

THE KNOCKLYON NEWS



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The Folk Group - A Reason for Singing



Back Row: (L. to R.): Jennifer Hughes, Lorna Maher, Eileen Cunningham, Stephanie (from Belgium), Jack Begley, Brian McCormick, David Moynihan, Mark Byrne, Aengus O'Neill, Lisa Kelly. Centre: Joanne Kelly, Fiona Farrell. Front Row: Fr. Joe, Noelle Colclough, Emer Gallagher, Barbara Fields, Aoife Connors, Joanne Dowling.

It was Jack Begley who first put forward the idea of forming a Folk Group in Knocklyon. Jack had always loved music and he loved to sing. He also knew that the best way for people to get to know each other was to sing together. And that was how the Folk Group was born.

It is hard to believe that almost 20 years have gone by since that first Group sang and played at Mass in the newly erected pre-fab Church. Brideen looked after the music, Mick Doherty played the guitar and Fr. John Keating gave much of his time in helping to establish and maintain the Group which soon became a well loved addition to the community.

As the years went by we saw many changes in Knocklyon. The new Parish Church of St. Colmcille, the ever expanding buildings of St. Colmcille Schools which had to accommodate the children of parishioners from the numerous housing estates that sprang up almost overnight, changing the landscape for ever. Church parochial activities too had grown and many new groups and societies now catered for the spiritual, physical and leisure activities of the community. The Folk Group remained, growing better each year. Some families always seemed to belong - the Begleys and the O'Neills. Conor McCarthy was followed by his brother Michael who was leader for several years. We remember the dedication of people like Ruth Kelly, Gerry Murphy and many more whose talents served to preserve the Folk Group for us today.

Last week I had the pleasure of meeting and speaking with some members of the present Group who are busily preparing for the Holy Week ceremonies and Easter celebrations. Jack

Begley is still very much a part of things, in fact I am told that it would be unthinkable to have a Folk Group without him. Brian McCormick is another stalwart member. He joined in 1978 when he came to live in the area from Monaghan and now the Folk Group is definitely a big part of his life. Of course the largest membership of the Folk Group has always been the young people of the Parish. I met Lisa, Eileen and Aengus, three teenage members of the present group. Their enthusiasm, good humour and complete commitment to every aspect of the planning and smooth running of the Group was more than impressive. I got the feeling that there were no "bosses" and that every decision was arrived at by common consent.

Lisa Kelly, the present leader, is a Leaving Cert student at Sancta Maria. She hopes to read Music and History at Trinity College. Well known for her beautiful soprano voice, she often sings at weddings. Eileen Cunningham is a lovely contralto who also plays the guitar. She too is preparing for her Leaving Cert. in Firhouse Community College and wants to be a nurse. Eileen has worked in The Good Counsel Centre to gain experience for her future career. Aengus O'Neill is a student at Ashfield College. His ambition - Computers and Marketing at D.C.U. Aengus is the fifth member of the O'Neill family to become a member of the Folk Group. New members are always welcome - adults and young people.

At present there are about 25 members including three guitarists and David Moynihan who plays the violin. They would dearly love to have more musicians, preferably someone who could play any instrument other than the guitar - perhaps you could play the organ, the flute or the drums! Singers are also welcome, adults and youth from the Parish. The group meets for practice at 11 o'clock each Sunday in the pre-fab before singing at 12 o'clock Mass. If you are interested they would love to see you before or after Mass.

Of course, being a member of the Folk Group is not all work. There is lots of fun and laughter too. Sometimes a visit is arranged to other Folk Groups to meet new people and exchange songs and ideas. Choosing the music for the Group to sing can also be enjoyed by all. Suggestions are always welcome.

Before I left I had the opportunity to hear a new song that will be used during the Lenten ceremonies. It was that beautiful poem by Joseph Mary Plunkett, *I See His Blood Upon the Rose*. The melody is guaranteed to touch your heart strings and will surely be a great success.

Would you like to be part of this Folk Group? You will have a happy time. Oh, and by the way, there is an added BONUS! Fr. Joe is President and he likes singing too.

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Community Playgroup Update



An initial meeting was held in the Senior School Hall on Tuesday, 7th February.

There was a good attendance from the Community and a number of our politicians took the time to come and lend their support, Mary Muldoon MCC, Tom Kitt T.D. and Eithne Fitzgerald T.D. Mary O'Dowd also attended in her capacity as District Nurse.

A committee was formed and in a subsequent meeting our plan of action was formulated.

