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AN LIAG

Uimhir 44 Eanáir 1981 luach 20p

We're Back!

I suppose it might be described as the biggest some-back since Lazarus but AN LIAG hasn't been so much dead as slumbering over the past year.

Some people may view the return of the local newsletter with trepidation, others with a yawn but we're sure our overseas subscribers will be glad on two counts. Firstly they will once again get the local news on a regular basis and secondly they will realise that their subscriptions which we have held over the past year have not been lost!

AN LIAG was first printed in April 1976 with the formation of a new Macra na Tuaithe Club in Carrick. It was written, produced and designed by the Club for about a year and a half subsequently for which the members were awarded a National Award as Young Achievers.

Fortythree issues were put out up to December 1979 and this is the 44th edition. We have heard many reasons why the newsletter has not appeared over the past year, all of which have given us cause for laughter. Rather than bore you with details it is simpler to explain why AN LIAG was not produced in 1980 - I was too busy. Increasingly the total burden of producing the magazine fell to the editor and despite rumours that vast riches were made from AN LIAG profits nobody working on the paper received any remuneration - not even the editor. AN LIAG just about pays for itself.

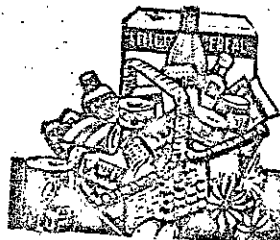
The reappearance of AN LIAG is due to our new editor, Brendan Boyle. Brendan who hails from Dungloe has been teaching at the Vocational School in Carrick since 1972 and we wish him every success as editor.

He may need it! The magazine has been involved in controversy over its short life. Many shops in the area refused to sell it - hot stuff!! Nevertheless, however outspoken, we have always tried to be honest and I'm sure this trend will continue with our new editor.

- Brian Mc Auley

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"FOR QUALITY AT THE RIGHT PRICE"

SILVER CIRCLE

A very worthwhile Silver Circle is being run at the moment by The Teelin and Glencolumbkille Inshore Fishermen's Association at the moment. The proceeds of the silver circle will be used to recoup some of the losses sustained by Glen Fishermen whose nets were destroyed by large trawlers. To date no compensation has been paid to the local inshore men and sources indicate that it is highly unlikely that any will ever be paid. Anyone wishing to join the silver circle, which incidentally offers magnificent prizes, can contact Sean Keeney, Seamus Haughey or Gerard Haughey (Teelin).

GOOD LUCK

Best wishes to Brenda Cunningham of Main St. Carrick who has gone to work in Scotland. We hope she will return soon as we need more typists for AN LIAG. We hear that Donegal Fish hasn't been the same since her departure.

Ulster Scor na nÓg semi-final

Five local young ladies from the Carrick area represented Naomh Columba in the Donegal Final of Scor na nÓg and go on to the Ulster Final. They are Marion Gillespie and sister Jacqueline, Geraldine O'Donnell and Sandra Moore - all from Carrick and Marie Hegarty from Teelin. Congratulations to all the girls and best wishes.

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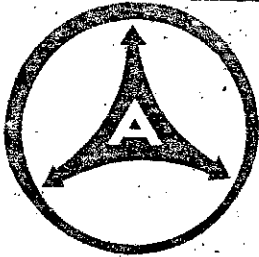
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GET WELL WISHES

Our prayers and sincerest get well wishes are extended to Con Sweeney of Straleel who is seriously ill at home. Con, who lived for a time in England returned with his family to his native Straleel a few years ago. Go dtuga Dia togha na sláinte dó.



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FARM ADVISORY SERVICE

1980.... THE YEAR THAT WAS.

At the start of the year the new WESTERN DRAINAGE scheme was in full operation. Groups from the different areas were having their lands mapped out for drainage. Group leaders were:

C. Cunningham	Strabrinna
E. Hegarty	Straleel
J. Mc Ginley	Umiskin end Malinbeg
J. T. Mc Nulty	Cashlinge
C. Mc Devitt	Churchtown
P. Hegarty	Crucarra
P. O'Donnell	Meenanary (2 Groups)

The scheme is still in progress, and is being dealt with by the FARM DEVELOPMENT SERVICE at Donegal 48.

