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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 1991

THE LOCAL COMMITMENTS!



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"Mná Knocklyon!"



I.C.A. Members enjoy a Night Out!

Do you remember The Country Shop? It was a delightful restaurant run by the I.C.A. and as a child it was the highlight of my life to be taken there for tea. The entrance was in the basement and I can still recall the thrill of hurrying down the steps and opening the door on that Aladdin's cave of wonder. Inside, mountains of sandwich cakes rose in tiers behind a glass screen, pots of jam and jars of honey mingled happily with shelves of knitwear, rugs, flowers and plants, and the smell of homemade bread wafted through the air. There was a flagstone floor and all the tables wore brightly coloured check tablecloths. One could either sit on the wooden chairs or stools, or make your way up the winding staircase to the top of the house. This was infinitely more exciting because tables could be found in the most unexpected places — in a little alcove halfway up the stairs — or placed in a sudden nook off the landing, perfect hide-outs for a tete a tete.

The Country Shop, sadly, closed in 1978. It was the end of an era which had run its course, but even today, many people still believe that the I.C.A. is a place where women bake jam cakes, bottle fruit, raise potted plants, or knit winter woollies — and that these accomplishments are their sole purpose in life. Nothing could be further from the truth. The I.C.A. is still going strong but the foundation laid by these competent home makers of the past has blossomed into a vital modern asset for our young women of today.

Recently I met three members of the Knocklyon Guild, Ann Fox who is President, Angela Ryan, Vice President and Mary Heywood, Secretary, all vibrant, outgoing young mothers who are interested in our modern society with all its problems and naturally, all its amenities. The Knocklyon group was founded in 1984 and meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Community Centre. The wide range of activities available to members is quite unbelievable. Some recent lectures and demonstrations in Knocklyon encompassed First Aid, a Psychologist, Parent-

ing, Bord na Mona and Consumer Affairs, but members can pursue further study in such things as communication skills, environmental awareness, movement and mime, antiques, Swill glass engraving, yoga and drama. There are programmes for development such as Stress and its Management, Substance Abuse (Alcohol and Drug Service), Health and Fitness and Branna Awards can be gained by individuals who pursue subjects to certain levels. Certificates, badges and ribbons are obtained and one can add extra ribbons with each successful competition. Branna Awards can also be obtained up to Demonstration level and the member can then demonstrate her skill at lecture level. You can still learn to bake and sew but now the scope is wider and more satisfying.

The I.C.A. is non-political, non-sectarian and offers membership to women, married or single and deals with matters which are important to women and their families. It opens up a wealth of opportunity in learning and enjoyment. Each Guild appoints various representatives from their members, so if you have a flair for writing, you could become Press Representative, if you are interested in Consumerism, Education or Social Affairs, then you could be made International Representative. There are many more outlets for varied talents, Arts, Crafts, Youth, Sports, Contests and even a Timire Representative for someone who has a lively interest in the Irish language. Further competitions are now being introduced in Golf, Tennis, Basketball, Swimming and Bowling. Then of course, there is An Grianan, "The Sunny Place" in Co. Louth, the I.C.A. residential Adult Education College which offers 200 courses throughout the year and is open to members, the general public and MEN. There are incentives for members and free draws for scholarships are offered to I.C.A. participants.

Ann Fox would like to encourage many more young people to join. "I can never thank the I.C.A. enough" she says "for all it has done for me. "Every moment of membership has been a joy, I gained many new interests and perhaps best of all, many good friends. There must be lots of young women in the area who would benefit by joining us. We are friendly people and the committee wear name badges for identification purposes. Do come along, we would love to have you. We can guarantee that you will find something to interest your own particular talent. Don't give up after one visit, try three or more before deciding to join. If you join us, two things are certain — you will never regret it AND we know you will have FUN!"

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Eileen Casey



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Sampling Eastern Delights!

The Knocklyon Active Retired Group are in full swing again. We were pleased to welcome the new members who joined us. Our first outing was to the Royal Hospital Kilmainham to visit the "Kremlin Gold Exhibition". Having hired a mini-bus we travelled in comfort and the sun even shone for us that morning.

