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THE BIG RIP-OFF

• By Tom Darby

RECENTLY the Sunday Newspapers carried details of the amount of expenses paid to Dail Deputies and Senators for their attendance and well being during their term of office. These amounts of course were apart from their salaries and were tax free. The politicians themselves inform us that they get nothing only what they are entitled to. This comment begs a couple of



Pictured here enjoying a meal at the end of the competitions are our competitors in the Community Games and some of the organising committee of the Beaumont Residents Association.



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO JOIN?

If you were missed by our Committee members just put your name on the application form on Page 8 and post it.

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questions (1) Who drafted up these wide range of payments covering travel, hotel accommodation, telephone and constituency office accommodation? Would I be correct in concluding that they were arrived at by a select committee of themselves. I am sure every group of employees in this country would like to have the some set up. (2) When a TD or Senator submits his expense sheet (and I am led to believe that it's the first thing a new entrant is taught when elected) is there any check as to its accuracy?

I am not aware of any independent outside agency checking such things out. Is it possible that some elected representatives pool a car and each claim the mileage of 68p a mile? Could they have travelled by train and claim the car mileage allowance. I am not suggesting for one moment that they do but unless the accounting of expenses is transparent then when big amounts appear in print the cloud of suspicion will hang around.

One of the most interesting aspects of these expenses is that apart from his salary (£39,000) a Dublin based T.D. is entitled to £45 a day for attending at his work place. If this happened or was sought for any other employment the same T.D.s would be on their soap boxes telling workers that they were out to destroy the country and the economy.

Its ironic that these sort of tax free handouts can be made against the background of what happened on July 1st last. There came into force a new system with regard to medical refunds. The charge up to that date was £32, but the old people mostly pensioners who depend on medicines in order to have some quality of life were ripped off to the tune of £10 per month. It is obvious that politicians show the same vigour in extracting money from old people as they do in awarding themselves lavish expenses. Its sickening at times to hear politicians of every hue rattle on and prat about a level playing field. The short observation I have made will clearly demonstrate that a lot of us will not even get a chance to see the side line.

P.S. - As an idea - why not give free travel to politicians and let the hotels they stay in submit the bill to the accounts committee. No mileage? I bet they would refuse this idea.

THE CANAL TURN

I am sure you have noticed that every time we get a shower of rain the result can be seen at the corner of Beaumont and Shantalla Road. There are sets of pedestrian lights there but you cannot use them after rain unless you want a good soaking. Complaints to the Corpo have been numerous and officials of various kinds have looked at it but that is all they did. Its still with us so I think we will have to send for George Redmond.

XMAS PARTY TIME

A FREE CHRISTMAS PARTY for Senior members of our Association will be held on Saturday, December 4th, 1999 from 7.30 p.m. in the Artane Beaumont Recreation Centre. Free transport will be available. If you are interested in attending this function contact any of our Committee or post your name and address in one of our postboxes before end of Oct. The party is limited to the first 150 people so please hurry.

Name

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Do you require transport (please tick) YES NO

SANTA VISIT

Would you like Santa to visit your children in their own homes for Christmas. If so fill out the coupon below and post it in one of our postboxes or give it to one of our committee members before end of October. Santa has told us he will be available on 19th December if the elves have all the toys made on time.

Name

Address

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WOMEN'S MINI MARATHON

BEAUMONT FOUNDATION would like to thank all the ladies who participated in the Women's Mini Marathon on Sunday, 13th June for Beaumont Hospital and all those who sponsored them. We are delighted with the funds raised to date the total being £16,751.33 and would remind anyone who has not yet returned their card, to do so at their earliest convenience.

The Ladies from Beaumont who participated in the Mini Marathon would like to thank the following local services, and acknowledge their thanks and appreciation for the support and sponsorship they received for the Diabetic Day Care Centre, Beaumont Hospital.

