

Maynooth Newsletter



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Trainee Firefighter Antoine Cicco from Canet



Meeting Students at Maynooth Post Primary



Group at College



Canet Group at Maynooth Fire Station



Piera Florian & James O'Grady



L/R Brendan Kelly, Bruno Canet, Noreno Nickael & Del Rey Beatrice



Del Rey Beatrice & James O'Grady

"Maynooth Summer Festival 2014"

Thursday 28th - Sunday 31st August

Planning is Now Underway.

Contact Maynooth Community Council at maynoothcc@eircom.net if you would like to get involved in this year's Festival.



Left: Declan Kennedy (Brady's Clockhouse) and Eoin McCormack (Maynooth 1916 Centenary Committee) presents winners prize for the Maynooth 1916 art competition to Saoire Grehan (9)

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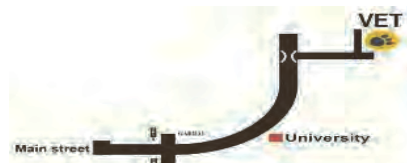
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DISEASES OF THE EAR IN DOGS & CATS

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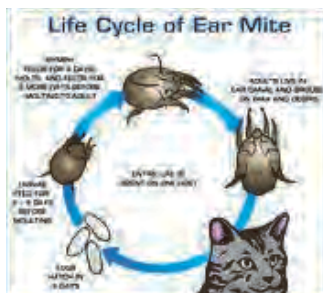
The external ear is coated with skin and when inflamed is called Otitis Externa. This area of the ear can be affected by many factors;

- extension of an existing skin problem in your dog causing over production of wax
- food allergies and auto-immune skin conditions
- bacterial and fungal infections
- swimming – causing excessive moisture in the ear
- neoplastic conditions – ear polyps
- ear mites – most prevalent in kittens but also in dogs of any age
- foreign bodies in ear eg. Grass seeds
- too much hair in ears (Poodles and Bichon Frise)
- dogs with long ears (Basset Hounds and Cocker)

If this ear condition is neglected it can progress into the middle and internal ear causing rupture of the ear drum and inner ear disease.

Symptoms

The dog can be presented shaking his head with a very red hot painful ear. It probably has been rubbing its ear on the ground or tilting its head to one side if only one ear is affected. There may be a bad odour from the ears. In some cases violent flapping of the ears may have caused a "lump" to develop. This is an aural haematoma or burst blood vessel which bleeds under the skin of the



ear due to damage caused by scratching. Infection of the inner ear can cause dogs to be in coordinated and loosing their balance with other neurological signs.

Diagnosis

Usually on first consultation diagnosis is made by clinical signs but, if condition is not responding a swab is taken from the ear and we look at the material collected under microscope for presence of bacteria, yeast and ear mites.



Treatment

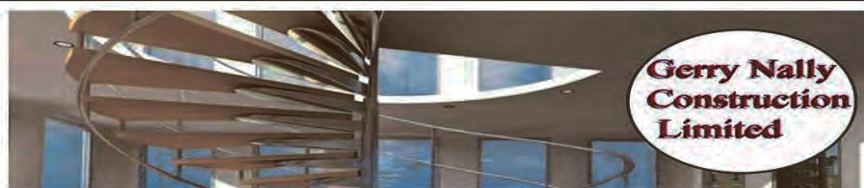
The staff at Maynooth Veterinary Clinic (01 6289467) and Clane Veterinary Clinic (045 982763), will show you how to apply the medication correctly into the ear canal of your pet. This is most important as a lot of cases do not respond for two reasons.

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Or
2. The owner is not applying the medication for the required period, which can be as long as three weeks.

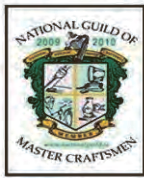
Warning

Late Summer and early Autumn is the critical time for Myxomatosis to be seen in domesticated rabbits. This is a killer disease and the only sure prevention and treatment is via vaccination now! This allows plenty of time for your pet rabbit to build up immunity to enable it to fight off this deadly virus.





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# Community Council Notes

## Maynooth Community Council Notes Tuesday 13 May 2014

Present: Andrew McMullon, Tom McMullon, Adrienne Flynn, Susan Durack, Josephine Moore, Catherine Mulready, Gabriel Martin, Richard Farrell, Henry Bauress (Leinster Leader), Naoise O Cearúil, Mieke Sanders, Keith McCrory, Paul Croghan. John Fleming, Joe Brown, Philip O'Brien representing Men's Sheds. Apologies: Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, John McGinley, Willie Sauls, Mattie Callaghan, Peter Garrard.

### Men's Sheds – Tourist Information Guide Proposal.

Prior to the order of business, the meeting was addressed by Mr. John Fleming of Men's Sheds at which he circulated a draft copy of a proposed tourist information guide that their members had drawn up. It was presented to the meeting with a view to getting it reproduced and circulated in the town. It was hoped that Maynooth Community Council might be able to aid in its reproduction and provide further help and support in getting it out to the community.

The initiative was widely welcomed by the meeting and Men's Sheds were praised for their work on this so far. It was agreed that it was extraordinary that there was no literature for tourists in the town. John Fleming thanked Maynooth Campus, Maynooth Local History Group and John Doogan in the Maynooth Community Council Office for their help. Members of Men's Sheds were also thanked for their research, layout and design. Once printed it is envisaged that the guide will be widely available both in Kildare and Dublin. It was suggested that the guide be sent to Canet-en-Rousillon when printed. It was stressed that it is at the draft stage and that it still needed the final approval of the organisation. Richard Farrell of MTT praised the work done and said that the information contained in the brochure was exactly what they might require for new display stand which Intel were sponsoring. It was noted that Maynooth was becoming known for its restaurants and eateries and that a brochure for visitors was necessary and timely. Paul Croghan PDO of MCC agreed to give any help and advice in this matter.

It was noted that the appearance of some fast food outlets on the main street took from the look of the town. The meeting was reminded that Maynooth is a student town and takeaways and fast food outlets are very popular and it was also noted that some of those businesses are very supportive of the Maynooth Festival.

Minutes of the meeting were approved. There were two matters arising:-

There has been no reply to the Bus Shelter (outside McMahon's) situation except that the panel is now completely removed.

It was suggested that a line in the middle of the road at the convent junction as cars come out from the Dunboyne road might improve the filtering of traffic turning left on to the Dublin Road. It was noted that traffic seemed to be particularly heavy in Maynooth during the week.

The Treasurer's report was read to the meeting and the need for fundraising was stressed. The Tuesday night fun Bingo in McMahons on Tuesday night could attract more people. Andrew McMullon encouraged the members to come along. Tom McMullon announced that there will be a MCC fundraising bag pack in Tesco's on the June Bank Holiday weekend (Friday night and Saturday). He encouraged all members to take part as it is essential to raise funds for the running of the MCC Office.

### Sub-committees and affiliates

**Festival** - The Maynooth Festival will take place from Friday 29 to Sunday 31 August which is the latter end of Heritage week. Representatives from the Maynooth Business Association attended the last meeting.

**Maynooth Scouts** – Paul Croghan noted that the work on the new den is almost complete. He congratulated the Scouts on their management of the project. It is hoped that the Charter School will be also be enhanced.

**Educate Together** - There will two events to raise money for books. There will be a summer fair in June and the school would encourage people from the town to attend. There will be some great raffle prizes.

**Tidy Towns** -There was a Spring clean day on 27 April. The area around the Glenroyal received attention. Some members of the Business Association helped out. Thanks were expressed to the Glenroyal for the tea and sandwiches that they provided to the volunteers on the day. The annual collection will take place 22-23 May. The collection will take place at the catholic Church Gate, Supervalu and Greenfield Supermarket. Volunteers needed. Kildare County Council has done some work on Carton Avenue and the NRA has done some work outside Carton Avenue. The information board courtesy of Intel will be erected in the third week in June. New replacement benches are now in place. Some dissatisfaction was expressed by members of the public that they were not positioned where the previous ones were placed. It was noted that the gates need to be painted.

**Senior Citizens** - There was a great turn out for the Easter Parade on 27 April with people coming from as far as Longwood and Palmerstown. The Bealtaine Tea Party will take place 3-6pm in the GAA on Sunday 18 May. There will be crochet, crafts and paintings on display.

**Maynooth Community Church** - Keith McCrory was please to be able to announce that the Church has received permission to find a permanent place. It is hoped to organise a concert on the night of St. Patrick's Day 2016.

**Visitors from Canet** - On Friday morning 9<sup>th</sup> May, 6 young people (aged 14-16) and

three adults from the Department for Youth in the Mayor's Office of Canet-en-Rousillon visited Maynooth. They visited the JPPII Library and the Russell Library in Maynooth College. They showed great interest and were very respectful and appreciative of what was organised for them. They were a credit to their town. They visited the Post Primary School. Lunched in O'Neills, visited Maynooth Fire Station where they received a very warm welcome, they visited the GAA, dined in the Avenue Restaurant and enjoy some "ceol agus craic" in the Roost. Thanks were expressed to Susan Durack who organised the tours of the library and to Tom McMullon, Adrienne Flynn, Eddie Tobin and Andrew McMullon who met and accompanied the visitors at different stages throughout the day. Thanks were expressed to Starbucks in the Library for sponsoring the Hot Chocolate drinks on arrival, to Dermot O'Neill who sponsored lunch and to the Avenue for sponsoring the evening meal. The visitors were very pleased and appreciative of the warm welcome they received in Maynooth and will certainly be making more contacts with us in the future.

### Condolences expressed to the Kearney Family

The meeting expressed its condolences to the Kearney family on the recent passing of Padraig. The chairman paid tribute to Padraig's helpfulness, respectfulness and his time and interest in people. He will be sadly missed by the people of Maynooth. Ar dheis Dé to raibh a anam dilis.

## Maynooth Library Events for June

### Parent & Toddler Storytime

**Mondays 9<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> June 10.00am – 11.00 am.**

Storytime for children aged 2- 5 years.. All welcome.

### Polish Story Time

**Every Tuesday 10.00am – 11.00am.** All welcome.

### **Ciorcal Comhrá/Irish Language Conversation Group**

**Every Tuesday 11.00am – 12.00pm**

This is an informal group for adults who would like to meet on a weekly basis to use and practise their conversational Irish. All welcome

### Science Fiction Film/ Book Club

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2:00pm (Screening & Discussion)**

Discussing *Dune* By Frank Herbert.

New members welcome contact Maynooth Library to book a place. Patrons must be over 15 to attend the screening.

### Teen Book Club

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm**

New Teen Book Club starting on Saturday 14th June to discuss "*How I Live Now*" by Meg Rosoff. Copies available to collect at Maynooth Library. Please contact us at (01) 6285530 or email [maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie).

### Library Festival Day

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Clown show with Waffles the Wonderful at 11.30am. Face-painting 2.30pm

Reptile workshop 3.45pm. Family day part of the Library

Summer Festival all are welcome but please contact Maynooth Library to book your place at (01) 6285530 or email

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# Editorial

The Community Council has decided on the dates of this year's Festival – the last weekend of August. This is designed to coincide with the yearly Heritage Week celebrated throughout the country now. This means that the Castle will be open and there will be no need to get special permission to have it opened. The events that take place there during the Festival are very popular with the public. This is in keeping with the interest that tourists have in Irish heritage in general and nearly 70% of people visiting Ireland reported that they had an interest in culture and heritage. Not the Irish dancing type of heritage but more the physical sites such as castles, Newgrange, Tara, Clonmacnoise, Monasterboice, Cruachain and the like. Many of these are under-used, under-utilized and under-advertised. In the same vein, there is renewed interest in a site in our neighbouring county of Meath, this is Tlachtga where excavations are taking place at present. The University is encouraging a growing number of international students and they are attending many classes in Early Irish, History and Cultural Heritage. They have a great interest in the sites and enjoy the field trips that are guided by reputable and highly qualified archaeologists and historians. Their families come to visit them as well and they also show a great interest in visiting many historical sites.

