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Jan 7 **New local area JP's** - The following two women were made JP's. Mrs Ethel Brown, Buckie a member of Banff County Council and Mrs Davina Runcie, Cullen, assistant to the Town Clerk, also the following men - Messrs James, F. Duguid, Cullen, Wm. Hamilton, Buckie, Lt col. A. W. Macdonald, Buckie, John H. McKenzie, Findochty, Wm. McKerron, Portgordon, Wm. Mair, Portknockie and Gordon C. Morrison, Portknockie.

Awarded the BEM - George Geddes Green known to many as 'Pommy' was awarded the BEM in the New Year's Honour's list. He is the water official in the Buckie Burgh Surveyor's Department and also Sub Officer in charge of Buckie Fire Station. He is 56.

Reached Aden - The fishing boat Rizq - Al - Bahr built at Buckeye for the Aden Department of Fisheries has reached her home port of Aden after a 5000 maiden voyage from Britain. The trip took six weeks with calls being made at Bibao in northern Spain, Gibraltar, Malta, Suez and Port Sudan. The skipper is Fraserburgh man Mr John Watt.

Boat on lorry - A photograph on page 12 shows the yacht 'Lagoon Mist' on board a Pickford's lorry about to leave Jones Shipyard on the first leg of a long journey to London where it will be on display at the International Boat Show.

Wid they have expected mair? - Town Council members heard at their meeting on Monday evening that the sum raised locally for the President Kennedy Memorial Fund was £73.2.

New? bands mentioned this week - Denny Mitchell and the Sound Stations from Manchester are to play in the Fishermen's Hall on 15th January with Freddy Starr and the Flamingoes on the 22nd. The latter come from Liverpool.

Why not rent a 19" TV set from us? Cost is only 8/3 weekly reducing to 7/6. Elgin T.V. Services Cluny Square, Buckie. Branches at Dingwall, Elgin. Forres, Grantown, Keith and Nairn.

Advert - Isabel M. Paterson, Ladies Hairdresser, Belhaven, 56 West Church Street. Buckie.

Advert - D. Docherty - all kinds of excavating and tracking undertaken with mechanical digger.

Men wanted between 22 and 40. Pirelli Ltd, Derby Road, Burton on Trent has a large advert in this edition of the B. A. requesting applications from men between the ages of 22 and 40 for factory work.

Winter Sales - J. G. Wood, Draper, Portknockie
Wm. Mustard and Son, Shoemakers, Cullen
George Robertson, Draper, Cullen.
Sutherland's, Drapers Findochty.

Alex Slater, House Furnishers, 23 - 25 East Church Street; The Little Wonder - 37 East Church Street

Beggs, Family Shoemaker, 14-16 High Street; James Mackay 5-9 East Church Street
80th annual Winter Sale

C.I. Shearer Drapers and Outfitters, 6-8 East Church Street; Ladies Shop, West Church Street

Robertson's Ltd, House Furnishers 13 and 17 High Street; George Sutherland, Shoemakers, 21 West Ch. Street.

Anderson and England, Lossie Wynd, Elgin; Stevensons Dry Cleaners, 19 Cluny Square

Boat launch - The 'Ambitious' a 69-foot long trawler built by the firm of Herd & McKenzie was launched from their shipyard this week for a Northern Ireland buyer. The vessel has been fitted with all the up to date navigational equipment and is powered by a 200 hp Gardner engine. A photograph of the new boat is shown on page 6

Jones' yacht- 'Lagoon Mist', which they have on exhibition at this year's Boat Show, is owned by J. F. Murdoch, a native of Fraserburgh who now lives in Hull and for whom she was built. After the Show is ended the vessel will cruise on the south coast but her first major voyage will be on the west coast of Scotland.

Rovers score nine against Islavale. - Young James Wood, Portknockie who has been catching the eye of several senior clubs and has already been on trial scored five of the goals.

The team was - Thain, D. Wood and Taylor; Farquhar, Jappy and Newlands; Geddes, Reid, J. Wood, Innes and Walker. The score line could possibly have been higher since two of their regular goal-scorers, G. Hay and A. Simpson were missing.

Great run comes to an end - The absence of Johnny Low from the Elgin City team on Saturday ended a remarkable run of consecutive appearances in football over the years. Low who moved up to the Highland League with Keith, before moving to Buckie for whom he played for many years, was only nine games short of 500 successive appearances.

New billiard room to be opened - A new billiard room will be opened next Thursday at the Buckie Branch of the British Legion on High Street by the chairman, ex-Provost, Dr J. F. Cameron.

Jan 21 **Long service with the P.O. honoured** - Lachlan Gauld DSC, of Upper Dallachy, Spey Bay is seen on page one receiving an inscribed gold watch on his retiral after 50 year's service with the Post Office. It was handed over on behalf of his colleagues by from John Murray. Mr Gauld also received the Imperial Service Medal from Postmaster, Mr F.B. McNally .

Big fire - The Spey Bay Hotel, one of the leading hotels in the north-east was destroyed by fire last Saturday. It was famed throughout Scotland as a golfing centre. The fire was one of the biggest and most spectacular ever seen in the Buckie area and even though three fire brigades were in action they fought a losing battle. The 29-roomed hotel, which is owned by Squadron Leader Henry Anderson, was empty at the time. He took over the hotel two years ago.

I winna see you at Cullen on Saturday - The dances in the Town Hall, ran by Modern Dancing Enterprises, have been suspended until further notice.

Litter lout pays for his crime - For throwing an empty bottle down on to the railway line a Buckie man was fined £1 at Buckie Police Court this week.

Rovers' player signs for Nairn County. George Hay the Buckie Rovers' forward player signed for Nairn County at the weekend after a trial game. He previously played trials for Buckie Thistle.

Advert - Ian Burnett, Plumber, Baron Street. (His last advert appeared in this edition.)

Jan 28 **Hero receives an award** - Mr Joe Innes, 44 Yardie, Buckie, who saved 13 year old Alexander Murray, 19 Hendry Terrace, from drowning in the sea off Peterhythe, Portessie last June was presented with the Royal Humane Society Testimonial on Vellum last Sunday. Mr Innes, who is a fisherman, is at sea all week and Sunday was the only suitable day. Present at the event, which took place in the Town House, were members of the town council and Police Inspector George Watt. The award was handed over by Provost Albert Doran.

** **Sir Winston Churchill, former P.M. and war-time leader died on Sunday 24 January 1965**

Opening announcement - Alistair H. Boyd, Hillocks Farm, has commenced in business as a plumber and would welcome enquiries.

For sale - Store and garage belonging to Ian Burnett, Plumber, who has ceased business, at Baron Street is for sale. Apart from the store and garage which measures 40'x 20' and is equipped with power points there is a 40' by 40' yard adjacent to the store.

On trial - Dennis Murray, the former Buckie Rover's player, played a trial with Huntly on Saturday.

North Church sole nominee - A Glasgow minister, Rev Ainslie Walton, is to preach as sole nominee for the vacant charge of Buckie North Church on February 7. The charge has been vacant since last June following the departure of the former minister, Rev John D. Henderson for Thornhill near Dumfriess. Services are meantime being held in the church hall while the church is undergoing extensive renovations

Quiz questions - A series of questions appear on page 6 of this edition. The answers are also given on a later page.

Feb 4 **Promotion for Buckie priest** - The Right Rev. Monseigneur Canon Wm. Murdoch, priest of St Peter's RC Church in Buckie has been appointed Vicar General by the new Bishop of the R. C. diocese of Aberdeen, Michael Foylan. Monseigneur Murdoch, who is a native of Maryculter, has been in Buckie since 1943.

New Town Clerk - The person appointed to take the place of the late John L. McNaughton, as Town Clerk of Buckie is George Macdonald Sinclair at present Depute Town Clerk of Renfrew. There were originally 11 applicants for the post but this was reduced to a short list of 5. Mr Sinclair is an MA and LLB graduate of Glasgow University is a married man with one of a family.

Buckie man presumed lost with doomed trawler - William 'Frigate' Reid, 37, a married man of 14 Inward Road, Buckpool is a member of the crew of the Aberdeen trawler, Blue Crusader which is now believed to have sunk some time after January 13 when the last contact was made. The vessel was then battling through heavy seas some distance off the Orkney Islands. She was officially overdue last Wednesday and the owners have said, reluctantly, that it must now be presumed to have sunk with all hands.

All set for a TV career - Isla Macdonald (she would later call herself Isla St Clair) a 12 year's old Aberdeen Academy school pupil of 196 Morrison Drive looks all set for a career in television. Following an appearance she made recently at a folk-song festival in Edinburgh she has been booked to appear in a folk song programme on STV.

Isla will probably make her first appearance in the March edition of the monthly programme of "O Come Ye" which is compered by Archie Fisher.

Isla inherits her musical talent from her mother, Mrs Zetta Macdonald, a former Findochty resident and a native of Buckie who is a prominent member of Aberdeen Folk Song club and a traditional folk singer.

Mrs Macdonald retains close links with Buckie and Findochty as recently as September she and Isla appeared in an Arts Council concert at Buckie. Next Sunday, February 7th they will be both is taking part in a BBC broadcast from the International Club in Aberdeen.

Isla's TV chance came after she sang 'The Dowie Houms of Yarrow'; an ancient Border's ballad taught to her by her mother, at the Edinburgh Festival at which 7 of Scotland's folk-song societies were taking part.

New? Bands this week - Booked to play at the Two Red Shoes - The Mersey Beats also Jimmy Nicol and the Shubdubs (Jimmy was the ex Beatles drummer.)

A new venue for Modern Dancing Enterprises - **The Assembly Rooms, Elgin.** - The Favello will be playing here with the 'Sunsets' in the Public Hall, Craigellachie.

Arradoul and District Players will present the play, " The Doctor's Honeymoon" (by Alexander J. Blackhall) in the WRI Hall, Arradoul on 11 and 12th February. A dance will follow on Friday evening.

John Logie Baird - the pioneer of TV. An article on page 7 tells how the two partners in the local Radio and Television firm of Cecil and Harvey. Wm. Cecil and Mike Harvey will over the next fortnight tell the story of the development of TV and also publicise the work of its brilliant inventor, Scotsman, John Logie Baird when they give a series of talks to various groups and school pupils throughout Banffshire. They will also demonstrate close circuit television when members of the audience will have the opportunity to see themselves appear on television. They will also have a model of the first TV set which made its appearance on the market in 1930. This was a 30 line, power-driven set. Cecil and Harvey are the main agents for the Baird television set.

Sea Cadets launch an appeal - The Buckie unit of Sea Cadets requires the help of two people. They need someone to organise the sport and entertainment side and another to deal with all correspondence.

