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Christmas Programme 1993

Penitential Service - Tuesday 21st December 8.00 p.m.
Christmas Confessions on Christmas Eve, Friday 24th at 10.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m., 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m., 7.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Friday 24th - Carol Singing: Folk Group and Choir at 9.30 p.m. followed by
First Mass of Christmas at 10 p.m.
Christmas Day: 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 noon.
No 1 p.m. or Evening Mass on Christmas Day.
St. Stephen's Day: Masses as on Sunday

Christmas Services at

Rathfarnham & Whitechurch

Sunday 19th Dec. 7 p.m.:
Carols by Candlelight
Christmas Eve 11.30 p.m.:
Midnight Communion
Christmas Day:
8 a.m. Holy Communion
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion with Children's Service
12 noon Holy Communion

Services in Whitechurch Church are as follows:
11.30 p.m. **Christmas Eve,**
Holy Communion

Christmas Day:
8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
10.15 a.m. Children's Service
11.15 a.m. Holy Communion

Getting to Know K.A.R.A.

with Lyla Kennedy

It is only six and a half years since Lyla Kennedy came to live in the Knocklyon area, yet somehow it seems as if she has always been part of our Community. She has particularly endeared herself to K.A.R.A., the Knocklyon Active Retirement Association. The reason for her popularity is quite simple - she is a very caring person.



The only girl in a family of four, Lyla spent her early life in Rathgar and attended St. Louis High School. At that time, St. Louis was an A school and taught every subject through the medium of Irish. Her mother never spoke Irish so Lyla was completely bi-lingual. She loved the Irish language and still does. As a child she was always involved in live theatre, indeed, theatrical people were constant visitors to the family home ... small wonder really because her father was that well-known personality, P. R. Gogan, for many years Producer and Director at the Queen's Theatre and later at the Theatre Royal.

When Lyla married Paddy Kennedy they moved into a house in Wainsfort where they brought up their four children, Brian, Helen, Aisling and Paul. The girls and Brian are married now but Paul continues his career as an actor and has just completed a successful season in Cork's Everyman Theatre where he appeared in Iago in Othello. Paddy, of course was famous in his own right, for it was he who captained the Kerry Football Team, winners of the All Ireland trophy in 1946. The replica of that cup has pride of place in her home today.

On the eighteenth of November this year, Lyla attended the launch of a new book by Brian Carthy entitled *Football Captains, The All-Ireland Winners*. In it there is a chapter devoted to Paddy Kennedy who, sadly, died fourteen years ago. He is still remembered in his native Kerry by the Anascaul Park which was dedicated to his honour in 1984.

Lyla also worked for some years in St. Louis, an enriching experience that gave her a deeper insight into the world of teenage girls. "There was always a reason" she says "for the problems that often beset them, but nothing that tolerance and listening could not cure".

She has been Chairperson of K.A.R.A. for three years but insists that there is no importance attached to the office. "We have a Vice Chairperson, a Treasurer and a Secretary" she told me "but there is no committee. Every proposal is thrown out to the floor and open for discussion. Nobody runs anything on their own - we are all equal bosses".

K.A.R.A. is an extremely happy organisation catering for both men and women. Every Tuesday members meet in the Knocklyon Community Centre at 10.30 a.m. This is a purely social event - for talk, tea and arranging future outings such as their visit to the National Concert Hall to commemorate the 75th year of the Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society, or the Christmas Dinner held recently in the Downshire Hotel, Blessington. Every Wednesday at 2.00 p.m. many members pay a visit to Balrothery Sports Complex where they can participate in aerobics, a swim and enjoy a coffee afterwards. Thursday is Indoor Bowls day.

1993 was designated "Year of the Elderly" by the E.C. and among the many projects suggested to enhance the theme was to encourage older citizens to meet and talk with young people. Transition Year in secondary schools was singled out as an appropriate class to undertake these meetings. Alas - Knocklyon does not have a secondary school, but, helpful as ever, Mr. Kelly, Headmaster, St. Colmcille's Senior School came to the rescue. Calling on the aid of Mrs. Broderick, together they organised meetings between members of K.A.R.A. with seven sixth classes. To date, six of these meetings have already taken place. They have proved most successful and the questions asked - quite a revelation. The young people wanted to know about Hallowe'en, Christmas and particularly about the war years. Who was the Glimmer Man? What were classrooms like in the "old" days? Astonishment and perhaps even horror greeted the facts that many classrooms were unheated. Some would have a two bar electric fire and in country schools it was often the custom for each child to bring a sod of turf each day for the turf fire.

K.A.R.A. welcomes everyone aged 55 or over. It is non-denominational and is a friendly and active group. "It is so true" said Lyla "people matter - not things. In K.A.R.A. there is always someone to talk to, something to do and every member is aware of the needs of others and acts accordingly. They are wonderful people. It was a lucky day for me when I joined the club". Lucky for K.A.R.A. too I thought. Lyla Kennedy is quite a remarkable woman.

Eileen Casey

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• COUNTY COUNCIL NEWS •

• NEW BALLYCULLEN ROAD – AT LAST!

Councillor John Hannon (FF) has welcomed the decision to advertise for tenders for the construction of the realigned Ballycullen Road. The new road will widen the existing one and exit opposite Mortons Pub at Firhouse Road.

"The existing road is narrow and dangerous whilst the road reservation spaces at Monalea and Glenvara have been an eyesore for many years.

The new road will speed traffic flow in an area where traffic problems have grown very much worse over the past few years.

The road network in the area is now set to improve significantly – particularly as the new Knocklyon Road has commenced construction.

• SOUTHERN CROSS ROUTE

Councillor Hannon has also advised us that he is opposed to the proposal to use the 8.75 acres of land south east of Glenvara and Castlefield for residential purposes. He has proposed that this piece of land be used for community purposes, with particular emphasis on playing pitches, since the local clubs will lose their pitches at Delaford as a result of the proposed Southern Cross Route.

The whole issue will be debated by the South Dublin Area Committee in December. For further information ring John Hannon at 942045.

