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They said it couldn't be done...yet "The Leader", Donegal's only monthy magazine, is going from strength to strength, reaching new readers all the time. We would like to take this opportunity of wishing all our readers, and also all the businesses who have made it all possible by advertising with us, a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Our first edition of 1989 will be in the shops on January 13th. Our deadline for receipt of all articles, notes, photos, painting competitions, letters etc. is Saturday, 7th

Guíom Nollaig Shona agus Bliain Úr Mhaith d'ar Leitheoirí uilig.

"An tEagarthóir".

RASPBERRIES

To the selfish people who smoke their cigarettes while sitting in the No Smoking seats on Donegal -Dublin buses.

To the farmers who hold up long lines of traffic never considering to pull in every so often to let other road-users past.

ROSES

To all those who remember the less well-off this Christmas

To John McGinley for having No Smoking seats on his buses

Send your Raspberries and Roses to: "The Leader", Lower Main St., Letterkenny.

Some people collect stamps. Others coins. I know a man who has a large collection of old clocks. But Eddie Ferry collects cars. Beautiful old cars. When I met Eddie outside his garage and free-fit Exhaust Centre in Ramelton he proudly showed me this lovely old black Riley, registration number IH 9403. But he has a garage full of classic and antique cars. And there's more of them outside his home on the outskirts of Ramelton. It is obvious that old cars are an obsession with Eddie. If they are not in perfect condition when he buys them he lovingly restores them to that state. He uses them for wedding hire and also takes part in vintage rallies and festival parades.

The Riley pictured here is an R.M.A. model which has a one and a half litre engine and was registered in 1950 by Sam Roulstone of Lower Main Street, Letterkenny. Eddie bought her 23 years ago from Sam's son Stuart for the large sum of £15. She starts on the first turn and unlike the plastic and tin models of today is solidly built.



Meet twins Gavin and Keith Ferry, Bun a Leaca, Gweedore. They're not identical, and have different interests as well. Gavin is keen on acting and recently played the part of HANSEL on stage while Keith is just mad about football.

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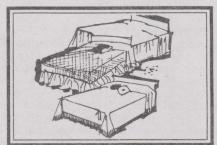
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hristmas songs

WHEN A CHILD IS BORN

A ray of hope flickers in the sky, A tiny star lights up, way up high, All across the land dawns a brand new morn

This comes to pass when a child is born.

A silent wish sails the seven seas, The winds of change whisper in the trees,

And the wall of doubt crumbles tossed and torn

This comes to pass when a child is born.

A rosy hue settles all around, You've got the feel, you're on solid ground.

For a spell or two no one seems forlorn,

This comes to pass when a child is born.

Just why do so many people lay their lives on the line when going out at night when asimple armband could save so many tragedies? An armband, worn at night while out walking, cycling or jogging could mean the difference between life and death. They are cheap but so very very effective.

The Leader is trying to encourage road users to wear their armbands and so we are literally giving away prizes. One lucky and surprised pedestrian, who won a tee-shirt from us this month, very kindly sponsored by SUB 4 factory, was Mr. Aneas Mc Fadden from Mount Merrion, Milford, who was wearing his armband when we spotted him out walking near Milford recently. So the message is - wear that armband. It could save your life and win you a prize from Donnegal's favorite monthly magazine.

神紀 神紀 神派 神派 神派 神派 神派 And all this happens because the

world is waiting Waiting for one child, black, white,

yellow no one knows, But a child that will grow up and turn tears to laughter

Hate to love, war to peace and everyone to everyone's neighbour, And misery and suffering will be

worlds to be forgotten forever.

It's all a dream, an illusion now.

It must come true, sometime, soon, somehow,

All across the land dawns a brand new morn,

This comes to pass when a child is born.

SILENT NIGHT

Silent Night, Holy Night!, All is calm, all is bright, Round you virgin, mother and child, Holy infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Baby Boom (pg)

JC Watt has it all; her career, money, and a banker for a boyfriend. Everything is running smoothly until she inherits something which will change her life, even though she tries everything to keep it the same. Whatever she does is unavoidable, that's what babies do.

Suspect (15)

It's this year's "Jagged Edge". It's Christmas time in Washington and a woman has been found dead - the victim of a grisly murder. Public defender Kathleen Riley (Cher) has been assigned to the case. The criminal is a Vietnam veteran who is both mentally unstable and a deaf mute. Everything points to his guilt until juror Eddie Sangster (Dennis Quaid) helps her with the case and helps himself to Cher. Agood

Monster Squad (15)

It involves all the good horror characters from Dracula to Frankenstein. The battle begins in a small town in America, between good and evil. Armed only with wooden stakes, garlic and silver bullets the monster squad are here. You know who to call when you have ghosts but who do you call when you have monsters? It's a good family film.

Batteries Not Included

(pg)

When an unscrupulous real-estate developer sends thugs into a deteriorating tenement to get rid of the last five tenants, they need nothing short of a miracle to stay where they are. Then one night Faye Riley leaves the window open. Tiny visitors from space mysteriously glide in. As if in answer to their prayers, the incredible creatures begin to turn the tide with their magical powers. It's a delightful fantasy presented by Steven Spielberg.

Robocop (18)

The future of law enforcement, Patrolman Murphy was the 32nd cop to die on the streets of Detroit. Since Security Concepts, Inc. took control of the Police Department, it was the opportunity OCP had been waiting for. Now out of a hidden laboratory emerges a deadly killing machine which is part-man. It's Murphy. His directives are 1. serve the Public Trust, 2. Protect the Innocent, 3. Uphold the Law. It's a good action film.