Rovers' player on trial with Inverness Thistle - James Wood, the young inside forward or centre forward with Buckie Rovers played a trial with Inverness Thistle on Saturday against Deveronvale. Nairn County also fancy Wood, who apart from being a talented footballer, is also one of Banffshire's most promising golfers.

Huntly sign former Rover's player. Dennis Murray put pen to paper on Saturday following a trial game.

The elements close Victoria Park - For the second week running the ground at Victoria Park was unplayable with two inches of snow covering an ice-bound surface.

The 'in-thing' - Mini toys - cars and machines are all the rage at present with some people building up a large collection of miniature cars.

Feb 11 **Shoe shop manageress retires** - A photograph in this edition of the B.A. shows Miss Rita Geddes of 22 West Street at the presentation to mark her retiral after nine years from the shoe shop of Andrew Begg on High Street. Also in the photograph are Mrs and Mrs Andrew Begg and son with former colleagues - Miss M. Morgan, Mrs M. Innes, Miss E. Stewart and Miss B. Mair.

For sale - The General Merchants, Hardware and Drapery business belonging to Joseph Addison at 13 to 18 New Street, Portknockie is for sale.

New? Bands this week - Brian Poole and the Tremeloes; Swinging Blue Jeans; Honey combs.

Time is my business, says the advert - Samuel Cowie, 13 Cluny Terrace (near to Robertson's Auction rooms. Repairs done to all manner of watches and clocks.

A monstrous catch - While fishing off Lossiemouth last Wednesday the Sandend motor fishing boat, Lodestar, caught 240 crans of sprats. With her hold crammed and decks taking the overspill the Lodestar arrived in Buckie to land her huge catch.

Girl vocalist joins Johnny and the Copycats - A girl singer has joined Johnny and the Copycats prior to their tour of Germany. She is 18 year old Miss Ethnie Alexander of New Elgin.

This is the first time that the group has had a female vocalist and this is due to a request from the sponsors of the tour who asked for a girl singer as the party will be touring American bases in Germany. Miss Alexander who has been receptionist at the County buildings in Elgin for the past three years has taken leading parts in Elgin Pantomimes.

Advert - Globe Stores, East Church Street - Shooting Lodge Whisky and Military Gin. "You can pour the first two shots on us when you buy the above.

Advert - "See yourself on close-circuit television at Cecil and Harvey, 42-44 east Church Street, your Baird T.V. dealer".

Deputy Head appointed - James Findlay, Cullen, a member of the staff of Portsoy Secondary School has been appointed Deputy Head of Buckie High School Primary Department.

Feb 18 **Arradoul and District Players** - A photograph on page one shows the members of the cast who took part in the play - "the Doctors's Honeymoon". (The reproduction is fairly poor unfortunately.)

They were - Ernest Boyd, Graham Boyd, Gordon Boyd, Madge Thomson, Margaret Smith, Veronica McIvor, Alister Boyd, June Phillips, Kenneth Anderson and Joey Bowie.

Afternoon Tea - Buckie North Church are to hold an Afternoon Tea in the church hall on Saturday 20 February from 2.30 until 4 p.m. in aid of the Redecoration Fund. Sales Table - All Welcome.

Buckie Valentine Queen - Miss Yvonne Wood, 15, of 13 Sanderson? Street, Portknockie was chosen as Buckie's Valentine Queen at a recent dance in the Fishermen's Hall. Her attendants were - Sylvia Birnie from Banff and Margaret Keenan, Portsoy.

Keith F.C. sign Rovers' player - James Wood, Portknockie, the Rovers player who has played a number of trials for various clubs including Cardiff City, Leeds United and Inverness Thistle signed for Keith FC. on Saturday after a successful trial game.

Rovers blood new young player - With Derek Walker, their regular outside left being unfit the Rovers took the opportunity to give a run out for Ian Munro a young player from Portgordon.

Poem on page 11- This is titled 'My Old Banjo' and written by William Pirie, Corby, late of Deskford

Footbridge to be constructed - Information has come to hand that a footbridge will be constructed over the Buckie Burn and running parallel to the Victoria Bridge. The work of constructing the bridge has been included in the 1965/66 programme of major improvements to classified roads by Banff County Council. It is understood that the cost of the bridge will be in the region of £5,310 with a grant of £2,655 being given by the Scottish Development Department.

The Victoria Bridge has been described as a bottleneck with the approach roads being wider than the bridge itself. Five accidents have taken place near the bridge in the last few years with one of them resulting in injuries to a school pupil so that the construction of a footbridge has become something of a necessity.

Blue Crusader Appeal Fund - Buckie Town Council gave £25 towards the fund, which had been set up by Aberdeen City Council.

Beetle Drive and Tea - Buckie Sea Cadets are to hold a Beetle Drive and Tea in the Town House on the 4th of March. In aid of funds for the unit. Tickets cost 2/6

(Looking back from the year 2001 it seems odd to note that coffee mornings now very much the 'in' thing were very rare events in the early years of the 1960's)

Brose and Bannocks Night - Arradoul WRI are holding a Brose and Bannocks Night in the hall on Tuesday 2nd March. This is an open night with all welcome. Tickets cost 2/6. Please bring a bowl and spoon.

Opening announcement - J. K. Stewart Radio and T.V. Engineer is to open a new shop at 4 Seafield Street on 1st March.

Promotion for postman - Gordon Smith, a Postman Higher Grade at Buckie has been promoted to the post of a Postal and Telegraph Officer at Hawick. He began his career in 1942 at Buckie as a boy messenger before becoming first a postman and then later promoted to the Higher Grade.

Gordon is only the latest of local P.O. employees who have competed in the annual exams and been successful in obtaining passes and subsequent promotion.

Mar 4 **A change of music in Cullen Town Hall -** After a long spell when pop groups held centre stage at dances in the Town Hall something different will take place when on Saturday 27 March Curly McKay and his Scottish Dance Band will provide the music. On the 3rd of April The 'Montrose' Irish Showband will be present.

Teenagers's Dance - 1st Portessie Boy's Brigade are to hold a Teenager's Dance in the Portessie Hall on 5th March. Music by Les Bambies. Tickets cost 2/6

Former Joiner now Minister - Rev Raymond Cowie, 28, was inducted by Rev A. Barr to the Tiree Baptist Church last Sunday. He formerly lived with his wife and two children at 8 Station Road, Findochty. After several years of study Mr Cowie obtained a London University Certificate of Religious Knowledge. He became well known as a Lay Preacher in the Buckie area serving churches of all denominations.

'Keeper moves again - Johnny Low who kept goal for Buckie Thistle for many years before moving to Elgin City was given his release on Saturday and signed for Fraserburgh. He was only nine game off a grand total of 500 consecutive games in goal when Elgin dropped him two weeks ago

Mar 11 **Railway awards -** Cullen railway station (note the expression railway station and not the silly train station as is more commonly used in 2001) was one of only 8 in Scotland to gain a prize in a special class for 'Best Kept Stations'. Portessie and Portknockie are included in the 3rd class list with Buckie in the class 1 list.

Possibility of a new development - There was some reason to believe at one time that a second distillery would be set up close to Buckie but this never came about with two sites nearer Tomintoul being chosen. It does seem, however, that a 'Malting' may be established at Buckie in the near future. This information was conveyed to his fellow member of the town council when addressed by Provost Doran at the meeting on Monday night,

A firm of civil engineers has written the council seeking, on behalf of a client, further information about a possible site at Cluny Harbour for a silo and for Maltings on a 10-acre site on Buckpool Golf Course.

The possibility of negotiating favourable harbour and charges on the grounds that on average one ship per week carrying 500 tons of grain would use the harbour.

In previous talks with the same firm of engineers the council had let them know they would be able to supply 200,000 gallons of water daily to a site either on Buckpool Golf Course or another site at Cunningholes Farm on the eastern outskirts of the town.

Another dance venue Mr Albert Bonici the promoter of dances in Elgin, Buckie, Cullen and Craigellachie has now added another with the Capitol in Aberdeen. At the Capitol on 30 March there will be a Pop Show where the following groups and singers will be appearing - The Kinks; The Hollies; Johnny, Mike and the Shades, The Jackobeats and singers - Marianne Faithful and Jackie Grant.

New? band - Appearing at the Two Red Shoes in Elgin on Thursday 25 March will be the group - **Them**. Admittance 7/6

Fishermen's Hall- Buckie- Saturday night dances will start in the hall on 20 March when music will be played by the Jackobeats.

On Saturday 27 March dancers can listen to two types of music played by Curly McKay and his Scottish Dance Band and the Rebel Sounds in what is described as 50/50 dance. The dance will run from 8.30 till 11.45p.m. Admittance 5/-

A Hoot'nanny will take place in the Town Hall, Cullen on Monday 22 March. Appearing will be the Stars of BBC's Hoot'nanny and Singalong - the Corrie Folk Trio with Paddie Bell.

Wanted - experienced block filleters, part or full time - 3/6 per hour. Apply to Mr Coull, Buckie Packing Station by 12 noon on Friday.

Dance you cares away to music by **The Phantoms** in the Town House hall on Saturday 13 March from 8.30-11.30 p.m. Admission 3/-

Advert - Buckie Fish Packing Station - We wish to intimate that we can now supply prime quality fish to fish shops, restaurants, fish vans, hotels etc. Quotations daily. Contact Mr Coull on Buckie????

Council may sell Strathlene - The town council accepted the recommendation from the Parks and Amenity Committee on Monday night that the council examine the possibility of selling the municipally owned Strathlene Hotel and its contents. It was agreed to wait until the new Town Clerk had settled in before the matter was discussed further. Some councillors did question whether the present council could by law sell something, which had been bought as an amenity for the town.

Thistle allow player to leave - Buckie Thistle has granted his release to former skipper, George Sang, who has been out of football for most of the season with an ankle injury.

Mar 18 **Death of former Portknockie Headmaster** - The death took place at his home in Glenfarg, Perthshire of Mr James I, K, Moyes who was headmaster of Portknockie Junior Secondary School for 27 years. He belonged to Embo, Dornoch and took his MA at Edinburgh University 48 years ago. His wife was infant mistress at Portknockie school for 39 years.

New? bands lined up to play in the Two Red Shoes dance hall in Elgin - Unit Four + 2; Goldie and the Gingerbreads; The Consuls.

Wanted- Two young men, 16-18, to learn the fish trade. Must be willing and adaptable. Apply to A. Nicol, 9 Low Street.

Also required - woman experienced in block filleting.

A poem is found on page 8. Titled 'the Blue Crusader' (the name of a trawler that was lost a short while before) it is a short two verse poem written by J. C., Portgordon and the first contributed by him/her, previously a regular contributor, for a long time.