The Exhibition is beautifully arranged. Although our expectations were high the magnificence of the various items bewitched us. The many crosses, pendants, crowns, icons and exquisitely fashioned jewellery were really breath-taking. The skill of the craftsmen was most impressive, with filigree gold interwoven in marvellous patterns and encrusted with pearls, diamonds, onyx, enamel, rubies, emeralds and precious stones never known to us before. Our favourite was a model of the Faberge Easter Egg showing a miniature model of the Kremlin. One of our companions opted for the glittering gold patterned tea kettle and tea pot.

The tour gave us a new insight into Russia. Many of the exhibits were religious and despite all "the unbelieving" we hear about we were glad that all these treasures have been preserved.

We enjoyed the refreshments in the restaurant and came home enriched by our outing.

On Tuesday night we were out again. This time to Knocklyon Presbytery. Vincent Kenny had kindly consented to share his historical research on Knocklyon Parish with us. This he did, with the aid of slides. Even though many of us were "blow-ins" to the Parish we were very interested in our common heritage. We travelled in spirit up the Ballycullen Road, which came alive for us in the slides. Vincent had climbed the walls and hedges to get superb views of the countryside with his camera. We admired the flora and fauna behind the hedges and we were impressed by the history of Knocklyon Castle, Prospect House, St. Colmcille's Well, Orlagh House. Many of us resolved to visit the big Cromlach in the field at Mt. Venus which we never knew existed. We regretted not being able to share some of the delights of Delaney's Pub which is a great historic landmark in the district.

We sincerely thank Vincent for a delightful informative talk and above all for taking the time and trouble to help to preserve our heritage for us in this fast changing district. We look forward to hearing about his journeying in the Third World at a later date.

Sr. Therese Carmel

Recent Baptisms

Paolo Giovanni Soave, 67 Coolamber Park.
 Mark Gerard Peter Foley, 2 Templeroan Avenue.
 Karen Deirdre Murray, 73 Coolamber Park.
 Peter David Swaine, 16 Templeroan Crescent.
 Laura Kate McCarren, 161 Woodfield.
 Jane Mary Nolan, 5 Green Acre Court.
 Aisling Sarah Tighe, 5 Templeroan Green.
 Niall Thomas Connolly, 35 Castlefield Park.
 Sean Samuel Connolly, 35 Castlefield Park.
 Hannah Jane Bridget Dooley, 74 Scholarstown.
 Eoghan Sean Horgan, 67 Cremorne.
 Eibhleann Kate Darmody, 10 Knocklyon Avenue.
 Killian Robert Bradshaw, 4 Templeroan Lodge.
 John Fergal Scolard, 8 Beverly Green.
 Roisin McHugh, 11 Beverly Drive.



*Would you like to
 join a Faith
 Support Group?*

Over the past few months a small number of faith support groups have been set up around the parish. They cater for those who feel they would like to talk about how they see God's action in their lives. The groups consist of 6 - 8 people who meet on a regular basis to discuss and share with each other some aspect of faith in relation to daily living. Hopefully, this will lead to a stronger growth in knowledge, understanding and love of God and neighbour, which will be the true aim of the group.

If you think you would like to join one of our groups please phone any of the following for more information: Emer at 935576, Joan at 942413, Jean at 942481 or Mary at 941451.



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For the new Church Year beginning 1st December, in the Liturgy at centre stage will be the gospel of Luke. So what's the big deal, for in truth such happenings do not seem to have any great impact on us, which is more the pity – dommage!

Jesus can be a bit tantalising, at some levels. He leaves us with so many questions, and so few answers. We have little time, not to mention patience and we want quick results and answers. With characters like St Luke there is the obvious difficulty that he lived 2,000 years ago, and it is hard enough to know the real truth even about our contemporaries. Anyway, in the final analysis, we are all frail human nature.

