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## AN SCÉAL MÓR

Bhuel, tá an scéal mór briste faoi dheireadh. Bhí a fhios againn céard a bhí i gceist ach níor ceadaíodh dúinn é a scríobh mar nach raibh an fógra curtha amach go hoifigiúil. Roghnaíodh Micheál Ó Domhnaill (Oifig an Phoist, Cill Chartha) mar Chathaoirleach ar Chomhairle Radio na Gaeltachta ag cruinniú le deanaí i Luimneach. Dob é Albert Reynolds, Aire Post agus Telegrafa a mhol Micheál don phost. Táim cinnte go labhraím ar son chuile duine sa cheantar nuair a ghabhaim comhghairdeachas le Micheál ar an mhórocáid seo. Leanann Micheál daoine cluiteacha sa phost cheanna mar Liam Ó Murchú, agus Donall O Morain. B'fhéidir amach anseo go bhfeicimid Micheál mar cheannaire ar Radio na Gaeltachta nó b'fhéidir Teilifís na Gaeltachta.



### touch wood

A few of the lads were telling me last week that it was reported in the Irish Press that logs from the forest of Cranncheo, Kilcar were to go on offer at £1 a ton. Naturally, some of the locals hearing this rang the Forestry Department only to be told that the logs were to cost £6 a ton!!

We are indeed deeply indebted to Kenneth King who designed the beautiful front cover for this month's issue. In the future Ken hopes to obtain designs from art students at the Tech and he has informed us that next month's cover is already finished.

## Micheál Ó Beirne

In the last issue of AN LIAG we announced the death of Micheal O Beirne of Kilcar who was one of the most noted fiddlers in Southwest Donegal. As a tribute to Micheal and to emphasise our great loss we print the following extract from "The Fiddler".

We met Mickey Byrne alongside the road on St. John's Eve. He was one of a small group of old men who were supervising a large bonfire around which a score of children were playing. St. John's night occurs on Midsummer's Eve and is a Christianised survival of a pagan celebration. From the breeze we stood on I could see several bonfires casting their glow over the glens. Standing together in the summer twilight Mickey began telling us that in the old days when they celebrated that night as well as the bonfires, there were riddling games and in some of the glens the people would have rams' horns which would be sounded from the hill tops throughout the night. The image of the countryside ringing and echoing with the sound of distant rams' horns - a practice reminiscent of the Balkans - was somewhat overwhelming. But Mickey was like that. With a wry smile and an occasional twinkle in his eye, he would produce an image or an anecdote that put us that closer to an older world. He would start with the ritual phrase, 'The ones that was in it those days . . .' and off he took us on an excursion into a distant time that was still a reality for him. His role as a shanachie was so strongly bred into him that we were told that he was in the habit of sitting in a neighbour's house every day to watch the news on the television. He would then visit or go raking in other houses to explain to his neighbours what went on in the world that day.

Of the fiddlers we met with, Mickey and his brother Francie Byrne epitomised the country house dance tradition. With their wealth of rare and ancient tunes their music could only be compared to that of John Doherty. But just as important was the fact that their fiddling was steeped in the atmosphere of the country house dance. They used cross-rhythms, syncopation and wild sounding drones that could only have originated in the electric atmosphere of the all-night dance. When they picked up their fiddles they would stand to the far side of the kitchen opposite the turf range as if to leave enough room for invisible dancers. It was an old, ingrained habit of theirs, and they could play standing up for hours at a time. The fact that they were brothers with long experience of playing together contributed to the force of their music. Together they sounded like one instrument. Francie, and Mickey remembered the ornate lilt of the old people of their district when they were children. It was the practice at that time for the men and women to sit together on a bench lilt for the dancers. The men would lilt the low octave of a tune and the women would lilt the high octave. The brothers remembered songs in Irish being sung this way in octaves by groups of men and women. Mickey and Francie translated this style of octaves into their fiddling, the result was what Mickey liked to call 'a terrible good, strong sound'. Today the brothers regretted the passing of the old lilt style for many old tunes died with it. When they were younger they were so enthusiastic about fiddling that they didn't pay as much attention to the old music of the lilters as they should have. However they absorbed some of the repertoire of the lilters, like 'Mary O' the Wisp'.

Mickey was the first of the brothers to take up the fiddle, and he received the occasional lesson from a local player called Pat Harvey, who was a difficult teacher and neglected to teach Mickey how to tune the instrument. Mickey was twelve at the time, Francie, who was around eight years old, got impatient with the fiddle being out of tune and one day approached his National School teacher who had been teaching his class the rudiments of musical theory.

After a class that day she took Francis aside and taught him how to tune Mickey's fiddle. She likened the interval between each adjacent string to the call of the cuckoo. The first part of the call was the 'E' string, the second was the 'A' string and this would be replicated at a different pitch between the 'A' and the 'D' and the 'D' and 'G' string. It was in that way that Francie learned to tune



and then to eventually play the fiddle. Himself and John Doherty were considered the leading exponents of the Donegal style of fiddling.

Unlike Teelin, Kilcar had a long tradition of fiddling, and aside from the travelling players who passed by, there were two good local fiddlers, Pat Harvey and John Doogan, whom the brothers learned from. These men in turn had been taught by the virtuoso fiddler of Glencolumbkille, John Mosey McGinley. Another strong influence on the brothers' playing was the piping of a cousin of John Doherty's, a travelling musician called Mickey Gallagher. He exerted a strong influence on the brothers' repertoire and reinforced the piping inflexions in their fiddling that were already part of the local style. Tunes such as 'King of the Pipes', 'King Billy's Rambles', 'Gallagher's Jig' and 'Brian Boru's March' originally must have been pipe tunes most likely learned from Mickey Gallagher. The version of 'Brian Boru's March' that Francie played is an older, and possibly more accurate version of the simplistic tune popularised today on the radio, the arpeggios in the second part of the tune may have their origins in the old harping tradition.



## the canadian connection

The Kilcar-Canadian connection widens, with the news about John Joe Mc Brearty & Frances Gallagher who recently got engaged are now based in Toronto, where John Joe is working in the carpentry business. Plans for a wedding are set for the very near future. Congratulations to both also, my old school pal Martin Byrne (Main Street) now based in Montreal and Mary Joe have just celebrated the birth of a baby girl. Congratulations.

## a girl

Also congratulations to Mrs. Margaret Byrne, Aughera on the birth of a baby girl.

## nice touch

### for studies

Our former 'B' team Dart Captain Pat Doherty is doing very nicely since his migration to the Big City. Pat is employed in the construction firm of McLoughlins Dublin and will shortly be recommencing his constructing engineering studies in the College of Technology Bolton Street. I hear also that Pat has developed a strong interest in the latest clothes fashion design. Cathal Doogan says he always was a bit of a glamour boy. Keep up the good work Pat, maybe we will see you for a game of darts over Easter.