The Community Council hosted a very interesting visit from some Canet fire-fighters on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> May. There were 6 young people (aged 14-16) and three adults from the Department for Youth in the Mayor's Office of Canet-en-Rousillon. They were brought to visit the JPPII Library and the Russell Library in Maynooth College and this was hosted by Susan Durack (PRO, MCC). They showed great interest and were very respectful and appreciative of what was organised for them and they were a credit to their town. They visited the Post Primary School, lunched in O'Neills and then they visited Maynooth Fire Station where they received a very warm welcome. This was the highlight of the visit and we would like to express our thanks to the Fire Brigade for their hospitality during this event. Then they visited the GAA, dined in the Avenue Restaurant and enjoyed some "ceol agus craic" in the Roost. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Susan Durack, and to Tom McMullon, Adrienne Flynn, Eddie Tobin and Andrew McMullon who met and accompanied the visitors at different stages throughout the day. We would also like to express our gratitude to Starbucks in the Library for sponsoring the Hot Chocolate drinks on arrival, to Dermot O'Neill who sponsored lunch and to the Avenue for

sponsoring the evening meal. The visitors were very pleased and appreciative of the warm welcome they received in Maynooth and will certainly be making more contacts with us in the future.

The big story is of course the elections, both local and European. In Maynooth as elsewhere there was a plethora of independent candidates as well as the small parties like New Democracy, People before Profit etc. Therefore there was a very long ballot paper that could make it somewhat confusing for some. Despite that, there was a respectable turnout countrywide and in Kildare although the turnout in Ireland in general for years is quite disgraceful.

The electoral areas were new for the candidates and there were six running from the Maynooth area itself for the total of 9 seats. This split the vote in a way that did not happen in the past. For those who are interested these are some of the numbers and figures. The final breakdown of seats and percentages were as follows: Fianna Fáil did extremely well with 3 seats taking 33% of the vote, followed by Fine Gael with 2 seats and 22%, Independents took 2 seats also on 22%, Sinn Féin took 1 seat at 11% and finally there was one Labour seat with 11%. The total poll was 12,151, the valid poll was 11,949 and 202 were spoilt.

Brendan Weld (FG), Pádraig McEvoy (Ind) and Réada Cronin (SF) were elected on the first count. The schools candidate Teresa Murray polled extremely well and was elected next. It was to go to the eleventh count for Tim Durkan (FG) and Daragh Fitzpatrick (FF) to be elected. Finally John McGinley (Lab), Naoise Ó Cearúil and Paul Ward (both FF) were deemed elected without reaching the quota. This was a particular shock for the Labour candidate who has a track record as a councillor for nearly 20 years. The results also mean that there will be very little experience among these 9 members and the future of Kildare County Council will be very interesting, particularly when budgets need to be agreed. What will it mean for the future of the school(s)?

Election day is being described as 'Independence day' but it could just as well be described as *tháinig ár lá* (our day has arrived) for Sinn Féin. What does all this mean? Is this simply a temporary protest vote or is there a permanent sea-change in Irish politics? If there is a sea-change, what will this mean? Will it continue into the next general election? Economics and austerity became centre stage with the anger of the electorate showing itself in a very palpable way. The Government parties are feeling the brunt of this anger but the Labour Party is

feeling it more than Fine Gael. This is probably as a result of the promises made before the last election on education, water charges and the property tax. But what will the Independents and Sinn Féin do at local council level? If the move to Independents continues into the general election, what will such a group achieve? Is this the end of civil war politics or the end of political parties and who will be running Ireland in 2016? The present Government is now in a shaky state with the resignation of Labour Party leader Eamon Gilmore. What will Europe make of our choices? Will this affect our borrowings and their view of us in the future?

But there are other stories in this election: the Green Party is on the way back gaining some Council seats and there is little doubt that Fianna Fáil, written off by some commentators after the last general election, are definitely back. Just goes to show – people have very short memories and there are no elephants in Ireland.

The European elections are a little less volatile with the major parties in line to take seats but Luke 'Ming' Flanagan is heading to Europe. Along with votes for Sinn Féin, his vote is seen as a protest vote and to say that a vote for Sinn Féin is a vote for Ireland moving left is a fallacy. SF is hardly a left wing party; it is a party of nationalism that is already in power in the 6 counties and they are implementing policies there that they completely reject here.

As we go to print, examinations in the College will be over by the time this goes to print. But there will be new exams and we wish good luck to Junior and Leaving Certificate young people as they face their exams. Ba mhaith linn anseo gach rath a ghuí ar na daoine óga uile a bheith at tabhairt aghaidh ar a gcuid scrúdaithe i mí Meitheamh. Tuigeann muid gur tréimhse an-deacair é seo do mhic léinn agus do theaghlaigh.

We would welcome letters to the editor on any topic raised here or issues that or not. Please write or email us or drop it into the office. We need to have a name and address to verify but it will not be published if the writer wants to remain anonymous. We would be very glad of your feedback and there is not enough. Tá fáilte roimh litreacha nó ríomhphostanna le tuairimí ar na hábhair a luaitear anseo agus nithe eile nach iad. Ba mhaith linn go mbeadh ainm agus seoladh in aonacht leo ach ní gá iad seo a fhoilsiú. Is mór linn bhúr dtuairimí agus níl mórán ag teacht isteach.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin



# Know Your Rights

## Know Your Rights : Getting an ‘apostille stamp’ Question

I was born in London and I have an Irish passport. I am getting married later this year in Dublin. I have been told that I must provide a birth certificate with an apostille stamp. My Irish fiancé has not been asked to produce this certificate. Why is this?

### Answer

The Civil Registration Act 2004 requires both people getting married in the Republic of Ireland to provide evidence of their identities, civil status, age and nationality. If either person was born outside of the State, an authenticated birth certificate is required. Since you were born in the United Kingdom, you need such a birth certificate, even if you are entitled to an Irish passport.

The Hague Convention (1961) specifies how a document issued in one of the signatory countries can be authenticated or certified for legal purposes in all the other signatory states. Such a certification is called an apostille (in French this means certification). An apostille stamp is an international certification, like a notarisation in domestic law, which authenticates or legally certifies a document.

The Irish Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (including staff in Irish embassies, consulates and honorary consulates overseas) can authenticate documents for Irish-born people getting married abroad.

In the UK apostille stamps are issued by the Legalisation Office of the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO). Visit [fco.gov.uk/legalisation](http://fco.gov.uk/legalisation) to find out more about the process. You can also email [legalisationenquiries@fco.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:legalisationenquiries@fco.gsi.gov.uk) or telephone +4420 7008 5959.

## Know Your Rights : Noisy neighbours Question

I moved into a new house with my two small children six months ago. A nearby workshop makes a lot of noise and disturbs our family. What can I do about this problem?

### Answer

In situations like this you should initially approach the business causing the noise and explain that it is a nuisance and try to come to a mutually acceptable solution. If this does not work you can contact your local authority. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Act 1992 gives power to local authorities in relation to noise nuisance. This means that your local authority may serve a notice on the person in charge of the noisy business, for example, a pub, disco, garage or workshop. This notice requires the person in charge to take whatever measures are set out in the notice to prevent or limit noise.

The local authority may prosecute for failure to comply with the notice.

Another option, under the same legislation, is to take a private action through the District Court if the noise is “so loud, so continuous, so repeated, of such duration or pitch or occurring at such times” that it gives you reasonable cause for annoyance. You can get a standard form for making the complaint from your local District Court clerk and you must pay a small fee.

Before making the complaint you must inform the person or business that you will be taking them to court using a special form - [Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992 - noise form of notice which can be downloaded from courts.ie](http://www.environmentalprotectionagency.ie/noise-form-of-notice-which-can-be-downloaded-from-courts.ie). It is important that you use this form of notice only and that you complete it fully and accurately.

The District Court will call both parties together and listen to both sides. If the court finds in your favour, it can order the person or body to limit the noise, reduce the level of noise or stop the noise completely. Any orders made by the court must be complied with. A person making noise in the course of trade or business may have a defence if it can be shown that all reasonable care was taken to prevent the noise or that the noise is in accordance with a licence issued under the EPA Act.

## Know Your Rights C: The Single European Payments Area (SEPA) Question

What is the Single European Payments Area?

### Answer

The Single European Payments Area (SEPA) is a 34 country area, co-ordinated by the European Payments Council which is an institution of the EU. It comprises the 28 member states of the EU along with the three EEA countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway) and Monaco, San Marino and Switzerland.

SEPA aims to standardise the way euro-area electronic payments are processed. Under SEPA all electronic payments across the euro area (by credit card, debit card, bank transfer or direct debit) should be as easy as domestic payments within one country are now. The introduction of SEPA, among other things, allows you to set up direct debits for anywhere in the euro area and use only one bank account for the whole euro area.

The main change for consumers is the way your bank and account is identified. You now need to use a 16-digit International Bank Account Number (IBAN) and an 8-digit Business Identifier Code (BIC) to make or receive electronic payments in the euro area. You can generally find BIC and IBAN information printed on your bank account statements.

From 1 February 2014 it became mandatory to retire existing ‘national only’ payment systems in

the euro area and move all electronic payments to SEPA standards. (An additional transition period of six months to ensure minimal disruption for consumers and businesses was adopted by the European Commission. This means that payments that differ from a SEPA format can continue to be accepted until 1 August 2014.) You can visit [readyforsepa.ie](http://readyforsepa.ie) for more information.

## Know Your Rights : The Energy Engage Code Question

What is the ‘Energy Engage’ Code?

### Answer

The ‘Energy Engage Code’ is a new code of practice which aims to protect energy customers who are in financial difficulty, particularly those in arrears on their bills. It applies to five energy suppliers with effect from 1 June 2014 – these are Bord Gáis Energy, Electric Ireland, Energia, Flogas Natural Gas and SSE Airtricity.

Under the Energy Engage Code, suppliers guarantee that no customer engaging with them will be cut off. The energy suppliers will seek to identify vulnerable customers at an earlier stage. They commit to treating each customer individually and offering realistic and achievable payment plans to customers in difficulty. The Energy Engage Code will be independently audited to ensure that the participating energy suppliers are complying with it.

In addition to the new code of practice, all energy suppliers must comply with certain mandatory consumer protection standards that are set out by the Commission for Energy Regulation (CER). All suppliers are obliged to establish a register of vulnerable customers and to keep it updated. Customers listed on this register cannot be disconnected during the months November to March. A customer in arrears must be offered a payment arrangement, which can include the installation of a Pay As You Go meter, while avoiding a situation where the debt becomes worse.

“At risk” customers must be referred to MABS, The St Vincent de Paul Society or a representative of the Department of Social Protection (formerly called the Community Welfare Officer). A supplier can consider applying for a disconnection only if these measures fail, and only after at least four separate attempts to contact the customer have been made.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre below.

**Know Your Rights has been compiled by Citizens Information Service which provides a free and confidential service to the public. Information is also available online at [citizensinformation.ie](http://citizensinformation.ie) and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, 0761 07 4000.**





## ASK SHARON THE STYLIST!!

**“I'm actually more confident when I'm tanned.” Sanina Shaik - Model from Australia.**

**Question: “How do I apply a fake tan at home without getting loads of streaks?”**

**FACT:** Lately we've been hearing lots of horror stories about skin cancer from using sun beds or from not using an appropriate sunscreen when out in the sun or sometimes even nothing at all. Summer is here and the safest thing to do is slowing build up your colour. Have you ever heard of 'Fake it till you make it' well getting an all over even glow doesn't mean you have to go on sun beds or wait for your summer holiday. If you want skin that looks like it's been kissed by the sun, just follow these simple steps and remember a bad tan job will fade, but the pictures will last forever.

### **Fake Tanning-the rules**

**Exfoliate:** You need to exfoliate that dead skin. Focus on rough areas like knees, elbows and ankles.

**De-fuzz:** A faux glow is all about preparation. Wax 48 hours beforehand/shave 24 hours before you apply tan.

**Moisturise:** Dry skin is a major no no. Thirsty for moisture it will suck in self tan and leave you with dark patches. Allow the skin to absorb the moisturiser before you smooth on your tan.

**Vaseline:** Rub a small amount of Vaseline on your eyebrows and Fingers to avoid discolouration.

**Nails:** To prevent destroying your manicure and toenails, use a cleansing wipe to prevent them turning brown.

**The right one for your skin:** Fair skin can opt for a light to medium and olive tones can opt for darker tan

**Be Patient:** With a Tanning Mitt or Latex gloves apply the tan in circular motions. Start at your ankles and work your way up following the manufactures instructions.

**Tan at night:** The perfect thing to do is apply just before bed as you can refrain from activities that will make you sweat also avoid showering for 6-8 hours after application.

