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Donegal Person of 1981 Donal K. O'Boyle

The Donegal Person of the Year 1981 is Mr. Donal K. O'Boyle from Bunbeag, Gaoth Dobhair. At three months old Donal developed polio so from a tender age until he was seventeen he spent most of the time in and out of various hospitals in Dublin, Galway and Glasgow. It was after a series of operations in Glasgow at the age of fifteen that Donal took his "first steps". Although his left side is completely paralyzed he can now walk with the aid of a stick and sheer determination.

Due to his long periods in hospital Donal was unable to attend school except for a short period of eighteen months in National School where he was taught by his late father who had to carry him to and from the school. Donal is self educated and despite such setbacks he is now a member of the Institutes of Journalist, and contributes to newspapers and magazines both here and in Britain. For the past ten years he has covered the Eurovision. He has worked extremely hard helping to improve the facilities and services for his fellow handicapped and is fearlessly outspoken in demanding a better deal for them. He has carried out several national surveys of the handicapped in an effort to discover the areas of greatest need. He has been instrumental in locating many handicapped people in Co. Donegal who were totally unaware of their entitlements and many of these have been rehabilitated and are now in gainful employment.

He is Secretary of the North West Handicapped Committee and a few months ago was delighted to be presented with a coach from the Manchester United Supporters Club for the disabled to travel to work in North West Donegal. He has also got ramps and wheelchairs, donated from the banks, in Ballrooms, Hotels, Football Grounds and other places of entertainment to ensure that the handicapped could gain access to these places. At the moment he is instrumental in trying to build a day centre for the handicapped in Dungloe and providing a sheltered workshop on the Gweedore Industrial Estate.

Two years ago the Mary from Dungloe Festival was almost at its end. Donal took up the task of keeping it going by giving advice to the young committee who found themselves in debt and he kept them together and it is still going, thanks to his efforts. He was also a great help to the Glenswilly Festival Committee, has helped to promote the Letterkenny International Folk Festival and has also advised the National Youth Development Organisation.



Donal is a tireless worker who doesn't take no for an answer and his achievements are many, despite his disability. He richly deserves to have this honour conferred on him. Comhgháirdeachas Donal.

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NEW YEAR HOPES

The New Year's come to us again
With hidden joys and woes,
Which slow, unfolding, hour by hour,
Constrain us bide its mighty power,
And wait what 'twill disclose.

O Éire, mystic, hopeful land,
What has it brought for thee?
Ah! sure not sorrows, as of yore,
But hapiness and peace in store,
And palms of victory.

And ye, our Éire's martyred dead,
Soon may ye see, with pride,
The good crop saved, whose seed we've sown,
The harvest reaped, your blood has grown -
Cause won for which ye died.

For oh! when we a nation rise,
Will not your very clay
Be thrilled to know ye strove like men
To haste by voice and sword and pen
This dawning of the day.

And we - oh, may we ever strive,
From new year until old,
To further more our country's cause,
To win her fame, renown, applause
And still her rights uphold.

by the late
Mrs. Kathleen Matthews,
Fálcarrach.



The photograph shows part of the road leading to the "Cottages" in MÍn Lárach. It is in a shocking state of disrepair and completely littered with potholes. Despite numerous requests to have this road tarred nothing has been done by Donegal County Council. Perhaps it will take a serious injury to move the powers-that-be? This treatment of the householders who have to use this "road" cannot be tolerated any longer. We now publicly ask our local representatives Councillors Kelly, Coll and Delap and Pat the Cope, T.I to get the message across to them in Lifford. This road must be repaired now!



EAGARALT

Due to ever-rising costs we were forced to raise the price of your favourite monthly paper last month. It was over a year since our last rise and in that year inflation in our country made the continued publication of "Guth 7 Tuairim" more and more difficult. While 3Op. seems a lot to pay for this paper it must be remembered that the shopkeeper gets part of the increase and that the increase must cover us not just for now but for many months to come, and you can be sure that costs will continue to rise every day -(and the Budget has to come yet), so we hope for your continued support.

The people of Gaith Dobhair are looking forward with interest to the election which will pick a Parish Council/Committee. For too long now the parish has been without this kind of representation and has suffered as a result. Committee's have been active in e.g. Cloich Cheann Fhaola, Kincasslagh, Mullaghduff, and have achieved much.

Every community needs people who are willing to work for the betterment of the community and in Gaith Dobhair people are hoping that this will be the case and that the "politicians" will steer clear.

(Féach alt ar lth. 10.)

Letters, articles, ads, guess who's, notes, etc. for our next issue to reach us by February 12th. Seoladh "Guth 7 Tuairim", Doire Beaga. F5n. Bunbeag 265.

RANAMONA

The neighbours were all delighted to have their good friend Michael Mc Garvey back with them for the Christmas season.

Paddy Neddy Mhickey, Teresa and family are moving from Glasgow to take up residence here. Also moving here is Rosie, Mary, Mickey and family. The population is growing at long last.

Sarah, Val, Nan, Margaret & Eileen have joined the dancing classes at Annagry college. They hope to make the all-Ireland Champions step-a-side in Dublin. Gracie Eoin got a special Christmas present from her secret admirer and they're all curious to find out what she got. Gracie however is keeping them in suspense.

Patrick Mary Ward has got himself a new hobby - he's out jogging every night after 12.00.

MARRIAGES

Congratulations to the following happy couples:

Bríd Curran, Machaire Gathlán agus Éamonn Mc Bride, Machaire Chlochair.
Grace Gallagher, Machaire Chlochair agus Sean Mulligan, Machaire Chlochair.
Áine Ní Ghallchóir, Cois Cládaigh agus Pascal Tunnon, Galway.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to the following couples on their new arrival:

Elizabeth agus Samuel Wasson, Teragus, Churchill, (girseach)
Katherine agus Columba Doogan, Cois Cládaigh, (girseach)
Mary agus Michael Mc Gonagle, Sheskinarone, (girseach)
June agus Ned Boyd, Bun a Leaca, (gasúr).
Bridget agus Gerry O'Donnell, Dungloe (gasúr)
Bríd agus Charlie Mc Ginley, An Ghlaisigh (girseach)
Joyce agus Seamus Duggan, Falcarrach (girseach)
Bernadette agus John Doogan, Birmingham (gasúr)
Sadie agus Thomas Friel, Mfn an Iolair (gasúr)

To those responsible for poisoning pet dogs in the Anagaire area.
To the greedy dance promoters who charge exorbitant prices.

To Donal K. O'Boyle, Donegal Person of the Year for his constant efforts to improve the lot of the handicapped.
Dó Chumann Uinseann De Fól as an obair atá a dhéanamh acu ar son daoine bochta an cheantair.

Cloich Cheann Fhaola

The new cottages in Ballina are at last completed and ready for occupation after two years. Beidh suas le 40 teaghlach 'gabháil a chónaí iontu ina measc cuid do chuid teaghlaigh Oilean Thoraí a bhí ag cuartú tithe ar tír mor le cupla bliain.

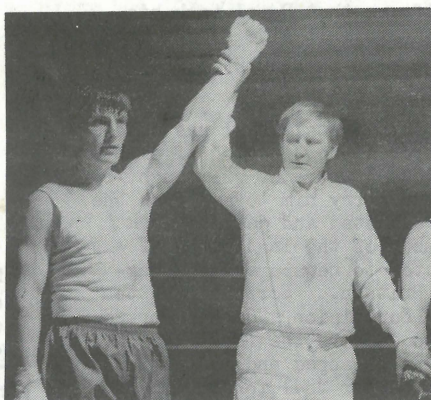
Local people are very pleased with the new automatic telephone system. This latest "luxury" brings relatives and friends the world over into closer contact. Thousands of miles can now be spanned in a matter of seconds.

Maura Byrne, Clonbara would like to say "thank you" to all the people who bought Christmas cards on behalf of the Donegal Branch of the M.S. Association. A total of £150 was raised.

The Ray Country Club, better known locally as the Ray River Inn has changed hands once again and it is believed that it will be opening shortly as a dancing venue. At the height of it's popularity in the early seventies it was one of the top ballrooms in the county and people are wondering if the good old days could soon be back.

While the rest of the country shivered through the recent blizzards we were fortunate enough (for once) to miss the worst of it. Apart from a few burst and frozen pipes there was very little damage locally.

