



Maynooth Newsletter



Recording the Social Footprint of Maynooth since the 1970s

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MAYNOOTH ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 2025

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A Spectacular 40th Celebration!



What a day! Maynooth's **40th St. Patrick's Day Parade** was nothing short of **phenomenal**, and I couldn't be prouder of our town. This year's theme, "**Back to the 80's**," brought an explosion of colour, music, and nostalgia to the streets, and the energy was absolutely electric!

With **31 incredible floats** and **thousands of participants**, the parade transformed Maynooth into a sea of celebration, stretching from **Straffan Road to Dublin Road**. The turnout was **unbelievable** - over **9,000 spectators** lined the streets, cheering on floats, dancers, musicians, and community groups, all embracing the spirit of the day.

A Massive Thank You!

A day like this doesn't just happen, it takes dedication, passion, and a whole lot of hard work. I want to give a huge shoutout to the people who made it possible:

- **The incredible volunteers and Parade Committee**, who poured their time and effort into making this event happen—special thanks to **Cllr. Donna Phelan, Paul Croghan, Steve McCarthy, Patricia Moynan, Gerry Quinn, and Catherine Carton** for their leadership, creativity, and commitment.
- **The team at Maynooth Community Employment Project (MCEP) and John Doogan**, whose support behind the scenes was invaluable.
- **Maynooth Autism Friendly Town**, for creating a dedicated Quiet Zone, making the parade more inclusive for everyone.
- **Our entertainers – Terri Fierce and the fire breathers, Clowns and Colours, and our fantastic face painters** – who brought colour, excitement, and magic to every corner of the town.
- **Willie Kiernan**, who made sure the day sounded as good as it looked.
- **Paul Croghan and Paul Daly**, our brilliant MCs, who kept the crowd engaged and informed.
- **The Maynooth Men's Sheds and Kildare Volunteer Centre**, whose dedication kept everything running smoothly.
- **Our talented photographer, Mark Colfer** - for capturing the magic of the day in stunning images seen here in the Maynooth Newsletter.
- **The Gardaí**, for managing road closures and keeping everything safe and organised.

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And the Winners Are...Community Person of the Year: Mark Nolan

Parade Awards

- **Best School Float: Presentation Girls' School**
- **Best Commercial Float: Red Torch Ginger**
- **Best Portrayal of Theme: Maynooth GAA Club**
- **Best Portrayal of Irish Culture (Dr. Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin Perpetual Trophy): Gaelscoil Ruairí**
- **Best Club: North Kildare Club**

Shop Front Awards

- 1st Place: *Tommy's Butchers, Greenfield Shopping Centre*
- 2nd Place: *O'Neill's Bar & Steakhouse, Main Street*
- 3rd Place: *DMD Café, Main Street*

Looking Ahead

This year's parade was an **unforgettable milestone**, a true celebration of **community, culture, and creativity**. Seeing **thousands of smiling faces** and feeling the incredible energy in the air was something special, and I have no doubt that this tradition will continue to grow even bigger and better.

To everyone who took part, whether you were on a float, stewarding, cheering from the sidelines, or working behind the scenes, you **made this event amazing**, and I can't thank you enough.

Let's keep this tradition alive and thriving, **here's to next year's parade!**

Beirigí Bua!

Naoise Ó Cearúil—Chairperson

Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee

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Mission Statement

The Maynooth Newsletter is a community focused online publication available free to the people of Maynooth. It plays an important role in gathering together, recording and distributing community based news.

We encourage all groups and individuals in the community to submit material to let us know about their activities and any upcoming events.

The Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and we hope you continue to enjoy your monthly read and keep us informed of your activities.

The Editorial Board endeavours to ensure independence and balance in the Newsletter content and reserves the right to omit/edit or abridge material which in its opinion might render the Newsletter as a promoter of sectional interests.

In addition we undertake the following:

- In the case of errors of fact we will publish corrections when we become aware of such.
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Maynooth Newsletter Archives

The management and staff of the Maynooth Community Employment Project started a project in March 2011 to acquire and digitise all available issues of the Maynooth Newsletter dating back to 1975. These back issues along with current issues are available by following the archive link on our webpage -

www.maynoothcep.com.

The Newsletter Archive can be viewed and searched in pdf format. In addition, there exists the capability to be able to search an entire year. Please be aware the single files associated with the year are larger and will take a little longer to load.

The Archive provides an important historical footprint of the Town and records the community profile of Maynooth from the mid-seventies to the present day. We hope you enjoy using it and that it brings back memories of people, places and times and that it equally provides an interesting insight to the development of the town and university for newly arrived members of our community.

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Editorial Board - Maynooth Newsletter

Editorial

Community activities are crucial to the social engagement in a town as they provide outlets for people to meet and share common interests. But of course, beyond the founding members many community organisations go on to support a wider group of members even into subsequent generations. A number of important groups in Maynooth mark significant anniversaries in 2025.

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee was established on 31st May 1965 and have remained continuously active for 60 years. Their Mission Statement outlines that the aim of the Senior Citizens Committee is to create an environment where older people can retain independence and have autonomy over their own lives. Through strong leadership over the six decades, they have been both advocates and active supporters to the senior citizens in Maynooth.

In March, the Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade marked 40 years since the current parade run by the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee was first held under the stewardship of John McGinley. Of course, there was a less formal parade organised by St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band that took place up to the 1980s. It was just the band themselves marching from St. Mary's Catholic Church to Carton Avenue and back to the Square to perform.

Castle Keep Art Group also marks a milestone in 2025. Formed out of the Maynooth Arts Forum the visual arts group celebrates 25 years in existence in 2025. Again, another important outlet for people who have an interest in creating works of visual art.

And last but not least the Maynooth Community Employment Project marks 40 years of continuous operation in 2025. The original community employment schemes were sponsored by Maynooth Community Council up until 2001. It became a government requirement for schemes to become legal entities and register as companies that year. The Community Council voted to discontinue their involvement in the scheme at that point. A group of volunteers came together to form the required legal structure which itself will mark 25 years in continuous operation in February 2026.

Maynooth Community Employment Project provides training and work experience as well as supporting a range of community activities. With an office base in Carton Park supporting community groups including the production of the Maynooth Newsletter as well as some services to the public. Additionally, there is a base in Maynooth Harbour where the environs of the Royal Canal are maintained as a valuable community resource. The project has a third location at Maynooth Town Football Club so that the club facilities can be maintained. The Project has ongoing opportunities for people aged over 21 years who are in receipt of a state benefit and would like to get support to transition back to full-time work.

Since 2012, John Doogan has managed the day to day operation of Maynooth Community Employment Project, he is retiring from this role at the end of March. On behalf of the Management Board, current and former staff and the many people in the community who know how important John has been to supporting them, we wish him the best for the future.

**Paul Croghan
Editor**

**Copy date for the May edition will be
5pm on Friday 25th April 2025**



Gold Medal Winners
2016 - 2017 - 2018
2019 - 2021 - 2022
2023 - 2024



On the 10th of March we were invited to an event in Athlone by the Department of Rural affairs to be presented with our 2024 Gold Medal and Certificate. We were left disappointed we only received the Certificate, the Gold Medal will be delivered through our local authority or through the post, who knows?

We have 2 competitions to prepare for this year, Tidy Towns Ireland and The Entente Florale European Competition. We have had 3 meetings with the Irish Entente judges this year so far and we will have another one in April and a public meeting in our local Library on Main Street, everyone is welcome to attend.

We participated in the St Patrick's Day Parade on the 17th March. It was a really well organised event and well attended by our local population. We won the Environmental Awareness Award for our float. We also carried banners advertising the Entente Florale Europe Competition, making the public aware of this event as we will need lots of help especially on judging day on the 12th of July.

We will have our National Spring Clean on a date in April probably the 12th. We hope to have a big turnout of volunteers as we do every week.

We would like to thank Mary McNamara from the ICA for inviting us to the ICA Hall on the 15th Match for refreshments. We really appreciated the fresh baked cakes and scones after clean up.

At our March meeting we will discuss our planting programme for this summer lots of yellow and blues the Entente Florale colours.



If you wish to volunteer please contact us on our Facebook page or by email maynoothtidytowns@outlook.ie

Mary Molloy

Maynooth Tidy Towns Association

GROW MENTAL HEALTH:

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THE MIRACLE PRAYER

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

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Cllr **Angela Feeney**

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Maynooth ICA Guild Notes

We are now fully back in operation since February. At the February meeting we had our prayer service for past members. Thanks to Eilis O' Malley and Mary Mc Mahon for setting up this event, it was well attended.

Our March meeting is our Gaeilge meeting agus tá "cúpla focal ag gach duine". Time to practice our Irish language. We are meeting with children from the Gael Scoil to talk about the olden days and what we did.

The Guild treasurer is very busy at the minute following up on grants we can apply for and that takes a bit of time. We hosted Saturday morning Tea and Cakes for the Tidy Town Group, who work so hard to keep the town looking so well and we thank them for that.

We have our craft class every Monday night and it's amazing the amount of crafts that we do. Some of our members will attend Craft Week in An Grianán. This class is fully booked out every year so we are having a second one in September'25.

Our committee are: President: Mary Mc Namara, Vice President: Norah Mc Dermott, Secretary: Patricia Farrell, Treasurer: Grainne Roche, and 9 other officers.

Members have been very busy making "Freddie" bags for the Children's Hospital plus knitted hats and blankets. We are also collecting hats, scarfs and toiletries for Simon Community which we do every year.

We had our federation meeting on the 1st March in Clane, also our quiz and cake competition. The quiz winners were Maynooth and the cake winner was Mary Smith – Clane.

The Maynooth team are: Mary O' Gorman, Rosemary Hanley and Anne Murphy. We wish them the best of luck in the National Finals in An Grianán.

