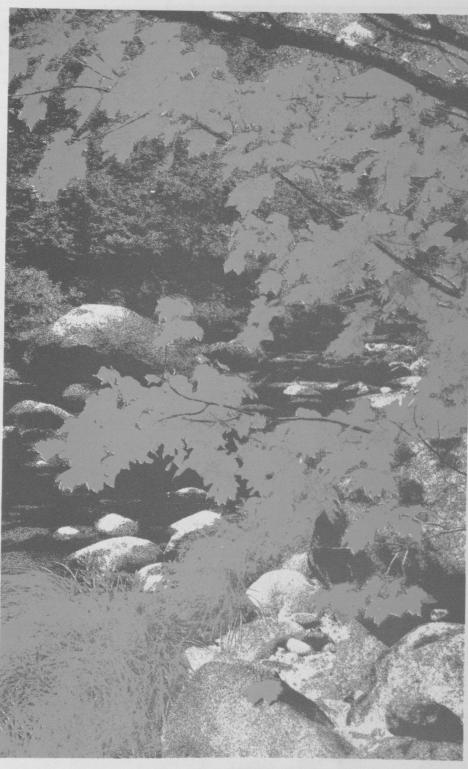
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News, Views & Pictures october/november, 1986

# **Diary Dates**

Sunday 2nd. November.

Youth Club St. Pius, 1 School Hall. 7.15

Sunday 9th. November.

Youth Club St. Pius, 1 School Hall. 7.15

Sunday 16th. November.

Youth Club St. Pius, 1 School Hall. 7.15

Sunday 23rd. November.

Youth Club St. Pius, 1 School Hall. 7.15

Sunday 30th. November.

Youth Club St. Pius, 1 School Hall. 7.15

Thursday 20th. November.

Thursday Club. 2.30

Sunday 23rd. November.

Christmas Sale, Terenure College.

11.00 to 5.00

Monday 24th. November.

Solos and Friends at St. Marys Room.

Wednesday 5th. November.

Ladies Club Meeting.

What is the Templeogue Community Council doing? This is a question I have been asked many times as I spoke to people about editorial for this issue - I'd like to be able to tell them next issue.

T.J.G.

#### The Carmelite Church Fund Christmas Sale

Will be held in TERENURE COLLEGE on Sunday, 23rd. November 1986

at 11.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

### The Templeogue Telegraph

#### Welcome

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you back to the Templeogue Telegraph - and I only hope that it can continue to live up to the high standard that has been set by my predecessor Roddy Kernan. As Michael Sheehan wrote in the last issue... "Perhaps at some future date a new Magazine will rise from the ashes like a phoenix" - I will try and keep the fire burning bright.

Following the news of R.P. Kernan and T.N. Purcell decision to retire from their involvement with the production of the Templeogue Telegraph, I felt that as the founder of the original Templeogue Telegraph in 1969, when I was chairman of the Templeogue Youth Club, that I could not let it just die - so after waiting till August, I was told that no one had stepped forward to take on the running. I decided to take the step so now

you are stuck with me for the time being.

When we started to get things moving, when seeking information it was amazing how many people had given the Telegraph up for dead-I can assure them that it is not and with everybody's help-it will not die-but I do stress "with everybody's help"-you the readers are the most important, without you, no matter how rich and powerful a paper is, it will fold. All you experienced and budding writers do not let anything get in your way-writewrite-and keep on writing, may I ask all the Associations-Clubs and Groups of all sizes and shapes to keep in touch with us. WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING. The Templeogue Telegraph is there for you-as a suggestion to show what I mean-the gentleman who plays bowls on the green at Fortfield Road-lets be hearing from you!! Remember local information, no matter what, is important to the rest of us in Templeogue, we want to know.

The cost I'm afraid has to increase from 30p to 40p per copy, as it has been 30p for over five years now. On looking at the costs of production and printing it should be 50p, but I

felt that that might frighten you off.

I would like to thank the Collectors who are sticking with me and ask anyone who wishes to help, please let me know - as I'll need all the help I can get. Many thanks also to all who contributed at such short notice, I trust that they will continue and be joined by many new and returned writers.

This issue does not carry all the news that we would like but now the ball is in your court. Next issue here we come....

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### **Hobby Horse**

A new panel for airing your grouses and pet hates:"When shopping at Shopping Centres, where there are special spaces for disabled drivers - make sure to leave them empty - and if you see a fit and able bodied person using them - shake your head at him or her and go "tut tut" at least - because those spaces mean a great deal to the disabled person.

I have seen the five or six spaces set aside for disabled drivers at Roches Stores in Blackrock, filled with large cars and not one bearing the disabled sticker".





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By May O'Neill

It is good to greet you once again, within the cover of the Templeogue Telegraph, and I'm sure you join with me in wishing our new Editor, Terry Gogan, every success, indeed in thanking him too for salvaging a situation which would have left us bereft of local news. Of course, Terry is no newcomer to the scene, he was in at the very beginning and helped our Magazine at the teething stage, so it seems fitting he should take up the reins now and we are lucky he has time to do so.