The Carrick film Society would like to express their gratitude to Sean Mac Niallais (Cottages) and Rory O'Donnell of Meenaneary for their generous contribution of second hand books - towards the mini book sale, held recently in Enrights. Due to a fall off in membership this year the society had some financial difficulties. This hard working committee deserves great credit for keeping the Film Society rolling, at a time when almost every other branch in the county stopped due to the expense involved. Let's hope we have one next year again.

### on holiday

Joseph Haughey - Teelin has gone to England on a "long overdue" holiday. He planned to spend a few days in Birmingham, where he once worked and then to go on to London.....now I wonder.....!!!

Best wishes are extended to Teresa McGill (Straleel) who had been hospitalized recently with a knee injury. Teresa is a bank official based in Dublin.

# NEW FACTORY

It's all go in Kilcar Parish this month with the news that the Old School on the Line is to be put into productive use once again. This time, however, A,B,C's and tables will give way to the production of frozen fish packs.

Venear Nielson, who already operates a similar venture in Fintra will set up the plant. He plans to employ a labour force of 12 in the initial stages, mostly female. Údarás na Gaeltachta have leased the factory to him.

Anyone who might have any doubts about the suitability of this particular type of industry to the area or who might indeed regard the industry as a health hazard is invited to visit to Mr. Nielson's other little factory in Fintra to view every aspect of the work involved.

It is heartening to see initiative of this kind in a time of recession and high unemployment. We wish Mr. Nielson every success in his new venture.



We hear also that Straleel's famous Son Sean McGill is ready to begin the construction of his "holiday villa" in Curriss. Sean is at the moment working as a carpenter in London. Now that'll be some housewarming for the boys.

Get well wishes to Donal Campbell (Kilcar) who is recently home from hospital after a recent accident while fishing off the West Coast.

# BEREAVEMENTS

## DOHERTY

The tragic death occurred recently in Letterkenny hospital of Eamonn Doherty of Kilcar. Eamonn who was just 20 years had sustained a serious injury in a fall in Killybegs. Deepest sympathies are extended to his family and friends. Ar Dheis De go raibh se.

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## MC INTYRE

Another young member of the community who was involved in a tragic accident recently was Gerard Mc Intyre of Malinbeg. Gerard, who was just 22 years was drowned off Howth. Sincere sympathies are extended to his family and friends. Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.

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## GALLAGHER

The death occurred recently of Mrs. Charles Gallagher of Bavin. We extend our sympathies to relatives and friends. Sonas na bhFlaitheas da hanam.

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## KEENEY

Recently deceased is Mrs. Dan (Cassie) Keeney of Main Street, Kilcar. Sincerest sympathies to her family and relatives. Ar dheis De go raibh si.

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BOYLE

The death occurred within the last few days of Mr. John Boyle of the Cottages, Cashel, Glencolumbkille. We extend sincere sympathies to friends and relatives. Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.

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GILLESPIE

Sincere sympathies to the family and friends of Mrs. Margaret Gillespie of Meenadreen who died recently. Ar dheis De go raibh si.

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CONNOLLY

Sincerest sympathies are extended to Joe Connolly of Glencolumbkille on the death of his mother recently. Sonas na bhFlaitheas da hanam.



**the bingo bug**

Congratulations to Mr. Dan Byrne of Main St., Kilcar who won the Snowball prize of £300 at the Kilcar Bingo recently. Isn't the Glen snowball holding out a long time. Rumour has it that a certain Malinmore gentleman checked the full house on the Snowball sheet but he had his card upside down at the time and got confused!!! They'll tell you anything out there!!

Paddy Boyle, Killanod handed me a list of recent Bingo winners but my space is confined this month. - Thanks Paddy.



# Nótaí ón Chomharchumann

Tá rannóg do Chomharchumann ins an Comortas Forbartha Pobail i mbliana. Tá an comortas seo á reachtáil ag Údarás na Gaeltachta. Tá an Chomharchumann istigh air.

Ag cruinniú de Choiste Bainistíochta an Chomharchumann roimh Nollaig, toghadh na daoine seo leanas mar bhun-choiste: Seán Ó Maoludhóg (Ard a Rátha); Donal Ó Dónaill (An Charraig); Séamus Mac Fhionnlaoich (Gleann Cholm Cille); Máire Bean Mhic an Ultaigh (Cill Chartha) agus Seán Mac Nialluis (An Charraig). Tugadh cead don bun-choiste seo daoine eile a chomhthoghadh. Comhthoghadh na daoine seo leanas: Máire Ní Ghadhra (Gleann Cholm Cille); Seán Ó h-Aoine (Gleann Cholm Cille); Gearóid Mac Giolla Easbuig (Gleann Cholm Cille); Feilim Mac a Ghoill (Ard a Rátha); Treasa Bean Mhic Chuirneagáin (Cill Chartha); Éanna Ó Ceallacháin (Na Cealla Beaga); agus Máirín Níe Giolla Easbuig (An Charraig).

Beidh an Coiste seo freagrach as gach gné den chomortas. Bhí dhá cruinniú acu cheana féin. Tá cúig fo-choistí bunaithe agus cúram gné ar leith ag gach ceann acu.

Má tá tuilleadh eolais a dhíth ar dhúine ar bith thig leis no léi glaoch ar oifig an Chomharchumann no ar aon bhall den choiste.

The Co-op has had no response from the Department of Agriculture to our query raised on 23rd January as to the amount, date of payment and basis of calculation, of the new ewe premium.

Tá coiste cultúrtha an Comharchumainn ag comh-oibriú le Cumann Rince Cill Chartha chun Tionól Rinceoirí a reachtáil i gCill Chartha i mí Bealtaine. Beidh an Tionól ar siúl ar feadh deireadh seachtaine ó 8ú go 10ú Bealtaine. Sé an aidhm atá leis an Tionól seo na sean-rincí a bhailiú agus a chothú. Duine ar bith ar mhian leis nó leí sean-rince a fhoghlaim, beidh seans aige no aici freastal ar an Tionól.

Beidh rinceoirí ó Chontae Fhearmanach, ó Bhaile Átha Cliath ann comh maith le rinceoirí áitúla agus rinceoirí ó áiteacha eile sa chontae. Tugadh geallúint tacaíochta cheana féin i Chomhairle Ealaíon an Tuaisceart agus Chomhairle Ealaíon na h-Éireann.

Beidh tuilleadh eolais ar fáil níos moille.