**What to do when it goes wrong:** We've all had a tanning nightmare so whether you've made one arm three shades darker than the other or your tan is a streaky mess don't panic -there are always ways to fix it. As soon as possible have a hot shower, to speed up the process add a few squeezes of lemon into your shower gel. Lemon juice and oil make your tan fade faster and if you soak the mitt in lemon juice the acidity will break up the colour. Whitening tooth paste on your hands and in between fingers can reduce stains as the acetone in it helps fade the tan.

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## Maynooth Golf Society

Results Sheet 2014

|                 |                       |          |
|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|
| 1st Prize       | Eamon Murphy          | 74pts    |
| 2nd Prize       | Mick Fahey            | 68pts    |
| 3rd Prize       | John Byrne            | 64pts    |
| 4th Prize       | Tom Coffey            | 64pts B9 |
| 5th Prize       | Gerry McTernan        | 62pts B9 |
| 6th Prize       | David Weafer          | 62pts    |
| Front 9 day 1   | Declan Byrne          | 21pts    |
| Back 9 day 1    | John Murray           | 18pts    |
| Front 9 day 2   | Pat Carr              | 18pts    |
| Back 9 day 2    | Ken Donnelly          | 17pts    |
| Nearest the Pin | Prionnsias Breathnach |          |
| Visitor         | Cha Farrelly          |          |

Hole in One Declan Byrne 13th Hole Dungarvan GC

Weekend away Gold Coast Golf Club 23/05/2014

Dungarvan Golf Club 24/05/2014

Christy Kenny Cup

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Maynooth Golf Society's annual weekend away this year was to Dungarvan playing Gold Coast Golf Club on Friday 23th May and Dungarvan Golf Club on 24th May for the Christy Kenny Cup.

Eamon Murphy was victorious with a fantastic combined score of 74 points (37 points in the Gold Coast and 37 points in Dungarvan) Mick Fahey was second with 68 points, a great second day score of 38 points to pip John Byrne into 3rd place 64 points, closely followed by Tom Coffey also on 64 points. Shot of the weekend has to go to Declan Byrne for his hole in one on the 13th hole in Dungarvan, well done Declan. 20 members played on the weekend away. All other prize winners are listed on the results sheet.

The prizes were presented by Captain Gerry McTernan at our Sunday morning gathering in the Park Hotel, our sponsors Tess, Sandra and Janet Kenny were thanked for their continued support of the golf society's annual weekend away for the Christy Kenny Cup. All members who played were thanked for their support of the Weekend away; Dave Weafer was thanked for his hard work in making the weekend away a great success.

**Next outing : Naas Friday 20th June 3pm**

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Further details, contact Maureen 0872258020; Joseph: 0868221589.  
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On the iPhone, go to your phone settings, click on the Facebook icon, click on Settings and select "auto play on wifi only".

On the desktop, go into the triangle on the top right of your Facebook page, click on Settings, select Videos at the bottom, and move the slider to "Off".

On the Android, go into the Facebook App settings and follow the same steps as above.

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## June Gardening

Long summer days and dry weather are upon us so keep on top of the weeding. Pull them as soon as they appear. Be water-wise, especially in drought - affected areas. Cut the lawn at least once a week. Check containers and hanging baskets for water. Be careful not to let them dry out. Another task is deadheading. Remove spent flowers and feed with liquid feed every two to four weeks. Deadheading focuses energy from producing seed into producing flowers. Don't forget to keep clearing the paths and footpaths off moss and weeds.



Ensure trees and shrubs have a circle of clear earth around them - must be kept clear so that essential moisture is getting to the roots. Keep spraying roses with fungicide against black spot and mildew. Do this in the evening time to plant out summer bedding and make sure that they are well watered in and keep moist during the dry weather. If the threat of frost has passed plant out dahlias. Its not too late to sow a few fast growing, late-flowering annuals directly into the ground. Try calendula, godetia and clarkia.

Winter bedding plants can be sown from May until July. Trim spreading and trailing plants after flowering as this encourages fresh growth and new flowers. Oriental poppies after flowering should be cut right back to ground level as this will stimulate growth. Don't forget to feed them also. Pinch out leading shoots on plants such as chrysanthemum and helianthus which will encourage bushy plants. Divide hostas as they start to grow. Divide primula after flowering, you can plant them in a back bed until its time for planting again in the Autumn. Or you can leave them where they are. Lift and divide overcrowded clumps of bulbs when they have finished flowering.



Pinch out sideshoots on tomatoes. Harvest lettuce, radish, other salads and early potatoes. Keep all fruit well watered during dry spells. Surround your strawberry plants with straw as this will keep the fruit off the ground. This will also prevent the spread of botrytis. Protect fruit trees, currant bushes and gooseberries with netting from birds. Gooseberry sawfly is another thing to watch out - when you see caterpillars; pick them off as soon as you see them. Many vegetables can be sown as seed this month such as carrots, spinach, salad leaves, spring onions, leeks and chard. **TIP** - sow salads in short runs every two weeks to ensure that you have a continuous growth over the summer. Earth up potatoes again - this stops sunlight getting to the tubers as turns them green and poisonous.

You can start to put in new fish stock in ponds and feeding when the water is warm. Don't leave fish sitting in plastic bags full of water - put them in the pond as soon as possible so their oxygen doesn't run out. Important - to float the bags in the pond for at least ten minutes to allow the water temperatures to equalise. Avoid introducing goldfish into a wildlife pond - this will upset the pond's natural balance.



*If you have time to read this, then you have time to weed!*

## STRAWBERRY BLISS

### Fresh Strawberry Upside Down Cake

serves 12

#### Ingredients

2 cups crushed fresh strawberries  
3 cups of miniature marshmallows  
1 packet (6 oz) strawberry flavoured gelatine mix  
1 packet (18 oz) yellow cake mix



#### Method

Preheat an oven to 350° F (175° C) Spread crushed strawberries on the bottom of a 9x13 inch baking pan. Evenly sprinkle strawberries with the dry gelatine powder and top with mini marshmallows.

Prepare the cake mix as directed on the packet and pour on top of the marshmallows. Bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the centre comes out clean, about 40-50 mins. Run a knife around the pan to loosen the sides, and turn the cake out onto a serving tray. Store cake in fridge.

### Strawberry Marshmallow Mousse

serves 4

#### Ingredients

250g fresh strawberries, halved if large  
25g caster sugar  
140g mini marshmallows  
200ml double cream



#### Method

Put all but 2 strawberries into a pan along with 100ml of water and the sugar. Over a medium heat, cook strawberries until soft enough to mash, about 3 mins. Take off the heat and squash the berries, using a fork, until pulpy. Add the marshmallows, then stir them into the hot strawberries until they dissolve. Leave to cool.

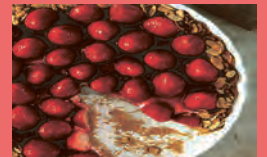
Whip the cream until it holds its shape. Fold the cream into the cooled strawberry mix, then spoon into one bowl or separate pots and chill for about 2 hours, or until set. Cut the reserved strawberries in half and use to decorate.

### Strawberry Almond Cream Tart

serves 10

#### Ingredients

36 digestive biscuits  
2 tbsp sugar  
2 tbsp butter, melted  
4 tsp water  
Cooking spray  
½ tsp vanilla extract  
¼ tsp almond extract  
2/3 cup (5oz) cream cheese  
¼ cup sugar  
6 cups small strawberries and halved  
2/3 cup sugar  
1 tbsp cornstarch  
1 tbsp fresh lemon juice  
2 tbsp sliced almonds, toasted



#### Method

Preheat oven to 350°c. place crackers in a food processor until crumbly. Add 2 tbsp sugar, butter and 4 tsp of water, pulse just until moist. Place mixture in a 9 inch round tin lightly coated with cooking spray. Pressing into the bottom. Bake for 10 mins or until lightly browned. Cool completely on a wire track. Combine cream cheese, ¼ cup sugar and extracts in a bowl, stir until smooth. Spread cream cheese evenly over tart. Place 2 cups strawberries in mixer and process until smooth. Put mixture in a pot with 2/3 cup of sugar and cornstarch over a medium heat and stir with a whisk. Bring to boil -stirring constantly. Reduce heat to low and cook for 1 min. remove glaze from heat. Cool to room temperature, stirring occasionally.

Combine the remaining 4 cups strawberries and juice, toss to coat. Arrange berries, bottoms up, in a circular pattern over filling. Spoon half of glaze evenly over berries. Sprinkle nuts around edge. Cover and chill for 3 hours.



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### Benefits of Water-Based Activity For Adults:

- **Pain Management & Recovery:** The pool provides an ideal place to work stiff [muscles](#) and sore joints, especially if you are recovering from an injury or suffer from arthritis. If the pool is heated, so much the better, as the warm water can help loosen stiff joints. In fact, people with rheumatoid arthritis receive greater benefits to their health after participating in hydrotherapy than with other activities.
- **Toning Up:** Swimming is a great way to increase muscular strength and tone. Pushing against the water, every kick and every arm stroke becomes a resistance exercise -- and it's well known that resistance exercises are the best way to build muscle tone and strength.
- **Healthier Heart:** Because swimming is an aerobic exercise, it serves to strengthen the heart making it more efficient in pumping -- which leads to better blood flow throughout your body.
- **Weight Control:** Swimming is now recognized as one of the biggest calorie burners around, and it's great for keeping weight under control.
- **Stretching:** People find it easier to stretch in water as the support of the water aids balance.

### Benefits of Water-Based Activities For Children:

- Water activities are highly challenging and fun.
- They increase self-esteem and reduce anxiety and stress
- The water resistance helps burn fat and build muscle tone with less effort.
- Water activities can correct and prevent childhood obesity, one of the major causes of illness in both children and adults
- Water activities also enhance hand/eye and large muscle coordination

### Getting Started:

**Walking in Water:** If you're just starting out in the water, the best way to begin is to just walk up and down the pool slowly with the aid of floats or a woggle. This will build up your water confidence and walking against the resistance of the water will help strengthen your muscles.

**Swimming Lessons:** If you are fairly confident in the water, the next step is to learn how to swim. The Glenroyal Leisure Club have Adult Swimming Lessons on Wednesday evenings which run for terms of 8 weeks and we have both beginner and intermediate levels.

**Aqua-Based Classes:** At the Glenroyal Leisure Club, we have Aqua Fit classes Monday to Friday and Aqua Zumba twice a week. Water-based classes are a fun way to work-out to upbeat music using the water as your resistance. Non-members are welcome.

**Swim Camps for Children:** During the Summer months, we run children's swim camps. This is a week-long intensive swim course taught in a fun and exciting way. It's great for building the child's water confidence and progressing their swimming ability.

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# MAYNOOTH 10K 2014



## In Pictures

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The Lads from Target Fit who made sure everyone was properly warmed up at the Start



Teachers and Staff from Maynooth Post Primary School pose with D J Carey before the start.



DJ Steve controls the sound during the warm-up at the start.



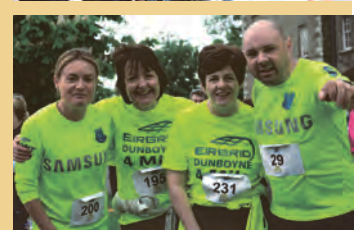
Chairperson of the MPPS PTA, Teresa Murray, Honorary starter and legendary Killkenny hurler, D J Carey and 10k organising committee chairperson, Nuala Forde just before the start.



Some of our volunteer stewards get ready to take up their positions.



Johnny Nevin, Principal, Maynooth Post Primary School with D J Carey at the start



The annual Maynooth 10k took place on Sunday 18th May. The dry, cool, calm conditions were perfect and over 600 participants took part in what was another well-organised and successful event.

This year we were joined by the KFM outside broadcast unit and a course car. Regular updates were broadcast "live" from these as part of the Sunday morning programme.

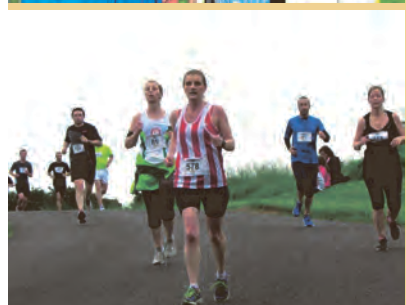
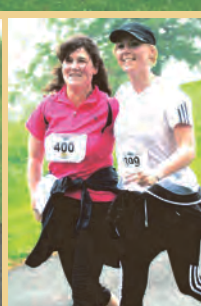
The event is organised by the Maynooth Post Primary PTA and funds raised go towards the development of playing fields and a running track to be used jointly by the Maynooth Post Primary School and Maynooth GAA.