We also do an International Night in the Guild which will happen later in the year.

Our newest venture is doing Drama Classes which is happening in March. Age Action Kildare are starting practice days for members interested in taking part in those games.

On the international scene Polaris Travel – Athy are organising a trip from 1st to the 5th May for anyone interested. Some members are also going to visit the Birmingham Garden and Flower Show, so something for everyone.

An Grianán are having their annual Garden Party on 6th July and this is always a great event and well attended. Some of our members have already done a trip to Altamont Garden in Tullow, Carlow and had a great day. Some of them said they never knew there was so many varieties of Snowdrop. Some very expensive ones too.

We also celebrated International Women's Day on the 8th March. We will also organize an event for Walking Sunday. A federation Craft day is being organised by Mary O' Gorman for October. She will give us a list of crafts and then we will decide what one we want to do.

Our Federation AGM takes place on 29th April in the Slip Hall, Celbridge. Our members will also be very busy on Daffodil Day manning the many collection stations in Maynooth.

**** Our hall is available to rent and we are always looking for new members.**

Nora McDermott PRO Maynooth I.C.A.

Maynooth Castle Keep Art Group



Annual Art Exhibition 2025

Maynooth Post Primary School
Maynooth Education Campus
Mariavilla, Moyglare Road

W23 X6X8

Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th April

> 12 noon to 5pm <

All Welcome

Cllr. Donna
Phelan
 Working with Naoise Ó Cearúil TD
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Plean Ghaeilge Chill Dara

Maynooth Community Church Building

W23 P02A

02/04/2025

18:00 Dé Céadaoin / Wed

Oscail don phobal!

Le Cill Dara le Gaeilge

Ag plé plean seacht mbliana don

Ghaeilge i gContae Chill Dara

2024-2030

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Leabharlann Phobal Mhaigh Nuad

11:00 Gach Máirt / Every Tues

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Beginner friendly!

from Main Street @ Carton Walk

20:00 Gach Déardaoin / Every

Thurs

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Caifé Sásta Manor Mills



09:00 Gach Aoine / Every Fri

Beauty and the Beast

Ceoldráma

Halla Spóirt Ghaelcholáiste

(Moyglare Road W23 HC66)

03/04/2025 & 04/04/2025

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19:30 Dé hAoine / Fri

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Carton Retail Park

26/04/2025

11:00-13:00 Dé Sathairn / Sat

le Eclecticats



Club Ghaeilge Nuada

Gaelscoil Ruairí

30/04/2025

19:00 Dé Céadaoin / Wed

• Comhrá 7 Cuideachta

• Club Leabhar ☐

• Learners' Class

Tá Fáilte Roimh Chách!



Cllr. Angela Feeney Maynooth Labour News

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Full-time Garda Station needed for Maynooth

At the March Municipal District Council meeting, I submitted a motion asking the Council to write to the Minister for Justice and the Garda Commissioner calling for a full-time Garda station for Maynooth. The current population of Maynooth and the additional university population justifies the need for a Garda station for the key county town of Maynooth. People need to feel safe and there is an increasing rise in criminality.

I commend the Gardaí and the community Gardaí for the great work they do under such challenging circumstances. We have a new Minister for Justice and we should avail of the opportunity to call for a full time Garda station for Maynooth, reminding him of the commitments made in the Programme for Government to grow Garda numbers. I was very grateful that my motion got the full support of the members and a letter will be sent from to the Minister for Justice and to the Garda Commissioner.

Path at Barberstown

There is a 500m public path that runs from Barberstown roundabout towards Maynooth which was part of the old road before the upgrade and it runs along the hedge. There is a grass mound on the other side and every time it rains, it gets flooded about midway along the path. I asked the Council at a very basic level, to fix the drainage so it stops flooding there or remove a section of the mound before the spot where it always floods (on the longer side) so people do not need to climb over it to avoid the regular flooding. It would actually be great if the entire mound could be removed, widen the path and put a cycle lane in. The mound serves no purpose and makes the path unsafe at night. So it was good to get the positive reply from the Council saying the Municipal Office will look at the drainage issue and also to see if this can be included in the list of active travel projects for the area.

Straffan Playground Update

Getting a playground and amenity recreational space for the growing population of Straffan is really important and one I have been working on and will continue to work on. I will liaise with all interested parties involved to move this important issue along for Straffan not only for families and children but all Straffan residents who want this amenity. There is such a shortage of recreational space for the community. I welcome the update informing us that the GAA discussions are ongoing with the Council and that it is also exploring other sites and I hope this can become a reality very soon.

Retrofitting Update

It was a hugely positive week with the opening to the public of the Retrofitting DemoHouse in Maynooth showcasing the very best of retrofitting measures as well as accessibility measures. I have been contacted by many people about measures to retrofit their own homes. We need to continue retrofitting the Council housing stock and I hope the government will continue to fund these measures because the older houses need attention and we need to support them.

Upcoming Motions and Questions to Council:

Motions:

That the Council provides a disability parking space at St. John of Gods, Leap Hub in Fagans Lane, Maynooth.

That repairs be carried out on footpaths in older estates Maynooth in the interest of improved accessibility.

Questions:

Can the Council provide an update on the delivery of planned crèches in Mullen Park Maynooth and Lumann in Straffan.

Can the Council provide an update on its plans for the vacated fire brigade site in Maynooth for Community use.

Ollscoil Mhá Nuad
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8-10 May
2025



Sharon Shannon Supported by The Beartla Ó Flatharta Céilí Band

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Irish National Opera in Concert

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AGM

The An Nuadha Players 2025 year has officially begun after a successful and well attended AGM on the 25th February 2025. We would like to thank all our members for attending and having their say. We would also like to take this opportunity to introduce you all to our new committee and wish them the best of luck as they navigate the year ahead. An Nuadha Players have always been lucky enough to have a strong committee of dedicated members and this year will be no different. Thank you to our outgoing committee for a fantastic year just gone!



Summer Production 2025

We are pleased to announce that our Summer Production for 2025 will be 'The Prisoner of Second Avenue' by Neil Simon. Our very talented Ann Kelly will direct this production and after holding auditions over the last 2 weeks she has it now fully cast! This show will run from the 8th-12th July 2025 in Maynooth Community College and with this cast we can safely say it is a show you don't wanna miss!



Workshops

An Nuadha Players' WORKSHOP SERIES

Vocal

WITH KATIE NOONE

26TH APRIL | 2PM-4PM
MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY SPACE

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MUST HAVE PAID MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025 TO PARTICIPATE

An Nuadha Players are delighted to kick off our workshop series with a session on Vocal Work, lead by Katie Noone. Join us for a dynamic workshop that will elevate your vocal performance! In this session, you'll learn effective vocal warm-up techniques to strengthen and prepare your voice for any performance.

We'll also dive into the art of connecting your voice to text,

helping you bring written words to life with clarity, emotion, and power. Whether you're a beginner or seasoned performer, this workshop will help you unlock your vocal potential and master the craft of expressive delivery.

Don't miss out on this opportunity to boost your vocal skills and gain confidence in every performance! Spaces are limited and registration is necessary. For insurance purposes, all participants must be members. To become a member is very easy and we are always delighted to see new faces! Check out our website www.annuadhplayers.ie for more details.

Panto 2025

An Nuadha Players are delighted to announce that our Christmas Pantomime for 2025 is **The Sword in the Stone**; a brand new panto, written by Rían Glynn. Rían has been a member of the group since he joined as a child in 2002 and he has been heavily involved both on and



off stage ever since. This is the first time one of his panto scripts will be brought to the stage and we're very excited to share it with all of you. 25 years on, we're thrilled that our members continuously step up into new roles and love seeing the creativity they bring to our group. The show will be directed by Rían Glynn, choreographed by Méadhbh Fitzgibbon Moore, with Marie McAndrew as Musical Director.

Audition details still to follow so be sure to follow us on social media platforms @annuadhplayers and keep an eye on the website for all details as they are released. www.annuadhplayers.ie.

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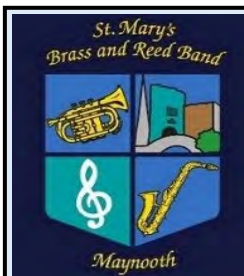
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Committee 2025



St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band

St. Patrick's Day is done and dusted for another year and while it was cold we managed to escape without the rain. We played at the Maynooth and Kilcock Parades both of which went very well with huge crowds at the two venues.

We are delighted to report that our Academy Band will be taking part in the National Band Championships in Ardee on 26th April. It will be their first time to take part in a competition and we wish them well.

May will see the Band taking part in the Arts and Minds Festival in Maynooth University on Saturday 10th May while we look forward to a return visit to the Picnic in the Park in the Harbour on Sunday 15th June. We are delighted to welcome a Band from South Carolina USA on Thursday 26th June but more about this nearer to the day.

We are again reminding musicians, experienced and budding, that they are most welcome to join the Band, our door in the Band Hall on Pound Lane is always open on Monday nights between 7.45 and 9.30 except Bank Holidays and on Saturday mornings between 10oc and 11.30. You can always contact us on sec@stmarysbandmaynooth.ie



Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade (Photo by Mark Colfer)

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MAYNOOTH CYCLING CAMPAIGN



Last month, Maynooth Cycling Campaign announced that we would be screening the award winning film MOTHERLOAD in May. Make a note in your diary! We are delighted to announce that it will be screened at 8:00pm on Thursday 15th May as part of Bikeweek 2025. The venue will be confirmed at a later date.

The film will be of particular interest to people who may be considering a cargo bicycle instead of a second car and who would like more information of what a Bike Library may offer.

To get a taste of the film, you can view the official trailer at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NkkIZNE9S-g>.

Climate Change

In January, two people lost their lives in Storm Éowyn and the financial damage is estimated to be in the range of €300M.