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Nostalgia could take over this column if it was allowed, but suffice to say that most supporters who helped before to keep the news rolling will rally around once more. So, here I go again.

I do hope you have been enjoying the "Indian" Summer which has just ended. The Summer itself was a disaster but the last few weeks of warmth and sunshine were a saving grace. Of course, all the normal 'summer' activities happened Summer projects when the young children enjoyed themselves and cared nothing about weather. Spanish students came in abundance and enjoyed themselves. The Horticultural Society held yet another successful show.

Families took holidays and at the end came what is now the traditional close of holiday-time the all-night vigil of prayer in St. Pius X Church and a weekend of prayer for our community, our country and for all in need.

So what's new now? Read the reports on activities elsewhere within these pages. This issue will be as revealing to me as it will be to you. However, Feile Bhride will be held once again in 1987, on 6th, 7th and 8th February. This is possible due to the interest of a number of people anxious to maintain the activity for young people. Having been its Director since its inception in 1980, I am particularly pleased and I wish to thank them and wish them every success.

Templeogue Community Council was in the news recently when the owner of the Templeogue Inn, Mr. A. Lawless, made it known he wished to sponsor interest in Arts and Crafts within our community. He donated a cheque for £1000 to this end through Mr. Michael Mills to the Council Chairman, Mr. Tom Gunn at a function in the new lounge upstairs on his premises. A programme of events is being formulated to encourage the young, and the not quite

so, and we can look forward to some interesting exhibitions and maybe competitions. Watch for details. Many thanks to Mr. Lawless for his generosity, we trust he will be pleased with our efforts

Many readers will recall our 'adopted' missions - that of Rev. Pat Keegan, C.S. Sp., in Brazil and of Sister Joyce Robarts, R.C.E. in Peru. Some of you may not know that, sadly, Sister Robarts died on 14th. June last, R.I.P, after a brief illness just three months after her return home on holiday for the first time in over three vears. It is difficult to express, adequately our sympathy, to the Sisters of Our Lady's School and indeed to the three Sisters of the Mission Station in Sicuani, Peru, on this great loss, and also our hopes for continued support for the wonderful work being undertaken among the poor peoples of the mountains. We pray for God's blessings on them that they and Father Kerrigan will receive the strength necessary for such arduous work.

We pray also that we may enjoy our reading of these pages for many a long day yet. So please take your copy regularly and try to communicate with us in our efforts.

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# Templeville and Fortfield Residents Association Report by Company Com

Report by Claire O'Regan. Honorary Secretary.

We hope all our members had a very enjoyable break during the Summer months.

Annual Subscription: In the past few months committee members have been calling to each householder collecting the Annual Subscription £2 or £1 for retired people or widows. If you were not at home when they called, please forward your subscription to the nearest committee member.

Roundabout: Templeville Road. Our thanks to Councillor Laing for getting this work underway, we know he had an up hill battle with the Council as money was scarce. It took a lot of perseverance on his part, well done.

Cycling on Footpaths: This practice is giving a lot of concern to our residents. There has been a number of accidents and people have been badly hurt. Please leave the footpath for pedestrians.

Cablelink During our collection of subscriptions, we received many complaints regarding bad reception, bad service and little satisfaction from this company. The Association after many letters and phone calls, have now requested a meeting with the management of Cablelink at which we hope to put our problems before them.

Tidy Districts Competition: 1986. Results:-

Overall Community Effortmaximum 40 points, awarded 33. Absence of Littermaximum points 30, awarded 22. Presentation of open spaces and vergesmaximum points 10, awarded 6. Neatness and appearance of premisesmaximum points 10, awarded 7. Special effortsmaximum points 10, awarded 6. TOTAL MARKSmaximum points 100, awarded 74. General Observations:-Some litter in evidence, some grass verges

**Neighbourhood Watch**: The kits for each household have now been delivered.

need attention.

Our area has been assigned a special Garda to help us in our Watch duties. We hope by now that all houses have adequate locks and security devices installed. Once again with Winter approaching we pass on a few tips to protect your home-

Well-sited lighting outside your home can be effective in deterring burglars. Recording serial numbers of bicycles, televisions, radios, stereo units, will help identify your property in the event of a break-in.

Anything that seems even slightly out of place or is occuring at an unusual time of the day could be a criminal activity and should be reported to the Gardai. Local Station. Phone 905417, 900580 or Emergency 999.

Special Junk Collection: took place on Saturday, May 24th. areas covered were Fortfield Road, Drive, Park, Grove and Avenue, Templeville Road, Drive, Park, Avenue and Extension. Also Hyde Park, which comprised a total of 600 houses. We hope all our members took advantage of this service and we wish to thank the Dept. of Parks and Environment of Dublin County Council for making the arrangements for us.

Garden Competition: Our own Garden Competition took place during August and Sepember. For the past few years inspection of the gardens has been carried out by members of the Park Staff of the Dublin County Council, but this year we were unable to arrange this, because of their heavy work load. This was particularly heavy following the havoc brought on by Hurricane Charlie which struck the Dublin area very badly.

However we were fortunate at being able to arrange to have the inspection done by a prominent member of the local Horticultural Society who wishes to remain anonymous.