• REPLIES TO OTHER MOTIONS

(Courtesy Cllr. Mary Muldoon)

Scholarstown Road Roundabout

The estimated cost of carrying out improvements to the roundabout and the area of land adjacent to the roundabout, to include top-soiling, levelling and sealing is £5,000. Following representations made by the Temple-roan Residents' Association consideration is being given to providing finance for this work in 1994.

Open Space, Dargle Wood

Registration numbers of any vehicles seen on the open space opposite houses 22 to 30 should be reported to the Parks Department. It has also been noted that the open space is being marked by children playing on BMX bikes. If necessary the Parks Department will consider increasing the height of the kerb to prevent bicycles direct access.

Additional information from Cllr. Muldoon.

• JUNCTION KNOCKLYON AND FIRHOUSE ROADS

Due to the restricted width of the road on the Templeogue

side of the junction the manager reports that barrels are necessary to channel the traffic into the reduced width. The signal timings have been altered and the cycle path ends at the signals to allow cyclists to exit in safety.

There is no finance available to carry out any works at this location. The continuation of the improvement of the Firhouse Road is dependant on the necessary funding being provided by the Department of the Environment.

• SOUTH DUBLIN PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT *(Extract)*

Estates taken in charge during 1993:
Ballyroan Court, Beverly Court, Beverly Court West.

Taking in charge recommendations being finalised:
Templeroan, Knocklyon.

Taking in charge surveys to be undertaken:
Knocklyon Mews.

Estates where open space is under control of Parks Department:
Beverly Court, Beverly Court West, Templeroan, Woodstock Park.

County Dublin Vocational Education Committee CLUBS AWARDED £143 GRANT:

Knocklyon Badminton Club, Knocklyon United Football Club, Cherryfield Travellers' Youth Club, Knocklyon Variety Group, Knocklyon Community Games.

• SOUTH DUBLIN ROADS & TRAFFIC SUB-COMMITTEE

Work is proceeding on the preparation of contract documents for the Southern Cross Route pending a full court hearing.

Work has commenced on the construction of the realigned Knocklyon Road and tenders have been invited for the replacement of the pedestrian bridge at Firhouse.

Approximately £300,000 is available on foot of special road contributions in respect of road works in the Scholarstown/Knocklyon area.

• DOG WARDEN SERVICE

The Dog Warden for South Dublin operates from Wenden Kennels, Rathfarnham, which provides kennelling arrangements for dogs seized and impounded in this area. This is the only Pound in operation in South Dublin and was inspected by the I.S.P.C.A. who found it to be satisfactory. Visits are also carried out by staff of the Environmental Services Department on a regular basis.

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Senior



Mrs. Gillen proudly displays the gift presented to her by the Choir members.

After ten very productive years on the staff, Orla Gillen (Creamer) has decided to move to a school closer to her home and has now taken up a teaching post in Foxrock. It was a very difficult decision for Orla to make and she will be greatly missed by the staff and students. The input she gave to the school and in particular her excellence with the choirs over the years will live for a long time in the memory of the school. We wish her every success with her new job.

If any residents have noticed Mr. Murphy, our All-Star, floating down from his room in the old parish centre to the main school building the explanation is really quite simple – he's in love, has announced his engagement and is to marry next summer. It won't be long now before he's dropped from the Dublin team as rumour has it that his heart is elsewhere during the training sessions! Pressure must now be on Mr. McGabhann as he remains the only single male member of staff. All reasonable offers please to prefab!!!!

Congratulations to Mrs. Kissane in fourth class on her appointment as a permanent member of the staff. We also hear that her hamster did very well in the competition in Europe!

SPORTS REPORT

The senior football team were victorious in the final of the Sciath Mhic Craith Competition held in Croke Park on Friday 3rd December. Four double-decker buses packed with lively supporters braved the major traffic jams to see their heroes beat St. Bridget's of Blanchardstown by five points. It was a game of two Eoins; Eoin Fitzgerald who made some marvellous saves and Eoin Fitzmaurice who scored two great goals. All the team played very well against a strong wind in the first half especially Robert Clifford, Sean King and David Keenan. David McAllister and Ross Traynor kept the opposition at bay as did Declan Kelly and because of this scores were level at half-time. In the second half, Mark Duffy and Conal Keaney got the upper hand at mid-field and supplied great balls to the forwards ably led by Ronan Hopkins. Paul Egan and Steven Fee were always dangerous, Brian Cummins and Kenneth Tracey put in a great effort but it

wasn't until Fitzmaurice scored a goal with five minutes to go that St. Colmcilles felt comfortable. Kenneth Tracey walked up the steps to receive the trophy – making history as the *first ever winning captain of a football team from St. Colmcilles.*

Great credit is due to all the panel and also to the parents who helped during the year. A special thanks to the parents who arranged a great reception for the winners on their arrival back to the school on Friday evening. A very special word of thanks must surely go to Mr. Ruddy, the team coach and mentor. Without his dedication this great success would not have been possible. Jack O'Shea watch out!!!



Fr. Alan makes a presentation on behalf of the Board of Management to Mrs. Gillen in the Staff Room on the eve of her departure.

Junior

It's hard to believe that Christmas is upon us – it seems like only yesterday our Junior Infants came meekly into school. They are well seasoned students now all busily learning how to write letters to Santa.

We now have our full compliment of Junior Infants for '94. Any new names coming in will have to be added to a waiting list. Please inform anyone you know who may have overlooked registration to do so immediately.

The Junior School is in the process of collecting clothes for Oxfam's "Cold Front Appeal" to help the devastated areas of Bosnia, Serbia and Albania. On that note, (your kindness, that is) may we suggest to you that although our teachers are more than appreciative of the lovely gifts the children bring at Christmas-time, perhaps in this era of great need you may think of diverting your generosity this year to **CONCERN**.

Something to look forward to in '94 ... we will be holding a RACE NIGHT (our last one three years ago was a huge success) on Wednesday 16th March 1994 in the Country Club in Churchtown. We will remind you again (and again!!!) before we are under starter's orders!

We send warmest congratulations to two of our teachers who recently became engaged to each other – Paraic Carney and Aine Gallagher. We wish them the best of luck for their wedding in June next.

All that there is left for us to say is that we wish you all a Happy and Peaceful Christmas, and a Prosperous New year.