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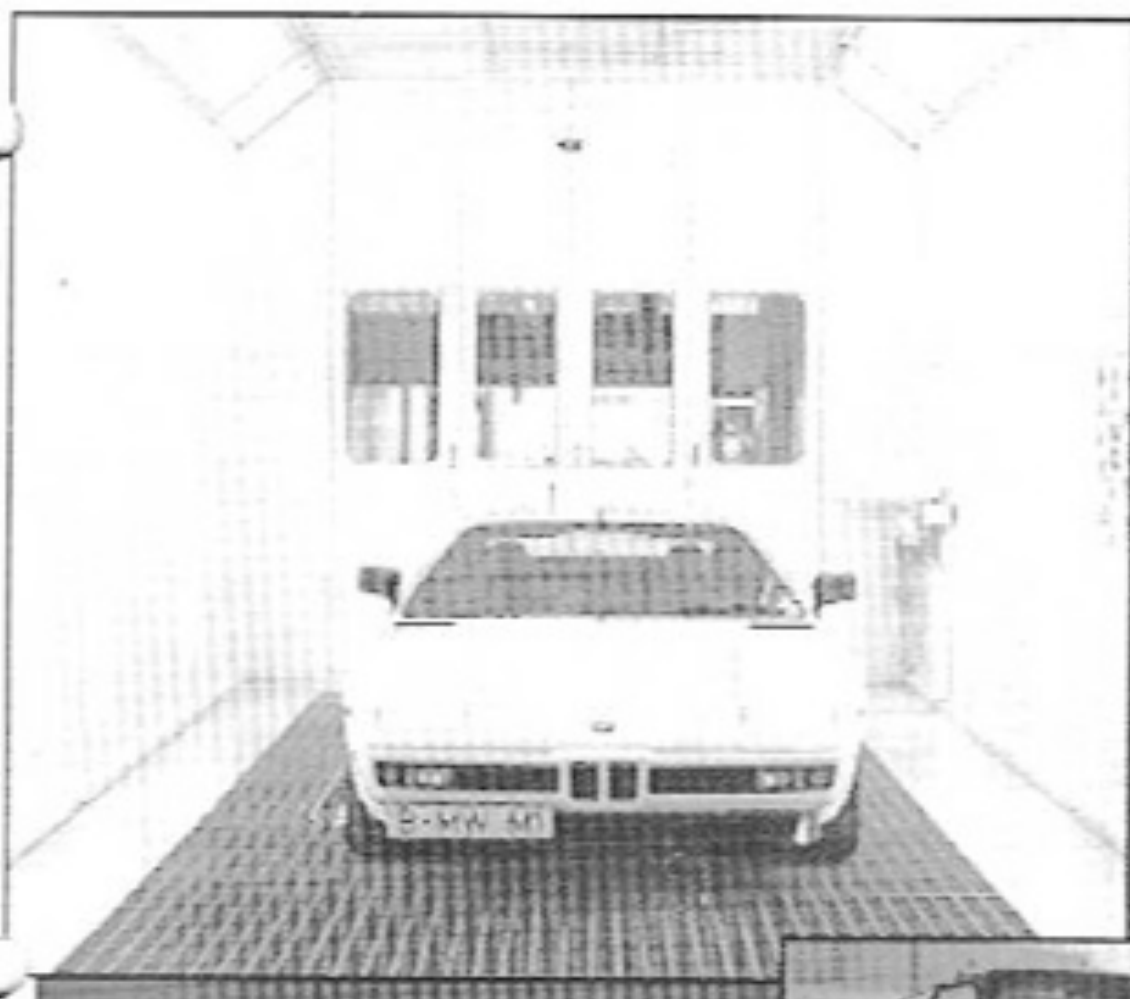
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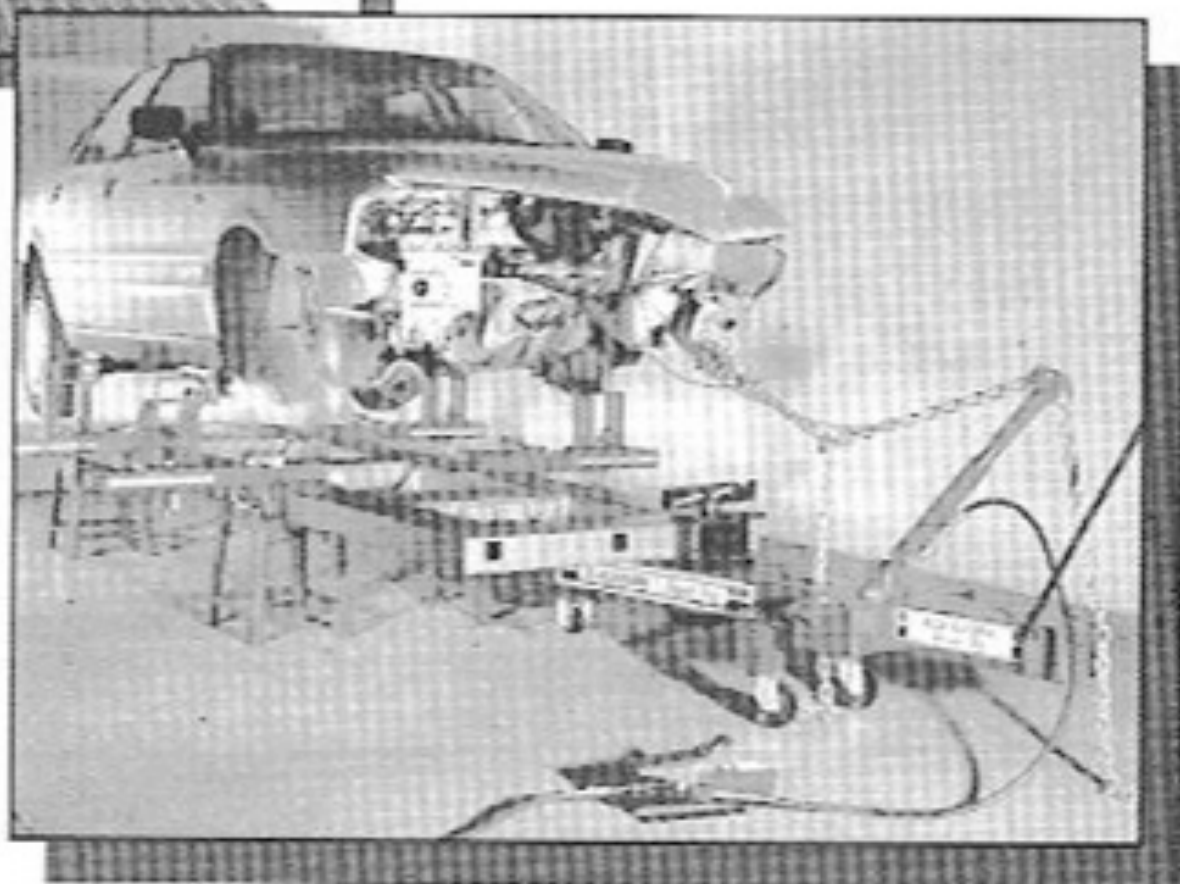