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SEAMUS GIBSON -DONEGAL COMMUNITY RADIO

"This is Seamus Gibson with the DCR news..." has been a familiar daily introduction to Donegal Community Radio's news reports for the past three years. Seamus who hails from Castletown Street in St. Johnston has been with the station from the start, keeping us informed of international, national and local news between 9.00am and 6.00pm every day. When the station goes off the air at the end of the month because of government legislation his will be one of the many familiar voices missing from the homes of Donegal - but hopefully not for long. Last week we tracked down Donegal's number one newsreader to the DCR studios and here now is the news according to Seamus Gibson - LIVE in "the Leader".

Your miscellaneous likes Seamus - Irish music, cooking and working on cars.

Dislikes - Food additives, unreliable cars, scratched records in the middle of a disco.

Which person in the world would you most like to meet - I'd like to have met with Elvis Presley.

Best place visited - Ballyshannon Folk Festival 1986. Favourite expression - It's probably unprintable.

SEAMUS GIBSON

Hobbies - Playing music and writing music. (Seamus is a very modest chap. What he didn't tell us is that he is a former all-Ireland fiddle champion. In fact, Seamus and his music was featured on RTE Radio recent-Iv.)

Favourite Actor - Michael Caine

Favourite Food - Spaghetti Bolognaise

Favourite Newspapers - The Times and the Irish Independent

Favourite Music - Irish traditional and 60's and 70's

And your all-time favourite piece of music - off the top of
my head Slave to Love by Roxy Music, but many more.

TV Shows - Most word quizzes, Fawlty Towers and the
Two Ronnies

Personal ambitions - To lose the weight I put on over the past two years.

Naughtiest Joke - (Under 18's please switch off the radio) - How do you tell the legitimate from the illegitimate jelly babies? Answer: Cut the top off the bag, turn it upsidedown and the B...... fail out. Aaaagh......

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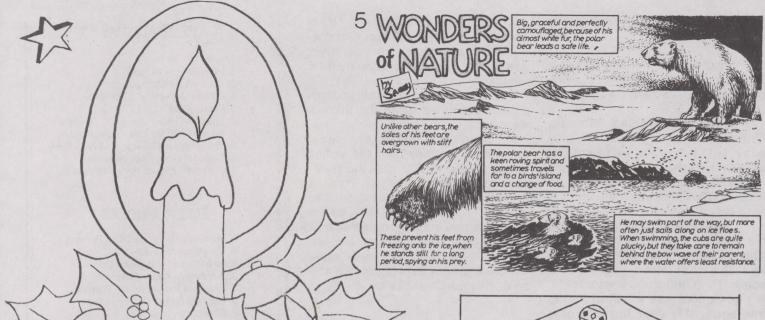
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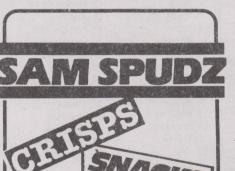


UNDER 10 PAINTING COMPETITION

Name Address Age

Prize: Pencilcase, crayons, markers, coloured pencils.

Last month's winners: Shaun Crowley, Burtonport Aisling McCrudden Ballybegley, Newtoncunningham



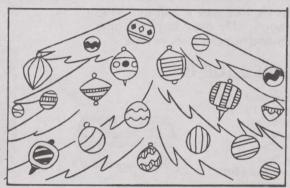


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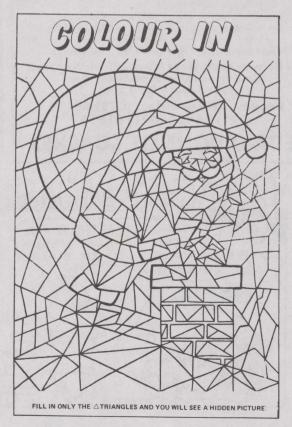


The plants which are traditionally used for Christmas decorations are nearly all evergreens. This means "eternal life". They were often laid out as Christian symbols, but they are, in fact, taken over from heathen customs. In many places they celebrated the return of the sun by dancing around 'holy' trees holding each others' hands. Even though branches from the laurel tree were used by the Romans in their riotous parties in Dec-ember, garlands of laurel leaves were the first Christmas decorations of the Christians. The little rosemary bush is, in the Mediterranean countries, connected with the Virgin Mary, and its branches are considered as protection against various evils. The mistletoe was also ascribed as having miraculous qualities, such as the bringing about of peace and placability. That is why a twig of mistletoe was placed over the doorpost at Christmas time. The holly, with its shiny green leaves and red berries is, in itself, an excellent decoration in winter time.



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE





CHRISTMAS CRACKERS

Two drunks walking through Glasgow. "Is this Wembley?" "No, it's Thursday." "So am I, let's go for a drink."

Sound of marching. "Morning Vladimir". "Morning Ivan". "Chilly today, isn't it ?". "No, we're not finished with Afghanistan yet".

A Spanish Fireman's wife had twins. What did she call them? Hose A and Hose B.

Two old Colonels are drinking in a country club. One turns to the other and says: "I say old chap, when was the last time you had a woman?". "Oh, I think it was 1945". "My gosh, that was a hell of a long time ago". "My dear boy, it's only twenty-two hundred hours now".

Motto of the Tax Office - "If we can bring a smile to someone, somewhere, at sometime; then somebody, somewhere has made a mistake".

A smash and grab raid in Jerusalem was foiled when the thieves went back for the brick.

A group of hippies are smoking pot, when they hear the police sirens below. "Quick, hide the stuff", says one of them. "Where ?", asks his mate. "Shove it inside the cuckoo clock". They did just in time, as the police carried out a thorough search of the pad. Having found no pot, they were just about to leave when the cuckoo shot out of the clock and said "Hey man...what time is it?"