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MAKING CHRISTMAS MEANINGFUL FOR YOUR CHILD

ANNE DEMPSEY

This is an edited version of an article which appeared in the December issue of Reality Magazine.

We thank them for their permission to publish.

The television commercials begin now in early October selling toys and games to children. They run from late afternoon to early evening, a solid stream of consumerism which seems to bypass parents in communicating directly to children, and subverting some of the more important aspects of Christmas in the process.

How can parents make Christmas meaningful for their children? We might begin by asking ourselves what do we mean by meaningful. Christmas will have meaning anyway, but what kind of meaning, what values, what atmosphere do we wish the season to have for our family? Perhaps, if asked, most parents would wish that Christmas was a happy time for the nuclear and the extended family, a pause in busy lives when people can find time for each other. The Day has now been extended into The Week and, while some complain about such enforced leisure, within it lie choices and opportunities to lay down good and valuable memories and experiences for all.

UNBALANCES: Without thought and some planning, Christmas can get unbalanced. In homes where both parents work, pre-Christmas weeks can degenerate into a time of too much work, shopping, worry, fuss and corporate socialising. Christmas Day itself can often become a disappointing anti-climax with the post-Christmas period passing in a blur of more entertainment and sleep. "It's really a time for children", adults say to each other, but an examination of how much time is given to children during this period – or any other – shows that many children are ignored.

Ideally, we can make Christmas meaningful for ourselves and our children if we maintain a balance between its spiritual message, its scope for the interpersonal, and the chance it offers before each New Year to reflect on the past year and, perhaps, make some resolutions for the future.

SPIRITUAL PREPARATION: Where small children are concerned, the primary school will begin offering a spiritual message through telling the story of Christmas, through the school crib and other classroom activities and projects. This school approach could be augmented by prayers offered at family prayer time, and through a wider parish involvement. Families could pray together for a peaceful Christmas, for the grace to avoid rows, and to be more tolerant with each other.

Within the family, Advent could be upgraded as a time of preparation and reflection, with the concept of service and giving discussed. For example, if encouraged children may be willing to give up some pocket money or treats during Advent, and use the money saved to donate to a Third World charity or towards a cause at home. Many post-primary schools have junior conferences of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Our parish has a Toy Mass at the beginning of December in which children come to the altar and give toys for distribution by our local SVP conference. The pile at the end is huge, and the manner of the giving is moving.

INVOLVEMENT: When the Christmas cake and pudding is home-made, it is a good idea to involve interested offspring in the buying, weighing, measuring, stirring, baking and boiling. While the inclusion of some small "helpers" can add to the time and trouble involved, it is worthwhile. Older children may be allowed make the almond paste, the icing and, perhaps, to decorate the cake themselves. The results may not quality for a cook's convention, but who cares?

TWO-TIER ATTITUDE

On the thorny subject of present giving and receiving, many parents feel under enormous pressure to spend a lot of money on presents for all

concerned. Perhaps, if a two-tier attitude were taken it would be helpful.

In the first tier could be placed the Santa Claus gifts, those goodies mysteriously brought by the large, bearded gentleman who magically gets it right so often. Christmas is very difficult for families who feel that other children are getting far more than theirs, a feeling that the over-the-top ads merely reinforce. It may be helpful to know that the enduring gifts we give our children – love, time, fun, affection, caring, discipline – have no price, and will far outlast the latest game or toy.

In the second tier are presents for adults. Many families now dispense with some adult gift exchange. If people are trying to decide to whom to give a present, give to those to whom it will mean most – an elderly neighbour who may get few gifts, or a poor family, rather than to someone who has everything, and for whom you search every year for the latest executive toy to whet a jaded palate.

MAINTAINING THE BALANCE: Maintain the balance at home by having a crib as well as a tree. Have the children set them up with you and decorate them. If the extended family is getting together for Christmas, and if this will involve children showing particular respect or patience, talk to them in advance about this. Try and get everyone to go to confession. Put the candle in the window on Christmas Eve to welcome the Christ child. Be well on time for Mass on Christmas Day so that you can be together as a family. On your return, place Christ in the crib and place Him in the heart of the day.

In the days after Christmas, try to have a few family outings, walks, and family games. Take some time off for yourselves as well to be quiet, and to see friends you may not normally see.

MANY SINS: Many sins are committed in the name of Christmas. Alcohol indulgence, violence, rows, disagreements, and selfishness, to name five. The Catholic Marriage Advisory Council reports a rush of new clients immediately after Christmas because the so-called festive season is a nightmare for many. Where families are experiencing difficulties, they could decide this year to take action. Many children's memories are tarnished forever by rows, abuse, resentments and silences. Making Christmas meaningful for your child could include resolving this year to face up to any major difficulties and seeking the help you need to try to put things right.



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A Romantic Theme

Romance was in the air in Superquinn on Thursday evening 25th November. The customers were given numbered badges as they entered the store – pink for the ladies and blue for the men. As they shopped they had to look out for their corresponding number on the opposite sex, and when spotted they made their way to the courtesy desk where each person got a bottle of wine.

Other prizes during the night included hampers, a handmade chocolate heart and the star prize of the evening – a romantic dinner in the Yellow House – was won by Cyril and Aven Brennan from Orlagh Grove. The staff got into the festive mood and the amazing multi-coloured waistcoats added a touch of glamour to the evening.

Well done to Superquinn for turning an ordinary shopping night into a super fun event.



Mary Dillon meets her match and both win wine at Superquinn.

KNOCKLYON BRIDGE CLUB *News*

For the second year running the Stephenson Cup has been won by Catherine King, Idrone, and Ann Reville, Coolamber. Well done ladies.



Superquinn staff in a festive mood. Damien, on the right got into the spirit of the evening as he just got engaged. Congratulations!

KNOCKLYON VARIETY GROUP



The Group is busy with rehearsals for their show in February. This year they hope to participate in the "Tops of the Town" Competition but need a lot of funds. If any company would like to sponsor the group for this competition they would be glad to hear from you.

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Evie Hone

Following his article on Oisín Kelly in our last issue *Aodhagán Brioscú* now gives his personal account of another artist who had associations with this area of Dublin. Evie Hone, who had her studio in Marlay, won international recognition for the excellence of her work in stained glass.