Gweedore Boxing Tournament



DORNÁLAÍOCHT

Two of the successful Gaith Dobhair boxers
Top: Domenick Conway
Right: Pat Rua Mc Bride



Sympathy is extended to the family of the following:

DEATHS

Paddy Sweeney, Dobhar
Bridget Mc Fadden, An Ehaltaine
James Campbell, Main St. Dungloe.
Grace Mc Carron, Calhame
Anthony Boyle, Sheskinarone
Charles Doohan, Ardaí Mhór
Owen Ferry, Bun a Leaca
Barney Boyle, Kerrytown agus Glasgow
Mary Roarty, Craghyboyle
James Mulhern, Curransport agus Londain
Owen Gallagher, Glen Rd. Anagaire
Daniel Ferry, Seascaan Beag & Glasgow
Owen Sharkey, Glasgow & Drinnacart
Michael Ferry, An Ghlaisigh
Mary Brogan, Falcarrach
John Gallagher, Glasgow & Crickamore
Annie Bonner, Cloughlass & Glasgow
Neil Ferry, Cnoc Fola
Neil Ward (T) Lackenagh
Rose O'Donnell, Sheskinarone
Nellie Maguire, Glasgow & Drinnacart
Hugh Mc Bride, Coiteann
Evelyn Glackin, Maghery
Bridget Yeats, U.S.A.
Anthony Doogan, Carraic an tSeascáin
Dan Duffy, Londain & Anagaire
Neidí Frank Mac Grianna, Rann na Feirste
Rosie Rodgers, Kerrytown
Mickey Bonner, Arlands
Mary Cannon, Machaire Rabhartaigh
Norah Lynch (Nee Matthews) Dublin & Falcarrach
John Mc Bride, Fortnoo.

Raspberries



Roses





DUNGLOE

Dungloe Waltzing Competition
Winners, Judges and the Mayor

To the following who have recently retired- Anthony O'Donnell, Charlie Campbell, Charlie Boyle and Pat Connaghan, we say a sincere "Thank You" for your enormous contributions to this area. Quite apart from the exceptionally high standard of service rendered in their respective chosen careers, all of these people have served with distinction on numerous local committees and in doing so have sacrificed many of their leisure hours so that they might hand us a better town and a better Rosses. We wish them and their wives, many, many years of happy healthy retirement.

Mr & Mrs. I was unable to make it to Packie James' for the final of this contest, but I am reliably informed that it was once again a great show. The audience was great, the participants were good and of course the M.C., Pat (Nora) Gallagher who was in top form added to the comedy and overall enjoyment. The winners, John and Ann Connors received two worthwhile trophies.

T.V. time again. For some of us this is the time of year when we settle down beside the T.V. Gosh it's great to see all the old programmes back again. In some cases it's a pity they don't give us new presenters. I am eagerly awaiting "Anois 's Aris" so that every now and again I can use the, cùld Gaelic if afforded the opportunity. A new Friday night series, "Crusades in our own times" starring Gerald Fitz and Leary O'Michelle is expected to get a high "tamming".

The Mayor On July 12th 1980, Michael Hanlon was democratically elected Lord Mayor of the Rosses. Now there hasn't been a contest since and it follows therefore that since Michael did not resign the position nor has been removed from office that he and he alone is the Mayor. It's hard to listen to some people who go on and on about the former or out-going Mayor. I ask where were these same people during the campaign and why does it hurt them so much?

Big Dates Sunday, November 22 has been put aside for the Annual Parish Bring & Buy Sale/Auction. The show will get off the ground at 2.30 and continue 'till all's gone. No doubt for this occasion the old church will see once again huge crowds - everyone saying a silent prayer for a fair deal.

On the 25th of that month, Fr. Michael Cleary will be the guest artist at a grand variety concert in Ostan na Rosann. Also, there will be a host of local artists together with the appearance of the Meenacross Branch of C.C.E. **"The Kerryman"**.

Charlie pushed and pushed and Brid went in head first

John & J.C. say more heavy agricultural machinery needed in Cloughlass next year

Connie is blaming the floor - not Teresa. "Annie's Song" is being performed on Keadeu strand. O.Wallace did well in Kerry at the wedding.

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Cé mhéid scíste a rinne Tony ar a bhealach 'na bhaile leis an turnip? 15?

The race is on between R. and J.B.

May the best man win

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A special mention for Paddy Quinn
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Leagadh crainn, cruacha agus chaill Johnny Paddy díon den sciobal leis an ghaoth mhór le gairid. Beidh geimhreadh garbh ann mas seo an tús.

Tá an club peile i mbun traenála arís agus beidh fáilte romhat ma tá Kilogram nó punta meacháin le cailleadh agat.

Tá Seán agus Robert ar a mbealach go dtí'n RTE Marathon arís i mbliana. Mar is gnath tá Seán bacach agus tá Robert ag gabháil mar giorria ann. Pat and John Mickey Sally broke their silencers. Pat got his fixed but John didn't!

Local poultry farmers and shepherds are complaining bitterly about the recent slaughter of hens which recalls the death of lambs last spring. The traditional culprits of Badgers and Foxes are being replaced by a new menace - Mink. A demand that a bounty of £5 be placed on every mink's head was heard. Over to you, T.D's and C.C.'s

Ní bheidh gandal i Mín na nGall i mbliana, ach an mbeidh rud in teacht ina ait? Pat recently visited the tar-barrel wall!

Ciaran, Pádraig, Edward featured on the score - sheet in Glenea's recent 5 - 1 victory over Erne Wanderers. Is Mulligan's donkey a spy? Seo joke anois"Ni bhfuair muid aon elephant sa bhocsa telefóin go foill". "No trunk calls yet"!

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MÍN LÁRACH agus MÁCHAIRE RABHARTAIGH

Tá bumus do bhuachaillí óga (agus Hiúdaí Pheadair Éamoinn, Chef) amuigh ag na préataí i Rath F6. B'éigeán do Willie Phat, Antóin Tony, Ruairí Hanna an job a fhágáil mar go ndéanfadh Hiúdaí dearmad an dinnear a dheanamh corr lá.

Tá Kate Rua arais i ndiaidh trifle seachtainí a chaithreamh i gcathair Ghlasgow. Tá Nellie Jimmy Neddy ar shiúl anonn le cupla seachtain a chaithreamh ar a mac. Tá Jimmy é féin ag deisiú an tsiopa agus tá obair mhór déanta aige thart ar an tsiopa fosta.

Bhí margadh asaile ar an bhaile le gairid - agus fuair fear amhain bargain!
Tá juke-box úr sa chafe ag Val anois agus bíonn an cafe céanna ag cur amach ar a bhéal achan oíche anois. Tá na h-oícheannaí fada fuara ag cuidiú go maith leis an Till.

Tháinig teach Ehidie Bharney ar aghaidh go maith. Níl a dheith anois ach cupla cathaoir.

Tá am bocht ag Séamus Hiúdaí leis na géacha - cha deachaidh siad go h-Inis Big. Dúirt Nóirín Joe gur mhór an trua go raibh Leitir Ceanainn 'fhad ar shiúl.

Bhí Paddy Joe báite go craiceann an oíche a thug sé tarrtháil ar Sheamus Rua agus é ag iarraidh a charr a bhaint amach as an díog ag teach Mhícheal Báin.

Bhain Tommy Beag turnip a bhí dha chloch meacháin i ngarradh Charlie Hiúdaí.

Bhí Sailor ar shiúl ar a dhoigh féin ach tá sé sa bhaile anois agus ar ais le Sarah agus Micí.

Where did Ginger end up with his girlfriend on Sunday night



Seamus Mac Aoidh as an Árd Donn ag caint ar Raidió na Gaeltachta le Feardorcha Ó Colla faoi na cheirníní úr.

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Ceirníní Mulligan

Ma bhí páirt mhór ag comhlucht ceirníní ar bith san athbheochán a thainig ar cheol tíre na h-Éireann le deich mbliana anuas is ag Mulligan Records a bhí sé. Cé nach bhfuil an comhlucht ar siúl ach le sé bliana an obair déanta acu.