TOP 10 ALBUMS

- 1. Now 13 Various
- 2. Hits Album various
- 3. Kylie Kylie Minogue
- 4. Private Collection Cliff Richard
- 5. Push Bros
- 6. From the Heart Daniel O'Donnell
- 7. My Feelings for You John Hogan
- 8. The Ultimate Collection Bryan Ferry
- 9. Greatest Hits Fleetwood Mac
- 10. Greatest Hits of 1988 Various

TOP 10 SINGLES

- 1. Mistletoe and Wine Cliff Richard
- 2. Especially for You -
- Kylie Minogue and Jason Donovan
- 3. Suddenly Angry Anderson
- 4. Crackers International Erasure
- 5. Cat Among the Pigeons Bros
- 6. Good Life Inner City
- 7. Two Hearts Phil Collins
- 8. Take Me to Your Heart Rick Astley
- 9. Burning Bridges Status Quo
- 10. Angel of Harlem U2"

Courtesy of The Music Centre, Letterkenny.



VIDEO TOP 10

- 1. Baby Boom
- 2. The Last Emperor
- 3. Overboard
- 4. Predator
- 5. RoboCop
- 6 Lost Boys
- 7. 3 Men and a Baby
- 8. Untouchables
- 9. Death Wish 4
- 10. Stakeout

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- 1. Wept Anuas
- 2. Flowers
- 3. Salt
- 5. Capital city
- 6. Teeth
- 7. Means of approach
- 9. Infirm
- 11. Effaced
- 13. Sauciest
- 15. Greek image
- 16. Dog
- 18. Intend 20. Middle
- 21. Small wave
- 24, Sea eagles
- 25. Unwell
- 27. Dry
- weapons 19. Long locks 20. Crown

17. Provides with

1. Coils

14. Argue

8. Affront

Trasna

4. Peninsula (U.S.S.R.)

10. Intended to be sung 12. Musical drama

- 22. Girl's name 23. Blushes
- 26. Frolics
- 28. Drunkard
- 29. Sharp pain 31. Amends

32. Unpleasant



TEACHT NA "MUICE DUIBHE" le Pádraig Mac Gairbhigh, Loch an I úir.

(ar Leanúint)

Fuair go leor leor do mhuintir na h-áite jobannai ar an "railway", mar oibreannaí ginearalta, mar mháistrí tithe stáisiúin, fir faire, lucht tithe geaftaí agus go leor éile. Thug an traen ar shiúl an mhóin a baineadh sa taobh seo tíre n-aimsir an dara cogaidh domhanda nuair nach raibh fáil ar ghual le dóu ins na cathracha móra. Bhí an railway ina cuidiú mhór ag an iascaireacht in nAilt a' Chorráin agus i nGort Lios Saighead mar go raibh margadh le fáil anois nach raibh iomra air roimhe theacht na "Muice Duibhe". Bhí saothrú breá ag na daoine ar an mhóin a bhí a baint agus a cur go Baile Átha Cliath. Dála an scéil san am sin a thosigh an mhóin bhí na raileacha a dtogáil in 1940 agus bhí siad tógtha ó Ailt a Chorráin go Gaoth Dobhair ach stopadh an obair ansin agus bhí an mhóin ag imeacht ó stáisiún Ghaoth Dobhair go dtí 1945 sílim.

Thaining an páipeár nuachta le teacht an railway agus ar ndoigh car

fhág muid an t-am? Bhí, féadaim a rá "clog railway", in achan teach agus go leor acu le fáil slán folláin go fóill. Giní a bhí orthu san am, níos mo nó paí seachtaine. Ba mhór an cuidiu i ag Aontaí mar go raibh eallach ag imeacht ina gcéadtaí ar an traen agus biseach mór sa luach.

Ach ní raibh an traen agus an railway gan a gcuid timpistí ach an oiread. Maraíodh daoine ag déanamh an railway, maraíodh go leor leis an traen agus maraíodh daoine ag obair ar an railway. Chuala muid uilig fa thaisme an Viaduct nuair a shéid an ghaoth na carraistí ó na ráileacha agus cailleadh truir nó cheathrar pasantóiri. Chuala muid iomra ar ambush . Chroich-shlí s'na fichidí nuair a rinneadh ionsaí ar an traen a bhí ag gabháil go Doire le lód saighdúirí Sasana agus nach bhfuaireas amach ariomh ca mhéid a maraíodh, mar nar stop an traen go raibh sí i nDoire. Agus ar ndoigh rinneadh éacht ag stáisúin Mhín Beannaid, nuair a saoradh beirt phríosunach as an áit a bhí ar a mbealach go Doire faoi ghárda trom. Bhí sé inchurtha leis an "rescue of Sean Hogan at the station of Knocklong" fa nar chuala muid an tamhrán fado. Nach cuimhne le go leor gur ar an traen a thainig na naoi gcloigne déag sin as Árainn Mhór i mí na Samhna i 1935 a báthadh ar a mbealach isteach na bhaile ag an ait ar a dtugtar Cloch an Éilinn.

Leoga bhí a gcuid "ups and downs" ag an railway céanna. Fríd is frid bhí an mhaith is an t-olc innti agus da mbéadh cead cainnte ag cloch mhór léim an tSionnaigh tá mé cinnte go mbéadh go loer scéaltaí suimiúla le h-innse aici. Thart ar dachad bliain a mhair sí, mar gur togadh arais í ó Ailt a Chorráin go Gaoth Dobhair 1 1940 agus ó Ghaoth Dobhair go Leitir Ceanainn tamall níos moille. Ba bhoichte an pháirt seo dón tír gan l'agus mar a dúirt an té a dúirt é, ní bheidh a leithéid ann aris.