Gaeltach grassland plots were distributed in the Kilcar and Glencolmcille areas. This may be the last year of the scheme, but hopes are that fertiliser will be subsidised in the new Western Package (300 million pounds).

The wet weather in July caused big hay losses in other parts of the country. This prompted the government to introduce a scheme to push growing late grass.

A £20 subsidy was given for a ton of Nitro gen, and £3 a ton was given to first time silage makers. Some farmers in the area availed of these grants.

Lamb prices in early autumn were poor, but the Co-op in Bogagh maintained a price of 26p per pound. They sold 2500 lambs

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to lowland fatteners, and reports back from these farmers are that the lambs are doing well. The Co-op hopes to sell in the region of 4000 lambs next year.

Cattle prices were also poor early on, but due to the shortage of beef in the factories and the fall-off in cow numbers, prices for cattle are now well improved, and should remain so for the coming months.

AND FOR 1981.....

More efficient production can bring higher farm incomes. The days of the big price rises are over for farm produce. Farming is an industry - our biggest - and like other industries, management skill is one of the essential inputs.

Think of your own farm.....what are the weaknesses in your system?

- A: DID I GET POOR PRICES FOR LAMBS OR SHEEPS BECAUSE THEY WERE POOR QUALITY?
- B: WAS I FORCED TO SELL CATTLE EARLY BECAUSE OF SHORTAGE OF WINTER FEED.
- C: AM I OVER-STOCKED
- D: ARE MY CATTLE IN THE FIELDS OVER WINTER ?
- E: DO I RARELY SEE MY SHEEP BECAUSE OF POOR FENCING?
- F: WHAT ARE THE CHANCES OF GETTING THE COMMONS DIVIDED? CAN IT BE GRANT-AIDED?
- G: WILL MY DOLE BE AFFECTED IF I INCREASE MY STOCK?

The ADVISORY SERVICE can help you answer these and other questions. My name is ART MC GRATH and I can be contacted at the following offices:

COURTHOUSE, GLENTIES.

(Tel. 81 between 9.30 - 11.00)


Night classes on farming will be starting soon. Venues and times will be advertised. WHY NOT COME ALONG?

bon voyage


Meenaneary mourns the loss of her favourite son - not a permanent loss, mind you, just another of the global exploits of Paul Boyle who has returned to England. Paul hopes to leave for sunny San Francisco in April. "This will have a shattering effect on our "B" team", Rory says.

We hope Paul will notify us of his address in the U.S. - he is on our subscription list with an address in Surrey! Every success in the new job.

Christy Doogan



Service Station



ENGAGEMENTS

Congratulations to Michael Donovan and to Cora Maguire of Dublin who were engaged recently.

We hear that Neil Mc Ginley of Umuskan has given a ring to Catherine O Gara of Glen. also. Congratulations to both.

Also engaged recently were Teresa Byrne and John Molloy of Kilcar. Congratulations.

THE BRIDGE BAR

SINGING
LOUNGE

LUNCH BAR



Seanchas Scoile...

WELCOME

Ahearty welcome is extended to Miss Marlene Scott who has taken up the post of Geography teacher at the Vocational School. She replaces our former editor, Brian Mc Auley who has taken up a post as Guidance Counsellor. Miss Scott taught previously in Co. Mayo, her native county.

NEW CAR

Well to wear to school chaplain Fr. Friel who purchased a new Ritmo recently.

TEACHING PRACTICE


Completing her teaching practice at the Tech is Kathleen Doherty, B.A. Clogher. Kathleen is presently pursuing a Higher Diploma in Education at University College, Galway. She is a keen basketball player and is on the University team. She can be seen at lunch time imparting some of her valuable advice to our aspiring basketball enthusiasts.

Also on teaching practice for a Higher Diploma is Anne Cunningham of Drumreagh, Kildare. Anne is working at Killybegs Vocational school.

A past pupil of

Tom Carr

VISIT
TOM'S FOR
A GOOD
NIGHT OUT




Carrick school, Seamus Haughey of Glen is also completing a Higher Diploma in Education at University College, Galway.