Bunaíodh an comhlucht muair a thosaigh an Bothy Band. Bhí stíl úr ceoil ag an ghrúpa seo. Ní raibh comhlucht ceirnín ar bith sásta glacadh leo. Chonaic siad go raibh gá le comhlucht úr a chuirfeadh ceol ma-aimsireach chun cinn i n-Éirinn. Bhí Micheal Ó Domhnaill agus Donal Lunny (baill den Bothy Band) agus Diane Hamilton (Gailitheoir ceoil as Ceanada ata ina conaí sa tír seo) mar stiúrthóirí ar an chomhlucht. D'fhág Séamus Ó'Neill, as Baile Átha Cliath. Ceirníní Gael Linn chun a bheith ina Bhainisteoir Stiúrtha ar Mulligan.

Ba e "Pumpkinhead" an chéad fad cheirnín a d'eisigh lipéad Mulligan. Grúpa as Meiricea a bhí iontu seo a raibh conaí orthu sa tír seo. D'éirigh go maith leis an cheirnín. D'eisigh siad go leor ceirníní eile ina dhiaidh sin. S'iad na cinn is fearr a bhfuil aithne orthu nó an mhuintir a chuir an Bothy Band amach. Thainig ceirníní aonair ó Bhaill an Bothy Band fosta, daoine, daoine ar nós Matt Molloy, Kevin Burke agus Micheal Ó Domhnaill. Bhí caighdeán árd acu seo uilig agus ceol a bhí draíochtúil. Mheall siad croithe na mílte duine ar fud na tíre agus thar lear.

Ar ndoigh bhí caighdeán árd ag baint le cuid ceirníní Mulligan ón tús. Chuir siad deireadh leis an chluadhach ceirnín amscaí ar a mbeadh pictiúr beag den cheoltóir agus cnoic ghlasa na h-Éireann ar a chúl. Fuair siad maisitheoirí profesiúnta fa choinne na clúdaí a dhéanamh agus rinne siad cinnte do go mbeadh nótaí agus eolas fa'n cheol agus na ceoltóirí ann fosta. Mhuscáil seo na comhluchtaí eile go gasta.

Ach, níos tábhachtaí arís, rinne Mulligan cinnte go raibh ceirníní maithe taobh istigh de na clúdaí. Bhí (agus tá) togha ceoltóirí na linne seo ar cheirníní acu. Ceol tíre agus ceol tradisiúnta is mo atá acu. Daoine cosúil le, Matt Molloy, Mick Hanly, Andy Irvine agus Paul Brady, Midnight Well, Jimmy Crowley, Gay agus Terry Woods, Kevin Burke agus Micheal Ó Domhnaill, Barry Moore, Frank Harte, Martin O'Connor, Freddie White, Dolores Keane agus John Faulkner, Jackie Daly, agus níl ansin ach cuid acu. Ar ndoigh cuireann siad amach ceirníní rock fosta ata den chaighdeán árd céanna, ó ghrúpaí cosúil leis na Boomtown Rats, The Radiators agus The Atrix, agus Scullion ar ndoigh.

Chomh maith leis an fhreastal a dhéanann siad ar na daoine seo uilig ní dhéanann Mulligan dearmad do na ceoltóirí fíor thradisiúnta. Bhunaigh Diane Hamilton fó-chomhlucht nó fó-lipead darbh ainm "Sruthan". Ar an lipead seo ta ceoltóirí cáiliúla ar nós Bobby Casey, Denis Duddy, Virginia Stevens (Meiriceánach ag ceol amháin Gaeilge), Paddy Tunney agus Kathleen Behan.

Tá na leiritheoirí ceirnín is fearr agus is cumasaigh acu fosta. Ba é Donal Lunny (an leiritheoir is fearr sa tír) a léirigh mórchuid na gceirníní a chuir an comhlucht amach. Bhain Micheal Ó Domhnaill agus P.J. Curtis cáil amach dóibh fhéin chomh maith.

Tá sé furast a fheiceáil go bhfuil obair thar barr deanta agus a dhéanamh ag Ceirníní Mulligan ar son ceoltóirí agus ceol na tíre seo. Go mbeidh saol fada acu.

Seán Ó Domhnaill.

The Incredible Hulk has been spotted in Dixon's according to eyewitness reports.

Joseph G. is not going to Leeds after all. Who is Burtopport's best supporter?

Why is Mary C. so fond of Luton Airport?

TOP of THE POPS: It is the ambition of every recording artist to find a spot in the coveted British charts, and keeping the Irish spirit alive there are The Furey Brothers and Davy Arthur. With their song "When You Were Sweet Sixteen". The boys topped the Irish charts and also the charts compiled by Downtown Radio in the North. It was Terry Wogan on his BBC Radio 2 programme that pushed the song on the British market and the single issued there by Ritz Records is zooming up the charts. The group consists of Eddie, Finbar, George and Paul Furey, joined by Glasgow born Davy Arthur (his parents hail from Donegal). They have had many hits including "Green Fields of France", etc, but it was with "When You Were Sweet Sixteen" they made their mark. The only other Irish folk group to enjoy British chart status were the Dubliners back in 1967 with "Seven Drunken Nights".

WHATS ANOTHER SONG: I enjoyed the way RTE presented the Castlebar Song Contest. As every singer appeared on stage they warned us with the sign "we apologise for the poor quality of sound" but they blamed the fault on P&T and not the composers. A real fiasco, if this was the best nine, I wonder what the rest sounded like. Well if you feel you could do better then the Cavan International Song Contest will be held in February next and offers £7,000 in prizes. Section 'A'. is for the best country, pop or folk number, while section 'B'. is for a song about Cavan. There is also a £250 prize added for the best Gaelic song. The closing date for entries is December 17th, and entry forms with a copy of the rules can be got from Cavan International Song Contest, Drumelis, Cavan.

COUNTRY STYLE: Ulster Television have entered into the country music scene and during November will screen "Country Style". The series was recorded in the "Three Penny Bit", Belfast, and the six week series features ace comedian Gene Fitzpatrick as host. The guest list includes Brian Coll, American Express, Brendan Quinn, Leon, etc. So if you enjoy C/W then "Country Style" should appeal to you.

CAOGA, listed as 'a new Irish language parlour game' is enough to drive anyone out to BINGO. Poor quiz-master Máirtín Jamisie O'Flaithearta with his basket and wheel, even makes 'Mart and Market' look and sound exciting. The first few programmes were so bad, that it can only improve lets face it, it can't get any worse (or can it?)

GOOD QUALITY: A great year for U2, with a British and US hit behind them they are back in the recording race with "Gloria", their latest on the Island label. The single featuring Bono is their best, and must be their second international hit of '81. Sadly it seems that "Love is the Reason" has failed to make that international chart impact that Bagatelle badly required. Their second album "Bagatelle", goes on release this month. Lookalikes deserve success with their WEA album "Daydreamin At Night". Also superb sounds from Crack with "Dawn of the Crack" their debut LP for CBS. A track from the LP "Go Away" is just issued also. Mamas Boys touring England with Hawkwind, issued 'Silence is out of Fashion' as their latest. Not bad indeed.

Le Maestro



The girls from the "Big O" are practicing hard for the Donegal Rally - but Margaret thinks it'll be a tie between Horn Head and Tidy Town.

Loch An Iúir

Never in living memory has the lake been so far in on the land in September as it has been this year. It completely covered the car-park and Oileán an Iúir was divided in two for one day. A lot of damage was caused to usable land along the lake with the fields lying waterlogged for days.

Beidh ranganna ar siúl i mbliana sa cholaiste faoi bhúram an Chóiste Gaírm-Oideachais. Beidh ranganna Gaeilge, Tíos, Déanamh Báid, agus Ceoil, ar fáil. Bhí a leithéidí ann i roimhe ach thit an tóin astu anuraidh agus táthar ag súil go mbeidh biseach ar an scéal i mbliana.

Tá an Eigse thart anois agus ainneoin go raibh sé mall go leor sa bhliain thug se roinnt bheag daoine isteach na h-áite. Bhí luchair ar go leor castáil le Niall Ó Dónaill agus a chlann, a raibh i gconaf céad míle fáilte roimpu i Loch an Iúir. Ní dhearna Niall neamart ina cháirde nach raibh ag an Eigse mar go dtug se cuairt orthu an chéad oíche. Bhí meas mór ag Clann Uí Dónaill i gcónaí ar Loch an Iúir agus ar mhuintir Loch an Iúir.