Marks were awarded under the following headings:-

Quality of care and maintenance.

Quality of lawns.

Layout, colour provided by flowers and/or shrubs.

General impression.

It was a very difficult task to seperate the top gardens and to place them in an order of merit. The standard was very high. The final decision resulted in the following placings. First Prize of a Silver Cup presented by Webb Hardware, Templeogue Vilalge was won by.

First prize - 8 Hyde Park. Second prize - 22 Fortfield Grove. Third prize - 149 Fortfield Road. Highly commended -

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# TEMPLEOGUE LADIES CLUB

The Ladies' Club is back in full swing after our summer break. The summer wasn't great, but the break was most welcome as it gave our hardworking committee the chance to re-charge batteries in order to be at the ready for what looks to be a very busy year ahead.

Already we have had two Club Meetings. In September, Dr. Patricia Sheehan addressed us on Radiation and its effects, with particular emphasis on the connection with Down's Syndrome. This was an interesting talk and gave us a lot of food (contaminated or otherwise) for thought. Later in the month, by special arrangement, a group of about fifty members visited Ayesha Castle in Killiney, we had a lovely relaxed evening during which we saw the beauty of Killiney Bay from a new angle - the 70ft. high turret of the Castle!

We had our successes in September too, Geraldine O'Rourke gained 3rd. place in an essay competition organised by the Irish Federation of Women's Clubs and open to over 80 clubs and Treasa Durcan, Rosa Morris and Jean Sherlock were successful bowlers in the Murphy Trophy Singles 1986 Competition. We also had an Open Bowling Day in

#### The latest activity in the Templeogue Ladies Club

After our Old Time Dancing Session on Wednesday evening last we has a practice game of whist for those who had never played before. So under the capable guidance of Nuala Barron and Greta Carroll it was not long until the beginners got the hang of the game and by the end of the practice each understood the rules and all are looking forward to the next "drive" which will be in a month's time.

There were six tables in all and I got the lowest score.

Betty McDonnell.

Stillorgan at which non-bowlers were welcome to join experienced bowlers in a light-hearted competition, this event was sponsored by Allied Irish Bank, thanks to Mr. Michael Behan, Manager, Templeogue Branch. All other Club activities got off to a good start.

At our October Meeting Mrs. Edie Wynne brought us up to date with the Progress made so far by C.E.S.L., and Sister Mary Murray from the Irish Cancer Society spoke to us about the steps we can take to lesson our chances of developing cancer, this talk was in conjunction with "Womens Health Week" which Ms. Nualla Fennell, T.D., has organised from 11th-19th October. On a lighter vein we had a Make and Model Competition and the winners Geraldine O'Rourke, Bernie Greene and Brid Nolan, now go forward to a further round organised by the I.F.W.C., and again open to about 80 clubs. We wish our finalists every success in future

Forthcoming events include a visit to the Chester Beatty Library, and the Autumn Evening now a well established and successful annual event which this year takes place on the 2nd. November.

#### SOLOS AND FRIENDS

This is a group as the name implies of people who are alone - solos and their friends. At the moment the group is made up mainly of widows but we have single people too. It provides a measure of support for the bereaved and frequent lectures and outings are arranged theatre visits etc. The group meets on the 4th. Monday of each month in St. Mary's Room at the back of St. Pius Church. New members male and female will be very welcome.

M.M.

#### The Thursday Club

Since the last report the Thursday Club had a very pleasant and successful Outing to Powerscourt followed by a lovely afternoon tea and entertainment at the Summerhill Hotel. We were blessed with the weather and all agreed that we should do the same next year D.V. as it would be impossible to see the whole of Powerscourt in a week not to mention an afternoon. We were fortunate that Fr. Breen was able to accompany us and we were delighted to welcome Fr. Lee who joined us for tea.

We are still meeting on the 3rd. Thursday of the month (next meeting on 20th. November D.V.) 2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. New members welcome - there is plenty of room for everbody who is available. Wheelchairs no problem as we have a ramp. Thanks to all the helpers the Thursday Club has developed into a very sociable activity in the district.

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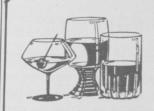
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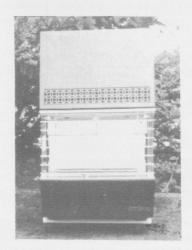
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# Templeogue Horticultural Society

The third meeting of our season featured Mrs. Rosemary Brown, the well known gardener, talking about "Favourite Flowers from my garden". Mrs. Brown who lives on the outskirts of Bray is lucky to have a large garden and on the evidence of the slides shown by her it contains many botanical gems. Her talk and the slides shown took us through the year from the delicate snowdrops and colourful primulas of Spring right through to the rich colours of foliage and berries at the close of the year. In common with most good gardeners she concentrates on contrasts of foliage which can create natural light and shade in a garden without the necessity of planting annuals each year. That is not to say that her garden lacked flowers - far from it. Her expertise in knowing where to position plants was ably demonstrated in a slide which showed a magnificent clematis growing up through an Albertine rose bush instead of just being planted in isolation. The contrast of the rick pink roses with the lavender flowers of the clematis was particularly striking. At the end of the evening Mrs. Brown answered questions from the members.