Why did Jesus leave his chosen co-workers largely shadowy figures – witness the 12 Apostles and even our Blessed Lady herself? When one comes to think about it, it is the message that is important, his chosen few are only the instrument of the all-important Good News.

But this is far from lessening their dignity. They become part of the Good News and accordingly grow in richness. In effect this makes them close, warm and alive, old friends ever ancient, ever new.

Let's then take a closer look at our larger than life hero, Luke, but again principally at his Good News.

He is the only non-Jewish, or Gentile Christian among the gospel writers. His gospel dates from around 80 A.D. While Mark's gospel was the first produced, some of Luke's material and sources are earlier than Mark's gospel. But of particular interest, it contains much material which is unique to Luke. Luke alone has the story of the birth and infancy of Jesus, and also contains stories and teachings of Jesus, which are found nowhere else, for instance the lovely parable of the Prodigal Son. It is little wonder that Luke's gospel has been described as the most beautiful book in the world.

Facts of life: Luke was not only the author of the third gospel, but also the writer of the Acts of the Apostles. He was the beloved companion of St Paul on his missionary journey, "Luke, our dear physician". He very probably was a Greek doctor in Antioch, the first great centre of Gentile Christianity.

The character of Luke is revealed ever more richly, in the emphasis of his gospel which has been

given a number of subtitles: (1) **The Gospel of Mercy** – Luke emphasises Jesus' compassion and patience with the sinners and the suffering. He has a broadminded openness to all, showing concern for Samaritans, lepers, publicans, soldiers, public sinners, unlettered shepherds, the poor. He alone records the parable of the sinful woman, the lost sheep and coin, the prodigal son, the good thief. (2) **The Gospel of Universal Salvation** – Jesus died for all men. He is the son of Adam, not just of David, and the Gentiles are his friends too. (3) **The Gospel of the Poor** – "Little people" are prominent: Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary and Joseph, shepherds, Simeon, and the elderly widow, Anna. (4) **The Gospel of Absolute Renunciation** – He stresses the need of total dedication to Christ. (5) **The Gospel of Prayer and the Holy Spirit** – He shows Jesus at prayer before every important step of his ministry. The Spirit is bringing the Church to its final perfection. (6) **The Gospel of Joy** – Luke succeeds in portraying the joy of salvation that permeated the primitive Church – Search and find!

Pat Alan Fitz



PRAYERS ARE THE STAIRS



*Prayers are the stairs
We must climb every day,
If we would reach God
There is no other way,
For we learn to know God
When we meet Him in prayer
and ask Him to lighten
Our burden of care –
So start in the morning
And, though the way's steep,
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For prayers are the stairs
That lead to the Lord,
And to meet Him in prayer
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BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S G.A.A. & CAMOGIE CLUB



The Victorious Ballyboden St. Enda's U.14 Camogie Team with some of the Trophies they have captured over the past year!

Our new dressing rooms are now complete and are a super job. We now have the task of paying for them, and towards this end the club is introducing a New Super Draw which was launched in the clubhouse on Wednesday 16th October. We hope all our friends and patrons will support this very worthy venture. The club has more than 50 teams at present of which more than half are juvenile, consequently these new facilities are very badly needed.

On the field of play our Senior Footballers are going a proverbial bomb in the current league, with a lot of attention being focused on the performance of Liam Callen because of his selection by Paddy Cullen into the Dublin Squad for the National League. Hopefully Liam is in for a long stint in the sky-blue jersey.

The camogie season is in full swing with 14 teams in training from u.10 to Senior A. A number of new members have joined the ranks of the camogie management. Training the U.11's in Cherryfield are Irene Kirwan and Ciara Carway, both these girls came up through the juvenile ranks and have represented the club at inter-county level. They are assisted by Peggy O'Loughlin.

After the great success of the U.14's over the past 3 years and particularly last year, when they reached the All Ireland Final of Feile na nGael, this year's team has had a lot to live up to, but this year's captain is the very experienced Sorcha Farrelly of Knocklyon Court who has already led her team to their first win of the season.