The lady from the 'Penny Shoppie' Miss Annabella Geddes recently died and now someone has written a tribute to her on page 10. Miss Geddes followed her mother as owner of the little 'penny sweetie shoppie' next to the Drill hall on West Church Street a shop that was known to generations of bairns.

Put a stop to hare coursing - A letter to the B. A. called for support to ban the inhumane sport of hare coursing. (In 2001 similar people were calling to ban the chasing to their death of foxes by horse and hounds and it is likely that like the ban on hare coursing this will eventually come to pass since the bulk of public opinion is for it.)

Don't leave you vehicles on the streets without light - It is an offence in 1965 to leave one's vehicle sitting on a street during the hours of darkness without some form of lighting. A number of people were fined either £2 or sometimes £3 for the offence. A soldier, Lindan Ingram who was visiting his in-laws on Seaview Road was fined £3 for the offence and a further £2 because his car was too far from the pavement.

Mar 25 **Footbridge at Victoria Bridge** - This is to be constructed on the south side of the present bridge since it was felt that most people cross the bridge on the south side. Part

of the pavement on the south side of the bridge is to be taken away to make the roadway over the bridge a little wider.

Isla McDonald (Isla St Clair) A photograph on page one shows 12 year old Isla McDonald, the folk singer and traditional ballad singer who was interviewed on the BBC television programme, 'Talk of the North', last Friday. Isla sang an excerpt from the ballad, 'The Barin o' Brachley' to illustrate only one of many good northeast songs that are being overlooked in the school curriculum.

Buckie new Town Clerk - Mr George M. Sinclair attended his first full meeting of Buckie Town Council on Monday night. He had already attended a number of committee meetings during the week and had been impressed at how well they had all been conducted.

Sounds like the name of a new band - The Foggerty Five. They are to be playing in the Two Red shoes

They were too young - When the Phantoms the dance group from Buckie played at a gig in Nairn on October it was found that three of the band members were too young to be playing for money. The result was that the promoter and the father of the boys were charged with the offence.

The promoter, Mr Albert Bonici was fined £2 while the fathers, Mr Emil Wojcik, Mr Daniel Calder and Mr William J. Geddes were admonished.

Rovers' sharpshooter returns - George 'Doddie' Robertson who left to join the RAF some time ago has returned home and has again fixed himself up with Buckie Rovers. He scored two goals on his debut.

Apr 1 **Boxing Junior Championships** will take place in the St Andrew's Hall on Saturday 3. Doors open at 6.30 p.m. commence at 7 prompt. Admission 5/- and 3/-. The Buckpool club retained the trophy for amassing the most points.

Apr 8 **Shutting up shop** - Gordon Paterson, Cluny Stores, High Street is to close down on 17 April. He wishes to thank all his many customers for their support given to him over the 40 years he has been in business.

A change in ownership - Miss Morag Milne is to take over the business of hair stylist at 5 Grant Street, Cullen formerly owned by Mrs Muriel McBoyle.

Seems like the name of a new band - The Mighty Avengers - They can be heard at the Two Red Shoes.

The Phantoms - Albert Bonici has arranged for them to play in the Public Institute, Fochabers on Saturday.

Look out for - Ian and the Zodiacs who have been booked to play in the Town Hall, Cullen.

For sale - Binview, High Street, Buckie. This was previously the home of Mr J. L. McNaughton and was bought by Mr Leon Arens, a Polish gentleman who owned a couple of local fishing boats. One was the Atomic Star, the other? -----

Buckie Rovers' officials appointed for season 1965/66 - Hon President - S. J. Milne; President, George Stewart; Vice President, Eric Lewis, Secretary, Alex Curran, Treasurer, Norman Taylor; Trainer, Danny Fearn; Committee - George Kay, James Campbell, and James Cowie. Ladies committee - Mrs R. Taylor, Mrs Thomson, Mrs Cowie, Mrs Reid and Mrs Lewis.

Church names changed - It was agreed that Enzie South should from now on should be known simply as the Enzie Church with Enzie North being called Portgordon

Ap 15 **They didn't pay or the Welfare Society charges for the hall were too high** - Modern Dancing Enterprises decided to stop the Saturday dances in the Fishermen's Hall.

Induction of new minister - Rev Ainslie Walton, a son of the manse and a member of a family with a long and close association with the church was inducted to his new charge, of Buckie North Church last Friday at an induction social held in the church hall. Over 400 people were present including the ministers of the other churches in the town and also Provost Doran representing the town council

One Hundred up - A Buckie firm that has been in business for 100 years, Wm. Marshall and Coy Ltd, Net Manufacturers and Rope Makers, celebrated this auspicious occasion with a dinner in the Commercial Hall. The firm was founded in 1885 as sailmakers, ship chandlers and fishsalesmen. It was said that their strength lay in being able to change with changing circumstances. Among those present were members of the Coull family who had long been employees of the firm.

Apathy reigns in Buckie - Only one in five or 22.5% of those entitled to vote did so in the recent town council election. Thomas Lang, a retiring member, came top of the poll with a new candidate, James F. Bruce, a fishing skipper second. Three members of the last council, John Cole, Edward Douglas and Dr Peter Reid were all returned but Wm. Thomson, Shipbuilder, also a member of the last council, was unsuccessful though only seven votes lay between him and Dr Reid.

Egg-rolling expeditions not yet a thing of the past - A photograph on the front page shows a group of warm clad youngsters about to set out for Rochomie to roll their Easter eggs.

Another Jumble Sale - These seem to be the 'in' thing as far as raising money is concerned. Recently the Sea Cadets held one in the Town House hall and in this edition St Peter RC Church Women's Guild are to hold one as are Buckie Ladies Circle only they have linked this with a Cake and Candy Sale.

Kart Racing takes place at Boyndie 'Drome near Banff on Sunday 2nd May at 2 p.m. Admittance 2/-.

"My brither is a fireman bold. He pits oot fires" So goes the words of the song. Firemen are wanted for Birmingham between the ages of 18-30. Minimum height 5'7" with a chest measurement of 37" (not expanded). Pay at 18 £700, rising to £980. Allowances paid to men unable to find accommodation for families in the Birmingham area. Married quarters available with waiting time rarely exceeding one year.

New bands or just old ones re-titled? The Who; the Viceroy's; Mighty Avengers. These were to be playing in the Two Red Shoes, Elgin. Dancers in Cullen can listen to the East Coast Flame while those in the Assembly Rooms, Elgin on Saturday can hear the Del-Vikings.

Do you fancy a life on the ocean waves? The British and Commonwealth Shipping Company have vacancies for Engineering Officers.

New head Geography mannie at B.H.S. The new PT Geography at BHS is John Anderson who has replaced John Scott. Mr Anderson has moved to Buckie from Robert Gordon College.

Also in the Geography Department - Miss Irene Greig, Teacher of Geography at BHS has been seconded for a year to teach with the British Families Educational Services in Germany. She will take up the appointment on September 1.

Apr 29 **Opening announcement** - Thomas K. Monro is to commence in business as an electrician and would welcome enquiries. 15 Garden Lane.

A New Swimming Trophy - A challenge cup for life saving which has been donated to the North East Amateur Swimming Clubs Association by Sir William Duthie (former MP) is to be known as the Slater Brothers Memorial Challenge Cup. It will be competed for annually and its award based on Royal Life-Saving Society Awards.

The two brothers whose heroism is commemorated by the cup are Sandy and Andrew Slater, Buckie, who were tragically drowned at Strathlene in July 1959 while going to the rescue of two girls in difficulties.

Headline -**Arradoul Children Score big hit with operetta** - A large cast of under teenage children, both boys and girls, presented the operetta titled **Ann-Marie's Dream**, written and set to music by members of Arradoul WRI, in the hall last Wednesday, when a large audience was present.

The producer was Mrs J. Redhead, Inchgower, The book was written by Mrs A. Wilson, Walkerdale. The musical side of things was taken care of by Mrs Islay Shaw who also played the piano. The choreographer was Mrs D. Burnett, Inchgower.

Among the children who took part were three Redheads, three Shaws, three girl Turners, two Taylor boys and Ann Burnett, my niece.

Shown on page 9, a photograph of Findochty Junior Secondary School football team who won the Buckie Thistle Cup. The competition was open to all Junior Secondary school teams in the local area from Cullen to Portgordon.

May 6 **Young Buckie fisherman lost overboard**- Sixteen year old David Coull an apprentice fisherman of 21 Gordon Street went missing off the Aberdeen trawler Ben Hellen off Norway when he went to dump slops over the side. It was found that part of a safety rail had broken and when examined was found to be rotten through and through. His father William James Coull is Chief Engineer on board the vessel. When it was discovered that David had gone missing they searched the area for over two hours but no sign of him was to be found.

Banff and Moray Kart Club - held their second race meeting of the season at Boyndie Aerodrome near Banff on Sunday when 400 spectators were present. The winner of Class 1 standard was Hebbie Wright of Buckie with his brother D. Wright second.

Recipients of the Queen's Badge - Six boys of 2nd Buckie Boys Brigade received the Queen's Badge, the highest Boys Brigade award. They were Sgts. Geo. Hay, Derek Walker and David McDonald. Cpl. James Farquhar, and Wm. Burnett also L/Cpl Gordon Stewart

The first two years of Buckie Sea Cadet unit - A report on page 8 was written by John S. McLean, PT English at Buckie High School. The Buckie unit, No 512 was formed on May 4 1963

Hotel couple retire - Mr and Mrs Bob Middleton have retired as owners of the St Andrews Hotel, Buckpool, which they have owned for the last 8 years. A photograph in this edition shows them receiving a farewell gift at a social evening, held in the hotel which was attended by a party of 150, which included members of staff, customers and friends. They are to retire to Arradoul.

Buckie Thistle player honoured - Dennis Gowie, centre forward of Buckie Thistle and their leading goal-scorer during the past three seasons was recently voted the 'Highland Player of the Year' in a Sunday newspaper competition. At a ceremony held in the Empire Theatre, Inverness he was awarded with the statuette which went with the honour. Present at the ceremony was his father Mr Abby Gowie and also Provost and Mrs Albert Doran, Buckie, the Provost of Inverness and also the Chief Constable. Following the presentation all present enjoyed an excellent variety concert.

May 13 Buckie Amateur Operatic Society thrilled a large audience which filled the Fishermen's Hall on two nights last week with a glittering performance of the colourful American musical 'Oklahoma' by Roger and Hammerstein. Some people enjoyed the show so much that they saw it twice.

The photographs of three of the star turns, Charles Mackay, Margaret Smith and Elspeth Slater are shown along with the report on page one.