CAREERS GUIDANCE

Brian Mc Auley who completed a Diploma in Advanced Studies in Education, Guidance and Counselling at Coleraine University last year is now involved in Career Guidance full-time at Carrick and Killybegs Vocational Schools. We wish him success in his new work and hope for as impressive results in the public examinations as were achieved last year.

KILCAR HOUSE

FOR
COMFORT
AND A
FRIENDLY
ATMOSPHERE



GREETINGS

Former Geography teacher, Edward Boyle sends greetings from Gweedore and hopes to pay us a visit in February.

FOOTBALL

Currently riding on the crest of a wave are the under 16 boys football team under the direction of their new coach Sean Burke. Successive victories over Killybegs and Ballyshannon have installed them as strong challengers for this year's title. Their next game will be against D'Onegal Vocational School.

NEW CLASSROOMS

There has been much local comment on the unusual looking classrooms being constructed on the Line Road. Despite some storm damage recently the rooms should be ready for occupation in the new school year. The rooms are being built by Larry Gallagher.

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ENGAGEMENT

Heartiest Congratulations to Maureen Enright and Brendan Haughey both of Teelin who were engaged recently.

GET WELL WISHES

Get well wishes to Gerry Cunningham of Upper Carrick who was admitted to hospital in Limerick recently. We wish him a speedy recovery and we hope Ian and the boys have plenty of soup ready for his return.

Bereavements

MC GINLEY

Condolences to Mrs. John Maloney, Carrick on the death of her sister Mary Dolores recently. Ar dheis De go raibh si.

MC SHANE

The death occurred last week of Mrs. Brigid Mc Shane of the Post Office, Cashel, Glencolmcille. Sincere sympathies are extended to her family and relatives. Solas na bhFlaitheas da hanam.

GARA

Sincere sympathies to the family and relatives of Denis Gara of Meenadiff who died recently and was buried in Cashel. DGo ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.

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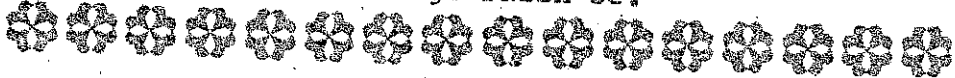
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MC GINLEY

Our sincere sympathies are extended to Joan and Michael Mc Ginley on the death of their baby Dermot recently. Go maire se leis an Naion Iosa.

MC GINLEY

The death took place in a Dublin hospital recently of Charlie Mc Ginley of Meenacharvy. Charlie, a well-known figure in the area will be sorely missed by all his friends, family and relations. Ar dheis De go raibh se.



GET WELL WISHES

To Yvonne Mc Ginley of Malinbeg and Sarah Connolly of Drimroe both of whom have broken ankles at the moment.

Norah Mc Ginley

- GROCERIES
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- LOUNGE BAR



TWENTYFIRST

Congratulations to Bridget Teresa Hegarty of Malinmore who celebrated her 21st birthday party recently.

PROMOTION

Congratulations to Donal Ward of Carrick Upper on his promotion to Sergeant in the Gardai recently. Donal is now stationed at Burtonport. We wish him and his family every success.

BIG WIND

As is usual the winter storms wreaked much damage locally with roofs being lifted and many windows suffered damage.

LOSS TO COMMUNITY

Over the past six months we have witnessed the tragic loss of many of our most famous seanchais. People like Condai Byrne (Johnny Jondie), Jim Pat James and more recently Michael Og O Beirne of Cashel, Kilcar will be remembered for the hours of enjoyment they provided to friends and neighbours. They were all part of our unique heritage and will be sorely missed.

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MINING ON SLIABH LIAG?

Some months ago certain areas in Co. Donegal were advertised by the Department of Energy for licensing by companies interested in mineral prospecting and mining. Licences for most of these areas have been acquired but two of them - nos. 2991 and 2992 have not yet been taken up, roughly a strip from Towney to Malinmore.

A Co. Donegal member of An Taisce wrote to the Donegal Planning Committee reminding them that they themselves had already designated the Sliabh Liag area in particular as areas of special scientific interest and international importance and should by that definition not have been open to licensing at all.