Flooding is now widespread at the Tech. wall. It's not that it has shifted from the crossroads, for that problem is still there, but the pipe or drain leading under the road taking the surface water to the lake is completely choked with sand and gravel. It's not a big job for the Co. Council to rectify and it would be a relief for many. On the other hand it might be suitable for the new boats that will no doubt be built in the Tech. this winter. It's a pity that our new telephone box is going to be like the pub with no beer. It's sad to see it standing there and that you can't say "hello" to it - sorry in it. Caithfidh muid fáil amach fosta caidé an Gaeilge ar "Hello". San am i láthair, it's a grand shelter for the dancers. Bhail is olc an ghaoth

There was an old song long ago which went, "At bun Chnoc na nAgall there is a dancing hall". But now that could be changed to - On barr Chnoc na nAgall there is built a booster aerial, which is not satisfactory" Whether it is the cause or not, the picture in Loch an Iúir ain't what it used to be. I think people deserve better for their forty punt. Ach mair a thiofáidh an Samhradh agus fásfaidh an féar, things might change. I hope so anyway!

There are more ways of winning cups than having a successful band, as the Loch an Iúir folk showed them in Ostán na Rosann recently. Francie waltzed his way through to the first prize. And there is no truth in the rumour that it was the cup of tea Peg gave him before the competition that helped him along. Well with Francie now starting winning cups I am afraid Cassie must get that special window after all. Tá an geimhreadh fada agus is iomaí waltz ó seo go Lá Fhéil Pádraig. "An Bacach".

KINCASSLAGH

Kincasslagh Hall will be the centre of attraction on Sunday night 25th October when 4 National Schools will compete in a general knowledge quiz and talent competition. The schools taking part are Annagry, Acres, Belcruit and Keadue. There will also be entertainment by members of the Boyle and Ward families from Keadue who have just formed a folk group.

What a day it was at Paddy Neily's on Sunday 26th September with Tug-o-War, Sheaf Throwing, Hammer Throwing, Pint Drinking and Tossing the Donkey. In the local Tug-o-War competition, the Thatch were victorious with Packie James' pub from Maghera the Runners' up. Dom Mc Devitts' team put on a brave show but when Dom himself sat down it was all over. John Joe didn't have his boots on and the Sunday shoes could not grip the ground very well. In the 100 stone competition White Strand came out on top with Glenties in second place. In the Catchweight, White Strand again were winners with Burtonport in second place. 'Tossing the donkey' competition was held a little earlier and it was a pity that most of the people missed this. First man to tackle the donkey was Paddy Dinnie but he had not the right knack. Then there were many attempts from Danny Biddy Sarah, Dan Mc Garvey and Brian Quinn but all were unsuccessful until Christy Hegarty (Seamus Peter's brother -in-law) finally succeeded and won himself the £50 that Paddy Neily put up. Brian Mamus won the pint-drinking competition. The very successful

How did the twins and Nellie enjoy the tour? Where did H. (High Flier) head off to, Ann? Is A.B. in love with her T. her new English teacher. Drakes for sale in Crolley, Ducks for sale in Storyland.

Who caused a Red alert in Dungloe Hospital by ringing the bell? Who's on holidays from Longford and has no intentions of going back?

The Lower Rosses

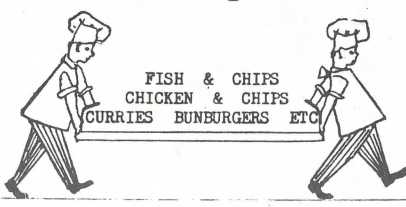
Well, the bus has been to Lisdoonvarna and Big Con did not succeed in getting a woman. He blames Jim the T.D. Con was the finest man there but, "Ah", he says, "when the driver did not get one it's not so bad". By the way one of the Batchelors from our list got married a few weeks ago, but he was in the younger age group. We've also gained a spinster. I think Jim should get a computer for Lackenagh. Hurry up Mr White. Ten years ago 60 people lived on Inisfree. Now there are only 2 natives and at times up to 30 screamers, but that did not deter Pat the Cope from asking the Co. Council and Roinn na Gaeltachta for the provision of two rings on the pier. So even if you dont vote Jennie, Pat will still work for you. Who was Hemming in the last issue? The gremlins were busy or the Editor was drunk. The Harbour Master had a notice on Burtonport Pier asking that nets be removed from the pier, but without success. Allan does not know what to do with Rampart school. I would advise a Bunny Club or Mastermind, now that there is an expert about.

The doctors had a big weekend in Dungloe. Lectures were given to local doctors on new methods. Surgeon Duffy gave a lecture on the effects of fish dying and using up all the oxygen - it can be fatal. Professor Harley lectured on the effects of paints-how they damage the tissue of the lungs. Professor Bonner, Letterkenny, lectured on money and the strain it can cause. Dennis said after that lecture, "I think one job is enough". Consultant Piggy lectured on the danger of over-eating, but viking gives good balanced diets. When all was over, Mamus and Brian said, "sure we know all that". Driving lessons are being given in Dungloe now and Tony has got out of 1st gear at last. Burtonport pubs have turned from wrestling to Boxing. Fight of the month was between the two Dinnie's. Gerry Cooney stepped in to break it up but hit everything except the boxers. It's always the case - people always go to strangers! 3 next door neighbours in Burtonport had B.&B. signs outside all summer.

The Screamers did a great trade, but the two houses below them broke the record. Not one! I think if they offered breakfast in bed they might have scored. Late news - I heard Ward of Purt was in Lisdoonvarna.

"The Listener".

Árd Na gCeapaire



FISH & CHIPS
CHICKEN & CHIPS
CURRIES BUNBURGERS ETC

TAKEAWAY

10:30 am to 12:00 pm

Fresh Fish available

Will D.A. be our next politician?.

Who went to Gweedore and didn't return until dinnertime + the next day?

day wound up with Paddy making a speech and filling the cup for the winners. He also announced that there would be a three day festival in the Country Inn grounds next year. Kincasslagh Tug - o - War club are holding a Mastermind Pub Quiz in Jack's Place on Saturday 24th. Keadue Rovers have signed a number of new players for the coming season, including ex-Gweedore Celtic players, Paul Sweeney, Michael and John Mór O'Donnell.

"The Round Tower".

For Sale
Fiat 132 1975 GLS 1800
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Magheracorty,
Gortahork.

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Good Condition
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THE BRAVE WON'T BE BEATEN!

"Look what Aunt Nora sent me !" cried Cian as he pulled out a beautiful sailing boat with red sails from the parcel he had received. "I'll take it to the pond later," he told his Mummy and sister Aisling.

"I got a nurse's outfit and a lovely doll !" said Aisling "I'm going to be a nurse when I grow up."

"Happy Birthday Cian . . . Happy Birthday Aisling !" sang Mummy as she put the seven candles on their birthday cake. A proud boy was Cian when he took the boat to the pond for the first time. Other children were there with their own boats, but there were none like Cian's - none had a red sail! After a little while Cian let Aisling play with it, as he left to play football with some friends. Poor Aisling hadn't the boat for long - because she'd done something silly. Aisling was crying bitterly when Cian returned. He wondered what had happened. Then he noticed that his beautiful sailing boat was gone. "Where's my boat? . . . where is it?" he asked. "I began to put little stones on the deck," sobbed Aisling. "When it got to the middle of the pond . . . it sunk. . . I never meant it . . . I'm sorry."

"Cian began to quarrel with her. To tell him she was sorry was no good - not after his beautiful boat had been sunk. They quarreled for a long while, but at last Mummy got them settled, promising Cian she would buy him a new boat. Still, Cian wasn't pleased. He refused to speak to Aisling and she didn't speak to him.

"Next morning, Mummy thought the quarrel was forgotten - but no. Aisling and Cian took their breakfast in silence, staring madly at each other. "Whatever is going to happen," said Mummy "today is their first school sports day. Never did the twins act like this before." What will happen in the wheelbarrow race?" said Daddy with a worried look. To get them to talk was fruitless. Off they went to the school sports in silence.

At last, the great moment arrived - time for the sports to begin. Before the wheelbarrow race, came the Bobbin Race and Aisling won it - now that made Cian very cross. Then something happened. All the prizes were laid out on a large table. The winners were all allowed to pick their own prizes at the end of each race. Cian saw on the table a sailing boat, and it had red sails! If only he had won a race to get it, but no - Aisling had to win! Aisling didn't know what to choose from all that was on the table. It was full of beautiful prizes. There was a first aid kit, dolls, a doll's house, story books and skipping ropes and a lot of other nice things. Her eyes also caught the sailing boat in the centre of the table. "What will she pick?" thought Cian to himself. Well, from all the lovely prizes she chose the sailing boat and gave it to her twin brother.