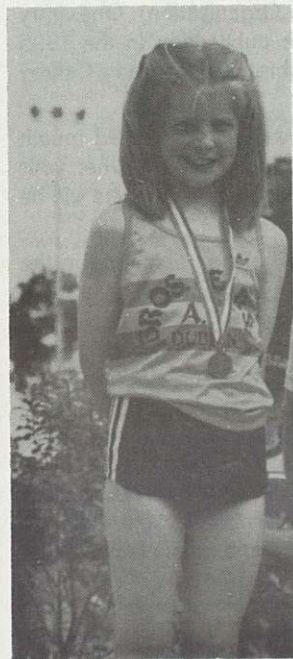
Any support or input, be it in terms of time or sponsorship would be most welcome.

This community playgroup will be a positive attribute for all of Knocklyon and it will put our pre-schoolers on the map.

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

If you are in a position to help in any way please contact me (Marlene McCormack) at 4941404.

"A Hat Trick for Karen"



Eight year old Karen Tyson, Coolamber Park recently completed a hat trick of Under 8 Cross Country League wins. Her first win was back in 1992, followed by the Under 8 league in 1993 and again in 1994.

Each League consisted of three races over 400m. at Donabate and Cherryfield. Also to start the year on a high, Karen won the Inaugural Indoor Winter League for her age group. This consisted of three events run over one night.

Picture shows Karen at 1994 National Finals in Santry.

Karen is a member of the local running club Brothers Pearse.



KNOCKLYON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB



The inclement weather of late has played havoc with the club's fixtures, most teams have not played a game since the mid season break in the middle of December. Opportunities on the field of play to shed the "turkey and plum pudding" have been few. However it gives me an opportunity to bring you up to date on the club's performances with some outstanding achievements to relate.

Pride of place goes to our under 8A and 8B teams who lead their respective divisions, to date the 8A team has a 100% record of having played 12, won 12, scored 45 goals and conceded just 4. Under the astute management of Dave Coffey and Sean Kiernan this superbly drilled team have only to win 3 more games to clinch the League title. They are a well balanced team, strong in defence with an excellent goalscorer (18 to date) in Graham Coffey.

Likewise the 8B team is performing remarkably well having dropped just 3 points from 24. Again 3 more victories will almost certainly secure them the League title. Under the guidance of Terry Lennon and his able assistant Paul Keenan this team is well marshalled throughout with again an excellent defence and 2 sharpshooters in David Lennon and Ian Ryan (18 and 13 goals respectively).

It was a topic of great debate when the Football Association of Ireland decided to reduce the number of players from the traditional 11 a side to 7 a side for teams competing up to 9 years of age. Both Dave Coffey and Terry Lennon give it their wholehearted support. "It has been a superb decision says Dave, the ball now does the work, the boys develop their skills much more and the pace of the game is much quicker." As Terry pointed out, the boys will be much better prepared for the 11 a side game in 2 years time.

The 10A, 11a, 12C and under 16 teams are all doing extremely well and more silverware is beckoning at the end of the season.

When I caught up with Paddy Scully and Niall Murphy they were busy putting the 14C team through their paces. Paddy and Niall are together now with these lads for 6 years and this team is now showing great promise. They have some excellent players in goalkeeper Conor Culkin and their leading goalscorer Colm Byrne. With a panel of 22 there is great competition for places and both Paddy and Niall are pleased with the way the team is shaping up this season. "A grand bunch of lads" says Paddy, "we'll keep them playing ball up to senior level".

Finally, a big thank you to all who supported our annual Christmas Draw. It was a great success and a very special word of thanks to Dave Armstrong and Barney Coffey for all their hard work.

Yours sincerely,

Jim McGonigle, P.R.O. Tel: 493 1046

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JUNIOR SCHOOL

March – in like a lion, out like a lamb, so they say. Well, as I write, the snow is falling and every child is looking out the classroom windows hoping – praying, that the snow will stay. (I'd say a few are hoping the school will be snowed in, a few teachers that is!)

The children of second class are busy preparing for First Confessions – or as we now know it, The Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Church will shortly be transformed with their art work – busy hands working as we speak.

Our Easter holidays this year are from 10th – 21st April. The brochures for Summer Camp will be handed out shortly. The dates this year are July 3rd – 7th and 10th – 14th and August 14th – 18th. New Junior Infants for '95 are welcome – on that note, please sit tight if you haven't as yet received an acceptance form for your child – we are working our way through the lists, oldest to youngest. Don't despair – we will be in contact soon.

Last month we gave you news of Niamh Cummins' success in the *Telecom Design a Callcard Competition*. The presentation of prizes took place in Telecom Head Office on 13th February. Below is a photograph of Niamh, her teacher Miss Mullany and Mr. Paul Dalton at the Presentation. The photo includes the AST Advantage Computer which was the school's prize.



SENIOR SCHOOL

As I gaze incredulously at the swirling snow, I ponder the words "When Winter comes, can Spring be far behind"? However, with the indomitable spirit of youth roaming the corridors of the Senior School, one cannot help feeling buoyant and enthusiastic. Activities abound throughout the school. This month we give pride of place to the 3rd and 4th classes. Here Spring flowers bloom and mustard seeds sprout defying the

external elements.