In March, Professor Peter Thorne from Maynooth University's Icarus Climate Research Centre appeared on RTE's Nine O'Clock News. He stated that *'Governments have to act now. If we don't, things will get worse very very quickly The temperature rise is not linear- its impacts are very non-linear. They are going to increase very quickly.'*

The Climate Change Advisory Council stated that the government must invest now to rapidly improve its preparedness and ability to respond to extreme weather events. It called on the government to stop procrastination on the decisions that are needed.

The Climate Change Advisory Council in conjunction with the Fiscal Council

and Climate Change Advisory Council also recently issued a joint report. Their report, '[A colossal missed opportunity](#)', sets out potential costs for Ireland from missing agreed EU targets. These could amount to staggering payments of between €8bn and €26bn to Europe.

In view of the rejection by Maynooth MD councillors of measures to increase bike use in the *Maynooth & Environs Local Area Plan (LAP)*, perhaps the political parties will indicate who they think should pay the cost of larger fines - people who supported additional permeability measures to promote cycling under the LAP or people who opposed the measures?

Increase in Private Cars

In the Irish Republic, between 2000 and 2020, the number of private vehicles registered for tax rose by 63% from 1,319,250 to 2,215,1127. No one was asked to approve this increase. No one was asked about the impact on road accidents or road fatalities. No one was asked about the worsening air and noise pollution. Yet people are getting in a twist over a relatively small increase in the number of cyclists.

KCC & the Sustainable Transport Forum

When Kildare County Council abolished the Kildare Cycle Forum, it announced that the forum would be incorporated into a new Sustainable Transport Forum (STF). It took some two years for the Transport Strategic Policy Committee to establish the new forum. During the term of the last council, the last STF meeting took place in February 2024. The minutes from that meeting have still not been circulated.

Maynooth Cycling Campaign is particularly interested in the minutes as we were able to raise an issue of particular interest and importance concerning climate targets. We are waiting to see if the minutes will refer to the matter.

Since the local government elections in May 2024, the Transport SPC has met once in February but the re-establishment of the Sustainable Transport Forum was not on the agenda. It suggests that a forum of sustainable transport stakeholders is not a high priority of Kildare County Council.

Maynooth Cycling Campaign is a non-party independent local lobby group in Kildare.



Maynooth 10K: Be Part of Something Bigger – Sponsorship Opportunities Now Open!

The Maynooth 10K is back for its 15th year, and we're on track for our biggest event yet — but we can't do it alone! As we gear up for race day on Sunday, 11th May 2025, we're reaching out to businesses and organizations to join us in making this event unforgettable.

This beloved community race isn't just about crossing the finish line — it's about coming together to support the continuous development of school sports grounds, providing future generations with high-quality athletic facilities. With runners, walkers, families, and supporters from near and far, this is the perfect opportunity for sponsors to make a real impact while gaining fantastic local exposure.

Why Sponsor the Maynooth 10K?

Community Spirit: Show your support for local schools and the wider Maynooth community.

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Reach Thousands: Our event draws participants and spectators from across the region — and beyond.

Be Part of the Action: Whether you'd like to sponsor a water station, a kilometer marker, or the finish line, there are plenty of ways to get involved.

We're grateful to our current sponsors, whose support makes this event possible. Will your business join them in helping us go the extra mile this year?

Interested? Let's Chat!

We'd love to explore sponsorship opportunities with you. Whether you're a local business, a national brand, or just someone who loves to support a good cause, let's make this year's Maynooth 10K the best one yet — together.

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Writers' Corner - Short Stories/Articles from our Readers

Memories of Growing up in Derrylow

I was born in 1936, four years after Fianna Fail came to power and three years before the outbreak of World War II. The Great Depression started by the Wall Street Crash resulted in Fascists such as Mussolini retaining power in Italy and Hitler winning power in Germany. In 1933 General Eoin O'Duffy, a former chief of the Irish police, formed a Fascist organisation, the Blue Shirts, but DeValera quashed this in 1934 by bringing in a law against the wearing of uniforms and the raising of private armies. The economic war led to England imposing duties on Ireland's exports so that the cattle trade in particular was affected. This caused great hardship amongst Irish farmers who, nevertheless, except for the large "ranchers", continued to support De Valera. De Valera's aim was to make Ireland self-sufficient and to have farmers concentrate on tillage rather than grazing.

My family owned two farms, one of about 50 acres in Derrylow and another of similar acreage in Boheroe, approximately four miles away; this would have made us reasonably big farmers by North Roscommon standards. My great-grandfather James and, possibly, my grandfather Charles, would have been a tenant of Guy Lloyd, the Protestant landlord who lived in Croghan village but in my time Lloyd's demesne had been taken over by the Frenchs, a Catholic Anglo-Irish family. The Frenchs attended mass in our parish church in Croghan, but had their own pew reserved for them.

Like most farming families we were virtually self-sufficient. Turf for the fire was cut and saved in a nearby bog. We grew our own oats, potatoes, cabbage, peas and other vegetables. My mother raised hens for eggs and occasional stews, made her own butter and bread and washed clothes by hand. She also knitted and darned and even put half-soles on our boots. Once a year we slaughtered a pig to provide the black pudding and bacon that, together with boiled potatoes and cabbage, comprised most of our weekday dinners. On Sundays, however, we dined on roast beef, the meat having being purchased from a Carrick-on-Shannon butcher.

Since my father worked as a rate collector for Roscommon County Council he was often travelling round the parish on his bicycle, so he employed a labourer to help with the farm work. The labourer lived in a single-room galvanised-covered house situated about ninety yards from our own. Similarly my mother overburdened with minding children and doing a thousand and one things about the house, as well as tending the vegetable garden, got a girl from The Nazareth Home in Sligo to assist her. This girl slept in the same bedroom as my mother and sisters and was a great favourite with us children.

As we grew older, my three sisters, my brother and I were expected to lend a hand with the chores, the girls helping in the house and outside during haymaking and turf saving, my brother and I outdoors. Both girls and boys were expected to fetch a bucket of water from the well or a basket of turf from the reek. Boys in our community had much more freedom

than girls. I can remember when quite young my father bringing my brother and me on his bicycle to the local 'rambling house' to listen to Michael O'Heiher's broadcasts of inter-county football matches. Later we used to traverse the countryside on Sundays hunting rabbits, which we sold to the egg-dealer for pocket-money, and, on hot summer days, walk miles across country to bathe in some lake.

We used the farm horse and sidecar to travel to mass on Sundays; later we walked or cycled. It was not until about 1955 that our father purchased his first car, an unpretentious Ford Prefect. In addition to the horse we had a donkey for bringing home turf from the bog. An Old English Sheep dog was the family pet, as was the purring housecat. We had at least three cows, which our mother milked morning and evening, as well as cattle and sheep. My father purchased store cattle, which he then fattened and resold. On fair days my brother and I would rise in the middle of the night to drive our bullocks to Elphin or Boyle, where cattle dealers from Sligo would bid for them. If our father didn't make a sale we would have the disheartening task of driving the cattle home again but this seldom happened.

Of course when we were young we knew little about politics and my father never revealed what party he voted for. This caution could have arisen because his brother, my Uncle Tom, was imprisoned in Ballykinlar for being a company captain in the IRA, and the Civil War of 1922-23 had produced long-lasting bitter rivalries, with former Republicans backing Fianna Fail and Free-Staters backing Fine Gael. A popular Fianna Fail TD, Peter Tim Lynch, lived just below Boyle but I don't know if there was a Fine Gael TD within the same radius. I do remember that "Up Dev!" was a popular slogan used by school children, which probably indicated widespread Fianna Fail support in our area. There was, however, a local shopkeeper and farmer, John Byrne, who was a *Clann na Talmhan* or Farmers' Party T.D. He must have had good support also as he always got re-elected. *Clann na Talmhan* were regarded as the party of the big farmers and in the Dail would generally vote with Fine Gael.

When World War 11 broke out in 1939 DeValera, citing the partition of the country, decided that Ireland would remain neutral. A Local Defence Force was set up to oppose foreign invaders and piles of stones were deposited in fields to prevent enemy aircraft from landing. I can recall that the very rare sound of an aeroplane overhead produced the anxious exclamation, 'Hitler is coming!' Not that the war, which was officially known as 'The Emergency', affected us much. Even rationing did not produce great hardship since we were largely self-sufficient. In addition my father had laid up a good store of tea and sugar, and home-produced flour was available because of the compulsory tillage scheme, under which the government insisted that farmers grow more wheat. I can remember my mother having ration books with detachable coupons, which would probably cover such cover such items as tea, sugar, paraffin oil, soap and even clothes.

We walked to Woodbrook, a two-teacher National School, across fields, down the limestone public road and then across more fields. Of course, we could have kept to the

road but this would have added considerably to the distance, which would then be at least two and a half miles. In summer we boys liked to go barefooted and in winter to slide with our nailed boots down an icy stretch of road. Gathering mushrooms, sloes, strawberries, blackberries, wild cherries and hazel nuts in season was indulged in by both girls and boys, while bird nesting seemed to be mainly a boys' pastime.

In general, compared to modern-day children, we had a lot of freedom and we managed to exploit whatever opportunities for recreation our small rural world offered. On the other hand, we were infinitely better off than our counterparts in Europe, who were enduring the starvation, displacement and slaughter of a brutal world war.

P.G. Nerney

An Fón Póca

Féach, na mic léinn lena bhfóin,
Is tríothu gach caidreamh, mo bhrón!
Le hiad i ngach leath,
Is frithchosúil, sea,
Is fusa dóibh labhairt trína dtóin!

Greed!

Putin and Trump and 'Yahu,
That venal, vainglorious crew;
Each looks on the world,
With upper lip curled,
The Russian, the Yank and the Jew!