The planning committee responded by lodging an objection with the Minister for Energy on these grounds:

- (1) Sliabh Liag has rare Alpine and Arctic Flowers which could be irreparably damaged if disturbed by prospecting or mining.
- (2) The northwestern end of the mountain contains one of the very few natural uncontaminated boglands in Europe and even the drilling of one hole could destroy its significance.
- (3) The entire mountain is important as an area of study for geological history.

This objection postponed the granting of the licences, pending further information. Bord na Mona, who had originally designated the boglands and the Department of Lands and Fisheries have been approached to add their voices to the case but so far it is unclear how the minister will rule.

Bearing in mind that if the Minister had properly informed himself about special areas like these and respected the judgment of local government planning, in which case a dispute would never have arisen, there are other arguments against the intrusion of mining and prospecting companies in these areas.

There is a real danger of lead poisoning getting into domestic and animal water supplies in the event of a lead find. While mining companies promise to find new water supplies in such an event, they don't claim to be able to clean up contaminated ones - and so far our birds, fish, sheep and cattle can't read danger signs.

Apart from the pleasure we who live here derive from some of the most beautiful scenery in Ireland, many tourists come to enjoy it with us, forming an important contribution to our local economy. If the scientific interest were to be destroyed and the physical beauty endangered, the long term loss of extra revenue from visitors might easily offset any short-term gain from mining, - once the mining companies lose interest in us we could be left without minerals, natural gifts and tourists.

Last, but not least we owe our children the uncontaminated heritage which, after all, we only have on loan ourselves.

If you feel you would like to lend your voice to the effort to keep our environment clean please sign your name on the accompanying slip and return to one of these people on or before Sunday 1st February to one of the following: Charlie Mc Garvey, Teelin; Mary Kate Heena, Aughera; Kathleen Mc Auley, Carrick; Jocelyn Braddell, Glen; Bridie O'Donnell, P.O., Kilcar; Jacinta Campbell, Kilcar or Sean Mc Nelis Upper Carrick.

ENVIRONMENT PETITION

We, the undersigned wish to support our local environmental group in their objection to the granting of prospecting and mining licences for areas 2991 and 2992 by the Department of Energy.

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Ba mhaith linn thíos, tacaíocht a thabhairt don iarracht atá curtha ar bun le cosc a chur le ceadúnais taiscealta agus mianadóireachta i ndúichí 2991 agus 2992 ar an learscail atá foilsithe ag an Aire Cumhachta.

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SCEAL MÓR

Bhí scéal mór le cur isteach againn anseo ach hiarradh orainn é a choinneáil siar go mbeadh tuairisc oifigiúil curtha amach. Shíl muid go mbeadh scoop ag AN LIAG ach ní mar síltear bítear. Ar chaoi ar bith ba chóir do mhuintir Chill Chartha cluas le héisteacht a choinneáil orthu an tseachtain seo chugainn agus sin an meid a déarfais muid ach beidh scéal mór sa phost.

CHAPEL REPAIRS

Major repairs are being undertaken at the chapel in Cashel and the building has been closed for the past few weeks while work on the roof continues. The money for the work was collected by a local energetic committee who held all sorts of fund-raising sessions from card games to dances to collect more than £26,000. Money was donated by our exiles as well. Until the renovations have been completed Mass is being held each Sunday in Halla Mhuire. It is refreshing to see a local committee so active and faithfully supported by their pastor Fr. Mc Grane.

FAMILY REUNION

Christmas in Aughtera proved a joyous occasion in more ways than one for the Maloney family. The happy arrival of twins to Siobhan and Peter coincided with a joyful family reunion - the first in many years. Home from America were Denis and Paddy Joe with their families and of course, Rosaleen took a break from her nursing duties in London to spend the Christmas at home as well. We hope they all had a splendid time and safe return.

Editorial

AN LIAG has been highly praised at home and abroad for its quality of presentation as a community newsletter. This quality and indeed the gigantic work which lay behind the production of each issue of the magazine is due mainly to the former editor, Brian Mc Auley to whom the community owes a debt of gratitude. Following in Brian's footsteps will not be easy but I hope to introduce some new ideas and slightly differing formats. Consequently I would ask our readers to send in newsworthy articles and their opinions on life in the area, past and present. Brian, of course, has not left us altogether. He will continue as production advisor and indeed we would welcome anybody else who could join us to help with typing and producing the magazine.

