

1989

Jan 3. **A lot of folk had the 'Flu** - The current outbreak of influenza has reached epidemic proportions in the Grampian Region. Although no statistics for the Buckie area are available, 'flu not being a notifiable disease, it is estimated that several hundred people in the area may have, or have had, the virus.

Long lasting advert - Aertex Ceilings - estimates free - Telephone Buckie 339xx. The same advert had been in the local paper every week for two years.

Scout Mail - Over the Christmas period the local Scouts handled 17,935 cards, which brought them in the sum of £937.65 - the biggest fund event in the Boy Scout movement.

A win for the Thistle - Buckie best Deveronvale by four goals to one at Victoria Park on Saturday. The team was Innes, Morland, Bruce, Pirie, Barclay, McBeath, Duguid, Morrison, Robertson and Anderson (Roger)

Jan 10 **Proposed Maritime Museum** - From a document produced by Moray District Libraries Department a statement said- "The proposed facility at Buckie (a maritime museum) has the potential to be the finest in Scotland."

**** The present Buckie Maritime Museum was founded in 1973 by Buckie Town Council and was originally housed in part of the building which now holds the combined library, museum and art gallery in the Town House, Cluny Place.

*** A meeting of Moray District Council was to take place to consider the recommendations made in the development plan.

What is proposed is a large scale maritime museum/heritage centre covering all aspects of the sea and seafaring locally with exhibits, visual displays, a shop and restaurant sited in the harbour area where it can interpret the present as well as the past.

The report acknowledged that attendances at the present Buckie Museum are poor and gave as reasons its location and its similarity to other fishing museums in Scotland.

**** The report went on to claim that the proposed centre would bring together collections and artefacts already in Buckie and items from elsewhere such as the local Fishing Heritage Society.

Tory candidate - Mr Francis Lawrence, a retired fishing boat skipper, has been chosen by the local Conservative and Unionist Association as candidate for the vacant Buckie east seat on Moray District Council.

Buckie Rovers start with a win - The Rovers began the New Year 1989 with a win, beating Lossiemouth United by four goals to one. The team was - Roy, Nicol, Campbell, Redford, Mackay, Morrison, M. Smith, Johnston, Mackie, R. Smith and Tait. Subs - Russell and McGettrick.

Leisure trail - Cullen Community Council have approached Moray District Council with the idea that a leisure trail should be established in the Cullen area. The Moray District Council tourist officer has agreed to look at the feasibility of identification and signposting of a series of walks in and around Cullen for touring families

Jan 17 **Shipyards future looks bleak** - The management of both Herd and Mackenzie and Jones, Buckie Shipyard are facing the prospect of no new boat-building orders coming their way in 1989 due to the drastic downturn in the future prospects of the fishing industry due to government policy.

A native of Cullen reaches 100 - Miss Rita Donn, a native of Cullen but who has lived in the Netherha' Home for some time was 100 years young last week. Her daughter who is 80 travelled from Canada to be present on her birthday while a grandson travelled up from London.

Baptist Church minister to move - Rev J. Elphinstone, who has been minister of Buckie Baptist Church, his wife and family are to move shortly from Buckie for a new charge in his home town – Collydean Baptist Church, Glenrothes, Fife.

No Maritime Museum - Any action on the establishment of a maritime museum in Buckie has been shelved after a meeting of Moray District Council's Recreation Committee last Wednesday. This was despite a passionate plea made by Mrs Peggy Wilson – Rathford-who told the committee that a fishing museum was badly needed in the district's east side to draw tourists off the main routes and into the coastal areas. A maritime museum in Buckie would have the full support of all the local fishing villages. We must have something big and imaginative, she said.

Computer in the library - A photograph shows the librarian at Buckie High School, Mr David Morley demonstrating a newly acquired computer, which he said, had a huge data base which could be used for so many different subjects.

Night-club named - The new harbour-front night-spot to be opened shortly in Buckie has been named 'Ziggy's' The licensee is Mr Andrew Beattie.

Lodge Gordon's 589 – Bill Murray was re-installed as RWM of Lodge Gordons 589 by Master Bill Legge.

The Rovers get kit bags - A photograph shows the Rovers' players lined up as their captain David 'Pecos' Mackay receives kit bags from Mr Alex Barr of United Fish Selling .

Jan 24 **SNP candidate** - The local SNP group have chosen Mr Sinclair Longmore as their candidate to contest the forthcoming election for the vacant Buckie East seat on Moray District Council.

Lodge Craigenroan 1247 – The new RWM is John Coull.

Jan 31 **Royal Burgh** – Cullen is to be allowed to re-adopt the prefix 'Royal Burgh' following a decision made by Moray District Council. The title was dropped in 1975 after local government reorganisation abolished the old Cullen Town Council.

Bill plans another trek - Bill Forbes, Fochabers , known to many as the 'Lightning Barber' who had a hairdresser's shop on Cluny Square, Buckie, for a long time is planning a 2000 trek through a part of Africa, this despite the fact that he is approaching the age of 80. Bill is no stranger to Africa having spent a considerable time trekking through the continent down through the years. For a man of his age he keeps remarkably fit with regular work-outs. **A report is given on page 1**

Advert - Harold Shepherd, Plasterer, Portknockie - rough /casting, cement finishing, taping and tiling. Free estimates, competitive rates

Feb 7 **SNP take the seat** - Mr Sinclair Longmore (59) of 14 St Paul Street, taxi fleet owner, was declared the new District Councillor for the Buckie East ward. He polled 826 votes to the 236 in favour of former fishing boat skipper Mr Francis Lawrence (57) 9 Cameron Crescent the Conservative and Unionist candidate.