GM.

Abandoned Nests

For Cheryl

The goldfinch nest in our cherry tree
made of fibres, moss and wool
had served its builders' purpose,
remained a vacant blob
among pink-flowered branches.

At the edge of our estate a bungalow,
abandoned when its owners died,
sank into weather-stained decay,
became a nesting place for swallows,
then bulldozers moved in.

Hoping another might replace it,
we dislodged the goldfinch nest,
but those who cleared the site,
razing even august cedars,
plan to build apartment blocks.

Colin Scott

St. Patrick's Parade 2025

Féile Lá Fhéile Pádraig - photos courtesy of Mark Colfer & Newsletter Staff



Parade Gallery Cont.



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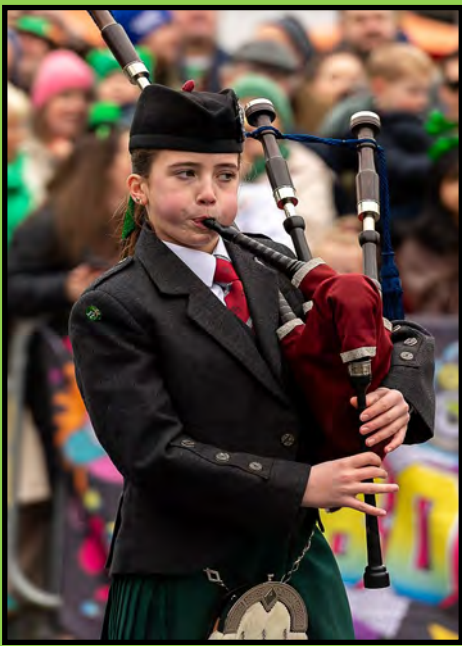
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MAYNOOTH ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 2025

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Awards Photo Gallery

1st Place
St. Patrick's Day

Shop Window Display 2025
Tommys Butchers
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2nd Place
St. Patrick's Day

Shop Window Display 2025
O'Neills Bar
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3rd Place
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Shop Window Display 2025
DMD Café
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Special Mention
St. Patrick's Day
Shop Window Display 2025



Community Person of the Year
Mark Nolan



Best Commercial Float
Red Torch Ginger



Best Portrayal of Theme
Maynooth GAA Club



Best Portrayal of Irish Culture
(Dr. Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin Perpetual Trophy)
Gaelscoil Ruairí



Best Club
North Kildare Club



Best School Float
Presentation Girls' School



Kildare Planning Applications for Maynooth Area
Planning Applications received from 26/02/2025 to 27/03/2025
Information from Kildare County Council Website

App #	Authority	Applicant Name	Development Address	App Date
2560304	Kildare County Council	Brendan and Denise Glass	Ryebank House, Dublin Road, Maynooth	24/03/2025
2560295	Kildare County Council	Demid & Rufina Tishin & Tishina	50 Kingsbry, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	22/03/2025
2560287	Kildare County Council	Megan & Tom Satchwell	Maria Villa, Maynooth, Naas, Co. Kildare	19/03/2025
2560275	Kildare County Council	Demid Tishin & Rufina Tishina	50 Kingsbry, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	15/03/2025
2560261	Kildare County Council	Martin McMahon	Main Street, Maynooth, Co Kildare	13/03/2025
2560266	Kildare County Council	Megan & Tom Satchwell	Maria Villa, Maynooth, Naas, Co. Kildare.	13/03/2025
2560257	Kildare County Council	Sharon & Yvonne Regan	480 - 481 The Crescent, Straffan Road, Maynooth	12/03/2025
2560244	Kildare County Council	Stephen Reilly	5 The Green, Newtown Hall, Maynooth, Kildare	11/03/2025
2560231	Kildare County Council	Randalswood Construction	The Grange (adjoining Rockfield Park), Railpark, Celbridge Road, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	07/03/2025
2560222	Kildare County Council	Randalswood Construction	Celbridge Road, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	05/03/2025
2560209	Kildare County Council	Patrick Kennedy personal representative of Mary Kennedy (deceased)	12 Moyglare Abbey, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	04/03/2025

Tips for a Safe and Fun Easter Egg Hunt



- **Plan Your Area:**
- Choose a safe area. A clean, clear area for the hunt. Mark boundaries clearly so children know where to look and where the boundaries end.
- **Plan For Age Groups:**
- Hide eggs in a variety of different places and levels. For younger children, put the eggs in plain sight and at lower levels. For the older child, make it a bit more difficult with clues or hidden spots.
- **Use a Variety of Eggs:**
- Use chocolate eggs and plastic eggs filled with treats. You can also use toys, or clues that lead to a special prize. If you're using real eggs, consider decorating them in advance.
- **Be Clear on the Rules:**
- Explain the rules clearly to the children before starting. For example, set a time limit, choose teams or individual hunts and let everyone know if there's a maximum number of eggs per person.
- **Extra Surprises:**
- Include a few special prizes like "golden eggs" to add more interest, excitement and friendly competition.
- **Make Sure the Area is Safe:**
- Avoid areas with obstacles or hazards. Also, have an adult supervise at all times, especially with younger children.
- **Use Decorations and Teams:**
- To make the hunt more exciting decorate the hunt area with balloons, decorations and colourful signs, you could even tell a story before hand to set the mood.
- **Plan for the Weather:**
- Have a backup plan with indoor activities just in case the weather turns. This will save on time and upset to the hunt.

I hope these tips help you to create a fun and memorable egg hunt



Source: Newsletter Staff Writer



Happy Easter to all our Advertisers, Contributors & Readers from all the Staff at the Maynooth Newsletter

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee

Congratulations to all who organised our St. Patrick's Day Parade. It was a great day and it looked like everyone came out to cheer it on.

Our AGM will take place in the Geraldine Hall on Monday 14th April at 8pm. We are looking for volunteers to take on Committee roles. If you would like to find out more please email maynoothseniorcitizens@gmail.com.



We are organising further activities for our Tuesday and Thursday Morning Club.

This year Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee is celebrating 60 years since our foundation in 1965 which we hope to celebrate a little later in the year. More about that anon.

If you would like to come along to our club activities (Art, bingo, wellbeing and information courses/sessions, and of course there is chat, tea and cake, please contact us via the email above, or through a member of the Committee, or by phone at 0877974582.

Susan Durack, PRO,

Maynooth Senior Citizens Committee

MU report highlights need to remove barriers for women in agriculture

A study led by researchers at Maynooth University and funded by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine on women in agriculture has, for the first time, provided an in-depth profile of female farmers in Ireland, identifying the barriers they face and recommending policy changes to tackle them.

HER-SELF, or Highlighting pathways to Empower Rural women to have Sustainable and Equitable Livelihoods in Farming, says that the agriculture sector needs to attract women in greater numbers to ensure future sustainability.

The study, led by Dr Martina Roche of Maynooth University's Department of Geography, working with Dr Mary Anne Hurley of Munster Technological University, Dr Áine Macken-Walsh of Teagasc and MU's Dr Nóirín MacNamara, analysed existing data on the sector from the perspective of gender.

It provides the first comprehensive demographic and geographic report on women in farming in Ireland, showing:

- Female farm holders represent just 13.4% of farm holders in Ireland, with little increase since 1991
- Female farm ownership is highest in areas where farm sizes are smaller and land values lower
- Farm incomes for female farmers are consistently lower than for male farmers and they receive lower direct farm payments
- Over half of Irish farmers do not have an identified successor in place and where there is an identified successor, over 80% are male

"There is a dominant norm of the farmer as male, stoic, the decision-maker and unwilling to seek help, the woman is viewed as helper, while the son is commonly considered the family heir," explained Dr Roche, who is Principal Investigator (PI) on the project.

"This impacts on the work of each person on the family farm, and importantly on each person's legal status, as well as farm family finances and decision-making patterns," she says. The study identifies barriers to female participation in agriculture, such as: a lack of access to land, succession issues and the challenge of combining farm work, off-farm work and caring responsibilities. The spouse of the farm holder, who is often a woman, faces additional barriers produced through the intersections of tax, social welfare and agriculture policies.

More generally, there is a lack of visibility, representation and inclusion of women in farming. However, a greater focus on improving gender equality in agriculture, since the research was completed in September 2024, has been noted and is welcome.

The study found that women do not feel they have the right to identify as a farmer. "They understand that at a community level they are expected to fulfil the 'woman as helper' norm and that they may be queried, ridiculed, and/or incur social penalties if they transgress that," Dr Roche said. "It is important for women and other under-represented groups to self-identify as farmers, among other roles, and for all members of the sector to value the work they do on farms and to recognise their legitimacy in the agriculture sector."

The report makes several recommendations to make farming more equitable. It calls for:

- A full Equality Impact Assessment of the intersections of agriculture policy with tax rules and social welfare entitlement criteria
- Dialogue and awareness raising around the challenges facing the sector such as advancing gender equality, generational renewal and improved work-life balance
- Gender equality in agricultural education including reviewing and revising educational courses
- Mentoring programmes for rural women entrepreneurs
- Better data collection including a gender analysis of existing data as well as the compilation of female-focused data

Launching the report at Maynooth University, Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) with responsibility for Research and Development, Noel Grealish, said: "Women have always been integral to the family farm but often their crucial role has not been fully recognised or acknowledged. Recent initiatives through the CAP Strategic Plan and the Action Plan arising from the National Dialogue on Women in Agriculture, have brought this issue to the fore."

"There is a commitment in the Programme for Government to continue to prioritise work in this area. The findings and recommendations provided by this report, which is funded by my Department's Policy and Strategic Studies Research Call, will help shape future policies and research in this area."