Since the last report the winners of the Templeville and Fortfield Residents' Garden Competition have been announced and we are delighted to see that the garden of our Chairmn, Nr. Niall Purcell, was highly commended. Congratulations Niall.

Whilst we have our usual share of new members again this year one is constantly surprised at the small number of men who join in comparison to the female membership. At present they represent about 10% of the total membership. Is it because they are too shy to join or are the women of Templeogue the real gardeners? Maybe a few more male enthusiasts will make a New Year resolution to join us and rectify the imbalance. You will all be very welcome, especially when Show time comes round.

As usual there will not be a lecture in December so our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 21st. January. Until then we wish all our members a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

We are looking for more collectors.
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#### Templeogue Ladies Club

What a busy time we've had since our last report! Apart from the normal Club activities, which keep us very much involved, we had several additional events.

On the 15th. October we had a very enjoyable outing to the Chester Beatty Library. It was one of those lovely sunny mornings in October and the fifty ladies taking part enjoyed the sunshine in the relaxed atmosphere of the gardens of the house in Shrewsbury Road in which this outstanding collection of Islamic and Far Eastern Art is housed. Our guide introduced us

to the many treasures stored there and explained the origin of the rare Western and Oriental manusacipts and miniature paintings which have gained a reputation for quality and consistancy second to none. All were agreed that we are greatly indebted to Sir Alfred Chester Beatty who wished that his collection, in the event of his death, should become the property of the Irish Nation.

The Autumn Evening for Senior Citizens took place on the 2nd. November and about 65 were catered for. There was a cosy homeliness about the evening with friendly chat all round. After the enjoyable meal, served by the committee, entertainment was provided and the 8p.m. finishing time came all to soon. Thank you to the many willing workers and the drivers who provided transport.

The Drama Group has been rehearsing with great enthusiasm over the last few weeks. Their One-act play "A Gathering of Doves" by Doris M. Day, has been entered for the Tallaght and Howth Festivals and the Dublin Festival in the John Player Theatre - we

wish them well! Good luck too to the Variety Group competing in the Irish Federation of Womens' Clubs Variety Competition on 1st. December. Much hard work is being put into their production as the big day drew near.

The Winners in our Make and Model Competition held in October, are taking part in a Grand Final in Jury's Hotel on 24th. November, when finalists from Clubs all over the city will compete for the overall Trophy. We wish our finalists, Bernie Greene, Brid Nolan, and Geri O'Rourke every success. The Competition will be followed by a Fashion Show with Garments supplied by Clery and Co., the Sponsors of the event.

Congratulations are due this month to our four entrants in the I.F.W.C. Floral Arranging Competition which was held at the beginning of October. Jean Thompson won 1st. Prize for her exhibit "September Song", Geri O'Rourke 1st. Prize for her exhibit "Food for Thought" and we had two Seconds Marie Shannon with "Wine Glass" and Yvonne Kelly with "Failte" - well done!

The Premilinary round of the B.I.M. Fish Cookery Competition took place in St. Pius X School on 19th. November, dishes prepared by our President Mildred Sargent and Angela Brady were judged the winners and will represent the Club at the Sectional Finals in Janauary. Mary Kernan received the Club Prize. Congratulations, not only to the winners, but to all who presented such appetising and interesting dishes.

On the evening of the 19th. a very good number attended the Annual Mass for all our deceased members. The Celebrant, Fr. Colleran, spoke highly of the great involvement of the club in so many social activities in the area. The Club Choir, under the direction of Mr. Bobby Daly, gave a beautiful rendering of very appropriate hymns. Many thanks to them and their accompanist, Kitty Bowden, for helping to make it a very meaningful occasion.

Since I started this report, the Drama group has taken part in the three Festival and it's good to report that, especially in Player Wills, they were given an excellent adjudication with Ella Keegan getting a special mention in Tallaght and a Certificate in Player Wills - congratulations Ella!

The Christmas Dinner this year, is booked for Tuesday 9th. December, the venue is the Setanta House Hotel in

# Féile Bhride

Feile Bhride, Templeogue, is being organised for the week-end from the 6th.-8th. February 1987 and will commence in Our Lady's School, with kind permission on Friday, 6th. February at 5.30p.m.

This is the seventh Feile to be organised and once again it is hoped an average of 300 young people will find encouragement and enjoyment in their endeavours. The closing date for entries is Friday 12th. December 1986. Eleven Trophies have been presented for award down the years and they are as follows:-"Solo Singing in English, Roman Kavanagh Cup, and in 1987 for the first time a special award will be decided for the May O'Neill Trophy, kindly presented by the Fund-Raising Committee of Our Lady's School. The Féile President, May O'Neill, wishes to record her best thanks to those parents who have formed a committee to organise the events this year. May they have a record entry. Mol an Oige is tiochfaidh si. Beir bua agus beannacht.

# PRIZES TO BE WON

Solo singing in English, Ronan Kavanagh Cup.

Solo singing in Irish, Templeogue Community Council.

Choral Singing, Jones Perpetual Trophy Choral Verse-speaking (Irish), Ritchie Ryan Shield.