Boat launched for a second time - The former fishing boat, 'Quest' which has undergone conversion into a sea-going yacht by Messrs Jones, Shipyard, was launched from the yard on Wednesday. The 58' long vessel has been renamed 'Sherrob' was launched by the wife of the owner, Mr Robert Laing of Relugas, Dunphail, near Forres. The Sherrob leaves Buckie next week for the English Channel and will be based at Cowes. In her conversion to a yacht accommodation has been made for five people.

For sale the shop at 25 West Church Street formerly occupied by Carrie and Co. Grocers is for sale. The property has a double front.

New name among the bands listed this week - **The Searchers**

A very rare event in 1965- Buckie Townswomen's Guild are to hold a Coffee Morning in the Commercial Hotel hall on Saturday 15 May from 10.30 a.m. till noon. There will be a Sales Table. Tickets cost 2/-.

Jumble Sales are far more common - Two such events are advertised in this edition. The Liberal Party is holding one in the Town House hall. The other by the Lady Cathcart School and in the school hall.

A Teenage dance - This will be held in the Commercial Hall and ran by the 2nd Company Buckie Girl Guides from 8 p.m. Till 12 on Friday 21 May. Music will be played by Les Bambies. Admittance 2/-

*** **Return of the effigy-** A report is given on page 7 of the return of the effigy from the mausoleum at Duff House, Banff, to the Auld Kirk at Cullen.

It tell how the stone figure was removed by the 1st Earl of Fife (obviously following an agreement with the Earl of Seafield) in 1792 from where it had lain in St Anne's Aisle.

*** Mr Guthrie the minister of the church hearing that Duff House was about to change hands he negotiated with the agents for the new owners of Duff House and was successful in having it returned.

Sudden death of Mrs Doran - Mrs Mary Doran, 54, wife of Provost Albert Doran, collapsed and died while attending the production of Oklahoma being presented in the Fishermen's Hall on Friday evening. She was a native of Kilmarnock. Mrs Doran, unconscious, was carried from the hall to the vestibule where Councillor Alex McIntosh, a member of the cast came off the stage and applied artificial respiration for some time but to no avail.

Appointed Canon - Rev. J. L. Stewart, minister of All Saints Episcopal Church in the town has been appointed to the rank of Canon. He is the first serving Rector of the local church to be so appointed in the history of the church which go back as far as 1600.

Thistle loses to players to Elgin - It is understood that Dennis Gowie and Gordon Laing, two Buckie loons have signed for Elgin City to play next season.

May 20 **Coffee Evening** - A photograph on the front page of the B. A. shows people sitting enjoying the fare at a Coffee Evening being ran by Cullen Teenagers in the Town Hall in aid of Cullen Old Folks Funds. The sum of £37 was raised.

An indoor swimming pool again being discussed - At their recent meeting the members of the town council agreed to re-open discussion on the question of building an indoor swimming pool in the burgh.

Enzie folk - Mr Rolfe Witte and wife Anne wish to thank Enzie WRI and their many friends for the good wishes extended to them and the beautiful presents received on leaving the districts for Canada.

New band names this week - The Rats, The Measles and The Searchers. They are all to be playing in the Two Red Shoes Ballroom in Elgin at some time within the next two weeks.

Three Jumble Sales advertised this week - The one being run in the Lady Cathcart School, another one by the Buckie Methodist Youth Club and also one by the 4th Brownie Pack.

*** **Headline - Rumours are rife that Buckie Thistle might fold but a member of the committee has declared that the Thistle flag will keep flying over Victoria Park next season again.**

Buckie lad wins a Scottish Junior Cup medal - A photograph on page 7 shows Andy Cowie, formerly of Buckie. He was at centre forward for Linlithgow Rose F.C. and scored one of his side's four goals when they beat Bailleston by four goals to one in the Scottish Junior Cup Final played at Hampden Park last Sunday

Cash pay out - The 22 children who lost their fathers with the sinking of the trawler, Blue Crusader, are to receive £1 per week up until they reach 21 when each will receive a lump sum of £3,000. The Appeal Fund reached a total of £26,000. £15,000 of this has been spent on an Insurance Policy with Norwich Union to provide the payments. Each of families will in addition receive the sum of £3,450.

Does anyone know the Fishermen's Alphabet - a poem? A letter writer said that though he had heard numerous people recite parts of it no one seemed to be able to say the whole poem and would be pleased if someone could give him a copy.

Sad days at Victoria Park - With so many of their players having signed for other clubs Buckie Thistle was unable to field a team for their last game of the season against Clach. Their appeal to the league officials to have the game scrapped was accepted.

May 27 **Council to buy the Fishermen's Hall** - Buckie Town Council is to purchase the Fishermen's Hall from Buckie Welfare Society for the figure of £8,500. A recommendation from the Finance Committee that the purchase was made was approved by the council on Monday night by 8 votes to one. The Welfare Society claimed that the figure of £8,500 represented the money they had spent from their own funds on improvements and enhancing the hall since they took it over from the old Fishermen's Committee in 1946. The council also decided on Monday to finance the purchase of the property out of the Archibald legacy amounting to about £28,000 left to the burgh by the late Dr Archibald. Relief was expressed in some circles at the news since rumours had been abroad the Close Brethren were interested in buying the property. They had used the hall for major conferences in recent years. It was thought that if they had bought the hall it would not then be available for the activities on numerous organisations in the local area. Councillor G. Wilson the only dissenter said that £8,500 wouldn't be the final figure as the hall required a new floor and other repairs that was estimated at a figure of £1,500 taking the cost of the hall to £10,00. The reason given as to why the Welfare Society had decided to sell the hall was because they wanted to capitalise part of their assets so that the income could be disbursed annually to local youth sporting activities, old people and other organisations. (Of course too the gilt had worn off the gingerbread. The Welfare Society made large amounts of money off the dances which were run every Monday and Saturday in the hall for many years but became much less profitable with the ending of National Service which saw crowds fall dramatically.)

Barber to shut up shop - John Burgess, Hairdresser, (known popularly as Jocky) 27 East Church Street is to close after Wednesday 25 May and wishes to thank customers for their patronage over the years.

New Bands and vocalist to appear in the Two Red Shoes and elsewhere - - Fabulous Lectrones; The Drumbeats; Little Frankie and the Country Gents

In the Town Hall - The Four Pennies; Herman and the Hermits

Capitol, Aberdeen - The Rolling Stones Show. Tickets cost - 15/-, 12/-, 10/6, 7/6 and 5/-

Fishermen's Hall on Wednesday 16 June - Coast Festival of Beat with a Queen to be chosen. Four bands to be in attendance, The Jackobeats, The Phantoms, The Bambies and The Golden Falcons. Buses will run from Huntly, Macduff, and Elgin returning to each place after the dance including Lossiemouth.

On Saturday 5th June Dave McIntosh will be appearing in the Fishermen's Hall with the Jack Sinclair Band. Admission 5/6.

The promoters of all the above dances etc. is Modern Dancing Enterprises.

Still looking for a Church Officer for the West Church. New electric heating has been installed. Apply to Alex Hendry, Land Street.

More comfort when driving - Fit a head rest for £4.4 from the West End Stores, St Peters Road, Buckie.

Thistle sign a new player - To replace Gordon Laing who has moved to Elgin, Buckie have signed Jacky Jameison a full back who was previously with Fraserburgh.

Former master baker dies - George R. Hutcheson who was a master baker in Buckie died in a Middlesex hospital on Monday aged 57. He was a native of Portgordon and moved to Buckie where he ran a baker's business in Buckie for 20 years with a shop on Baron Street and another on St Peter's Square(sic). He left Buckie five years ago for Harrow where he became foreman baker of a large London firm. His home in Buckie was at 14 Baron Street. He leaves a wife, one son and two daughters.

June 3 **A new name among bands is to play at the Craig.** - This one is called The Verdilax

Why is Cowie Park so called ? A previous letter writer to the local paper had posed this question. Now another has come up with this answer.

The park was named after Mr Wm. 'Bill' Cowie 'Rover' who was a carting contractor with a stable and other premises on Garden Lane and used the field to graze his horses. Alex Cowie, one of his sons has a plumber's business on Baron Street. (This information was furnished by a person who signed his name 'Mandora'. He was the same person who wrote the tribute to Miss Geddes who had the penny sweetie shop).

Death Cabinetmaker and Upholsterer- Bert Nicol who carried on a business in Buckie as a cabinetmaker and upholsterer for over 40 years died in the City Hospital this week aged 67.

He was a native of Cullen where he first set up in business specialising in hand made furniture, he later moved to Buckie and had premises on Blairdaff Street.

He was a keen sportsman with a special interest in football and golf. He was a former well known Buckie Thistle player and a keen golfer in his young day when he was actively associated with the Spey Bay club. Mr Nicol who lived at 20 High Street is survived by his wife and a family of two sons and three daughters.

Advert - Why not get yourself a Pye Twin Tub Washing Machine at the amazing value of only 49 guineas? See Hunter and Pirie, East Church Street.

'Lochaber No More' The death took place at his home, 33 Anton Street, Buckpool, this week of postman and piper, Mr Charles Glennie at the age of 62. Charlie as he was popularly known, joined the Post Office in Buckie in 1944 after serving for 19 years as a regular soldier with the Gordon Highlanders. He was an accomplished piper and his services were much sought after to play at numerous functions. He was a member of the former Buckie Pipe Band and used to take evening classes in piping. Recently he had been playing with the Banff Pipe Band. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

June 10 **Playing in the Two Red Shoes** - The West Side Five (from London) and in the Institute, Fochabers, The Soundcasters.

Poem found on page 6 - "Up the Jags" this is a short piece written by J. C. Portgordon regarding the fears of the demise of the Thistle.

June 17 **Na there'll be nae smoochin' in the dark here** - Some time ago the town council put a ban on 'twilight dances' in the hall of the Town House. For the uninitiated this means turning the lights away down low during a dance a common practice elsewhere allowing dancers, perhaps, to have a cuddle and hurried kiss. Some councillors had been approached by an organisation holding dances regularly in the hall to have the ruling relaxed. The matter was discussed at Tuesday's meeting of the council but failed on the casting vote of Provost A. Doran.

One of the supporters of the move to relax the ruling, Police Judge T. W. Lang said that he had received a call from the promoters about the matter and had gone along to the hall to see for himself. He said I went up to the hall during the 'Twilight dance' and would have let the Virgin Mary dance among the crowd there. There are three very capable people running the dances, there is no trouble of any kind (what was expected?) no noise and no fighting.

A letter to the local paper took exception to Mr Lang bringing the Virgin Mary into the matter while a spokesman for the SNP who were running the dances criticised the council for their behind the times attitude.

Move for Sammy Cowie - Sammy Cowie who has been carrying on his business as a watchmaker on Cluny Terrace is to move on 21st June to 27 East Church Street into the premises previously occupied by John Burgess, Hairdresser.