In common with most other businesses in the agricultural sector the Co-op. is experiencing the severe effects of the current slump in farm incomes. This recession, coupled with a very mild winter which has reduced demand for feedingstuffs, has meant that sales for January of this year were only 40% of those for the same period last year (without allowing for inflation).



Add 2 figures to 991 and arrive at less?  
(this little mathematical puzzler was submitted by  
Denis McNelis, Ballymore, Tealin.

## Bits and Pieces

Carrick is getting a bit of a face lift this weather with Dave adding a touch of Georgian glamour to his premises, - John Molloy, our local butcher is opening a badly needed Butcher shop, on the site of our previous cafe. No wonder poor Jimmy couldn't throw a dart all last month with all the painting he's done!!

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Some good shots of Cod landed in Teelin last week. Keep it up lads.

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Bart Whelan is wondering what the Glen club are going to do with all the money they're getting from their huge fund raising activities!! The cheek of him!!

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Eamonn Gillespie is returning to the G.A.A. fold - after his brief flirtation with the Indoor Soccer Scene in Meenaneary. That'll be music to Paddy Beag's ears!!!

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Sorry I can't put in that joke this month Colleen - I'll remember it next month!!

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The demand for the new Ardara G.A.A. yearbook is huge - Congrats to Bart Whelan and associates - What about one from Glen or Kilcar? - it's an idea! The Pioneer Quiz held in Kilcar last week end was an out-standing success!! Andy Service and Gerald McGill have been voted Finn Harps joint supporters of the year - (Carrick Branch)!! Badminton membership has dropped off alarmingly in Teelin recently - anyone interested (mon, Tue, Wed) nights. What kind of 'Mucking about' is John Harkin at up in Straleel? Two very enjoyable Comhaltas sessions were held in Nora McGinley's last month. I wonder how Joseph Laughy is getting on over in London?

# MACRA NOTES

## carrick

### BASKETBALL MARATHON

The like had never been seen in the area before - 10 hours of solid play by 30 members of the club with a back-up of a few stalwarts, providing grub, comfort and encouragement. We began at 8 a.m. on Saturday 31st January at the courts in the Vocational School. The marathon was to raise funds for the club and all the members were sponsored. There were six teams with such names as: Brian's Angels; Doodlebugs; Grousebeaters; Rule of the Roost; Globetrotters and Dodgers. Hamburgers, hotdogs, soup, milk, crisps, orange and chocolate were fed to the hungry players by the back-up team headed by Una Mc Devitt. By the time 6 o'clock came around the team with the highest score was the Grousebeaters and the

player who scored most was Sean Mc Loughlin. Everyone completed the 10 hours of play and over £200 was collected. The Club would like to thank all the people who sponsored them so generously and also the local businesses who donated refreshments. Thanks are also due to the many people who willingly turned up to referee the games. Go raibh mile maith agaibh go leir.

### NEW PROJECTS

With the basketball marathon the idea of new projects was put aside for the moment but last week members were again busy on planning new projects among which were: Nail and Thread pictures, Guitar lessons, Bridge and Music lessons and a project on fishing.

### NEW LEADER

We would like to extend a welcome to Eamonn Mc Nulty who is a new leader in the club.

### IN STRASBOURG

Club leader Brian Mc Auley attended a European Course on Personal Development of Rural Youth in the 1980's at the European Youth Centre in Strasbourg recently. The course was organised by the European Committee of Young Farmers and 4H Clubs of which Macra na Tuaithe is a member and was attended by members and leaders from 9 different countries.



## new classrooms

Francis Cunningham O.S. recently informed me that the dept of education has sanctioned two extra classrooms and a general purpose room for Cashal National School. Also the school yard is to be tarmaced. This is very welcomed news indeed. Francie intends to line out a basketball court or two.

A keen sportsman in every code, he won't be long establishing Ireland's fastest growing sport on a sound basis among the Glen boys and girls.

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## birth

Congratulations to Martin and Mary Joe Byrne on the birth of a baby girl recently. Both have been residing in Montreal for several years now.



# ERRIGAL REPORT

The Crab season has come and gone once again and Errigal Fish Manager, Jarlath Morris informs us that it was a medium season due mainly to the poor weather for fishing during the season

The factory at Meenaneary processed 500 tons of live crab which mainly came from Inishowen, Leenan, Fanad and Downings. There were upwards of 20 boats fishing for the plant and they were given a guaranteed price for stone for the crab.

The season lasted for 12 weeks from August to October. 50% of the produce is sold on the Swedish market where the Meenaneary label "Donegal Krabba" is well known.

Fortyfive men and twentyfive women were employed at the crab this season and a further 25 worked in the mackerel and herring processing section. It is hoped to increase the tonnage to 700 tons in the coming year 50% of which will be whole crab and the remainder crab claws. It is also proposed to build a cold store to accomodate 300 tons and to install a blast freezer to handle the increased mackerel tonnage which is being landed by the new trawlers at Killybegs. This new building will be erected in the cleared site opposite Michael Hughie's and the work will start next month.

Herring processing will remain as before with increased production coming from crab, mackerel and cod. While profitability is lower than budgeted the turnover this year is estimated at £1.2 million.

The new concentration on mackerel may mean 25 new jobs and Jarlath is confident that the plant has a healthy and sound future.

## Indoor Fooball

All the local factories in the area from Glen to Killybegs were represented in a well-run Indoor Soccer Competition in Meenaneary Old School. There were two sections of eight teams each.

The Boatyard A team and Errigal Fish qualified from Section 1. Gaeltarra A headed section 2 with Boatyard B going through after a play-off with Gallaghers A (Killybegs).

In the semi-finals Boatyard B beat Boatyard A after extra time and Gaeltarra A beat Errigal Fish by 2 - 1.

In the final Boatyard B proved too strong for the men from Kilcar winning 6 - 4. The finalists who all received trophies were:

Boatyard: H. Shovelin, F. Gallagher, M. O'Donnell, I. Cannon, D. McBrearty.

Gaeltarra: I. Hegarty, J. McGinley, C. O'Boyle, G. McBrearty, T. O'Driscoll.

The referees for the competition were:

D. McBrearty, M. McHugh, G. McBrearty, C. McBrearty, S. Gallagher.



Junior Shield\* Glen 2.5 Ardara 0.9

Another closely contested match saw Glen Juniors just hold on to win in the Shield quarter final at Fintra last Sunday. Stars on the day were M. Mc Intyre, B. Mc Intyre, A Mc Guire (captain). Glen now meet St. Eunan's in the Semi final. This promises to be a thriller as St. Eunan's have many of last year's Senior Team regraded to the Junior ranks !!