AN LIAG is a community newsletter serving the parishes of Glencolmcille and Kilcar. The editor is:

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CARRICK
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MARCH

PROCEEDS IN AID OF THE FUND FOR A NEW
COMMUNITY CENTRE

Household goods, delph, etc. etc.

STAR PRIZES - RAFFLE FOR T.V.

Nótaí ón Chomharchumann

Tá áthas orainn a fheiceáil go bhfuil AN LIAG foilsithe arís. Chruitnigh muid go mór é. Guíonn muid rath Dé ar AN LIAG úr. Táimid buíoch don eagarthóir as an cuireadh a thug sé dúinn a bheith páirteach ins an phaipéar úr.

The Co-op appreciates the invitation to contribute to AN LIAG. In the months ahead we hope to report on matters of interest to our members and to the public generally.

One of the biggest disappointments farmers have received recently is the news that the first moiety of the new premium on ewes is likely to be less than £1. The figure of £3.50 had been mentioned as recently as November. It appears that the base for calculating the premium is taken at a time when the trade for hill sheep is virtually over for the season. Therefore hill sheep farmers will get only a fraction of what they were led to expect by the Minister.

This has been the latest of a number of setbacks to the industry. Sheep farmers are getting increasingly disillusioned by the lack of official interest in their problems. It is to be hoped that things do not get worse.



CUMANN RINCE

CHILL CHARTHA

Tá athbheochaint shonrach tagtha ar shuim mhuintir Dhún na nGall sna rinceí céili agus rinceí traidisiúnta. Bíonn rangannaí ar siúl i mórán áiteanna ar fud an chontae. Tá an athbheochaint seo le feiceáil go soiléir i gCill Chartha, áit a bhfuil dhá rang damhsa ar siúl gach seachtain.

Cuireadh tús leis na rangannaí i mí na Bealtaine anuraidh. Bíonn suas le daichead ag freastail ar an rang do daoine fásta gach oíche Máirt agus bíonn thart fá leathchead páistí ag freastail ar an rang do pháistí gach Satharn. Úsáidtear Halla an Pharóiste do na rangannaí.

Bíonn seans ag daoine na rinceí céile agus rinceí traidisiúnta an cheantair a fhoghlaim. Tá iarracht ar siúl na sean-rinceí a bhailiú agus a chothú. Tá muid ag fáil cuidiú ó mhórán daoine ach tá tuilleadh a' dhíth orainn fosta. Uaireanta ní bhíonn daoine ábalta cuid de na sean-rinceí a thabhairt i gcuimhne. Beidh foradh na fáilte roimh éinne a bhfuil eolas aige nó aici ar na sean-rinceí. 'Ar ndóigh beidh foradh na fáilte roimh éinne a bhfuil suim acu sna rinceí traidisiúnta.

Chuaigh "set" as Chill Chartha isteach i gcomortas san Oireachtas i nGaith Dobhair anuraidh. B'iad baill na foirne sin:

Treas Bean Mhic Cuinneagain (Peter), Maire Bean Mhic Giolla Cearra (Petey), Maire Bean O Beirne (Michael), Peigi O hEigeartaigh (Maurice), Seamus O Gallaghoir (Sreath na Dige), Peadar Mac Giolla Cearra (Cill Chartha), Sean Mac Amhlaidh (Cill Chartha) agus Froinsias O Beirne (An Choguis).

uair a bhí siad ag cleachtadh an damhsa fuair iad cuidiú mór ó Mairead Uí Bheirn (An Choguis) áire Aine Ó Gallachóir (Sreath-na-Díge) agus aitlín Bean Ó Beirne (An Chaiseal).