Let there be light ! The hamlet of Clochan is to have 15 street lights erected.

Lodge Richmond 1137 – the new RWM is William Greer.

Feb 14 **A new fish-market gets go –ahead** - The initial phase of an exciting harbour redevelopment project for Buckie the construction of a £2 million fish market is now certain to go ahead.

'Death at Hairy Corner' The first chapter of Spike's new serial is found in this edition of the 'Advertiser'.

Addition to Seafield Hospital - The first turf will be cut for the building of the new 30 bed psycho-geriatric unit at Buckie's Seafield Hospital on February 20 with work commencing on the £730,000 project. The main contractors are Grant Construction, Elgin. The building is due for completion on May 1990.

Inspectors were pleased - Cluny Primary School - head Mr James Findlay received top marks from HM Inspectors.

Feb 21 **We wir near blawn awa** - Strong winds caused havoc throughout the local area. Speeds of 76 miles per hour were recorded at Kinloss. Slates were torn off roofs, sheds and garages toppled, trees up rooted.

Kin ye mine on es? - Lead-free petrol is to be available locally for the first time following the announcement that two local garages will definitely have pumps serving unleaded fuel on their forecourts next month.

Feb 28 **Paper of this date was missing**

Mar 7 **Advert** - Jim Sherman, Upholsterer and Antique Restorer. 31-33 Commercial Road.

A Writing Group - perhaps - A meeting is to be called to see if there is sufficient interest to warrant the setting up of a writing group in Buckie. Those behind the venture are Mr Bill Cook retired English and History teacher at Buckie and Keith and Mrs Wendy Jamieson, Community Education Officer.

Advert - F& M Household Stores, 20 West Cathcart Street, suppliers of household goods specialists in house credit.

Mar 14 **Comic Relief - Day 2** - No one was safe on the streets of Buckie last Friday when an enormous comic monster was roaming about, robbing innocent citizens of their cash. It was all in a good cause with all the proceeds going towards Comic Relief.

Notice - Owing to popular demand 'Changed Lives' Big screen video from Dutch National TV featuring John and Mary Parkes on Wednesday 15 March in the Beacon Christian Centre.

We've to take over - Johnny's Taxis are to take over M & B Taxi firm on 15 March.

Probus Club Speaker - The guest speaker at the monthly lunch meeting held in the Commercial Hotel was Mr Bill Smith, retired banker. The subject of his talk was 'Luck- God and Bad.' **

Mar 21 **A historic hand over - Buckie** was the scene of a historic hand over last Sunday when a former RNLI lifeboat was formally presented to the Icelandic Rescue Service, who will give her a new lease of life.

The 70' Clyde class vessel built in Scotland in 1966 is destined to serve as a towing and safety training, rescue and salvage vessel based in Reykjavik after spending the last few months in storage at Herd and Mackenzie shipyard where she has undergone a complete refit in preparation for her departure.

Adverts - Hair Design - 3 Bank Street
T. Bettie, Gents Hairstylist, 9 Pringle Street.
Elspeth, Hairstylist, 43 West Church Street. All hairdressers
Headline, 2 High Street, Portgordon
Peta, Hair Fashion, 31a West Church Street.

Rebecca's Hairstylist, Craiglynn, Arradoul.

Others – Yvonne, 39 West Church Street, Bedding etc etc, She had a big advert.
Ally Coull, 26 Seaview Road, Findochty, Electrician

Mar 28 **A Change of use** - Plans was put forward to change the offices at 7 West Cathcart Street into a shop selling pet food and accessories?

Jones get some work - Work has begun at Jones, Buckie, Shipyard on the fitting out of the £830,000 ferry destined for Shapinsay in the Orkney Islands, which will keep the 94 strong workforce at the Ianstown yard busy until June.

Apr 4 **And further** - Jones have found a new area for diversification. They have been awarded a contract, which could open up a lucrative new market for them as well as keeping the workforce busy.

They have embarked on a building and development programme to produce a complete new line in vessels for salmon fishing with an initial order for 6 boats worth in excess of £250,000 to the yard. The boats measure 10 metres long and are steel hulled. They have been ordered by the Marine Harvest Group and will be used on the West Coast.

Opening sale at Slater's Sports 2 Cluny Square.

Planning application to erect a Newsagent Shop at Milton Drive.

Depute Principal – Buckie man Raymond Murray who trained as an electrical engineer has been appointed Depute Principal of Banff and Buchan College of Education.

Now open Harbour Stores, General Groceries, John and Diane Beetham, 16-18 Sterlochy Street, Findochty.

Apr 11 **Over the final hurdle** - Buckie's new Community Education facility, which is to be built on the campus of Buckie High School, cleared the final hurdle last week when Moray District Council granted planning consent. The new £466,000 purpose-built centre will shortly be put out to tender. It will be the base for Community Education superseding the present Community Centre on West Church Street.

Cullen man is whist champion - Mr George T. Addison last week became the first overall winner of the Alex Pollock Whist Tournament from the Buckie area. He recorded the highest ever score of 190.

A retired former international lorry driver with Moray Seafoods of Buckie who stays at Newview Court describes himself as 'an ardent whist player'. There were 280 players in the finals that had gone through 15 qualifying rounds. He was presented with a handsome trophy and a bottle of whisky together a small memento to keep.