On the competitive front 3rd class teachers have chosen three finalists for the I.N.T.O. Handwriting Competition. Their names are: Robert Donnelly, Pf6; Eninia Brazel, Pf5; Niall Brosnan, Pf1. The winners of the 4th class Handwriting Competition are: Elaine Lyons, R18; Wendy Ruth Crowe, R16; and Helen Skelly, R19. A few of the 4th classes have taken part in "The Write a Book" project. This gives children an invaluable insight into the world of editing, illustration, book-binding and publishing. Do we have a future Booker prizewinner lurking in our midst?

On the literary front 3rd class children are enjoying the novel *Danny Fox* by David Thomson and 4th class are reading *Little House on the Prairie* by Laura Ingalls Wilder.

- **QUIZ:** Congratulations to the 6th class pupils who very successfully represented the school at a very closely-contested quiz in Terenure recently. Three teams from the school were among the forty-nine teams participating in the quiz, and our pupils were delighted to achieve first, second and fifth place. On the winning team were: James Nevin (Room 5), Eoin Brennan (Room 5), Karl Fielding (Room 1) and Justin O'Hagan (Room 4). In second place were: Sarah Martin (Room 6), Alison Carey (Room 6), Ciarán Murphy (Room 1) and Gregory Armstrong (Room 2). In fifth place were: Brian Carr (Room 3), Siobhán Brennan (Room 3), Stephen Fee (Room 2) and David Noonan (Room 4). The winning pupils were presented with individual trophies, book tokens and two trophies for the school.

Congratulations to Bobby Corish who came second in the 200m. breast stroke in a major swimming gala in Donaghmede recently.

- **E.C.H.O.:** Last term the 5th classes were invited to take part in an art competition which was organized by E.C.H.O. (European Community Humanitarian Organization). One entry from St. Colmcille's was selected for publication in the 1995 E.C.H.O. calendar. The entry was submitted by Jenny Caffrey (R.10). *Congratulations Jenny!*

- **POETRY:** I am sure that you are waiting with bated breath for the results of our Poetry Competition. Let me whet your appetite by saying it was a resounding success. Results will be published in the next newsletter.

- **SCHOOL CHOIR:** The school choir are participating in the *Córfhéile* at the end of March. The *Córfhéile* is an annual musical extravaganza which is held in the Mansion House. Its aim is to foster and develop in children a love of good music while placing particular emphasis on an appreciation of our own heritage of Irish music. It provides a wonderful opportunity for children to express themselves in music and song in a non-competitive atmosphere.

I earnestly hope that my sporting colleagues will soon return to their former prowess, as I miss their vigorous and dynamic reports. All this talk of literature, poetry and music leaves me – breathless!

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~~~~ Cursillo ~~~~

Hi, my name is Eoin, and I'm 37, married, with four kids, a dog, mortgage and all the rest that goes to make up a "normal" life! I moved to Knocklyon, from Artane, in March of last year, so I'm only a blow-in!

I'd like to tell you a little bit about a movement called "Cursillo", which I've been involved with in Dublin for four years now. Cursillo means "a short walk" or "a little course", and has its origins in Spain in the late 1940s. Since then it has spread to over 130 countries worldwide, and is very much alive in Derry, Donegal, Roscommon, Belfast and Dundalk.

Some pointers about Cursillo:

- it is a lay movement
- approved within the Catholic Church (and also the Anglican Church)
- it is not an "organisation", but only seeks to bring you and me to a closer relationship with God

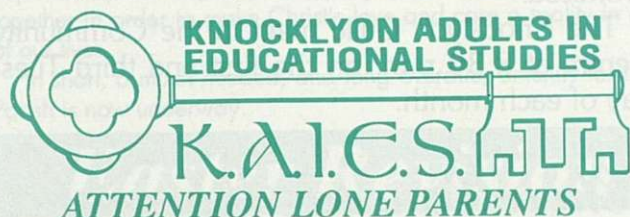
My first experience of Cursillo was when I attended a Weekend experience in March 1991. Don't ask me why I went, I was not a practising Catholic at all and in actual fact was very anti-church! I suppose that deep down I was searching for something. I didn't know what. I'm very happy to say that the Cursillo weekend changed my life, my attitudes, the way I view things in general.

If you're what I call a searcher, if you're restless about your life and feel perhaps there's something missing, then perhaps Cursillo is for you. If you'd like to deepen your relationship with God, then perhaps Cursillo is for you.

So, if you fancy three days away, with time to listen, time to reflect, time to discuss (and a good laugh as well!) then do join us. The weekend experience runs from a Thursday evening at 8 p.m. to Sunday afternoon approx. 4 p.m. Our next weekends are April 27th - 30th (Men), and May 4th - 7th (Women). We ask for a deposit of £15, plus the balance of £25 on completion of the weekend, if you can afford it.