On Saturday 26th October the Dublin U.14 and Minor camogie teams will attend a Disco in the Clubhouse and be presented with their Leinster medals. Nine of the girls to be presented that night will be from the Ballyboden Club, and several from the Knocklyon area, like Anne Martin (Orlagh Rise), Niamh Regan (Coolamber Court), Orlagh O'Leary (Cremorne) and Noelle Moran (Lansdowne Park). Ten members of our U.12 Camogie team are pupils of St. Colmcille's Senior School and are being coached by Grace O'Neill and Fiona Feeney.

Congrats to the St. Thomas Davis Club from Tallaght on winning their third successive Dublin Senior Football crown and commiserations of course to our good friend John Murphy (N.T. St. Colmcille's) on the defeat of Crumlin by Craobh Chiarain at the penultimate stage of the Dublin senior Hurling Championship; perhaps we could remind you John, of the old proverb by Robert Burns: "If at first you fail, etc."

T. Durkin, 941752

ST. COLMCILLE'S PARENTS ASSOCIATION - A.G.M. 1991

The Annual General Meeting of St. Colmcille's Parents' Association was held in the senior school at 8.00 p.m. on the 9th October last. Approximately 80 - 90 people attended.

The chairperson Mr. Liam Carter addressed the meeting and gave an in-depth account of the progress of the committee in the past year.

A general discussion then took place. Although many topics were debated and discussed, genuine fears were expressed by many parents concerning the moving of the fourth class pupils to the pre-fab building beside the Youth Centre.

Because of their commitment in fostering a caring and co-operative parents' association all members of the committee agreed to offer their services for another year. The outgoing committee then resigned and were re-elected together with three new members.

The outgoing committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their co-operation and support in the past year and hope that this will continue in the future.

Full list of new Cttee. will be posted on Church Notice Board.

Secretary, Joe Drein, 943960

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Joe Drein and Noel O'Rourke in attendance at the A.G.M.



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COUNTY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Kindly supplied by Councillor John Hannon and Councillor Mary Muldoon.

GAMING MACHINES Councillor Hannon recently proposed that effective controls be put in place to control the establishment and operation of video games machines in shop units in the Dublin/Belgard District. Arising from his motion, it was agreed to write to the Department of the Environment seeking a change in the law regarding planning permission for the use of indoor games or sports so as to make it mandatory to obtain planning permission even where one or two machines are installed in a shop. The present situation, where one or two machines are installed as an ancillary function to the main shop without planning permission is most unsatisfactory and needs to be changed.

COMPLETION OF BEVERLY COURT ESTATE A latest date notice has expired and High Court proceedings have been authorised against the Developers. The Developers had intimated that they would make the necessary funds available for completion of works, these funds have not to date been received and the Council's proceedings will be pursued in the High Court.

John Hannon, 942045

CHERRYFIELD PARK Work has already been done on the provision of a path network through Cherryfield Park, in accordance with the layout for the park which was adopted by the Committee at its meeting in March 1990. The work was done as part of a Social Employment Scheme which is now completed. The question of continuing the work under a future Social Employment Scheme is being considered. In any work undertaken by it, the Parks Department puts a major emphasis on the protection of existing wildlife and wildlife habitats and where possible, promotes and encourages wildlife.

PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE, MOUNT CARMEL PARK As local residents have complained that the pedestrian bridge is dangerous, the structural stability of the bridge will be examined and a report will be presented to the Dublin/Belgard District Committee.

CHERRYFIELD WAY Work was commenced on the construction of the Council's halting site at 'Cherryfield Way' in January of this year. Work was completed at the end of June and the site was allocated and is now occupied by five travelling families. The families have settled very well and no difficulties have been encountered to date. A skip is located on the site and is serviced on a weekly basis. The site is visited on a daily basis by the mobile caretaker and several times a week by the Social Worker and administrative staff.

The need for the establishment of a Liaison Committee will be kept under review as the residents settle into the local community.

Mary Muldoon, 946601

A Busy Lady!