Photo: (L-R) MU's Dr Martina Roche, Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine Noel Grealish and MU's Dr Nóirín MacNamara at the launch of the report

Seachtain na Gaeilge 2025 celebrates Irish language drama

Maynooth University's (MU) Seachtain na Gaeilge (Irish Language Week) celebrated the history and heritage of Irish language drama this year with its two main events -- the staging of the 1904 play, *An Dochtúir*, as well as an exhibition on the pioneering Irish language theatre, *An Damer*.

The week-long celebration of Irish included a host of other events including a screening of the acclaimed film, *Kneecap*, with English subtitles, a concert with the Trad Ensemble and a céilí.

A Pop-Up Gaeltacht, a chess and board games competition and a Literature Night were also held during the week-long event.

The Irish language play, *An Dochtúir*, by Séamus Ó'Beirn, took place in the Aula Maxima on MU's South Campus, the same venue in which it was last staged in MU 92 years ago.

The production, a bilingual musical comedy, weaved together satirical and farcical elements in telling the story of Patrick O'Leary, a naïve and unsuspecting young doctor from Dublin who follows his Gaelic revivalist sweetheart Máire to Connemara.

He takes up a new position at an isolated dispensary without a single word of Irish, not realising for a moment that his new patients won't speak a single word of English.



An Dochtúir Cast from 2025

Behan, whose play *An Giall* or *The Hostage* was premiered at the Damer in 1958.



An Dochtúir Cast from 1933

Meanwhile, the exhibition, *An Damer: A Landmark in Irish Theatre*, took place in the John Paul II Library, based on material donated to the MU archives.

The theatre was established on Dublin's St Stephen's Green by Gael Linn in 1955 and over the years, it featured work by Seán Ó Riada, Seán Ó Tuama and Brendan

Events at **Maynooth Community Library**

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Events for Adults

Housing and Homelessness Supports Information Clinic

Tuesday 1st April, 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Looking for advice on homelessness and housing supports? Visit this Kildare County Council drop-in clinic in Maynooth Community Library to learn about the supports available. *Drop in, no booking required *

Luain Press Poetry Café

Tuesday 1st April, 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm

Join the Luain Press Poetry Club for another night of Open Mic in the Maynooth Community Library at 6 p.m. on April Fool's Day. A great opportunity to share your work, partake in creative writing, meet people and chat! All welcome!

New 'Knit + Chat' Craft Club

Thursday 17th April, 6.30 pm – 7.30pm

"Maynooth Knit + Chat is a club intended to create a space where the knitters and fibre artists of Maynooth can come together and bond over a shared love of knitting (or crochet, or anything that takes your fancy!). Whether you are a beginner or an advanced knitter, this is the club for you! People of all ages (from 18 and up) and skill levels will be in attendance. Even if you are the most skilled knitter in all of the greater Kildare area, we are sure that there will be something new for you to learn! The first meeting will take place on the 17th of April at 6.30pm in the Maynooth Library on Main Street, and there are further dates planned which will be advertised later. Please contact the library [@maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie)

* Drop in, no booking required *

Young Adult Events

Online Teen Writers Group for 12-15 year olds

Thursday 3rd and 10th of April at 6pm

Are you (or do you know) a teen writer who'd like to get writing in 2025? Would you like to join a friendly group of peers to get some writing done and share ideas on writers block? Then this group might be for you! Join on Teams from the comfort of your own writing space for an hour, twice every month.

For more information or to join, email us on

maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie or call into the branch

New Book Club: Teen Book Club for 12-15 year olds

Friday 25th of April, 4pm – 4.30pm

Are you aged 12-15 and enjoy reading? Then join us in Maynooth Library for our brand new book club! The group is drop-in so there's no pressure to commit and while there are recommended books provided, members can choose their own reading too. Just bring along a reading recommendation and try out our group. For the next few months, the recommended reads will be from the KPMG Children's & Teen Book Awards shortlist! Queries to be sent to maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie

Children's Events

Expression of Interest: Lego Club ages 8-12

Wednesday 23rd of April at 3.30pm

Maynooth Library have only a few spots remaining to take names for a brand new free play Lego club for ages 8-12. The idea is simple: the library provides the bricks and the space to play and you the club member provide the imagination and building! While there is staff supervision, members can build what they like once they share Lego with the other members.

Express your interest by calling into us or emailing

maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie

Groups and Clubs

Maynooth Community Library Craft Club

The Library Craft Club meets every Monday, 11.30 - 13.00 (except on

Bank Holidays). Bring something you are working on, and exchange ideas and skills with this social craft group.

Ciorcal Comhrá - Irish Conversation Group

Dé Máirt 11.00 r.n. – 12.00 i.n. – Tuesdays 11.00 am – 12.00pm

Fáilte roimh chách chun do Gaeilge a chleachtadh gach Dé Máirt ó 11:00am - 12:00pm.

All are welcome to practice their Irish every Tuesday from 11:00am - 12:00pm.

Baby and Toddler Group

Every Thursday, 10 am – 11 am

If you have a young baby or toddler and would like to meet other parents or minders in the area, come to our stay and play group every Thursday morning at 10am. *No need to book, just drop in!*

For further information on the library's events, why not subscribe to the monthly library newsletter?

Subscribe to library newsletter here: [Email Subscription Form - Kildare Library Service](#)

Exhibitions

Exhibition in Wool Felt by the children of Maynooth Educate together National School, facilitated by local Artist Tamzen Lundy.

April 1st – April 30th

An Exhibition of work by the children of Maynooth Educate together National School, facilitated by local Artist Tamzen Lundy.

This work was made possible thanks to the Artist in Education Bursary awarded to Tamzen from Kildare County Council and the Kildare Arts service.

Tamzen undertook a series of 6 workshops starting with two "creativity and wellness" workshops with the Teachers and SNAs and then moving into the ASD unit and mainstream classes.

The children and teachers experienced felt making, the oldest form of textile creation in the world. Using wool- a fully sustainable and biodegradable material we used the wet felt making technique.

Exhibition Space Booking

If you are a local artist or art group and would like to book our exhibition space, please contact us. Maynooth Community Library's Exhibition Space is available to host exhibitions from January 2026. To be placed on a waiting list to use the exhibition space in 2025, or for booking enquiries, please email maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie.

POP! (Power of Play!)

Early Years at Kildare Libraries - Events for 0-6 Year Olds

Children learn through play, and it is a vital part of the development of language, literacy, numeracy and social skills so with this in mind we have lots of fun POP! events over the coming months across Kildare Libraries. Each month you and your little ones can look forward to a variety of free and exciting events for children aged between 0-6 years so they can learn, play, socialise and have fun. Look out for messy play, music, dance, Storytime, arty fun and more at Athy, Kildare, Kilcock, Naas, Newbridge, Leixlip, Celbridge and Maynooth Libraries. POP! runs from February to May and September to November each year.

Please note all events are free but may require free Library Membership and ticket booking. Subscribe to library newsletter here: [Email Subscription Form - Kildare Library Service](#)

5-Cheese Mac and Cheese

This baked mac and cheese, packed with seasoned flavour,

Total Time: 40 minutes

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 30 minutes



Ingredients (8 servings)

Non-stick cooking spray, for greasing

Kosher salt, for boiling

7 oz. freshly grated sharp yellow cheddar cheese

3 oz. freshly grated sharp white cheddar cheese

3 oz. freshly grated mozzarella cheese

2 oz. freshly grated Gouda cheese

2 oz. freshly grated Colby Jack cheese

1 lb dried elbow noodles

3 ½ tablespoons unsalted butter, divided

1 ¾ cups half-and-half

¼ cup heavy cream

4 oz. cream cheese

1 ½ tablespoons minced garlic

2 tablespoons all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon garlic powder

1 teaspoon onion powder

½ teaspoon black pepper

½ teaspoon paprika

1 teaspoon white pepper

½ teaspoon ground mustard seeds

old bay seasoning, to taste

Himalayan pink salt, to taste

½ cup seasoned bread crumbs

Preparation

Preheat the oven to 350°F (180°C). Grease a large casserole dish with non-stick spray.

Bring a large pot of salted water to a rapid boil.

In a large bowl, toss together the yellow and white cheddar, mozzarella, Gouda, and Colby Jack cheeses.

Add the elbow noodles to the boiling water and cook according to the package instructions until al dente. Reserve ½ cup of the cooking water, then drain the noodles. Transfer the noodles to a large bowl and toss with 1 ½ tablespoons of butter to coat.

Add the half-and-half, heavy cream, and cream cheese to a medium saucepan. Cook over low heat until evenly combined and warmed through.

Melt the remaining 2 tablespoons of butter in a separate medium saucepan over medium heat. Add the garlic and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute. Add flour and stir until the roux is light golden brown in colour.

Slowly pour the warm half-and-half mixture into the roux, stirring constantly. Simmer over medium heat until thickened, 3-5 minutes

Reduce the heat to very lowest setting and slowly stir in the cheese blend until melted, reserving about a third for topping the mac and cheese. Remove the pot from the heat and stir in the garlic powder, onion powder, black pepper, paprika, white pepper, ground mustard seeds, Old Bay, and Himalayan pink salt.

Pour the cheese sauce over the noodles and carefully fold to coat evenly. Transfer half of the mac and cheese to the prepared baking dish and sprinkle with half of the reserved cheese. Top with the remaining noodles and cheese.

Bake until the cheese on top has melted, 10-15 minutes. Remove from the oven and sprinkle the bread crumbs on top, then bake for another 5 minutes, until the bread crumbs are golden brown.

Enjoy!

Source: www.bbc.com

April Gardening

Flowers

- Vinca Periwinkle, Cherry Blossom, Magnolia Stellata, Bluebells & Birch & Bergenia



- The weather however can be very mixed with showery weather often putting a stop to our great gardening intentions. Showers are frequent and sometimes relentless as the cool weather gives way to warm Summer conditions. Grass growth really takes off in April with the combination of warmth and rain so be sure to cut your grass little and often to encourage a good sward and keep moss at bay.
- One must do on your list for April is to take a walk to your local woods and take in the annual event that is bluebells in flower. Bluebells are certainly the plant of the month for April as they create a carpet of blue across our shady woodlands.

