



Maynooth Newsletter

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Local News

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Fund Raising 1916 Table Quiz in Brady's Clockhouse

The Maynooth 1916 Centenary Committee would like to thank all the people who turned up on the night and made it a great success. All the tables were taken early and a few disappointed latecomers missed out but joined in on the craic on the night. There was a huge raffle at the end of the night with many great prizes donated by local businesses who gave their support. MC on the night was superbly done by Paul Clarke with lots of help from the Centenary Committee. A great night was had by all.



Winners of the 1916 Table Quiz in Brady's Clock House
L to R Joe Mc Bride, Brian O' Malley, Declan O' Connor and Paul Daly.



Declan Kennedy from Brady's awards Paul Daly with first prize for his table.



The Maynooth 1916 Centenary Committee with the painted portrait of James Connolly.

On Friday 29th and Saturday 30th January last, The 1916 Centenary Committee were bag packing in Dunnes Stores, Maynooth. This was a further part of the group's efforts to fund raise for the important Centenary celebrations this year.

The event was a great success with generous support from the Maynooth locals. The 1916 Centenary Committee would like to thank all those who supported all their fund raising events and look forward to a memorable 1916 Centenary Celebration on Easter Monday.



MAYNOOTH ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL

17TH MARCH 2016

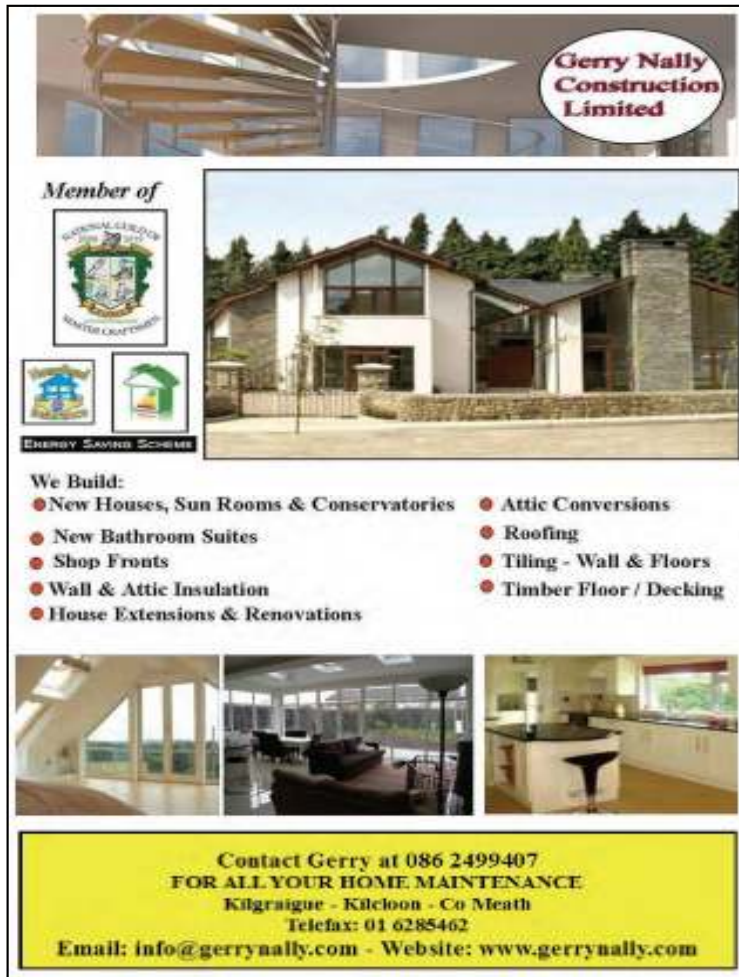
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DISEASES OF THE EAR IN DOGS & CATS

The anatomy of the ear consists of three distinct regions all interconnected namely, external ear (outer ear), middle ear (tympanic membrane/ear drum) and internal ear consisting of cochlea and three semi-circular canals. Ears can be affected in any one or more of these regions giving similar or different symptoms.



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 uncoordinated and losing 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:

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





SAINT PATRICK FOUNDATION

Fondúireacht Phádraig Tha Saunt Petèrick Steid

invites you to join us for our 2016 events

Saint Patrick Breakfast

8.30am-9.45am on March 17th
in the Glenroyal Hotel

Adults €10.00 Children <12 €7.00
Children under 4 Free



The Spirit of
St Patrick Award

Saint Patrick Concert

7.00pm-9.00pm on March 17th
in the Glenroyal Hotel

Adults €7.00 Children <12 €3.00
Children under 4 Free

Tickets available online at www.saintpatrickfoundation.org

2016 Spirit of St Patrick Awards

Nominations for this year's Lucan & Maynooth Spirit of St Patrick Awards are now being received. If you know someone or a group you feel should be honoured for their work in building healthy, inclusive community in our areas please nominate them on our website before March 7th.

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MARTINA REILLY


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5.45PM

MARCH 28TH
EASTER MONDAY
6.45PM

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They walked into history.

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OUR JOURNEY



Starting from the gates of St. Patrick's College this play takes you through Maynooth to the front of Carton House honouring the footsteps and the journey that those Men took 100 years ago

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Editorial

March is always an exciting month in Maynooth despite the fact that weather can be variable as I well know from being the MC for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in recent years. There were years where the weather ruined this annual parade and other years where the weather made the parade a great event.

Maynooth Community Council organises and runs the parade which we have done for over thirty years. 2016 is of course a very special year and the plans are that the parade be extended into a number of other related events that will extend the celebrations. The dates could not have fallen better for the extended Easter School holidays beginning the day before St. Patrick's Day and with many parents keeping the last of their work leave to have an early year holiday.

Our own local Maynooth committee have been planning events which have been well publicised to mark the celebrations of the 1916 anniversary in the town. Their first event took place on New Year's Day and we have more such special events during the year. Do come out and support these events as regardless of your opinion of the subsequent events of that period one hundred years ago. It is clear that the events of Easter Week 1916 changed the course of Irish history and were the beginning of making Ireland a nation among equals.

While I would not be one to lecture anybody on history, it could be argued that the breaking

up of the UK Commonwealth could well have been achieved in later years without the loss of life that came about because of the actions of Easter 1916 and the subsequent years of civil war in Ireland.

Part of the celebrations in 2016 in Maynooth is equally intended to mark the progress made in the past one hundred years. This is where there is potential for disagreement and disappointment as well as acknowledging success. Maynooth does not feature in any maps of Kildare showing deprivation or need. Yet of course like all towns in Ireland we have people impacted by good fortune and significant misfortune. We have a vibrant community sector supported by very committed volunteers without whom community groups and sports clubs would struggle.

Maynooth Community Council which has been in existence formally since 1984 is a key body to support the people in the town. Much more could be achieved if Maynooth had a central place where we could facilitate the delivery of more services to support our people when they need us. Until we get a fully functioning Community Centre run by Maynooth Community Council we will struggle to provide more services – echoes perhaps of the aspirations set out by the leaders of the 1916 rising.

Paul Croghan

Community Council Notes

Notes from the meeting of MCC on Monday Feb 8th at 8pm in Maynooth Community Space

MATTERS ARISING

Following on from last month's meeting it was reported a letter had been sent to Maynooth University regarding work experience for students from Canet. Maynooth University acknowledged receipt of the letter and have passed it on to the HR Dept. Any response will be made known at the next meeting.

A link to the Community and Residential form mentioned last month during the presentation from Maynooth University is available from the Newsletter Office as it was difficult for some people to source the form on the Maynooth University website. This is for any resident with a formal complaint to make regarding student misbehaviour in Maynooth.

In reference to the presentation given by Susan Durack at the December meeting, the group was reminded that MCC are due to revisit the parameters of scheme.

PROPOSAL FOR THE ARTS COMMITTEE

Jacqui Farrell gave a presentation to the attendees about the proposal for a new Arts Committee which would encapsulate all current events such as the Festival, St Patrick's Day Parade and the Christmas Aonach. It was hoped that more people would get involved and create more structure to the organisation of such events. Paul Croghan expressed concerns that this might take events out of the hands of MCC. Jacqui confirmed that it wouldn't take from the work of the Council but rather it would get more people informed and involved in the Council. Established relationships could also be enhanced.

The Chairman said that the Council would have to have involvement as it is ultimately responsible should something go wrong. The insurance for the aforementioned events is through the Council. The DSP don't provide the same funding as in previous years, in fact they have cut contributions by more than 50%. The office costs in excess of €20,000 per year to run and some monies raised during fundraising events help with costs. He also stated that funds raised specifically for events would go to those events completely. A meeting between MCC Executive and current Festival organisers will take place in order to whittle the proposal to a workable format. The public will then be asked to get involved and the Arts Committee will be elected from interested parties. Current Festival Chairman Paul Daly has had to stand down due to personal commitments. He was thanked for his efforts over the past year, and he said himself that he hoped his time away from the Festivals would be short. He will remain as a member of MCC Executive.

COMMUNITY CENTRE

The issue of the lack of a Community Centre in a

town such as ours was raised again. Cllr Naoise Ó Cearúil said he would be pursuing the possibility of having a Community Centre or Community Space included in the proposal for a complex on the grounds of Maynooth University. This complex would include a swimming pool for the area. Concerns were raised and questions were asked about such a proposal. "If the proposal goes ahead who would be the anchor tenant, MCC or Maynooth University?" "Would we lose the current Community Space?" "What exactly would be in the complex?" "Is Maynooth University the ideal location for such a venture?" "How would it be funded?"

It was thought that a Community Centre should be as the name suggests, in the centre of the Community. It was noted that as part of the planning of the Tesco/Carlton Park development, 4000 square feet was to be allocated to MCC for the use of the Community. When building ceased at Carlton Park, the allocation also ceased to be viable. A meeting with the Management of Carlton Park and Tesco will be organised to see if this can be revisited. It was thought that any new developer should have to include the allocation in their plans also.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

The AGM of Maynooth Tidy Towns was held in the Glenroyal on Thursday Feb 11th. The new Committee was elected and the list of Officers will be published in the next Newsletter. Matt Callaghan said that the TT Committee were disappointed that election candidates didn't adhere to the request to keep campaign posters out of the town centre. In previous years there had been no posters in the area of the Church but sadly that's not the case this time. Paul Croghan put on record his thanks to TT for their hard work and said he wouldn't be seeking re-election to an Officers post at the AGM.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Josie Moore congratulated Maynooth Post Primary School on their recent production of *Evita*. There were seats reserved for Senior Citizens at one performance and a great night was had by all. The Club is back up and running with 20/30 people attending Tuesday sessions and slightly smaller numbers for the Thursday session. Sunday Feb 21st will see the Valentine's Tea Dance take place with prizes for romantic couples. March 12/13 sees the Annual Collection for Senior Citizens and your generosity would be appreciated that weekend. On March 20th the Committee will host the second Green Day for Senior Citizens. The first such event held last year proved to be popular with people attending dressed all in green to celebrate St Patrick's Day.

ICA

The AGM will be held on Thursday March 1st. New members are welcome to join the group for the various events they are involved in. Crafts continue

on Monday nights and the recent Copper Craft nights were a success. Members will be collecting at Tesco, Aldi and Supervalu on the forthcoming Daffodil Day taking place on Friday March 11th.

MAYNOOTH CRAOBH CCE

Classes are continuing and a recent visit to the Monkstown Branch proved to be an enjoyable night. Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich is to be a feeder school for Maynooth CCE and the Irish music ethos is forefront in both groups. Students can learn at both Maynooth CCE and the Gaelscoil concurrently and continue with the CCE group when they graduate from the school. Members are encouraged to use the 'cupla focail' whenever possible. Members will participate in the upcoming St Patrick's Day Festival and Parade. They will be playing at the Community Breakfast at the Glenroyal Hotel.

ST PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

Plans are well underway for the parade and other events happening on March 17th. Letters have been sent to encourage sponsors and participants. The entry form can be found in the *Newsletter* along with a timetable of events which will include the Community Breakfast, the Parade, afternoon events at the Glenroyal and Manor Mills and an evening concert. Inquiries can be made to Cllr Naoise O'Cearuill or Keith McCrory of Maynooth Community Church. The events are being run in conjunction with the Saint Patrick Foundation.