Councillor Mary Muldoon, (F.G.) has added a few feathers to her Councillor's hat this year. She is now Chairman of the Belgard Area Committee (comprising Rathfarnham, Ballyboden, Ballyroan, Knocklyon, Firhouse, and large areas of Tallaght, Clondalkin and Lucan). Keep an eye on Knocklyon for us!! Next on the list is Mary's existing membership of Co. Dublin V.E.C. where she will have a direct input into the quality of the courses at the new Regional Technical College in Tallaght (opening September 1992).

Just to fill up those dark winter evenings, Mary is now a member of the Boards of Management of Firhouse Community College and St. Macdara's, Templeogue. And last but not least, in case all the English spoken at the above meetings confuses her, Mary is a member of An Coiste Stiurtha don Ghaeilge, Dublin Co. Council's Official Committee for the use and spread of the Irish Language in all of the County Council's areas.

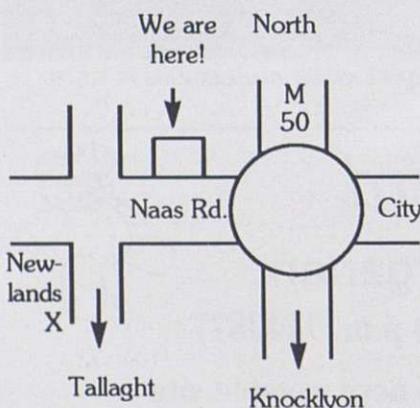
I wonder does she ever see "Coronation Street" . . . !

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Knocklyon United Football Club

Have you heard it? Have you seen it? Are you part of it?!!

Yes, Folks, the Knocklyon United Roadshow continues on its successful tour of many areas within South Dublin each Sunday morning. The season is now 6 weeks old and many of our 18 teams have had a very encouraging start to their league campaigns, in fact several of our teams remain unbeaten.

Once again on Sunday mornings at Delaford the buzz starts at about 9.30. The arrival of many young sheeny bodies in their tracksuits, bags on backs ready and willing to take on the rest and show that they are the best. The first home matches start at Delaford, Cherryfield at 10.30 a.m. and continue until 1.30/2.00 p.m.

Every Sunday there are great games, great saves, great goals, great excitement and usually great results. Have you ever considered venturing with your family to Delaford or Cherryfield on Sundays? Instead of lying in bed – get up and get out! Come on down and show your support for the youth of the area. I can guarantee that the games you will see will be as good as any you watch on T.V. (nice one). At this point in time we do not charge people to watch any of our young stars but some day many of you will probably pay to see some of our current players at representative level. So now is your chance to see tomorrow's stars TODAY.

Don't say we did not warn you . . . !

Finbarr Dolan

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Many people are interested in knowing about various activities in Knocklyon and in order to facilitate this interest you are invited to attend the A.G.M. of the Parish Pastoral Council to be held on **Tuesday 12th November 1991** at 8 p.m. in the Prefab.

Knocklyon Variety Group

The Group would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who over the last year, fund raising events, that as many possible will come show and have enjoyable night with us.



have supported us with our "many" and we hope parishioners as to see the a thoroughly

The Committee, Knocklyon Variety Group

Calling all Sports, Social, Community Groups!



A meeting for all the above groups interested in the sports/social development in the Knocklyon area will be held in the Presbytery on Thursday 8th November. If your group wish to have an input into the development of a Social Policy for Knocklyon, please attend and air your views.

Further information from Finbarr Dolan 946111.

INVITATION TO A SPECIAL MASS

Knocklyon Bethany Bereavement Group are organising a special Mass during November in our Church for all those who have died in the parish and their relatives during the past year.

The Deceased will be prayed for during the Mass. Relations of parishioners who died outside the parish will also be included in the Mass if their names are left beforehand in the Parish Office.