Fruit and veg

- Frost can still occur in April so be prepared. Cover & protect the flowers (blossoms) on your fruits as these will later produce fruit



- Also have frost fleece & tunnels on standby in case of a late frost - these can be the most damaging of frosts as young seedlings won't be expecting or be prepared for them
- Continue to sow vegetable & herb seeds outdoors. This month you can sow root crops, salads & brassicas, leeks, onion & shallot sets, pea & beans directly outdoors
- Crops sown undercover may be ready for planting out. Be sure they are large enough and harden off before planting out
- This is potato planting season. At the start of the month, plant the last of your earlies. By the middle of the month you can plant your second earlies and the end of the month onwards you can plant main crop potatoes

Greenhouse

- Watering needs to kept on top off. Use trays & capillary matting to ensure a more even watering of plants
- Water seed trays & pots every second day
- Prick out seedlings from seed trays - leaving one seedling per cell
- Transplant seedlings into larger pots. Do this for tomatoes, peppers, chilies, corn, aubergines & courgettes
- Open greenhouse doors on sunny days to ventilate
- You can continue to sow salads, beans & peas, cucumbers, peppers and chilies
- Feed seedlings using a liquid feed while watering
- You can prepare your hanging baskets & keep in the greenhouse until middle of May



source: the.gardening.shop.com



Memories From the Archives Celebrating 40 Years of Maynooth Community Employment Project Producing the Maynooth Newsletter

April 1985

Link to the Archive: www.maynoothcep.com



BAND BULLETIN

Welcome to the first BULLETIN of 1985. As we have quite a lot of "catching up" to do, we shall get down to business straight away.

Firstly can we say a most sincere thank you to all who contributed so generously during our Christmas Carol playing. We had some wet nights, some very, very cold nights with just the odd mild night thrown in but the brave boys and girls in the band took them all in their strides to once again maintain our wonderful tradition. We would like to thank these faithful members for their loyalty, both now and in the past. It is precisely this loyalty which has helped to make Christmas in Maynooth just a little bit more than presents and Santa Claus for so many of the residents.

We held a most successful Annual General Meeting in January where a number of topics came up for air and it was so nice to see a large number of the younger members present. At the end of the night the following committee was elected to take care of the Band's affairs for 1985:

President - Paddy Durne
 Hon. Vice Presidents -
 Rev. Fr. F. O'Higgins Phil Brady
 Chairman - Michael Dempsey
 Vice-Chairman - M.C. Dempsey
 Secretary - Kevin Boyd, 847 Greenfield
 Ass. Secretary - Cissie Dempsey
 Treasurer - Paddy Boyd
 Committees Elaine Bean, Chris O'Reilly, Cliff Murphy, Seamus O'Reilly.

I think at this point we should mention the Old Folks' get together and how much pleasure it gives us to be a part of these very happy occasions. Carol Barton and her hard-working committee go to tremendous lengths to arrange these functions and we, in our very small way, try to add to the enjoyment. It is not always possible to have the best band available but I'm sure we are always welcome, no matter how few of us may appear.

The latest event to report is the very successful St. Patrick's Day Parade, which this year was blessed with mid-summer type weather. After many years of ploughing a lone furrow, we in St. Mary's Band are pleased to see that the Parade now rests in the capable hands of the Community Council, who have access to the man (and woman) power which is so vital to the organisation of an event such as this. The Council had the experience of our efforts last year to guide them and with increased support from the business community in particular, there is no reason why Maynooth should not stage one of the largest and best parades outside Dublin.

While on the subject of the parade, what about the Majorettes? The general opinion was that they looked exceptionally well and added a great deal of colour to the occasion. We wanted to do something different this year and the Managers of the Naas Majorettes kindly agreed to join us. The idea was an outstanding

success and with a little more practice together, we could have looked even better. Many of you have since said, "What about our own Majorettes?" Well, the subject has been mentioned in the BULLETIN on a number of occasions. How many prospective Majorettes have we got in the town? It would be interesting to see just how many girls we could count on should we decide to have our own girls in next year's parade.

Finally, many parents and children have asked when we intend to take on new members. For obvious reasons, we have to begin classes on an organised basis and not every couple of months. We shall be commencing classes for complete beginners next September and would ask you to watch this column for further details. We will of course notify you through the schools and notices in the shops.

NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the Newsletter will be the May issue and all items for inclusion in that issue should be handed in on or before the deadline date of April 14th.

FASHION SHOW

The Parents Association Boy's National School in association with Sadie Green Promotions present

An Evening of Fashion in the Hitchin' Post on 16th April at 8 o'clock. Proceeds to the Boy's School. Tickets £4 from Committee members as at the school.

Road Improvements

A number of successes were achieved in March for which Cllr. Stagg was congratulated by the Branch. The Square has finally been resurfaced properly. This has long been a complaint of local people. Remedial repairs carried out in the past were of no lasting benefit. Repair work has also been carried out on the Straffan Road -

- (a) from Celbridge Road to Railpark Lane (entering the town)
- (b) from entrance to Greenfields Estate to the entrance to Carlton Court.

The Branch has requested Cllr. Stagg to ensure that the road surface is improved on both sides of Straffan Road bridge and in particular at the corner of Railpark Lane where the road is falling away.

We are also pleased to note that the footpath has been started from the Crescent, Straffan Road, to the entrance to Kingsby Estate.

Other Works Scheme

Cllr. Stagg has informed the Branch that the outstanding Other Works Schemes for 1984/5 will be carried out shortly. These include:

- a) Resurfacing and drainage at the Crescent, Straffan Road.
- b) Surfacing of back entrance to Greenfields Phase 2 and 3.
- c) Provision of Traffic Island/Pedestrian Refuge at Celbridge Road, Straffan Road junction.



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- b) Surfacing of back entrance to Greenfields Phase 2 and 3.
 - c) Provision of Traffic Island/Pedestrian Refuge at Celbridge Road, Straffan Road junction.
- Funding for these works was allocated by Cllr. Stagg and Cllr. Brady.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

The Branch would like to congratulate the Community Council on the organisation of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. It was indeed a tribute to the voluntary organisations in our town. We wish them well for 1986.

Pedestrian Lights

Representations have been made by Cllr. Stagg to the Co. Council concerning the Pedestrian Lights on Main St., which are out of order (Pedestrian controls on both sides not working). His representations have been passed on to the County Engineer.

Planning

5/2/85 Ref.84/85: Dr. C. O'Rourke, 152 Kingsby, Maynooth, has applied for extension, surgery, apartment, etc. 7/2/85 Ref.96/85: J. Buckley, Double Lane, Maynooth, has applied for change of use from store to Hairdressing/Health Studio.

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Newtown

Following representations by Cllr. Stagg concerning a 'Fat Hole' left by the Council after fixing a leak outside 85 Newtown, the County Engineer has replied as follows:-
 "No work was carried out in the above area by the Waterworks Department and also Roads Section did not carry out any excavations at this location either. I would say it was an Bord Telecom, who were carrying out some considerable work in this area some months ago. The Area Engineer will arrange reinstatement work when the road restoration programme in the Maynooth area gets underway in the coming weeks.

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BOOK, MUSIC AND LYRICS BY RICHARD O'BRIEN

APRIL 8TH-12TH, 7.30PM
 AULA MAXIMA, MAYNOOTH UNIVERSITY



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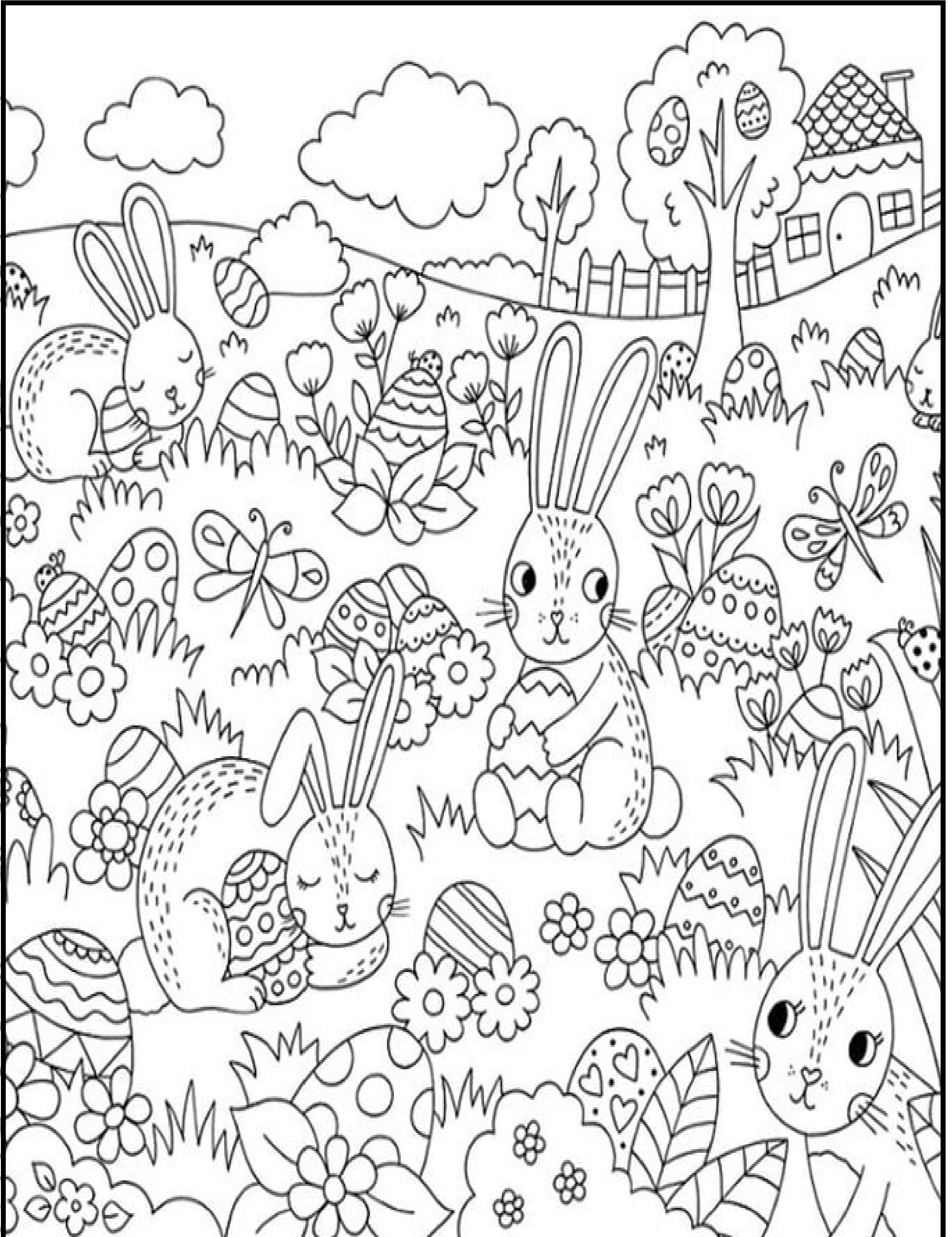