If you have any interest in attending, then please telephone me at 4938120, or indicate your interest to one of the Parish Team at the Presbytery, so that I can contact you.

Thank you, Eoin M. Scollard



As you know, K.A.I.E.S. is a voluntary committee involved in the organisation of Adult Education classes in Knocklyon.

We recently received a grant from the Dept. of Social Welfare to be put towards the cost of a series of courses for lone parents in the area to help them return to work, or to take up "second chance" education. Such classes could be in areas like personal development, parenting and skills courses applicable to the work place. We envisage "lone parent" to include as wide a range of people as possible, i.e. women and men of all ages who are separated, widowed, or unmarried. We would also appreciate input from the families of young unmarried parents.

In order to decide how best to use the grant we need to hear from lone parents, and to this end we are holding a meeting on Wednesday, March 29th, in St. Colmcilles Senior School, from 7 - 9 p.m. Tea and coffee will be provided, and hopefully the rain will have stopped by then, so you'll have no excuse!

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Jim Colclough, P.R.O.

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Letter to the Editor

RE: BULLYING

I am a mother - the mother of a child who has been bullied by other children.

I live in Idrone, Knockcullen, Delaford, Orlagh; I live throughout the length and breadth of Knocklyon because bullying is alive and well and living in Knocklyon.

When a child is singled out and is subjected to continuous name calling, exclusion from games and has their belongings interfered with - that is bullying.

This can be the work of one child or a group of children. Let us not mistake this behaviour with the ordinary good humoured banter that goes on between children and that is all a healthy part of growing up. Bullying is hurtful and painful. It effects the child and the entire family concerned. There are many, many sleepless nights and absent days from school.

There is a duty on parents to check the behaviour of their children. Believe me the innocent little darling you tuck into bed tonight may be the little devil that causes hardship to other children.

To Mr. Dalton in the Junior School and Mr. Kelly in the Senior School I say well done for your stance against bullying. It is a pity that the children forget these golden rules when they leave the school grounds.

Name and address with Editor

Editor's Note: Dr. Brendan Byrne, a teacher for over twenty years has carried out research into this subject. Last year his book **Coping with Bullying** was published and now Brendan has written a further book **Bullying: A Community Approach**. His new book offers insights into bullying and preventative strategies. Both books are very readable and have much to say to all parents. We hope to have copies available in the Church Shop in the near future.

Knocklyon I.C.A.

Well, our International night on the 21st February certainly took our minds off the bad weather. Spain was the country chosen this year. A lovely Spanish lady named Alicia showed us slides and spoke about the different regions and places of interest in Spain. We also sampled Spanish food and Alicia then made *Sangria* for everyone. We even had a bull fight to finish off the night.

Many thanks to Boyne Valley Foods who donated a beautiful hamper for the Raffle and to Dunnes and Roches Stores for their contributions.

Helena Hughes, our International Officer, worked very hard to bring about this educational and fun night for all.

Drama, debating, set dancing, crochet, candle-wick embroidery, breadmaking and herb growing are some of the activities and competitions taking place over the next few months.

At our meeting on the first Tuesday of each month, members interested in crafts, bring along their work while others can just chat or play cards if they wish. On 21st March we will hold an Irish night. Another entertaining evening is promised.

The Knocklyon Guild meet in the Community Centre at 8.30 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Choir Concert Appearance

Congratulations to the 11 o'clock Choir, who were special guest performers recently at a Piano Pupils Concert in Firhouse Community College. Their singing was warmly received by the audience of pupils and their families. Among the pianists in the same concert were the following from Knocklyon: Aoife and Niamh Cummins, Elizabeth Nolan, Niall Connolly, Aoife Nally, Andrew Donohoe, Stephen and Jonathan Sadlier, Nathalie Merren, Michael and David Doran, Dearbhla Garrett, Louise and Mark Byrne, Ila Gibson and Carla van der Kamp.

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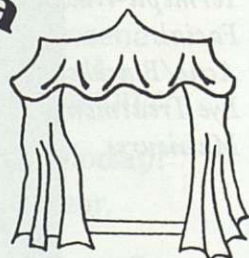
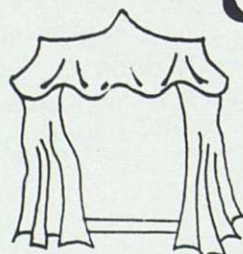
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PROGRESS REPORT ON TWO NEW GROUPS

PASTORAL CENTRE GROUP

The Pastoral Centre Group was set up at the Parish Assembly on 26 November 1994 to investigate the feasibility of building a Pastoral Centre for the parish. Pat Mullins O.Carm. is the chairperson and there are several other members from various areas in the parish. Anyone interested in the project is welcome to join the group which meets on the second Monday of each month.