Heart – Start Appeal - The appeal has now reached the figure of £8,120 just over three thousand pounds short of the target of £11,400. With this money the Appeal is well on the way towards the purchase of a second life-saving defibrillator machine for Buckie ambulances.

Sports writer retires - Buckie born sports journalist, Mr Alistair Macdonald has announced his retirement from his full-time employment as Chief Football writer for the Press and Journal after a 39-year career.

Buckie and District Welfare League -The summer programme kicked off last Sunday. The teams are- Buckie United, Buckpool Victoria, Banff Rovers, Cullen,

Portknockie, St Marnans (Aberchirder), Portsoy, Portgordon United, Whitehills, and Keith Welfare.

Trophies to be played for at the start are – Anderson, Maitland, Banks, Watson and Lamb.

Cullen House has been returned to its former glory- two years to the day after fire destroyed almost a third of the building. The drawing room ceiling was re-created by plaster specialists Biggerstaff of Edinburgh.

Ziggys To open after many delays - A big advert read – Ziggys, Commercial Road, Buckie, Grand Opening on Friday 14 April with Moray Firth Radio 8pm till 11.45pm. Wednesdays under 18 discos – 7.30-1030 p.m. -£1.50; Thursdays, Discos, 8.00 – 11.45pm -£2.50; Friday – Disco 8.00-11.45pm - £2.50; Saturday – Disco- 8.00 – 11.45pm - £2.50. No trainers - no jeans.

The owners of Ziggys are Andrew Beattie in partnership with Mrs Sandra Bremner.

New shop - Bargain Box, 30 East Church Street will open on 14 April. Men, Ladies and Children's clothes. Fashion bargains for everyone.

Tutti Frutti - The exciting new café bar requires the following staff either part time or full. Chefs/cooks; bar staff; waiters/waitresses; cleaners and doorman. Apply to Mr R. Miele, The Hollies, Muir of Holmie, Clochan.

Advert - Woman in Mind, 39 West Church Street. New ranges arriving for the summer.

Apr 18 **Speaker at the Rotary Club** - The speaker was retired fishing boat skipper and fellow Rotarian Mr Sandy Sutherland. A native of Portsoy he told how his father told him in 1947 that he was to leave the school and go away to sea as cook for 10 of a crew aboard the steam drifter Mary Johnston. He had memories of cleaning herring for the crew's breakfast at 4.30am.

Probus Club - The speaker at the monthly lunch meeting held in the Commercial Hotel was Mr Albert Slorach, retired Kinloss Headmaster, ex councillor and raconteur. He told how he was born in Fochabers but had the sense to marry a Buckie woman, Mara Smith of Queen Street whose brother 'Fabber' played for Buckie Thistle.

Probus Club officials appointed for year 1989/90 – Chairman Joe Cormack; vice chairman-Douglas Summers; secretary- George McKenzie; treasurer, Ian Brown, Committee – Joe Garden, Basil Foster and Ian Sutherland. Auditor- Ian Brown.

Apprenticeship offered - A young person is required to train as an apprentice shop fitter. Versatile Windows, Deskford, Cullen.

Apr 25 **'FACES'** - A new campaign was launched in Buckie last Sunday to build on the foundation established by the Buddy Bear Appeal. The new body, the Fund for the Advancement of Conducive Education in Scotland (FACES) will see the fund-raising work continue to meet the expenses of children going to the Andre Peto Institute in Budapest but the emphasis will switch firmly to campaigning for an out-centre of the Peto in Scotland. A number of parents with children suffering from cerebral palsy travelled to Buckie at the week-end for the launch of FACES which now supercedes the Buddy Bear Appeal.

Furniture shop to car showroom - Plans have been put forward to change the furniture shop at 45 West Church Street to a car showroom.

Leisure walks at Cullen - A series of leisure walks around Cullen are to go ahead this season according to organiser Mrs Lesley Anderson. Cullen Community Council are to produce a brochure of the walks to be given to tourists.

The Speyside Way - Moray District Council Planning Committee have decided to go it alone on the future development of the Speyside Way hiking route with an extension along the Moray Firth coast which will take the pathway from Tugnet to Banff.

Help wanted - Buckie Thistle follower, Edinburgh-based Easton Thain is currently looking for help with the production of a book to commemorate the centenary of Buckie Thistle football club.

Mr Thain who is currently in Buckie carrying out research for the project told the 'Advertiser' last week that he would be grateful for the loan of any 'Jags' memorabilia in the form of programmes, photographs, newspaper cuttings detailing any periods in the club's history.

May 2 **No copy of this edition**

May 9 **New use for steading planned** - Application has been made for the change of use of the disused steading at Hillfolds, Drybridge, to a recording studio.

Removal sale - Buckie Furniture Centre (Nemat Ali) is advertising a sale prior to moving to new premises at 51 West Church Street.

Bogend Quarry - Moray District Council planning authorities are considering certain restrictions that if they were to be enforced may signal the eventual winding down of operations. (This apparently didn't happen since the quarry was still in operation in 2005 although the ownership had long since changed hands.)

Maternity Unit - The Maternity Unit at Seafeld Hospital is safe for the time being if an independent feasibility study into Maternity facilities in Moray is adopted by the Scottish Office.

High marks - Milne's High School in Fochabers gained high marks from HM Inspectors during their recent visit.

May16 **This edition is missing**

For sale - The Star Garage at Bridgend is for sale. The building was originally built for the Unity Lodge of Good Templars and sited on the 'Pitch' off Sutherland Street, Buckpool. (It was still standing in 2005 and used as a store by Thistle Removals (Ross Murray.)