Cian was the happiest boy in the world as he gratefully accepted the gift from his sister Aisling. And guess who won the wheelbarrow race

"The End".

The Dustbin.

A young couple had just moved into their new house. After a while they had their furniture arranged and re-arranged into the most suitable place, except for their dustbin. The first week they put it behind the rockery, the second week they put it beside the garage and the third week they put it behind a high hedge in the garden out of sight.



A week passed with the dustbin in this position until one morning at about 7 o'clock a loud banging came to the back door. Up jumps the man of the house, puts on his dressing gown and gallops down the stairs, expecting some major disaster. He throws the bolt, opens the door and standing there is the Dustman who says, "Okay, I give in - where is it this week?"

le John Coll, Glasgow.

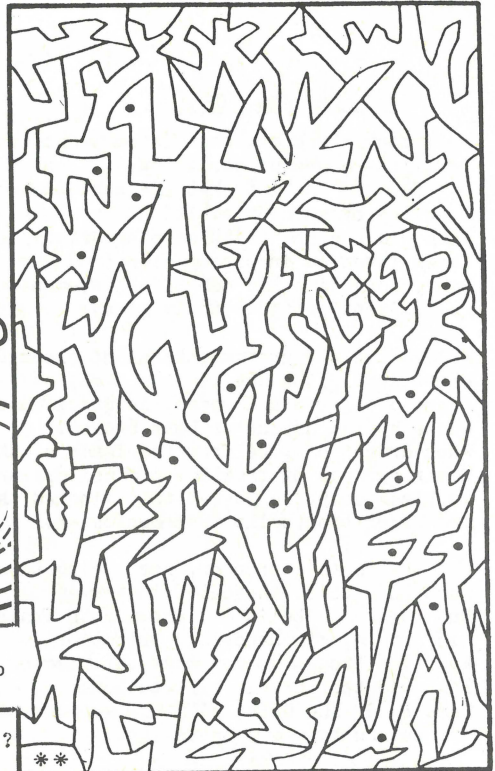
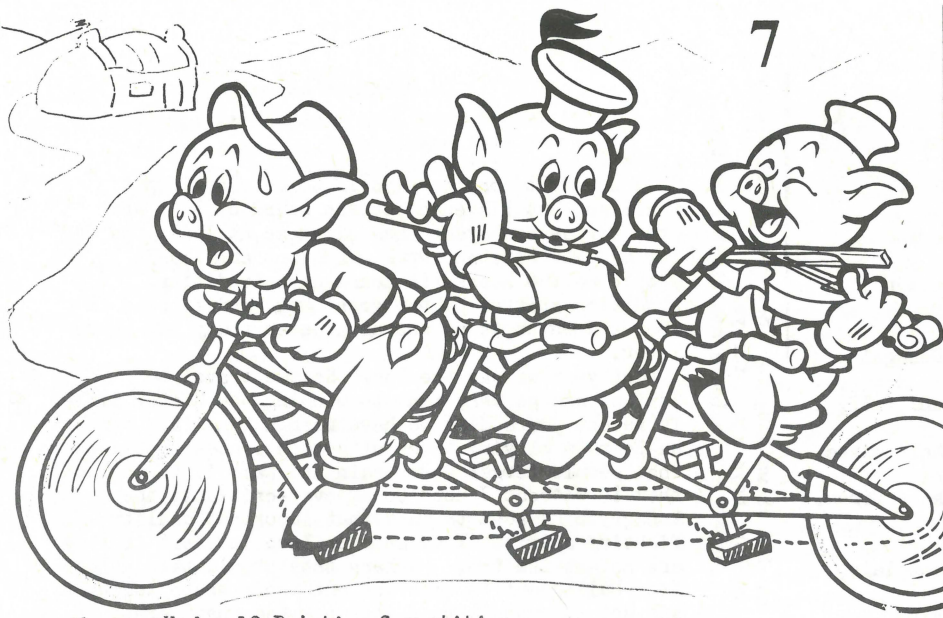


Na Déagóirí - Club Foróige an Bhunbhig. Tá 3 Chlub Foróige sa pharóiste anois.

Why does Ann D. Want to be an alter boy?
Is Angela B. in Love with Rafferty?
Is it true that Reggie & S. are barred from Storyland.

What Dore man went to work and feeling very hungry at lunchtime opened his bag for a sandwich but got a surprise. What had he but Sarah's knitting.

Guess who was delighted to see Patricia in the paper?
Stardust is getting very fuzzy of late.
New suit Sheamus! Gold Band will be next?



Under 10 Painting Competition

Tá pencilcase, pinn daite agus crayons le baint: Last month's winner: Heather Wasson, Middletown, Doire Beaga.

Ainm

Seoladh

Aois

Seol chuig: "Guth 7 Tuairim", Doire Beaga

SHADE IN ALL THE SECTIONS WITH DOTS TO DISCOVER A HIDDEN PICTURE.

Does Daniel like M.E. ???
Is John Mc G. engaged? **

Answers on a postcard or on the back of an envelope to:-
"Guth 7 Tuairim", Doire Beaga. Tá £3 le baint. Last month's winner: Eoin Mc Garvey, Lock an Iuir.

Comórtas

Why is the lawn in Oustán so "Green"? Guess.
Who was the girl musician who knocked out a bla'gard from M/duff.



1. Who was the first man in space ?
2. What nationality was the famous painter Rubens ?
3. In what year was the Klondike Gold Rush ?
4. How is the level of sound measured ?
5. Who was the last and most famous Apache war leader

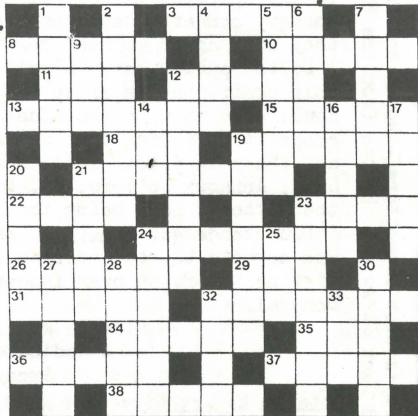
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ACROSS

3. Deserve
8. Weight
10. Repasts
11. Equality
12. Game at snooker
13. Restrain
15. Excessive
18. Gone
19. Put in
21. Dwelling
22. Metal
23. Fairy
24. Relates
26. Darken
29. Rocky hill
31. Trifle
32. Lock part
34. Gapes
35. Insect
36. Butler
37. Rate
38. Rims

DOWN

1. Chicken
2. Topical sketch
4. Gain
5. Exempt
6. Years
7. Meal
9. Hurried
12. Age
14. Astern
16. Valleys
17. Moral
19. Lights
20. Ties
21. Lid
23. Maybe
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25. Dwarf breed
27. Gas
28. Receiver
30. Change
32. Joint
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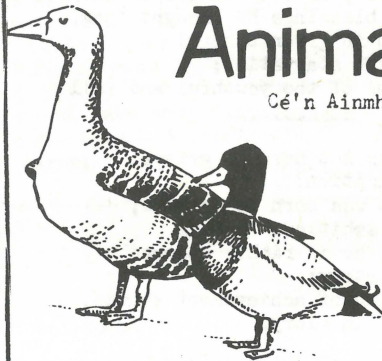


FREAGRAÍ

Across: 3. Ment; 8. Carat; 10. Meals; 11. Par; 12. Frame; 13. Contain; 15. Undue; 18. Off; 19. Inert; 21. Cottage; 22. Iron; 23. Pert; 24. Recluse; 26. Deepen; 29. Tor; 31. Straw; 32. Reptile; 34. Lame; 35. Ant; 36. Sewer; 37. Speed; 38. Edges. Down: 1. Capon; 2. Cartoon; 4. Earn; 5. Immune; 6. Teens; 7. Flour; 9. Ran; 12. Fifties; 14. Aff; 16. Dimes; 17. Ethnic; 19. Imitate; 20. Binds; 21. Cover; 23. Perhaps; 24. Reward; 25. Toy; 27. Ether; 28. Payer; 30. Alter; 32. Knee; 33. One.