Pool Champions, Sharkey's Bar, Anagaire a few years ago.



Naomh Muire - Sports Day in the Banks.

I wonder where Elkie Brooks is tonight... hint hint. Is Brendan expecting Debbie and the family home for Christmas? Brian Manus is no saint either, P. Who had a smashing time behind Errigal. Nollaig Shona agus Bliain úr Mhaith Sophia agus Mark ó Chlann de Barra. Cén 2 rud a chonaic John Paul ann Holloway Rd. a thaitin leis.

Is Macaroni 10-7 this weather. It must have been a big day in Rome when the Pope met the Cope.



Rosses Lord Mayor's function in Dungloe a few years ago.

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An Bun Beag Dec. 11th

Dear Sir.

On a recent callout the Gweedore fire-brigade had an unfortunate and embarrassing mishap. As the tender spluttered tis way to the incident concerned it broke down after only travelling half a mile. The crew immediately sprang to action and pushed and shoved until a few locals stopped and offered their help. What made it more embarrassing was that people were returning from Mass in the local church at the time. The firemen had no choice but to hitch lifts from passing traffic. Each man took some equipment in his hand and made good towards the fire leaving the stricken tender behind. The fire was completely under control when they arrived at the scene some miles away.

The Tender breaking down did not have serious consequences this time, but if this sort of thing happened in the future it could mean the difference between life and death. Gweedore might have the newest fire-brigade in Donegal but they also have the oldest tender and a very unreliable one at

It is now up to the powers that be to do something about the situation - before its too late.

Mise le meas. M.A.

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GUESS WHO?

Paul & Joe Mor. 20. Young ladies 21.

Enjoying the wedding 22. Five from FAS 23. Donegal's number 1 rally car

24. Rónan reidh le agallamh beirte a dhéanamh. 25. Rosses Number 1 angler 26. Ní bhuailfidh tú amach on

tae 27. Gaoth Dobhair's answer to

Zola Budd 28. Diego 29. R.C.S. -

where are they now? 30. A bicycle

built for two. 31. Bonny baby 32. Siesta time in Dungloe 33. Cailíní doighiúla Mhachaire Robhartaí 34. Kiss of

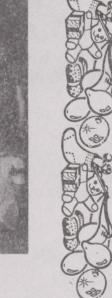
the month 35. Two page 3 starbirds.

on Saturday

1. Two out of three ain't bad -Francie & John 2. Méabha agus Nóra ag comhra 3. Up Celtic 4. Spin maith 5. Denis looks shocked but don't worry, he can cope 6. Nora & Kate say Happy Christmas everybody 7. Boy George & Madonna 8. Joe and Nóra on their big day 9. Bernie has that far away look in her eyes. Who's yer man, Bernadette. 10. Motorbike Mechanics 11. Robert backing into a backing bus (Cool uniform - turns Mäire on !) 12. Eddie Shéamais ag smaoitiú ar an Strand Rd. 13. Quiz kids 14. These headcases will be taking part in the Annual 1st swim of the year at Machaire Gáthlán beach on New Year's Day, 3pm. See you there. 15. Noreen making an ass of herself 16 Caidé gheobhaidh mé 6 Santa...let's see... 17. Michael is all smiles 18. Smoochy number 19. Happy Christmas from Neil



Ann Feile Scoil-Drammaiochta i mBaile Atha Cliath Leis an drama "Hansel agus Gretel".





WHAT IS MARY MAC'S FAVOURITE PLACE?

When Vincey and the wife go on holidays it's a case of "I'll take the high road and you take the low.'

WHAT DUNGLOE MAN LOST HIS TROUSERS IN MAGHERALOSK?

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Dúirt Thomas (N. Rua) F--- O-- leis an Leader. Smokey Joe herself would make a nice page 3. Caidé Dúirt Willie O'Brien le Old Bill? What was M Tony doing in the drain up the Muckish road

Morning? Who took two pairs of K off J in M/G.

Watch out, the Winnies are taking over Crolly Factory. Well, Sarah Mc F, was he all they're made out to be.



NOISEANN

Grace Ann agus Paul R; Caitlin Mc G agus Hugh M; Dairine agus Shaun; Lisa G agus Kiean D; Louise O'D agus Michael; Frances H agus DomO'D; Caroline R agus HArold; Brid Ann agus D.G.; Rosemary agus Shaun D; Maureen G agus Alan F; Deirdre Mc G agus Eamonn Mc K; Mary Rose O'D agus Patrick; Caroline R agus Neil C; Joanne G agus Paddy G;

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Little Angel's School

The recent sale of work held in Magheroarty hall proved very successful. Proceeds from the sale were in excess of £1000. The organisers wish to thank any one who contributed to the sale in any way

10 LA BREITHE

Kim Beagan, Middletown, Dec 15 Annie O'Donnell, Cnoc a' Stolaire, Dec. 4 Simon Diver, An Luinnigh Michael Doherty, Burtonpoint (12) Sally Roarty, Dungloe, Dec 13.

Margaret Doherty, Srath na Corca, Dec 19

Michael O'Doherty, Tory Island, Dec 5

Danny O'Donnell, Glasgow, Dec 13 Brid Ann Nic Aodha, Bun a Leacha (18) Mary Rose O'Donnell ,(18) Dec 21.

Karate News

Christmas Lights Christmas lights on main street, Falcar-

ragh, were switched on on Thursday 8th of De-

cember. They will remain on until after the New

Road Repairs Donegal County Council have resurfaced

the road past the G.A.A. complex in Falcarragh.