Our deep appreciation goes to all of our volunteers, committee members, advertisers and sponsors without whom the event wouldn't be the success that it is. Particular mention must go to Carton House Hotel, National University of Ireland, Maynooth, Kildare FM, Pearls Specialist Dental and McDonalds for their continued support.

We also take this opportunity to congratulate McDonalds on five years in Maynooth and thank them for their enthusiastic support and help with the 10k since its inception.

These pages show a few of the many images of the event. For more see our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/Maynooth 10k 2014](http://www.facebook.com/Maynooth%2010k%202014)) or search on Flickr. Pictures: Mark Colfer, Rory O'Connor & John Boyd





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## Only The Beginning For Young Local Mum Of Two Pamela



*Before her dramatic weight loss*

Pamela (28) from Maynooth is happily married to Martin and is a mum of two little girls, Leah 8 and baby Lexi, 8 months. Pamela's weight has been making her feel low for a long time and she thought it was something she would have to struggle with for the rest of her life. When her aunt suggested they join Slimming World together, Pamela took the first step on her weight loss journey. "My family and friends are wonderful and hugely supportive especially my little girls. Every Tuesday when I come home from group in the football club I'm asked.. how did u do mammy.., when I tell them they say WOW that's fantastic. All my new Slimming World friends have been amazing, so much positivity comes from the group and the support is overwhelming. Everybody thinks I'm doing fantastic even the neighbors are commenting which does give me a great boost".

Pamela's husband who she describes as being on the "skinny side" can't believe the food that she can eat and most of the time he will have the same dinners as her, "we love pizzas but, my personal favorite is pasta bake, we can even still enjoy our Chinese, Slimming World is not a diet and you are never hungry" giggles Pamela. "This time last year a walk around the block would take me 60 minutes and several puffs of my asthma inhaler, but now after losing almost 4 Stone I can do it in 30 minutes and not be effected" beams Pamela. She added " I feel so much healthier it is just incredible, my BMI has dropped right down, I'm just amazed with how my Slimming World friends and my consultant Karen are changing my life, and for the first time ever I know I will hit my target and my goals" Pamela admits to

being quite a shy person and agreeing to do a story like this is something she never thought she would do. But she feels if one person is encouraged to join Slimming world after reading her story then it's worth it" Pamela Says "I can't thank Slimming World enough, my experience so far has been amazing, my consultant Karen is wonderful and the encouragement she gives to all her members every week is fantastic. The future is bright for me and my beautiful family".

Pamela attends Slimming World Maynooth with Karen Delahan-Maher in the Maynooth Town Football Club every Tuesday. Class are at 5.30 and 7.30 and new members are always welcome.

*Karen Delahan-Maher - Slimming World Maynooth.*



*After Pamela (in blue dress) with Karen Delahan-Maher*

## Maynooth Tidy Towns Notes

At time of writing our Annual Collection is taking place. Thanks to all who volunteered from Maynooth Flower and Garden Club, U3A, Men's Shed, committee members and MTT volunteers who helped and to all members of the community who generously contributed. Bug Hotel on Joan Slade River has now been completed and is open for business.

National Tidy Towns Application entry has been sent to Dept. of Environment in Sligo. Judging starts on 1<sup>st</sup> June to 31<sup>st</sup> August we ask all members of the community to keep Maynooth clean and tidy. Residents Associations please keep your estates and public areas near you litter free and tidy.

Thanks to all the Election Candidates who refrained from putting posters in the Main Street, as we feel this greatly enhanced Maynooth during the judging of "Ireland's Best Kept Towns" competition during the month of May.

If you can help in any way please contact on 087 3153189

Richard Farrell

PRO Maynooth Tidy Towns

Photo Above right: "The Bug Hotel" on the banks of the Joan Slade River in Parson's Street



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## LSL Premier Division 1 Saturday Table

| #  | Team                  | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | GD  | Pts |
|----|-----------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1  | Colepark United       | 20 | 17 | 2 | 1  | 66 | 15 | 51  | 53  |
| 2  | <b>Maynooth Town</b>  | 20 | 16 | 1 | 3  | 56 | 22 | 34  | 49  |
| 3  | Booth Road Celtic     | 20 | 14 | 3 | 3  | 57 | 30 | 27  | 45  |
| 4  | Laytown United        | 20 | 10 | 5 | 5  | 47 | 31 | 16  | 35  |
| 5  | Inchicore Athletic FC | 20 | 9  | 2 | 9  | 52 | 55 | -3  | 29  |
| 6  | Ballyoulster United   | 20 | 6  | 6 | 8  | 41 | 46 | -5  | 24  |
| 7  | Lorcan Celtic         | 20 | 6  | 2 | 12 | 36 | 48 | -12 | 20  |
| 8  | Pegasus/St James Ath  | 20 | 5  | 4 | 11 | 34 | 51 | -17 | 19  |
| 9  | Palmerstown FC        | 20 | 5  | 3 | 12 | 41 | 45 | -4  | 18  |
| 10 | Eblana FC             | 20 | 4  | 0 | 16 | 30 | 85 | -55 | 12  |
| 11 | Orwell FC             | 20 | 3  | 2 | 15 | 30 | 62 | -32 | 11  |

## LSL Major Division Sunday Table

| #  | Team                   | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | GD  | Pts |
|----|------------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1  | St. John Bosco         | 25 | 18 | 4 | 3  | 75 | 28 | 47  | 58  |
| 2  | Shamrock Bhoys         | 26 | 17 | 5 | 4  | 84 | 29 | 55  | 56  |
| 3  | Maynooth Town          | 25 | 16 | 3 | 6  | 57 | 25 | 32  | 51  |
| 4  | Leicester Celtic FC    | 26 | 15 | 3 | 8  | 66 | 43 | 23  | 48  |
| 5  | Hyde Park              | 25 | 11 | 8 | 6  | 57 | 49 | 8   | 41  |
| 6  | Enniskerry YC          | 25 | 12 | 3 | 10 | 46 | 53 | -7  | 39  |
| 7  | Tullamore Town         | 25 | 11 | 5 | 9  | 44 | 45 | -1  | 38  |
| 8  | Knocklyon UTD FC       | 23 | 9  | 6 | 8  | 46 | 54 | -8  | 33  |
| 9  | Lorcan Celtic          | 25 | 8  | 3 | 14 | 34 | 47 | -13 | 27  |
| 10 | Fairview Cym           | 26 | 8  | 3 | 15 | 48 | 65 | -17 | 27  |
| 11 | Crumlin United FC      | 26 | 8  | 3 | 15 | 52 | 72 | -20 | 27  |
| 12 | Mid Sutton/Schalke     | 24 | 7  | 4 | 13 | 41 | 56 | -15 | 25  |
| 13 | Athy Town              | 24 | 5  | 2 | 17 | 29 | 68 | -39 | 17  |
| 14 | Dublin City University | 25 | 2  | 4 | 19 | 19 | 64 | -45 | 10  |

## Maynooth Town FC Lotto Results 2014

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| W/End  | Numbers     | Jackpot | 3 x €35 Winners                                        |
|--------|-------------|---------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 05-Jan | 1,14,17,27  | €2,400  | Paul Keogh - Daniel Hever - Dave Keegan                |
| 12-Jan | 18,19,21,26 | €2,450  | David Mc Cormack - Emer Darcy - Anne Naughton          |
| 19-Jan | 2,17,22,23  | €2,500  | Mary Murray - Slim - Mick Mc Govern                    |
| 26-Jan | 6,8,9,19    | €2,550  | Niall Cronolly - John Hanrahan - Emma Gallagher        |
| 02-Feb | 6,11,19,27  | €2,600  | Joan Carroll - Conor Strickland - Noel Dempsey         |
| 09-Feb | 7,15,21,23  | €2,650  | Elaine & Suzanne - Pauline Mc Avinue - Richard Tighe   |
| 16-Feb | 11,15,16,18 | €2,700  | Stephen Finnegan - Jill Judge - Nigel O Shea           |
| 23-Feb | 9,24,25,28  | €2,750  | Gerry Reilly - John Sauls - Dave Vavasour              |
| 02-Mar | 15,16,21,25 | €2,800  | Ailbhe Quinn - Gina Folan - Katie Neville              |
| 09-Mar | 7,14,17,21  | €2,850  | Aileen Gleeson - Fiona Healy - Pat Power               |
| 16-Mar | 1,10,14,28  | €2,900  | Mike Coyne - Tony Clifford - Anthony Casey             |
| 23-Mar | 13,22,25,27 | €2,950  | Ambrose O'Brien - John O Shea - Dan Bradley            |
| 30-Mar | 16,23,25,28 | €3,000  | Sam Feeney - TJ Byrne - Anne Wall                      |
| 06-Apr | 15,18,23,28 | €3,050  | Ciaran Flanagan - Mick O' Sullivan - Suzanne Farrelly  |
| 13-Apr | 4,8,27,28   | €3,100  | Kieran O Connor - Caroline Mc Cabe - Paul Coyle        |
| 20-Apr | 10,13,17,28 | €3,150  | Ann Cribben - Tony Byrne - Isabel & Sofie              |
| 27-Apr | 8,15,20,23  | €3,200  | John O Shea - Ciaran Gillespie - Conor & Stephen Sauls |
| 04-May | 3,9,17,19   | €3,250  | Mag Sullivan - Jim's Shoe Repair - Paul Keogh          |
| 11-May | 3,14,17,20  | €3,300  | Gina Folan - Declan Burke - John Mc Ginley             |
| 18-May | 3,8,22,28   | €3,350  | Marguerite O'Donnell - Mark Mularski - Liam Walsh      |

## Both Maynooth Leinster Senior's League Teams Gain Promotion

Both of Maynooth's LSL team's gained promotion for the second year running. The Saturday team will play in LSL Premier Saturday with the Sunday team gaining promotion to the Senior Section of the LSL and will be playing in Senior Sunday 1B. Congratulations to the management and squads of both teams on an excellent season. Thanks to Brady's Clockhouse for their continued sponsorship of both teams and to Noones for their sponsorship also. The management of both teams would like to thank their supporters for loyal support throughout a long season.

## LSL Major Division Sunday Results

| Date       | Home                   | Result | Away                   |
|------------|------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| 18/05/2014 | Shamrock Bhoys         | 2:4    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 10/05/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 1:1    | St. John Bosco         |
| 06/05/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 4:1    | Crumlin United FC      |
| 02/05/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 2:2    | Hyde Park              |
| 29/04/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:0    | Tullamore Town         |
| 26/04/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 2:3    | Leicester Celtic FC    |
| 22/04/2014 | Enniskerry YC          | 0:4    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 19/04/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 5:0    | Mid Sutton/Schalke     |
| 17/04/2014 | Dublin City University | 1:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 08/04/2014 | Athy Town              | 0:6    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 30/03/2014 | Hyde Park              | 2:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 21/03/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:0    | Enniskerry YC          |
| 07/03/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 1:0    | Shamrock Bhoys         |
| 02/03/2014 | Lorcan Celtic          | 0:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 21/02/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:2    | Fairview Cym           |
| 13/02/2014 | St. John Bosco         | 3:0    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 07/02/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 5:0    | Athy Town              |
| 05/01/2014 | Crumlin United FC      | 4:0    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 20/10/2013 | Knocklyon UTD FC       | 0:3    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 28/09/2013 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 1:0    | Dublin City University |
| 22/09/2013 | Mid Sutton/Schalke     | 1:2    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 13/09/2013 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 4:1    | Lorcan Celtic          |
| 05/09/2013 | Tullamore Town         | 1:0    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 01/09/2013 | Leicester Celtic FC    | 1:0    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 28/08/2013 | Fairview Cym           | 0:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 27/05/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | TBC    | Knocklyon UTD FC       |

## LSL Premier Division 1 Saturday Results

| Date       | Home                   | Result | Away                   |
|------------|------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| 10/05/2014 | Colepark United        | 1:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 01/05/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 1:0    | Ballyoulster United FC |
| 28/04/2014 | Palmerstown FC         | 1:2    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 12/04/2014 | Laytown United         | 2:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 05/04/2014 | Booth Road Celtic      | 2:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 29/03/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 5:2    | Inchicore Athletic FC  |
| 22/03/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 9:0    | Eblana FC              |
| 01/03/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 0:1    | Colepark United        |
| 01/02/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:0    | Lorcan Celtic          |
| 18/01/2014 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:1    | Laytown United         |
| 07/12/2013 | Ballyoulster United FC | 2:4    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 09/11/2013 | Inchicore Athletic FC  | 2:3    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 02/11/2013 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:1    | Orwell FC              |
| 12/10/2013 | Pegasus/St. James Ath  | 1:3    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 05/10/2013 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 3:1    | Palmerstown FC         |
| 28/09/2013 | Lorcan Celtic          | 0:1    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 14/09/2013 | Orwell FC              | 1:2    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 07/09/2013 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 4:2    | Booth Road Celtic      |
| 31/08/2013 | Eblana FC              | 0:2    | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   |
| 24/08/2013 | <b>Maynooth Town</b>   | 5:2    | Pegasus/St. James Ath  |



Maynooth Town Football Club would like to congratulate Mc Donald's Restaurant on their 5th Anniversary in business in Maynooth. Mc Donald's have been a major sponsor of the Club in the past including sponsorship of the Maynooth Town Academy. We wish them continued success and look forward to working with them into the future to improve the recreational facilities for the youth of Maynooth.