Animal Farm

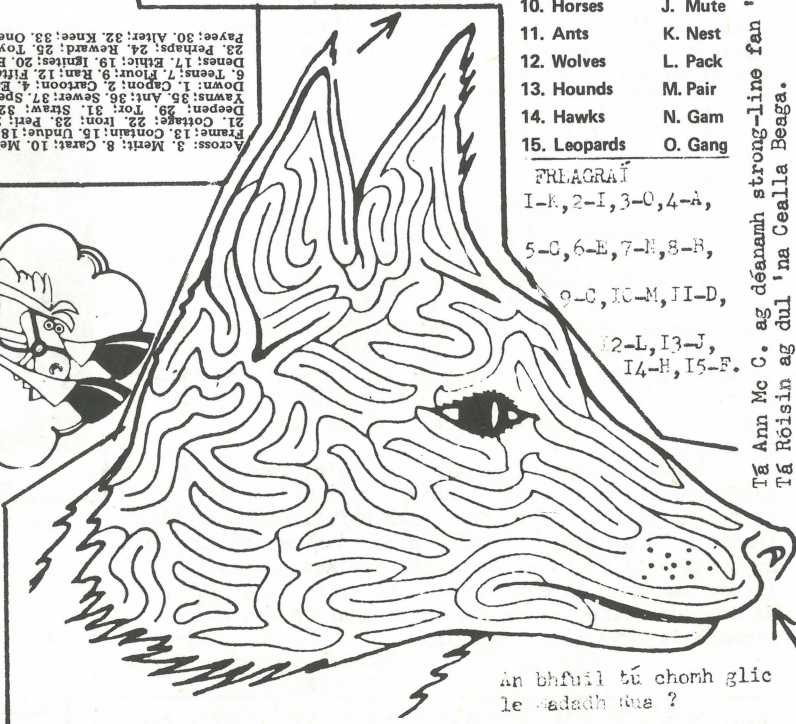
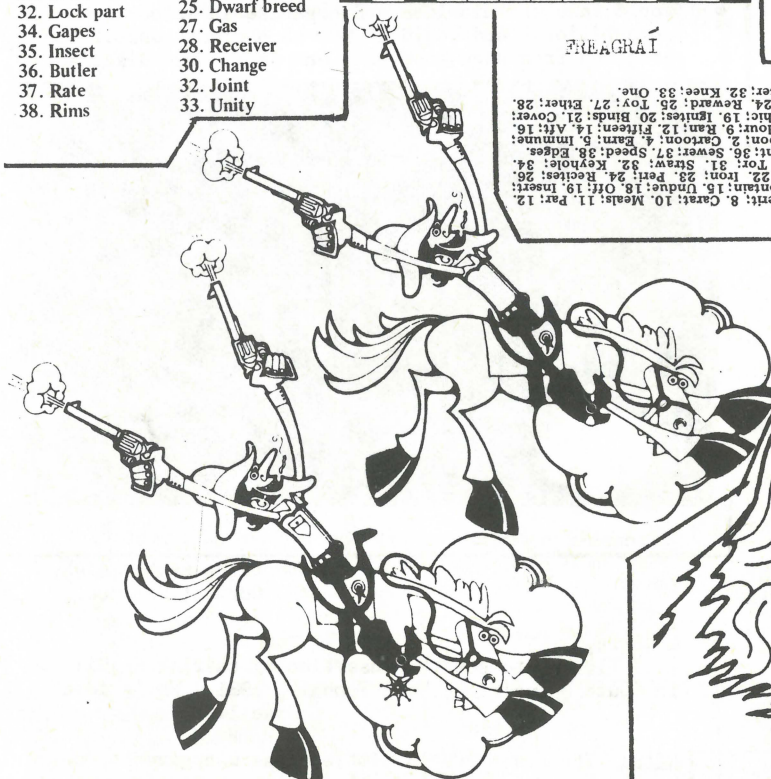
Cé'n Ainmhí ___ Cé'n Fuaim ???



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| 1. Vipers | A. Gaggle |
| 2. Peacocks | B. Hive |
| 3. Elks | C. Husk |
| 4. Geese | D. Colony |
| 5. Gnats | E. Litter |
| 6. Pigs | F. Leap |
| 7. Whales | G. Horde |
| 8. Bees | H. Cast |
| 9. Hares | I. Muster |
| 10. Horses | J. Mute |
| 11. Ants | K. Nest |
| 12. Wolves | L. Pack |
| 13. Hounds | M. Pair |
| 14. Hawks | N. Gam |
| 15. Leopards | O. Gang |

FREAGRAÍ
I-K, 2-I, 3-O, 4-A,
5-C, 6-E, 7-N, 8-B,
9-C, 10-M, 11-D,
12-L, 13-J,
14-H, 15-F.

Tá Ann Mc C. ag déanamh strong-line fan 'Phorc
Tá Róisín ag dul 'na Cealla Beaga.



An bhfuil tú chomh glie le madadh tuisce ?

Full many a man has been fated to grieve,
Bewailing a woeful condition;
But few are the men that are born to achieve,
Impelled by a lofty ambition.
With courage and faith some are richly endowed,
Their lives an inspiring story;
Long, long live the men of achievement avowed,
Fulfillment presages their glory.

Where rise the gray mountains of green Donegal
Where softly the Gaelic is spoken,
There dwell men and women, so graceful and tall,
Whose spirit has never been broken.
When driven of yore from the lands of their sires,
Their gardens of fruitful profusion,
In bleak mountain passes they kindled their fires,
And order they built from confusion.

Not theirs to surrender, nor theirs to complain,
When threatened the baleful starvation;
But theirs to belittle, nor yet to sustain
Misfortune, mischance and privation.
And time brought a man that was bred on the soil,
Intrepid tho' humble his station;
Came Paddy The Cope, with his genius and toil,
His watchword was cooperation.

But swiftly, the word was rejected with jeers,
His effort encountered frustration;
Again, when his progress was greeted with cheers,
The time was not yet for elation.
The spark newly kindled he patiently fanned,
Success was a predestination;
But daily he laboured and daily he planned,
Till faith brought her full consummation.

On the stubborn soil that has given them birth,
They practice the plan that he taught them;
They strive in the field, as they thrive on the hearth,
Giving thanks for the blessings he brought them.
No longer are children in green Donegal
Inured in their poignant starvation;
At last, may the dreams of the youthful and tall
Recoil from the curse - emigration.

No ! Paddy The Cope was not born to grieve,
Deploring a dismal condition;
For here is a man that was born to achieve,
Inspired by a soaring ambition.
With courage and faith he is richly endowed
His life an inspiring story;
Long, long live this man of achievement avowed,
His name be emblazoned in glory.

Sean O'Doherty, September 6 1947.

Presented by the author on behalf of the Donegal Society of Philadelphia to Paddy the Cope at a dinner October 6, 1947.

Litreacha

Falcarrach,
8/10/'81.

A Chara,

Cupla Domhnach ó shoin b'eigin domh 'dhul amach
as Teach'Phobail agus an tAifreann ag dul ar aghaidh.
Ar mo bhealach amach an doras taoibh domh casadh orm
triúr girseachaí óga thart faoi cúig bliana déag
amuigh sa phóirse ag caitheamh toitíní. Nuair a bhí
na toitíní caite acu, amach leo taobh amuigh go dtí
am Comaoineach. D'fhan siad ag bun an staighre ansin
go raibh an tAifreann thart. Níl mé féin ró-chráifeach
ach sílim gur fhearr do go leor daoine mar seo fanacht
sa bhaile.

Bíonn na Sagairt go minic ag caint faoi na daoine
a bhíonn ag fágail Teach 'Phobail sula mbíonn an
tAifreann thart. Sílim féin nach bhfuil maith ar bith
ansin ! Tá an faidhb i bhfad níos doimhne na sin - níl
an tuigheáil ceart ag cuid mhór don aos óg faoi'n
chreideamh agus tá cuid do'n locht ar na sagairt, cuid
do ar thuismitheoirí agus cuid éile ar an gcóras
oideachais agus ar mhúinteoirí.

Is mise le meas,
M.

When there's no more to be said - some fool always says it.
Man is made of clay - but it takes a woman to make a mug
out of him.
The overtaker meets the undertaker.

Paróiste Anagaire,
6/10/'81.

A Chara,

I wouldn't consider myself to be a brilliant musician, but listening to the sound of Fife and Drum for several years has given me at least the "ear" for music. Fife and Drum means not only music to the people of the Rosses it means also tradition. A tradition started by the great Mullaghduff band in 1881 and which is as strong as ever today 100 years later.