The road had been in a bad state of repair for a

number of years.

Two members of the Falcarragh Karate Club, Joe Gallagher and Danny Mc Ginley, recently attended the British Karate Champion-ships at Crystal Palace, London. They were invited by the Uslter Karate Federation who had a number of entrants in the Competition

Painting Competition
The Bank Of Ireland, Falcarragh, recently held a painting competition, the subject of which was a nativity scene. The competition was confined to Primary schools and the standard of entries was very high. In the section for first second and third class, First prize went to Aoife Mc Loughlin of Scoil Fhiontáin. Second prize winner was Earnonn Ó Canainn of Scoil Mhacaire Rabhartaí and third place went to John Mc Fadden of Scoil Fhiontain. In the catagory for fourth fifth and sixth class, Top prize was won by Maire Nic Fhearraigh of Scoil Bride. Second was Cathal O'Hearcáin S.N. Ghort-A-Choirce, and third was Liam Barry of Scoil Fhiontáin. In the Junior and Infants section, first place went to Norin Ni Chaba, second was Ciaran Gallagher, Faugher N.S. and third was Frank Gallagher, Murroe N.S. Congratulations to Dunfanaghy Boxing Club who recently beat Mayo and also to Donegal who included some Dunfanaghy boxers in their victory over Co-



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This Christmas as you enjoy the turkey and the plum pudding, spare a thought for 31 year-old Carole Richardson, who will be spending her 15th Christmas behind bars in Styal prison in England. Carole is one of the so-called Guilford 4 who were convicted and jailed for the IRA Guildford pub bombings in the early 70s, which killed 5 people and injured 65. The four (like the Birmingham Six) maintained their innocence, yet have spent the best years of their lives behind prison bars where they have often been ill-treated.

The British Home Secretary, Douglas Hurd, is now facing pressure to send the case of the Guildford Four back to the Court of Appeal and is expected to announce his decision after Christmas. Legal experts close to the prosecution believe that if Carole Richardson ever goes free, all 4 prisoners will be released, because they were all convicted on the basis of uncorroborated confessions, which they later retracted. In a letter to a friend, Carole recently wrote:

"I'd rather forget there is a world out there which I could be part of. This waiting is really getting to me. Trying to be cheerful really is an effort. I'll get my head together one day but at the moment it is harder as each Christmas approaches. Number 15 is coming up and I'm nearer knowing where my future lies that I was at year one. I'm just older with more to look back on and wonder why it had to happen to me. What did I do to deserve all this?

I was out at the eye hospital on Thursday, handcuffs, police escort, the works. All "Home Office" instructions so there's not really much hope of Hurd making a positive move in the case if he really thinks I'm that dangerous. At least I got out for a drive which is something.

I have to go back for a checkup in nine months so that's something to look forward to even if it is only a couple of hours out..."

She has four more years to serve before going to an open prison. "It's not long is you say it quickly", she says.

In this extract from an article which was published in the "Independent" in London on November 28th, Sarah Helm looks at the new medical evidence now being examined by Douglas Hurd which suggest that Carole Richardson's confessions to the Guildford 4 bombings were unreliable.

Dr. Kasimir Makos, a general practitioner who examined Carole Richardson soon after her arrest, has detailed how he gave her opiate and barbiturate drugs 20 minutes before she made admissions of the bombings.

His evidence, which was not presented to the jury, was obtained by Dr. James McKeith, a leading consultant psychiatrist, who has prepared an assessment of Richardson, which is before Mr. Hurd. Dr. McKeith's report is probably the most powerful piece of new evidence in the Guilford Four case. Mr. Hurd is under mounting pressure to refer the four convictions back to the Court of Appeal. His decision is expected after Christmas.

Carole Richardson, Paddy Armstrong, Paul Hill and Gerard Conlon were convicted of murder after IRA pub bombs in Guildford and Woolich. In Guilford, five people were killed and 57 injured at the Horse and Groom and eight were injured at the Seven Stars. The four were convicted solely on the basis of their own confessions which they later retracted in court.

In his report, Dr. McKeith says that at the time of her arrest, Richardson was an emotionally maladjusted 17-year-old "exceptionally vulnerable even in a benign situation", and unusually suggestible. She made admissions under the influence of drugs, with no adult and no solicitor present, in circumstances which would now be against the law.

"I conclude that the statements that resulted in her conviction on the several charges are very probably unreliable".

Dr. McKeith's findings about Richardson's confessions to terrorist outrages were first revealed in a new book on the case, Time Bomb, by Grant McKee and Ros Francy. It was after prison doctors said they believed Richardson was innocent that the Home Office agreed to an assessment by Dr. McKeith.

After looking at contemporary doctors' notes and extensive interviews and examination of Richardson's psychiatric history, Dr. McKeith finds cause for profound concern. He finds her "a vulnerable personality with low self-esteem, poor self-confidence and undue reliance on the good opinion of others". He highlights her heightened vulnerable state at the time of her admissions.

Dr. McKeith says that she had been heavily abusing a drug called Tuinal just before her arrest on 3 December 1974, almost a month after the Guildford bombings. Immediately after her arrest, when questioned by police on 3 and 4 December, she made no admission of guilt. This was probably before withdrawal symptoms from the drug had begun to affect her. As the time passed, however, she was inevitably moving into a state of withdrawal, which meant she would have quickly become anxious and mentally confused.