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Father Joe's Column



WORK HAS begun at last on the church roof. As I write, the front of the roof has been completed and all who have seen it agree it looks very well and promises to be an excellent job. While work has been in progress we have been celebrating the weekday Masses in the Pastoral Centre. This has been a very good experience for all of us. It is a bit like celebrating Mass in someone's house. We deeply appreciate the great spirit of co-operation and friendliness everyone has shown during this disruption. On Sundays and for Weddings and Funerals we have continued to use the church.

The AGM of the Pastoral Centre took place on the 7th. of September and a new Committee was elected. The Centre is quite busy at the moment with more and more groups making use of it. A number of courses have also been organised for the Autumn. The course on Aromatherapy began on September the 23rd. and 'Introducing the Enneagram' will begin on Oct. the 6th. During Advent, the All Hallows Mission Team will run a programme entitled 'The Challenge of the Third Millennium'. Information about any of these programmes or about booking the Pastoral Centre can be obtained from the Parish

Office.

A follow-up meeting to the Called by Name Programme took place on the 22nd. of September and a number of exciting initiatives for the new millennium were proposed. I am sure we shall be hearing a lot more for this group in the future.

An outing for the Altar Servers took place in September. Our original plan was to go to Fort Lucan. Unfortunately the weather was so wet we had to change our plans and we went to a film in the Omni Centre instead. Nonetheless it was a very enjoyable afternoon. Sincere thanks to the Server's Committee who helped organise it.

I am writing these words a little earlier than the deadline given me by the editor because I will be travelling with the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes. You can be sure that we will remember you and your intentions very specially while we are in Lourdes.

God Bless,

Fr. Joe



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Chairpersons Column



Hello again,

MURPHY Jewellers have come up with another brilliant idea, they want to sponsor a Beaumont's Person of the Year Competition. They will put forward a Prize in December for the winner of this competition. All you have to do is to nominate somebody from the area who in your opinion has surpassed themselves in the art of neighbourliness or in any other way. Nominations please as soon as possible to any of our post-boxes or to any of our committee members. The winner will be chosen by the committee at our monthly meeting.