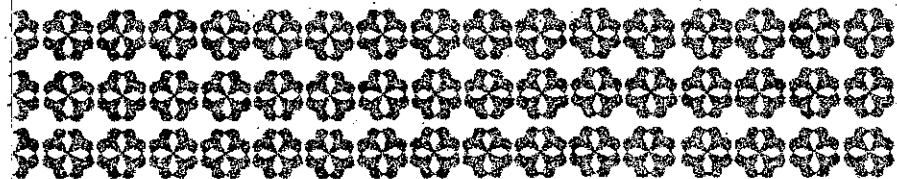
ig grúpa aníos as Na Cealla Beaga chuig an rang amhsa. Rinneoirí den chéad scoth iad go léir agus bíonn áthas orainn iad a fheiceáil gach eachtain.

heireann Cumann Rince Cill Chartha tacaíocht o cumainn rince eile ar fud an chontae. Rinne aid freastal ar céilithe i mBealach Bó Féich, Ceall Beaga, Teileann, agus Ros Nualach.

e Mícheal Mac Giolla Cearra an ceoiltoir do a rangannaí rince. Tá sé an-fhóirsteanach don pair mar tá tuiscint aige ar an cheol atá fíirsteanach do na rinceí.

heireann na baill eile de chraobh áitiúil de omhaltas tacaíocht mór dúinn fosta. Thaisteal aid acu, Frionnasais Ó Beirne (An Chaiseal), adar Mac Cuinneagain (Droim Riabhach) agus ionnsais Mac Aodh (Muc Ros) go Gaith Dobhair agus sheinn siad don 'set'.

á déan dearmad, cuirfidh an rang rince fíor áilte roimh cách. Má tá dream ar bith gur mian eofa rang rince a reachtáil in a gceantar féin, héarfáidh Cumann Rince Cill Chartha gach cuidiú óibh.



SCHOOL CLOSED

There was an unexpected holiday for many young Kilcar people when the primary school was closed recently due to a flu epidemic in the parish.

GET WELL WISHES

are extended to Sheila Boyle of Main Street, Carrick who is ill in hospital in Letterkenny. We also welcome home young Sheila and family.

BEREAVEMENTS

CANNON

The death occurred during the week at her home in Cashel, Glencolmcille of Brigid Cannon. Brigid resided for many years in the U.S. Sincere sympathies are extended to her sister Mamie and to her friends and relatives. Ar dheis Dé go raibh sí.

BOYLE

Another recent death was that of Mary Ellen Boyle at Stranorlar. Mary hailed from Malinmore. Sympathies are extended to her friends and relatives. Go ndéana Dia trócaire ar a hanam.

KEENEY

The death occurred recently of Cassie Keeney of Main St. Kilcar. Sympathies are extended to her friends and relatives. Sonas na bhPlaitheas da hanam.



ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Susie Brady of Kilcar and to Packie Gara of Ballard who were engaged recently.



Over 60 members were present in Halla Mhuire on Sunday January 4th for the annual A.G.M. of Naomh Columba G.A.A. Club. The new officers elected are:

PRESIDENT: Fr. Mc Grane
PATRONS: Canon Mc Dyer
 Rev. Scott Harte
CHAIRMAN: Paddy "Beag" Gillespie
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ASSISTANT TREASURER: Paddy Boyle
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SELECTORS: Sean Doherty, Seamus Boyle
JUNIOR TEAM MANAGER: Paddy Beag Gillespie
CLUB TRAINER: Benny Mc Loughlin
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER: Francis Cunningham

A special tribute was paid by the members to Sean O hEinne who resigned his position as treasurer. His life-long dedication and effort to the Cause of the G.A.A. in Glencolumbkille will never be forgotten.

club theilinn

Club theilinn is, as the name suggests, a broadly based group of people who live in Teelin. It is in fact, the old Club na nOg under a new name. It was decided last year at the A.G.M. of Club na nOg to change the name lest people would consider that the club catered solely for young people, thereby excluding those of use who are in the not so young category. At the A.G.M., the following were elected as officers for the year 1980-1981:

CHAIRMAN: Gene Curran
SECRETARY: Maeve Mc Garvey
TREASURER: Peter Hegarty

The main aim of the Club is the development of community life in Teelin. The members have set about achieving this aim in four ways:

- (i) By collecting money for the renovation of the old school as a community centre. Last year a very successful silver circle was run, which realised over £1,200 for the club.
- (ii) By its involvement with the Donegal Regatta Committee. Last year two very successful regattas - the Teelin Regatta and the County Final Regatta - were held in Teelin. This year it is hoped that many young people from the surrounding areas outside Teelin will become involved with the newly formed rowing club. We also expect to see a women's team on the water this year.
- (iii) By its involvement with the Comhaltas Naisiunta Dramaiochta. This year one of the two Feili Dramaiochta Chuige Ulaadh is being held in Teelin on March 15th-16th. Dramaí from at least ten other clubs will be staged during the feile.