EDUCATE TOGETHER

Efforts are ongoing to raise funds for 'Alexander's amazing wish to walk'. A quiz was held in O'Neill's Bar and Steakhouse on Thursday Feb 11th and a bag packing weekend was organised for Feb 19/20 in Tesco. Anyone requiring further information or wishing to donate can find details on 'Alexander's amazing wish to walk' Facebook page. Students, parents and teachers will participate in the Parade.

MAYNOOTH STUDENTS UNION

Matt O'Boyle informed the group that his tenure as President of Maynooth University SU was coming to an end. He has however plenty of plans for his remaining time in the Chair. Campaign weeks are beginning soon and will cover topics such as the Environment and Living with Disability. The latter stems from an RTE programme following the life of James Cawley, an Maynooth University student who hasn't let his disability hamper his progress in any way. James is active in student life and teaches in a school in Lucan.

A loan scheme for bicycles is in the offering to try to encourage students to leave the cars at home. This would aid in promoting health among students and go some way to alleviate the traffic problems in the town. He is planning to commission new positions on the next Student Council including a Green Awareness Officer and a Community Engagement Officer who would liaise with MCC on relevant Maynooth University/Community matters.

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee

February got off to a great start as we attended the Post Primary School Musical "Evita" and what an enjoyable occasion that was. Well done to students and teachers alike for their hard work and dedication. Twenty one years of dedication to drama and entertainment is something to be proud of.

As I write this article our Valentine's Tea-Dance will not yet have taken place due to early copy date. However as you read this, it will be well and truly over and we will be swiftly moving on to our St. Patrick's event which will happen on March 20th.

In the meantime our annual church gate collection will take place on March 12th /13th and as usual we ask for your support. You have been more than generous in the past and I have no reason to think that will change in the future.

Our Easter Tea-Dance will take place on Sun. April 17th and all Senior Citizens are welcome. I trust by now all the Easter Bonnets are made and looking splendid. All our Tea-Dances take place in Maynooth GAA club and I thank Martin and Sian who are always kind and courteous to all our members.

Congratulations to Ellie Leavey who celebrated her 90th birthday on Feb. 24th. Our morning club continues on Tuesday & Thursday and new members are always welcome. Perhaps you are new to the parish or new to the age bracket, why not come along you might enjoy it. You will find us in the Geraldine Hall on Leinster St, or you can contact me on 087 9002296.

Josephine Moore.



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For further information on Clane Toastmasters contact: Ray Lucey
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Maynooth Town FC Easter Soccer Camp 2016

Rathcoffey Road Maynooth
Tuesday 29th March – Friday 1st April
10.30 am - 2.30 pm Daily
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Registration Day: Monday 21st March
Clubhouse Rathcoffey Road
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An Nuadh Players Community Theatre

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Hi to all you people in Maynooth who like a bit of drama and that's exactly what you will get on the main street of our lovely town at the end of March.

They say it comes in like a lion and out like a lamb, but not this year it will go out in a crescendo to the sound of 15 men walking to the GPO and into history.

As I'm sure you already know An Nuadh Players are presenting Martina Reilly's new play titled "CONQUERED NOT WERE WE" which will be performed Easter Saturday March 26th at 5.45pm and Easter Monday March 28th at 6.45pm,

It covers the journey of the 15 men but mainly one in particular a man called Oliver Ryan who worked in the College. His story will be performed in a play as the 15 men walk to Carton house, which will double as the GPO. As the actors and spectators head to their destination the story will unfold and you will become part of this great event. This is street theatre at its best.

Starting at the gates of St Patricks College this play takes you through Maynooth to the front of Carton House honouring the footsteps and the journey that these men took a 100 years ago. Just as they marched hail rain or shine so will we.

Great news that the Maynooth Community Council are looking at the possibility of a much needed Arts / Community Centre for the future. I spent 6 years on the Community Council during what is known in Ireland now as the boom years. I joined with the purpose of developing the Geraldine Hall into an Arts/Community Centre. I commissioned an architect to design a space that would include an all purpose theatre and exhibition area with a series of meeting rooms. The plan also could include a bar for show nights.

This coupled with a realistic financial plan was submitted on three occasions to Kildare County Council. I was asked to present my case, which I did. They liked the plan, which was followed by silence. When our little country slipped into the toilet I was told it was a good plan but unfortunately we now have no money.

Loathe as I am to give advice but I will say if you are serious about this, surround yourself with like-minded people, people who know what an Arts / Community centre is and its benefits to the people of Maynooth. Stay clear of people who think the only game in town is a football match.

Mind the trams,
Terry Nealon 086-8068068

Our Dogs Rosey and Freddy Owner Trish Butler By Paddy Murray



A joy to see Rosey and Freddie in play
Gives us all many of a sunshine day
A dog and a bitch united in much fun
Both Jack Russel all of our hearts are won
Freddie is more active we all clearly know
And a Rosey a bitch more quieter and slow
Together they make such a happy team
All the world to the family they mean

Both brown and white a joy to be seen
Spec of brown on Freddy's forehead such a dream
While Rosey's body as white as the snow
With there eyes constantly watching protecting us so
Guard dogs natural of them to be
They can spot any danger that they see
Protecting our home without any fail
Two wonderful creatures to tell the tale

A gift from heaven they both are
And dogs of our own who go far
Both playing and running around the house
Let nothing escape not even a mouse
For they are fed once at a busy day
And feel as they bark have much to say
They never argue or answer back
And true friendship they never lack

On a quite country road they happily live
Our dogs our are pride with much to give
For without them what would we do
United together within our family grew
What would we do without them we say
With them in life many a happy day
Our dogs our pride is plain to see
Both playing away part of our family

Maynooth Labour News

Cllr. John McGinley can be contacted at: - 6285293 or 087 9890645 - E mail jmcginley@eircom.net - Web: www.labour.ie/johnmcginley/

Cllr. McGinley Calls for the Ending of Early Morning Collection of Waste Bins

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the next Council Meeting:
"That By-Laws be introduced to prevent waste bins from being collected prior to 7am."

Cllr. McGinley Calls for Noise Reduction Measures for the M4

Cllr. John McGinley has submitted the following motion for the consideration of the next Maynooth MD Meeting:
"That sound reduction barriers be erected along the M4 at Maynooth, Leixlip and Kilcock in order to reduce the noise level from this 22 year old motorway and that pressure be put on the NRA to re-surface the M4 from Leixlip to Kilcock with low noise emitting tarmacadam."

Update on the provision of a School Traffic Warden for Gaelscoil Ui Fhiaich and Maynooth Educate Together

Cllr. John McGinley got the following update to his motion at the Maynooth MD meeting on 10 February:
The Road Safety Officer has spoken to the Principal of the Educate Together School and it was agreed that a further crossing survey be undertaken. However, a date for the survey has not yet been finalised.

Update on 66 Bus Terminus at Parson's Hall, Maynooth

The District Manager of the Council advised the Maynooth MD meeting on 10 February that objections were putting funding in danger. The Director of Services is to meet the objectors to discuss how their opposition could be overcome.

Update on Pay Parking in Maynooth

The Director of Services has updated Cllr. John McGinley as follows:
 Prices for the work required will be received by end of February. Work will start in March and all works required to implement pay parking in Maynooth will be completed by the end of April 2016. It will be operational from the beginning of May.

Update on Traffic Management Plan for Maynooth

Cllr. McGinley asked that the consultant being appointed to draw up the Management Plan be asked to include that was called for in the Maynooth Local Area Plan, Roads Objective i.e.
"To carry out a study to investigate the safety and capacity of the existing Straffan Road M4 Interchange to establish whether an upgrade or new interchange working in tandem with the existing one is required"

John pointed out that there are tailbacks to Tagadhoe Cross in the morning and that traffic exiting the Business Campus in the evening are having serious problems because the roundabout is not fit for purpose.
 The Director of Services confirmed that this investigation would be part of his brief.

Update on the Provision of a Collection Service for Paint Tins

Cllr. John McGinley got the following update to his motion at the Maynooth MD meeting on 10 February:

"Pending final approval from Tesco Maynooth, the household hazardous waste collection day is scheduled for Saturday April 9th. Estimated costs have been obtained from contractors and are currently being assessed."

Cllr. McGinley Outlines his Priorities for the Spending of the €130,000 Allocation to Roads/Footpaths from the Local Property Tax by the Maynooth Municipal District:

1. Proper drainage and re-laying of the Back Lane Road behind houses 826 to 837 Old Greenfield.
2. Re-construction of the footpath at the Bottom of Old Greenfield Lane from house 349 down to the bollards
3. Footpaths throughout Old Greenfield are badly in need of repair.
4. The widening of the footpath at the corner of Railpark/Celbridge Road at the junction of Celbridge Road/Straffan

Road. Area Engineer, Jonathan Deane, has acknowledged that it is too narrow for the very heavy pedestrian traffic.

Buckley House to get Tidied up

Following representations from Emmet Stagg T.D. the owner of Buckley House has agreed to carry out improvements to the windows and door of the house and to the shrubbery in the grounds.

Buckley House is a protected structure, but unfortunately it is an eyesore at present.

Stagg Welcomes 13% Increase in Housing Adaptation Grants to Kildare Co. Council

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the announcement of an increase of 13% in the level of Grants to Kildare Co. Council for Housing Grants for people with a disability, people with mobility issues and housing aid for the Elderly.
 Deputy Stagg stated that the sum allocated to Kildare Co. Council was €2,756,011 which included a block grant from the Department of Environment of €2,204,809 and €551,202 from the Council's own resources.

I am pleased that we have secured this 13% increase stated Deputy Stagg which will allow more elderly people and people with a disability to stay in their own Community. The Grants for people with a disability cover a range of measures such as downstairs extensions for bedroom/toilet facilities, access ramps, stairlifts, walk in showers, grab-rails, and in relation to the elderly cover structural repairs or improvements such as roofs/windows and rewiring.
 In conclusion Deputy Stagg stated that the grants were further good news for those requiring improvements to their homes and for small building contractors working locally.

Nearly €10 Million allocated for Regional and Local Roads - Stagg

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the allocation of €9,925,992 to Kildare Co. Council for improvements to regional and local roads throughout the County.
 €4,932,605 has stated Deputy Stagg been allocated for Improvements and strengthening of the road network whilst €3,547,388 has been provided for maintenance work on our road network in the County. A specific improvement grant of €400,000 has been allocated for the Sallins Bypass and Osbertstown Interchange Projects to enable the purchase of land and to cover detailed design work.

A number of safety improvement scheme's will be undertaken during the year at dangerous junctions and corners including:

- * Firmount Cross on Clane/Prosperous Road - €20,000
- * T Junction at Killeenlea, Celbridge - €15,000
- * Ardrass Bends on Barberstown Roundabout to Celbridge Road - €30,000
- * Rural crossroads at Drehid - €15,000

Deputy Stagg concluded by stating that for 2016, the priority continues to be the maintenance and improvement of our existing road network. I am pleased that Kildare will benefit from such an important funding announcement and look forward to the funded works coming to fruition in the future.

Stagg Welcomes New Law to Tackle Repeat Burglars

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the commencement of the new law to tackle repeat burglars which came into effect on Sunday 17th January under the Criminal Justice (Burglary of Dwellings) Act 2015.

The Burglary of a person's home stated Deputy Stagg is a shocking and quite traumatic experience for people. This new Law will target repeat burglars and it will help to keep them off the streets thereby improving the safety of our local communities.

New provisions under this Act allows for bail to be denied, and consecutive sentences to be given to repeat burglars. The Law was introduced when Garda analysis showed that 75% of burglaries were committed by 25% of burglars. This new law will reduce crime levels and it an important step forward in the campaign against Burglars.

The Criminal Justice (Burglary of Dwellings) Act 2015 provides that, for the purposes of bail applications, a previous conviction for domestic burglary coupled with two or more

pending charges shall be evidence of likelihood to commit further domestic burglaries. This provision, while leaving the courts all necessary discretion to vindicate the constitutional rights of an accused person, allows a court in the absence of evidence to the contrary to conclude that the accused person is likely to commit a serious offence and could, therefore, refuse bail on that ground.