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Enjoying the sunshine on the new seats in Maynooth in front of Carton Avenue are L\R Niamh Wickham, Cassie Collins, Aine Gibbons and David Cahill, they are part of the ICE (Integrated Community Experience) on the Moyglare Road

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## Update on Planning for the Two New Post Primary Schools

The Planning Section of Kildare County Council have sought Clarification of Further Information from the Kildare & Wicklow Education & Training Board (previously the VEC) on 22 April 2014. The Council say that the Planning Application is not in accordance with the County Development Plan or the Maynooth Local Area Plan.

The Council make the following points:

- Traffic signals are required at the junction of the Moyglare Road/Moyglare Hall Road.
- Who will undertake maintenance on the private Moyglare Hall Road?
- Cycle tracks are required on the Moyglare Road.
- Confirmation from Dublin Bus that they will extend their service to the schools

A response to these questions must be with the Council before 21 June 2014.

## Funding Allocated for Surfacing of Mill Street, Maynooth

Cllr. John McGinley has been advised by the Area Engineer that €84,000 has been allocated for re-surfacing of Mill Street, Maynooth. This much needed improvement to the roads in central Maynooth follows on from the re-surfacing of Main Street, Parson Street and Leinster Street last year.

Also, €54,000 has been allocated for "Restoration Improvement Works" on the R148 at Carton this year and €20,000 has been allocated for "Safety Approved Schemes" on the R148 at Laraghbryan.

## Cllr. McGinley Calls for Beaufield Gardens to be Taken in Charge by the Council

Cllr. McGinley sent the following E mail to the Council Planners on 25 April:

"Beaufield Estate is all taken in charge except Beaufield Gardens. The Council have considered Beaufield Gardens to be part of Meadowbrook Estate because it was constructed by the same developer as the latter. It does not make any sense as Beaufield Gardens is an integral part of Beaufield.

The residents of Beaufield Gardens collected signatures a year and a half ago to get it taken in charge through the petition route. However, up until now the Council are saying that they have to await signatures from all of Meadowbrook Estate. As this exercise could take some time I'm asking that you now proceed with the taking in charge of Beaufield Gardens as you have the signatures and there are only 32 houses."

## Cllr. McGinley Calls for Improved Public Lighting at Straffan Road/Celbridge Road Junction

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the public lighting at the Straffan

Road/Celbridge Road Junction in Maynooth be improved in order to compensate for the closure of Maxol and their floodlights."

John got the following reply from the Area Engineer: "Kildare County Council public lighting section will carry out a night time visit to the location and identify if there is an issue and report back to the Committee." John stated that there is no need for Council Officials to make a night visit as there is no public light on the Clebridge Road from the Straffan Road up to house number 2 in Laurence Avenue, a distance of about 500m. John said that the provision of a double light on Pole 15 at Rail Park Estate would improve matters and at very little cost

## Cllr. McGinley Calls for Safety Measures at Laurence Avenue/Celbridge Road Junction

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That safety improvements be carried out to the Laurence Avenue/Celbridge Road Junction in order to make it less dangerous for traffic exiting from Laurence Avenue."

John got the following reply from the Area Engineer:

"There are sightline issues at this junction which can only be addressed by the removal of the beech hedge and post and rail fencing. We can discuss this issue with the Residents' Association."

## Cllr. McGinley Asks for Road & Footpath Repairs in Leinster Park

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the road surface and footpaths in Leinster Park, Maynooth be brought up to an acceptable standard now that the estate has been taken in charge."

John got the following reply from the Area Engineer:

"We have made contact with some residents in Leinster Park to see if they would be interested in submitting an application for funding to repair the roads and footpaths in the estate as part of the community involvement scheme."

## Cllr. McGinley Calls for Safety Measures in Old Greenfield

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"Can the council erect stop signs at the junctions in Old Greenfield, Maynooth and can repairs be carried out to the footpaths where necessary?"

John got the following reply from the Area Engineer:

"We identified four locations in Old Greenfield which would benefit from the erection of stop signs."

## Cllr. McGinley Seeks Explanation for Delay in Taking Estates in Charge

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"What are the additional issues that have to be overcome in relation to Section 180 and the taking in charge process now that Irish Water has come into being?"

John got the following reply from the Planners:

"Section 59(f) of the planning and development (Amendment) Act 2010 amended Section 180 of the planning and development Act 2000 and states that a planning authority shall not take in charge any sewers, water mains or service connections, but shall request the relevant water services authority to do so. Since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 the relevant water services authority is Irish Water. The council has been informed that Irish Water is working on a protocol for taking in charge of Irish Water infrastructure."

John pointed out that Minister Jan O'Sullivan made the following statement in the Dail:

**"From 1 January 2014, local authorities should continue with the existing taking in charge process under the planning legislation but engage with Irish Water in relation to water services infrastructure such as water mains, water connections and sewers which will subsequently be transferred to Irish Water by Ministerial Order. Contrary to certain misunderstandings that may exist, there is no specific legal impediment to the taking in charge of water services infrastructure by local authorities"**

## Cllr. McGinley Demands Action on Burnt out House in Old Greenfield

Cllr. McGinley submitted the following motion for the consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"What progress has been made in getting the burnt out house in Old Greenfield demolished and the site cleared"

John got the following useless reply from the Planners:

"The Council does not own any burnt out premises at Old Greenfield, Maynooth however the matter will be investigated to determine the most appropriate course of action."

John pointed out that the issue was raised at the January Area meeting of the Council and that it is incredible that Officials have forgotten about it already. He again stated that it is a private house and not a Council house and that the Council should demolish the house, clear the site and send the Bill to the owners (probably some bank)

*John is also on Facebook*



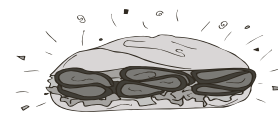


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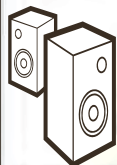
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## **Dáil told that Homelessness Crisis continues to Deepen Numbers on waiting list could fill Croke Park for three consecutive nights.**

Independent TD Catherine Murphy yet again drew the Dáil's attention to the current housing and homelessness crisis and urged the Taoiseach to consider what this Government's bottom line is in relation to Citizen's welfare.

Speaking during Leaders Questions, Deputy Murphy asked the Taoiseach to consider the plight of families with children being forced into emergency hotel and B&B accommodation or asking friends and families if they can sleep on their couch.

"We all know how difficult the economic situation is but surely the Government has a bottom line beyond which citizens, many of whom are children, will not be allowed to fall and surely, in 2014, the right to shelter must be that bottom line."

Referencing the difficulties that will be faced by authorities in sourcing emergency hotel and B&B accommodation during upcoming high profile events in the capital, Deputy Murphy said;

"Ironically, we could fill Croke Park on three consecutive nights with numbers of people on the housing lists and that is a shocking statistic, but it is not just a statistic, it is real people, many of whom are in real crisis."

## **Guerin findings also highlight importance of adequate deployment of Garda resources**

Speaking at Leaders Questions in the Dáil today, Independent TD Catherine Murphy drew attention to aspects of the Guerin report that have, for the most part, gone unremarked despite their serious warnings for the future of policing in Ireland.

Deputy Murphy noted that in Chapter two of the report, Sean Guerin SC draws attention to the significantly poor resources available at Bailieboro station, in terms of physical facilities and personnel allocations. The report forms the opinion that this lack of resources contributed significantly to the issues dealt with in the report. Deputy Murphy has, for over two years, sought to highlight the insufficient and disproportionate allocation of Garda resources, producing a substantial document last year showing the counties in most dire need.

"For the past few years I have analysed the policing plans which are laid before the Dáil annually, against demographic changes and CSO crime statistics. In doing so, the only conclusion I have been able to draw is that the policing plan is a work of fiction. Counties that have witnessed a consistent population growth over the past decade or two are the most disproportionately affected. Counties such as Wexford, Meath and my own County of Kildare which is the worst served in the country with only 1 Gardaí per 666 persons."

"I welcome the establishment of the myriad of expert reviews that the Taoiseach has announced however I trust that these reviews will accept the importance of accurate and responsive deployment of personnel resources and that the political will exists to implement those findings. We're back here now despite the findings of the Morris Report; we don't back to be back here again in another couple of years having not acted on the findings of the Guerin report."

## **Technical Group Independents call on RTÉ to recognise their mandate.**

The Technical Group of Independent TDs will refuse to participate in tonight's RTÉ Prime Time debate regarding Local Government because of the way in which the editors have structured the programme.

The programme will be formatted in such a way that the 'main' panel will be made up of Sinn Féin, Fianna Fáil, Labour and Fine Gael. The Independent representative who was invited to participate was asked to sit in the audience where s/he would be called on for comment.

"The Technical Group represents one third of the opposition, holds more Dáil seats than Sinn Féin and just slightly less than Fianna Fáil and that alone surely requires the National Broadcaster to respect the mandate given to Independents in the last General Election. Add to that the current opinion polls which have Independents polling at similar levels to Fine Gael, above Labour and the other opposition parties and you can see that it becomes very unfair for RTÉ to structure their panels in a way that is not reflective of the audience's mandate."

"For too long now the status quo has been maintained and indeed proliferated by the National Broadcaster and all signs are that the status quo is the last thing the electorate are looking for. On that basis the Independent Deputies of the Technical Group are calling on RTÉ to provide truly representative panels when it comes to current affairs programming."

The Group have lodged a formal complaint with RTÉ and are seeking an urgent meeting with Montrose Executives.

## **Potential Solutions to Housing Crisis May Lie Outside The Box**

Independent TD Catherine Murphy today drew attention to two, less obvious, potential solutions to alleviating the current housing crisis by highlighting the plight of those with vacant properties who cannot afford to bring them up to standard and those who have emigrated or vacated a property but continue to pay some portion of the arrears on their Local Authority mortgage while the property lies vacant.

"We really have to look both inside and outside the box this time around if we are to solve this crisis. I very often come across properties that are lying idle and falling into disrepair – in many cases these properties will have been bequeathed and the recipient simply cannot afford the funds to meet all the requirements that are necessary before the property can be considered for rental purposes. Costs such as property tax, property repairs, achieving a BER rating etc. all add up and if there was a scheme that would allow agencies to intervene to cover these costs in order to bring the unit to the rental market then we would see a great number of properties coming online."

"Anecdotally, people in local authorities are telling me about properties that have local authority mortgages in large arrears that have been vacated because the person has emigrated or moved on but because they are trying to solve their debt problems, they continue to pay an amount towards their arrears and as a result the local authority leaves the property vacant. If we could consider a scheme that could assist the original owner to make a clean break whilst furnishing the local authority with another property then everybody benefits."

"I have consistently called for a relaxation of the out of-date rent caps and I predicted two years ago that ignoring this issue would lead to a housing crisis. We

must also accept the reality that whilst the situation in Dublin is dire, the same is equally true in many other areas of the country, particularly the commuter belt areas of the large cities."

"The solution to this crisis is not going to come as a result of various Ministers telling us that Community Welfare Officers can exercise discretion with rent supplement levels. Just this morning I had an email from a senior official in the rents unit telling me categorically that there are no new instructions to award rent supplement at higher rates and that there is no new policy in regard to housing homeless families. Rhetoric in interviews is vastly different to the reality on the ground and at the centre of it all are the families who continue to suffer. It's simply not good enough."