Opening announcement - The Blue Diamond Hairdressing Saloon on George Street, Fochabers is to open on 21st June 1965. Proprietor A. Harper.

Miss Isobel Murray, Buckie, who has a City and Guild Diploma in hairdressing and is a hair stylist has been engaged.

Death of James 'Jimmy' Pozzi - The death took place in Seafield Hospital on Saturday night of James Pozzi. He was 72. Although born in Peterhead he spent most of his life in Buckie where his father established a very successful business on High Street as a newsagent and bookseller. James joined his father in the business 55 years ago and became well known to many.

He served with the Gordon Highlanders during WWI and was badly injured in a train smash at York, which left him lame.

He is survived by his wife and one married daughter.

First yacht for export - Messrs Jones, Shipyard, launched their first yacht for export on Saturday. The new vessel is a 35-foot long motor sailer and christened 'Safari II'. It has been built for Mr Henry Toluzz of Switzerland, a reporter and cameraman with National Broadcasting Corporation New York. His area of work is in the Middle East and he aims to sail the yacht to Athens where he is presently based

June 24 **Buckie Sea Cadet Unit**, which has set itself the task of raising £1000 to improve and equip their recently acquired headquarters on Low Street, held a regatta and gala day in aid of funds last weekend.

Many hundreds of townspeople and holiday visitors turned up at the harbour to support the venture.

About sixty boys from Sea Cadet units at Wick, Thurso, Inverness, Oban and Buckie took part in various competitive events with Inverness emerging as the overall winners.

A life on the rocks - Lighthouse keepers are wanted. The Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses invite applications from men aged between 21 and 35. Pay in training is £520 rising to £550 after three months. On appointment this rises to between £575 and £641. The salary for Principal Lighthouse Keepers ranges from £684 to £734. In addition a furnished house and bedding is provided together with coal, electricity and uniform on satisfactory completion of the training period which may last from 6 to 9 months.

Festival of Beat Queen - 21 year old sales assistant, Miss Helen Smith, 60 Well Road was chosen the local Festival of Beat Queen at a four band dance held in the

Fishermen's Hall last Wednesday night. The sash was placed on the winner by dance manager, Ian Falconer. See photograph of Miss Smith on page 6

Unveiling of monument - A monument erected in St Anne's Aisle of Cullen Old Church by the Countess of Seafield in memory of her father, the 11th Earl of Seafield who was killed in France in 1915 during WWI and of her mother, Dowager Countess of Seafield who died a few years ago was unveiled in the church last Sunday.

Peetery Dicks - Over the last few weeks the Spike column in the local paper has spoken a lot of 'Peetery Dicks' This week Spike was praised in a letter written to the B. A. for bringing this famous instrument back to the notice of the general public

Buckie Rovers take a photo call - A photograph on page 10 shows the Buckie Rovers' team who had enjoyed a most successful season, when apart from winning the league they also lifted four cups.

The players were - Duthie Geddes, Alex Farquhar, Raymond Reid, James Thain, Alex Simpson, Ronnie Taylor, Alex Jappy, David Wood, James Innes, Jim Newlands, George Robertson and Derek Walker.

A report said that this was their best season yet since joining the Morayshire Junior Football Association. They had won the Nicholson Cup for the third time running, the first team to do so. They were League Champions, and apart from the Nicholson Cup took the Matthew Cup, Gordon Williamson Cup and the Stewart Memorial Trophy. They lost narrowly in the final of the White Horse Cup to RAF Kinloss.

The Rovers' statistics for the season 1964/65 are - Played 47, including 31 cup and 16 league games. They scored 123 goals with 55 against. Alex Simpson was top goal scorer with 55 goals, 41 in the various cups and 14 in the league. In the past three seasons since joining the juniors Alex 'Yannie' Jappy has been the most consistent player with 141 appearances.

Their exploits have not gone unnoticed and recently received an invitation to play two games in Orkney. They are to travel there this week end going by bus to Scrabster then over by ferry to Stromness where it is planned to play a game on Friday evening with a second in Kirkwall on Saturday afternoon.

A lot of bairns - The school roll at Buckie High School is the highest that it has ever been (it included the Primary Department at this time) with a total of 1162 pupils. Some of the classes in the Primary Department have 50 pupils.

July 1 **Clever fowk** - The Dux of Buckie High School is Mary R. Taylor. The Dux of the Secondary Department of Findochty Junior Secondary School is Helen Scott while J. A. McLean is Dux of the Primary Department. (A photograph on page 6 shows the two.) Anne Mackay is Dux of the Lady Cathcart School while the Dux of the Secondary Department of St Peter's School is Alison Grant with Brian Mackie Dux of the Primary Department.

We are superstitious - There is to be no number 13 on Provost Reid Crescent. The houses on the street were re-numbered recently and the owner of the bungalow allotted number 13, Colin L. Rose a factory supervisor indicated that he would prefer to have a number other than 13. His comments were forwarded to the council who discussed the matter at their meeting this week. It was suggested that the number 13 be omitted and Mr Rose's house be given the number 15.

Members were told that there were still three feus after that of Mr Rose but only one had been built on and the change suggested would simply mean numbering the houses still to be built as 17, 19 and 21 instead of 15, 17 and 19.

By five votes to three the council granted Mr Rose's requirements, which leaves Provost Reid Crescent without a number 13.

July 8 **There will be no Slochie Gala this year** - For various reasons the Gala Committee have been unable to undertake the tremendous amount of work involved in organising the project this year and decided to cancel the Gala for this year. The Portessie Gala was first staged 12 years ago and in a very short time became firmly established as one of the most popular summer attractions of the area.

Opening announcement - James Hendry Smith is to commence in business as a mason. 24 Bryson Crescent, Craigho.

A new band or simply a new name - The one mentioned this week - The New Arrows

Tory fete at Letterfourie - In the write up about the forthcoming fete at Letterfourie the following notes were give - The first Gordons of Letterfourie arrived around 1500, with the first laird being James Gordon the fourth son of the second Earl of Huntly. He was Admiral of the Scottish Fleet in 1513. Since that time his descendants have lived at Letterfourie.

The male line ended in 1905 with the death of Sir Robert Gordon when the estate passed to his great nephew, Patrick Gordon Shee, father of the present laird. Patrick held the title until 1935 and his only son, George, took over the estate in 1947 on his return from service with the Irish Guards in WWII

Although there was an earlier Letterfourie House built on the site the house as it exists today was built in 1773 by the 7th laird Alexander Gordon .

In 1745 the Gordons of Letterfourie being staunch Catholics were supporters of Prince Charlie . Alex went to Maderia to join his elder brother James, 6th laird who had founded a wine business there.

It was shortly after his return to Letterfourie 25 years later that work began on the present house and in construction and design Alex had the advice of Robert Adam, one of the most important architects of the day.

The Letterfourie Fete ran under the auspices of the Banffshire Unionist Association will take place on Wednesday first.

Mair clever bairns - Sheila M. Craib was Dux of the Primary Department of Portknockie Junior Secondary School with Margaret C. Mair Dux of the Secondary Department.

Ada W. Addison was Dux of the Secondary Department of Cullen Junior Secondary School while Lesley Murray was first in the Primary Department.

Jly 15 **Water!** Sunday saw the end of Portknockie's annual headache - a severe shortage of water during the summer months, for at a ceremony at Buckie's Rochomie reservoir an augmentation supply to Portknockie was switched on.

The ceremony was performed by Police judge T. W. Lang, Buckie, and Treasurer, Roy, W. Donaldson, Portknockie.

Help for the Town Clerk - On the casting vote of the Provost Buckie Town Council decided to get an assistant to the Town Clerk.

What next? Is this nae a sin? The town council granted permission to Mr C. Clark of the St Andrews Hotel to install a 'one-armed bandit'.

A new one - A group by the name of **Zoot Money**, a **big** Rock Band are to play in the public hall in Craigellachie.

A Garden Fete - The West Church are to hold a fete in the manse grounds on Wednesday 21st July. This will be opened at 3pm by Rev Ainslie Walton. Tea ticket costs 2/- for adults and 1/- for children.

Poem titled Wally Dugs- Written by Jock Smith is found on page 5. A note that follows it says how John Smith is a native of Buckie and the verses won for him the first prize in the verse section of the Herdman Memorial Competition of the British Amateur Press Association in 1960.

Up in smoke! - The Beat group, Jacobbeats, had equipment 'blown up' at a cost of well over £20 while playing at a marquee dance at Linkbraeheads Farm, Portsoy on Friday night.

The electricity supply was being run off a tractor when about 1am just as the dance was about to finish someone revved up the tractor engine sending an exceedingly high charge of electricity through the group's equipment. Safety fuses blew but not before the damage was done. Hearing of the damage that was done the Copycats asked for

assurance that nothing similar would take place at another marquee dance that they were to be playing at. A spokesman said that their equipment cost in the region of £2000 and they couldn't afford to have this damaged. They would rather not play that run a risk.

Cordiner's Garage opens - The large new garage complex built on the Toll Bar road on the outskirts of Buckie is to open today at 6p.m.

Included in the big advert are sketches of all the present Ford models together with their prices. Each model can be had from this figure - An Anglia - £479; A Cortina - £582; A Corsair - £691; A Zephyr from £818 to £886 and a Zodiac from £1029.

July 22 **New charges for the Fishermen's Hall, now owned by the town council** - £2 per hour for the first two hours, £1.10 for the next two and £1 thereafter. Use of the kitchen is £2 and functions with licenses £5 in addition.

The Rates - Buckie's rates to go up to 23/4 in the £

New bands on the scene this week - Viceroy's (Ireland); Kerr's Pink; Fitzn (Manchester)

I dinna like Wally Dugs - This would appear to be the sentiments being expressed by J. C. Portgordon in the short poem written on page 8.

July 29 **Poor old Peter Fair** - it didn't even warrant as much as one picture or even a short paragraph to tell us about the weather. It was left to Spike to do a humoursome piece on it.

New secretary of the Rovers- George Kay took over from Alex Curran

Aug 5 **Arradoul Garage, built by Edward Hillocks, has been sold by his widow.** The new owner is Frank Reid, 32 St Peter's Road.

And still there are new bands - Johnny Peters and the JP's are to play in the Two Red Shoes on Thursday with **the Checkers** in the Fishermen's Hall, Buckie on Friday.

Portknockie bids farewell- The Foot Tappers Rytham (sic) **Group** from Darlington are to play in the Seafield Hall on Friday before going south again.