The Act also places a requirement on a court which decides to impose prison sentences for multiple burglary offences to impose those sentences consecutively. The Act requires that any sentence of imprisonment for a second domestic burglary must be consecutive to any sentence of imprisonment for any other domestic burglary committed in the six months prior to or after the second sentenced offence. The discretion of a court whether or not to impose a custodial sentence is not restricted. It will still be a matter for the sentencing court to decide whether imprisonment is warranted for any given offence and, if so, the duration of the sentence for each offence.

In conclusion Deputy Stagg looked forward to the implementation of the new law and the reduction in burglaries which should occur.

11% Fall in Live Register Figures for Maynooth and 13% Fall for Newbridge in Last Year- Stagg

Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the fall in the Live Register Figures published this week which show a 11% fall in the Live Register Figures for Maynooth Labour Exchange and a 13% fall in the Live Register Figures for Newbridge Labour Exchange when compared with January 2015.
 Overall stated Deputy Stagg the Live Register for Co. Kildare has fallen from 15,520 in January 2015, to 13,814 in January, 2016, a 11% decrease.
 The further fall confirms the downward trend in unemployment stated Deputy Stagg and whilst still too high, Labour if re-elected to Government is committed to reaching Full Employment by 2018.

Stagg Meets Delegation from United Association on National Training Centre for Maynooth

Deputy Emmet Stagg met with representatives from Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board, Members of the Technical Engineering and Electrical Union, and representatives from United Association Union in the United States on Tuesday 9th February to discuss further the plans for the National Training Centre for Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg was pleased to meet with the various groups and to hear first hand how the United Association would work in tandem with the TEEU in engaging with Intel and other Foreign Direct Investment Companies to upskill their existing workforce. Existing FDI's in Ireland require trainees who have higher skill sets than are currently available in Ireland. The United Association in addition to engaging with FDI's will provide the course material and provide trainers to train Irish Tutors to their standards.

Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board stated Deputy Stagg have submitted a business case for the new Training Facility to the Department with the support of the Technical, Engineering and Electrical Union. The Training centre is required to deliver new high end training to existing workers, to deliver new apprenticeships in partnership with other ETB's and to cater for the demand for a Centre of Excellence in Training in IT, PharmaChem and Food Processing Sectors. A clear case has been made for this New National Training Centre and a site has been identified in Maynooth which would cater for the needs of the proposal.

The New Training Centre would also include new space for VTOS and YOUTHREACH who currently operate from very unsuitable premises in Leixlip. Deputy Stagg saw this for himself when he visited the VTOS centre at Riverforest Shopping Centre on Wednesday 10th February.

Deputy Stagg will now contact the Minister for Education further to press for an early decision on the National Training Centre for Maynooth. We have a site and everybody is on board so let's make this happen.

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Information is also available online at www.citizensinformation.ie and from the Citizens Information Phone Service - 0761 07 4000 or Lo-call 1890777121

Help for people who have been flooded

Question

My house was flooded and badly damaged. What help can I get?

Answer

The Department of Social Protection's Humanitarian Assistance Scheme provides means-tested emergency financial help immediately following flooding. The Government has not set a limit on the amount that can be paid to an individual household under this scheme. The amount paid depends on how severe the damage is and your ability to meet these costs. The scheme covers:

1. Emergency income support payments.
2. Damage to your home and its essential contents, such as carpets, flooring, furniture and household appliances and bedding.
3. Structural damage may also be considered.

The Department of Social Protection also provides exceptional and urgent needs payments which can help in the aftermath of a flood.

If your home has been flooded and you are getting help from the Humanitarian Assistance Scheme, you can apply to have your 2016 Local Property Tax (LPT) payment deferred (even if you do not qualify for deferral under the normal criteria). Contact the LPT Helpline on 1890 200 255 to make the relevant arrangements.

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has information on cleaning a home after flooding and dealing with the psychological effects of flooding. The Office of Public Works (OPW) has a website, flooding.ie, that gives information about what to do before, during and after a flood.

There are two publications giving details of the help available:

Leaflet – Schemes Available For People Affected by Recent Flooding
Booklet – Government Assistance For People Affected by Flooding

You can get the leaflets on the welfare.ie website or from your local Citizens Information Centre.

Accessing health care abroad

Question

I need to get a medical procedure carried out. I have just found out that I can expect to wait over a year for the procedure in Ireland. Can I get my medical costs refunded if I travel to another country in Europe to have this procedure?

Answer

If you are entitled to public health services that are available in Ireland, you can access these services in the European Economic Area (EEA). You will be repaid the cost if you meet the requirements. This is provided for by the Cross-Border Healthcare Directive.

The Directive covers services that are publicly funded and available in Ireland. These include acute hospital services and community-based out-patient care. Other services covered include physiotherapy, ophthalmic,

psychology, disability and mental health services. Occupational therapy services and dental and orthodontic services are also covered, but with some exceptions. Treatments that qualify for the Treatment Abroad Scheme (in general, treatments not available in Ireland) are not covered under the Cross-Border Healthcare Directive.

You must be referred to the health service that you require abroad in the same way that you would be referred to public health services in Ireland. This referral may be by your GP (family doctor) or public hospital consultant for example. They may also be able to tell you whether the service you require is covered by the Directive. You can also check with the National Contact Point (details below).

If the treatment involves an overnight stay in hospital, then it will need to be authorised in advance by the Health Service Executive (HSE). For other treatments, you should check whether prior authorisation is required. You pay the costs of treatment and then apply for a refund when you return to Ireland. The amount repaid is the amount that the treatment would cost in Ireland or the cost of your treatment abroad if that is less. It does not include other costs such as travel. The HSE has published refund amounts for different treatments. To get a refund of treatment costs, you and your healthcare provider abroad must complete a HSE form. You then submit it with the healthcare provider invoice and receipt.

For information about prior authorisation, applying for a refund, or for any other queries contact: National Contact Point, Cross-Border Healthcare Directive Department, St Canice's Hospital, Dublin Road, Kilkenny, Telephone (056) 778 4546, Email: crossborderdirective@hse.ie.

Registering to vote

Question

I want to vote in the upcoming general election. How do I add my name to the register?

Answer

The Register of Electors is published every year on the 1st February. The 2016/17 register comes into effect on 15 February 2016. You can check if you are on the Register at checktheregister.ie or at your local authority, Garda station, post office or public library. The closing date for submitting changes to the Register was 25 November 2015. Changes to the published Register after the closing date are taken into account in a supplement to the Register of Electors. If you are not listed on the register, you can apply to be added to the supplement using form RFA2. The form is available online at checktheregister.ie or from your local authority, post office or public library.

You can make this application at any time, but in order to be included in the supplement used at an election, your application must be received by your local authority at least 15 days before polling day (Sundays, public holidays and Good Friday are not counted as days for this purpose). In general you must sign the form in the presence of a member of the Garda Síochána from your local garda station unless you are unable to for certified medical reasons. If you are on the register but your address has

changed, you can have your new address added to the supplement by completing form RFA3. This will also remove you from the register for your previous address.

Further information is available from the Citizens Information Centre below.

Training Support Grants

Question

I'm getting Jobseeker's Allowance and am really interested in working with food. I found a café near me that is willing to offer me a job. They have asked me to do a food safety (HACCP) course first but I can't afford the course fee. Is there any help with this?

Answer

You should talk to your Department of Social Protection (DSP) case officer about a Training Support Grant. This scheme can give you quick access to short-term training that will help you take up a work opportunity.

Your DSP case officer can approve a grant under this scheme where:

- A training need is identified that is not provided by DSP directly or any other State provider and is not available quickly or in a suitable location.
- The intervention identified is linked to both the activation needs of the jobseeker and labour market conditions.
- The intervention is part of the agreed personal progression or action plan to enter or re-enter work.
- They are satisfied that you have provided reasonable evidence or grounds of need (for example, in the form of a job offer or of a potential job offer) or an identified skill gap or a requirement to maintain or achieve accreditation (for example, safe pass, driving licences, HACCP, security industry permits).

You can get funding of up to €500 a year under the scheme. (However the maximum contribution that can be approved and paid for essential driver training is €250.)

You need to provide a quotation from the training provider. Generally the grant is paid after you have finished the programme, done the relevant assessments and achieved certification.

THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked you for many favours. This time I ask you for this 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.

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Thanksgiving for favour received. ~R.D.

Maynooth Fianna Fáil Notes

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I placed the following motions and questions for consideration at the February Maynooth Municipal District Meeting.

Motion 1.

That the square in Maynooth known as “Court-house Square” be re-named “Cearnóg Ua Buachalla / Buckley Square”. Domhnall Ua Buachalla was the last Governor General of Ireland and leader of the Maynooth fifteen who marched on the GPO in 1916. He is the most significant historical figure from Maynooth and Kildare during that period. That the re-naming of the square include an information board, similar to the one currently on display in “the square” with details of Ua Buachalla and the Maynooth men involved in 1916. In fulfilling this motion, that funds are applied for through the Kildare County Council Decade of Commemoration Committee.

On the motion I stated that “I am seeking my fellow councillors support on this motion, which I believe would be due recognition to Domhnall Ua Buachalla, the Maynooth fifteen and all those that were involved in our struggle for freedom.

As the motion states, Ua Buachalla was the last Governor General of Ireland and held the position until he enacted Bunreacht na hÉireann, thus eradicating his role and introducing the role of Uachtarán na hÉireann. He also served as a TD and as Chairman of Kildare County Council. In this year, a year of commemoration, it is vital that we remember those that did so much for this country, from promoting the Irish Language through Conradh na Gaeilge, Strengthening our national games through the GAA and fighting for our freedom in the streets of Dublin.

Ua Buachalla was awarded a State Ceremony when he passed away, a signal of his contribution and importance to this country. By naming our central square after this great local figure, we are finally giving a proper recognition to Ua Buachalla and the Maynooth Men; Tom Byrne, Patrick Colgan, Jack Graves, Tom Harris, Ted O’Kelly, Patrick Kirwan, Joe Ledwith, Jack Maguire, Matthew Maguire, Tom Mangan, Oliver Ryan, Tim Tyrrell, Liam O’Regan and Pat Weafer.

The other councillors had concerns over the motion and were not willing to support it. The proposal has now been left on the Agenda for March’s meeting where the Heritage Officer will attend to brief the committee on potential public consultation.

Motion 2.

“That a review is carried out of the Moyglare Road, Maynooth to address speeding. This road is a mile in length and passes by four housing estates and many single houses. There is excessive speeding on this stretch which is acknowledged by An Garda Síochána who regularly have speed cameras in operation here. When the review is completed that speed deterrents are identified for this stretch of road.”

The Municipal District Office will erect a speed radar along this section of road in the coming month and will examine speed deterrents if necessary.

Question 1.

“Can we have a full schedule of works for the implementation of pay parking in Maynooth?”

The Maynooth Pay Parking will be fully operational by the end of April. At present the drawings are being finalised, pricing for initial

contracts will be finalised by the end of February. The purchase and installation of machines will take place before the end of April.

Question 2.

Can the Environment Section provide details regarding the amount of plots still available in Laraghbryan Cemetery, Maynooth and when subsequent land might need to be acquired to accommodate future demand?

The Environment Section has reviewed available capacity at the Cemetery and confirms that sufficient new grave spaces are available for the medium term (5-10 years). The cemetery will be considered for an extension as part of the Council’s ongoing cemetery development programme. I am pushing the Council to acquire land adjacent to Laraghbryan as soon as possible so there is no rush or panic for land in a few years. It is imperative that our community can have their final resting place in our local cemetery and close to loved ones.

Representations

Cllr. Ó Cearúil has been making representations on behalf of residents on a range of issues. If you have an issue or need advice please get in contact. Areas covered to date include;

- Local Issues
- Grants for Older People
- College Grants (SUSI)
- Housing Issues
- Planning Issues
- Medical Card Issues
- Business Start Ups

You can contact Naoise by telephone on (086) 728 0050, email cllrnaoise@gmail.com or via

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24-Jan	5,17,24,28	€1,100	Sheila Ganley - Jodie Lyons - Brian Connolly
31-Jan	6,16,24,25	€1,150	Paul Keogh - Miley Scanlon - Pat Power
07-Feb	9,14,16,27	€1,200	Jim's Shoe Repair - Mark & Lisa Thompson - Margaret Howard
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Maynooth Youths take Silver & Bronze in Taekwondo World Championships

Leah and Calum Duncan from Old Greenfield, Maynooth competed in the Taekwondo World Championships in Germany in February and brought home Silver & Bronze medals.