Advert - Morven Stores, 19 Cluny Terrace. 'We buy 3 piece suites and modern furniture for cash.'

May 30 **Christian Aid Week** - The sum raised amounted to £1500 with money still to come in. The coffee morning on Saturday raised £488 while the soup and sweet lunches served from Monday through to Friday brought in £1.004 .

Long service to Catholic Church - A Buckie man who was ordained into the Roman Catholic priesthood in 1929 was in his home town last Thursday preparing for celebrations to commemorate 60 years service to the church. Canon John Lewis McWilliam, currently parish priest at St Margaret's Huntly is in his 85th year and despite being 10years past official retiring age said he has no plans for taking it easy yet. He was born in Buckie in 1904, Canon McWilliam is one of three surviving members of a prominent Buckie business family who previously ran a baker's business in High Street. His brother Mr Vincent McWilliam, retired baker, still lives in Buckie as does his sister Mrs Jean Scott, former teacher whose home is at Sutherland Crescent.

New minister at All Saints - Rev James Thomson, a native of Newcastle on Tyne has been installed as the new minister of All Saints Episcopal Church in Buckie.

Opening soon - 'SOUNDS' Record Shop at 68 West Church Street. (Yet another use for a building which has seen a great variety of uses down through the years.)

Ye'll be a richt for a cuppie o tay noo - Christie's (Nurseries) Fochabers now open the **Teapot** serving tea, coffee, soup, sandwiches, cakes etc.

Dance Society election - Banffshire Branch of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society held their annual general meeting recently when the following committee was elected - President- John Grant, Buckie; vice president, Mrs Jessie Bain, Buckie; secretary and treasurer, Mrs Jean Mair, Buckie.

Fits on at the Picters? - The Moving Picture Show are to present the film - 'My Stepmother is an Alien' in the Fishermen's Hall this Thursday.

June 6 **Some soon - it's now open** - 'SOUNDS' 68 West Church Street is now open from 10am till 7.30pm 6 days per week - records, tapes, CD's pop videos. Elsa Main(from Nairn) would like to thank everybody who helped her prepare for the opening of SOUNDS with special thanks to Sandy Jappy.

June 13 **Fatal road accident** - A young Buckie oilrig worker, 17 year old Neil Morrison 170 Douglas Crescent, was a passenger in a car driven by fisherman Mr Melvyn Jappy when it left the road in the Fochabers Woods and landed in a ditch. Mr Morrison received fatal injuries.

Anger as travelling people return - Buckpool residents are again protesting at the return of travelling people to the foreshore between Buckpool and the Gollachy Burn.

Cullen House - This Saturday, June 17, will see the work completed on the restoration of the 750year old Cullen House two years to a day after the building was ravaged by fire.

The rebuilding programme was under the supervision of Peter McKenzie, Fochabers, foreman with Hall and Tawse Contractors. The architect was Douglas Forrest. **A picture of the two men is found on page 7**

Probus Clubs join for a day - Buckie and District Probus Club linked up with the members of Keith Probus Club for their annual summer outing which saw them pay a visit to Aden Country Park, Mintlaw.

Speaker at the Rotary Club - Buckie Rotary Club had as their speaker on Monday evening fellow Rotarian, Mr Fred Johnston, stonemason, a native of Dundee.

Apologies - Due to a refusal of change of use of premises Buckie Furniture Centre will now be continuing to operate at 45 West Church Street. Babyland will also now be remaining open. The proprietors can only offer their apologies.

June 20 **Carnival Queen** - 14 year old Sally Gordon, 64 Douglas Crescent was chosen as Buckie's Summer Carnival Queen for 1989. Also chosen as her attendants were Lorna Robertson and Karen Flett.. The girls were chosen at the Wednesday night disco at the new night spot, 'Ziggys'.

Oh me! I wis plotted - jist about ready tae pow awa. This past weekend was a scorcher with temperatures reaching to 77F degrees in the shade. A light south westerly wind kept temperatures lower than they might have been for

they were lower than inland. Strathlene was the busiest it has been for a very long time.

Tutti-Frutti – The café bar on High Street in the converted former Presto (previously Lipton) store on High street opened on Friday morning . It will be open from 10am till 10pm daily including Sunday.

Clochan gets the sun and a crowd - The sun shone on Clochan on Saturday – the Gala Day-. A fair crowd was present with the sum of £900 being raised. Unfortunately the day was spoilt when vandals tore flags that had been borrowed from the RNLI and also removed direction signs.

Grange Games - These will take place at Bankhead Farm, Grange, on 25 June and opened by Colin Campbell,

Buckie Summer Carnival Week – 19 June to 25 June.

Terror at Victoria Park – Dinna be neen feart it's jist the title o the new serial by Spike.

June 27 **Findochty gings 'weet'** - Findochty's six decades as the only 'dry' village on the Moray Firth coast will come to an end soon following Moray District Council's licensing board's decision last week to grant a full drink's license to housewife Mrs Anne Coull.

Hamilton Brothers (UK) Ltd Mechanical and Structural Engineers, Established 1920, Commercial Road, require Slings/Crane/production assistant. Good carer prospects and rates of pay.

A start has been made – The first turf was cut last Friday by the Chairman of the Ark Housing Committee Mr Joanna Gordon on the site of the new accommodation for the mentally handicapped on Land Street, Buckie. It is five years since the project was first mooted. The contractors are David Forsyth and Co. Ltd, Elgin.

A successful day - The RNLI Gala was held on Saturday and despite the high temperatures proved to be a success.