(iv) By its participation in An Comortas Forba :tha Pobal which is sponsored by Udaras na Gaeltachta.

- Charlie Mc Garvey.

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PREPARATIONS FOR ORDINATIONS

Work will soon commence on roof repairs in Kilcar Church in preparation for one of the most historic days in the history of the parish - the double ordination in June of Gerry Doherty and Charlie Byrne. Fr. Friel C.C. tells me that other repairs are to be made to make sure that this great day will never be forgotten.

CONDOLENCES

to Bart Whelan of Ardara and the Vocational School, Carrick, on the death of his mother during the week. M's. Whelan had been ill for some time. Sincere sympathies are extended to friends and relatives. Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a hanam.

SPORT

RAILWAY CUP STAR

Congratulations once again to our inter-county and inter-provincial star, Finian Ward who has been selected on the Ulster Railway Cup Panel for the third successive year. Finian is already the holder of two Railway Cup medals. Lets hope he can make it a hat trick - this would really be a rare and unique distinction.

DONEGAL G.A.A. SPORTS STAR

Following one of the most successful seasons in the history of the Kilcar club comes the news of Michael Carr's selection as Donegal's G.A.A. Star of the year. Michael's memorable displays for his club and his county have truly earned for him this great award. Somewhat baffling, however is Michael's omission from this year's Railway Cup squad.

COUNTY CHAIRMAN

Congratulations to Michael Gillespie who was returned unopposed as Chairman of the Donegal G.A.A. County Board. It seems that all the honours have come to the southwest. Bart Whelan of Ardara who teaches at Carrick Tech was returned as county secretary, unopposed, as was the former county treasurer Francie Cunningham of the Naomh Columba club. Seamus Doogan was elected assistant secretary.

We are certain that the affairs of the G.A.A. are in good hands for the next year and we wish all the officers every success in their arduous tasks.

PROFILE

Padraig Carr (Naomh Columba)

HEIGHT: 5 feet 11 inches (He's joking - ed.)

WEIGHT: 11½ stone (???)

OCCUPATION: Businessman

CLUB: Naomh Columba

HONOURS SO FAR: 1968 Donegal U-14 Championship
1976 Donegal Senior Football League

1978 Donegal Senior Football Championship
Donegal Senior Football League
Comortas Peile na Gaeltachta

1980 Donegal Senior Football League
All-Ireland 7-a-side runners-up.

FAVOURITE POSITION: Full forward or Full back.

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Beating Gweedore in the County
Championship Final 1978.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: That J.R. lived after being
shot.

FAVOURITE PLAYER: Jack O Shea and Matt O'Connor.

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Brendan Dunleavy

FAVOURITE PITCH: Kilcar - when it isn't waterlogged!!

HOBBIES: Haven't got any but if I have...(censored
by editor)

FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak, fish, pizza, spaghetti Bolognese.
(My haven't we got the elaborate taste!)

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON MY CAREER: My father R.I.P., Rev.
Michael Sweeney (Holy
Cross College), Jimmy Cunningham.

LIKES / DISLIKES: Good pitches / Bad referees and
smoking.

AMBITIONS: To be successful but more important to
find contentment (and to beat John
Harkin at Darts).

FAVOURITE T.V. PROGRAMME: Robert Kee's Ireland Series,
Match of the Day - any
type of opera.

FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Laurence Olivier, Peter
Strauss, Candice Bergan and
Stephanie Powers.

THE PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET: Sophia Loren
in the dark...

(Now I wonder what exactly he means by that?)
and also the next Taoiseach, Garret Fitzgerald -
sorry Cathal!

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Germany (whereon Noel interrupts
by saying "when were you ever in
Germany?...which started the uproar. In the
meantime the editor slips quietly away with his
exclusive scoop.)