The 21st International Children's World Championships 2016 was held on the 6/7th of February in Glaspalast Sindelfingen, Stuttgart, Germany.

Leah was put up two weight groups as her fighter pulled out loosing out to a Russian fighter in the Final to take Silver.

Calum won his fight to get in the semi-final and took bronze despite a injury to his knee. Medics advised not to carry on but the little fighter did until he took another knock to the same knee.

Congratulations to the Duncan family on their tremendous success.

Photos: Left: Calum Duncan following his Bronze medal win. Centre Left: Leah Duncan following her Silver medal win. Centre Right: Calum with proud father David. Far Right: Part of the Irish contingent at The Championships.

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St Patrick's Day Recipes

Warm up with some Traditional Irish Recipes after a cold day watching the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Starter

Seafood Chowder

Serves 4

Ingredients:

25 g butter, 1 small onion, diced
1 leek, trimmed and diced
1 small carrot, diced
1 potato, cubed
50 g smoked salmon slices (cut into julienne, long thin strips)
120 ml dry white wine
450 ml tarragon-scented fish stock or water
225 g mixed fresh fish fillets (skinned and cut into bite-sized pieces - cod, haddock, hake or salmon)
175 g raw Dublin Bay prawns and mussels (scrubbed clean)
1 tblsp chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
175 ml cream
salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method:

Heat a large pan over a medium heat. Add the butter and once it is foaming, put in the onion, leek, carrot, potato and smoked salmon. Sauté for 2-3 minutes until softened. Pour the wine into the pan and allow to bubble down and reduce by half. Add the fish stock or water and bring to a simmer, then add the fresh fish and shellfish. Return the pan to a simmer and add the parsley and cream, then season to taste. Cover with a lid and simmer gently for another 2-3 minutes until the fish and prawns are tender and all of the mussels have opened, discard any that do not. To Serve: Ladle the chowder into warmed serving bowls, piling plenty of the fish and shellfish into the centre of each one.



Main Course

Traditional Irish stew

Serves 6

Ingredients:

2 tbsp rapeseed oil
1 kg lamb shoulder, trimmed and cut into 2.5cm chunks
2 onions, peeled and roughly chopped
3 celery stalks, trimmed and sliced
1 bay leaf
4 large carrots, peeled and roughly chopped
1 ltr beef or lamb stock
900g potatoes, peeled and cut into 1cm slices
Large knob of butter
Fresh flat leaf parsley and thyme, to serve

Method:

Place a large, flame proof casserole dish over a high heat, add 1 tablespoon of the oil and brown the lamb in two batches. Remove and set aside on a plate. Lower the heat to medium-high then add another tablespoon of oil and fry the onion, celery and carrot until the onions have softened. Preheat the oven to 160°C / 325°F / Gas mark 3. Return the meat to the dish then add the bay leaf, stock and season with salt and ground black pepper and bring to the boil. Remove from the heat and add the slices of potato to the stew, dot with a little butter and season again with salt and ground black pepper. Cover and cook for about 1½ hours or until the meat is tender, then remove the lid and cook for a further 10 minutes until the potatoes have coloured. Scatter with some fresh parsley, thyme and serve.



Dessert

Apple and Jameson Tart

Serves 4

Ingredients:

250g shortcrust pastry
50g ground almonds
4 large Bramley apples, peeled and diced
2 tablesp. sugar
250ml cream
3 egg yolks 50g caster sugar
Dash of whiskey

Method:

Preheat the oven to 200°C / 400°F / Gas mark 6. Line four individual tart tins with the pastry. Sprinkle some ground almonds on the base of each one. Then add the apple and enough sugar to sweeten. Heat the cream. Beat the egg yolks and sugar together. Stir in the cream and a dash of whiskey. Spoon a little of the cream mixture into each tart. Keep remaining cream. Bake tarts for 25-35 minutes. Pour the remaining cream into a bowl. Place over simmering water. Stirring constantly, continue to cook until the custard thickens. Serve the tarts with the warm custard.



St. Patrick's Day Desserts



Pistachio Pudding Parfaits

Ingredients

1 packet (8 oz) cream cheese, softened
1 cup of sugar
1½ cups of whipped cream
1 packet (3-4oz) instant pistachio pudding mix
10 pecan shortbread cookies, coarsely crushed



Method

In a small bowl, beat cream cheese & sugar. Fold in whipping cream. Set aside. Prepare pudding according to packet. Spoon 1 tblsp cookie crumbs into each of the eight parfait glasses. (You can use any tall glass). Top with half of the pudding & whipped cream mixture. Repeat layers. Top with remaining cookie crumbs. Chill until serving.

Shamrock Cookies

Ingredients

¾ cup butter
¼ teaspoon peppermint extract or vanilla
2 cups self raising flour
⅓ cup sugar
Green food colouring
Green coloured sugar



Method

- In a large bowl beat butter with an electric mixer on medium speed until softened. Add sugar & salt & beat until fluffy. Add the egg, peppermint extract or vanilla, & a few drops of green food colouring. Beat mixture well. Divide dough into 3 equal parts. Shape each part into a roll about 1 inch thick & about 8 inches long. Roll each in green coloured sugar. Wrap rolls in plastic wrap. Chill in fridge for at least 2 hrs or up to 1 week.
- Unwrap rolls. Slice crosswise so the slices are ¼ inch thick. To shape each shamrock, place 3 slices of dough with sides touching in a shamrock shape on grease proof paper. Cut a stem, from a fourth slice & attach to the shamrock. Gently push the slices together so each leaflet curves in slightly. Bake in over 350°F oven for 8 minutes or until edges are light brown. Lift the cookies onto a cooling rack.

Shamrock Milkshake Cupcakes

Ingredients

4 egg whites
¼ cup of green crème de menthe or
(¼ cup milk, 1 tsp mint extract, green colouring)
1 teaspoon baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup buttermilk or sour milk
1 portion white chocolate frosting
2 cups self raising flour
½ teaspoon baking soda
1¾ cups of sugar
½ teaspoon baking soda
½ cup butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Method

- Allow egg whites to stand at room temperature for 30mins. Meanwhile, line 2½ inch muffin cups with bun cases. In a medium bowl stir together flour, baking powder, baking soda & salt. In measuring jug combine the buttermilk & the crème de menthe/ mint extract. Set aside.
- Preheat oven to 350°F. In a large mixing bowl beat butter till soft. Add sugar, a little at a time, mixing well until all the sugar is gone. Add the flour & buttermilk mixture to the butter & sugar, mixing slowly until all the mixture is used.
- Spoon batter into prepared muffin cups, filling each about ¾ full. Use the back of a spoon to smooth out batter in cups. Bake for 15-18 mins or until tops spring back when lightly touched. Cool cupcakes on wire rack for 5 mins. Remove cupcakes from muffin cups. Cool completely on wire rack.
- Divide white chocolate frosting between two bowls. Tint one portion with green food colouring. Spoon each frosting into a pastry bag fitted with a large star tip. Pipe white & green frostings onto tops of cupcakes in shape of shamrock.

Shamrock Shake

Ingredients

2 cups vanilla ice cream or 2 cups soy ice cream
1¼ cups low-fat milk or soya milk
¼ teaspoon mint extract
8 drops of green food colouring



Method

1 Combine all ingredients in a blender on high speed until smooth. Check ice cream is blended. Pour into 12 oz cups & serve with a straw.



MARCH GARDENING

Spring is in the air so it's a busy time for the gardener. Lots of things to get started. Before you get started make sure your stored garden tools & outdoor furniture are rust free. If they are not, you need to remove any surface rust with steel wool and paint with rust inhibitive paint. Check containers, see if they need watering. Don't forget to turn the compost pile.



Fertilize shrubs & trees if this wasn't done in February. Trees which bleed such as Birch & Maple should be pruned until after their leaves are fully developed. Repair damaged areas of the lawn. De-thatch, rake or aerate. Apply Dolomite Lime to sweeten the soil if needed. If moss is a problem, use a combination fertilizer & moss killer. Over-seeding can be done as the last step after fertilizing. Fruit trees & grapes vines should be pruned this month. Apples & other fruit will be larger & have better flavour if the trees have been pruned so each branch has good exposure to sunlight & are well spaced up & down & around a central trunk.

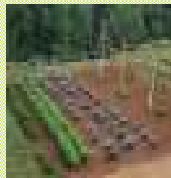
If weeds occur in bulb beds do not remove by cultivation. Pull them by hand so that the bulbs & roots will not be disturbed. Buy some new perennials for your flower border. Roses can be pruned this month also & start spraying roses for black spot. Sow seeds for summer flowering annuals indoors. Plant tender bulbs & tubers such as Gladioli, Lilies & Dahlias. You may continue planting additional bulbs every two weeks until June to ensure a continuous source of bloom. Plant Primroses & Pansies.



Pinch off tips of Sweet Pea seedlings & Mums, when they are 4 inches tall. Continue to deadhead winter-flowering pansies & other winter bedding. Pansies will carry on into the spring & even to early summer, if attended to frequently. Plant Snowdrops in the green to brighten up your winter garden next year. Prune early-flowering Clematis once their flowers have finished & summer-flowering Clematis before they start into active growth.

Divide & transplant summer blooming perennials & fertilize established ones as soon as new growth appears. Prune Winter Jasmine after flowering & cut Honeysuckle back to 3 ft. Keep an eye out for Aphids (spray with water) & Cutworms (Cutworm Dust).

Plan your vegetable garden on a sheet of paper. Remember to rotate the vegetables in the garden to reduce insect & disease problems. Prepare the vegetable garden by adding well-rotted manure, peat moss or compost for building compost humus in the soil. Egg Plant, Brussels Sprouts, Cauliflower, Celery, Leeks, Onions, Early Potatoes & Radish seeds may be planted in the garden mid month. Spinach, Chard, Cabbage & other hardy vegetables can be planted late in the month. Plant Strawberries, Blueberries, Current, Loganberries, Boysenberries, Grapes & Fruit trees. Also you can plant Tomatoes, Lettuce & other vegetables from seed.



Clean out all your bird houses now. Repair any fencing, arbors or trellises. Check plants under the eaves of the house & under tall evergreens to see if they have enough moisture. Frosts can be deadly, so keep vulnerable plants protected. March winds are also notorious so check exposed plants are well supported. As you clear the debris from your garden beds, use a rake to break up old matted mulch so rain can reach the roots. The piles you've raked will be a great start to this season's compost pile.

Remove netting from the pond. Start feeding fish & using the pond fountain, remove pond heaters if you have one. If your pond has frozen over, melt a small area of ice with hot water to release any build up of gases that could harm the fish. **DO NOT BREAK THE ICE - THE SHOCK WAVE CREATED MAY KILL POND LIFE.** Open the greenhouse or conservatory doors & vents on warm days.



Re-pot Orchids & other houseplants before they start into active growth again. Bring bags of compost in to the greenhouse to warm up for a week or two before you start sowing. March is a good time to note areas of poor drainage. If there are pools of water in your yard that do not drain, fill in the low spot or scoop out a channel for the water to drain away.

As the Garden grows, so does the Gardener!

How to turn your Apartment Balcony into a Lush Oasis

If you crave a peaceful outdoor escape here are some ideas for creating a beautiful retreat for even the smallest balcony.



The first thing you need to do is see how much sunlight hits your balcony, and depending on that, there are several plants which are the best choice for your container garden. If your balcony is facing the sun the best plants will be the sturdy ones that can take on that heat. So think Lavender, Aloe Vera, Geraniums and Dahlias for flowers and for vegetables, peppers and tomatoes and herbs like oregano and basil. If your balcony is in shade and protected, you need to choose plants that can survive without sunlight for a long time and the plants that are best for that type of balcony are Peace Lilies, Foxgloves, Primrose, and Ferns.

Create a lush corner by building a trellis like the one on this balcony. Add a few colourful pots and scented plants to create your own little outside world. Grow your own strawberries, tomatoes or herbs like mint and parsley. Grow tomatoes on a string using plant clips. This saves space and the plants won't blow over as easily in strong winds. Peppers are another vegetable that you can grow on your balcony. These vibrant and delicious vegetables are fun to grow and can also be decorative. Container garden peppers need two important things and those are water and light. First, your pepper will need 5 or more hours of direct light. The more light they can get, the better they will grow. Second, your pepper plant will be entirely dependent on you for water so make sure to water it on a daily basis.