Buckie 10K - The winner of this year's half marathon was Michael Wright, Portknockie, a member of Buckie Coasters. His time was one hour 15 minutes and 25 seconds. Third overall and first lady home was Lynda Bain, Aberdeen who was two seconds ahead of Andrew Newlands another member of the local running club. The runners had to contend with a stiff south westerly wind and heavy showers of rain.

Poor turnout - Only three people outwith the present committee and officials attended the annual general meeting of Buckie Rovers F.C. On the call of Sonny Johnston all were returned enbloc. These were – President – Jack Clarke; secretary, Allan Fraser, treasurer, Mrs Chrissie Sinclair; managers – Dennis Clark and Keith Sinclair. Coach and trainer Spencer Lyon. Willie Geddes and Willie Rothney agreed to join the committee along with Sonny Johnston.

Trophy for Buckie swimmer - Faye Phimister won the Scottish Junior Trophy for her gold medal performance in the open 200m individual medley event at the National Swimming Championships held in the Commonwealth Pool, Edinburgh.

Faye also won a silver in the girl's under 14 individual medley but her weekend was spoiled when she had to withdraw from the butterfly event after scalding her foot in an accident with a cup of tea.

July 4 **First of the line** - Jones Buckie Shipyard last week delivered the first of their new line in salmon farm boats. The start of what the yard hope will be a useful diversification for them.

Fits on at the Picters? - Es week Dustan Hoffman and Tom Cruise are appearing in 'The Rain Man'.

We've been on the go thirty 'ear - Hunter and Pirie Electricians and Electrical Goods, East Church Street. Their 30-year anniversary sale ends on Saturday.

Ye dinna hae tae walk - Free taxis will take you from Cluny Square on Friday and Saturday from 8 till 9pm doon tae Ziggys.

Jly 11 **Sea trials for ferry boat** - Workers from Jones Buckie Shipyard began sea trials on the roll on roll off ferry boat destined for Orkney bringing to an end work on a contract placed with the yard in August last year. The boat, which is to be, named Shapinsay costing £830,000 took to the water last week.

On strike - Local government offices all over Grampian Region were hit by the first ever-national one-day stoppage of 5000,000 members of NALGO last Tuesday.

We've moved hoose - Davidson Joiners give notice that although the business premises have changed hands they advise their customers that Davidson Joiners are continuing in business at their new place of work 95 Seatown, Cullen.

Ziggys to expand - A planning application has been lodged by Ziggys Nightclub for a change of use of a storage area to an extension of the lounge, the installation of a mini bar and some alteration to the present bar.

A new butcher - Kenny Thomsen has set up in business at 10 West Church Street as a butcher after 14 years working with the Co-op. Kenny Stewart formerly occupied the shop. The opening date was significant being his 30th birthday. Kenny said he got a lot of encouragement from his brother Karl who is in business in the town as a net maker and rigger.

Former painter then lollipop man to retire -Wm. Lyon (77) 1 Shearer Avenue is shown in a photograph shepherding children from the Millbank School on his last day as a lollipop man prior to retirement for a second time.

Jly 18 **Peter Fair dances** - Nae up at the stance nor is it on Peter Cormack's dancing floor this ane's tae be in the Fisherman's Hall. Disco and Hole in the Wall Gang. Tickets cost £3.

Probus Club - The guest speaker at the July lunch meeting of Buckie and District Probus Club was 87 year old Roy Skinner of Ellon and District Probus Club, a distant relative of Scott Skinner. His subject was J. C. Milne, author of 'The Orra Loon' and other poems in the Buchan dialect. J.C. Milne was known to many teachers of an earlier age as a lecturer at the Training College in Aberdeen was. Mr Skinner, an engineer by profession was sent out to refit the 'Girl Pat' after its famous or infamous voyage across the Atlantic

Jly 25 **Bad accident at Portessie** - Two people lost their lives on Saturday afternoon and a third was seriously injured when a car left the roadway at a bridge over the former railway at Portessie. The driver Mr David Bryce (22) Portknockie and his sister-in-law Mrs Helen Campbell (24) 136 Milton Drive, Buckie were killed while Mrs Elizabeth Bryce (28) was seriously injured.

Rotary Club - The speaker at the Monday meeting of Buckie Rotary Club held in the Cluny Hotel was Mr George Grant of 'Grant's Ice Cream'. Mr Grant old of how his father had first began to make ice cream at the farm of Bogs in the 1920's.

The ice cream side of the business began to expand while new rules concerning hygiene led to the firm moving to Elgin into a purpose built facility.

Football friendly - Buckie Thistle 3 Culter 2. The Thistle team was Innes, Cowie, Bruce, Pirie, Keith, McPherson, Galbraith, Robertson, Morrison, Wrack and Anderson.

George Cowie (Findochty) ex West Ham was guesting for the Thistle also playing was new signings Graham Keith and Paul Wrack. Also signed is Colin Ord while David Gordon is a trialist.

Aug 1 **Laid off** – Twenty-six jobs were lost at the two Buckie boat-building yards last week just before the annual trade's holidays started. Twelve were laid off at Herd and McKenzie and 14 at Jones.

Peter Fair - The report departed from the usual style where a potted history of the fair and former market was always given. The writer this time round did their best to say that it was a fair where no one lost out, all got prizes if they entered into the 'fun of the fair'. Lots of pictures of children enjoying themselves are shown.

Rotary Club - The guest speaker was accountant Alistair Simpson who had spent two and half years working in New Zealand. Through the medium of slides he took members on a whistle stop tour of the country together with a running commentary.

