Town	7	5	0	2	11	4	7	15
3	Shamrock Bhoys	6	4	2	0	25	7	18	14
4	Enniskerry FC	8	4	2	2	17	13	4	14
5	Tullamore Town	8	4	2	2	14	11	3	14
6	Crumlin United FC	10	4	2	4	21	24	-3	14
7	Leicester Celtic FC	6	4	1	1	12	5	7	13
8	Hyde Park	7	2	2	3	16	21	-5	8
9	Lorcan Celtic	7	2	1	4	13	19	-6	7
10	Knocklyon UTD FC	7	2	0	5	9	21	-12	6
11	Fairview Cym	8	1	2	5	13	27	-14	5
12	Dublin City University	5	1	1	3	5	7	-2	4
13	Athy Town	4	0	1	3	4	8	-4	1
14	Mid Sutton/Schalke	6	0	1	5	11	19	-8	1

Major Sunday Results

Date	Home	Result	Away
20/10/2013	Knocklyon UTD FC	0:3	Maynooth Town
28/09/2013	Maynooth Town	1:0	Dublin City University
22/09/2013	Mid Sutton/Schalke	1:2	Maynooth Town
13/09/2013	Maynooth Town	4:1	Lorcan Celtic
05/09/2013	Tullamore Town	1:0	Maynooth Town
01/09/2013	Leicester Celtic FC	1:0	Maynooth Town
28/08/2013	Fairview Cym	0:1	Maynooth Town

Leinster Senior League Premier 1 Saturday

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Maynooth Town	7	7	0	0	20	7	13	21
2	Colepark United	5	5	0	0	24	3	21	15
3	Palmerstown FC	8	4	2	2	23	15	8	14
4	Lorcan Celtic	9	4	2	3	17	15	2	14
5	Inchicore Athletic FC	9	4	2	3	20	19	1	14
6	Booth Road Celtic	6	4	1	1	17	9	8	13
7	Ballyoulster United FC	9	3	3	3	23	19	4	12
8	Laytown United	6	2	2	2	13	10	3	8
9	Pegasus/St. James Ath	7	0	2	5	11	23	-12	2
10	Orwell FC	5	0	0	5	4	15	-11	0
11	Eblana FC	9	0	0	9	7	44	-37	0

Premier 1 Saturday Results

Date	Home	Result	Away
12/10/2013	Pegasus/St. James Ath	1:3	Maynooth Town
05/10/2013	Maynooth Town	3:1	Palmerstown FC
28/09/2013	Lorcan Celtic	0:1	Maynooth Town
14/09/2013	Orwell FC	1:2	Maynooth Town
07/09/2013	Maynooth Town	4:2	Booth Road Celtic
31/08/2013	Eblana FC	0:2	Maynooth Town
24/08/2013	Maynooth Town	5:2	Pegasus/St. James Ath

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