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KNOCKLYON COMMUNITY

Usually the Community Council winds down activity during the Summer recess. This Summer was, however, an exception. The County Council had published its Environmental Impact Study (E.I.S.) of its proposal to construct the new motorway called The Southern Cross Route and the Minister for the Environment had ordered a Public Inquiry into the proposal and had invited comment from all interested parties. The inquiry was to be held from 2nd October, 1991. The project involves the construction of the motorway from the end of the recently opened M50 motorway to the Leopardstown Roundabout which is under construction at present and also the improvement of a number of other roads including the Knocklyon, Ballycullen and Scholarstown Roads and part of the road known as the "Green Route". The project will have a very big impact on the Knocklyon area as about one-third of the entire length of the motorway goes right through this area severing it into two parts. At full development, the motorway is expected to carry 64,000 V.P.D. The K.C.C. therefore decided to examine the E.I.S. carefully and make a written submission to the Minister and to attend and give evidence at the Public Inquiry. To formulate the submission a number of meetings were held to which Residents' Associations and other people particularly affected by the Project were invited.

The K.C.C. submission covered eleven aspects of the project as under:

1. Location of overbridge where existing Knocklyon Road is severed by the motorway
2. Provision of compensatory Green Space
3. Noise levels
4. Boundary walls
5. Completion of Green Route
6. Replacement of trees removed
7. Provision for Pedestrian Crossing at Scholarstown Roundabout
8. Air pollution
9. Grants for noise insulation
10. Archaeology
11. Provision for Sports and Recreation

1. LOCATION OF OVERBRIDGE AT KNOCKLYON

The purpose of this bridge is to connect the western and eastern sides of the area across the motorway. The K.C.C. submitted that the existing Knocklyon Road should be carried over the motorway and thus preserve the existing access facilities for both sides of the area. At the Inquiry the County Council representatives held that this would be excessively costly and that all that could be done within the budget was to provide a footbridge. K.C.C. then submitted that in such a situation, the footbridge should be provided at about the point at which the Knocklyon Road will be severed. This will ensure that the bridge will not interfere with existing built environment.

2. PROVISION OF COMPENSATORY GREEN SPACE

The motorway will absorb about 25 hectares of existing green space in the Knocklyon area. K.C.C. asked that alternative space be provided.

3. NOISE LEVELS

K.C.C. is not satisfied with the treatment of noise in the E.I.S. and requested that an adequate noise survey be carried out and that any necessary ameliorative measures be designed before the Project is approved.

4. BOUNDARY WALLS

K.C.C. asked that all boundary walls be in traditional masonry walling and be adequate to prevent access by children to the motorway.

5. COMPLETION OF THE GREEN ROUTE

The so called "Green Route" was originally to comprise an up-graded road from Scholarstown to Ballinteer. Only part of this road is included in the S.C.R.M. project. In particular, the section between Ballyboden and Scholarstown Roundabout will remain unfinished. K.C.C. requested that this section be completed as part of the S.C.R.M. project.

6. REPLACEMENT OF TREES REMOVED

K.C.C. submitted that all tree replacement be with at least semi-mature trees to minimise environment depletion.

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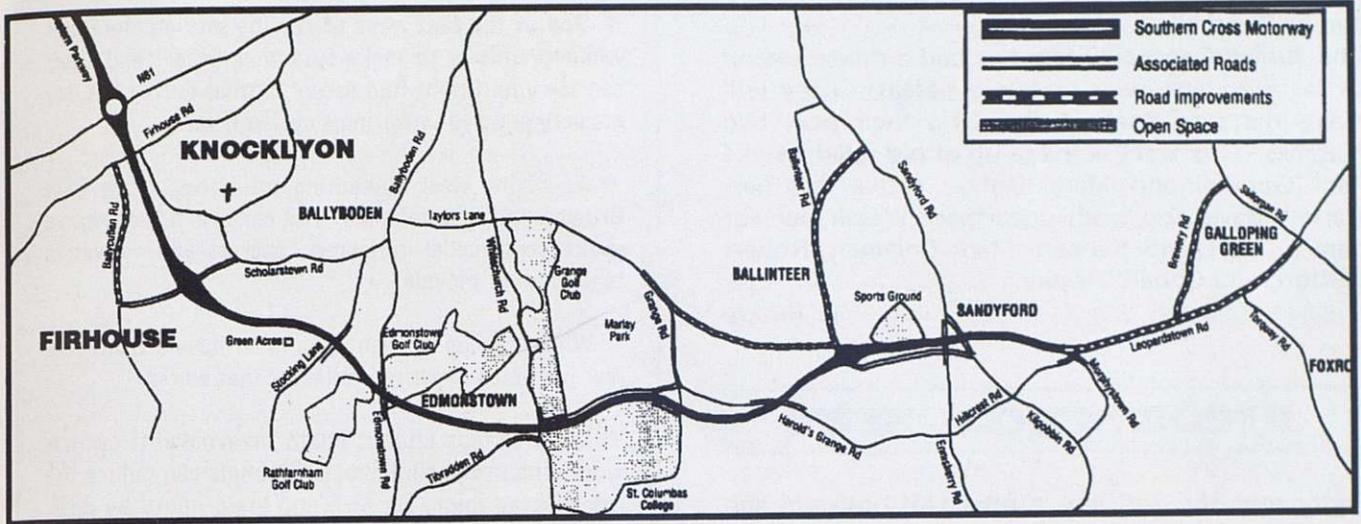
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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS



7. PROVISION FOR PEDESTRIANS AT SCHOLARSTOWN ROUNDABOUT

It was submitted that a safe pedestrian crossing be provided at Scholarstown Roundabout.

8. AIR POLLUTION

The K.C.C. submission under this heading was similar to that for noise levels.

9. GRANTS FOR NOISE REDUCTION

It was submitted that grants be made available for the upgrading of the noise resistance of the fabric of dwellings where affected by motorway noise.

10. ARCHAEOLOGY

K.C.C. asked that all archaeologically important sites, of which there is a number, be preserved or adequately surveyed and treated.

11. SPORTS & RECREATION

The E.I.S. noted that the construction of the motorway would involve the loss of two football pitches at Delaford Avenue but suggests that this loss would be made good on a temporary basis by the use of the Dept. of Education site on Scholarstown Road. K.C.C. submitted that this site would not supply, even temporarily, sufficient pitches and other facilities such as a running track which are urgently required now. K.C.C. submitted that adequate land be

acquired and provided by the County Council and if this is to be on the south side of the motorway a pedestrian overbridge over the motorway to give access to such land be provided in the S.C.R.M. project and that it was a matter which the K.C.C. should discuss separately with the County Council.

The Community Council's submission was presented at the Inquiry by the Chairman and Planning Committee Convenor. The submission was strongly supported by Cllr. Breda Cass and Cllr. Mary Muldoon who each made oral submissions. Anyone interested can obtain the full text of the K.C.C. submission from the Correspondence Secretary, Cynthia Brannigan, price £1.

During the Summer, the K.C.C. also organised the Knocklyon Tidy-Up Week and it is hoped that the Mary Muldoon Trophy will be presented to the winning Residents' Association shortly.

The Council is, at present, endeavouring to re-organise the Sports Sub-Committee with a view to making it fully representative of all sporting, athletic and games organisations in the area. It is hoped that a new convenor for the Committee will be elected soon. The routine work of planning applications monitoring was continued throughout the Summer.

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SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Junior Football:

The Junior Football Team has had a mixed season so far with two wins and two defeats. They will make the semi-finals if they win their next two matches. This team is made up of old reliables like Paul Goodall and Mark Duffy, and a few new starlets have also been unearthed. Watch out for names like David Keenan, Mark Coleman, Robert Clifford and Conall Keeney.

V. Ruddy

JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

September the 2nd saw a return of both old and new faces to the junior school. After an absence of five years, Ms. Susannah Carr returned from teaching in Australia, armed with loads of new ideas. She is hoping to turn the school *upside down* with them!

Ms. Julie Ruane joined the staff to replace Claire Sweeny while she is on maternity leave. Claire and her husband became the proud parents of a baby boy on September 23rd.

Poor Mary Mullaney is on a leave of absence because of an accident with her ankle. Ms Susan Cole has taken on her class until such time as Mary's leg is better.