Results from two other friendly matches - Buckie Thistle 0 Glasgow Celtic 3; Thistle 5 Buckie Rovers 1.

Aug 8 **Missing**

Aug 15 **Proposed Maritime Museum** - Moray District Council approved a feasibility study into the provision of a maritime heritage centre in Buckie. This led Co. Jappy to say: "I am 100% behind the project but feel that the public should be made aware that the decision taken is only the beginning of a very long involved process."

What is visualised is a museum that shows features of not only the fishing and boat-building industries but also the wildlife and geology from Kingston to Cullen

A real Old-timer - Jimmy Watt a retired master joiner, and a resident in the Netherha' Home since 1984 celebrated his 103 birthday with a party last week.

Aug 22 **A rare event**- A newly built and increasingly rare addition to the Buckie fishing fleet took to the water at a Fife boatyard last week.

The 78 feet steel-built seiner/trawler named Conquest built for Buckie skipper Dennis Reid and partners was launched on Thursday at the St Monace yard of James Miller and Sons and looks like being the last new fishing vessel the Fife yard will build for some time.

Fifth in line of Mr Reid's boats that have all carried the Conquest name all the previous wooden boats were built by George Thomson and Son, Buckie.

The new Conquest has a round bilged steel hull and is fitted with a full-length shelter deck. The dimensions of the Conquest are - length- 23.9m; 7.35 m across the beam and draws 3.8 metres afloat.

The main engine is a Caterpillar 575hp 3412 TA and has a nozzle mounted variable pitch propeller.

Accommodation is of the best from the skipper's cabin on the main deck to the two man cabins aft.

James again among the medals - James Miller, Buckpool, again took part in the Polio Fellowship Games at Stoke Mandeville and returned with three bronze medals to add to his collection. The medals were all won in the swimming events.

The 90th Deskford Flower Show - Bob Dawson, Buckpool won the major prize, the Baldwin Memorial Cup, **for the 14th consecutive time.** This is awarded to the exhibitor gaining the most points in the Show.

Peter Anson - A full page article written about Peter Anson, painter and author, together with pictures is to be found on page 9. This was to mark the 100th anniversary of his birth.

Highland League - Buckie Thistle lost their first game of the new season by a score of four goals to two, The game was played at Victoria Park. The 'Advertiser' news reporter Mike Tremlett described the game as being poor tuff with Buckie putting on a pathetic performance. The team was Innes, Keith, Bruce, Pirie, Wrack, McPherson, Ord, Robertson, McBeath, Morrison (Lock) and Anderson. Sub, Link

Juniors - Buckie Rovers won their first game with a scratch team as four of the previous season's regulars were spectators due to suspension. The team was:- Roy, Scott, R. Smith, Redford, Morrison, A. Shewan, McGettrick (Graham), M. Smith, I. Shewan, Slater and Donald (Wood).

A record for Cullen - Ten years ago (1979) this week the largest sperm whale ever to be stranded on a British coastline was found on the sandy beach at Cullen. An article is written about the event from a diary kept by a Glasgow visitor. He watched the whale come ashore. The article is found on page 15.

Aug 29 **Convener pours on the cold water** - Moray District Council Convener Eddie Aldridge told an Elgin audience last week that he thought it unrealistic to expect a whisky tourist facility connected with Inchgower Distillery.

Buckie Flower Show - The winner of the Banffshire Advertiser Trophy awarded to the exhibitor gaining most points over all this year went to Ian McDonald of Duffus who won no less than four sections.

More houses at Arradoul - A planning application has been lodged for the construction of 6 dwellings south of Arradoul along the road leading towards Drybridge.

Sept 5 **Bridge to go** - The bridge over the track of the former railway at Portknockie is to be removed as part of a major redevelopment project and due for completion in April 1990. The sharp angle that the road has to make to cross the bridge has caused a lot of traffic problems with some larger lorries getting stuck.

Inchgower Distillery project dead - United Distillers have shelved the visitor's centre plans.

Housing at Drybridge? - An outline planning application for five housing sites at Drybridge has been made.

Fit div ye ken about the Norwegians?- A letter in the 'Advertiser' written by Jan Pennington, Supervisor Buckie District Fishing Heritage Society, was seeking information on the Norwegians who were in Buckie during the war years 1940-1945.

Probus Club - The newest member of Buckie and District Probus Club, Arnold Pirie, a native of Portsoy who now lives in Portknockie was the speaker at the September lunch meeting held in the Commercial Hotel. His career in the Police Force was spent mainly with the Regional Crime Squad of West and South Yorkshire and his talk was largely centred around anecdotes drawn from his time in this department. He did mention his early life ending up with a poem

written about old age part of which read – *It is better by far to say you are fine, than to let people know the state you are in.*

Rovers beaten by Deveronside - With Canal Park unavailable the game was played on the Academy playing field for which both teams got taken over the coals. With Graeme Roy absent Alex Matthews, a Rover's player of former years took his place between the sticks.

The team was Matthews, Johnston, Tait, Ewen, Mackay, Morrison, McGettrick, R. Smith (M. Smith), Shewan, Nicol, and Slater. Sub. Lappin.

Sept 12 **Bus station to close** – The parcels and enquiries office at Buckie East Cathcart Street bus depot is to close on Friday October 13 in the latest of a series of cost-cutting steps being taken by Northern Scottish Omnibuses prior to privatisation.

Christmas Carnival -The future of Buckie Christmas Carnival is now in the balance following an extremely poor attendance at a public meeting last Tuesday to get this year's event off the ground.