# CUMANN CULTÚRTHA CHILL CHARTHA

Tá obair mhór á dhéanamh faoi láthair ag an chumann chultúrtha ag ullmhú le haghaidh "Seachtain na Gaeilge" sa tSamhradh. Tá an clar a ullmhu faoi lathair agus tathar ag suil le sceimeanna nua a chur i gcrích mar shampla - Oíche Mhor Bocstai!!

I dtaobh Comortas "An Ghaeltacht Bheo" de bhi Cathal Mac Suibhne agus Sorchá Ní Dhonchadha sa cheantar le deanai. Tá iarracht iontach a dhéanamh ag muintir Chill Chartha i ngach gne den chomortas, go hairithe an bheim ata a chur ar labhairt na Gaeilge. De thairbhe an sar-iarracht ata baill an Chumainn a chur isteach ta duais tuillte agu gan dabht.

Ta slua mor ag freastail ar an ranganna Gaeilge gach oíche Cheadaoin agus ar na ranganna rince faoi stiuru Sheain Mac Nialluis.

Ta Cumann Dramaíochta i gCill Chartha ag cleachtadh go cruá le haghaidh an Feile Dramaíochta i dTeileann i mí Márta.

Beidh Ceili Mór i Halla an Pharoiste oíche Fheile Phadraig. Tathar ag suil le slua mor agus rachaidh an t-airgead a bailítear ansin don choiste ata i mbun socraithe do na hoirdniuchain.



# Seanchas Scoile...

The main item of news from the Vocational School this month kis a comprehensive sports coverage provided by sportsmaster Barry Campbell. The few facilities available at the school are used to the full by the students and they have acquitted themselves well against far larger schools in the county.

## BASKETBALL

### SENIOR GIRLS

Carrick (Senior Girls) v Donegal - lost 22-20

Carrick (Senior Girls) v Ballyshannon lost 40-30

Eileen Ní Dhonnabhain was chief scorer in both these games.

### SENIOR BOYS

v Donegal lost narrowly 28-26

v Glenties lost narrowly 18-16

v Glenties lost 29-28 - This last game was a

thriller, one of the finest between the arch-rivals for many a long year. M. Curran and G. O' Donnell were the chief scorers for the senior squad.

### UNDER 14 GIRLS

Lost v Killybegs 17-14

Beat Donegal 17-14

Outstanding players on our junior girls squad are Maire Boyle Meenadrean, Ann Byrne and Catherine Hegarty.

### UNDER 14 BOYS

v Donegal Town won 34-36 - Young John Joe

Doherty was the star of the match scoring 20pts v Glenties 17-14 - Win.

UNDER 16 BOYS

Going well so far with the victories over Glenties and Bundoran. Paul McGinley and Michael Molloy being the outstanding players.

# football

UNDER 16 TEAM

Our under 16's lost to Donegal Town by just one point in the County Semi final, who have since gone out to win the final. The top players in this grade were Paul McGinley, Liam Cannon, Neil Cannon, and Michael Molloy.

UNDER 14 TEAM

v Killybegs won 5-3 to 0-2 - Stars J.J. Doherty, G. McHern, R McShane, S. Mc Guire, and M. Mc Ginley. The Carrick football team has been picked to represent Donegal in the Ulster individual schools competition. They play Tyrone champs next month.

COUNTY HONOURS

Congratulations to Michael Curran, Alan Erskine and James Mc Hugh who were chosen on the Donegal Under 19 team which played Down last week. Unfortunately, Donegal were defeated by 5 points but the lads I hear gave a good account of themselves.

As you can see from list above, training and organising the school teams in the various codes is almost a full time occupation and Barry Campbell deserves enormous credit for the amount of work and dedication shown to the P.E. Section of our school's curriculum.

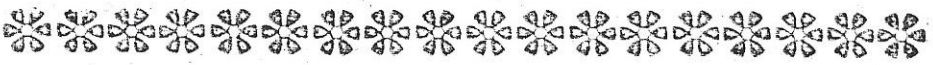


The tragic deaths of Eamonn Doherty and Gerard Mc Intyre stunned the two parishes recently.

Eamonn had been working on the new Auction Hall on the pier in Killybegs when he fell and sustained the injury which was to prove fatal. His friends gathered from all over the country to attend the funeral. Many were still pursuing their studies in colleges throughout the country and came home bewildered that one of their companions should have been taken away so prematurely. Yet they will remember Eamonn for his good humour and gentle nature and easy temperament.

Gerard had not many more years on Eamonn. He had pursued his studies in Law at the Regional College in Letterkenny before going to Germany for some time. On his return he went fishing at Howth and tragically died in a drowning accident.

Though they had not many years with us they will not be forgotten. Toil De go ndeantar.



Glen defeated the "old enemy" Ardara in the Shield competition by 3-0 to 1-5 on Sunday February 8th. This was a very evenly contested game, with the home defence under severe pressure in the second half, but the sterling efforts of Finian Ward and Sean Gavigan kept the Ardara forwards at bay. Jimmy Kennedy I hear is proving to be a great asset to the Senior Team since his promotion from the Junior Ranks.

The big local derby did not come off owing to the tragic death of Sandy Harper. All games were cancelled.

LOST AND FOUND

A dark brown lovable and gentle dog has been lost by someone. But what they don't know is that it has been found again. The owner can have the dog back by contacting Kilcar 14.

MORE LOST AND FOUND

They dashed out of Killybegs at breakneck speed and headed "in through". The local Fire Service had received an urgent call from a certain house "up the river". Careening down Bogagh with lights flashing and siren wailing they crossed the bridge at Carrick and headed up near Straleel. And then it happened - they got lost! They stopped at Maggie's and at Margaret's and further but no one had heard of a fire. Eventually they headed back and found the spot - but then by that time the fire was out.

THESE BOOTS WERE MADE FOR...

Your boots are on the way Rory...  
(Now what does that mean?  
-printer ).

PRICE RISE

As you will have noticed the price of AN LIAG has gone up to 25p this month. This is in response to many kind offers from people who say the paper is quite cheap - we hope they mean that in the best possible way. But seriously our costs have soared recently and even with this increase our profit margins in no way justify the amount of work and effort put into the production. No one receives any pay for work on the paper but we need money to try and get better equipment as our present machines cannot cope with the type of work we are putting on them.

As AN LIAG is a community magazine we hope people might support us in the future when we set out to purchase some new printing equipment. In the meantime we will struggle on. We would like to mention that our machines were unable to cope with the cover design of Ken King and what has been printed bears no relation to the beautiful original.

INACCURATE

Some relations of Michael Byrne, having previewed the article published in this issue have found that it may be slightly inaccurate in some parts. Unfortunately there is little we could do about this as the article is a reprint from "The Northern Fiddler".

BALLYMOON TO REOPEN?