So far, three meetings have been held and considerable progress has been made. From discussion at the Parish Assembly it became clear that a suitable premises would be essential wherein people could develop their various gifts for the benefit of the Christian Community and prepare for Pastoral Ministry in its various forms.

In addition to meeting areas suitable for 30 - 60 people (attending courses in Psychology, Prayer, Spirituality, Philosophy etc.), there would also be several other rooms for smaller meetings, group work, counselling etc., and a quiet room for meditation. The Pastoral Centre would also include a reception area, a kitchen and dining area, toilets, and a crèche for those attending courses at the Centre.

It is proposed that because the initial capital expenses of the Parish have been repaid via the weekly envelope collections over the last twenty years, part of this funding source could be used to defray the building costs of the Pastoral Centre.

Catering for all age groups and interests, our hope would be that the Pastoral Centre will become a place where people can celebrate the life-enriching experience of the Good News, a place where the priests and people of Knocklyon can work together in order to make Christ's love and care a reality in all of our lives.

In short, a much needed, and long overdue, amenity for the Parish is now underway.

YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Committee has met several times since the Parish Assembly. Our main focus has been to see how we as a Parish can best serve the needs and concerns of young people and to ensure that their voices are heard and that they are involved fully in the life of the Parish.

We also saw our task as supporting and encouraging as far as we could the many excellent organisations already in existence in the Parish and learning what we could from their experience and expertise.

To date our discussions have focused on three main projects. Firstly, to open the Coffee Dock on a Sunday evening as a place where young people could drop in for a cup of tea and coffee and gather together. So far the experience is very encouraging. The Coffee Dock is usually open from about 7.30 on Sunday evening and from 10 to 30 young people have been coming for tea and coffee, so this seems to be going some small way to meet a real need in the area.

Secondly, we have discussed the possibility of having a No-Name Club in the parish. The No-Name Club is in operation in many parishes in Ireland. Basically it is a club, entirely run by young people, generally with the support of the Community Police which runs activities such as Discos for young people which are totally alcohol free. We hope to meet some representatives of the organisation to find out more about it.

Thirdly, we hope to organize a Youth Assembly on the same model as the Parish Assembly. We would hope to involve as many young people as possible so as to plan properly for the future. As a way of preparing for this assembly we put together a short questionnaire which we would ask as many young people, (13 - 25 yrs.) to complete and return either to the box in the Church or to the Community Centre. Extra copies will be available at the back of the Church so that if there is more than one young person in the household, they can make separate replies.

Thanks to everyone involved for all their help and co-operation.

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(The Prayer of the Frog, Vol. 2 by A. de Mello)

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Most of us live more in the past or in the future than we do in the present. And the trouble is that the past is dead and the future unreal, so we're only half alive at best.

What does living in the present do for us?

It diminishes suffering. The present pain is never unbearable – only the fear of it lasting. (Check this out on your next visit to the dentist!)

It enhances the ordinary things of life. Nothing is mundane if you're wholly present to it. A sense of wonder and awe is the normal experience of one who has learned to be fully present at every moment of life.

How can we cultivate this "living in the present"? Certain it is we can't just *do* it, can't just "*turn on*" the right attitude. But we *can* develop it. All we need is patience, simple exercises and openness of mind. Is anyone interested? Let me know if you are. And if even a few take up the challenge, I'll be happy to try and organize something ...!

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TUESDAY 11th April
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 10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 3.30 p.m. Mass for Young People
 7.30 p.m. Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Supper, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10.30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY 14th April
 10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 12.00 m.d. Stations of the Cross for Young People
 3.00 p.m. Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion
 8.00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY 15th April
 10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
 9.00 p.m. Solemn Celebration of the Easter Vigil

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KNOCKLYON COMMUNITY GAMES

A successful meeting took place in mid February at the Community Centre at which there was a reasonable attendance. *It was decided to form one overall umbrella group with two committees, one to represent Knocklyon North, and the second covering Knocklyon South.*

The following members were elected:

Knocklyon North

Chairman:	Brendan Murphy	8 Knockcullen Rise	4946047
Secretary:	Aileen Millane	6 Delaford Ave.	4942263
Treasurer:	Aisling Brennan	11 Delaford Ave.	4941728
P.R.O.:	Aiden Nevin	37 Knockcullen Lawn	4945874

Sports

Co-ordinator:	Tom Cunniffe	3 Knockcullen Rise	4944613
Officer:	Elizabeth Kiernan	7 Coolamber Park	4947557
Officer:	John McCormack	11 Delaford Lawn	4941404
Officer:	Michael Hunt	66 Ashton Ave.	4943224
Officer:	Peter Lucey	32 Knocklyon Green	4943911
Officer:	Kevin Barry	48 Knockcullen Drive	4941227
Officer:	Sean Smyth	4 Knocklyon Gn.	4934995