This state of withdrawal began to be reached on the evening of 4 December. She became hysterical in her cell and Dr. Makos, a local GP, was called by police to treat her, the report says. Dr. Makos told Dr. McKeith in a letter last year that he had found Carole Richardson in her cell that evening "in considerable distress, agitation, crying, restless, her dress and her hair were in some disorder". She told him she was a drug addict.

Dr. Makos says that he first prescribed her more Tuinal, which medical experts now say is a mistake, because it would have prolonged the period of withdrawal.

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Perhaps even more controversially, he also prescribed Pethidine, a narcotic drug. Consultant psychiatrists now say giving her Pethidine, in the state she was in, "made no pharmacological sense". It is a drug often used pre-operatively and it generally produces a state of euphoria.

Dr. Makos describes to Dr. McKeith how, about 20 minutes later, once the Pethidine had taken effect, Richardson told him she did the bombings. These were her first admissions.

Dr. Makos writes. "She told me that she was given a bomb by the others involved in this terrorist action at the pub in Guildford. It was her who carried the bomb and it was her who placed the bomb under the seat at the pub...I was listening to her story under the impression that she treated the whole affair as a slight prank. I did not ask whether she knew that there were casualties and that the whole incident was an act of terrorism. There was something weird in her confession and I was almost convinced she did not realise the meaning of the tragedy..."

During her confession to Dr. Makos, a policewoman was present. This meant that the following day when Richardson was interviewed further by police, she was confronted by her own admission made to the doctor, under the influence of a narcotic drug.

The various pressures on her were, by now, having a cumulative effect. She was isolated and frightened in police custody and had still not seen a solicitor. She was still withdrawing from a drug and she was facing police officers who told her she had made admissions to a doctor the night before.

She went on to make her first statements of admission to police. Interpreting the admissions that Carole Richardson made on 5 December, Dr. McKeith writes: "Given Dr. Makos's description of her condition, it is, in my opinion, most unlikely that a doctor with appropriate awareness and knowledge would have regarded her as fit for further interrogation and giving of a reliable statement without making and recording a careful psychiatric assessment.

There is no indication that Dr. Makos undertook a psychiatric assessment, determined her understanding or perception of her circumstances, or generally inquired into the reliability of subsequent statements she might make".

Four days later, she began retracting her earlier statements. She, like the other three involved, denied all charges at the trial.

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THE STORY OF "DONEGAL" - Statement issued by Paddy harte TD prior THEHORSE

The other day an age-yellowed clipping of a ballad came my way. Like every ballad, it tells the tale of how a horse called "Donegal" romped home a 7-1 to the dismay of a Glasgow bookmaker, and the delight of the Tirconaill punters who backed him. I'm told the ballad is at least fifty years old, but I could get no further information about its history. A man who follows the ponies told me there is a horse called "Donegal II", but whether "Donegal II" has broken any bookies I don't claim to know. Here is the ballad in the hope that some reader may remember or know of the event and tell us more about "Donegal's" victory and the sorrowful bookie. "When I was mooching a bob from a bookie to back a double today", says Paddy Coffey, "he said he was stone broke as every Donegal man in Glasgow backed "Donegal" with him the other Saturday - a seven to one shot":



JINGLE BELLS

Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way,

Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh

Oh jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way

Oh what fun it is to ride on a one horse open sleigh.

Dashing through the snow on a one

horse open sleigh, Over fields we go laughing all the way,

Bells on bobtails ring making spirits bright,

Oh what fun it is to sing a sleighing song to-night.





Today I met a bookie, a most dismal-looking bloke, And when I mooched a bob from him, he says "I'm stoney broke, For there's not an Innishowen man in Glasgow, big or small, But backed with me one Saturday a horse called "Donegal".

The horse came home at sevens, and I near went off my head, And I says to my poor missus, "How I wish that I were dead", For I had to pawn my furniture, and pictures off the wall, For to pay the many punters, who were backing "Donegal".

The Murphys and the O'Dohertys in thousands came to me; The O'Donnells and McLaughlins, and folk they call McGee; The McGuinnesses and Raffertys, and persons named McFall, All pawned their shirts and trousers for a plunge on "Donegal".

Ballyshannon men, Bundoran men and men from Lifford town, Surrounded me like honey bees to plant their dollars down; While Buncrana men and Carn men persistently did call On me that cursed morning for a punt on "Donegal".

The ladies backed in hundreds, and many said to me: We will back him in a double, for a win and 1,2,3; And while he keeps in form sure we do not care at all If there never grew a pratie in the County Donegal".

to Fine Gael motion on local radio in Dail Eireann recently.

Deputy Harte calls on all Donegal TD's to support the Fine Gael motion on local radio which comes before the Dail on Wednesday December 14th.

Paddy Harte says all local stations in Donegal together with stations throughout the Republic will be compelled by law to close down on December 31st 1988, with no guarantee of being back on the airwaves again,



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which he says is unfair and unreasonable.

Different governments by allowing unlicenced broadcasting to operate for so long, have given a legitimacy to them, during which time these stations have built up a close and important relationship with the local community which is now an accepted part of the local scene. It is unfair to destroy "Local Radio Stations" which provide much pleasure and enjoyable entertainment to our people.

Paddy Harte has asked everyone in Donegal who has voted for the TD's in the past to contact these TD's again immediately. Deputies Neil Blaney - High Conaghan - Mary coughlan - Pat "The Cope" Gallagher - Paddy Harte and Dinny McGinley, to impress upon them the importance of supporting the "Fine Gael" motion wednesday evening in Dail Eireann.

Deputy Harte says "everyone knows what will happen if the stations close and who will get the licences, and I know I express the opinion of many people in Donegal when I say a lot of these stations have justified their existence and on merit surely qualify for licencing to legally operate and it would surely be a backward step to close them all down."