Word has reached us of new machinery being installed in Ballymoon. The story reaching us tells of a German Company which is to re-open the plant to produce again synthetic fibres but this time the fibre will be of a higher quality than carpet yarn and more advanced production techniques will be used. It is expected that many of the old work force will be re-employed.

HOME ON HOLIDAY

A welcome home to Mrs. Margaret Hayes of Brighton, formerly of Crove (nee Diver). Margaret's son Paul is accompanying her on the four day visit. Con and Benny were pleasantly surprised at the unexpected visit as were Kathleen and Tony in Teelin. We hope they had a very pleasant stay.

A WIN FOR JOHN

Hearty Congratulations to John Haughey of Kilcar on his tremendous victory in the O+40 section of the Donegal Cross Country Championships held recently in Letterkenny. This is truly a well-earned and deserved award for John who has shown great dedication to Athletics over the years. Many a night during the winter months John could be seen relentlessly pounding the roads between Kilcar and Carrick. Indeed many of our younger sportsmen could do well to follow John's example. Some people have mentioned that a keep fit group should be started which might include some road running ... any ideas?

# LITIR

A Chara,

Seo dhá fath mór eile le stad a chur le mianadóireacht ar Shliabh Liag.

(a) Spioradalta.

Tá Sliabh Liabh ceann de'n Trí Cnoc Beannuithe 'san Iarthar. Bíonn Oilithreach ar siúl i gcomhnaí ar Chnoc Bhreannan agus Cruach Phádraig ach, mo bhron, tá Aodh Mac Bhreachain dearmata againn.

(b) An baint leis an píosa filíochta, ina raibh Sliabh Liag mar ionspioraid de, a bhí ag chuile duine in Éirinn i ráng na "Daoine Beaga".

An píosa filíochta ab fhéidir daoine a thogaint siar ar bhothar na cuimhne i leath-second agus pleisiúr mór a thabhairt dóibh. Mar sin ní linne amháin Sliabh Liag ach gach éinne in Éirinn uile agus cuid mhaith den Domhan.

Mise, le Meas,

Mícheal Ó Donnabháin,

An Chlochar,

An Charraig. (21/2/81).



Bought a Silver Circle Card from Con Gara last week - Glen G.A.A. promotion - good prizes. Carrick and Kilcar's answer to (Starsky & Hutch) Frionsias Maloney and Paddy Haughey - (The Roxboro Kid), are intending to go to the nightclasses next Winter doing Crochet!!! Tasted one of Christine's beautiful sandwiches (special recipe) up in the Golden Gate last week, - no wonder Robbie's puttin' on the weight. I hear there's a big "hooley", in John Joe's on St. Patrick's night.

# PARISH DEBT

Many people were surprised at the announcement by Fr. McDyer recently that the Parish is in debt to the tune of more than £6,000 and also worried that the debt was increasing due to Bank charges.

However, this may not be surprising when we realise that many of us have forgotten to increase our contribution to our parish over the years. It must be disheartening to find that while people accept that prices rise in every part of life they sometimes forget that they should also increase their small payment to the parish fund. A figure of 5% of salary is mentioned in some parishes in the county but even 1% of salary is only a penny in the £1 and would be a mere 50p for someone earning £50 per week. I'm sure many of us could afford the price of a packet of cigarettes or a pint of beer to pay for the upkeep of our parish and our priest.

It is also heartening to see local people undertaking to look after the parish accounts. Glen has certainly given the lead in this matter where an active local committee has raised huge sums for the renovation of the Chapel. The new committee met with Canon Mc Dyer recently and he kindly furnished us with the following account of the meeting:

At a meeting of the Advisory Committee on the Financial state of the Parish on Thursday 19th February there were present: Eugene Curran, Hugh Cunningham, Cathal Doogan, Peter Columba Mc Ginley, Joe Gallagher and Gerard Haughey as well as Canon Mc Dyer. Mr. Jackie Gallagher was unable to be present.

All without exception reported that the people of the Carrick and Teelin Church area were most willing and anxious to eliminate the Parish debt and to do so this year.

Moreover, the general consensus of opinion as reported by the Committee, was that the elimination of the debt should be done by a levy.

Various other proposals were made by members of the committee including a Silver Circle but the consensus of opinion was that the Silver Circle should be indefinitely postponed unless the levy did not fulfill its target.

The deliberations concerning the levy were governed by two main considerations, viz.,

- First, that it should be launched in such a way that it would involve the least possible organizational fatigue.
- Secondly, that it should impose the least possible hardship on an otherwise very generous people.

Accordingly it was decided to obtain four special Collection Envelopes for each holder of ordinary Sunday Collection Envelopes and that these special Collection Envelopes would be used to collect £5 from each holder of Sunday Envelopes on each of four Church Holidays across the year 1981 and beginning with 17th March.

It was estimated that this quarterly levy would eliminate the debt by the end of the year.

Furthermore, it was disclosed that if everyone gave a minimum of 50p at the ordinary Sunday Collection, the Parochial Account would show a favourable balance of about £1,000 per year.

This was considered necessary because the time

will come in some years from now when a major repair work may be necessary on the roof of Carrick Church.

Various expenses were examined and it was unanimously decided that the work of the Landscape Gardiner must be in no way curtailed because it is not exorbitant and it is highly efficient.

After Canon McDyer thanked the committee for their constructive approach, the meeting closed.



## FILM SOCIETY

The last film in the present season was shown on Wednesday 28th February at the usual cosy venue - Enright's Lounge. Unfortunately the film Annie Hall which was scheduled to be shown in April has now been cancelled owing to financial difficulties within the society.

The committee wishes to offer sincere thanks to all the bodies and individuals who supported them with donations, without which they could not have survived.

The present committee is now stepping down and if anyone wishes to continue the venture of showing a season of films all help will be extended to them. People wishing to start the film society next October should contact the outgoing chairman.

Gordon Thurston  
(Chairman).

# AN LEABHARLANN CHONTAE - CRAOBH NA CARRAIGE

(COUNTY LIBRARY - CARRICK BRANCH)

Ta Craobh na Carraige den Leabharlann Chontai ag gníomhu leí amach as ceann de na seomraí reamhdheanta sa Cheardscoil. Bíonn sí foscailte Deardaoin ó 4 p.m. go dtí 5.30 p.m. agus arís De Domhnaigh ó 11.45 a.m. go dtí 1.15 p.m. Tá cead ag achan duine den phobal, idir óg agus sean, clárú mar bhall, gan tuille ar bith.