Aug 12 **Fishing Skipper and Town Councillor dies suddenly** - Mr James F. Bruce, who was skipper of the local fishing boat, 'Diligent' and who was elected to Buckie Town Council at this years municipal election died in a Canadian hospital on Thursday last. He had only attended one meeting of the council before leaving on a four-month engagement in Canada where he was giving instruction on fishing techniques. It is understood that he took ill with pneumonia and was put in hospital.

A few more new bands on the dance scene - Studio **Six** are to play in the Town Hall, Cullen on Friday. **The Kinks** will be in the Town Hall, Elgin and **The Crusaders** in the Fishermen's Hall, Buckie. There is to be a Beat Nite Extra in the Cullen Town Hall on Monday when the following bands or groups will be playing - **Kris Ryan and the Questions, Johnny and the Copycats, The Bambies and the Jacobeats.**

Buckie Thistle have signed for the new season - Four of last season's players - Duncan Innes, goalkeeper, Tommy Christie, left/half, Peter Smith, centre/half and Leslie Cowie, inside/left.

New signings - Alex Farquhar and James Innes, ex Buckie Rovers, Jacky Jamieson, left/back, Billy McKenzie, right/half from Peterhead and David Beveridge ex Forres and Nairn.

The Thistle were fined - **For** failing to fulfil their last Highland League fixture of the season against Inverness Clach Buckie Thistle were fined £2. They claimed that a number of their players had already signed for other clubs with the extended season.

Trial game - The Thistle team that played the Rovers in a pre-season trial was - Innes, Day and Jameison; McKenzie, P. Smith and Christie; Farquhar, Innes, Rattray, L. Cowie and Murray.

Day was a trialist from Lhanbryde as was Neil Murray. Keith Rattray was an Aberdeen Junior with Parkvale.

Rovers team for their opening game of season 1965/66 from - J. Thain, D. Wood and R. Taylor; D. Geddes, A. Jappy and J. Newlands; Malcolm Cowie, R. Reid, G. Robertson, D. Walker, McIntosh, Ian Cowie, Andy Coull and Riach Green.

Aug 19 **Cullen and District Horticultural Association** - Their 15th annual Flower Show was most successful.

New signings for the Thistle - They have signed John Kelman and David Bruce, both of who were playing with New Elgin last season.

Sept 2 **Labour Candidate for Banffshire chosen** - Senior Magistrate in Aberdeen, Bailie Robert Middleton has been adopted prospective Labour Candidate for Banffshire. He is a Planning Officer with the Post Office, is aged 33 married with two children.

Fire destroys house and shop at Bridgend - A building which stood above the banks of the Buckie Burn at Bridgend in which there was formerly a chip shop, was razed to the ground this week just as James Stewart, his wife and two children were about to move in. They had only been able to move some of their belongings from temporary accommodation further along Main Street all of which were lost.

Business to close - Miss Wilma Cowie is to close her hairdressing business at 12 Station Road, Findochty on Saturday 4 September. She includes a note of thanks to all her customers for their support over the time she had been in business.

Buckie Photographic Club - The first meeting of this new club is to take place in the Morven Hall on Monday 6th September. The subject will be Portraiture in Colour. H. Dyce, Hon. Secy.

Still more new bands or new names - **The Ambassadors** are to be playing in Cullen Town Hall, **The Wild Kats** in the Assembly Rooms, Elgin while a Beat Show is to take place in the Longmore Hall, Keith where there will be four bands. Here one can dance or simply listen to music played by **The Peasants (London), The Jacobbeats, the Soundcasters and Consul five.**

Opening announcement - G. Wright - Building, Slating, Plastering, and Harling. The Hythe, Portessie.

Adverts - Peter Reid, Plumber, 27 High Street (He must have just moved there from Linn Crescent.)

For a first class display of sink units. Bathroom suites and accessories.

Wallpaper - R. Johnston, 4 Low Street

Alex S. Cowie, Plumber, Baron Street, Visit our showrooms and see our selection of sink units, bathroom suites etc.

How our towns got their names - An interesting article is found on page four taken from the September issue of the Readers Digest. It says that the word Liverpool means a pool of muddy water.

Sept 9 **Promotion** - Mr A. Lobban has been appointed Temporary Head Postmaster at Buckie with Mr Alex Geddes as temporary Assistant Head Postmaster. Mr F. B. McNally former Head Postmaster has taken up a new appointment in the GPO Headquarters in London.

Flooding at Drybridge - Following heavy rainwater poured off the fields and down the road like a river to flood the smiddy to a depth of 18 inches. The house next door to the smiddy in which Mr Joseph Russell 71 lives was also flooded. A lot of damage was done here to his carpets etc.

They deserve a medal - Arlene Leask, a second year student nurse in Aberdeen whose home is at 33 St Peter's Road was one of two nurses who completed a 50 mile walk course in Aberdeen's Young Oxfam Groups Fund Raising Walk. Of the 220 who took part only 48 finished the course with Arlene and her nursing colleague being the first home among the female competitors. The girls who were sponsored for 5/- per mile did the course in just under 14 hours.

Courageous housewives - Two housewives in Findochty jumped into the harbour fully clothed to save the life of Ronald Smith, 1 Main Street, a three year old child who had fallen into the water while playing with his older brother who screamed for help. The first on the scene was Mrs Betty Flett, 33 of 4 Main Street who dived in to the water and swam out to where she saw the little boy. Mrs Jessie Reid, 28, 13 Commercial help then also dived in to come to her aid. **The story is told on page 1. Later both women received awards from the Royal Humane Society.**

Come to Craigellachie and hear - *The Playboys* play.

Pink paraffin - Millbank Garage bought the paraffin round formerly owned by Sand Mclennan and was advertising for a lorry driver and salesman.

Advert - West End Garage, Arradoul, now under new management.

*** **A good Quiz Question** - Buckie Thistle arrived in Inverness to play the Clach with only ten players. These included Duthie Geddes on loan from the Rovers. Mike Bibby, the taxi driver who brought Clach's Aberdeen contingent of players to Inverness took Buckie out of a dilemma by turning out at inside right. Further to this he scored a second goal for the Thistle in the last minutes of the game in which they were beaten by six goals to two.

Sept 16 **Many fancy the job** - A total of 29 applications were received by Buckie Town Council for the new post which was to be created as administrative assistant in the Town Clerk's Department.

Should an extension be built - This was something that the council was debating as a result of the increased landings at Buckie Harbour of late. The present building was unable to fully cope.

A strange event is advertised in this edition - A Coffee Morning ! Buckie Townswomen's Guild is to hold a Coffee Morning in the Commercial hall on Saturday 18 September from 10 am till 12. Sales Table. Tickets cost 2/-

Chrysanthemum Tea - The Young Wives Group belonging to the South Church are to hold a Chrysanthemum Tea in the hall on Wednesday 29 September at 3 p.m. Tea ticket - 2/-

Sale of work - Buckie Thistle Ladies Committee are to hold a Sale of work in the Fishermen's Hall on Wednesday 22 September

Autumn Tea - Members of the Sunday School of the North Church are to hold an Autumn Tea in the hall Ticket 2/-

Sale of Work - Rathven Parish Church Girls Brigade are to hold a Sale of Work in the Church Hall, Portessie on Friday 24 September at 7p.m.

Beetle Drive and Sales Table - British Legion Women's Section are holding a Beetle Drive and Sales Table in the Legion Headquarters on High Street on Thursday 23 September at 7.30p.m. Ticket 2/6

And still new names appear on the Beat Scene - This week it is **The Groundhogs** .

F. Ritchie's advert is for men and boys clothing. - It shows the boys in short breeks. Fan did langers become universal for all ages of loons?

Jones launch number 15 - The 15th in the line of Spey class motor sailing yachts to be produced from the Buckie shipyard of Messrs Jones since they started building yachts several years ago was launched on Saturday forenoon. Christened 'Spey Beam' this 40 foot version of this very popular type of yacht has been built for well known Aberdeenshire farmer, Alexander 'Alistair' McKenzie, Marnoch Lodge Farm, Bridge of Marnoch.

Buckie Thistle sign Jimmy Woodcock - the former captain and centre half of Keith F.C. signed for the Thistle after turning out for the coast side against Lossiemouth on Saturday. He had been linked with other clubs after it became known that he had chosen not to sign again after playing for six seasons with the Keith club.

Three chosen from the Rovers - Jimmy Newlands, George Robertson and Alex Simpson have been chosen for the Morayshire Junior Football Association Select.

G. Thomson launch fishing boat A 54 feet long light trawler built for two Findochty fishermen, James Smith and James Bowie, was launched on Tuesday from the Buckie shipyard of George Thomson and Son. Christened the Strathmore she will be fitted with a 180-hp diesel Caterpillar engine and will be ready for sea in about a month's time. The Strathmore is the first fishing boat to be launched this year by 'Tappies' but they have two more fishing boats under construction- a seine netter for Lossiemouth and a light trawler for Kilkel. Work on two other light trawlers, both for Portsoy, will begin shortly.

Sept 23 **'Herdies' launch a fishing boat** - Last Saturday afternoon the 97-ton wooden trawler Green Pasture II took to the water from the shipyard of Herd and McKenzie. The new vessel has aroused a tremendous amount of interest among local fishermen. She has been built for Victor Chambers of Annalong, County Down, N. I. The Green Pasture II measuring 75 feet long is to be powered by a Caterpillar engine producing 380 bhp at 1200 rpm, the largest engine of its type to be installed in a fishing boat in the north.

Of particular interest to fishermen is the construction of the fish hold, which is divided and shelved for carrying fish in layers as well as in boxes. It has a capacity of 3,200 cubic feet and is capable of holding 500 kits of fish with ice.

Navigational and fishing aids and other equipment on the vessel are of the most modern type and the list includes hydraulic steering gear, autopilot, echo sounder, fish scan, radar and telephone VHF radio telephone.

Accommodation for the crew of 8 is of a very high standard the quarters being most attractive and well furnished. The skipper has a separate berth, situated below the wheelhouse in the superstructure.

A special feature is the installation of central heating throughout with cooking by calor gas.

Herd & McKenzie have built four boats for the Chambers family since 1955- Greenhill, Green Isle, and the original Green Pastures, which has been sold to New Zealand.

Buckpool Boxing Club - Training will re-commence on Wednesday 29 September in the St Andrews Hall at 7.p.m. Old and new members welcome. A. Cowie. Secretary.

The Buckie Branch of the SNP are to hold a Jumble Sale in the Catholic Institute, Buckpool, on Friday 24 September at 6.15 p.m. Goods and donations gratefully received.

New anes (bands) this week - Just 4 Men and Kenny Hale and the Jazzmen.

Sept 30 **Buckie Thistle (under the aegis of the Welfare Society) are to start running dances again in the Fishermen's Hall on a Saturday.** The band booked to play on Saturday 2 October is **The Sinners.** 8.45 till 11.45p.m. Admission 4/-. Usual buses after the dance.