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Easter Word Search

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| Bonnet | Easter | Parade |
| Bunny | Egg Hunt | Peeps |
| Candy | Eggs | Rabbit |
| Chicks | Family | Spring |
| Chocolate | Flowers | Sunday |
| Daffodil | Grass | Tradition |
| Decorate | Happy | Tulips |
| Ducks | Jellybeans | |



EASTER crossword



1 → basket, 2 → bunny, 3 → cake, 3 → chick, 4. sun, 5. flower, 6. bird, 7. Easter, 8. leaf, 9. egg

EASTER SCRAMBLE

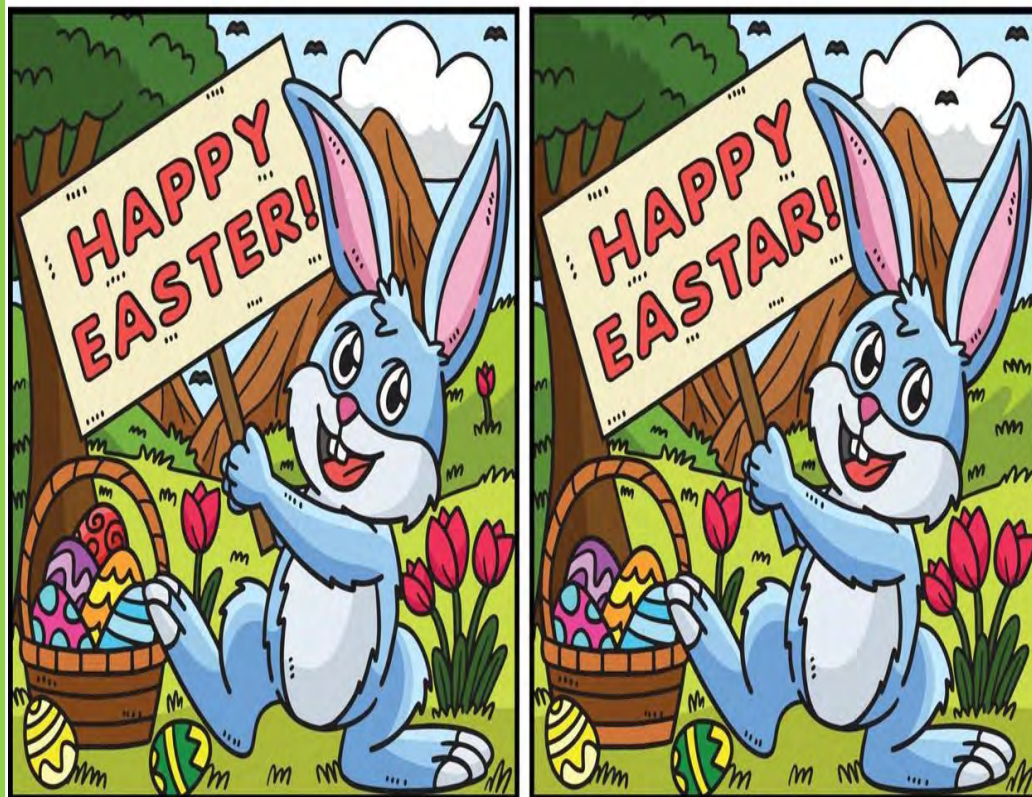


How many of these Easter words can you unscramble?

- 1 SREETA _____
- 2 OPH _____
- 3 GEG UTHN _____
- 4 NYBNU _____
- 5 TCHOAELC _____
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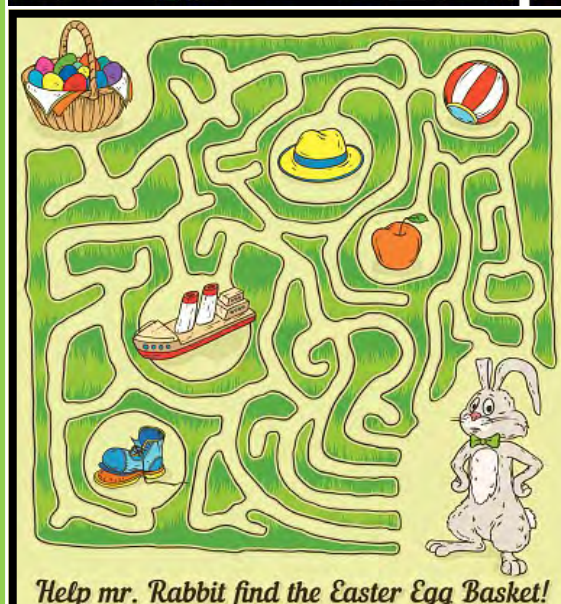


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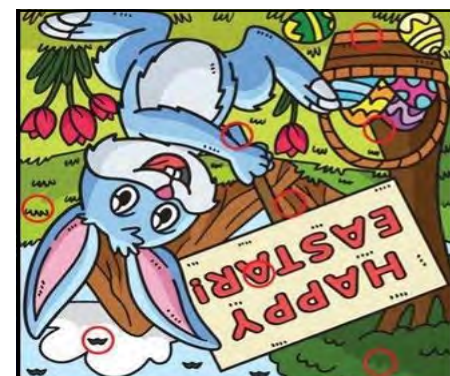


How does Easter end?
With the letter r!

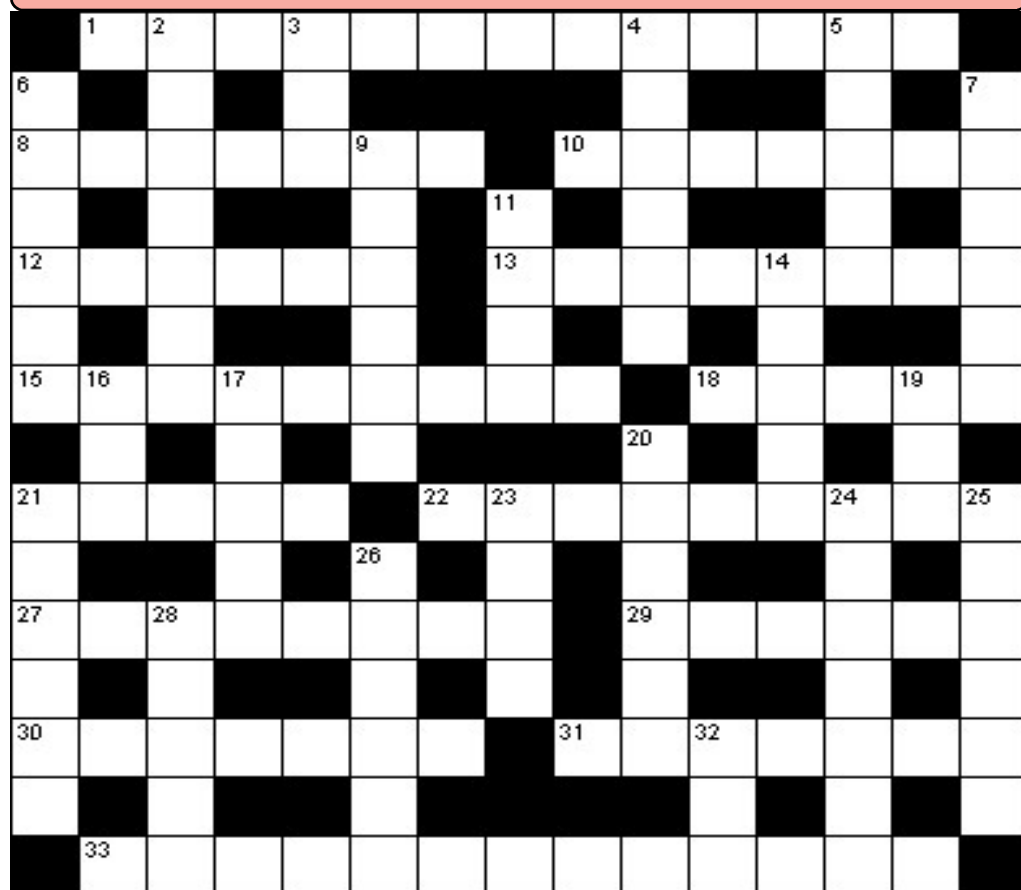
How does the Bunny travel?
By Hare Plane!