Ta an Chraobh seo ag freastal ar mhuintir Ghleann Cholmáille agus ar mhuintir Chill Chartha chomh maith, in eagmaise sheirbhís leabharlainne ins na bailte sin. Una Uí Bheirn atá freagrach do Leabharlannai an Chostae as riarú na Craobha, ach is iad Deirdre Ní Chuinneagain agus Clár Ní Bhreisleáin, An Charraig, a n-ionann an ghnath-obair leabharlainne ó la go la, ag stampail agus ag arthru, ag clárú agus ag cuntas.

The Carrick Branch of the County Library may not be in the same leagu as Marsh's or Trinity College or the Royal Irish Academy libraries, featuring at present in the Irish Times, but still, it provides a service for the Carrick, Kilcar and Glencolumbkille communities. It is to be found in one of the prefabs in Carrick Vocational School, and is open to the public on Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. and on Sundays from after second Mass: c. 11.45 a.m. to 1.15 p.m. a Membership of the library is open to young and old alike, and there is no fee payable. Una Uí Bheirn is responsible to the County Librarian for the overall administration of the Branch but the day-to-day running is done by her two assistants Deirdre Cunningham and Claire Breslin. They enrol members, stamp the books borrowed and record the daily statistics.

A table indicating under various headings the number of books borrowed each month, is returned to the County Librarian. Mark Twain is quoted as saying 'There are three sorts of lies:

lies damned lies and statistics'. Be that as it may, it is no lie that the recorded statistics of the Carrick Branch show that the number of monthly borrowings has slumped from a peak of 222 in April '79 to 38 in Jan. '81. Another noteworthy statistic shows that over 7 Thursdays, the number of books borrowed on 4 of those Thursdays was grand total of nil.

Perhaps it is that Thursdays are unsuitable for the general public, who might find another day more convenient to visit the library. If so, would they let the Editor of An Liag know what day and/or time would be more suitable.

It is a measure of one's enlightenment where one causes the axe to fall first at a time of economic stringency. Books can be the first to go; it has happened before. With the wave of cutbacks in public services, it might be tempting to the local authorities, despite the efforts of the County Librarian, to prune even further the meagre library facilities provided. Furthermore, it becomes more difficult to pressurise the County Librarian to change the books more frequently, if he can point to dwindling numbers of borrowers.

So, a mhuintir na Carraige, a Mhuintir Chill Chartha, a mhuintir Ghleann Cholmáille, if you want the local library service improved, part of the solution lies in Lifford. But a good part of it lies in your own hands.



## BAZAAR

Word has reached my ears that a grand Bazaar is to be held in the Kilcar hall in aid of the Kilcar G.A.A. club on Saturday, March 14th. Funds are urgently needed, as work is about to commence on the Local football pitch, - the work to be undertaken by our own landscaping expert, Phonsie O'Donnell

I'm also getting strange signals which tells me that a MAJOR raffle will take place during the summer.

## ENVIRONMENT PETITION

On Wed. 11th Feb. two representatives of the local environmental group travelled to Dublin, to present to the Minister for Energy Mr. Colley, a petition, protesting to the granting of prospecting and mining licences in areas 2991 - 2992.

The petition contained hundreds of signatures from the locality who support the views of the environmental group. The urgency of the trip was due to the granting of two further licences in North Donegal. However the representatives were unable to arrange a meeting with Mr. Colley but were met by Deputy Clement Coughlin who undertook to present the petition to the minister.

The whistle stop journey was undertaken by Cathleen McAuley and Jacinta Campbell.

A meeting of the Local Environmental Group will be held on next Thursday at 8.30 p.m.



rival editor

Congrats to Master Whelan on the completion of the new Ardara G.A.A. yearbook accounting for history of the G.A.A. in the parish from the early 1900 to present day. Great work Master Whelan - Would you ever be thinking of joining the "Liag" staff!!!

Our thanks to CEM for the witty and enjoyable poems but we must make the point once again that we do not publish anonymous material. We may not print a name to an article but the editor must know who wrote it. So if CEM would like to contact the editor we could include the material in the next issue.

## FARM ADVISORY SERVICE

- ART MC GRATH

### OUR FORTY SHADES OF GREEN Section 1

Last month I wrote of the progress made in getting land drained under the Western Drainage Scheme. Already many of the brighter shades of green are appearing in the drier fields - the absence of excess water means that soil temperature rises quicker, and so growth begins that two to three weeks earlier.

But it takes more than the absence of water to make the grass grow. Fertilisers are required as inputs to replace what we take from the land as produce. Like a machine with moving parts needing oil, so also does land require the basic elements needed to keep crops growing. A REDUCTION IN FERTILISER MIGHT SEEM A WAY OF SAVING, BUT IT WILL MEAN LESS GRASS, AND SO POORER RETURNS.

On top of the list of inputs, must be lime. Ask any of the older generation farmers - they will tell you of lime kilns on every farm, and burned lime going on land on a regular basis.

Let us look at what lime does in the soil:

- 1 LIME (CALCIUM) IS AN ESSENTIAL PLANT FOOD
- 2 IT CONTROLS CERTAIN DISEASES SUCH AS CLUB-ROOT
- 3 EARTHWORMS ARE RESTRICTED IN ACID SOILS - THEREFORE UNDER-COMPOSED PLANTS remain on the surface, and a mat of material build up on the surface.
- 4 ACIDITY IN LAND INHIBITS PLANT NUTRIENTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE ADDED AS FERTILISERS. Therefore, bagged fertilisers do not achieve their full effect.
- 5 YOUNG ANIMALS NEED CALCIUM (LIME) FOR BONE FORMATION. SO LIMING MAKES THE GRASS BETTER FOR THESE ANIMALS.
- 6 SOIL TILTH IS IMPROVED; SOIL BECOMES CRUMBLIER, AND DRAINAGE IS IMPROVED.

Can it be doubted that without lime there would hardly be 40 shades of green!



Some of the commonly held beliefs about lime that I meet on my travels are as follows:-

- A. IT IS NOT WORTH THE MONEY: WRONG. At approximately £65 per lorry load, it is the best value fertilisers going.
- B. IT IS FULL OF WEED SEEDS: WRONG. Lime as it is quarried from the ground could not contain weed seeds. However, mismanagement of limed fields will cause rushes.
- C. IT SOFTENS LAND: TRUE. Lime does cut up the old mat of grass, but the new grass gives much better production. With modern fluke doses, there is no reason why fluke incidence should increase - the wet winter has it high already anyway.
- D. LAND IS TOO WET TO SPREAD: TRUE AT PRESENT. But when land dries out slightly, or in frost, 2 men with a small tractor and link-box will spread a lot of lime. Also remember it can go on at any time of the year. So the priorities for 1981 are:-

- 1. GRASSLAND:  
Good stock management (avoid poaching) and fertiliser.
- 2. WINTER FEED:  
Go for silage. A well limed field and 3 bags 18.6.12 per acre 8 weeks before cutting, will yield 9 tons of grass.