DARTS

The second half of the darts season is well and
truly under way and at this stage the Hollybush A
are leading the League race with 76 points closely
followed by Enrights with 75 points. The Glenbay
however, are in hot pursuit with 71 points with
the advantage of a game in hand. My reliable
source tells me that the in-form players at the

moment are Paddy Byrne, Golden Gate; Dave Enright; Cornelius Mockler, Glenbay and our own "Cookie". Who knows, we may yet have a budding Eric Bristow in our midst!

Dave Enright's annual competition for the Perpetual Cup and £150 in prize money commences shortly. All those interested can ring Dave at Carrick 70. Last week's outstanding match was Hollybush V The Golden Gate, in which the Carrick side put up a superhuman effort, only to lose 5 - 4 to the league leaders. "The darts were brilliant", says Robby.



GET WELL WISHES

are extended to Tommy Donaghue of Drimroe, Bridget Mc Nelis of Ballard and Hannah O Gara of Bangort, all of whom are in hospital at the moment. We wish them all a speedy recovery and hope to see them back amongst us soon.

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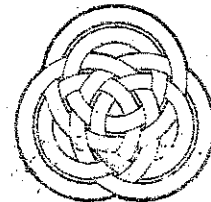
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MACRA NOTES

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NEW YEAR

The Carrick Macra na Tuaithe Club held its first meeting of the new year on the 9th of January with the new officers who had been elected in September presiding. They are:
CHAIRMAN: Michael Galligan
SECRETARY: Marion Gillespie
TREASURER: Anne Doherty
P.R.O.: Colette Mc Devitt.

PROJECTS

The main topic at the early meetings was a review of the projects that had been completed up to Christmas. They included a Christmas Cards project, designs with shells; making candles; electronics; making wooden toys. Most of the projects were completed very satisfactorily. It was decided that projects in the new year should have a community orientation and could fit in well with the Sceim Forbartha Pobal. Some people have been contacted with this idea in mind.

BASKETBALL MARATHON

At the last Club meeting Anne Doherty announced that Club funds were very low and after more than forty ideas were examined for raising money it was decided to hold a sponsored Basketball Marathon. So at the crack of dawn on Saturday 31st January the courts of the Vocational School will echo to the sound of competing teams for ten hours. Plans are well advanced and cards have already been produced. It is hoped that many people will sponsor club members for a sum for each hour they play. The Marathon will start at 8 a.m. and finish at 6 p.m.

Colette Mc Devitt
 (P.R.O.)

glen

NEW CLUB

Recently a new Youth Club was formed in Glen. This is the third time that such an attempt has been made and hopefully it will succeed this time.

SPONSORED WALK

Even though the club is only a few weeks in existence we have already raised £100 on a sponsored walk between Cashel and Glen.

Some of the money was used for sports equipment for the club.

On the walk the club group was preceded by a car and the event was supervised to make sure no footweary members hitched a ride. Having left Glen at half past one we arrived back about six o'clock. We hope this will be the first of many fund-raising activities we will have.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

The Club meets once a week in Halla Mhuire and we play basketball, darts and table tennis. Some members are engaged in a project repairing an old bicycle which when completed will be either sold or raffled.

In the near future we hope to start a small drama group and put on plays for the community. A history project on Glencolmcille is also planned and this may take the form of a short play later.

YOUTH OFFICER

Last week we had a visit from our Youth Officer for Macra na Tuaithe, John Mc Dermott. He gave us further ideas on projects.

We'd like to ask all to support the club in any way possible - especially adults by joining us as leaders.

Geraldine Maguire. (P.R.O.)

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Hearty Congratulations are extended to Peter and Siobhan Mc Ginley of Main Street, Carrick on the birth of twin girls, Carol and Olivia recently. Peter was reported to appear somewhat bleary-eyed on the job in recent mornings! "But, we're not complaining", says Bernard, "The Boss is in great spirits this weather."

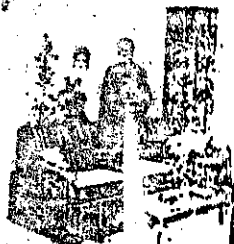
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We will increase the prize money for the competition in the future - the new editor is more generous than the last fellow!

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