Community Council – Election of members to serve on Rathven and Arradoul Community Council. Rathven is entitled to five members with Arradoul/Drybridge three. In both cases this includes the adjoining landward areas.

Robert Bros. Circus – Merson Park, 26 September to 1st October. First night all seats £2.

Contract awarded - The contract to build Buckie's new £500,000 Community Education Centre is to be awarded to building contractors Robertson's of Elgin.

Fits on at the Picters? The Moving Picture Show are to present 'The Three Fugitives' in the Fishermen's Hall on Thursday 14 September.

Buckpool's G.O.L. - Mrs Jessie Clark Coull, 2a Cathedral Street, Buckpool's Grand Old Lady, celebrated her 101st birthday on September 5th. Last year when she was 100 she had a party in the Marine Hotel where she danced the night away like a youngster of fifty or sixty.

To re-open - The Hat Box, proprietor Mrs Mary Kemp, is to re-open at 7 St Andrews Square on 14 September.

Dux of B.H.S. - The dux of Buckie High School session 1988/89 is Kirsteen Luke a 6th year pupil.

Doctor calls it a day - Dr Sandy Lawrence retired after 32 year's service in the town. A photograph shows him receiving a parting gift from the members of staff at Seaford Hospital.

Sept 19 **Memories - Portgordon** Community Education Centre Management Committee are to stage two evenings of reminiscences designed to give the public a unique insight into the history and development of the village.

On the first evening Mike Seton will deliver a lecture on the growth of Portgordon since the turn of the century illustrated with slides and early photographs.

On the second evening Peter Murray (should that not have been Bruce?) of Buckie and District Fishing Heritage Society will talk on the fishing industry related history of Portgordon.

Free bus to Keith - On the local holiday a free bus will run from Buckie to Keith leaving Cluny Square at 1.00pm and returning from Keith Square at 5.00pm. All seats must be booked at Mayne's Coaches booking office.

Hotels for sale - Christie's of Fochabers have put the Cluny Hotel and the Mill of Tynet up for sale as part of a restructuring of the company's finances. A

spokesman has said that with the purchase of land at Bogs of Cairnfield and Arradoul there was a need to divert investment into the nursery operations.

Rovers F.C. - photograph of the team - Ally Ewen, Jim Slater, Graham Lappin, Graeme Roy, Ian Leslie (from Burghead married a Buckie girl), Alan Shewan (believe this should be Ian) Raymond Tait, Ronnie Smith, Alex McGettrick (Elgin married in Buckie), Colin Nicol, Alfie Morrison, Craig Johnston and Eddie Campbell.

Sept 26 **Nominations for Community Councils** - Eleven nominations for the 12 seats on Buckie Community Council were handed in. David Peuple has moved to Huntly and Councillor Bill Jappy has stood down to concentrate on his duties with the District Council.

Members in the eastward will be - Mrs Alice Chalmers, Messrs Roy Shepherd, Peter Souter, James Smith and James Thom. In the west - Mrs Lorna Forbes, Mrs Mary 'Frances' Geddes, Messrs Allan Fraser, Sandy Stewart, William Geddes and Benjamin McKay.

In Portknockie there were eight nominations for the 8 seats. There were eight nominations for Cullen and Deskford Community Council. At Cullen a woman, Norwegian-born Mrs Brit Souter who had been a member of the Council for the past four years had her nomination blocked by Moray District Council because she was a foreign national.

**** **Probus Club** - A special ceremony took place at the September lunch meeting of Buckie and District Probus Club when a ceremonial gavel was handed over to the relatively new Probus Club from the more senior Buckie Rotary Club by the Rotary President Hugh Patience. It was gratefully received by Probus Chairman Joe Cormack.

The post lunch speaker was Rev James Thomson minister of the Episcopal Church in Buckie and Portsoy. In his address Mr Thomson took his audience on a trip from his birthplace in Newcastle along a winding road to Buckie earlier this year, his first stay in the north of Scotland. He said how he had lived in each of the four countries of the British Isles where he had served or studied. Before becoming a minister he had been a cinema projectionist but had always had a deep interest in Christianity and had spent some time in the Baptist Church, the Congregational Church and the Church of England before finding his niche in the Episcopal Church of Scotland.

Cullen Leisure Trail - A series of tourist walks in and around the town has been voted such a success that the exercise is to be repeated next year by the Royal Burgh of Cullen and Deskford Community Council.

League of Hospital Friends proposed - Buckie Rotary Club is currently in the process of contacting community groups and organisations to rally support for an independent support group for the town's Seaford Hospital and its geriatric patients.

The Rotarians have called a public meeting for Wednesday October 18 in the Cluny Hotel Hall where they aim to establish a committee to organise a League of Friends for the hospital. (A report is given on page 11.)

Oct 3 **Portknockie skipper to be honoured** - Martin Miller (33) skipper of the Regent Bird is to be presented with the Royal Humane Society's Testimonial for saving the life of crew member Mr James Mair also of Portknockie. The rescue took place around 50 miles north of Cape Wrath after Mr Mair had been swept overboard and was in great danger of drowning.

Praise for restaurants - The restaurant, the 'Hawthorne' that has already gained some prestigious awards gets a good write up in this edition of the 'Advertiser'. Another restaurant also praised is 'The Cottage' (on the Institute Lane) (Neither of them was in existence in 2005 when this was written.)

Cullen man was involved - Rev Professor W. D. McHardy took part in the publication of the Revised English Bible work that took the party involved 14 years to complete Professor McHardy who is 78 lives at 2 Oglivie Park in Cullen . (The report is given on page 13.)