SHEEP HUSBANDRY SECTION 2

Every lamb lost is money out of your pocket. This is a critical time of year, in the hill sheep calendar.

Six lambs saved (and their bounty) will buy a lot of feeding stuff. It will also mean better lambs (heavier at weaning).

So, the following should be a guide to feeding:

PERIOD	AMOUNT OF MEAL
NOW - UNTIL EARLY MARCH .....	1/2 lb per day
MARCH - LAMBING .....	3/4 lb " "
LAMBING AND 2 WEEKS .....	1 lb " "
FURTHER (IF NO GRASS) .....	1/2 lb " "

3 c.c. of Coverin 8 in 1 should be given by end of February. This will protect lambs for 6 weeks.

FOR SALE

18' PUNT OVERALL

4 YEARS OLD

FOR DETAILS:

contact editor

**new staff**

We welcome to AN LIAG staff typists Peggy Doogan and Nora Harkin along with our new advertising manager, Martin Mc Fadden and our stock controller, Marie Hegarty.



**The Meenaneary Triangle**

My undercover informer tells me that three distinguished gentlemen left Meenaneary for the big smoke recently, in, shall I say, mysterious circumstances. The area was buzzing with all types of rumours. Some even mentioned that they headed for the Rugby International. The intrigue deepened when a rather sinister message was heard on Radio 2 on the Sunday, supposedly sent by one of the trio. By this stage the area was alive with anticipation and just as the mystery was about to be unfolded, my informer mysteriously disappears. To be continued...

**aces wild**

That wildest of card players Hugh Doherty of Straleel came up trumps in the big Poker session in Enrights recently, winning the top prize of £100. Hugh has already a high reputation in the Bridge world. Our own ever-popular card shark Cathal Doogan was runner up.

# PROFILE

## Michael Carr (Kilcor)

HEIGHT: 5 feet 11½ ins. or 6' ½" in the shoes

WEIGHT: 12½ stone

OCCUPATION: Shopkeeper

HONOURS SO FAR: U-14, 3 U-21, 1 Senior Championship,  
2 Senior League  
1 Ulster Senior Championship medal 1974  
1 McKenna Cup Medal 1975  
Dalton Cup medal  
Donegal Sports Star of the Year Award (1980)

FAVOURITE POSITION: Right half back

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: There are two games I'll always remember - the 1974 Ulster Final when we defeated Down and this years Co. Final v. Ardara

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing to Cavan in the first round of the Championship in 1975. Getting a puncture on my way to a certain date in Donegal Town and finding I had no spare

FAVOURITE PLAYER: (Gaelic): Matt Connor and Danny Gillespie

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: I find them all difficult but if I had to choose - Ian Hegarty

FAVOURITE PITCH: Glen - when the rabbits are not driving around on the cars on the strand

HOBBIES: Swimming, Roller Skating - in Old School.

FAVOURITE FOOD: Carrigeen Moss and Lemon and all health foods

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Fr. Michael Sweeney, Falcarragh Community School, Brian McEniff, Sean O'Donnell

VARIOUS LIKES/DISLIKES: My customers/People who don't bother to turn up for training and still expect to be included on the team; moaners

FAVOURITE SINGER/T.V. PROGRAMME/ACTOR/ACTRESS: Neil Diamond, Kojak, Jack Nicholson, Bo Derek

THE PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET: Bo Derek (anywhere, anytime . . . these must be the words of a man in despair)

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Switzerland

WISH FOR '81: To give everybody a big day!!

— Any Offers ??



## LONELY HEARTS

Interested young lady would like to hear more about Mr. Padraig Carr whose likes and dislikes were listed in the recent issue of An Liag. According to her some interesting facts were omitted such as his age, if he possesses a car and what type? and his views on marriage. The enquirer also requests a picture if possible. (Name and address with Editor).

## WE HEAR

the glen G.A.A. committee have come up with another great fund raising scheme. Will they ever run out of ideas. Rumour has it that they are about to launch a Lord Mayor election campaign. I hope very shortly to be able to announce the list of candidates chosen to represent the various areas. What with an impending general election things are hotting up.

## BEREAVEMENT

The death occurred recently of James Curran of Glenmalin. Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.

## CUMANN DRAMAÍOCHTA THEILINN

Tá Cumann Dramaíochta bunaithe i dTeileann le cúpla mí anuas. Se Maedhbh agus Cathal Mac Gairbhigh a d'athbhunaigh an Cumann. Mar is eol dúinn bhí tradisiún láidir dramaíochta i dTeileann le blianta fada agus bhí dainséar ann go gcaillfá suim san Dramaíocht san áit. Tá buíochas bhunadh na h-áite tuillte go mór ag Maedhbh agus Cathal as ucht as obair mhór ata deanta acu sa treo seo. Beidh Feile Mór Dramaíochta i Gcolaíste Aodh Mhic Bhricne, Teileann ar Aoine an trúil la deag de Mharta - an cuigiú la deag mar cheann de Fhéilte Chomhaltas Dramaíochta Uladh.

Táthar ag súil le suas le dha dhrama dhéag a léiriú ó Chumainn Dramaíochta ar fud na condae. Beidh dráma ag Cumann Theileann ceann ó chumainn Dramaíochta Ghleann Cholmáille agus Cill Chartha. Tá súil ag coiste an Fhéile go dtiocfaidh muintir an cheanntair go dtí na dramaí agus gealltan go mbeidh deire seachtaine taitneamhach ag sean agus óg. Síad baill chumann Dramaíochta Theilinn ná:

Peadar Ó hEigeartaigh  
Gearoid Ó hEochaidh  
Cathal Mac Gairbhigh  
Micheál Ó Curraighín  
Seosamh Ó Beirne  
Seán Ó Baoill  
Brid Ní Eochaidh  
Caitlín Mhic Bhriartaigh  
Maedhbh Mhic Gairbhigh



My eagle eye'd Teelin correspondent informs me that he sighted a salmon recently. I was telling Jimmy Haughey the other day that a bite of Salmon would go down well "what" says Jimmy - "You wouldn't even afford the tail of one at the price they would be now".

Who's talking about "buying" one Jimmy.