Mrs. Mullan has been appointed as a full-time remedial teacher and she is being replaced by Ms Lorraine Strattan.

September 3rd saw the arrival of 178 angelic students with lunch boxes and school bags in tow. The Junior Infants had started big school. They have settled in really well.

After 2.30 p.m. activity is still to be heard and seen in the Junior School. Ms Mulkerrin is holding her recorder classes whilst Carol Davis and Tony Sweeney take camogie and hurling. Maybe the school will produce someone to emulate a certain Mr Murphy. Ms O'Connor and Mrs Mullan will be starting basketball with the 1st classes very soon. Short Tennis will be resumed shortly.

The grounds are taking shape gradually thanks to the expertise of our new caretaker Mr Tom Doyle. Finally, we welcome Cathy Flynn, the new school secretary.

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GLENVARA GIRL IS CHOSEN



Rosemarie Tuckey (13) of Glenvara Park was selected for the Dublin Schoolgirls' Under 15 Basketball team. The team consists of twelve girls from schools all over Dublin. Rosemarie, who attends Sancta Maria School, Ballyroan, also plays for Notre Dame, Firhouse, Basketball Club.

Well done Rosemarie.

HOLY ORDERS

We send our warmest congratulations to Martin Baxter on the occasion of his Ordination on Saturday 26th October in Whitefriar Street. Fr Baxter will celebrate his first Mass on Sunday 27th October here in Knocklyon at 7 p.m. We wish him every blessing in his ministry.

CIRCUS IN TOWN

Courtneys Circus will visit Knocklyon from Wednesday 30th October to Sunday 3rd November. A mid term treat for the kiddies - mark off the calendar.

4th CLASS ON THE MOVE

We wish the 4th class good luck in the new prefab which is looking really smart after its new coat of paint.

A BELATED WELCOME

We extend a warm Knocklyon welcome to Mrs Maurren Manning, our new postmistress in Knocklyon. The new post office is a blessing to many a foot-sore mum!

KNOCKLYON COMMUNITY GAMES COMMITTEE

The 1991 A.G.M. of the Knocklyon Community Games Committee will take place on Wednesday 30th October at 8 p.m. in the Prefab. We hope to see a large attendance so that we can support and encourage our children to get involved in next year's events, in view of the many successes this year. The outgoing committee would like to thank the managers and all those behind the scenes for their time and dedication shown over the last year. Parents, please show your appreciation by coming along to the A.G.M. where a new committee will be elected for '91/'92.

CROKE PARK GOAL

Well done to Gavin Fleet of Delaford Grove who was picked to represent Tyrone in the mini-sevens at the All-Ireland Hurling Semi-final in Croke Park on the 4th August. Gavin did himself proud by scoring a goal on the day.

CHILDREN'S BOOKWEEK - DURING MID TERM BREAK

Ballyroan Library will run a series of events in conjunction with Children's Book Week at the end of October. Details will be announced nearer the time, so keep an eye on the library noticeboards.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 29th October at 7.30 p.m.

Eavan Boland, whose work has established her as one of the most respected poetic voices in Ireland, will talk about her work and her approach to the art of writing poetry at Ballyroan Library.

ST. COLMCILLE'S ART AND CRAFT CLUB

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LITURGICAL PROGRAMME - ST. COLMCILLE'S, KNOCKLYON

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3rd Sunday of the Month - Morning Prayer

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11.45 a.m. Communion Service.

5.00 p.m. Evening Prayer.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Items for inclusion in the next issue should be handed into the Presbytery by Monday 2nd December. The newsletter will be circulated from 13th December. As advertising space has become so popular we are accepting adverts on a first come, first served basis only, with payment, so make sure to book your space in good time. Enquiries re advertising to June at 941204 (10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon) Monday to Friday.

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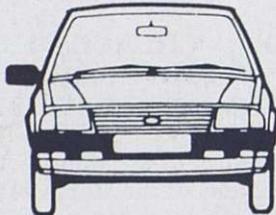
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