Evie Hone

Rugadh Evie Hone i Roebuck Grove i 1894 agus, ag leanúint traidisiúin a sinsir, roghnaigh sí an ealaín mar slí beatha. Bhuail an phairilís i na hóige, rud a d'fhág crith in a lámh agus deacrachtaí siúil aice. Deineadh go leor obráidí uirthi ach ainneoin na bhfadhbanna go léir déirigh léi a gairm a chleachtadh.

Do threastal Evie Hone ar choláistí ealaíne i London idir 1917 agus 1920 agus ón dtréimhse sin go dtí 1927 bhí sí ag déanamh staidéir fé Andre Lhote agus Albert Gleizes i bPáras. Nuair a bhí sí i London chuir sí aithne ar ealaínteoir Éireannach eile, Mainie Jellett, a tháinig go dtí an Fhrainc in éineach léi. Chuir an bheirt aca spéis san ealaín theibí agus san gciúbachas, ag cur eolais ar shaothar ealaínteoirí *avant garde* mar Pablo Picasso agus Juan Gris. Fuair Mainie Jellett bás i 1944 nuair nach raibh sí ach 47. Bhí taispeántas da chuid shaothair i mBaile Átha Cliath i 1974. Lean Evie Hone len a cuid phéintéireachta agus bhí tionchar George Rouault ar a pictiúirí craifeacha.

I 1932, in aois 38, léirigh Evie Hone spéis i ngloine daite agus dhill sí ar London le staidéar a dhéanamh ar an mheán san fé threoir Wilhelmina Geddes, ealaínteoir Éireannach. Tar éis tamaill tháinig Evie Hone ar ais go hÉirinn agus chuaigh sí i mbun oibre leis an ealaíntóir Míchéal Ó hEilí in *An Túr Gloine*, saotharlann a bhí a reachtáil ag Sarah Purser go dtí go bhfuair sise bás in 1943. Bhí Ó hEilí scór bliain níos sine ná Evie Hone. D'fhoghlaim sí go leor teicnóicthe uaidh ach bhí stíl chruataoch fé leith aice féin. Fén am seo bhí staidéar déanta aice ar na fuinneoga daite in ardeaglaisí Chartres agus Le Mans, ar an ealaín i bhFlorans agus san Venéis. Bhí dúil aice i saothar El Greco agus Giotto. Thug sí cuairteanna ar dhánlanna san mBeilg agus san Ollain comh maith. Ar ais in Éirinn chuir sí spéis ins na sean-mhainistreacha, ins na crosanna Ceilteacha agus ins na lámhscríbhinní maisithe. Chruthaigh sí íomhánna simplí gan aon ómaideachas neamhriachtanach. Leag sí amach an dearadh go slachtmhar, na codanna eagsúla i gcomhréir len a chéile. Roghnaigh sí na dathanna go cúramach agus bhain úsáid as na línte luaidhe mar chuid bhunúsach den phictiúr. Bhí aontacht áirithe ag baint le gach fuinneog. Is íontach go deo na seodanna gloine a chuir sí fáil thar tréimhse scór bliain. Bhronn Coláiste na Tríonóide céim LL.D *Honoris Causa* uirthi i 1953.

Michael Scott a dhear an pailliún Éireannach ag an Aonach Domhanda i Nua Eabhrach i 1938. Roghnaíodh ealaínteoirí Éireannacha leis an bhfoirgneamh a mhaisiú. Rinne Séan Céitinn (a chónaigh i Ráth Fearnáin) múrphictiúirí agus rinne Evie Hone fuinneog mhór dhaite dar teideal *Mo Cheithre páirceanna Glasa*, sé sin na Ceithre Cúigí. Thuill an

pailliún, agus a raibh le feiceáil ann, ardmholadh agus bronnadh saoirse Nua Eabhrach ar an ailtire dá bharr. Nuair a bhí an taispeántas thart tugadh an fhuinneog ar ais go hÉirinn agus cuireadh í i dtaisce. Nuair a bhí an taitleir Brendan Ellis ag dearadh oifigí nua do CIE i Sráid Uí Chonaill ghlac sé an deis an fhuinneog a chur isteach ann. Níos déanaí fós nuair a bhí Títhe an Rialtais i Sráid Mhuirfean á athchóiriú aistríodh an fhuinneog go suíomh in aice an phríomhstaire, áit anoiriúnach ar fad.

Chonaic mé go leor taispeántais ealaíne thar na blianta ach tá dhá cheann a chuaigh i bhfeidhm go mór orm. Sé an chéad cheann ná mórtaispeántas do shaothar Evie Hone san Halla Scrúdúcháin i gColáiste na hOllscoile, Árdan Phort an Iarla (An Ceoláras Náisiúnta anois) i 1958. Is ag Earnán Ó Máille a bhí an bunsmaoineamh. Bhí baint ag Michael Scott agus a chúntóir Patrick Scott (ailtire agus ealaínteoir) le heagrú an taispeántais agus bhí Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh mar cathaoirleach ar an choiste riartha. Liam Miller a dhear clár an taispeántais. Thosaigh seisean mar macléinn ailtireachta in éineacht liomsa (agus le Patrick Scott) ach déirigh sé as le dul i mbun an Dolmen Press.

An dara taispeántas a bhí i gceist agam na Mósáicí Ravenna a bhí le feiceáil i gColáiste na Máinlianna. Thug Evie Hone cuaird ar Ravenna agus chuaigh na mósáicí i gcion go mór uirthi siúd comh maith.