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WOMAN'S WORLD

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CAPRICORN (DEC 22 - JAN 20) You will develop a friendly relationship with a person whom others find awkward but this relationship should prove very beneficial in the near future. Lucky days - 26th and 29th.

AQUARIUS (JAN 21 - FEB 19) You really enjoy this month. There are new friendships ahead plus a renewal of old ones. All in all the holiday period should bring you much happiness.

PISCES (FEB 20 - MAR 20) Although its not really your nature try doing something on impulse and you'll benefit all round. There is no

danger of you feeling bored this month.

ARIES (MAR 21 - APR 21) When you rely on luck too much then you may begin to take things for granted. While this may be a very lucky time of year for you, you must also be prepared to work a little for things you want so don't shy away when duty calls.

TAURUS (APR 22 - MAY 22) Visitors will come thick and fast to your home now, some of them more welcome than others. You'll be

kept on your feet, but you'll be well rewarded.

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21) You'll have to go as easy as you can with your finances and although this can be difficult at this time of the year you are advised to count every penny as the new year could be very demanding on the purse. Lucky colours - orange and red.

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CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 21) It appears that romance will be strongly in the air over the holiday period. You will meet an admirer so

make the most of the situation and you will be rewarded.

LEO (JULY 22 - AUG 22) Nothing seems to be going right for you just now but remember the weather can change for the better very quickly sometimes. So don't worry - things can only improve. Beware of a brown-eyed member of the opposite sex.

VIRGO (AUG 22 - SEPT 21) A major change in your life-style is likely to occur just now. If you can adapt quickly the change will be for the better and there will be many good things in store for you in '89.

LIBRA (SEPT 22 - OCT 22) Another person's intervention could revive interest in a matter which puts the spotlight on you. A new romance is on the horizon. Lucky day - Friday.

SCORPIO (OCT 23 - NOV 21) Concentrate on the home this month but try not to spend too much on presents for those around you. Remember it's the thought that counts so don't be buying presents that you can't afford.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 22 - DEC 21) There should be a warmth and happiness around you during the festive season. This will rub off on others so it's a good time to develop relationships. Lucky days - Saturdays and Tuesdays.

USEFUL HINTS

The chemist's laxative, liquid pariffin, is a remedy for dry skin when rubbed over the body before each bath.

Rubbing a piece of lemon on hands removes most stains and smells. Washing hands in hot water makes them smell even stronger. The best cure for dandruff is age. If you're over 60, you won't suffer from it.

Useful tips for slimmers: never eat with serving dishes on the table or while standing up or in more than one room in the house. If you break these rules, you'll be tempted to eat more.

For dry-clean only fabrics and also carpets, sponge the solution of one and a half teaspoons of borax in half a pint of water. This solution will also shift chocolate and cocoa stains.

Scrubbing steps in cold weather with water containing salt or methylated spirits prevents ice forming before the water dries. A crushed eggshell soaking in water in a vacuum flask overnight gets rid of smells inside.

Warped records can be flattened between two sheets of very clean glass in a hot press. A few drops of ammonia on the underside of a wastebin lid will stop animals rummaging inside.

White Christmas

I'm dreaming of a White Christmas, Just like the ones we used to know. Where the tree-tops glisten,

And children listen to hear sleigh bells in the snow.

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas With every Christmas card I write. May your days be merry and bright And may all your Christmasses be white.



STAR OF THE MONTH

Sagittarius (23 November to 21 December)

Sagittarians are always ready for a good time. They are ferocious fighters against worries and gloom. Genuine optomists, they are truly happy and know that in the end everything will work itself out. They are a delightful mixture of deep wisdom, knowledge and a good portion of animal instinct, also called LUST. Sagittarians are strong, self-assured, generous and courageous people. They are unafraid of speaking their mind and saying what they think. They thrive in the outdoors and infect those around them with their enthusiastic spirit. Sagittarians are "armchair" philosophers, whose views are usually profound and based on deep wisdom. Violent outbursts and explosions are most uncommon in their character. Sometimes they become religious fanatics. With a desire to escape and a longing for new adventures, they love to travel - the faster the better. Sagittarians could do well in showbiz. They are eternal optomists who always land safely back on their feet. Too many in-laws will drive Sagittarians crazy...so does anybody who tries to dominate them.

Sagittarians are compatible with Capricorn, Aquarius, Aries, Leo, Scorpio and other Sagittarians. Incompatible with Pisces, Gemini and

Virgo.

Famous Sagittarian Personalities:

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Full Name: Con McLaughlin Birthplace: Letterkenny 1959 Age: 29 Height: 5' 11" FOCUS ON

Weight: 12.5 stone
Position: Centre forward
Previous Clubs: Swilly Rovers

Married: Yes, to Frances

Favourite Players: Rudd Guillet, Paul McStay, Maradona and Platini

Favourite other teams: Celtic and Leeds

Most difficult opponents: Eddie O'Halloran (Cobh), Mar-

tin Lawlor (Dundalk)

Most Memorable Matches: FAI Cup Semi-Final V Dundalk - I was sent off, and we got beaten 1-0; Youth match v Finland - I scored one, we drew 2-2.