## **Announcement of New Housing Agency Falls Short of Addressing the Problem**

This afternoon's announcement by Government that they are to establish a new Housing Agency to tackle the current housing crisis has been met with dismay by Independent TD Catherine Murphy. The Social Rental Agency for Dublin has been set up with a specific focus on dealing with the housing crisis in Dublin rather than the national crisis.

"I cannot believe that Government have ignored the very clear evidence that this crisis is not a Dublin only crisis. I have repeatedly highlighted the fact that three Counties; Dublin, Cork and Kildare, have the highest social housing lists and with demand being greatest in these areas the private rental prices soar thus exacerbating the housing crisis."

"While the situation in Dublin is dire, it is equally so in other areas and indeed many of those areas, like my own area of Kildare North, have a real difficulty in providing emergency accommodation because there are simply not the same levels of B&Bs, hotels and hostels, so in effect the crisis is more urgent in these areas. "

"I welcome the Government finally accepting that there is a crisis but I do not welcome their knee-jerk, less than satisfactory, response to that crisis."

## **Housing Crisis Won't Be Solved By Occasional Knee-Jerk Reactions**

Independent TD Catherine Murphy has once again highlighted the fact that that the announcements by the Minister of State for Housing in relation to the housing crisis are very Dublin specific and do not go far enough in addressing the current problems.

"The current crisis is no surprise to those of us who have been at the forefront dealing with constituents encountering problems for over two years so to see the Minister suddenly announcing these haphazard and insufficient initiatives is surprising"

"As I have said, I am very happy that finally the Government have listened to those of us who have been trying to draw attention to this crisis for a long time now but I urge the Minister to look outside of Dublin, to look beyond short-term emergency accommodation and to recognise the need, identified in their own Housing Agencies report, for over 5,000 housing units per year and rising."

"Choosing to ignore the very obvious problems caused by the inflexible rent caps is a huge oversight and I simply don't believe that the initiatives announced by the Minister will accomplish the goal of providing sufficient solutions to the crisis"

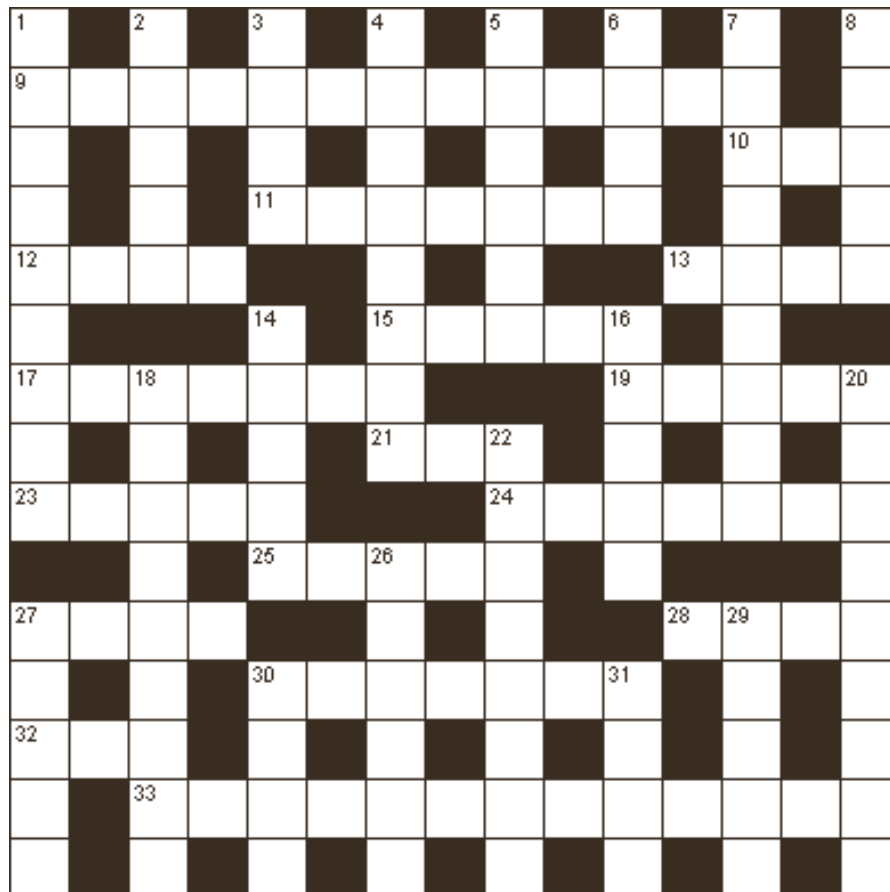


## Clues Across

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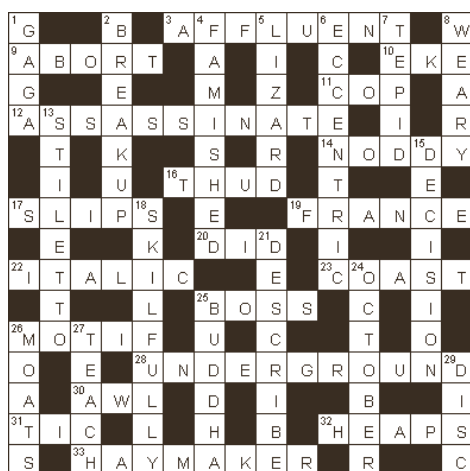
## Clues Down

9. Effect a radical change (13)  
 10. Mixture of earth and water (3)  
 11. Pertaining to Spain (7)  
 12. Slant (4)  
 13. Leg joint (4)  
 15. Big (5)  
 17. Ashore (7)  
 19. Derby venue (5)  
 21. Knock vigorously (3)  
 23. Feed on grass (5)  
 24. Formal speech (7)  
 25. Jewish scholar (5)  
 27. Not one (4)  
 28. Stupefy (4)  
 30. Rattling sound (7)  
 32. Grievous distress (3)  
 33. Not fully conscious (4-9)



1. Astronaut (9)  
 2. Benefit (5)  
 3. In addition to (4)  
 4. Newcomer (8)  
 5. Incentive (6)  
 6. Desire (4)  
 7. Recall past experiences (9)  
 8. Pass legal judgment (5)  
 14. One that moves (5)  
 16. Is inclined (5)  
 18. Resistant to staining (9)  
 20. Hypnotism (9)  
 22. Picture executed in paints (8)  
 26. Tree limb (6)  
 27. Recently (5)  
 29. Permit (5)  
 30. Prolonged unconsciousness (4)  
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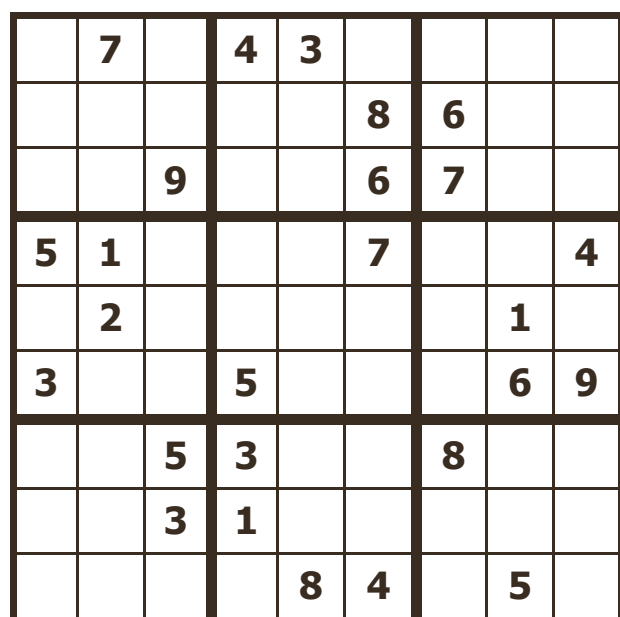
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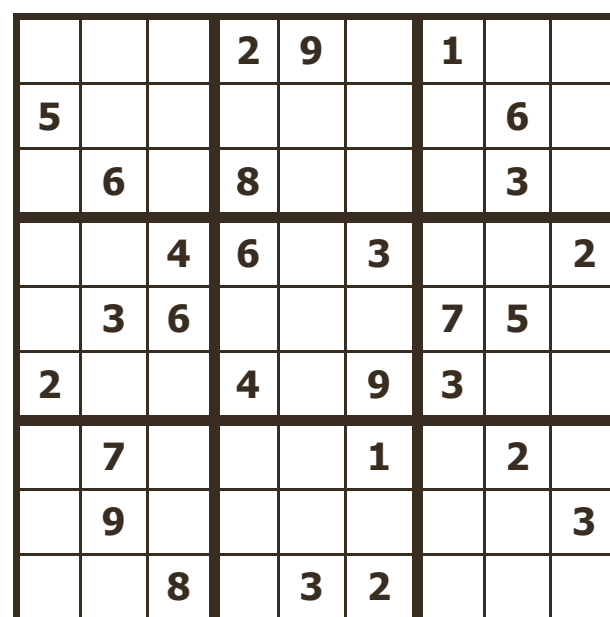


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**Defamation and Social Media**

Defamation: Any intentional false communication, either written or spoken, that harms a person's reputation; decreases the respect, regard, or confidence in which a person is held; or induces disparaging, hostile, or disagreeable opinions or feelings against a person.

With the spread of social media, instances of defamation have become more common, be they either intentional or accidental. Many people are unaware how easy it is to defame someone via Twitter or Facebook, so care needs to be taken when writing about other people on social media. The law of defamation exists in order to protect the reputation of a person but also to support a person’s capacity for free speech so a balance needs to be struck between these two competing rights. This is a balance the courts have constantly recognized, a judicial exercise they consistently utilise.

Originally there were two types of defamation: firstly, oral defamation, which is called slander and, secondly, published defamation, which is called libel. Oral defamation would be the type that would have been spoken at a meeting/party etc. whereas published defamation, for example, would be in a newspaper or a television broadcast. With the introduction of the 2009 Act, both terms have been compressed into a single unit known now as “Defamation” and incorporates material published by all means of communication, including the most contemporary medium of communication, the internet.

An invaluable source of information, one of the internet’s most appealing characteristics is its ability to allow people to keep in touch with others who may live overseas by a source that has taken the world by storm, social networks. The most obvious and most used come to mind: Facebook and Twitter. Renowned for their ease of use and accessibility, they do require a certain degree of caution as inaccurate posts or “tweets” can result in high profile defamation cases. Facebook alone gives its 800 million users countless opportunities to defame someone. This could be via status updates, groups, photos, link pages, comments, etc. All it takes is for one person to type an accusation or insult against somebody or that user’s friends, a friend of a friend; essentially anyone that is capable of viewing the comment. Facebook is a widely recognised medium that empowers people from all around the world in their right to freedom of speech, to share news and broadcast their ideas; it also provides a perfect breeding ground for the destruction of a person’s reputation and the potential for subsequent lengthy court proceedings.

It is however against the social website ‘Twitter’ that most of the cases of defamation have occurred. This is because Twitter is a more open social network whereas on Facebook, only people linked to those users can see their posts and it is more common for Facebook users to restrict their privacy settings. Twitter users can restrict their posts only to followers they approve, however most people don’t avail of this option. This leaves the content of their posts open to being viewed in five ways:

- i) any of their direct followers can view their Tweets;
- ii) on an even more pertinent level is the fact that anyone can view an unrestricted Twitter account even if they are not a Twitter user;
- iii) anyone can use the search function on Twitter to view that content;
- iv) Google scrapes content from Twitter to its Google searches, thereby increasing the capacity of potential views of the defamatory material.
- v) Also, by its nature, it is very common on Twitter for people to forward other user’s content called a ‘ReTweet, a device not too dissimilar to the ‘Share’ button in Facebook, which means that a defamed Tweet can quickly be “ReTweeted” to many thousands, often millions of users almost immediately.

If a situation arises in which you are accused of publishing defamatory material, a defamation suit may

follow intimating that if you do not retract the statement in question, you may be sued. However, on the internet it is very difficult to delete something because even if the original user deletes his comment other copies could still exist where other users have “Shared”/“ReTweeted” the content. One website, even if the comment is deleted, will often be saved in the Google Cache, so offended parties will still be able to see a copy. However since the enactment of the 2009 Act, each hit on a webpage that was considered a new publication and therefore potentially a separate cause of action, has been done away with. This rule, the multiple publication rule, has been abolished but the courts may grant a person to “bring more than one defamation action in respect of a multiple publication where it considers that the interests of justice so require” so again, caution is required when using and, more importantly, when publishing material on these social network sites.