Flower Boxes Not only do flower boxes on the balcony of an apartment increase gardening space, they allow you to personalize the outside of your apartment and make it stand out from your neighbour's. The higher your window boxes are, the "bigger" the look should be. So think big, bold Petunias or Geraniums. The tallest plants should be in the middle and things should gradually decrease in size

from there. Make sure to select flower boxes that are made specifically for hanging on a balcony or rail. Not only are they easy to install, they're safer because they are specifically constructed for secure installation on a railing.

Balcony Furnishings

Whatever your choice make sure that the furniture does not occupy a large portion of the space as your balcony will become congested. There are many types to choose from plastic furniture steel, metal, or wooden. A Bistro set is ideal for a small balcony. Perfect for alfresco dining. As an added bonus most bistro sets fold for storage. A Storage Bench is also ideal and practical as it can be used both for seating and storing your garden tools. A good quality weather cover is important to protect your outdoor furniture from the elements, keep it clean for you for the next time you go to use it and most importantly it will help prolong the lifespan of your furniture.



Of course the list is endless when it comes to buying accessories for your balcony from lanterns, wind chimes to special lighting and colourful comfortable cushions to fluff up your furniture when the season allows.

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TECHNOLOGY CORNER

TIPS, TRICKS, AND WHAT'S NEW IN THE WORLD OF TECH

The Information Age: A Digital Revolution



It is easy to understand why sociologists talk about how we live in the Information Age, also sometimes referred to as the Digital Age. Technology is all around us, and modern life is increasingly focused on computerised information. While technology's prevalence in our lives might not seem that unusual to us, the digital revolution is having as large an impact on humanity as the Industrial Revolution did in the 18th century. In many ways, it is astonishing how much computerised technology has become integrated into our daily life.

Studies in digital spread have brought up some astonishing facts. For instance, there are over 7 billion people on the planet, and over 4 billion use a mobile phone while only 3.5 billion use a toothbrush. 91% of adults have their mobile phones within arm's reach every hour of every day, and 90% of text messages are read within three minutes of being delivered. Google handles over 1 billion search queries every day, and it uses more electricity per day than most countries and releases over 200 tonnes of CO2 daily in the process.

What characterises the Information Age? A digital industry has created a knowledge-based society surrounded by a high-tech global economy. Its influence spans over a variety of sectors from manufacturing, entertainment, education, industrial, and the service sector, allowing them to operate in a more efficient and convenient way than ever before. In a commercialised society, the information industry allows individuals to explore their personalised needs, therefore simplifying the procedure of making decisions and significantly lowering costs for both producers and buyers.

It also has created what is termed a "knowledge economy", and the global economy is transitioning from an agriculture and labour based economy to a knowledge economy, an extension of the Information Age. This is the use of knowledge to generate both tangible and intangible benefits. This transition requires that the rules and practices that determined success in the industrial economy need

rewriting in an interconnected, globalised economy where knowledge resources such as trade secrets and expertise are as critical as other economic resources.

The knowledge economy is also seen as the latest stage of development in global economic restructuring. The developed world has thus far transitioned from an agricultural economy (characterised by the pre-Industrial Age agrarian sector) to an industrial economy (driven by the Industrial Age manufacturing sector) to a post-industrial/mass production economy (during the mid-1900s, characterised by the service sector) to knowledge economy (late 1900s – 2000s, driven by the technology/human capital sector). This latest stage has been marked by the upheavals in technological innovations and the globally competitive need for innovation with new products and processes.

In the knowledge economy, the specialised labour force is characterized as computer literate and well-trained in handling data, developing algorithms and simulated models, and innovating on processes and systems. Consequently, the technical-based STEM careers have seen large growth, while many labour and service based jobs are being steadily replaced by technological equivalents. This is a cause for concern globally as it threatens to increase the gap between wealthy communities with easy access to technology and developing communities that are lagging further behind in digital literacy.



What was once considered fallout of late 20th-century capitalism—the ever-widening gulf between the rich and the poor—has spun out into a much more complex global issue, one that the International Monetary Fund has called "the defining challenge of our time". Wealth distribution is not just a barometer of societal health. It is a critical determinant and one influenced heavily by technology. For much of the population, incomes have stagnated or even shrunk, and technology is one of the leading culprits. Simply put, as we get better at automating routine tasks, the people who benefit most are those with the expertise and creativity to use these advances. This drives income inequality: demand for highly skilled workers rises, while workers with less education and expertise fall behind or their jobs are increasingly computerised.

Last summer, the IMF released a major study showing some of the long-term effects of this pattern: in 159 advanced, emerging, and developing countries between 1980 and 2012, rising wealth concentrations among the richest segments of those countries led to similar declines in GDP. Conversely, equal periods of sustained income growth for the lowest segments aligned with healthy growth spurts in economic output.

The Information Age has affected the workforce in that automation and computerisation have resulted in higher productivity coupled with net job loss. It has created a situation in which workers who perform tasks which are easily automated are being forced to find work which involves tasks that are not easily automated. This has the inherent consequence of benefiting those who can avail of better educational opportunities while adversely effecting those from poor socioeconomic backgrounds. Workers are also being increasingly forced to compete in a global job market on top of being replaced by computers that can do their jobs faster and more effectively. This poses particular problems for workers in industrial societies as the IMF study revealed.

Jobs traditionally associated with the middle class (assembly line workers, data processors, foremen and supervisors) are beginning to disappear, either through outsourcing or automation. Individuals who lose their jobs must either move up, joining a group of "mind workers" (engineers, doctors, solicitors, teachers, scientists, professors, executives, journalists, consultants), or settle for low-skill, low-wage service jobs.

The Digital Age is also impacting how people seek out and form relationships. 1 out of 8 couples met their spouse on the internet within the past few years. There are increasing numbers of people meeting their significant others online each year, which is perhaps unsurprising when considering there are over 1 billion active instant messaging accounts, and social media is on the rise – there are nearly 500 million messages sent daily on Snapchat alone.

The Information Age is in full swing, and while experts are continually making predictions (both positive and negative) about the future impact on our lives, it remains to be seen how we will be affected in the coming years.



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FUN & UNUSUAL FACTS ABOUT ST. PATRICK'S DAY

The actual colour of St. Patrick is blue. Green became associated with St. Patrick's Day during the 19th century. Green, in Irish legends, was worn by fairies, immortals & by people to encourage their crops to grow.

St. Patrick did not actually drive snakes out of Ireland, the snakes represent the pagans that he converted to Christianity.



The very first St. Patrick's Day parade was not in Ireland. It was in Boston in 1737.

The phrase, "Drowning the Shamrock" is from the custom of floating the shamrock on the top of whiskey before drinking it. If you keep the custom, then you will have a prosperous year.

On March 17th it is usually said that there are two types of people in this world, the Irish and those who want to be Irish.

The New York's St. Patrick's Day parade is the longest running civilian parade in the world.

According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the highest number of leaves found on a clover is 14.

St. Patrick's Day is considered to be the luckiest day to get married.

The shamrock which was also called the "seamroy" by the Celts, was a sacred plant in ancient Ireland because it symbolized the rebirth of Spring. According to legend, St. Patrick used the shamrock to explain the Christian doctrine of the Trinity to the Irish.

St. Patrick's Day did not become a national holiday in Ireland until 1903. The first parade held in Ireland was in Dublin in 1931. In fact, until the 1970s pubs in Ireland were required by law to be closed on March 17th.

Every year in Chicago, they dye the river green. This tradition began in 1962 when the parade organiser, head of a plumber's union, noticed that the dye that was used to find sources of river pollution stained his clothes green. He thought it would be a great idea to use enough dye to turn the river green for the city's St. Patrick's Day celebration. Now in case you were wondering the environmental impact of the dye is less than the pollution from sewage treatment plants.

St. Patrick was said to have proclaimed that everyone should have a drop of the "hard stuff" on his feast day after chasing an innkeeper who served a short measure of whiskey.

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If you want to be criticized, marry.
There is hope from the sea, but none from the grave.
You can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear.

IRISH JOKES

Why are Irish jokes so simple; so the English can understand them.
When is an Irish potato not an Irish potato? When it's a French fry.
Where would you always find gold? In the dictionary.
What does Ireland have more than any other country? Irish men.





Maynooth
Tidy Towns
Caring for our environment

Maynooth Tidy Towns held their AGM on Thursday 11th February at the Glenroyal Hotel. The following officers were elected:
Chairman: John Kavanagh
Vice-chair: Vinny Mulready
Secretary: Mary Molloy
Treasurer: Mary Jennings
PRO: Richard Farrell
John Kavanagh thanked Mattie Callaghan, Paul Croghan and Mary Farrell for all the work that they had done over the years in guiding Maynooth to two Bronze Medals and a Silver Medal.

This year 2016 we start the process in going for Gold in the National Tidy Towns Competition. Following the AGM a planning meeting took place to discuss various projects for 2016/17. On Thursday 11th February, Willow cuttings were gathered and have been planted on Saturday 13th February in various locations as part of a biodiversity plan.

We are planning to have a joint clean up with Leixlip Tidy Towns on Saturday 12th March. **WEEE Ireland will be in Maynooth on Saturday 19th March in Tesco Car park near the Community Council Office from 10am to 4pm.** Any item containing a plug or battery, also lightbulbs, car batteries etc for recycling should be brought along on the day.

Jim Doyle gave Maynooth Tidy Towns a donation from the sale of Christmas Trees. Looking forward to seeing you all on St. Patrick's Day Parade.

**If you wish to join us please contact us on 0873153189 or on Facebook.
Richard Farrell - PRO
Maynooth Tidy Towns**

Photos: Bottom Left: Planting of willows by Maynooth Tidy Towns Volunteers in Meadowbrook as part of the Biodiversity plan. Bottom Right: Maynooth Tidy Towns New Committee (seated) with MTT Volunteers



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Craobh Mhaigh Nuad

The Craobh is looking forward to a busy couple of weeks of music culture and craic, and would urge everyone to keep an eye out for us in what is set to be a busy March and April.

A lot of effort goes into St Patrick's Day preparations, with the Craobh looking to retain the trophy for the best portrayal of Irish culture; a tough ask in this 1916 centenary year, no doubt. Our parade float will be plugged in and "dickied" up in line with other years, so give us a good cheer when you see us, and let's hope for some decent weather in the interests of dry instruments and those poor musicians numb fingers! Commemorating the 1916 rebels would not be possible without a couple of tunes also, so expect to see the branch in the middle of these activities also. The term itself is also set to be busy – below is a plan of all the activities we have set up.

Classes are mainly run on Wednesdays apart from the Easter break, and sessions are held toward the end of each month. Preparations and practicing is also beginning for the Kildare Fleadh being hosted again by our neighbouring branch in Kilcock end of April, so for those thinking of entering, ye'd better starting drilling!

Classes are well underway for the second term and we are absolutely delighted to announce the addition of the Harp to the repertoire of instruments taught in the branch. Having lined up Alannah to teach the class on the basis of 2 students who had expressed interest, we're thrilled to have 5 in the class for an cláreasch, which is absolutely core to our musical tradition and national identity. Already in January, we have had a class session, our big last Wednesday of the month branch session and one of our very enjoyable Sunday afternoon sessions in McMahon's. In the case of the latter, the kids are really progressing at an unbelievable rate and the group is growing from week to week. Well done to all to turn up, and we would emphasise that we welcome all musicians interested in a fun learner session to sample and partake in the music. As shown above, the next slot is 28th Feb at 3pm, upstairs in McMahon's lounge – keep an eye on Facebook and Twitter for updates. Thanks also to Craobh Chualann in Monkstown for hosting our bunch of young, eager musicians for an evening of tunes and craic they'll never forget. Loaded up in

Tracey's bus on Friday 5th Feb for the evening, they travelled across the M50 to the HQ of Comhaltas and were very warmly welcomed. Friday nights is a very busy night in Monkstown and our gang played their hearts out for 2 hours before travelling back home on the tour bus. Go raibh maith agaibh arís.