Last year we saw the "new" Keadue travel to Belfast and go very near to winning the Ulster title. In recent years also we have seen a band from Rann na Feirste playing tunes with such professionalism that people forget about rain and hail listening to them ! Without I hope being over-critical, the Annagry band seem to lack that important quality - fighting spirit. They seem to lose interest if they are not at the top. Perhaps they should take a leaf from Mullaghduff's book who put their teeth together and got on with it no matter how bad they were. In recent years the Mullaghduff bands' performances were poor to say the least but like soldiers they kept coming back and it is now only a matter of time until the victory songs echo around Mullaghduff - the home of fife music.

It was nice to see in recent years a challenge from the Derrybeg band in an effort to break the Rosses monopoly. It will however be hard to move those dedicated musicians from Keadue off the top. But rumour has it that Rann na Feirste will take bets that their music will land at least one of the major trophies come next year. Maybe just another cup will make it's way past the Crolly bridge to Derrybeg or to the spirited men of Mullaghduff. Sadly, unless Annagry concerto take their elbows off the counters they will again go home moaning about decisions.

Do the public have to wait until next year to see this confrontation arise ? Surely some committee could come up with the idea of running an indoor competition during the winter months. The facilities are there in places like Ostán na Rosann, Falcarragh Hall, Annagry College, St. Domenick's Glenties, with the latter I feel being the most suitable. If Fife & Drum bands can practice inside then surely they can compete there. So come on all you organisers, give us the first ever indoor competition in Donegal.

Mise le meas,

A dedicated but disillusioned
Annagry man.

Nóta on Eagarthóir: Perhaps the Rosses Bands Committee would take up this idea and organise an indoor competition. And would it not be a great idea if the proceeds from such an event went to aid the disabled!

Kerry's best supporters - Nora and Pat C. Did Jack Straw get the tea from the Blonde in Keadue ?

Caroline was fed up waiting for Josie on Sunday night. - that's the Port boys again for ya. Why did P. ignore A.R. in Leo's one night recently.



Kincasslagh Brass Band at the turn of the century

Machaire Rabhartaigh,
Gort a' Chioirce,

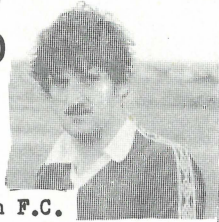
A Chara,

Pleased to see the insertion by Patrick Mc Gill in "Guth 7 Tuairim", Mean Fomhair, 1981. Who's idea?
Mise le meas,
N. M.

Nóta: The Navy Poet's little verse was given to us by a reader. And we'd be interested in more of his writings !
"An tEagarthóir".

FOCUS ON 9 GWEE DORE UNITED

WILLIE DIVER



Full name: William Joseph Diver
Birthplace: Caledonia Road, Glasgow
Height: 6 - 1½
Weight: 12½st.
Position: Left-back
Previous clubs: Gweedore Celtic, Glassagh F.C.
Married: No
Favourite player: Pat Doohan, Gweedore Utd.
Favourite other team: Dunlewey (Glenea Res.)
Most difficult opponents: Dunlewey
Most memorable matches: Winning Gaeltacht League against above.
Biggest thrill: Scoring goal in Gaeltacht Cup semi-final.
Biggest disappointment: Missing promotion last year
Best place visited: Glasgow
Favourite food: Steak & Chips
Miscellaneous likes: Training
Miscellaneous dislikes: Half-hearted players
Favourite T.V. shows: Quincy, Mork & Mindy
Favourite singers: ABBA, E.L.O.
Favourite actors/actresses: Clint Eastwood, Liz Taylor
Best friends: A few
Biggest influence on career: Mickey Gallagher, Pádraig Mc Gee

Biggest drag in soccer: Injuries
Honours: Gaeltacht League, Dunlewey 7^s - '80 & 81, Dunfanaghy 7^s - '81
Football ambitions: To win the premier League with Gweedore Utd.

Which person in the world would you most like to meet? Clint Eastwood

Signature: *WILLIAM DIVER*

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HERE'S CRUNCHIN YOU YOU GREAT BIG BEAUTIFUL MOUTHFUL!

SMAILCBHIA TEORANTA



Pádraig Mac Pháidín ag bronnadh Corn Uladh ar Éamonn Mac Niallais, Captaen fhoireann Cheiltigh Ghaoth Dobhair, Faoi 15 a bhuaidh ar Bhun Crannaigh sa chluiche ceannais.

Peter got his in Kerry.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Name a well known German Golfer?
2. Name 3 one million pound soccer players?
3. Which County does hurler John Connolly play for?
4. Which American boxer is being labelled "the great white hope"?
5. 6' 6, Brian Coke from Boston, U.S.A. has recently joined an Irish team. In which sport?

Answers on a postcard or on the back of an envelope to: "Guth 7 Tuairim". Doire Beaga, Tá €3 le baint. Last month's winner: Mary O'Brien (Seán), An Ardaf Bheag, Gort a' Choirce.



Foireann Rann na Feirste fiche bliain ó shin An aithníonn tú iad?

EARRAÍ COINCREID Gaoth Dobhair

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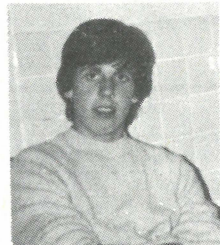
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FOCUS ON J. KELLY

Cloich Cheann Fhaola

Full name: Joe Kelly
Birthplace: Falcarrach
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 11 stone
Position: Midfield
Previous clubs: None
Married: No
Favourite player: Oggie Moran
Favourite other team: Galway
Most difficult opponents: Dunfanaghy
Most memorable matches: V Urris in Intermediate Championship S.F.



Biggest thrill: Winning
Biggest disappointment: Losing Inter-championship final

Best place visited: Waterford
Favourite food: Indian Curry
Miscellaneous likes: Comedians and good food
Miscellaneous dislikes: Bad refs.
Favourite T.V. shows: Benson
Favourite singers: Joe Breslin
Favourite actors/actresses: Neily O'Donnell
Best friends: Many
Biggest influence on career: Butcher Boy
Biggest drag in football: Players who are only half-interested in what they're doing

Personal ambitions: To enjoy life
Football ambitions: To play in the senior League

Which person in the world would you most like to meet? Jack Nicholson

Signature: *Joe Kelly*

Kerry will never be the same again after that wedding. Why did Josephine get off the bus in Falcarrach.