I ndiaidh Comhairle na Vatacáine chuaigh an tAthair Ó Mearaí, Sagart Paróiste, An Cabrach, Contae an Chabháin, i gcomhairle liomsa maidir le hathchóiriú an tséipéil len a chur in oiriúint níos fearr don liotuige. Toisc go raibh fuinneoga áille le Evie Hone ós cionn na naltóirí eile ó 1948 i leith ba gá ealaínteoir nua a roghnú go cúramach. Thairg muid an coimisiún do Patrick Pollen a raibh saotharlann aige i mBaile an Teampaill. Bhí seisean comh tógtha le fuinneog Evie Hone in Eton (a críochníodh i 1952) gur tháinig sé go hÉirinn le hoibriú léi. Mheas seisean gur fearr dearadh teibí ná léaráid a dhéadfaí a chur i gcomparáid le cinn Evie Hone. Dála an scéil, is do bharr a fheabhas is atá fuinneoga Evie Hone i gCabrach a roghnaíodh í leis an fhuinneog ollmhór in Eton a dhearadh. Tá fuinneoga léi i roinnt séipéal eile i Sasana agus i Meiriceá tá ceann i Washington DC. Níl ar mhuintir Chnoc Liamhna dul rófhada áfach le saothar an ealaínteora a fheiceáil. Tá fuinneoga dá cuid i séipéil i gCinnmhuighe, i nDún Droma, i Stigh Lorgan, i gCarraig Dhuibh, i Sráid Haiste agus san gCuan Aoibhinn. Ar an dtaobh thuaidh den chathair tá cinn i nDrom Conrach agus i gCluain Tarbh.

Duine fíor-spiorádalta ab ea Evie Hone. Glacadh í isteach san Eaglais Chaitliceach in 1937. Bhíodh sí le feiceáil go rialta ag an Aifreann i Ráth Fearnáin agus is ar a bealach isteach go dtí an séipéal ansin a fuair sí bás i 1955, beannacht Dé len a hanam. An tam san bhí mé ar dhuine díobh san a thugadh cainteanna tráthúla tar éis na nuachta tráthnóna ar Radio Éireann agus ghlac mé an deis labhairt mar gheall ar Evie Hone, a saol agus a saothar. Bhí cáirde le Evie Hone sásta gur thug mé an taitheantas san dí. Mar a dubhairt Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, shaothraigh sí go dícheallach do chum glóire Dé agus onóra na hÉireann.



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Developments in Knocklyon

Glenvara Park RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MATTERS OF CONCERN

A statement issued by Jackie Scully on behalf of the Glenvara Residents' Association mentions the following matters which are of concern to its members:

Noise Disturbance: An alarming number of complaints have been received concerning groups of teenagers congregating, with friends, particularly in the area of the bottom green and the bungalows. These teenagers are drinking from beer cans, playing ghetto-blasters and being generally inconsiderate of the feelings of those residents concerned. If you can, in any way, use your influence to improve this situation it would be greatly appreciated.

Speeding: Speeding cars in Glenvara continue to cause alarm. All our children are at risk when cars fail to slow down within the confines of our estate.

Residents in the bungalows are very concerned about the more recent problem of speeding motorbikes. We cannot emphasise enough the potentially dangerous situations which can arise when these machines speed through any confined area. The noise created by motorbikes at night is very distressing.

Dogs: The continuous barking of dogs, at all times of the day and night, and at weekends, is a cause of great aggravation and disturbance to neighbouring residents.

Many residents express the view that they don't like to make personal approaches as this can cause animosity among neighbouring families. So, dog owners, please be aware that your pets can cause serious disturbance. We ask you to ensure that every possible step be taken to remedy this situation.

Additionally, a number of residents are angry that some dogs are allowed to roam freely, chasing and intimidating adults and children. It is now illegal to allow dogs to roam unsupervised. This is particularly serious if the dog is likely to cause upset or injury.

FLASHBACK

The results of the Garden Competition for members of the Glenvara Residents' Association was announced and the prizes distributed towards the end of October. Congratulations to the winners:

1st Prize: O'Leary Family, No. 25.

2nd Prize: Atkinson Family, No. 76.

3rd Prize: Tector Family, No. 24.

4th Prize: Finnerty Family, No. 75.

The Committee found the interest and enthusiasm shown this year most encouraging. Many gardens were commended for their appearance. The appearance of the estate was further enhanced by the addition of two new flower beds in the upper end of the estate. Replacement trees were purchased and both ends of the estate were given careful attention by concerned residents.



One of the Prize-winning Gardens in the Competition organized by the Glenvara Park Residents' Association

LACK OF FOOTPATHS

Residents have drawn the attention of local representatives to the lack of footpaths in parts of Knocklyon. In response Minister Seamus Brennan, T.D. has confirmed that footpaths are to be provided as part of the realignment of the Knocklyon Road and of the realignment of the Ballycullen Road.

A compulsory purchase order has been made and the public enquiry has been held in connection with the acquisition of some land adjacent to the Riding Stables on Ballycullen Road to enable the Council to provide a footpath at this location. A short length of footpath is also urgently required at a dangerous part of the Knocklyon Road beside other Riding Stables.

A pedestrian footbridge is to be provided as part of the Southern Cross route and appropriate linkages are to be provided to the bridge. Unfortunately the Council does not intend to provide footpaths in advance of the main scheme. In the meantime there is no proper pedestrian route from Glenvara Park to the Superquinn Shopping Centre, St. Colmcille's Church and the Community Centre as in wet weather the field between Castlefield and Knockfield becomes waterlogged. There is also concern about the activities of young people in this area who leave a lot of rubbish, including many empty beer cans lying around.

BALLYCULLEN ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

In answer to a question put by Councillor John Hannon, P.C. at a meeting of the South Dublin Roads and Traffic Subcommittee it was confirmed that work on the realignment of Ballycullen Road would be commenced early in 1994. He was told that it is proposed to build a dense concrete masonry wall to scale of the properties adjacent to the realigned road. A palisade fence on a dwarf wall will be provided at the open space at Carrigwood and a railing on a dwarf wall will be provided at the open space at Sallypark.

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TWO LOCAL AMENITIES

RATHFARNHAM CASTLE: According to a statement issued by Tom Kitt, T.D., Minister for European Affairs and Overseas Development Aid, work is now in progress on a new phase in the refurbishment of Rathfarnham Castle. Work on a tearoom and toilets will be completed early in the new year. The Minister initiated the transfer of appropriate local artefacts for permanent display in the castle on completion of the refurbishment.

Rathfarnham Castle is a composite structure erected over a period of centuries and including a sixteenth century castle. Some very fine interior decoration was carried out in the eighteenth century under the direction of the architect William Chamber. Both he and James Stuart were responsible for some very fine ceilings, Angelica Kaufmann for an interesting picture painted in 1771. The Society of Jesus purchased the property in 1913 and sold it in 1913. Rathfarnham Castle and its immediate surroundings are now the property of the State. The Retreat House and other twentieth century additions have been demolished.