THE Finals took place in Mosney at the end of the Summer of the Community Games. Our candidate for the art competition, Sarah Ross faced tremendous Opposition and unfortunately we did not receive any prize. (Leonardo Di Vinci would have had it hard at this level of competition). Well done Sarah Ross.

AS A measure of the dedication and effort required to win the Tidy Districts Competition I would like to use the following quote from Christine Goggins of the Kingswood Heights Residents' Association: "It's an acknowledgment of all the years we have worked so very hard to try to improve our estate, we achieved our title through a concerted effort which involved two major clean-ups and two plantings of shrubs in communal areas. The result is to be seen in the flower covered verges and neat rockeries which dot the estate." The 1,600 householders in Kingswood Heights donated £10 each and gave of the time freely to make their victory possible. This is a shining example of the sort of effort needed to win. Not just a few people doing it all. But everybody contributing in their own small way.

Goodbye for now.

Neighbourhood Watch



PENDANT ALARM - If you are over 65 years of age and you live alone you are entitled to a grant of 60%. This initially will cost you £48 and there after monitoring cost per year of £48-£50.

WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH -

It is a Crime Prevention Strategy:

- (a) Where the Community observe and report suspicious/criminal activity in it's own locality.
(b) Where Gardai instruct householders in crime prevention techniques such as:

- ◆ how to make your homes less inviting to criminals
- ◆ how to make your personal property less desirable to thieves
- ◆ how to be alert to suspicious activity in your own area.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH IS NOT

It is not patrolling the streets. The Gardai do not encourage individuals to take the law into their own hands.

It is not working for the gardai. Crime is a community problem. The Neighbourhood Watch Scheme is designed to encourage the community to become involved in the prevention of crime.

It is a function of the Gardai to maintain law and order on the streets.

REMEMBER COMING UP TO CHRISTMAS

1. Secure your sheds - Bicycles are always a big target for thieves.
2. Turn on your lights and radio when going out for early afternoon shopping, you might get delayed. This is a prime time for most burglars to break-in when the houses is in darkness and there is no activity around.

BEAUMONT

THE BEAUMONT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION would like to express its deep thanks to John Twomey and Peter Boylan for all their hard work and effort in securing the payment from the old defunct Ellen Park Association Fund of £496.79 into the accounts of our association. It took them about 2 years to finally secure the funds. We would also like to thank and apologise to Mrs Hoban of Dromawling Road for the distress caused by the statements of the above association continuously coming to her house.

THE FITZSIMON family would like to express their sincere appreciation for the kindness of their neighbours and members of the Beaumont Residents Association on the occasion of the death of Delia Brid Fitzsimons on the 23rd of August last. Their letters of sympathy, Mass cards and floral tributes, attendance at the removal and Mass at the Holy Child Church and subsequent burial were a gracious tributes to the memory of one, who taught many of them so long ago, many of whom are now rearing their own families. To father Joe Mothersill, Fr. Aidan Kiernan, Dr. Stephen Ryan, the nurses from the Eastern Health Board and St. Francis Hospital, Raheny, Lanigans management and staff and all who supported them in their time of sorrow. A very sincere thank you to them all. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

MANY thanks to Deirdre Higgins of Beaumont Residents Committee for all her kindness and attention to the senior citizens of Beaumont Crescent.



SHEILA McLEAN R.I.P. - Sheila was well known to everyone in Beaumont. She was the first postmistress in Beaumont, laying the foundation stone for future generations. She served us in Beaumont well for 37 years. She was a very kind and generous person to all who knew what it was like in the early 60's when many young widows and some widowers found it hard to survive and the pension took months and months to come though on account of all the red tape. Sheila was there to help out by pushing very hard and getting their pensions etc. etc. sorted out very fast. She often worked very late behind doors in those days for the benefit of others. She will be sadly missed by everyone who knew her. Deepest sympathy to her husband Leslie and her two sons.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gillian and Christopher Murphy on the birth of their baby son James born on 10/8/99.