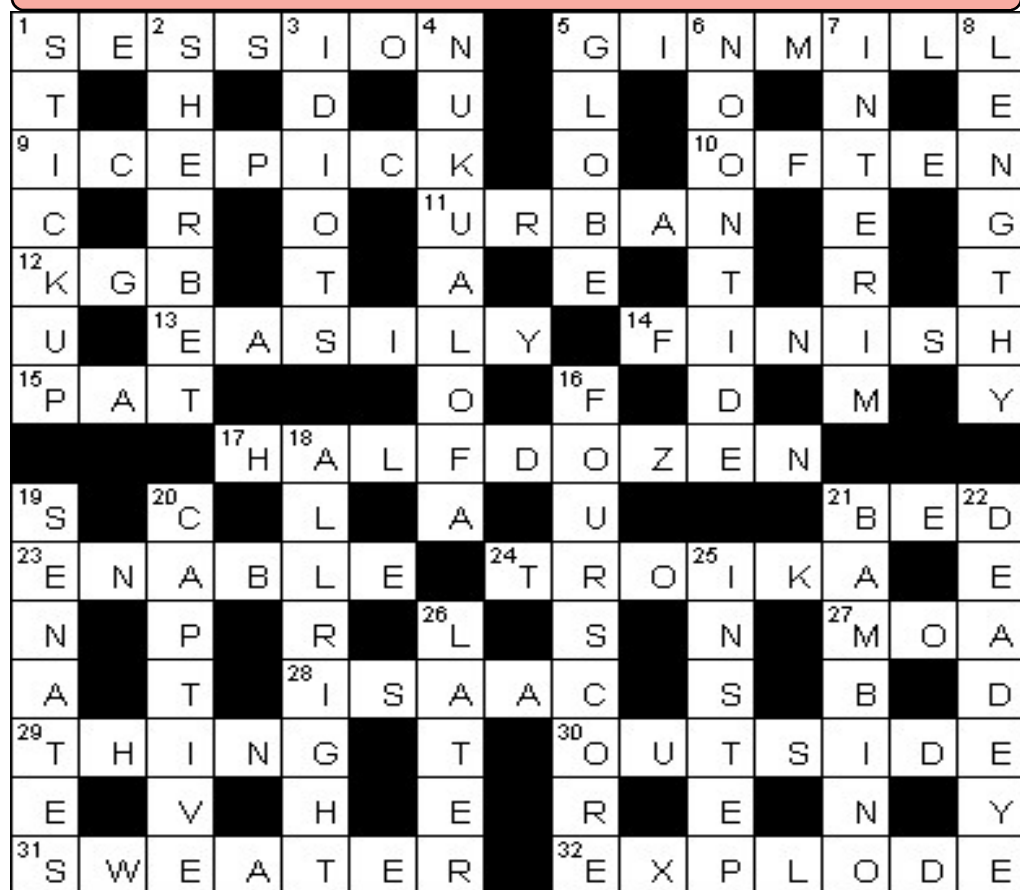
Help mr. Rabbit find the Easter Egg Basket!



April 2025 Crossword - No. 544



Solutions to Crossword No. 543



Clues Across

- 1. Treat by psychoanalysis (13)
- 8. Capital of Georgia (7)
- 10. Cavalry soldier (7)
- 12. Remember (6)
- 13. Rain containing industrial pollution (4,4)
- 15. Something obscene (9)
- 18. Burning gas (5)
- 21. Domesticates (5)
- 22. Loss of a ship (9)
- 27. Uneasy (8)
- 29. Experts (6)
- 30. Adhesive label (7)
- 31. Protection (7)
- 33. Donkey (5,2,6)



Clues Down

- 2. Chooses (7)
- 3. Study carefully (3)
- 4. Apprehensive (6)
- 5. Above (5)
- 6. Coiffure (6)
- 7. Son of the sovereign (6)
- 9. Tiles collectively (6)
- 11. Diplomacy (4)
- 14. Sovereign (5)
- 16. Fur scarf (3)
- 17. Defraud (5)
- 19. Family name prefix (3)
- 20. Bring up to date (6)
- 21. Shove (6)
- 23. Silence (4)
- 24. Expenditure (7)
- 25. Person who kisses (6)
- 26. Respectable (6)
- 28. Steeple (5)
- 32. In place of (3)

Difficult

Sudoku Challenge

Super Difficult

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If you have access to a printer and wish to complete the Crossword and/or Sudoku for fun you can print the single page by going to File -> Print and print the single page number only.

April Pet Care

April is National Pet First Aid Awareness Month



The most common causes for emergency visits to vets are as follows:

eating foreign bodies – dogs chew at items like toys, sticks, clothes etc., and may swallow them, causing an obstruction. Cats often swallow wool or thread, which can cause a lot of damage in the gut.

Soft tissue and bone injuries - from road traffic accidents, falls etc.

Bite and fight wounds – from other animals

Poison and toxin ingestion – many items around the home are toxic, including human food items.

You can prevent problems by being aware of the potential risks to your pet and keeping your pet's environment as risk free as possible.

First Aid for your Pet

Be prepared – make sure you have your vets' emergency numbers easily available. Call and let them know what is happening and follow their advice. Always aim to have your pet seen by a vet as soon as possible, only giving first aid to help until you get to your vet.

Always stay safe yourself - Remember that a pet in pain may become aggressive so be careful and use muzzles on dogs and wrap cats in towels to avoid being bitten or scratched. If in doubt about moving your pet get advice over the phone from your vet.

Keep a well-stocked First Aid Kit at home and in the car. Bring it with you on holidays with your pet, hikes to remote areas etc. Check it regularly to keep the contents up to date.

Being aware of the risks and preventing them is always the best approach, but accidents and injuries may still happen. First Aid can be an immediate and life-saving response once you are prepared and know what to do.

PET'S FIRST AID KIT CHECKLIST

Adjust the list to suit your Pet's requirements

- 1 Vet's name & contact information
- 2 Gauze Wrap & Non-stick Bandages (various sizes)
- 3 Adhesive Tape
- 4 A Pair of Scissors & Tweezers
- 5 Antibiotic Cream & Saline Solution
- 6 Hydrogen Peroxide (3%)
- 7 Milk of Magnesia or Activated Charcoal
- 8 Thermometer



Consult your VET when you are making this kit and include anything that they recommend for your pet. Periodically check the supplies.

Every year on **April 11th**, pet lovers across the globe celebrate **National Pet Day**, a day dedicated to honouring the joy and companionship that our furry, scaly, or feathery friends bring into our lives.

There's no denying the profound impact that pets can have on our well-being. In celebration of our beloved animal companions, let's explore five fantastic benefits of having a pet.

1. *Unconditional Love and Companionship*
2. *Stress Reduction and Improved Mental Health*
3. *Increased Physical Activity*
4. *Enhanced Social Connections*
5. *Teaching Responsibility and Empathy*

Tips for Seasonal Wellness:

Flea and Tick Prevention:

April marks the beginning of flea and tick season in many areas. Ensure your pet is protected with vet-approved flea and tick prevention methods, such as topical treatments or oral medications. Regularly check your pet for signs of infestation and consult with your veterinarian for the most effective prevention strategies.

Maintain Exercise Routines:

As the weather warms up, take advantage of the opportunity to engage in outdoor activities with your pet. Maintain regular exercise routines to keep your pet active and healthy.

Dental Care:

Schedule a dental check-up with your vet to assess your pet's oral hygiene and address any potential issues. Incorporate dental care into your pet's daily routine by brushing their teeth regularly and providing dental chews or toys to promote oral health.

Allergy Awareness:

Pets can experience allergies, with symptoms ranging from itching and sneezing to gastrointestinal upset. Pay attention to any signs of allergies in your pet, such as scratching, licking, or inflamed skin. Consult with your vet to identify potential allergens and develop a treatment plan to alleviate your pet's symptoms.

By prioritizing your pet's health and wellness this April, you can set the stage for a happy and thriving companion. From preventative measures like flea prevention to proactive dental care and allergy management, taking proactive steps now can prevent health issues down the road.

Separation Anxiety in Dogs

People tend to go out more after the clocks go forward. One study, of 2000 adults, revealed 72% are more sociable when the weather improves. If the lighter nights mean you'll be out more, perhaps playing sport or socialising, or you're more likely to stay at work longer, then consider the impact this will have on your dog. Separation anxiety can be hugely stressful for dogs and can lead to changes in behaviour including howling, defecating and repeated escape bids.

It's important for pet owners to remember that as chocolate can be toxic for our dogs and dangerous for cats, it's vital to keep it out of reach. As long as it's treated early and there's been no organ damage, the prognosis for chocolate toxicity is generally good.

What are the first signs of chocolate poisoning?

The effects of chocolate poisoning usually occur within the first 12 hours of consumption and can last up to three days. The first signs to look out for are: **Restlessness, Vomiting, Diarrhoea, Excessive Thirst**. If untreated, these can then develop into hyperactivity, tremors, abnormal heart rate, hyperthermia, and rapid breathing. In severe cases, dogs may even experience fits and heartbeat irregularities and some cases can result in coma or death.

What should I do if I fear my pet has consumed chocolate?

If you become worried that your cat or dog has eaten chocolate and is reacting badly, contact your vet straight away.

What else could pose a threat to my pet this Easter?

Hot cross buns contain dried fruits like raisins, currants, and sultanas which can cause kidney failure in dogs. Avoid grapes and raisins. Nutmeg also, it contains a toxin called myristicin which can cause mild stomach upset and in large amounts cause increased heart rate, disorientation, abdominal pain, hallucinations and even seizures if eaten in large amounts.

If you have any concerns, contact your VET immediately.

Sourced: www.allianz.ie & www.ispca.ie



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