## DARTS SCENE

As we enter the closing stages of the Darts League, things are really hotting up! Despite the fact that in the A League, the Hollybush have a commanding lead, they still have a bye to come. The Glenbay and Enrights are still in there with a very realistic chance!! The Glenbay must be given great credit for their great consistency year after year, and no wonder with players like John and James Mc Ginley and Connie O'Gara on the teams, added to the fact that they don't have a "home" venue. Some major surprises this month were the defeats of the Harbour Bar by Glen Head (5-4), and also Michael Hughies defeated League leaders Hollybush (5-4). Enrights won the local derby (6-3)

I hear Aodh Mc Guire's playing great stuff for the Glen Head since his promotion from the B Team. Cookie had a touch of the "female blues" some weeks back in his game against his fairer sex opponent from Killybegs. Manager, Seamus Boyle, had to use all his psychological expertise to psyche Enda up again. It must have worked. He's playing top stuff again. The Boys were saying its a good job Paul wasn't there that night!! Other players in form this month are Sean Doherty (Glen Head) James P Byrne (John Byrne's) Cara Boyle (Kilcar House) Josie Gillespie (Doc's) John Mc Ginley (Glenbay) Connie Doherty (Michael Hughies) Seamus Mc Hugh (Enright's) and Connie Boyle (John Byrne's). There are some blockbusters in the 'A' Cup Draw, which are as follows:-

League Placings to date

- 1 Hollybush - 104
- 2 Glenbay - 96
- 3 Enrights - 93

Preliminary Round

- |                                |              |     |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----|
| 1 Kilcar House v John Byrne's  | } 14th March | (1) |
| 2 Golden Gate v Glenbay        |              | (2) |
| 3 Hollybush v Glen Head Tavern |              | (1) |

Editor's Predictions!

- (1) Home win
- (2) Away win

† Finals			
A	Harbour Bar	v	Bridge Bar
B	3	v	Michael Hughies
C	2	v	1
D	Anchor Inn	v	Sail Inn
			21st March
			(2)
			(1)
			(1)
			(1)

SEMI FINAL'S Neutral Venues

C v A)	28th March
B v D)	

'B' TEAM NEWS

My information of the 'B' League scene is scant. But it seems that the Kilcar House have more or less wrapped it up again; with the Glenbay likely runners up! Rory was so thrilled with his narrow victory (5-4) over Enrights, that he promised each member of the team an Eric Bristow Darts Shirt, to be worn for next season's competitions!! and free! membership of the club.

Glen Head Tavern (watch out for them next year!) are a vastly improved side this year, proven by a thrilling (7-2) victory over the highly rated Glenbay. The outstanding 'B' players this month are as follows - Enright's skipper - Martin Carr, Aidan Kennedy (Michael Hughies) Wilfie Milsop (Kilcar House) Marty Mc Guire (Glenbay). The Draw for the 'B' Cup has been made, bringing together local derby - Enrights v Doc's.

Martin Carr predicts at least (7-2). Strong favourites for the Cup must be champions elect Kilcar House. Gerry Mc Kenna says 'if we don't win the double, I'll go back to the Irish classes next year'

Gate News Flash! Kilcar House are the new 'B' champs, with their (7-2) victory over the Glenbay on Tuesday night.

'B' Cup Draw

Preliminary Round

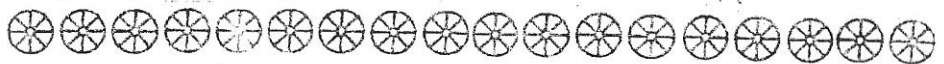
1	Michael Hughies	v	Harbour Bar	24th Feb.	(1)
2	Glen Head Tavern	v	Anchor Inn		

† Finals

A	John Byrne's	v	Glenbay	3rd March	(2)	
B	Kilcar House	v	1			(1)
C	Bridge Bar	v	Golden Gate			(1)
D	2	v	Hollybush			(2)

SEMI FINALS

B v D)	10th March
A v C)	



# macra na tuaithe glen

Since you last heard from us not much progress has been made within the club. Our main worry now is money!

Gerry McNern, Treasurer, told us that our funds had become very low so we set to work, thinking of a quick way to raise money. Once again a play was proposed but, even though work has now begun on this project, we wanted to get the money fast.

After a few suggestions it was finally decided that the best idea was a draw. This will be put into action as soon as possible and 'lines' will be distributed to members of the club, and also to the local shops, so we ask you for your support. In all, prize money of £50 will be paid out, not very much you may say, but to a club with no money, it's a lot!

As I said, we have not made much progress yet but don't worry, we will keep you informed!

Geraldine McGuire.

## Keep Fit Classes

No doubt DALLAS with its bevy of beauties has gripped the imagination of the fairer sex in the area over the past two years. Well, the Kilcar ladies have finally succumbed to the inevitable "Fight the Flab" campaign under the astute guidance of Mrs. Bileen Molloy, Ardara formerly of The Lane Road, Carrick. Keep Fit classes are being held twice weekly in the hall. My undercover Kilcar spy also tells me that heavy penalties are inflicted on those who do not comply with the weight regulations!! Michael Carr told me: "We'll soon make the Glen ones jealous." Keep up the good work ladies!!

**sssh...**

I was warned NOT to mention Danny's bike - so I won't.

## get well wishes

to Mrs. Gracie Ward who is at the moment convalescing in Letterkenny Hospital.

## welcome

a big welcome back from the U.S.A. to Francie Byrne, formerly of Bavin. Francie is a brother of Brigid Byrne of Main Street Kilcar.

## ordinations

A big public meeting was held in Kilcar recently to discuss arrangements for the forthcoming ordination of Gerry Doherty and Charlie Byrne. The committee elected to co-ordinate events consists of:

Michael Erskine -  
Chairman,  
Oliver Mc Intyre -  
Secretary,  
Willie Mc Shane -  
Treasurer.

Each townland has a delegate on the committee. Already many of the plans for the big day are nearing fruition. Guimid rath De ar an dea-obair

## bon voyage

Tá Francie Curran as Teileann imithe go Meirice ar chusirt chuig a mhac Ciaráin atá ag obair in Nua Eabhrac le cúpla bliain anois. Caithfidh Francie trá sheachtain ann san iomlán. Beidh ábhar maith síneála againn nuair a thiocfaidh Francie ar ais.



## MAN OF THE YEAR

An amazing man, so say we all  
Where he saw need he answered the call,  
To better man's lot was his desire  
Our erstwhile Pastor James, Canon McDyer.

He would have all men pull their weight  
for the betterment of man's estate,  
As in this world we all must toil  
Some to reap and sow, and work the soil.

For his endeavour to create employment  
For his endeavour to give employment,  
To preserve the home life we love so dear  
He has been awarded, "Man of the Year."

Our thanks to him for work well done  
The road was hard, - No great fun.  
May we always think of him with pride  
Gods love, and blessing with him abide.

Mrs Brigid Gillespie,  
Doonalt,  
Glencolmcille.

Congratulations to Mrs. Mary Katherine Doherty on the birth of a baby boy.



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