Choral Verse-speaking (English), Ever-Clear Shield.

Solo Verse-speaking in Irish, Michael O'Leary Cup.

Oral Communication (English), Nora and Michael Doherty Trophy. Solo Piano, Laing Trophy.

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# Templeville and Fortfiel

Plantation - Fortfield Shopping Area. We made arrangement with Dublin County Council to clean and replant this area, it had got out of hand after the summer season. We acknowledge and thank Park Department. The Association are keeping up their end of things by having the area cleaned, and litter removed weekly.

Cablelink: We got a very good hearing with this company. We had a deputation of twelve (12) to meet the management. They agreed there was an intermittant problem, which was now rectified. We succeeded in getting the Company to look into individual cases where receptionLwas faulty and service poor. If a resident has deducted part of their account for faulty reception, the Company are willing to negotiate with them. We will keep you informed at a later stage of the upgrading scheme for additional services on the system.

Neighbourhood Watch: If anyone should require additional stickers for doors or windows they can contact their co-ordinator with Christmas approaching, we pass on a few tips to avoid a break in:-

When going out for an evening have a light on in a room (not hall). Close curtains. Secure windows and lock all external doors. Never leave lavatory or bathroom windows open during absence. Keep garden sheds locked. Never leave ladders lying around. Check all fittings, mortice locks on doors, bolts at top and bottom of external doors, fitted by reputable firms are advisable. A powerful light on the back of the house is a very good idea. This to be left on in your absence.

Local Garda phone no. 905417, 900580 or 999.

The County Council at a meeting on 13/10/86 adopted the commendation of Youth and Sport Committee that the proposed bye-laws for regulation of lands provided by the Council for recreational purposes, as set out below be adopted by the Council.

(1) Definitions:-

(a) In these bye-laws the word 'Park' refers to Marley Park, Malahide Demesne, Ardgillan Demesne, Tymon Park, Corkagh Demesne, Cabinteely Park and Newbridge Demesne.

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He is waiting for your visit where the lights are not so bright In the Church where just the alter lamp is burning day and night To visit him brings peace of soul, the only peace that's right For at Christmas we all know, He is, "The Way, the Truth, and Light"

So listen to the Carol Singers in the frosty air, Recalling the Nativity within a stable bare Then show the 'King of Kings' that we believe He's really there, By kneeling in a quiet Church and offering Him a prayer.

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Report by Clair O'Regan, Hon. Sec.

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(d) The word 'waters' shall include rivers, ponds, lakes, both artificial and natural reservoirs, streams, canals etc.

(2) Opening and Closing:-

(a) The Park shall be open on such days and during such hours as may be fixed by the Council from time to time.

(b) The opening and closing hours will be subject to variation by the Council as circumstances require.

(c) No unauthorised person shall enter or remain in any part of the Park, when it is closed.

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(a) No person shall bring into the Park, save with the permission of the Council any bicycle or other vehicle except an invalid chair, carriage or a perambulator.

(b) No person shall leave any vehicle, bicycle or tricycle unattended in the Park except in such places as may be set aside as standing or parking places.

(4) Animals:-

(a) No person shall turn out to graze in the Park, or allow or suffer to stray or remain in the Park, any cattle, sheep, horse, or other animal without the consent in writing of the Council.

(b) No person shall lead, walk or ride a horse in the Park without the written permission of the Council and only then on such routes as may be designated by the Council for this purpose, from time to time.

(c) No person shall take into or allow to remain in the Park any dog unless it is on a leash.

(d) Every person in charge of a dog in the Park shall take reasonable care to prevent it from causing annoyance to any person using the Park or worrying, chasing, injuring or disturbing any animals, birds or other creatures in the Park.



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Here it is always Summer, with the first signs, come - the spinning of tops along the village street - the swish of the skipping rope - the clink of the marbles - the scraping of the polish tin being kicked into chalk squares. Such grandeur, such gaiety, would that it could go on forever.

But these are not bread and butter issues. One must sally forth to the Big City to fill the empty pockets and to widen one's horizon. Gone forever the call of the curlew, the wind in your hair, the rain on your face....

But wait: This is Ireland. Even in the heart of the metropolis are green parks, where ducks feel quite at home and deer roam freely, canals where one can scuff the leaves under the trees, and walk softly on mother earth.

This is only a cycle, a bus ride, or a dart away from the sea and the mountains, where one can feel the ties that bind one heart and hand to the call of the wild. Once again, the spring of the turf where one can thread softly, renewing the bonds of that grand heritage of ours .....

The Dodder Valley Association which is partly responsible for the nice linear walks along the banks of the river Dodder invite you to join them on their future walks:-

Sunday 18th. January. Meet at 2.30 p.m. at Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount - Walk along Promenade to Merrion - enjoying views of Howth. Return along the Merrion Road. More news later.



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# Horticultural Society

Since the last issue of the Templeogue Telegraph appeared the Horticultural Society has had a busy time.