Our regular Wednesday night session in McMahon's is still running from 10 or so - keep an eye out on the regular Twitter / Facebook feeds for details of these impromptu, pop-up sessions. Again, all are welcome to McMahon's sessions, young or old, whether branch members or not.

Classes in Maynooth Post Primary School on Wednesday 2nd and Wednesday 9th March followed by Easter break with classes resuming on April 6th.

Forthcoming events: St. Patrick's Day Parade, Community Breakfast, Festival Concert and sessions and Easter Monday 1916 commemoration.

Go n-éirí an cheoil linn i 2016!

Lots more information on www.cceamighnuad.com and Facebook & Twitter (CCEamighNuad). Slán go foil



Session in Craobh Chualann, Monkstown on 5th Feb

St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band

March is usually one of the busiest months in the early part of the year for the Band but it will be particularly busy this year. On Sunday 13th March we take part in the Dunboyne (early) St. Patrick's Day Parade and on March 17th we start off with our own Maynooth Parade at 11am followed by the parade in Kilcock at 1.30pm. A little over a week later we are back in Maynooth when we are part of the Easter Commemoration Programme on Easter Monday to mark the 15 men from Maynooth who marched to the GPO in 1916.



The band is busy at the moment rehearsing for the South of Ireland Band Championships in July and are hoping to emulate previous successes in this very competitive competition which includes bands from all over the country.

As always we invite musicians living in the area who would like to play with the band to drop in to the Band Hall in Pound Lane between 8pm and 9.30pm any Monday night (except Bank Holidays) where you will receive a very warm welcome. The same invitation is also extended to any budding musicians who would like to learn to play a brass, reed or percussion instrument.

Route 66 takes their Live in Concert Show on the road

Following the success of their last Live in Concert Show at the Civic Theatre in Tallaght last November Route 66, the North Kildare based Big Band, are taking the Show to other Theatres in the coming year. The Band was formed in Maynooth over 16 years ago, hence the Route 66 (Maynooth Bus) name and is it a source of wonder to so many people that this 16 piece band has survived for so long. Their Live in Concert Show is in response to requests from countless fans to play more "Open Gigs" and the success of their earlier concerts is proof that there is indeed an audience out there for this type of music.

Their tour kicks off at the Venue Theatre in Ratoath on Saturday March 19th at 8pm and tickets can be booked at 01 6895600 or online at www.venue theatre.ie. Their Live in Concert Show brings audiences on a magical music tour from the 40's right up to date with numbers made famous by Glenn Miller, Frank Sinatra, Tina Turner, Adele, Amy Winehouse, Tom Jones and many more and is a show not to be missed. Tickets for this venue sell out quickly so please book your seats early to avoid disappointment. The Band have planned other shows in Blanchardstown, Dundrum, Mullingar, Navan, Naas and Tallaght during 2016 so please watch and like the Route 66 Big Band Facebook page for news and dates on all their Shows. For further information on the Band and other open performances please email: route66bigbandireland@gmail.com



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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Christmas Walk.

On Sunday 27th Dec we held our walk which started at Maynooth Harbour, along the canal to Pike Bridge and then through the grounds of Carton House, returning via the Avenue to Maynooth town. Mince tarts and mulled wine was served along the way and we were blessed with good weather. We were delighted to be joined by members of Kildare Branch of IWAI for the event.

Remembrance Service.

The greatest loss of life on the Irish Canal system happened near Porterstown Bridge on Nov 25th 1845 when the evening boat from Dublin to Longford sank with the loss of 15 lives. On the 170th anniversary of this tragedy our committee decided to hold a service of remembrance in Porterstown Church. The service was conducted by Fr Paul Ward and RCAG Chairman, Matt Kennedy later placed a wreath by the plaque recalling the event on Porterstown Bridge.

Clean-up Groups.

A clean-up group has been operating very successfully for the past two years on the canal between Binns Bridge and Broombridge. This group meets on one Saturday each month and collects all litter along this stretch which is later removed by Dublin City Council. DCC also provide bags and equipment for this purpose. In recent months new groups have formed at North Strand and Ashtown and it is hoped to extend further west along the canal in the summer months.

New Jetty.

The canal is currently closed above 8th Lock to facilitate the building of a new jetty opposite Royal Canal Park. Ballymore Properties are building new apartments and houses nearby and plan to include a Community facility beside the jetty for the use of residents. The canal should reopen by Easter.

Luas Depot

Within a short distance of 8th Lock at Broombridge a new depot is being built to house the Luas trams at the terminus of the new cross-city line which will travel from Stephens Green to Broombridge. Much of the track has already been laid in the city centre but it will be 2017 before services commence. There will be no interference with the canal as all work is confined to the south bank of the canal.

Cycle Paths

Kildare County Council has applied for planning permission to construct a cycle track from Convey to the Meath border. Other stretches are in course of preparation from Sheriff St Bridge to Newcomon and from Cross Guns Bridge to Ashtown. In August last the Cycleway from Mullingar to Athlone was opened and this can be accessed from the Royal Canal at Ballinea Bridge.

Check out www.royalcanal.net

Interesting facts about school life for children in 1916

- Irish was taught in less than 300 of the country's 9,000 primary schools, it was mainly taught in schools in the Gaeltacht areas. It became a compulsory subject when Ireland became a Free State in 1922.
- In 1916 only about half of the teachers had formal training in comparison to today where every teacher must be fully qualified. Many of the teachers who were trained had qualifications that were out of date.
- All children learned reading, writing, arithmetic and religion, girls were taught needlework, cookery and laundry while boys were taught agriculture particularly in rural schools.
- Many teachers couldn't teach music or art so these weren't taught in many of our schools.
- Pupils were responsible for cleaning the classroom weekly or sometimes daily. The teacher's job also included lighting the fire every day. Facilities that we take for granted today such as toilet facilities were rare.
- Rote learning was common practice where pupils had to learn spellings, arithmetic and grammar by heart and were punished with beatings if they failed to do their work or if it was not neat. Unlike today teachers salaries were dependent on a good inspector's report each year.
- Attendance began to fall off rapidly in schools with many children leaving school around the age of 11 or 12 to work in factories or farms. Even though school attendance had been made compulsory in 1892 by the time of the Rising average daily attendance was only 70 percent of enrolment.
- Fees were charged for secondary schooling so the majority of families could not afford to send their children unless they received a scholarship or a grant or were from a wealthy family.



Sailor died alone and was buried amid a family of 300

John McMullen (88) died in Connolly Hospital on January 30. He was a resident of the Moyglare Nursing Home in Maynooth. John had come to Maynooth 5 years ago from a shelter in the Christchurch area of Dublin. There had been no family/friends visit to him and the only indication of his past was that he mentioned being a Sailor and travelled the world.

Kildare Now published the story online and it quickly spread throughout Social Media. Official channels and unofficial networks and agencies were contacted here and abroad in the search of any relations of John, all to no avail.

We, the Defence Forces Veterans had been involved in a similar situation in Dublin 2 years ago and the fact that he was a Serviceman was all we needed to get involved. John was inducted as a Defence Forces Veteran and became a member of the "Military Family". He then became entitled to an escort, honour guard and musical salute of Last Post & Reveille at the graveside. The Defence Forces Veterans came from as far as Portlaoise, Athlone, Roscommon, Wexford and Dublin.

The church was almost full of people who were touched by the sadness of John's story and everyone who attended automatically became a brother or sister of the Sailor who had no family. Approximately 300 people today turned up to pay respects to a sailor.

John's coffin was escorted into the church by the Defence Forces Veterans. a brief intro about John and 2 poems were read by Paul Clarke.

Ester Byrne sang at the Mass, supported by Damien the organist. The Voyage by Christy Moore was played and The Derry Air was performed as John's coffin was again escorted out of the church by the Defence Forces Veterans.

St. Mary's Parish, Maynooth gave John a fitting send off.

Staff from Connolly Hospital, Moyglare Nursing Home, Reilly Undertakers, the Parish Funeral Team and all those who attended should be proud of themselves for the outpouring of humanity & dignity shown to this 88 year old man who had no family to see him off.

At Laraghbryan Cemetery, Fr. Liam Rigney & the Parish Funeral Team battled with the blustery wind & rain in delivering the graveside orations, commenting on the hope for 8 or 10 people to attend the burial, almost 150 turned up at the grave. John was laid to rest while Charlie O'Neill an ex army Bugler sounded the Last Post & Reveille to the final salute of Defence Forces Veterans.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh an Anam

Paul Clarke

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Maynooth Monthly Diary Planner

Irish Girl Guides	Community Library	Bridge Club
<p>Meetings Tuesday evening in Maynooth.</p> <p>For further information contact Jackie on 0894298061 or visit the Irish Girl Guides website www.irishgirlguides.ie</p>	<p>Opening Times</p> <p>Mondays & Fridays 2pm to 5pm</p> <p>Tuesdays & Thursdays 1pm to 8pm</p> <p>Wednesday 9.30am to 1pm & 2pm to 5pm</p> <p>Sat 9.30am to 1pm</p>	<p>Open for new members. If you would like to play in a friendly club with purpose-built facilities in the centre of Maynooth, please see our website at maynoothbridgeclub.com. Contact Katherine Cooney 086 8205910</p>
I.C.A.	History Group	Arthritis Ireland
<p>Monthly meetings take place every 1st Thursday of the month at 8.00pm in the I.C.A. Hall in the Harbour.</p> <p>Crafts every Monday night at 8.00pm.</p> <p>New members welcome</p>	<p>Meetings last Thursday of the month in Maynooth Community Council Office</p> <p>Tesco Shopping Centre at 8.00pm.</p> <p>All Welcome</p>	<p>Arthritis Ireland Walking Group (Maynooth)</p> <p>Meeting Monday's at 12 Noon</p> <p>Maynooth Community Space</p> <p>Unit 11/12 Tesco SC</p> <p>Carton Park, Maynooth</p> <p>For Seated Exercise & Walking</p> <p>New Members Welcome</p>
University of Third Age (U3A)	Maynooth Parent & Toddler Group	Maynooth Men's Sheds
<p>Weekly meetings on Fridays at 11am in Maynooth Community Space</p> <p>Unit 11/12 Tesco SC</p> <p>Carton Park, Maynooth</p> <p>New Members Welcome</p>	<p>Every Thursday from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.</p> <p>Maynooth Community Space</p> <p>Unit 11/12 Tesco SC</p> <p>Carton Park, Maynooth</p>	<p>Weekly meetings take place every Wednesday at 11.am at the Garden Centre</p> <p>Dublin Road Maynooth.</p> <p>For further details contact John Fleming - 087 2041334</p>
Maynooth Tidy Towns	Kildare Intercultural Action Group (KIA)	Maynooth Community Church
<p>Volunteers required to help with this work.</p> <p>Contact Number 087 3153189</p>	<p>Meetings takes place 3rd Saturday of the month at 3pm.</p> <p>In Maynooth Community Space</p> <p>Tesco SC Carton Park Maynooth</p> <p>For further information.</p> <p>Contact Maeve at 0873459185</p> <p>www.facebook.com/kiamaynooth</p>	<p>1st Floor Manor Mills (entrance next to Chill)</p> <p>Service times every Sunday morning from 10.30 am</p> <p>www.maynoothcc.org</p> <p>Everyone most welcome</p>
Maynooth Senior Citizens	Maynooth Flower & Garden Club	Daffodil Day
<p>Our morning club continues on Tuesday and Thursday and new members are always welcome. Perhaps you are new to the parish or new to the age bracket, why not come along you might enjoy it. You will find us in the Geraldine Hall on Leinster St, or contact Josephine on 087 9002296.</p>	<p>Teaching Demonstration by Veronica McMahon</p> <p>March 15th Competition:</p> <p>Class A & B—March Winds - Space: 75cms</p> <p>Class C—March Winds - Space: 45cms</p> <p>Plant Competition:</p> <p>3 Daffodils, same or mixed</p> <p>www.maynoothflowerandgardenclub.com</p>	<p>DAFFODIL DAY - 11th MARCH</p>  <p>WE WON'T GIVE UP UNTIL CANCER DOES</p> <p>GET INVOLVED 1850 60 60 60</p> <p>Daffodils are required for the day. If you can supply daffodils contact Moira Baxter on 0864041927</p>
<p>Diary entries are published free of charge for all Community Groups. E-mail details of your event before the copy date (2nd last Tuesday of each month) to be included in the next months edition. E-mail: maynoothcc@eircom.net. Phone: 01-6285922</p> <p>(The content of the Monthly Planner Dairy is published in good faith. All details should be checked with groups)</p>		

Maynooth Monthly Diary Planner (Cont.)