Knocklyon South

Chairman:	Derek Fox	34 Orlagh Park	4944106
Secretary:	Pauline Molamphy	172 Woodfield Scholarstown	4937135
Treasurer:	Siobhan Malloy	166 Woodfield Scholarstown	
Officer:	Bernard Nally	40 Templeroan Way	4936293
Officer:	Martin Nolan	50 Dargle Wood	4946145
Officer:	Karen Doherty	143 Coolamber Park	4942029

Knocklyon North consists of: Templeroan, Darglewood/Scholarstown North, Delaford/Ildrone, Cremorne/Westbourne/Green Acres, Lansdowne, Coolamber, Knockcullen/Ashton, Woodstock/Knockaire.

Knocklyon South consists of Glenlyon, Glenvara, Castlefield, Scholarstown South, Beverly, Orlagh Park, Woodfield, Orlagh Grove, Knockfield Manor, Knocklyon Road South.

As can be seen from the listing opposite there are a large number of sports participating in the Community Games and we *urgently need Managers and Mentors for both areas.* Please contact any of the above named if you are in a position to help organise any of the activities. Sports for which no managers come forward will unfortunately not be organized in Knocklyon this year.

- ATHLETICS
- SWIMMING
- ART
- MODELLING
- WHEELCHAIR
- CYCLING
- GYMNASTICS
- JUDO
- VARIETY U.16
- CHOIR U.16
- BADMINTON U.15
- BASKETBALL BOYS U.13 + U.16
- BASKETBALL GIRLS U.13 + U.16
- CAMOGIE U.14
- CHESS U.16
- DRAUGHTS U.10
- DRAUGHTS U.14
- **GAELIC FOOTBALL U.10
- GAELIC FOOTBALL GIRLS U.12
- HURLING U.14
- PITCH & PUTT BOYS U.16
- PITCH & PUTT GIRLS U.16
- *SNOOKER U.16
- *TEN PIN BOWLING BOYS U.15
- *SHORT TENNIS BOYS U.12
- *SHORT TENNIS GIRLS U.12
- HANDBALL BOYS U.13 + U.15
- HANDBALL GIRLS U.13 + U.15
- *HOCKEY BOYS U.16
- HOCKEY GIRLS U.16
- HARDCOURT TENNIS U.16
- ROUNDERS BOYS U.13 + U.15
- ROUNDERS GIRLS U.13 + U.15
- RUGBY U.11
- SOCCER BOYS U.12
- SOCCER GIRLS U.15
- *TABLE TENNIS BOYS U.12 + U.14
- TABLE TENNIS BOYS U.16
- * TABLE TENNIS GIRLS U.12 + U.14
- TABLE TENNIS GIRLS U.16
- VOLLEYBALL BOYS U.15
- VOLLEYBALL GIRLS U.16
- *WATER POLO BOYS U.15
- *WATER POLO GIRLS U.15
- *OLYMPIC HANDBALL BOYS U.13
- *OLYMPIC HANDBALL GIRLS U.13
- *TEN PIN BOWLING GIRLS U.15



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Here's looking forward to a successful 1995 Community Games for Knocklyon.

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Vincent Kenny		92 Glenvara Park	4942092	Post-Primary
Mary Muldoon		34a Dargle Wood	4946601	Independent
Noel O'Rourke		2 Idrone Close	4941777	Independent
Damien Fee		20 Lansdowne Park	4947408	Lansdowne Park
John Connery		35 Delaford Avenue	4944254	Independent
Patrick Blaney		33 Ashton Close	4942909	Independent
Teresa Clarke		122 Dargle Wood	4946298	Dargle Wood
Finbar Dolan		49 Delaford Drive	4946111	Knocklyon United
Anne Connolly		51 Westbourne Lodge	4935260	Westbourne
Tom Lambert		5 Orlagh Green	4942284	Orlagh Grove
Gerry Warde		60 Ashton Avenue		Independent
Bill Meagher		9 Mount Alton	4941672	Independent
Joan Hanley		16 Dargle Wood	4944091	K.A.I.E.S.
Liam Doyle		12 Lansdowne Park	4943468	Independent
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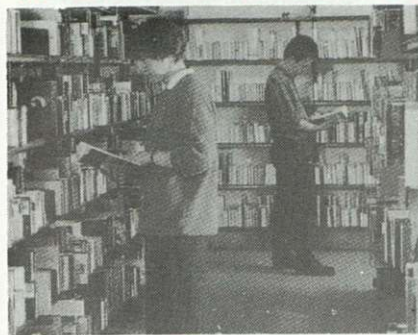
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The Information Area includes newspapers, magazines, local news, social welfare information and on-line access to the ENFO environmental information database.