In June a very successful outing was organised by the Society and on Sunday 8th. June a coach full of happy gardeners and their friends left for Powerscourt Estate. The weather was kind to use and the beauty of the estate was much appreciated, with the Sugar Loaf mountain making a perfect natural backdrop. It is a pleasure to roam through the gardens, and the flowers and plants were very well labelled. Mount Usher was our next stop and here the beauty just had to be seen to be believed. The exotic shrubs with their dramatic colours were set off to perfection by the natural beautiful surroundings. Due to the late Spring all the flowering shrubs were in perfect bloom. How sad it was to read later in the summer of the devastation in the gardens due to Hurricane Charlie.

After Mount Usher we went to the Wicklow Garden Centre in Glenealy where the usual orgy of buying took place. Our next stop was at the Cullenmore Hotel, Ashford, where a lovely meal awaited us. The service was excellent and after the meal some of the members added to the enjoyment of the evening by performing their "party pieces".

Once again the Flower Show which was held on 26th. July was the high point of our year. While the number of entries was slightly down on last year, due no doubt to the bad weahter earlier in the year, the quality of the exhibits was very high. The hall in St. Pius X School was transformed into a sea of colour on the day and we would like to thank all those who helped to make it a success. Each



Jean Thompson and Paddy Christian (judge) at the Flower Show.



Prize giving at Flower Show, on the 26th. July 1986.

year we get many entries from outside the area and it is nice to know that the annual Show is now becoming an established fixture in the Flower Show calendar.

The first meeting of the new season took place on September 17th. and we had a welcome return of Mr. Richard Sullivan who spoke on "Cactii and Succulents/Autumn Colour". There was a good attendance and once again there was a healthy enrolment by new members.

On Wednesday 15th. October, our meeting took the form of the A.G.M. combined with our annual "Swop Shop" and as is usual on this night we had a full house. There was the predictable supply of super plants and cuttings (more than enough to satisfy everyone) and indeed new members seemed more than surprised that everything there was free.

The serious side of the evening was dealt with in the earlier part of the

evening. Maureen Hearty submitted the Secretary's Report outlining the Society's activities to go forward for committee for the coming year. We congratulate her on her excellent work as Secretary during the past two years. Maureen Cullen, our Treasurer, in presenting the annual Balance Sheet proved that the funds of the Society arein very capable hands, and happily showing a profit. Our Chairman, Niall Purcell, who did such great work during the past twelve months, then took nominations for committee in the coming year and the following were elected.

Niall Purcell (Chairman), Maureen Cullen (Treasurer), Bunny Williams (Secretary), Angela Tallon (Show Secretary), Gwenda Wratt, Charlie Ellison, Benvon Ward, Jean Thompson, Betty Kavanagh, Kathleen Ennis, Catherine Bent, Tom Donaghy and Eileen Purcell.



Flower Show 1986.

#### St. Pius X Junior Youth Club

The Junior Youth Club is back in action again, after the Summer vacation.

Since last year the Committee changed a little. The Officers for this year are:

Chairperson: Sheila McCormack. Secretary: Peter Hurley.

Treasurer: Peter Breen.

- Rev. S. Breen C.C.
- G. Colleran C.C.
- Angela O'Neill.Allison Fanning.
- Ursula Murray.

We were sorry to lose two of our Committee members from last year - Fintan McKenna and Conor Moore. Since we re-opened in September with a membership number of about seventy-five, various activities have taken place. A very successful football match with the Altar-boys was organised, a one-day hike in the Dublin Mountains - and more recently a visiting theatre group came to the School Hall to put on a play for our members, which was very enjoyable.

Many interest groups have been formed including Art, Quiz, Debating, Communications, and a Drama group who hope to put on a small show at the end of the year, perhaps. It is hoped to organise outings to the Bowling Centre in Dundrum during the course of the club year also.

Our Youth club meets each week in St. Pius X School Hall on a Sunday evening between 7.15 and 9.30 p.m. If any of our adult parishioners feel that you would like to share some of your talents with the youth of your parish, please don't hesitate to drop into the School Hall any Sunday evening. New ideas are always welcome! Until next month - Farewell!

Peter Hurley

NEXT ISSUE IS CHRISTMAS ISSUE. Make sure to publicise all your events. LET US KNOW.

# The Credit Union and the Egg

Sr. JOYCE ROBARTS resides fondly in the memory of many people. And while she resides there she continues to promote a better world. And this influence for good then radiates forward to succeeding generations.

She would possibly be surprised to find herself aiding the spread of the Credit Union Movement throughout the world.

#### Helping the World

The Irish League is itself a member of the World Council of Credit Unions.

One of the aims of the various Leagues is to foster the spread of the movement-particularly to the underdeveloped countries. The Irish League of Credit Unions established a fund whicis used to help to start and assist Credit Unions in three underdeveloped countries. At the Annual General Meeting of each Credit Union the members vote to contribute some of the year's surplus to the fund.

#### Sr. Robarts

This brings me back again to Sr. Robarts. The Irish League of Credit Unions published a magazine called the Credit Union Review and its current issue contains one of the stories told by Sr. Robarts.

The article is repeated below, and she will, no doubt, exert her good influence on the many members throughout Ireland and beyond.