DEEPEST sympathy from the Beaumont Residents Association to Kevin Fitzsimons and family on the death of his wife and their mother, Dymphna Breda Fitzsimons. Mrs. Fitzsimons as she was known to all the 3-year-olds in the area in the 70's was the founder of our first Playschool here in Beaumont. She was a kind, gentle person who always asked after the welfare of the children that had gone through her playschool, she never forgot them. She lived in Beaumont for 27 years and ran the playschool for 15 of them. She will be sadly missed by all.

JEAN SWAN and her family would like to thank everybody for all the Mass cards, get well cards and the funny ones too, the many phone calls, and the numerous inquiries

NOTICEBOARD

about her welfare to the members of her family, many thanks for the cutting of the grass, the many visits to both hospital and the Convalescent Home, not forgetting the flowers and bouquets of flowers. She is delighted to be able to thank everyone, one and all.



CHANGES ON THE HIGH STREET -

THE Post Office has now moved further up the Shantalla Road to the Swift (McElerneys) Shop (beside Kittys). Mary Clare is our new postmistress and she worked with Sheila McLean R.I.P. for 11 years. We wish her every success. The decision to move the Post Office was made by An Post themselves. The good news also is that Paddy Kelly, of Beaumont Travel is going to utilise the space left for his business, so we will have a bigger and better Swift and Beaumont Travel.

SINCERE SYMPATHY to all who lost loved ones especially Nancy Duane of Shantalla Drive R.I.P. and Ann Trimble of Beaumont Road. She was one of our older members, a lovely, jolly lady, always laughing, always smiling. She was gifted with her hands and did great craft work and knitting. She will be sadly missed by all her friends and the over 50s club of which she was a member. Sincere sympathy to her daughter and son.

ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING in aid of St. Francis Hospice, Raheny raised £1,782.50 on Thursday, 16th September. Connie Butler, Coolatree Road would like to thank all the neighbours and residents from surrounding roads who supported this worthy cause in so many ways. A special thank you to the Residents Association for their contribution of £200.

ON STAGE PRODUCTION returns to the Regency Hotel with Bernard Farrell's hilarious comedy "Say Cheese" (It's a Dublin comedy) Opening Monday Oct. 11, 1999 for 6 weeks only, finishing Saturday 20th November. Admission £7. Groups over 10 can arrange a discount. Monday-Saturday commencing nightly at 8.30 p.m.

BEAUMONT HOSPITAL - REVISED VISITING HOURS -

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THE BEST OF IRISH COMEDY



Edinburgh 1999

I NEVER knew what a paradise Coolgreena Road was until I went to Edinburgh. Don't get me wrong, Edinburgh is a beautiful place (their corporation don't put yellow boxes on the wrong side of the road and try to tell you that it is the correct side) but when you are there during the 'Fringe Festival' it can be bit of a circus. To put it in perspective imagine Grafton Street at about 5pm on Christmas Eve. Well that was what my apartment looked like!. So you can imagine what the comedy clubs looked like.

I had a show everyday at 6pm for 'The Best of Irish Comedy'. This show lasted until 7.15 pm and then it was off to 'The Gilded Balloon' for another show at 10 pm and then back to the 'Stand Comedy Club' for a show at 1am. Normally before a show I would probably have a pint as in the 'Ceann Amhain.' After the show then of course is different. We would have the 'Quick Cuig', however in Edinburgh it was the equivalent as what's in St James Gate before you went near the stage. I am not complaining.

My shows went really well. I mean my most relaxed time there was when I was on stage. If you decided to completely lose the run of yourself you would do the 'Late and Live' which was also on at the 'Gilded Balloon'. Can you imagine walking out in front of 600 drunks at 2.30am and asking them 'Are you ok?' It was like lambs to the slaughter. It would have been easier to get manners out of a barman in Beaumont House. It was nothing about how funny you were. Mind you I was told that the audience were much tamer than the previous years. The audience just decided that they didn't want you there and you were either slow hand clapped off or told to do so and it wasn't exactly 'I say young chap, would you ever be so kind as to leave and let the next act on'. I think you know what I mean. However if they decided to like you then you were also in trouble, as they would not let you leave. They would encore you until the management would have to announce that you had left the building'. Anyway apart from that I really enjoyed the festival (actually I enjoyed the mayhem as well I am just letting on to be sensible). Then there were the 'Reviews'. The Scotsman newspaper is equivalent to our Irish Times and it gave you a review based on a 'star' rating. If you got 5 stars then you packed out your shows. On the other hand if you got 1 star review not only did you not sell tickets for subsequent shows but also you were put into 'The Page of Shame'. There's divisiveness for you. Anyway I have been invited back next year to do my own show and if anyone is interested look out for yours truly on 'The Empire Laughs Back' on BBC 1 next month. So if I make you laugh then you are allowed buy me a pint down in the BH any night that's if I am not barred by then.