CCE Craobh Mhaigh Nuad

Classes in Maynooth Post Primary School on Wednesday 2nd and Wednesday 9th March followed by Easter break with classes resuming on April 6th.
Forthcoming events: St. Patrick's Day Parade, Community Breakfast, Festival Concert and Easter Monday 1916 Commemoration.

Childline Table Quiz

A table quiz will be held in aid of Childline on Friday the 11th March in Maynooth G.A.A., doors open at 8pm and start time is 9pm. There will be live traditional music on during the break. Your support would be welcome.

WEE Ireland Recycling Day

WEEE Ireland will be in Maynooth on Saturday 19th March in Tesco Car park near the Community Council Office from 10am to 4pm. Any item containing a plug or battery, also lightbulbs, car batteries etc for recycling should be brought along on the day.

Sudoku Challenge

Difficult

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	6	2	7				4	1
				8				
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Entries must arrive before:
Tuesday 22nd March



Congratulations to February Winner:

Ciara Dunne
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Prize winners will have 30 days to claim their prize from the time the results are made public.

Super Difficult

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			9		7			
	8	5	3				4	
4	1	3	6	8				
		2			1		5	
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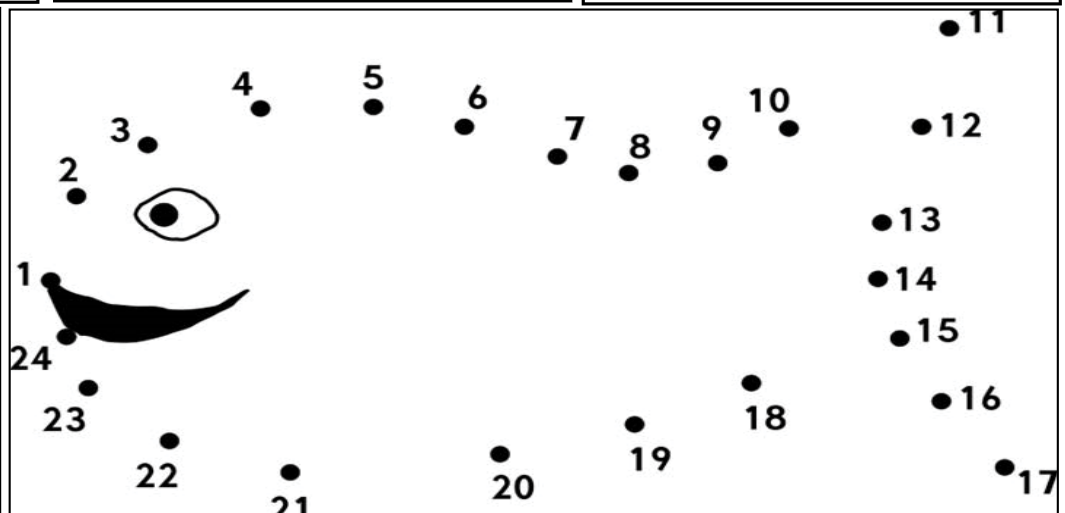
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Follow the dots to see what was inside the egg.

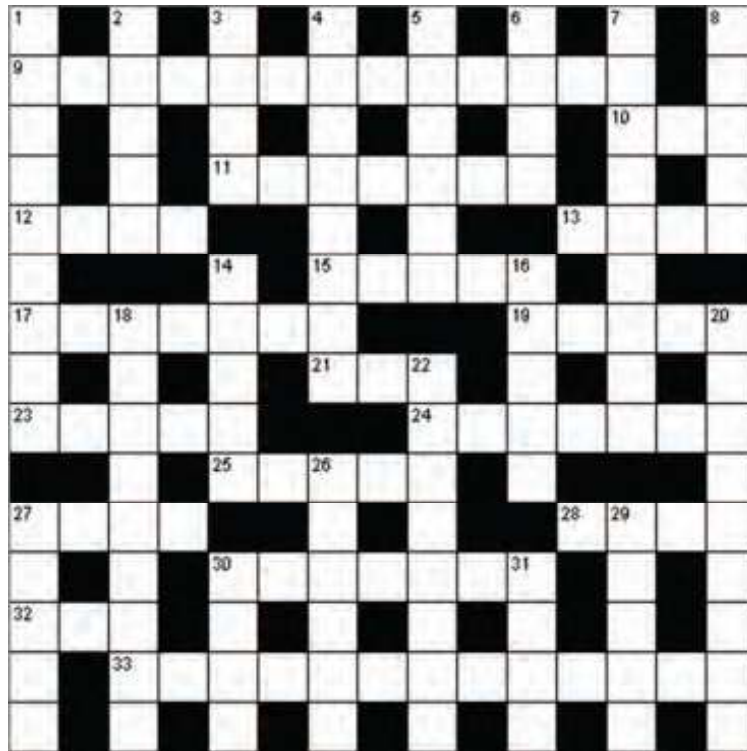


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Clues Across**March Crossword - No: 444****Clues Down**

9. List of questions (13)
 10. Arrest (3)
 11. Continue steadily (7)
 12. Immense (4)
 13. 10 US cents (4)
 15. Inexpensive (5)
 17. Confer (7)
 19. Body of honeybees (5)
 21. Weep (3)
 23. The telling of lies (5)
 24. Bow and arrow skill (7)
 25. Roof overhang (5)
 27. Infant (4)
 28. Make indistinct (4)
 30. Packed (7)
 32. French vineyard (3)
 33. Officer ranking below a lieutenant (13)



1. Deliberately ambiguous
 2. Reposes (5)
 3. Cease (4)
 4. Removes errors (8)
 5. Immature (6)
 6. Grime (4)
 7. Provide with fresh air (9)
 8. One-edged sword (5)
 14. Soft sweetmeat (5)
 16. Figure out (5)
 18. Small brush for cleaning fingernails (9)
 20. Office of a mayor (9)
 22. Largest drum (4,4)
 26. Fiddle (6)
 27. Cured pig meat (5)
 29. Pale reddish purple (5)
 30. Young bears (4)
 31. Musical composition for two (4)

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No. 443 February**

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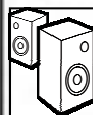
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Volunteering In Zambia

How often in life are we given the opportunity to make any real positive impact in somebody's life? Doing a good deed is always nice, returning a lost phone to a stranger, buying a homeless person a cup of coffee, these acts all help somebody and make you feel good. *But, what if your impact wasn't just a temporary thing, what if it not only changed somebody's day, but changed their life?* To volunteer abroad is to change lives for the better. Working as a Volunteer in Zambia I aim to help struggling communities in such a way that could easily be the biggest and greatest deed I will ever perform.

My name is **Shauna Haughney** and I have lived in Maynooth my whole life. I am in second year in Marino Institute of Education studying Primary School Teaching, which I love. I have been lucky enough to be chosen as one of the nine trainee primary school teachers to travel to **Zambia** this summer as part of the Suas Educational Volunteer Programme.

Suas Educational Development is a registered Irish Charity (CHY 14931) supporting access to quality education in Ireland, India, Kenya and Zambia for over 10,000 children a year. This year is the first time I will volunteer overseas and it is Suas's first time taking volunteers over to Zambia. Both Suas and I see education as the key to social transformation, and the first and most important step in changing lives.



So why I am volunteering?

I don't actually really know why I want to volunteer but it is something I have always wanted to do. Years ago when I first heard of Suas in secondary school I knew it was something one day I would do. So when Suas approached my college looking for trainee teachers I immediately applied. So after a 45 minute integration by 2 Suas co-ordinators I felt I had lost my chance as I wasn't happy with how it had gone. It was then that I realised how much I actually wanted it as I was extremely disappointed. Then weeks later I was delighted to receive an email congratulating me and offering me a place on the programme. I honestly couldn't believe it!

Little did I know that the 'integration' was the easy part! Now I am faced with another battle of **fundraising €2995** in order to travel to Zambia for six weeks. Six weeks is a long time so you are probably wondering how I will spend this time. I will be working alongside local teachers in Kabwee. The main school I will be based in is '**Sables Community School**' for boys and girls. The aim of

these six weeks is that when we leave and return to Ireland the communities will be able to retain and sustain quality education. To do this we will be leaving solar powered tablets in the schools. Each tablet has a library of books for all abilities installed on them and the teacher tablets have thousands of lesson plans and ideas they can implement when we have left. As well as working in the schools I will play a major part in the local communities. Not only will my teaching skills be put to the test out in Zambia so will my artistic skills, sporting skills and creative dance skills as I will be setting up many afterschool activities for all to participate in.

My overall aim for these six weeks is that when I leave these children and their communities I will have made a positive impact on them and provided them with the opportunity to realise their full potential in life.

As I approach this journey I have mixed feelings. Of course I am extremely excited to travel to Zambia along with this excitement there are nerves and a touch of fear. Working in Zambia is going to be far from easy. It will test me in many ways, both emotionally and physically. The main challenge I think I will face is seeing the contrast between my life and the lives of the Zambian people. During these 6 weeks I feel I will be overwhelmed with emotion. Having to experience all these feelings in an unfamiliar environment and being millions of miles away from my family will be a real challenge to me as a person. However, I hope to take all the positives from this experience of a life time and apply all that I have learnt to my life and to my future teaching career.

On my return I will write again, filling you all in on how I coped in Zambia and all my experiences. I suppose the main reason I am writing this article is to ask the people of Maynooth to help the children in Zambia by supporting me in reaching my target of €2995. I will be organising many events in Maynooth over the next few months and your support at these would be greatly appreciated. On **April 2nd** I am running a fundraising event in **Brady's** with a local band '**District Daze**' performing, followed by the resident DJ. I would love if you could attend but if you cannot and would still like to make a donation please check out my iDonate page on the following web address:



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Kildare Planning Applications for Maynooth Area

From 15/01/2016 to 16/02/2016 - Information from Kildare County Council Website

App. Num	Authority	Applicant Name	Development Address	Application Date
16139	Kildare County Council	Tom & Evelyn Neville	Site No. 15 Temple Wood, Carton Demesne, Maynooth	16/02/2016
16131	Kildare County Council	Eamon O Flaherty	16 Parklands Way, Maynooth, Co Kildare	15/02/2016
16122	Kildare County Council	Skyblue Homes Ltd.	Newtown Hall, Newtown Townland, Maynooth	12/02/2016
16120	Kildare County Council	Steven McEleney	37 Maynooth Road, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.	11/02/2016
16113	Kildare County Council	ESB Telecoms Limited	ESB's Moneycooly 38kV Sub, Townland of Moneycooly, Maynooth	10/02/2016
1699	Kildare County Council	Siobhán Glynn	Ballygoran, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.	08/02/2016
1663	Kildare County Council	Fergal O'Malley c/o The North Kildare Club	Maws, Kilcock, Maynooth	27/01/2016
1654	Kildare County Council	Wilhelm and Annetrud Franke	Maws House, Maws, Maynooth	26/01/2016
1660	Kildare County Council	Inkjet World	Unit 7 & Unit 8, Mill Str, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.	26/01/2016
1645	Kildare County Council	Bernadette Farrell	Railpark, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	22/01/2016
1639	Kildare County Council	Clarrington Properties (Celbridge) Ltd.	located adjacent to and accessed from Maynooth Road, Celbridge	21/01/2016
1637	Kildare County Council	Ballygoran Developments Ltd.	on a site at the junction Coates Lane and Pound Lane, Maynooth	20/01/2016
1633	Kildare County Council	Kim Barrett	(Dowdstown), Rowanstown, Maynooth	19/01/2016
1634	Kildare County Council	Ian Barrett	(Dowdstown), Rowanstown, Maynooth	19/01/2016
1625	Kildare County Council	David Durate	100 Castledawson, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.	15/01/2016

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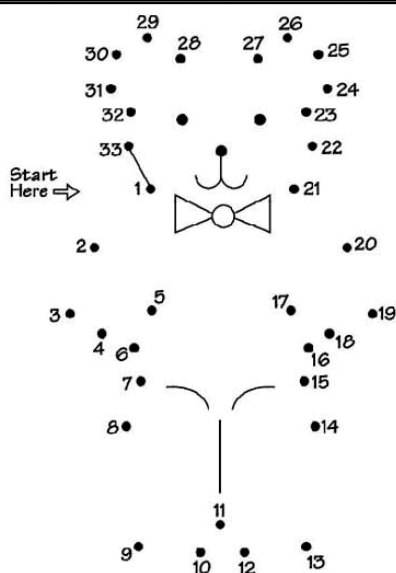
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The Crescent
Moyglare Hall

Age: 8 & Over: Aoife Guinon
Greenfield Drive
Maynooth



Prizes for Colouring Competition can be collected at:

Maynooth Community Council Office, Unit 5, Tesco Shopping Centre.
Entries must arrive before: Tuesday 24th March 2015



Launch of The Rebellion Run in the Maynooth Post Primary

The official launch of the Rebellion Run - 5k/10k - Event (Sunday 24th April) took place in the Post-Primary School, Maynooth on Tuesday 26th January. Teachers, students (in period costume), and Mark Kenneally, marathon runner, were all in attendance at this special event. Paul Clarke and Paul Boothman of the Maynooth 15 raised the commemorative flag at the launch. Some of the people present included: Gerry Quinn, Angela Treacy, (of Maynooth Ceoltas group) Lesley Fennelly (Carton House), and Teresa Murray, Adrian Dalton (teachers).