Biggest Thrill: Getting voted Man of the Match v Finland in youth match

in youth match

Biggest disappointment: Getting suspended from Irish

Youth Team for going on trial with Wolves Best place visited: Spain, on holidays

Favourite Food: Fillet Steak and chips, Prawn Cocktail Miscellaneous Likes: Being happy and healthy - scoring goals

Miscellaneous Dislikes: Losing games & missing chances

Favourite T.V. Shows: Any sports shows. Fawlty Towers. The Late Late Show

Favourite Musicians: Randy Travers, Nancy Griffith
Favourite Actors/ Actresses: Clint Eastwood/ Marilyn
Monroe

Best Friends: Frances (My wife), Shaun Boyle, George Grier, Eddie McGinley

Biggest Drag in Football: Losing to a bad team away from home

Honours: Under 14 & 16 All Ireland School Winners medals Under 18 All-Ireland Winners twice with Donegal. Youth caps V N. Ireland, Finland and Holland. Junior Caps V Scotland twice. Amateur panel v Norway twice.

Biggest Influence On Career: My late father Denis. Ritchie Kelly and a few Finn Harps managers.

Football ambitions: To regain our place in the Premier Division and win it.

Personal ambitions: To be healthy, happy and have a

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOCKEY 15 IN LETTERKENNY

Anyone for Hockey? was the heading in the Derry People and Donegal News on 12th July 1980. This was the first introduction of ladies hockey to Letterkenny, so it is relatively a new sport to the town.

Agroup of enthusiastic players, with the use of the all-weather pitch at the Loreto Convent Grounds, hailed the beginning of Letterkenny Ladies' Hockey club.

On Sept. 26th 1980 the club fielded their first team in competitive hockey, captained by Joan Cowan, with John McGettigan as Coach and Club Umpire.

The Letterkenny team's aim was to play in the Ulster Intermediate League, as most of the local clubs in the North-West were already playing there and travelling to away games would have meant less mileage.

However, new rules stated that newly formed clubs entering the league must start off in the minor section and work their way up by means of promotion. So, the club started their uphill climb of the Ulster League, by travelling every other Saturday to Belfast to fulfill fixtures - in order to gain maximum points in the League.

THE TEAM'S PROGRESS

Following a very successful season, the club shared the Ulster Minor League with Banbridge (after a play-off) when they drew 1-1, on the 17th April 1980. The club was also triumphant in the Minor Cup that season, when they beat the Belfast side, Grosvenor 1-0.

This was a unique distinction for Letterkenny, the first Donegal team to bring two Ulster hockey trophies across the border. This was a very fitting end to a season when they remained unbeaten in their section.

The team was: May Boyle, Josephine Stewart, Bee McGettigan, Joan Cowan (Capt.), Cynthia Moore, Doreen Kee, Hazel Russell, Elizabeth Speer, Marion Speer, Mary Fealty, Pauline Crossan. Subs: Olive Robinson and Heather McKeenan.

After their success in the 80/81 season, the club became known as "The Elks" - due to the generous sponsorship of Mr Stuart Scott of Elk Leisurewear to the club. Mr Scott also gave generous sponsorship to the Irish Hockey team who went on tour to Ohio that season, to take part in a tournament there.

The generosity of Letterkenny to the club was unbelievable. Travel was the club's greatest expense, so they organised several fund-raising functions, of which they shared the profits with many local charities.

PROMOTION

In their second season the Elks started off in the Ulster Junior section, to which they had been promoted, once again the opposition extended as far away as Belfast. With the thought of the Intermediate Section only one season away, the Elks were determined to succeed. They had only two things to do - firstly, fulfill all their fixtures and secondly -win all their matches.

This is exactly what they did, because not only did they win the League outright this season, but they also won the Junior Cup - beating their old rivals, Grosvenor, on both occasions. This was yet another great achievement for letterkenny, with the Elks bringing another two Ulster Hockey trophies home (for the first time) to Donegal - and only in their

DUNFANAGHY group pictured many years ago.

second season. During this season the Elks hosted a coaching course for all the clubs in the North-West region, in which Mr. and Mrs. A. O'Neill travelled from Belfast to coach the players from all the different clubs.

They were also hosts to an Ulster Intermediate Selection, over the Halloween weekend. The Elks also entered a team in the mixed 11-a-side Tournament in Galway, with five local men making up the team they were: D. Cowan, B. Moore, S. Wallace, F. Stewart and E. Moore - in which they were successful and returned with the plate and the trophies.

THANKS TO LOCALS

The loyalty and support of the Letterkenny people shown towards the Elks helped immensely in their achievements, because on each occasion of a final, which had to be played in Belfast, the coach load of supporters which accompanied the team, gave great encouragement to them.

ULSTER INTERMEDIATE SECTION

As their third season began, the Elks had achieved their objective - they were starting off in the Ulster Intermediate section. Most of their away games would now be played in Co. Derry or Co. Tyrone.

They were now looking forward to enjoying their game of hockey more this season as the pressures of fighting to gain promotion could be forgotten. The Elks faced much stronger opposition in this section, as a much higher standard of hockey was being played. Unfortunately, no trophies were brought home to Letterkenny this season, but fourth position in the League was a satisfactory result for the club.

Only 4 of the original members still play hockey with the club. The Intermediate team is still in the Intermediate league but are now at the top of the Section, being denied promotion last season by one point. The Club has formed a second team in the last three years and they continuously play in the Minor League. The Minor team have this season been beaten in the Cup and Plate competitions and have only League fixtures left to play. The Intermediate team have 10 points to date out of a possible 18.

Training takes place weekly at the convent ground on Wednesdays 8.30 to 10.00 and matches at the Convent grounds on Saturdays. One team is nearly always playing at home. The Club have been greatly assisted by the Rugby Club for two years by the use of their changing rooms after matches and the catering facilities there for entertaining visiting teams.

The Club is financed mainly by fund raising and sponsorship and are eagerly looking forward to the new T-shirts and sweat-shirts which are promised from Donegal Co-op Creameries Ltd.



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