Brendan Burke.

DRIVERS NEEDED?

If you have some time you can spare on December 4th, 1999, we would appreciate helpers to driver the Senior Citizens to Artane Recreation Centre for the Xmas Party. If you can oblige please let us know by posting details in one of our postboxes.

DAVID'S JOKE OF THE MONTH

What did the little boy say to his dad when he saw an elephant coming over a hill?

"Look dad, there's an elephant coming over the hill!"

What did the little boy say to his dad when he saw an elephant with sunglasses coming over a hill?

Nothing, he didn't recognise him.

ALWAYS LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE?

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"Got a full 6-pack, but lacks the plastic thing to hold it all together."

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THOSE WERE THE DAYS MY FRIEND, WE THOUGHT THEY'D NEVER END

WE ARE survivors! Just consider the changes we have witnessed. We were there before television, before penicillin, before polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, contact lenses, Frisbees and the Pill.

We were before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ballpoint pens. Before pantihose, dishwashers clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioning, drip dry clothing AND before man walked on the moon. We got married first, THEN lived together. How quaint can you be? In our time, closets were for clothes, not for coming out of. Bunnies were small rabbits and rabbits were not Volkswagens. Designer Jeans were scheming gals named Jean or Jeanne and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins.

We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent and Outer Space was the back of the local theatre.

We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual careers and commuter marriages. We were before daycare centres, group therapy and nursing homes. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt and guys wearing earrings. For us, time-sharing meant togetherness, not computers or condominiums. A chip meant a piece of wood, hard-ware meant hardware and software wasn't even a word.

In 1940, "Made in Japan" meant junk and the term "making out" referred to how you did on an exam. Pizzas, McDonalds and instant coffee were all unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 stores where you bought things for five and ten cents. The corner drug store sold ice cream cones for a nickel or a dime. For one nickel you could ride a streetcar, make a "phone call", buy a Pepsi or enough stamps to mail one letter and two postcards. You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600 but who could afford one? A pity, too, because gas was only 11 cents a gallon!

In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, grass was mowed, coke was a cold drink, and pot was something you cooked in. Rock Music was a Grandma's lullaby and AIDS were helpers in the Principal's office.

We were certainly not before the difference in the sexes was discovered but we were surely before the sex change. We made do with what we had. And we were the last generation that was so dumb as to think you needed a husband to have a baby.

No wonder we are so confused and there is such a generation gap. But we survived and what better reason to celebrate?

(Reprinted from Hoofbeat, the publication of the Canadian Mounted Police Association.)

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Stephen Daly's Column



Hello Readers,

In this month's column I wish to cover a subject that should be of interest to all the car owners out there, its the National Car Test (NCT)>

The testing of private cars for roadworthiness is now required under European law and will be in Ireland on 4th January 2000. This will be known as the National Car Test. All cars including Taxis and Hackneys will be tested under the NCT Scheme. The exception's to this rule will be vintage cars and cars permanently based on the islands not connected to the mainland by road or by roll on - roll off ferry. The National Car Testing Service (N.C.T.S.) have been awarded the contract by the government to operate the testing system. They are completely independent of the Motor Trade or Garage Network. The N.C.T.S. will have 43 NCT Centres around the country where the testing will take place.

Testing will be phased in over the period 2000 to 2002 as follows:

- (1) Cars first registered before 1st January 1992 - 2000
- (2) 1992-1996 Registered Cars - 2001
- (3) 4 year old cars and all liable cars - 2002

Cars will be tested on the anniversary of the first registration date and will require a further test every 2 years after that.

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After testing, car owners will be required to display an N.C.T. Disc (indicating the car has passed the test) on the windscreen of the car. It will be an offence to use a car liable for testing in a public place without an N.C.T. Certificate. The offence is punishable by a fine up to £350. It is also worth noting that Motor Tax offices will not tax a liable car (including a second-hand import) unless it has passed N.C.T.