Páilín, Patricia agus an boyfriend



Washing up



Sitting pretty



Candid Camera



The Dancer



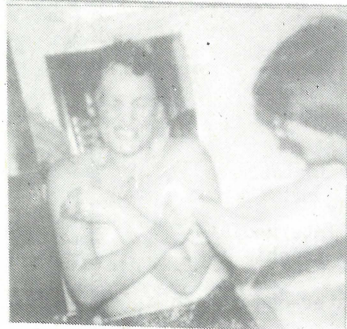
Two of the boyfriends from Lisdoonvarna



Two young ladies who enjoyed themselves in Galway



1970



Lisdoonvarna, again



Lawrence and Ringo about to take off from the Airstrip



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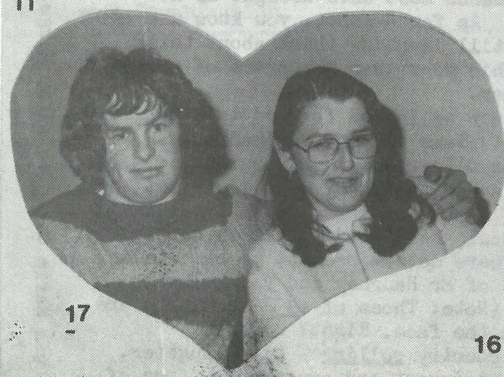
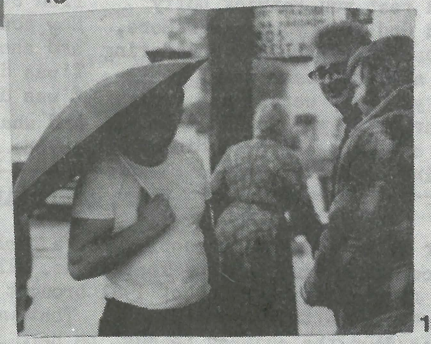
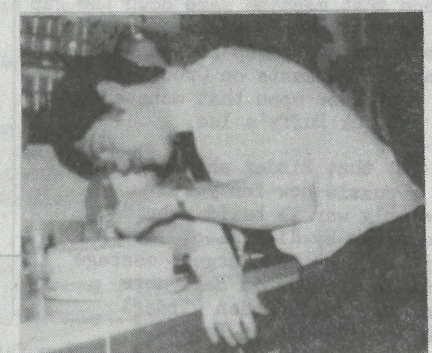
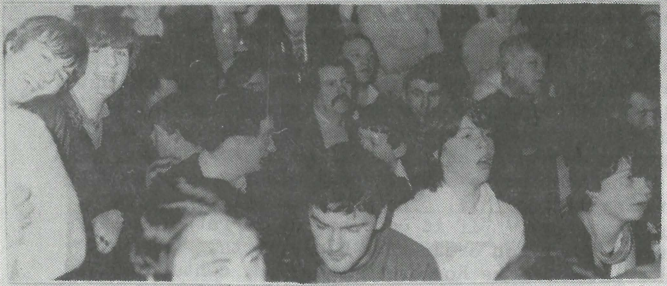
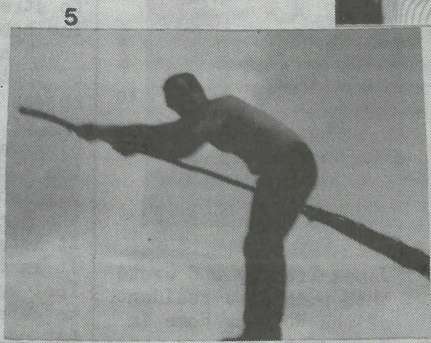
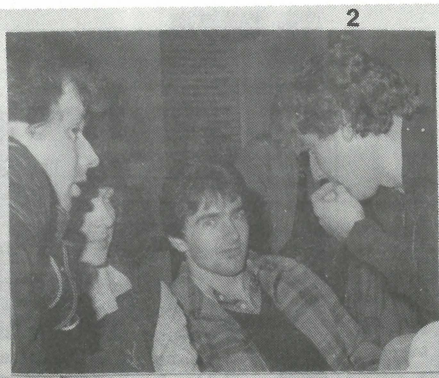


Clue: Glen RD, Lisdoonvarna



"Take our picture"

GUESS WHO? 11



The Binder of Falmore

(by James Trearty, Kilmacloo, Creeslough)

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1906 - 1981, The Cope, Diamond Jubilee. Templecrone Co-operative Agricultural Society.

80 pages, Softback, Ir. £1.75.

As is obvious from the title the book has been issued to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the best known co-operative in the north-west. It is an excellent means of commemorating this important milestone in the history of a venture which has gone from strength to strength.

The book is a hotchpotch. A collection of pieces which are interesting individually. A collection of photographs of the staff, some old pictures, addresses made at the jubilee celebrations and a gathering of historical material all add up to form a bizarre work. The book is reminiscent. It brings the "Cope" to mind. It has it's pieces higgledy-piggledy throughout the Rosses like the material in the book.

It lets us know what state the "Cope" is in to-day. It is the biggest employer in the Rosses. It has lost much of it's agricultural base and has sought to serve the growing affluence of it's clientele. Let us hope that when the time comes to celebrate the centenary of the "Cope", a major work dealing with all aspects of the "Cope" will appear.

While not wishing to take from the importance of the material on the "Cope" as it stands I think we must admit that Pádraig Ó Cnáimhsí's essay was the most enjoyable section. I used the word essay as his name appears with only one of the history pieces. I think that he is also responsible for the piece on the Templecrone Mill Book and also Snippets from early history. If it were he, it is rather a pity he was not given credit for his efforts. Anybody interested in the Rosses in the 20th. century should read Ó Cnáimhsí. He has a pleasant style and is absorbing reading.

The book has whetted our appetite for both an authoritative history of the "Cope" and Pádraig Ua Cnáimhsí's work on the Rosses.

Maitiú Ó Murchú.

Loch an Iúir, Anagaire,

A Chara,

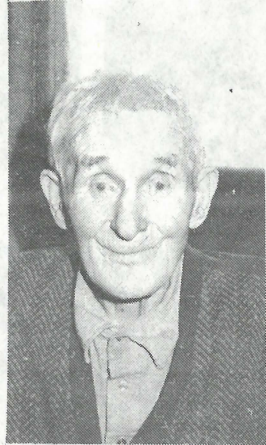
I would be grateful if you could get the words of the song "Mo Chailín Rua" for me. Mise le meas, Mrs A. Rodgers.

Eagarthoir: Can any of our readers help?

Newsflash - Condy has struck oil in Meenbanad.

Did B. think it was J. and A. on the back seat?

The Green Fool



James Trearty who wrote this poem is a resident of the Nursing Home in Falcarragh. He is a prolific poet and we hope to feature more of his work.

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When cold October sizzly blasts left fields and furrows bare, One evening as I wandered out to take a breath of air. I turned home with a broken heart my feet were getting sore, For I stumbled over a Binder that was useless in Falmore.

There is a man of note and fame in the town of Ballina, He is a strict teetotaller and upholder of the law. He bought a modern binder from a farmer down in Cork, It was shipped across the ocean from a firm in New York.

The farmer's talk is cheap but what they don't know I do, I read the "Farmer's Journal" and I know a thing or two. I know the reaper's out of date and the size we do ignore, So I send this "modern" binder to the farmer in Falmore.

The day they got the Binder it was sorrowful to see, As they wrestled with that monster down on Patrick Duffy's lee. When they put the Binder into gear it wouldn't cut at all, So it's just another nuisance that was sent to Donegal.

Many a stormy night has passed and sultry Summer morning, Since that machine came down the gap to cut the people's corn. The goats and sheep are wondering from their haunts on Crocatee, As they gaze upon that monster on Patrick Duffy's lee.

To get that Binder shifted is a puzzle now for you, The only way is build a bridge and cross by Kilmacloo. So they sent that urgent message down to friends in Ballymore and they send wooden girders for the viaduct at Fenore.

God rest you Patrick Duffy and God rest you Seamus More, Whose bones are now mouldering by ancient Cashelmore, If you only were alive today your grief you couldn't hide, To see that crippled Binder lying by the riverside

You farmers all both great and small from every glen and nook, Now sow your corn with your hand and shear it with a hook. T'was done by famous Neil Mc Bride t'was done by Seamus Mór, And what they have done you can do in the green braes of Falmore.

There is no title on this article because I can't think of one.

Dear folks and gentle people what a start to the year ! In case you haven't noticed we had our annual season of peace and goodwill since last issue. That was last year of course. Goodwill how are you ! If you accept that the first eleven months of 1981 brought us galloping inflation the Christmas season must have brought us at least high altitude economics. That was only to decorate the Christmas tree. As for - shh... you know who comes down the chimney he must be hand in glove with the taxman. If you are still laughing think about this! It probably cost more to get the average family through the Christmas season this year than the price of a good car ten years ago. If you are still laughing wait till you see the Bank Manager.

So the end of 1981 was no great shakes. Nevertheless cheery souls that we are we looked forward to a bright and prosperous new year. In comes 1982 and the weather would freeze an Eskimo. Some places even had snow. So they kept telling us on R.T.E.and telling us and telling us, etc. Even Mr O'Leary's usually reliable forecast of gloom failed to spot the impending storm. The Government, canny souls that they are didn't let the hour by them as they say. They "took" the E.E.C. for the price of a couple of Knock airports. It's true what they say - there's no business like show-business. Or mar a dúirt an sean-fhocal, never a door closes but another opens. The "door" in this case was the Fianna Fáil Party. True to form they were determined not to be outdone by Garret the Gown (didn't he look well in it). A Mr Mc Creevy made a Charlie of Mr Haughey and yes folks Mr Haughey made a Charlie of Mr Mc Creevy. Mr Mc C was superb as the "fall guy" (Note: Those of my readers who are not familiar with fall guy's - well he is the lad who gets the custard pie in the face. Right? Right.) Meanwhile Mick O'Leary of the belated forecast was doing his best to keep the country rolling - with laughter. Yes, good people take your hats off to them, they provide the nation with entertainment and amusement - free of charge (Bruton who?).

I sincerely hope to cheer you up no end next month with news-views of Mr Brutal's brutal "budgie". In the meantime remember - a woman who marries money is usually faithful to it. Right on ladies!

What was Marie G. up to after Margo.