MARLAY HOUSE: Work on the refurbishment of Marlay House, Rathfarnham, is progressing under a Fás Training Scheme. When the work is completed a report is to be presented to the South Dublin County Council. Suggested uses for the house include an Art Gallery and a Craft Museum. At the end of the eighteenth century the La Touche family acquired the



MARLAY HOUSE, RATHFARNHAM

Grange and carried out extensive alterations and additions to the house which was renamed Marlay House.

In 1864 the house was purchased by Robert Tedcastle of the coal merchant family. He sold part of the estate and on it Marlay Grange was built. The Grange Golf Club, laid out in 1910, included part of the former Grange property. Marlay Park is now a very popular public amenity and a Craft Centre has been developed in the courtyard.

From Ballinrobe to Whitechurch

WHITECHURCH (Church of Ireland) **CHURCH**, Whitechurch Road, has just launched a new Church organ. The Organ is a fine two-manual Connacher Pipe Organ, and was obtained from Ballinrobe Church, Co. Mayo, which was being closed down. This organ has now been re-located and re-constructed in a now extended Gallery in Whitechurch. The Organ's new setting was made possible by virtue of the fact that Whitechurch's Organist, Stephen Adams, is an Organ Builder by profession, and he entirely rebuilt it in all his spare time, over a period of seven months. A number of musical events were recently held to mark the Organ's launching in its new home.

The new housing estates on Scholarstown Road are all within the boundaries of Whitechurch Parish, and newly arrived residents of that area who are members of the Church of Ireland may wish to know this.

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S.V.P. – ANTIQUE FAIR

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank all those who supported our Antique Road Show which was held in the local Community Centre over the October weekend. A very special thanks to Dermot Barry, Gráinne and their terrific friends from the Youth Centre who were a tremendous help, the Committee of the Knocklyon Community Centre for providing the Centre, Gerry Daly and his Scouts who delivered the notices, and Superquinn who provided the biscuits for the tea and coffee.

We raised over **£10,000** and this will help the many needy families in the Dublin West Region.

Síobhan Nagle,
Society Member



Enrolment for the 1994 Spring Courses will take place in the Community Centre from Monday 17th January and Friday 21st January, 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Courses due to start on Monday January 24th 1994.

Watch out for details of courses which will be circulated in the Knocklyon area early in the New Year, and can also be had by calling into the Community Centre the week before enrolments begin.

May we take this opportunity to wish all our tutors, students and staff of the Community Centre a very happy Christmas and a productive New Year.

• KNOCKLYON GUILD OF I.C.A.

Christmas is fast approaching and gift ideas are few and far between. Here's one though that makes a good stocking filler – *Knocklyon Past and Present*. Copies are available from any Guild Member and Superquinn.

Remember, your Guild meets every first and third Tuesday of each month in the Community Centre at 8.30 p.m. *sharp*.

• COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

On behalf of the members of Knocklyon Community Council I would like to thank the people of Knocklyon for their support during the year and I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very

Silent Night...



Our Newsletter team tell me gently, but firmly, they need a few written words, pronto like.

So here goes, under a certain amount of pressure, but now it is morning and things are beginning to look better: "In the morning let me know your love, O Lord". It is a new day, with new hope, intermingled perhaps with fears, anxieties generated from looking ahead to troubles, which are not as yet.

This scene becomes more pronounced at Christmas time – so much to be done, shopping, greetings, parties, food and all the time the spectre of starving people, starving children, in the background.

This, of course, and the many other sadnesses of life should put all our worries into perspective, but in the field of day-to-day striving it does not always work like this. And we go on fussing and fretting in all directions, what a waste of valuable time and effort!

It may be time for us to slow down and "festina lente" (make haste slowly). We know about the extra pressures today – noise, false standards, materialism. Is Sunday trading all that necessary? We can so easily be swept along in this treadmill of confusion and have no time for what matters – no time for ourselves, no time for peace, joy, happiness, no time for God. Such time means listening and listening means silence.

This constructive silence is the opposite to the turmoil of life, we



Bros. Pearse A.C.



Bronwyn Kiernan (Coolamber Park) proudly displaying her medal won at the Primary Schools' Cross Country Championships.

Well the year is almost at a close as is our season. Once again I am happy to report a most successful year for the club. The final race of the year will be the All Ireland Cross Country Championships which will take place in Tipperary on the 19th of December. We expect to have in the region of forty athletes competing. These athletes have all competed in the Dublin and Leinster Championships with great results both in individual and team events.

Quite a number of our athletes competed in the recent Primary Schools' (South Dublin) Cross Country Championships in Marley Park with one of our girls, Bronwyn Kiernan, winning the U/10 and one of our lads, Sean King, winning the U/12 event. Congrats. to these and all athletes who competed under such dreadful weather conditions.

Great news at last from the County Council. Brothers Pearse have at long last been granted *exclusive use* of the area on which we currently train and the County Council have written to the football clubs currently training there to instruct them not to use the area for football training so as to preserve it in a suitable condition for athletic training. This is great news indeed, especially for the athletes who deserve the use of proper facilities to help them in the pursuit of their athletic careers. The committee of Bros. Pearse would like to extend its thanks to the County Council Parks Department for all its help.

Finally, on behalf of the committee I would like to wish all our athletes and their families a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Yours in Sport

Larry Kiernan, Hon. Secretary

BALLYBODEN/ST. ENDA'S GAA CLUB

There is a growing interest generally in Set Dancing. Our Club has been to the fore in fostering this interest for the last few years.

Classes in Set Dancing take place in the hall every Thursday evening between 8.30 p.m. and 10.30 p.m., admission is £1.

On the first Saturday of each month we host a Ceilí between 9 p.m. and 12.30 a.m., admission £3.00 and music is provided by the Sheelin Ceilí Band.

On January 2nd 1994 in Pairc Uí Mhurchú, (our club pitch) the cream of Dublin Footballers and Hurlers will be on show. The occasion will be the Blue Stars (the teams picked by the Dublin sports writers from players in Dublin Clubs) playing the Dublin Senior County team in each code. Be sure to mark the date in your new diary.