#### World Help

In 1958 a few pioneering people got the first Credit Unions started here in Ireland. They got help, advice and encouragement from the other countries which already had Credit Unions - chiefly the U.S.A. and Canada.

Our own Credit Union now has savings of over a half-million pounds, all of which is out on loan to members. In Ireland as a whole there are about 700,000 members with savings of £350 millions in 500 Credit Unions. Most of these are affiliated to the Irish League of Credit Unions.

# Happiness is a whole egg.

Sr. Joyce Robarts, R.C.E. who died in June, spent her last three years on the missions in Peru.

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Part of her work there was in a hospital where they provided one meal a day for the many needy people who called. Many of them were children who, for a vaiety of reasons, had no parents to look after them.

She told of one small boy who did not know when his birthday was and, when asked his age, the best he could manage was that he thought it was "two numbers". So she told him to come to the convent the following Wednesday and they would celebrate his birthday.

She asked him what he would like for a birthday present and he said "Would it be possible to have a **whole** egg!" When asked would he like any other present he asked whether he could have a little rice with egg!

It certainly underlines the degree of poverty that exists in parts of the world. One of the ways of helping people to help themselves is to foster the growth of Credit Unions.

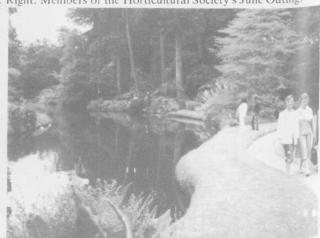
As we are getting close to the time for A.G.M.'s at which contributions to the Foreign Aid Development Fund are decided, we have the opportunity to increase our contributions so that we can do even more for the underprivileged.

Donal Kelly.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S JUNE OUTING TO MOUNT USHER GARDENS, CO. WICKLOW.

Left: Mary Kernan, Carmel Pidgeon, Jean Thompson, at Mount Usher. Right: Members of the Horticultural Society's June Outing





#### KEEP Templeogue Inn under the eagle eye of Mr. Frank Feeley, City Manager - with a view to furthering interests in Arts/Crafts in the area. YOUR HAIR ON!

When I was a schoolboy attending the Christian Brothers schools it was a necessity to have a neat and clean head of short hair. I think it must have been the Brothers and not the American Army who created the crew cut during World War Two! But I am transgressing!

Every third Saturday or so my brothers and I would be packed off to the local barber for 'scalping'. He was dumb (literally!) and consequently was nicknamed "The Dummy". He was a very charitable man and gave the and I looking and feeling like a plucked unemployed of whom there were many, haircuts every Thursday for fourpence on production of an unemployment card. Needless to mention he did great business, almost as good as on attended to. The young lady who took Saturdays, which he reserved for boys in charge of me took little snippets off here the mornings and the working men in the and there and only acceeded to my afternoon and up to a late hour on request to take more off under protest. Saturday night.

a hair cut was like going to Confession to a Redemptionist during the Annual Retreat - you could be there all day!

By Michael Sheehan. | couldnt tell us to be quiet!

When eventually it was time to be 'clippd' he used the same comb and scissors which had already been used on a score or more of other youthful heads. When he was satisfied with his efforts he would crown his masterpiece with a copious portion of 'Brilliantine' - a scented hair oil which eventually found its way unto the ears and down the back!

On the way home somebody was bound to ask "Did you get your hair cut?" As if it wasnt painfully obvious -

The Barbers of old are alas no longer with us. I recently went into a salon in the city to have what hair I still have While so doing she gave the Queuing up on Saturday morning for impression that I was the despoiler of her artistic masterpiece. When she told me my hair could do with a colour rinse I put my foot down - Never, I told her do I However there was a plentiful supply of intend to look like a sheep dressed up as comics and for obvious reasons he lamb-The Wool I have is my own!



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# May O'Neill receiving cheque for £1000 on behalf of the T.C.C. from Mr. A. Lawless, of £1000-now you see it!



#### Where would you be going with no bell on your bike!!

"Hows your bike"? Have you looked at it recently-not just before you got on it and pedalled away to shops, but, is it fit for the Winter - as a matter of fact is it fit to put on the road.

This is not just for your own bike - but if you have children with bikes it is very important to make sure that they are safe on the road. There is something about a bike in the house - it becomes part of the yard or garage pushed to the side against the wall - stepped over - is it ever checked?

I spoke to Joe Hollingsworth the other day and he was very upset about the way they are kept. He said that if proper care was taken, there are some cycles that would not have to come to his shop - and he gave me some points on how, if your bike is in good condition, to keep it that way.

- 1. Check Type Pressure and tyres themselves.
- Brakes, Back and Front.
- 3. Make sure all nuts are tight.
- 4. Oil all moving parts, if you have cablebrakes keep cables and levers
- 5. Keep wheels clean and spokes tight.
- 6. Adjust chain tension.
- 7. Make sure that bell, lights and reflectors are clean and working.

#### Two other points:

- 1. When buying a new bike for your child, get one that fits him/her and never buy a bike too big - hoping he/she will grow into it - he/she may
- 2. Parents make sure that your children - your teenager children your young adult children and yourself, do not ride a bike at night without a light.