There is study seating for forty-two people, an automated library catalogue, even video viewing points. Included in the video section is the "Stay Safe" video currently being used in primary schools.

The junior library was summed up in one word by a five year old as "mega". Apart from an extensive selection of books for all ages from toddler to teenager, there are toys, videos and a large activity centre. On Saturdays from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. the Tallaght Artsquad and Clondalkin Artsquad are running activities for children. Places for these are limited so it is advisable to book in advance.



The staff are exceptionally approachable and helpful. We spotted the familiar face of Kieran Swords (ex Ballyroan Library). Many thanks to Rosena Hand who took the time to give us a tour of the library.

All these facilities are free and on our doorstep. It's almost enough to forgive the water charges!

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POST PRIMARY COMMITTEE

The Minister for Education Ms. Niamh Bhreathnach T.D. continues to ignore the repeated requests of this committee and the elected TDs of this area to meet with her to discuss our submission handed in to her Department in December 1994. Her refusal is all the more extraordinary in view of the fact that she informed the Dáil in October that she was ready to do so. We prepared a detailed response to her Department's document in which she proposed that the second level school needs of our children could be met by dividing them between Sancta Maria, Templeogue College and Coláiste Éanna. Her proposals are completely unworkable.

Nevertheless, we studied in detail Dr. Bannon's Departmental Report and have demonstrated that it is fundamentally flawed. The main statistical flaw is that the population of the area was seriously understated by **almost 60%**. This occurred because the report based their figures on the **1991 census**. The committee demonstrated that the completion and occupancy of housing in Knocklyon since the census added approximately 3,500 more people to the area. This, and other errors compound the mistakes made by the Minister.

We are meeting with all our public representatives to brief them on our campaign for our new school and we hope that all parents/residents of Knocklyon will support our protests to the Minister and speak out against her blatant discrimination against the people of this area.

Vincent Kenny

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Family
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houses*



A PIECE OF HISTORY

Those of you who travel the Knocklyon Road on a regular basis cannot have missed the change which occurred recently when Dargle Lodge (above) disappeared, apparently overnight, to make way for a new development of 2 - 3 bed roomed houses.

The speed at which the site was cleared and building commenced make it difficult to picture what that bend was like originally. We are all somewhat saddened to see this part of Knocklyon's history become a thing of the past.

The cottage was home to Evelyn and Tommy O'Brien, their two sons and one daughter for thirty-eight years. Tommy retired from running a piggery on the site three years ago. The cottage, we understand was approx. two hundred years old and the O'Brien's, during their time in residence there, certainly witnessed many changes as Knocklyon grew from a semi-rural area to the vast suburb it now is. The most recent change to impact on them was the sale of the Meade's property and land (opposite their home), about seven years ago on which Woodstock was built.

In leaving Dargle Lodge the O'Brien's have not, thankfully, left Knocklyon and we wish them good health and happiness in their new home.



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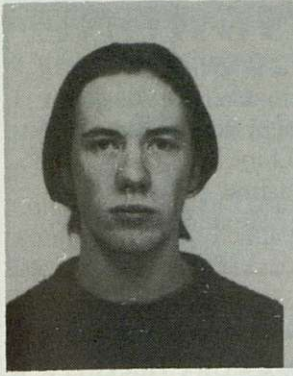
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LIFE AFTER SCHOOL



This month's contributor is Brendan Smyth (Knocklyon Green) who is doing a foundation course in Art, Design, and Mixed Media in Ballyfermot Senior College.

I was still in St. Colmcille's National School when I decided my future would lie in Art. I managed to survive school and the Leaving Certificate and then I applied to Ballyfermot and received a project assignment. I was called for an interview with my portfolio and I was accepted for the course.

The course I am on is a foundation course in Art, Design, and Mixed Media. It is a brilliant course and I am thoroughly enjoying every minute of it. We cover Photography, Developing and Printing, Life Drawing, Communications, Painting and Drawing. So, as you can see it is a great way in which to find out where your strengths lie.

Some of us will go on to do fine art - some will do photography and my choice looks like being Animation. The Diploma in Animation is a three year course and is held in Ballyfermot. It has worldwide recognition and there are students from many countries studying here.

I have never been so happy as this year, working with people who feel and think like me. It is great to study a subject that you love.

Brendan Smyth

K.A.R.A.

Despite the ongoing wet and windy weather, there have been good attendances at both the visit of Triona Power from McDougalls and again to hear Shighle Hannon's talk on the subject of Chiropody/ Reflexology. We would love a further visit from Shighle. On Saturday, February 25th an excellent attendance from K.A.R.A. enjoyed *Riverdance* to the very last step.