Photos courtesy of Rory O'Connor



THE REBELLION RUN

Sunday 24th April 2016

The Maynooth Education Campus

Parent Teacher Association invite you to our fundraising event to celebrate the advancements in education over the last 100 years by entering our 10K or Family 5K on the Sunday morning of the 24th April 2016 The 100th anniversary of the 24th April 1916 Easter Rebellion

Entry Form

First Name _____

Last Name _____ Gender _____

Address _____

Email _____ Ph/ Mob _____

Individual entry fee: €20

Family 5K entry fee: €40 *

Please tick box to indicate entry type

10K	<input type="checkbox"/>	5K	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family 5K	<input type="checkbox"/>
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and return completed entry form and fee to the reception at Maynooth Post Primary School Moyglare Road Maynooth, marked 10K/5K.

* Family is a maximum of two adults and one or more children, online entry at

www.maynooth10k.ie

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I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills
When all at once I saw a crowd
A host, of golden daffodils
Beside the lake, beneath the trees
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze
Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the Milky Way
They stretched in never ending line
Along the margin of a bay
Ten thousand saw I at a glance
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance
The waves beside them danced, but they
Outdid the sparkling waves in glee
A poet could not but be gay
In such a jocund company
I gazed - and gazed - but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought
Far off, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude
And then my heart with pleasure fills
And dances with the daffodils.

By: William Wordsworth (1770-1850)



The Plight of the Humble Bumble Bee

It's taken for granted that the fruits and veg that we like are always available. It's a fact we assume they are there and will always be. So it would come as a major surprise if a Supermarket sign said, short supply of apples, kiwi, courgette, pears, tomatoes or almonds. Not due to drought, cold, heat or wind damage but due to poor pollination by insects, primarily bumble bees. Food for thought? Grabbed your attention !



Many crops worldwide are dependant on pollination by bumble bees. **The All Ireland Pollinator Plan 2015 - 2020** sets out lots of useful suggestions of how the environment for insects can be improved. In Maynooth the dynamic Tidy Towns have decided that they will step up to the mark and make a contribution towards helping pollinating insects, by planting willows to provide pollen and nectar for bumble bees.



You too can help this summer by making a proactive choice in the plants used for colour. Consider reducing Geraniums, Begonias and Busy Lizzie which have little value for insects. Consider substituting single flower Dahlias i.e. Bishop series for Double flowered types. Plant some perennials like Nepeta, (Catmint) Marjoram, Mints, Cosmos, Cornflowers, Lavender, Allium, Nasturtium or Aster. There are lots of plants to give great garden colour and provide food for beneficial insects. Institutions might consider planting some beds of Phacelia, which if sown in May will flower all summer till late autumn frosts, providing a rich harvest for honey bees, bumble bees, moths etc. Bumblebees are a critical part of the natural environment therefore it is vital that we take action to help save these charming creatures from further population declines. Visit bumblebeeconservation.org for lots of insect friendly details.



FILM/DVD MONTHLY BY BERNIE CLAXTON

THE REVENANT

Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hardy & Domhnall Gleeson



The Revenant was the most talked about film of last year with plentiful stories of its punishing shoot in extreme, remote locations. It is also likely to be on everyone's list of top ten films come the end of 2016. Director Alejandro G. Iñárritu's wilderness epic opened the new film-going year in spectacular fashion. *The Revenant* has swept the boards at award ceremonies worldwide. It has Oscar glory stamped all over it. *The Revenant* is based on true historical events and loosely adapted from a 2002 novel, of the same name, by Michael Punke. The title refers to one who returns from the dead or a long absence. It recounts the dramatic real-life story of one Hugh Glass, a 19th century adventurer employed by the Rocky Mountain Fur Company. He acted as a guide/scout for teams of fur trappers through the uncharted North-West territory.



In Iñárritu's extraordinary film, Leonardo DiCaprio plays Glass as a man struggling for his very life and survival after a catastrophic series of events on a glacial and unforgiving frontier. Savagely mauled by a grizzly, betrayed and left for dead by his fellow trappers, the severely injured frontiersman amazingly survives. He literally crawls his way out of a shallow grave and some 200 miles across a formidable landscape to exact revenge. The film was shot mostly in the arctic Canadian Rockies (standing in for South Dakota), Montana and Argentina.



The Revenant dramatizes a piece of history that cinema rarely deals with; the struggles and endurance of the 'mountain men' who were among the first Americans to push the frontier west during the 1820s. The Oscar-winning Mexican director (of *Birdman* fame) depicts a raw, virgin Western landscape of 1823, long before cowboys, maps and laws pillaged its lands and native dwellers. White men in this universe are a minority. It is populated mostly by fur trappers like Glass who risk death from the elements or Native tribes to ply their trade.

Iñárritu and his co-writer Mark L. Smith deviate from Punke's more or less historically accurate original in many aspects. The frontier man's past (related in flashbacks, visions) now includes an Indian wife (Grace Dove) and he is accompanied on the trapping expedition by their half Pawnee son (Forrest Goodluck). DiCaprio's take on Glass is also more sympathetic in his interactions with the natives (engendering a possible modern politically-correct bias). Was the actual Glass so inclined? But this is Hollywood and few films based on actual events are ever a slavish respecter of history.



From the very outset, Iñárritu's film is a blistering assault on the senses. Hang on to your seats – it's going to be a bumpy ride! You have barely time to breathe before the trapper party, led by the honourable Captain Andrew Henry (Domhnall Gleeson), are set upon by Arikara warriors. Arrows and tomahawks hurtle across the screen at a startling rate piercing human flesh in gruesome detail. The relentless camera

movements swoop, swirl and track the aggressors (on horses and in trees) and their prey, one by one, as bloody carnage and mayhem ensues. The confusion and sheer terror of this scene serves notice on what is to follow. You have been duly warned.

Barely a half hour in *The Revenant* delivers its most notorious and stomach-churning scene. Contrary to popular belief, Leonardo DiCaprio was not raped by a bear during the making of this film! The lengths Leonardo reputedly went to in order to produce as true a performance as possible didn't quite require this sacrifice!

In a terrifyingly vicious, realistic sequence that seems to go on forever, Hugh Glass is attacked with ferocity by a grizzly bear. At the screening I attended, audible gasps permeated the cinema. Di Caprio becomes the equivalent of a ragdoll as he is tossed, clawed, bitten and crushed by a very irate mama bear. We the viewers are forced to experience the brutal assault in excruciating, claustrophobic close-up. You virtually feel every tear as flesh is ripped apart. The scene will leave you gasping for breath. The actor lies facing the audience for almost all of the ordeal and his blood-soaked expressions are almost as horrifying as the red jaws of the grunting beast grappling with him.



Leonardo may go through bloody hell and suffer for his art but thanks to cinematographer Emmanuel Lubezki, he does so beautifully. Under Lubezki's expert eye, Glass's trek through the untamed wilderness is visually breath-taking. *The Revenant* was mostly shot in natural light giving it a haunting beauty. Filmed in remote locations and sub-zero temperatures, the director reportedly put his cast and crew through exhausting extremes. Leo famously eats raw bison liver in one gruelling scene. The disgust that flickers on his face (and the viewer) is not faked, as the actor is actually a vegetarian in real life. This all adds to the feeling of authenticity that Iñárritu is striving for.

Glass's torturous journey to safety involves battling the menacing elements. He hauls his damaged body through a frozen hellscape; piercing winds, avalanche-prone mountains, across icy rivers, up cliff-faces and over plains. It is just as much an endurance test for the audience as it is for the character.



Lubezki frames these magnificent awe-inspiring landscapes impeccably. This film is one of visceral involvement. You will shiver along with the characters of *The Revenant*. With each of Leo's laboured breaths, the screen fogs over or on occasion the dazzling sun creates a glare on the lens. Lubezki's camera work shows the players diminished by the sheer vastness of nature (towering trees, soaring cliff faces, and infinite horizons) merging terrain and character with unbearable tension.

And if this isn't enough for you, there are the chases, hair-breath escapes, beatings and always the struggle for food, warmth and shelter. The director doesn't favour the subtle approach, so we are treated to the less than appealing sight of Di Caprio dismembering a dead horse in order shield him from the harsh weather.

Leonardo Di Caprio has been nominated for an Oscar five times and there is much speculation that this will finally be his

year. The actor's classic good-looks are unrecognisable here under layers of beard, dirt and blood. In *The Revenant*, he is certainly put through the wringer. It's his most physical if silent performance yet. He acts like a man in shock catapulted into survival mode. His only form of communication is a series of grunts, groans, shuffles, and trembles.



DiCaprio is forced to portray Glass's desperate predicament, grief and anger mostly through his eyes as he drags his pained body through the snow and dirt with gritted teeth. When he does eventually rasp something out, you feel the weight of his words – "I ain't afraid to die anymore...I done it already". It is a remarkable performance of rawness, grit, empathy and sheer bloody-minded determination.



The British actor, Tom Hardy gives Leo a run for his money though. If Leo is the hero of the piece, then Hardy is most definitely the villain. Hardy plays the greedy, racist and mercenary trapper Fitzgerald. The two men are polar opposites although initially they share in the capitalist ethos of killing animals for profit. Hardy so good at playing villains with shades of grey (as in *Legend*) is excellent here. His appearance (wild-eyed and scarred head) hints at a tortured soul gone to the bad.



People of a sensitive disposition might just want to skip this film and it certainly will not be to everyone's taste. Its long running time and consistently dour story may work against it too. There are few moments of humour to alleviate the tension of it all. The film feels like one long and unforgiving act of sadism mostly directed at Leo but occasionally at us. It's all very cold and beautiful, heavy on stunning visuals but short on narrative meat. Granted gorgeous sunrises and sunsets are pretty to look at though.

Alejandro Iñárritu's vision is persuasive though. One cannot deny *The Revenant*'s visual and technical mastery. For that the director is to be applauded. For *The Revenant* is a visceral experience, from beginning to end. Fluid ingenious camerawork, astonishing vistas, invisible editing, a haunting score, memorable set-pieces all combine to powerful effect. The director plays with themes of man's inhumanity, survival, the might of nature, intolerance, revenge, and redemption. *The Revenant* is above all a tale of endurance and the strength of the human spirit in the face of impossible odds.





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The Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Festival is a Collaboration between Maynooth Community Council and the Saint Patrick Foundation. The Community Council under the stewardship of Naoise Ó Cearúil organise the Parade and The Foundation organise the Breakfast and Concert.

Saint Patrick Breakfast - Glenroyal Hotel



8.45am - 9.45am - €10 Adults,
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Saint Patrick Concert - Glenroyal Hotel

7pm - 9pm - €7 Adults, €3 Concession/Children under 12

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