On behalf of Ballyboden/St. Enda's GAA Club I wish all our readers a Happy and Holy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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LIFE AFTER SCHOOL



This month's contribution comes from Stephen Dowling, Knocklyon Park who, having completed a year doing "Sport & Leisure" studies in Dundrum V.E.C., is now participating in a Fás course on "Sports Coaching & Recreational Leadership".

When I tell people about my area of study the majority think that this will lead only to one of two careers – either that of P.E. Teacher or Leisure Club Manager. However, the choice is much wider than that. Within this course it is possible to specialize in one particular sport and become a fully qualified coach in that sport, be it Soccer, Basketball, Badminton, Swimming, Volleyball, Hurling etc. Being a fully qualified coach can open doors to a fulltime job at local, club, county, national or even international level depending on your level of skill and experience.

Apart from coaching, other career opportunities exist in the management of gymnasia, leisure centres and fun parks. It is useful to know that Biology is one of the pre-requisite subjects for all these courses.

I have the impression that many people regard this type of course as "lightweight" or not very challenging intellectually. However, there is quite an amount of technical information to be learned and many skills to be acquired which people outside this area probably don't give a lot of thought to. For example, apart from learning about the workings of various items of equipment we are required to know correct safety procedures in all situations (fire, car accident, injury) and how to deal with medical problems like an asthma or epileptic attack should they occur. Also naturally we must be familiar with the safety factors involved in all the different forms of exercising that take place in a typical gym/ leisure centre. Part of the course involves studying the body's muscle and bone structure – how this is affected by injury and how best to treat different injuries. We also examine the best

clothing and footwear requirements for each sport.

I enjoy my course very much and get great satisfaction passing on my skills to children and adults alike and seeing those skills in action in match situations. If I do well in this course I may get an opportunity to continue studying for P.E. Teaching or Sports Management. Meanwhile I manage to enjoy a busy and varied social life.

Editor's Note: Stephen still finds time, despite his busy schedule, to help as a Youth Club Leader at the weekends.



The Youth Club had another successful Fun Night on Friday 3rd December. Approx. 300 children took part in the many competitions. Fr. Joe, as M.C. was a big hit for the drawing of raffle tickets, and many boys and girls went home with prizes tucked under their arms. Thanks to everyone who made the event such a success, and some worthy charity will benefit from the proceeds of the night.

A special thank you to our Committee Members, who donated a substantial number of prizes.

The Christmas Disco will take place on Friday 17th December at the usual times, and the club will then cease activities until the New Year. We wish all our members and helpers a happy and peaceful Christmas.

*Mary Coleman
Secretary*

KNOCKLYON CREDIT UNION

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Letters to the Editor

A teenager's opinion of Knocklyon's growth

Dear Editor,
Knocklyon, within the space of fifteen years, has undergone a metamorphosis that few returned inhabitants would recognise. It has changed irrevocably into a concrete monster, a community bursting at the seams for whom life in suburbia continues drearily. Further proposals to build 700 more houses in Ballycullen and Stocking Lane, and also 70 new houses in Templeroan will add insult to injury.

One of the stipulations guarding the rezoning of land is that no rezoning of land for housing purposes should take place unless an adequate infrastructure is in place. Quite clearly an adequate infrastructure does not exist, overcrowded schools, road traffic jams etc., are testimony to this.

It seems the only people who will benefit from the rezoning of land are the building contractors who stand to make a lucrative profit, they may reap the investment of buying their most expensive cow field. Meanwhile astronomical house prices will be paid, for this little portion of suburbia whilst the concrete continues to move uphill and will eventually engulf all. The day will come when the Knocklyon News will reach Johnny Fox's pub and when the houses in the parish will reach the Hell-fire Club.

The environmental impact of new houses is self evident, whilst environmentalists rally we are allowing (if not actively, then passively) the rape of our landscape.

The government's policy should be centred on urban renewal rather than further suburbanisation to the detriment of the inner city. More capital should be invested into the inner city rather than lining the pockets of building contractors, nature should be conserved rather than concreted and rezoning decisions should not involve the pursuit of party politics at council meetings.

Perhaps asking for a more considered and intelligent approach towards land rezoning is about as futile as single handedly trying to wrestle with a JCB, however, one can but live in hope.

Nicola Carr (Knockcullen)

IMPORTANT REMINDER

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Names for '94 entrants must be sent into school IMMEDIATELY and will be put on a WAITING LIST for places.

See Cathie in Junior School

... K.A.R.A. ...

We wish all our friends every happiness at Christmas and assure some of our members who have been on the sick list of a hearty welcome when we resume on January 11th at 10.30.

■ TERRY FOX RUN ■

We mentioned in our last issue that we would give you a final figure for the amount raised in this event for Cancer Research funding held in our locality on October 17th.

We are happy to announce that £5,400 was the final sum reached when all the sponsorship cards were returned and this amount was very gratefully received by the Irish Cancer Society. Once again Paul McGarry and the other local organisers wish to convey their thanks to everyone involved in making this venture so successful.

COMMUNION DRESS APPEAL

Dear Editor,
I wish to thank all the parents and especially the children who donated their beautiful First Communion Dresses and Head-dresses to the Children of the Albanian and Romanian orphanages. These items are now on their way, and will be very gratefully and excitedly received. *Many thanks.*

Anne Begley

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It started out as a simple telephone enquiry regarding vaccination requirements and health advice for a group of travellers going to China. The "group" of travellers ended up as the largest contingent of foreign travellers ever to attempt to walk along sections of the Great Wall. The age range of the group was from eighteen to seventy five years and the party included a number of people with physical disabilities including three who were totally blind. This didn't unduly concern me until I read our tour brochure on the plane, and saw that I was down as Medical adviser to the tour, people's shape and size suddenly took on a more significant meaning! In fact one of the "blind" was from Knocklyon, and Jenny Hollingsworth ended up guiding me around China rather than vice versa. The itinerary included walking eighteen kilometres to and around Tiananmen Square, ten kilometres through the Forbidden City and sixteen kilometres along the Mutianyu section of the Great Wall including the twelve hundred steps. On the fifth day we drove four hours north of Beijing to walk twenty kilometres around the summer palace of the Emperor Kangxi. The palace was built at Changde which lies north of the Great Wall between the inner Mongolian plateau and the North China plane. We walked around the eight outer temples which the Emperor had built on a five and a half million square metre resort. Many of the temples had exotic names like the Hall of Frugality and Placidity, The Hall of Refreshing Mist and Waves and the Hall of Comforts. Since many of these Emperors had up to one thousand concubines the names took on a meaning that was both funny and profound.