Tips for avoiding defamation via social media:  
Consider anything you write on a social media profile the same as if you were publishing it in a newspaper. Do not say anything that you believe to be untrue. Do not repeat anything that you cannot verify as true. Do not “Share” or “ReTweet” any details that you believe could be considered defamatory.  
Before you post information on other people, think about how this could be perceived and whether the information could harm their reputation.  
If you are worried about Twitter then protect your profile; only permit people you approve of to gain access to your home-page.  
In Facebook, increase your privacy settings so that only your friends can view your profile. Importantly, do not let friends of friends view your profile, because your friends may not exercise as much discretion as you do when approving their friends on Facebook.

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**25 Mind Boggling Facts That Will Change Your Perspective On History**

25 The pyramids are so old, that even King Tut would most likely have referred to them as "ancient".

24 Some Giant Redwoods are older than the pyramids.

23 After ruling Egypt for hundreds of years, Cleopatra was the first in her family to learn Egyptian.

22 Alaska was the only part of America to be occupied by Axis troops in WWII.

21 It has been calculated that in the last 3,000 years there have only been 240 years of peace throughout the civilized world.

20 Julius Caesar's army once split apart to perform a flanking maneuver and spent hours in a standoff against itself.

19 At its height, the Roman Empire was 2.5 million square miles. It was only the 19th largest empire in history.

18 Speaking of empires, Warners Bros. was founded only a few months before the fall of the Ottoman Empire.

17 In one afternoon during the Battle of Stalingrad a railway station switched between German and Soviet control fourteen times.

16 The Soviets used dogs strapped with explosives as anti tank weapons. Sometimes, however, the dogs would run back and explode among the Soviets.

15 It is said that for every American killed during World War II about 21 Soviet soldiers were killed.

14 Of the 11 deadliest wars in history, 9 were in China.

13 Sunglasses were actually invented by the Chinese but not to block the sun. They were used by judges in courtrooms to hide their emotions.

12 At the time of the Roman Empire babies were nearly 20 times more likely to be born with a tail than they are today.

11 John Tyler, who became the 10th president of the United States in 1841 has two living grandchildren.

10 The last widow of a Civil War soldier died in 2003. Gertrude Janeway was 18 when she married 81 year old John Janeway in 1927.

9 When she died she was still receiving a monthly check for \$70 from the Veterans Administration for a military pension earned by her late husband on the Union side of the American Civil War. The amount spanned three centuries.

8 On the night of his assassination Martin Luther King had a pillow fight in his motel room.

7 On the night of Abraham Lincoln's assassination, he signed the Secret Service into existence.

6 Napoleon was actually taller than the average Frenchman.

5 The current U.S. flag was designed by 17 year old Robert Heft for a school project. He received a B minus. When the president selected his design the teacher changed his grade to an A.

4 Baseball was actually invented in Britain in 1755, three decades before the commonly accepted date.

3 The pyramids were originally completely coated in white marble with 24k gold caps on top.

2 In 1927 a Nazi physician named Julius won the Nobel Prize for curing syphilis by giving people malaria.

1 All British tanks since 1945 have been equipped with the facility to make tea.

**The Miracle Prayer (2)**

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.



# Geo-Tagging: The Pictures You Share Could Lead Strangers to Your Door

Most people know better than to hand out their home address or daily schedule to complete strangers, but many may not realise that the photographs they are posting online to social media are revealing their exact whereabouts to anyone in the world who views them.

It's a common scenario: you are having a night out with friends, or perhaps enjoying a walk outside and see something interesting, or it's your child's birthday party. You snap a quick photo of whatever you are doing and post it to a social media site, such as Facebook or Twitter. We naturally want to share our lives with friends and family, but thanks to the phenomenon of geotagging, you may also be sharing your exact location – down to the metre – with anyone else who sees the photograph.

Sound unlikely? Mathew Honan of Wired Magazine conducted an experiment on social media and the ability to track people by the photographs they post. As a test, he spotted an unknown woman in a park taking photographs of her dog. All he knew about her was the model of her phone—the iPhone 3G—but using that, he was able to go home and find her Flickr account. From other photos she had posted just of her apartment interior, he then discovered her home address.

A geo-tag is information automatically embedded into every photograph you take. It includes details such as the geographical location and the time and date you took the photograph. Smart phones like the Android and iPhone all have GPS and embed your exact longitude and latitude coordinates into every photograph you take with them. This allows people to identify the location of your photographs down to the metre, so if you post a picture from within your house, you are effectively broadcasting your home address to the internet.

Several celebrities – including William Shatner, Weird Al Yankovic, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and others – have unwittingly revealed their home addresses and traceable locations through geotagged photos. The military also learned a hard lesson about the security risks of geotagged photos in 2007. US soldiers took photographs of a shipment of a new fleet of Apache helicopters and shared them online. Iraqi insurgents were able to determine the exact location of the helicopters within the military compound based on the embedded geotags and destroyed four of the helicopters with mortar fire. Deployed soldiers must now remain aware of the potential of revealing the location of their unit when they post photographs of themselves to social media. A further concern for the military is

what family members may unknowingly share when they pass along pictures or videos from deployed family on social media.

These accidents led computer security experts in Massachusetts Ben Jackson and Larry Pesce to create the website [icanstalku.com](http://icanstalku.com) to help people realise how vulnerable they may be. They have since ended the project, but previously, software on the site scanned photographs people post to Twitter for the geographical data embedded in the pictures and then ran the data through Geonames, a service that translates the information into longitudinal coordinates on a map. Their website then provided a stream of current locations of Twitter users. Twitter users have been shocked and alarmed to receive a message from Pesce, a stranger, informing them that he has traced their exact current location. Much like a similar website [pleaserobme.com](http://pleaserobme.com), the intention was not actually to stalk or rob people but to alert people who may not realise how much they are revealing about their lives and locations online to anyone who wants to see. They note that Twitpic still does not scrub the metadata contained in posted photos, so anyone else could easily continue collecting people's data in a similar fashion.

Such information is also included in videos and SMS messages, which is a concern given the rise of sharing personal videos online. House thieves are becoming increasingly aware of and adept at using social media and geotagging to target people they know are away from home – on vacation or even just out for a meal – especially if people have posted any pictures that show details of their home and any of its contents. For example, people frequently share pictures of their home and family around the holidays, not realising they are giving thieves not only their home address but also a look at any gifts they've received that could prove worthwhile to steal.

Many people are unaware of the potential dangers or consequences of geotagging. For instance, would you really want anyone to be able to piece together the exact location of your home, your children's school and activities, and where you and your family are from day to day? Security experts warn that sites such as Foursquare and Facebook's Places – which allow users to deliberately geotag their photos for social networking purposes – pose an additional risk. If you use social media frequently, over time people can easily start to build a highly detailed and geographically precise profile of your habits and establish patterns of your movements – where you live, where you eat and shop, where you work, where and when you go to

the gym every week, where your children go to school or hang out with friends, when and where they attend school clubs or activities, when you are away from home, etc. If someone were to get a hold of your phone with these GPS and geotagging features all enabled, they could recreate your entire day, making the loss or theft of smartphones a bigger worry.

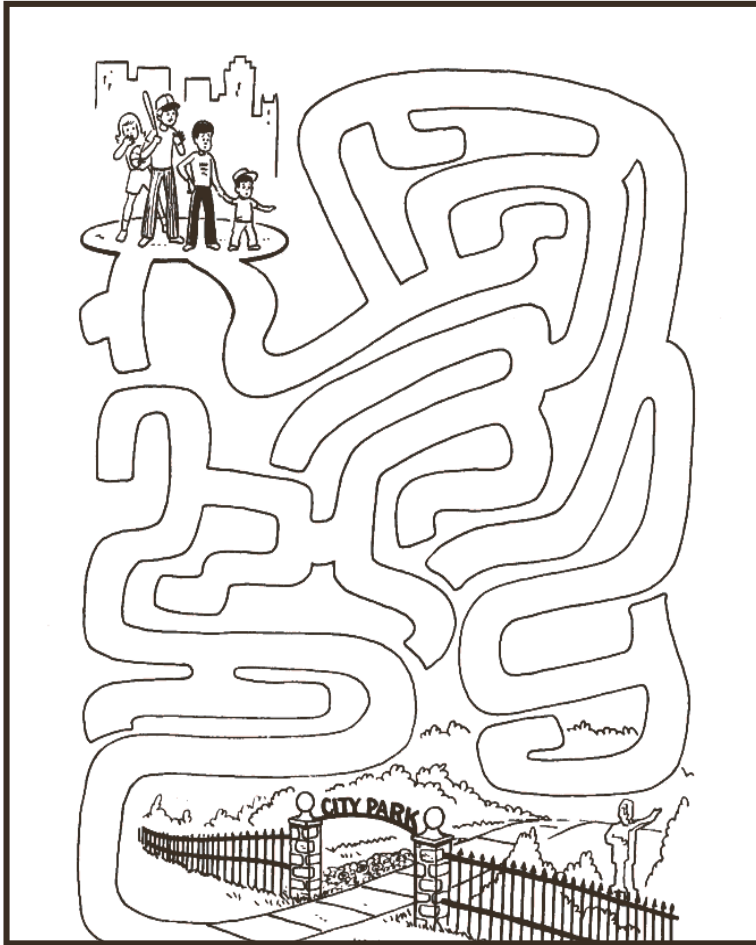
You might think that you are being cautious, but a study from the University of Southern California sampled 15 million tweets and showed that 1 in 5 tweets reveal the author's location down to street level. Other universities are creating websites and designing social experiments like [icanstalku](http://icanstalku.com) to study what they are calling people's 'geosocial footprint' – the information and location details that users divulge on social media. The Ready or Not app at [teachingprivacy.com](http://teachingprivacy.com) was started by the University of California in Berkley to track Instagram and Twitter users, while [geosocialfootprint.com](http://geosocialfootprint.com) is based off the USC study on Twitter and its geotagging feature. Both websites allow you to search for your own or others' geosocial footprints, as well as containing articles and information on their research so far and on how to protect your privacy online.

Of course we still want to share our lives with others, and social media is a handy tool for this. However, the rise of social media in people's lives has been rapid, and we are still discovering all of the consequences – positive and negative – that it can have. Geotagging is a feature that can have many unwanted repercussions, so people should be aware of how much information they are revealing to the world at large and how that information can be used.

If you are concerned about the geotagging embedded in your photographs but still want to share them, there are tools available online that strip the metadata out, such as ExifCleaner or pixelgarde, or apps for your phone, like iMetaPhoto on iTunes. On smartphones, the automatic GPS and geotagging features can also be turned off entirely or used only when you purposely need or want them to be on. Online, you can check a site's settings to adjust its automatic geotagging features; Facebook's Places is set to be active as the default, for example, but you can change this setting. Knowing how to control the geotagging features you interact with on a daily basis will allow you to choose when you want to use them or how to turn them off to avoid unintentionally sharing more of your life than you may be comfortable.