#### THE TEMPLEOGUE POLITICAL SCENE



#### Councillor Sean Ardagh.

It is great to see that the Templeogue Telegraph is back in circulation. Congratulations to Terry Gogan and his team on putting the paper back on the road.

The new County Council is now in its second year and many improvements have occurred in the district.

#### Roundabout-

The roundabout at Wainsfort Road -Templeville Road has been levelled and seeded. I hope that planting will occur in the present planting season.

#### Wainsfort Drive-

Some improvements have taken place at the end of Wainsfort Drive. This situation is by no means satisfactory and more effort has to go into putting the area into an acceptable state.

#### Grosvenor Court -

Good work has been done at the rere of Grosvenor Court at the river Poddle. The area has been levelled, seeded and a pathway is now being laid. Boundry treatment will be included in next years estimate.

#### Ashield - Fortrose Park

Directional signs have now been placed by the Council on Cypress Grove Road at both Fortrose Park and Ashfield. Improvements are needed in these signs. Efforts will be made to have these improved.

#### **Tree Planting-**

The large number of trees which have been planted throughout the area has been noticeable. There is still a lot of work to be done in replacing trees blown down by Hurricane Charlie and those destroyed by the continuing vandalism. There is a large backlog but the Council determined that all replacement trees will be planted in the current planting season.

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#### General Election.

Undoubtedly, there will a general election within the next few months. Any person who believes that a secure stable one party government would help our country in the present and ongoing crisis that is stifling the advance of our country can play their part by joining Fianna Fail. Please contact Frank O'Reilly at 906429. Frank is the Secretary of the Eamon de Valera - Templeogue Cumann of the Fianna Fail. You would be most welcome at our next meeting.

Sean Ardagh lives at 23 Grosvenor Court. He is available at home, phone number 522866 or during the day at his office 551389. Should you have any query on any matter which you feelhe may be of assistance please do not hesitate in contacting him.

# Councillor Stanley Laing.

It gives me great pleasure writing through the Templeogue Telegraph to congratulate all concerned in taking up the challenge to continue this fine local Newsletter.

During recent months I have been dealing with a number of matters and the following is the up to date situation.

- 1. Templeville-Wainsfort Roundabout. As the Residents will see works have almost been completed and all that remains is some flower beds. I am sure all would agree it makes a very pleasant change to the area.
- 2. The Planting Wainsfort Drive: Trees have now been re-stabled and cleaned up and a small butt wall will be erected very shortly.
- 3. Tree planting St. Mary's Templeville Road: Many of these trees have been vandalised and the Council are now examining the position.
- 4. Grass Cutting: Many people were in touch with me over the Summer months

regarding grass cutting on corners and small open spaces. As many residents already know the Council appealed to residents to help out in this area and following my request the Council came out recently and cut many of these neglected areas. The Council are offering a grant to all Resident Associations for the purchase of lawnmowers to help in this work.

- 5. Provision of filter light from Templeogue Bridge turning right onto Cypress Grove Road from Templeogue Road: This will be provided in the coming weeks when the pole and cabling work has been completed.
- 6. Request by many residents to clean up the Dodder and Poddle after the recent storm: This work is now in progress in conjunction with the Dublin Corporation and I have asked for a number of employees to be taken on, on a temporary basis.
- 7. Faulty Television Reception: I visited the Headquarters of the new Cablelink Company in response to many complaints and informed them that many residents are refusing to pay their recent accounts unless there is

immediate improvement in the service and a guarantee that upgrading of the system would be carried out.

I now attach a reply which I received from Cablelink.

"Dear Cllr. Laing,

Further to your recent letters and visit to Head Office.

Our Area Inspector has carried out a detailed inspection of the system in Templeville Road and Drive. He has replaced an amplifier that was causing an intermittent problem in the area and following a number of spot checks, states that reception is now of very good quality.

He also reports that the standard of the distribution cables and tap units in the area is generally very good and are in no need of replacement at the present time.

As you may be aware, the company is currently engaged in a multi-million pound upgrading scheme to improve trunk lines in preparation for imminent additional services. This will have the effect of improving both signal quality and reliability of service.

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Thank you for your input in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact us again should problems recur.

B.Fleming.

Customer Relations Department.

Cablelink.

One last item, I would like to appeal to all dog owners and I am one myself, to keep all dogs on a lead while out walking or in the Park. I quite understand that many residents keep dogs for extra security but I do feel it is absolutely necessary to keep them locked behind the side gate or in the house. Quite recently I was badly attacked by a dog and I have met quite a number of people in the same position and so I appeal to all dog owners for their support.

Councillor Stanley Laing P.C. 86, Templeville Road, Terenure, DublinL6. Phone 905571.

#### A MESSAGE FROM BEN BRISCOE P.C., T.D., T.C.

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Every Thursday Night 6.30p.m. to 8.00p.m. in Crumlin Shopping Centre, Managers Office.

Every Friday 7.00p.m. to 7.30p.m in Library, Moeran Road, Walkinstown.

Every Monday 11.30a.m. to 1.00p.m. in Ashgrove Community Centre (opposite Old Coombe Hospital).

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I remain,

Yours sincerely.

Ben Briscoe.

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