Club dance every Sunday in the St Andrew's Hall starting 3 October from 9 until 12. Admission 3/-. Transport to Keith via Cullen.

Beat Festival in the grounds of Cullen House. 2000 fans attended the Beat Festival in the grounds of Cullen House on Saturday to raise funds for Save The Children Fund. This was organised by Lord and Lady Seafield and committee.

A total of sixteen beat bands were present, mainly from the northeast but others from as far afield as London, Manchester, Falkirk and Inverness.

Top of the bill was Malcolm Clarke and the Cresters from London followed by Toggery Five from Manchester, The Copycats, Jacobeats, The Roadrunners, The Phantoms, and many others.

The beat groups played in the open air during the afternoon but later, because of the blustery wind the music and dancing were moved inside a large marquee, which was tastefully decorated.

New proposals made by Education Committee of Banff County Council -

A new secondary school to be built at Buckie; secondary education to be confined to three comprehensive six year course schools at Buckie, Banff and Keith; 19 primary schools to be closed; the abolition of the 11 plus examination are some of the revolutionary changes announced in the long term policy for the provision of primary and secondary education in Banffshire approved in principle by the B.C.C. Education Committee at their meeting on Wednesday. **Full report is given on page 6**

Invitation to rejoin the council turned down- Mr William Thomson, Shipbuilder, a former councillor and Bailie who was unsuccessful at the last municipal election was offered a seat at the table through co-option to take the place of the late Mr Bruce declined the offer claiming pressure of business.

Buckie Sea Cadet Unit loses officer - John S. McLean, PT English at Buckie High School and a First Lieutenant in Buckie Sea Cadet Unit has resigned his appointment because of pressure of school work. He has served with the unit since it was formed two years ago.

Oct 7 **New Road will by-pass Fochabers - (Front page headline)** Among the proposals for the A96 is that the road will by-pass Fochabers and the road to the west of Fochabers will eventually become a dual carriageway, 80 feet wide with exceptions where it passes through Elgin, Forres and Nairn.

The Two Red Shoes, Elgin. - Playing here this week will be the **Ivy League**, one of Britain's top groups. Up at Craigellachie one can dance or listen to **R and B Incorporated** a Big Time Band from the south.

Message boy wanted- J and T. Taylor, Butchers, 42 East Church Street, are looking for a message boy.

New furniture showroom opened - Dennis Murray invites you to visit his showroom now opened at 5 Commercial Road. Fitted carpets a speciality. No charge for fitting. Bedding of quality supplied to order.

High score from High School team - Buckie High School football team beat Lossiemouth School by 12 goals to 2 at Lossiemouth. The team was - McVean, Legge and Ramsay; Pirie, Cowie and Green; Humphrey, Slater (Capt.) Bruce, Boyd and Cameron.

Thistle put their captain on the transfer list - Peter Smith who has played at centre half and was captain has been put on the transfer list though Buckie would prefer a player exchange.

Cullen F.C. to be revived. Hopes are high that the once popular Buckie Welfare League will be revived.

Oct 14 **Profitable Coffee Morning - The** sum of £94 was raised at a coffee morning ran in aid of the Scottish Council for the aid of Spastics. (It is most surprising that so few of these events were being held back in 1965 since they would seem to raise more money than the popular jumble sales.)

Fashion Salon Opens - Buckie's first fashion salon will open at 12 to 14 West Church Street on Wednesday next. The proprietor is Miss Jean Eckersley, formerly of Manchester whose mother lives in Buckie as does her brother, Charles E. Eckersley, the well known fish merchant. (The shop was still open in 2002)

Butcher's shop to close - Miss K. Skinner, Butcher, 50 Low Street (next to the Anchor Bar) **is** to retire from business on 14 October. She thanks customers for their patronage over many years.

Another new band - The new name that appeared this week is **The Applejacks**, a top British band.

** **Cullen Loons - a poem by Jayeff** - This appears on page 5. It is good, especially if you come from Cullen.

Rovers 'A' team - The Rovers have agreed to send through an 'A' team to play Fochabers Rockets in a friendly match.

Those chosen to play are - A. Jappy, W. Cowie and Green; Coull, Robertson and Lyon; I. Cowie, Leslie, Bruce, Leslie and McDonald. Reserve D. Geddes the Rovers lost by three goals to one.

Oct 21 **Kate Skinner gets presentation** - As she closed up shop for the last time on Thursday Miss Skinner, the only lady butcher in Buckie, in business for 34 years, was met by a deputation of neighbours and friends. Mr Marandola presented her with a Westminster chiming clock. Miss Skinner served her time as a butcher with the late George McKenzie.

"Short trousers do not help to increase Boy Scout numbers". This was said by Mr Wm. J. Taylor, Portknockie Scout Master who added, " they go to school in 'langers' and do not like to put on short trousers again to attend the Scouts." He was told that the powers that be still dictated that the dress for scouts included short trousers and we have to abide by the rules until these are changed.

Buckie Thistle dances The bands playing in the Fishermen's hall on Saturday night will be The Phantoms and a new one **Formula 5**. The Thistle will also hold a dance in the Strathlene Hotel on Sunday with music by The Bambies

Wrestling - A big crowd attended Buckie's first ever Wrestling Show in the Fishermen's Hall presented by a member of the Wrestling Federation of Great Britain. This was the first major event held in the hall since the town council purchased it from the Welfare Society and improvements made. Provost Doran present declared the hall open.

And still they appear - A new name appears among the groups booked to play at various venues by Modern Dancing Enterprises. This one is called The **Original Accents**.

Former patient returns - A Channel islander who spent some time as a wounded soldier in the Rathven Church Hall, then a temporary hospital, during WWI paid a visit to Buckie and the hall. **A report is given on page 6**

Heavy fine for litter lout - A 17 year old Buckie youth was fined £5 for an offence under the Litter Act. (They would find plenty culprits today in 2002 and if they fined them the same comparable sums a fortune would be made. Buckie must be one of the dirtiest places around with no care taken where paper, chewing gum and other such things are dropped.)

Oct 28 **A permanent post** - The new post of assistant to the town clerk which has split the town council is to be a permanent one and not temporary as previously stated. This was decided on the casting vote of the Provost.

Bonnyman's vanman retires - William Adam, who drove Bonnyman and Co.'s grocer's van for the past 36 years, has retired. At a presentation held in the Clochan School last Wednesday he and his wife were entertained and presented with two easy chairs by Mrs J. Turner. Mrs Adam received a bouquet from Miss Mabel Thain.

New names among the bands - Phil Ryan and The Crescents and The Original Accents.

Council brought up to strength - Mr Peter Murray, a fishing skipper, was co-opted to Buckie Town Council on Monday evening. There were two nominations, Mr Murray and Mr John Burnett, a former councillor. The voting was 5-4 in favour of Murray.

Fireworks - The council gave the Round Table permission to hold a fireworks display for children in the Commercial Park on November 5.

Nov 4 **Administrative assistant** - The new Buckie post of administrative assistant to the Town Clerk is to be offered to 22 year old John R. Sneddon, Boness. The salary being offered is £1160. **He declined the offer.**

Former Troop Leader gets a gift- John Niven, former Troop Leader of 1st Buckie Boy Scouts and now a student at Scott Sutherland School of Architecture in Aberdeen received a gift from the new Troop Leader, his brother David on behalf of the troop. **A picture taken at the presentation is found on page one.** Scoutmaster, Ian Duncan presided at the ceremony.

In the Craig Hall - The band that will play in the Public Hall, Craigellachie next Friday will be yet another new name - The John Bull Breed

Greatest Night on the Beat Scene - Monday 15 November in the Fishermen's Hall. Music by The John Bull Breed and The Washington DC's plus Johnny Cannon

Two Red Shoes, Elgin 9 Nov - The **Nashville Teens** ' The Group who took "Tobacco Road" to success plus the Jacobbeats.

Wrestling makes a return - A second wrestling show is to take place in the Fishermen's Hall on Saturday 20 November.

Robertson Cup Victory - The Rovers beat New Elgin by two goal to nil to take the Robertson Cup. Spencer Lyon, one of the Rovers brightest young prospects switched from left half to outside right and netted both goals. The game was played at Kynoch Park, Keith.

Team for Saturday is Jappy, Wood and Taylor; Geddes, Jappy and Newlands, Lyon, Bruce, Robertson, Simpson and Walker. Reserves - Coull, Cowie, Murray, Leslie and Reid.

Nov 11 **Two council decisions annoys ratepayers** - The local paper received a number of letter criticising the creation of a new post and also the new Town Clerk for asking that his annual membership fee to the Law Society should be paid by the council. This at a

time when there had just been a rise in the rates. Some of the letters were such that the editor refused to print them.

Buckie Welfare League will be re-formed - The once popular Buckie Welfare League is to be reformed after being in abeyance for a number of years. This was agreed at a meeting attended by representatives of six local clubs that intend to take part. A second meeting will take place on December 8 to appoint office bearers and set up a working committee to run the league.

Clubs represented - Portgordon, Thomson's Shipyard, Hamilton's Bros. Buckpool United, Cullen and Portsoy.

Pete Smith makes his return - The Thistle player who had been placed on the transfer list was reinstated to the position of Centre half on Saturday in place of the injured Woodcock and put up a tremendous display. Derek Walker of the Rovers was at outside left.

Rovers' player honoured - Alex Simpson has been chosen to play for the Scottish F.A. against Ayrshire Junior F.A. on Saturday.

Nov 18 **The Powerhouse Six** is the name of a new group who are to play in the Two Red Shoes and also at the Craig. In the Two Red Shoes disc jockey Douglas Eames will be present.

The Sinners will play at a Thistle dance in the St Andrew's Hall on Saturday 20 November.

Advert - Try the Cluny Fisheries 9 Low Street for the best in fish and poultry.

James Mackay, Draper, 5 East Church Street had a whole page advert in this edition advertising children's toys in the form of sketches.

Sudden death of Buckie business woman - Mrs Alexa M (Maisie) Brookman died suddenly at her home at 35 East Church Street on Monday evening. She was 58. She was the sole proprietor of 'The Little Wonder' a shop began by her father T. M. Jack.

The SNP may contest the next Parliamentary election

Nov 25 **Wrestling draws the crowds** - A crowd of five hundred packed the Fishermen's Hall to watch the second exhibition of wrestling staged in the burgh in the last two months. Police Judge T. W. Land introduced the show.

Another profitable Coffee Morning - St Peter's RC Ladies Guild raised £23 at their coffee morning held in the Commercial Hall on Saturday.