## Help the kids get to the Park



## Can you solve our Word Search Puzzle?



### Summer Search

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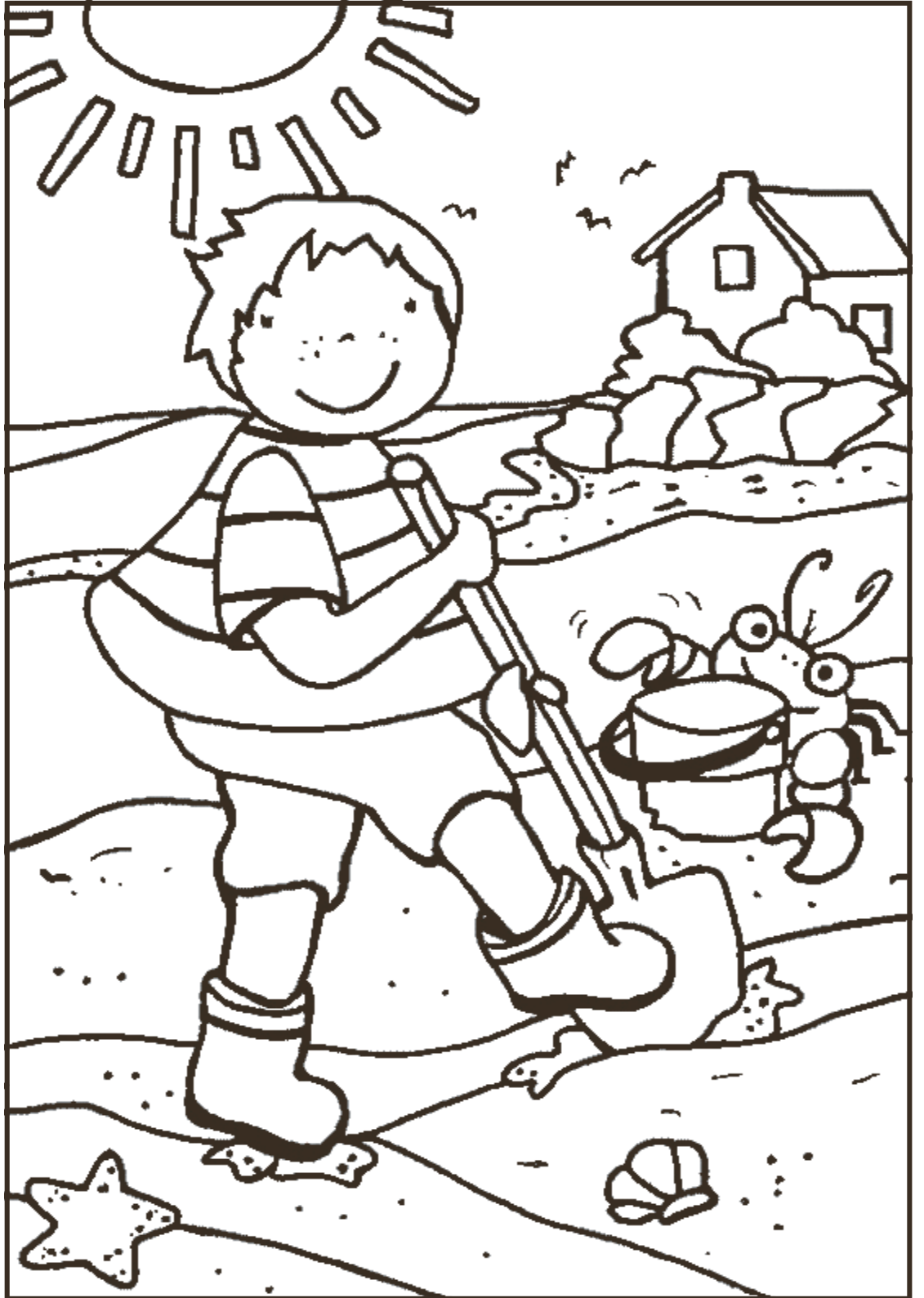
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## McDonalds Children's Colouring Competition



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**Prizes:: Free Family Meal From  
McDonald's, Maynooth**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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May Winners:

Age: 3 - 5: Isabelle Wade, Griffin Rath Hall

Age: 6 - 7: Ava Murray, Moyglare Hall

Age: 8 & Over: No Entry



**Prizes for Colouring Competition can be collected at:**

**Maynooth Community Council Office, Unit 5, Tesco Shopping Centre.**

**Entries must arrive before: Tuesday 17th June 2014**





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# June 2014 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](http://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

## 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

## Arthritis Ireland (Maynooth)

Arthritis Ireland Walking Group (Maynooth)  
Meeting Monday's at 12 Noon  
Maynooth Community Space  
Unit 11/12 Tesco SC  
Carton Park, Maynooth  
For Seated Exercise & Walking  
New Members Welcome

## Traditional Tai Chi Chuan

Classes in traditional Yang Style Tai Chi Chuan and Chi Kung  
The Leinster Clinic Maynooth  
Thursdays at 7.30pm  
Tel: Brian 087 2157231

## University of Third Age (U3A)

Weekly meetings on Fridays at 11am.  
Maynooth Community Space  
Unit 11/12 Tesco SC  
Carton Park, Maynooth  
New Members Welcome  
Please contact Helen  
Phone: 01-6286592

## 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](http://maynoothbridgeclub.com).  
Contact Katherine Cooney  
086 8205910

## Parent & Toddler Group

Every Thursday from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.  
Maynooth Community Space  
Unit 11/12 Tesco SC  
Carton Park, Maynooth

## Men's Sheds

Weekly meetings take place every Wednesday at 11.am  
Maynooth Community Space  
Unit 11/12 Tesco SC  
Carton Park, Maynooth



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Maynooth Town FC winners of the Polikoff Cup 2014. Left Team Captain Martin O'Connor receives the cup following a 1-0 win over Liffey Wanderers at the Belfield Bowl. Below left David Folan receives the Man of the Match award having scored the winning goal.





# FILM MONTHLY BY BERNIE CLAXTON

## Film Review: *Calvary*

Director: John Martin McDonagh

Starring: Brendan Gleeson & Chris O'Dowd



Rating: 4/5



In 2011, the award-winning London-Irish Director, John Michael McDonagh, had a world-wide hit with the subversive comedy-thriller *The Guard*, which starred Brendan Gleeson in the title role of a controversial, coke snorting and amoral Garda (very topical!) dealing with drug dealers in a police outpost in the West of Ireland. For his follow-up film, *Calvary*, we are once more in the West. There are some similarities with the first film in terms of repetition of actors, snappy dialogue and the usual black humour which typifies McDonagh's films. However, in terms of tone, *Calvary* is decidedly different to *The Guard* and the riotous scenes of the first film are muted in this second more thought-provoking offering.

*Calvary* has a Hitchcockian opening – a seemingly routine Confessional meeting between a priest and his parishioner takes on sinister undertones when the would-be penitent threatens to kill his bemused Confessor within a week. It sets up the intriguing premise that if an innocent priest can be murdered in atonement for the sins of his fellow priests, then somehow the effect will be deemed more shocking. 'People wouldn't know what to make of it'. Murdering priests seems to be a preoccupation for the McDonagh brothers. The playwright brother of John, Martin McDonagh had a priest dramatically killed off in the Confessional in his 2008 hit comedy-drama, *In Bruges*.

In *Calvary*, Brendan Gleeson plays Father James Lavelle, a good priest threatened with annihilation. His response to his would-be assassin is full of ironic understatement, ('certainly a startling opening line') undercutting the serious nature of the intent to kill. It's not only a startling opening line for the priest (in his Confession Box) but also for the viewer who witnesses this strange drama unfold. Gleeson's wonderfully expressive face, in extreme close-up, records and illuminates every detail of his reactions to the hidden, unknown and sinister voice in the darkness. The unseen presence has a common tale of woe to tell in modern Ireland - one of abuse. Despite the unsettling opening, McDonagh's film is less Hitchcock and more a spiritual exploration of the complicated nature of faith, sin and forgiveness. *Calvary* is also darkly radical, funny and satirical in execution.

Father James has a week to put his house in order before his date with destiny. The world, according to the Bible was created in seven days but Gleeson's world is about to come tumbling down. The film itself is divided into seven episodic parts to denote the passing of the potentially last week of this troubled priest's life. McDonagh's setting for his blacker shade of black comedy is ironically in a gorgeous Sligo coastal backdrop. The West has never looked more stunningly beautiful. *Calvary* is not your typical Irish film although, at first glance, the usual motley crew of Irish character types appear in abundance. Gleeson's priest is not your typical man of the cloth either, being a widower and father of a grown-up daughter. Father James, a man of intelligence and maybe 'too sharp for this parish' finds his faith severely tested by his parishioners as the week progresses.

We, the audience, are quickly thrown into a moribund world of sin and lack of respect for the church and authority. *Calvary* is littered with a who's who of Irish

comic talent although the comedy in this film has a definite edge and bite as themes of anger and retribution take centre stage. McDonagh's characters inhabit a dark and menacing universe. We behold an Irish village with nary a Barry Fitzgerald or Quiet Man in sight. These parishioners, neither quaint nor whimsical, apparently have murderous intentions!

A list of possible suspects for Gleeson's imminent demise make their presence felt in various scenes and interactions: an aging American writer, as played by M. Emmet Walsh, is determined not to 'go gently into that good night'; a loopy and hilarious Killian Murphy, of *Love Hate* fame, harbours bizarre thoughts of murder and suicide; Chris O'Dowd, with his recent success on Broadway, is obviously keen to exercise his acting chops but appears, at times, to be trying too hard as the disgruntled butcher; Dylan Moran is surprisingly effective as a drunken, pompous ex-financier hiding away in his Big House from the ramifications of dirty dealings in Celtic Tiger Ireland; Pat Shortt, playing against type, is sinister and unpleasant as a local publican; David McSavage seems to have wandered in from an episode of *The Savage Eye* to play a variation of his usual clergyman types in the role of the Bishop while a bitter Aiden Gillen seems somewhat out of place as the local atheist and drug-taking Doctor.

Into this heady mix, comes the priest's estranged and angst ridden daughter, (a visceral Kelly Reilly) who comes home to impart certain home truths to her neglectful father. They have a troubled history which spurs an uncomfortable jolt to his inner belief system. The fragile, damaged exchanges between Gleeson and Reilly involve some of the most touching scenes in *Calvary*. They provide a melancholy counterpoint to the more strident action and give the film its heart.

What is Gleeson's role as he is propelled into a moral vacuum and chaotic universe? Well, as he relates to his fellow priest, Father Leary, (a gormless and very funny David Wilmot) his part is to provide counsel, solace and non-judgement to others. However, Father Lavelle is a good, decent priest fighting a losing battle for souls. *Calvary* may appear to exist in some West of Ireland surreal time warp but the malaise on display is definitely symptomatic of post Catholic and post Celtic Ireland.

Barely concealed rage and dissatisfaction hold sway: an adulterous wife (a mischievous and lively Orla O'Rourke) makes overtures to Gleeson's put upon priest while another priest is knocked to the ground by debauched customers in a pub. Customers openly engage in drug taking activities in the toilets of the local pub while Riverdance-type music plays incongruously in the background. Pat Shortt's vengeful publican taunts Gleeson's priest with 'your time has gone' while an antagonistic black man reminds the priest that he's 'not in the missions now!' A price must be paid for the arrogance of the Church. The 'forgive and forget' mentality of David Wilmot's lack-lustre Father Leary doesn't hold much water with the grievances of an angry community looking for answers and retribution. For Gleeson's honourable priest, confronted with these discordant elements, every life is sacred. Though Gillen's cynical Doctor would have it otherwise as he spits back – 'and some are less sacred than others'.

McDonagh's film is a very deeply felt one with

moments of pure brilliance. At its centre, holding all the pieces in place is a magnificent and truly remarkable performance by one Brendan Gleeson. It's quite the juggling act. Gleeson's power-house performance as the heroic priest is the main reason to watch *Calvary*. It may be, for some viewers, the only reason to watch it. A big bear of a man – every crevice in his lined, tortured and craggy features is etched with the humanity and compassion that is so lacking in his fellow parishioners. We feel and sense his bewilderment, pain, rage, frustration and incomprehension in the face of overwhelming odds. McDonagh wrote this script with Gleeson, particularly, in mind and the latter works wonders with the role.

Gleeson's Father Lavelle is a Christ-like figure, a man of integrity, taking the sins of his parishioners and Church on his very broad shoulders. His personal journey to *Calvary* (as he comes to terms with his own faults and failings as man and priest) and a possible catharsis plays out in the wildly rugged terrain of the West. Lavelle's lonely, pared-down, and almost puritan existence (his bedroom is strikingly bare with no mementos of his past life) contrasts wildly with the moneyed classes (Dylan Moran's disgraced financier) and the past excesses of the Church he represents. While Moran's detached Toff seeks to find meaning in material objects, like paintings, Gleeson's priest attempts to find meaning in simple things: the simplicity of companionship whether it be man, child or animal; the simplicity of forgiveness and the simplicity and beauty of pure faith. His wearing of the old fashioned soutain, especially, is the priest's attempt to recapture an earlier innocence and deeper, purer sense of faith.

In the final analysis, maybe this notion of finding meaning in faith and forgiveness is the overriding message McDonagh has to deliver in *Calvary*. There can be beauty, dignity and meaning in the acceptance of suffering (a grieving woman finds meaning in the face of random loss) although it is tempered by the non-belief of others who would have us believe in a chaotic and meaningless universe. In this hard road or rocky path, where we take up our own personal crosses, there are no easy answers or solutions to life's problems. In effect, we have the choice to make a heaven or hell of it.

*Calvary* is a complicated and thoughtful film, but not without its flaws, like its central protagonist. McDonagh's exploration of certain themes in *Calvary* is not instantly accessible and may prove a little too bleak and unrelenting for some. However, if you are willing to persist with it, to work at it, you will be richly rewarded with a performance by Brendan Gleeson of monumental soul and passion and a film that resonates long after the closing credits.





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