For more information on the N.C.T. you can contact - Customer Enquiries, National Car Testing Service (N.C.T.S.), Lakedrive 3026, Citywest Business Campus, Naas Road, Dublin 24. The test procedure and standards are documented in the National Car Test Manual 1999 and is on sale in the Government Publication's Sales Office, Sun Alliance House, Molesworth Street, Dublin 2. Finally, I would like to hear from anyone in the Beaumont Woods area, who would be interested in starting a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. I can be contacted at Santry Garda Station. Phone 842 7555.

Till next time -

Stephen

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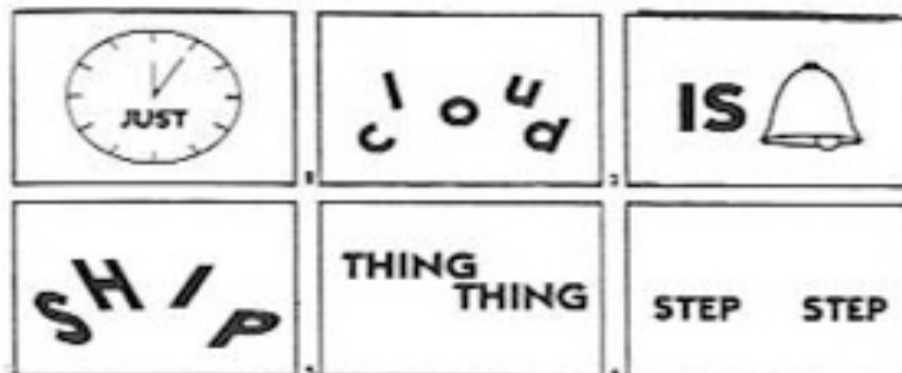
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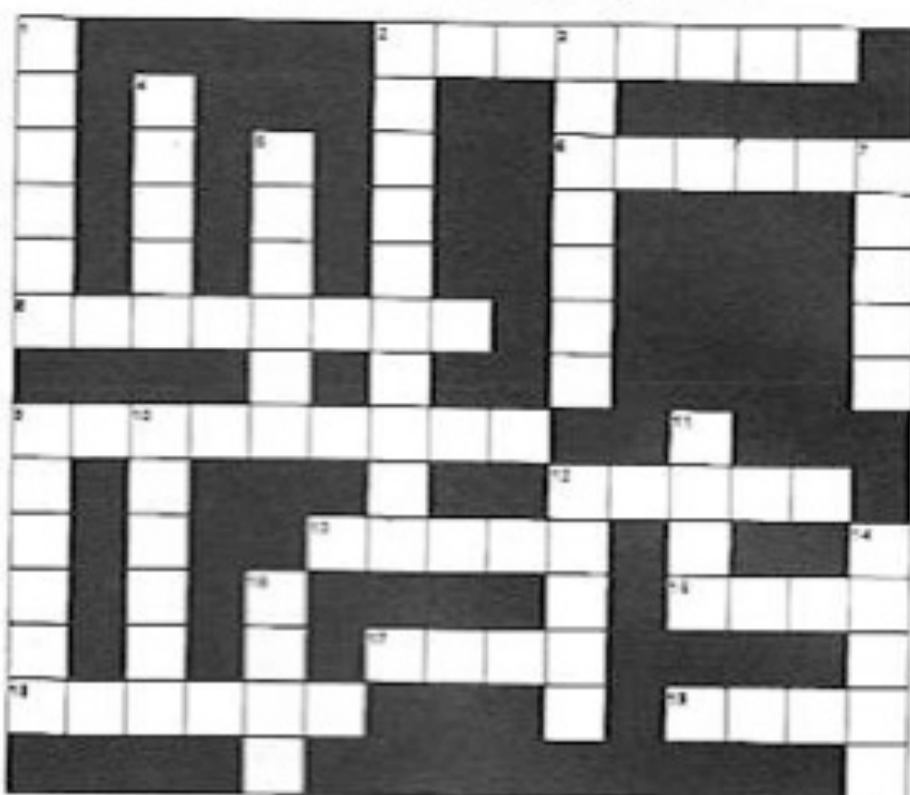


ANSWERS PLEASE TO ONE OF OUR POST BOXES:
SuperValu, Lorcan Avenue or Shell Petrol Station, Beaumont Road, before Nov. 1st, 1999.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNER
Nora Cannon, Coolgreena Road.
SOLUTION TO A.I.B. QUIZ JULY/AUGUST



PRIZE CROSSWORD



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Prize: Meal for Two

CLUES

Across - 2. Drill. 6. Standing as placed. 8. Refined grace. 9. Discernment. 12. Cut. 13. Remove extraneous items. 16. Two person combat. 17. Division of combat. 18. Something pending. 19. Lunge or thrust.