On the eighth day we flew from Beijing to Xian (two hours and thirty minutes) the ancient capital of China and after a sixteen kilometre walk aptly named the Big Wild Goose Bagoda Walk, most of the party were actually beginning to walk like geese by this stage. In Xian we walked fifteen kilometres to see the famous Terracotta Warriors and saw the extraordinary army of thousands of Terracotta soldiers and horses, each with different expressions standing in what looked like potato drills around their emperor's tomb.



Some of the participants in this unique charity walk in aid of The National Council of the Blind and the Richmond Brain Trust.

The last twenty-five kilometre walk along Badaling Great Wall turned out to be both a physical and spiritual ordeal. Once the party had gone beyond a certain point there was no turning back and over the next few hours our brave bunch were scattered along the Wall like the remnants of an army retreating from a battle front. Sections of the Wall had completely disintegrated and at altitudes that ranged from 1,000 to 5,000 metres with sharp climbs and steeps which went at angles at sometimes greater than 30° this particular walk turned out to be a real survival trek. I was guide to Jenny, one of the three blind people who completed this walk and at times she crawled along the wall fully outstretched on hands and knees, got dragged through bushes, pulled over rocks and pushed through narrow openings and skidded down slopes. Throughout the five hour journey Jenny, who is also a diabetic, joked and laughed away through the ordeal despite taking up postures which couldn't easily be described in a parish newsletter and arrived at the finish to a terrific reception from the rest of the group. In an ironic way both myself and Andy Dunne, a Boston Irishman who also acted as a guide for Jenny, discovered China through her eyes, and against the backdrop of rural China we found that in friendship and trust all things are possible. Every journey begins with the first step.

Vincent Kenny

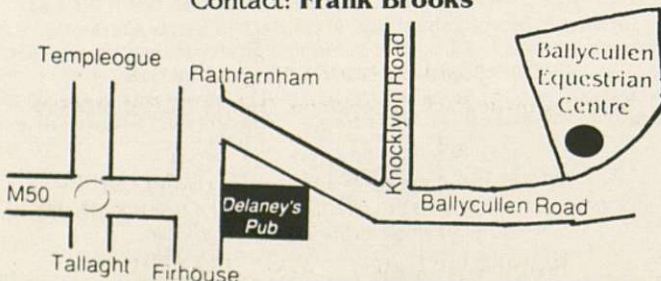


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• CAROL SERVICE •

A reminder to our readers that a Carol Service takes place in St. Colmcille's Church on Thursday 16th December commencing at 8 p.m. The service will include traditional Carols and lessons in preparation for Christmas. Why not make it a starting point for your Christmas celebrations with the family.

• CEARTÚCHÁIN •

Bhí roinnt bhotún cló san alt ar Oisín Ó Ceallaigh a foilsíodh an mhí seo caite. Bronnadh deilbhín do Naomh **Proinsias** ar Lennox Robinson, agus do Naomh **Cecilia** ar an chumadóir Sibelius. Carabad na **Tine** an teideal ar an dealbh i Sráid na Mainistreach.

• TERENCE DRAMA •

Well done to the Knocklyon boys who took part in the recent Terenure College/Our Lady's School production of *Shadow of a Gunman*. The budding actors included Paul Bryan (Greenacre Court), Garrett Casey (Idrone), Robert Coffey (Knockcullen) and Matthew Ling (Templeroan). They played to full houses for three nights and were a big hit with the audiences.

Happy First Christmas to the following new arrivals . . .

- Sean Patrick Morrisroe McGrath, 46 Orlagh Park.
 Alison Carmel Dogget-McGrath, 6 Road B, Orlagh Grove.
 Patrick Vincent Cribbin, 6 Templeroan Grove.
 Stephanie Jennifer Connell, 225 Woodfield.
 Bridget Anna Kenny, 100 Westbourne Lodge.
 Simon Liam Moore, 1 Castlefield View.
 Kate Mary Duffy, 49 Scholarstown Park.
 Robyn Emma Keogh, 62 Westbourne Lodge.
 Nicole Ellen O'Sullivan, 33 Road E, Orlagh Grove.
 Emma Jane Doyle, 65 Orlagh Park.
 Aideen Teresa McCormack, 37 Orlagh Way.
 Megan Elizabeth Carey, 12 Templeroan Grove.
 Orla Louise Carrigan, 11 Templeroan Grove.
 Clare Bridget McMorrow, 33 Beverly Downs.
 William Joseph Sisk, 8 Templeroan View.
 Sarah Elizabeth Trainor, 95 Woodfield.
 Shane Peter Furlong, 22 Woodfield.
 David James Young, 70 Glenvara Park.
 Emma Elizabeth Feely, 17 Templeroan Park.
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 Cathy Anne O'Neill, 61 Knockcullen Drive.
 Alison Anne Plant, 169 Glenvara Park.
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 Orlaith Niamh Rafferty, 7 Idrone Park.
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Items and adverts for inclusion in the next issue of the Newsletter should be handed into the Presbytery by Sunday 16th January. Enquiries re advertising to June at 941204 (10 - 12 Mon. to Fri.). The Newsletter will be distributed from February 3rd.

The Newsletter Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped make the production of the newsletter possible during 1993 - our Printers, Lantz Ltd., whose advice and assistance is invaluable, contributors, advertisers, the teachers and boys and girls in the Senior School - we hope the children will continue the good work of distributing the newsletter to nearly every home in the parish each month. We would also like to thank the Management of Superquinn and Shape in Hair for the use of their information desks as a further means of distribution.

May we wish all the above-mentioned people and you, our readers, a very Happy Christmas and healthy and prosperous 1994.

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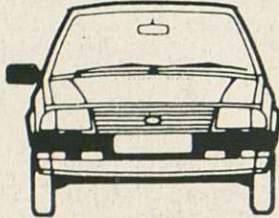
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