We take this opportunity to wish a very speedy and successful recovery to one of our most loyal members, Monica Doyle. Get well soon, we miss you.

Holidays '95 are high on our agenda and it is almost make-or-mind-up time.

In conclusion, we remind all our members that Tuesday March 14 is the date of our A.G.M. at 11 a.m. in the Community Centre. Also, if you are over 55 and retired we would welcome you.

COUNTY COUNCIL NEWS

- Courtesy Cllr. Mary Muldoon -

KNOCKLYON ROAD

It is intended to construct a footpath at the Riding Stables. Work should commence in August.

15 BUS

Bus Átha Cliath have agreed to change the destination shown, where possible, to Knocklyon on the buses travelling this route.

ARTS & CULTURE

Under the Community and Arts Grants Scheme, grant aid is provided to a wide range of arts projects. In 1994 the Arts Budget, totalling 47,000 provided grants for Variety Shows, Musicals, Art Exhibitions, Drama Workshops, Concerts and other activities.

There is also a significant investment in the provision and maintenance of playing pitches and other sporting facilities in the South Dublin area.



BACK HOME

We extend a warm welcome home to Ludovico and Lauren Martone who live in Orlagh Grove, on their recent return from Italy.

Pre-Natal Blessing

Once again, we hold the bi-annual Pre-Natal Blessing Service at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 21st March. This is an opportunity for expectant mothers and their families to pray together for the health of mother and baby during pregnancy, and for a safe delivery.

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In response to Fr. Weakliam's letter to the Planning Dept. of South Dublin County Council it has been agreed to erect a sign at the corner of Idrone Avenue indicating the Church.

The authorities have had a first viewing of the traffic situation and further developments are awaited.

WORLD STUDENTS GAMES

Coláiste Éanna Ballyroan, one of the leading schools in Irish Basketball have now won the greatest prize of all – the right to represent Ireland at this year's International Sport Federation World Basketball Tournament.

The games are held every two years and take place this year in Sopron, Hungary from May 14th – 21st.

Over twenty countries will be represented and it is a tremendous honour for the boys and their school. The team includes three Knocklyon lads – Colum Cunningham, Knockaire, Ciaran Doyle, Coolamber and Colin Cassidy, Glenvara.

A social evening will be held on Friday night 24th March in Ballyboden St. Endas G.A.A. Club at which it is hoped to launch a booklet "10 Years of Basketball in Coláiste Éanna". If anyone would like to help with sponsorship by taking an ad. in this booklet please contact the school at 4931767. Support on this night would be appreciated.

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Some of the U.S. Knocklyon United panel at training in the Community Centre

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Congratulations to Carol and Bobby Cusack, Beverly, on winning a rugby competition sponsored by Smithwicks/Davenport Hotel. The couple won trips to Ireland's away fixtures and the luxury of the Davenport Hotel for the Dublin Internationals. *Have fun Carol and Bobby.*

● A LULLABY FROM EMER

Belated congratulations to Emer O'Neill (of 10 o'clock Mass fame) and husband David Geoghegan on the arrival of their baby daughter "Saoirse". We wish them much joy and not too many sleepless nights!

● DRINK COFFEE, MAKE MUSIC

Are you free on Thursday mornings? Are you interested in music? And do you enjoy a cup of coffee?

If the answer to all these is yes, then the place to go to is the Tea Rooms attached to the Pearse Museum in St. Enda's National Historic Park, Grange Road, Rathfarnham.

There is a musical coffee morning every Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and everyone is very welcome to come along. If you are going by bus, the Park is beside the 16 bus terminus. Music is supplied by resident traditional musicians.

● HELP TO STOP SMOKING

You may have made the big decision to stop smoking this year, and so might be interested to hear that St. Vincent's Hospital, Elm Park is running a **Stop Smoking Course** over six weeks. Information from 2839444. Courses are being run in a number of other venues, including Dundrum College of Commerce, Main Street, Dundrum on Tuesday evenings. Phone 2982340.

● CUMANN SETANTA

Cumann Setanta is an Irish Language Social Club in the Dublin area which is now looking for new members of all abilities in the Irish Language. For further information please contact 2857060.

● DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

This show, presented by the Coffey School of Drama, will take place in St. Patrick's School, Ballyroan on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th March at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets at door or ring Kathryn 4946197 or Eva 4941715.

● COLÁISTE ÉANNA BASKETBALL TEAM

A social evening will be held on Friday 24th March in Ballyboden St. Endas G.A.A. Club. Your support would be appreciated. (See page 14 for details.)

Recent Baptisms

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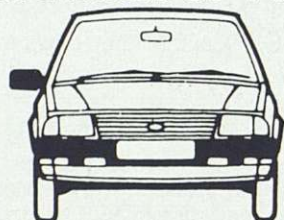
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