Dec 2 **Treasurer resigns** - Councillor George C. Wilson treasurer of Buckie Town Council for the past 18 months announced his resignation at a meeting this week. He had opposed the council's decision to accept the proposal of the treasurer's sub committee to increase the salary of various council officials.

Dentist moves - G. P. Hendry, dentist moved his practice from Cluny House to Treryn, 93 West Church Street.

Signs Trust Deed - The Tobacconist and Confectioner at 25 West Church Street signed the Trust Deed this week.

Rovers to play Dunfermline Jubilee - The Scottish Junior Cup tie will take place in the Victoria Park on Saturday 4 Dec at 2.15p.m. Adults 1/6. Boys and OAP's 9d.

The Individuals, still another new named group are to play at the Craig this coming week.

Dec 9 **Headmaster to retire** - Mr Dickie who has been headmaster at Buckie High School for over 17 years is to retire at Easter 1966.

A Coffee Afternoon - ran by Buckie Old People's Welfare Committee will take place in the Town House Hall on Wed 15 December. At 2.30 p.m. Ticket 2/-

Beat group take decision to split up - The Jacobeat beat group have split up. The decision to do this has given a chance of fame and fortune to the Buckie group known as the Bambies who are now taking on the name of **The New Jacobeats**. A semi professional group at the moment they expect to go professional some time in the New Year.

Besides taking over their name they are also to use the Jackobeats gimmick being all dressed in kilts apart from the vocalist.

Members of the group are - Brian Davidson, 16, 9 Bruce Avenue, bass guitarist. George Campbell, 15, Cooper Street, rhythm guitar. David Simpson, 17, Clochan, led guitarist and Graham Falconer, 18, 2 Cooper Street, drummer. The vocalist is Frank Hay, 17 of 3 William Street.

With the split up of the Jacobeats their drummer, Ian Young has taken on a new job as road manager for Johnny and The Copycats who are meantime in Germany. He may stand in as drummer should Rob Lawson fall ill at any time.

Vocalists, Terry Russell and Deirdre Cameron may play dates with the New Jacobeats for the next two months and the billing may read, Terry and Deirdre and The New Jacobeats.

The Rovers beat Dunfermline Jubilee by three clear goals. Derek Walker was the key man.

Dec 16 **New council treasurer** - Co Alex J. Murray who entered B.T.C. two years ago has been appointed the new Treasurer of the burgh. He agreed to take on the post only until the next election.

Relic of Banffshire Volunteers - A brass oval shoulder belt plate has come into possession of Councillor Wm. Moffatt, Findochty. The badge was part of the uniform of soldier volunteers known as the Banff and Banffshire Volunteers who were in existence between 1795 and 1810.

When the Local Militia Act replaced the Volunteer Act officers of the Banff Volunteers joined the Banff Local Militia

The Duke of York's Own Banffshire Regiment was raised by a Colonel Hay on July 26 1798 and disbanded in 1802. Their uniform consisted of trows and a highland bonnet

All these units, like others around the coasts of Britain were raised during the 'Napoleonic Scare' when Britain was then expecting an invasion from France.

In 1798 there was a 1st battalion of Banffshire Volunteers consisting of five companies, Banff (Trades) raised in 16 Dec. 1794; Banff (Artillery) raised 9 March 1795; Banff (council) raised 2 Feb. 1797; Banff (Infantry) raised 3 May 1797 and another Banff (Artillery) raised in 1798.

There was also an Enzie battalion raised in 1798 that comprised four companies.

In 1801 the Colonel was the Earl of Fife and two battalions are still listed.

The 1803 returns show the 1st battalion with five companies of 80 men with one field officer, five Captains, 18 subalterns and four staff officers. The 2nd battalion had fifty men, three field officers, six captains, 18 subalterns and three staff officers.

The uniform consisted of red coats with gold lace, blue collars and cuffs and white breeches.

Another unit known as the Loyal Banff Volunteer Infantry was also in existence but this was an independent unit, which took no pay and clothed themselves. They were dressed, however, the same as the other two official battalions and existed from about 1803 until disbanded two years later.

The brass shoulder plate shows Banffshire as two separate words and the crown in the centre of the 18 pointed star is George III

Mr Moffatt is a member of the Military Historical Society of London and Canada

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Boat launch - Herd and McKenzie launched a 63 foot long seine netter, christened 'Covesea' on Saturday afternoon. The Covesea built for James Campbell and others of Lossie is almost complete and ready for the sea.

The Covesea is the third fishing boat that Herd & McKenzie have built for different generations of the Campbell family

The first Covesea was built in 1933, Guide On in 1946.

The new Covesea is fitted with a 200hp Gardner diesel engine. There was no official launching ceremony.

Buckie syndicate buy sputnik trawler - The 'Donside' a sputnik trawler, one of four Aberdeen inshore trawlers repossessed by the White Fish Authorities in October has been bought by a Buckie syndicate which includes, Skipper Alex Thain, 7 New Street and Charles Eckersley, Fishmerchant.

Dec 23 A busy harbour - Buckie harbour is at present enjoying one of its busiest periods in recent years. The heavy landings of sprats have helped this.

The cargo trade has also seen an increase with two recent exports being seed tatties off farms in Banff and Moray being shipped abroad to the Canary Islands. Feeding barley was another export that left the port.

Those who had adverts in this edition were -

J & T. Taylor, Butchers, 42 East Church Street.

Hunter & Pirie Radio, TV'S etc. 33 E.Ch. St.

Window Cleaning 129 Main St.

Geo. Ewen Elect. Chimney Sweep 9/6

Geo. Andrews, Joiner, 18 Wallace Avenue

Wines , Spirits

Geo. Cooke, Elec. Chimney Sweep, Findochty Fochabers

Woodcarvers Shop, Bayview Road, Cullen
Alex Esson, Tailor, Outfitter etc., Cluny Square.
West Ch. Street.

Ring for Pink Wm. Grant and Co. High Street.

S. Cowie, Watchmaker, 27 East Ch. Street

C. I. Shearer and Son, 6-8 East Ch. Street

SCWS Ltd. Fashion Dept. East Ch. Street

Elgin TV Services, Cluny Square

Hector Flett

Ashgrove Cleaners, 227 High Street, Elgin
Harbour Street

Alex J. Slater, House Furnisher, East Ch. St.
Comm. Road.

Andrew Begg, Shoemaker, 14-16 High Street
Ch. Street

T.M. Jack (Little Wonder) 37 East Ch. St.
Ch. Street.

Robertson's Ltd 13 and 17 High Street.

Isabella Paterson, Hairdresser, 56 West Ch. St.
Portknockie

Learn to drive - E. Geddes, Portknockie
1234

Alex S. Cowie, Plumber, Baron Street.
Buckie and Pk.

A. Gowie Licensed Grocer, Gordonsburgh
Street

R. Johnston, Wallpaper, 4 Low Street.

Millbank Garage, Buckie, Bauds Gar. Cullen
Portgordon

Findochty School of Motoring - Cruickshank

Regency Car Sales, Marine Place

Robertson.

T. K. Monro Electrician 15 Garden Lane
G. Davidson, Mason and

Ian Crombie, Slater 7 Seaview Terrace.
Wrights, 33 West Ch. St. Flowers,

Geo. Wheeler, Elec, Chimney Sweep,

The Sports Shop, 5 High Street, Buckie
Geo. Sutherland, Shoe Repairs, 21

Carlton Hairdressers, 8 Carlton Terrace
W. S. Taylor, Chemist, 1 High Street
Peter Reid, Plumber, 27 High Street
Cluny Fisheries , 9 Low Street.

Baron Street Joinery Works- Prop

F, Ritchie, 72-74 East Ch. St and 1

Dennis Murray Furniture/ Carpets 5

The Ladies Shop (Clara Hay) 47 West

Geo. Sutherland, Shoemaker, 21 West

Cordiners Garage, High Street.

I. Sudding, Self Drive and Taxis,

Fochabers School of Motoring - Phone

J. Stewart, Butcher, 29 West Ch. St

John Sandison, Draper 22 East Ch.

Alistair Boyd, Plumber, Hillocks, Buckie

Learn to drive with Jimmy Gunn,

Archibald Motors

Central Garage, West Church Street, C.

Funeral Undertakers - Stanley Mackay, Cullen; Alex Mowat, Cullen A, Hendry and Sons, Buckie
 Wm. Thain, Gordonsburgh; A. Geddes and Hector Morrison, Buckie.
 A. J. Robertson (Granite) Ltd, 2 St Peter's Road James Mackay Draper, etc. etc.5-7 East Church Street.
 James Hendry Smith, Mason, Craigbo West End Garage, Arradoul
 W. G. Davidson, Elect. TV Radios,32 W. Ch. St. C.J. M. Cole Hairdressers, 16 Cluny Square
 Stevensons Cleaners, 19 Cluny Square. J. Mayne, Cluny Garage, Taxis, Buses
 A. G. Jappy, Butcher, Grant St. Cullen Christies (Fochabers) Ltd 10 High Street.
 Geo. Robertson's, Draper, Cullen

The band called Sol Byron with the Senate also Sounds Incorporated have been booked to play in Elgin at the Two Red Shoes in January 1966

For the London Boat Show - For the sixth successive year Jones Ltd, the Buckie Shipyard are to have a boat they have built on Show at the Boat show in London early next year.

On Sunday the 35' motor sailing boat 'Spey Mercia' a Spey class vessel set out by road on the 550-mile journey to London. A notice on the back of the lorry reads " We are sorry for delaying you. Please visit stand Number 2 at the Boat show and we will apologise in person"

The Spey Mercia was ordered at last year's show said Mr John Buchan, yard foreman who added that the yard had done very well in the past at the Boat Show

The Spey Mercia is completely fitted out but will not be handed over to the new owner till the spring.

Dec 30 **Buckie Thistle F.C. Christmas Queen** - The winner of the competition which had been run over a number of weeks at different dances with ten finalists being chosen was won by Miss Janet Smith, 18, of 23 Merson Street, Buckie, an employee at the local AIE lamp factory. The R/U was Miss Margaret Kessack, 19, Upper Dallachy with Miss Joyce Robertson 95 Main Street being third.

The Thistle lost their last game of 1965- They were beaten by two goals to one by Deveronvale at Victoria Park. Their team was - D. Innes, Farquhar and Jameison; Bunny McCall (formerly with Elgin) Woodcock, D. Smith; J. Innes, Kelman, Rattray, Cowie and Christie.

Rovers had an idle day on Saturday Islavale, their opponents were unable to field a team.. The team chosen to meet Carnoustie Panmure in the Scottish Cup is S. Jappy, Wood and Taylor; Geddes, A. Jappy and Newlands; Bruce, Lyon, Simpson, Robertson and Walker. Reserves - A. Coull, Thain.