Down - 1 A hit acknowledgement. 2. Skillful. 3. Slice back. 4. Sword edge. 5. Finish. 7. Instance of clemency. 9. An outer covering. 10. Short, sharp weapon. 11 Hamper free movement. 12. Rate of motion. 14 A long stroke. 15. Thrust of dagger.

All the above clues have a common theme.

ANSWERS TO LAST ISSUES CROSSWORD

Across - 1 Problem. 5 Field. 8 Trent. 9 Nullify. 10 Eleventh Hour. 12 Impose. 14 Serene. 17 Encyclopedia. 21 Ancient. 22 Overt. 23 Staid. 24 Elector.

Down - 1 Pathetic. 2 Obese. 3 Letters. 4 Minute. 5 Filch. 6 Epicure. 7 Days. 11 Levanter. 13 Panacea. 15 Explore. 16 Blithe. 18 Yield. 19 Dwelt. 20 Mars.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNER

Doreen Ryan, No. 4408, Coolgreena Road

FREE PRIZE DRAW WINNERS

Rita Hughes, No. 5613, Coolatree Pk. and P. Arnold, No. 6061, Cooleen Avenue

TO ENSURE IMPARTIALITY THE WINNERS OF ALL DRAWS AND COMPETITIONS ARE DRAWN BY MR. WILLIAM BOLLINS, PEACE COMMISSIONER. THANK YOU.

BEAUMONT'S PERSON OF THE YEAR
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WHITETHORN RESIDENTS' NEWS

Well Summer is over and we hope you are all feeling refreshed and healthy after your holiday. The committee resumed their meetings on Monday 6th September 1999 at Artane Beaumont Recreation Centre. We're kicking off this season with the **MILLENNIUM DINNER DANCE**

DATE: Saturday 20th November 1999

VENUE: Regency Hotel **BUS:** Departs @ 7.45 p.m.

CLEAN-UP DAY: Thursday 17th June 1999

A big thank you to those residents who came out and helped the committee clean, sweep, weed and pick up rubbish, on the roads, hammer heads, around the perimeter of the Park, and Skellys Lane. The children enjoyed the crisps and coke after their hard work.

Our general area looked much better after the effort.

However, we were so disappointed with the number of people willing to help. Maybe next time we go to the trouble of organising things, every road might give a helping hand and take pride in *Our Estate!* Next issue we hope to tell you about *Santy*.

Regards, Ann & Gay 27th Sept 1999

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Godwin from Coolrua Drive, Beaumont who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 2nd. They were married in Ringsend Church on August 2, 1949. Both had been born in Ringsend and lived there up to 1954 before they moved out to Beaumont.

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Directors, Management and Staff.



BEAUMONT U10s - Winners of St. Kevin's Roads League '99. Front (LtoR) Stephen Brown, Paul Maguire (capt.), Mark Ryan, and Darren Kavanagh. Back (LtoR) David Lawlor, Daniel Maher, Alan Duffy, Paul Mulling and Emmet Brown. Pictured with Manager Des Maguire.

ADVERTISERS PLEASE NOTE

Because of a mis-understanding since the AGM the invoicing for advertisements was delayed. This has now been rectified and invoices to all advertisers who still owe for their ads. have been issued. Please pay on time.

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PRIZE: Mystery jewellery item

Question - How old are Diamonds?

Answers please to one of our postboxes, SuperValu, Lorcan Avenue or Shell Petrol Station, Beaumont Road, before Nov. 1st, 1999.

Congratulations to our last winner: Billy Lynch, No. 6451, Shantalla Drive.

Answers to last issue's quiz - Diamonds have a melting point of approx. 4,000 degrees centigrade.

FREE PRIZE DRAW

FOR MEMBERS ONLY Sponsored by Beaumont House
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Or address

Post in Beaumont Select Station or Super Valu, Lorcan Avenue or give to any of the committee or reps. Closing date Nov. 1st, 1999

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