Oct 10 **Buckie woman dies of injuries** – Mrs Jean Hendry, nee Stewart, wife of Dr Eric Hendry, Cruachan, Highfield Road, died in Perth Royal Infirmary following injuries sustained in a road accident on the A9 between Stirling and Perth on Sunday night. (The report is given on page 1.)

When 'thieves' fall out - Councillor Hamish Watt fell foul of his colleagues in the SNP and has been dismissed as the SNP candidate for the Rathford/Lennox seat at next May's Regional Council election. He says, however, 'Don't write me off, I will bounce back.'

Grants from the Common Good Fund - Buckie Flower Show were awarded £1000 to allow them to buy new staging equipment vital for organising an event this year and in the future.

Buckie and District Fishing Heritage Society were awarded £500 to help publish a small book explaining the word of the Society and also their aims. The estimated cost is £2.500.

'Sparkie' retires - Local branch manager with the Hydro Board Mr Sandy Moar is seen receiving a cheque from the Area Commercial Manager Mr Ian Grieve to honour his retirement after 45 year's service to the electrical industry. Looking on are Mr Moar's colleagues from the East Church Street Hydro Board shop.

Chuffed to get a Royal thank you - Mrs Hay who operates her 'Sweet Dreams' confectionery business from the Buckpool Bakery on St Paul Street was delighted to receive a royal thank you letter recently. Mrs Hay had a stand at the 'Taste of Moray' held in Brodie Castle earlier in the year, opened by Princess Margaret to whom she presented a box of her high quality chocolate. The Princess was so impressed that she had her lady in waiting write to Mrs Hay thanking her for the generous gift and wished her every success in the future. Mrs Hay was very proud to receive the letter – quite an accolade for a small business.

A young winner – The winner this year of the Joe Williamson Memorial Cup was awarded to Mrs Diane Campbell (20) of Portknockie. The trophy is presented to the person who is judged to have done the most for the community over the past year. A spokesperson said that a number of people were considered before she was ultimately chosen. Diane who was married in June now stays in Findochty.

Oct 17 **Young Findochty woman dies in road accident** - Miss Mary Jane Taylor of Springfield, Findochty lost her life in a car accident on the road between Turriff and Oldmeldrum. She was driving to Dyce to meet her parents, Bill and Betty Taylor who run the village bakery and who were returning from a holiday in Malta. Although Miss Taylor was pulled from her burning vehicle by a passing motorist she died of her injuries in Aberdeen Royal Infirmary later in the day. Mary who was 32 worked in the Royal Bank in Buckie.

A Red Letter Day - Milne's High School, Fochabers was declared officially open last Friday. The first new school to be opened in Fochabers for 143 years was performed by Grampian Regional Council Education Director, Mr James Michie.

We're open - Bargain Box, East Church Street. A large selection of branded clothing at workwear prices. Boilersuits, dungarees, body-warmers, boots etc. etc.

Advert – L & J. Landscapes – all types of work undertaken by professional gardeners.

A fair thrash – A total of 33 fishing boats called into Buckie harbour last week to land their catches. This amounted to in total – 1218 boxes of fish, 392 boxes of prawns, 60 boxes of shrimps and 150 bags of scallops.

A rare musical appearance - Miss Diane Merson (26) a member of the Glasgow Concert Soloists is to make a rare musical appearance in her home town when she take part in a concert in Fishermen's Hall on Sunday 29 October.

Damage at Merson Park - The committee of Buckie Rovers F.C. the local junior club are becoming more and more concerned at the damage being done to the club's Merson Park ground by youngsters intent on gaining access to their pitch. Large holes are being created on the surrounding fence.

Advert – R. C. Cruickshank, 32 West Church Street, and Microwave Demonstration.

Buckie 10K – The winner this year was A. Newlands, Coasters, with a time of 34.07 minutes. The first lady home was D. Porter, Reebok, with a time of 40.05 minutes.

Andy was actually third home behind two late entries but a spokesperson for the organisers said that the decision was taken that only those who had returned the forms before the date would be included in the final prize list. Chris Youngson, Aberdeen AC came in 2 minutes before the winner.

Despite the weather being atrocious with heavy rain and a biting wind there were close on 100 entrants.

The record for the race was set up in 1988 by Chris Hall, Aberdeen with a time of 29 minutes 29 seconds.

Fit's on at the Picters? - The Moving Picture Show in the Fishermen's Hall is showing 'Young Einstein'.

Oct 24 **Friends of Seafield Hospital** - Patients at Buckie's Seafield Hospital are to benefit from the support of a/League of Friends following an inaugural meeting attended by over 50 in the Cluny Hotel last Wednesday evening.

A committee was formed – Chairman-John Craig, vice chairman, John Stephen, secretary, Mrs Elsie Jamieson, treasurer, William Cowie. Committee – Mrs Janet Innes, Mrs Margaret Sutherland, Mrs Betty Smith, Mrs Marian Patience, Mrs Peggy Wilson, Mrs Maggie Craig, Dr Derek Morrison, Allan Fraser and Gordon McKay.

New shop open - 'Flowers', 8 Seaview Place. Proprietors, Helen Wood and Eileen Slater.

Oct 31 **BHS appointment** - Mr Willie Cowie has been appointed Assistant Rector at Buckie High School. He has been acting as Assistant Rector on two occasions – between August and October 1987 and from January 1988 up to his appointment last Friday. He joined the staff of Buckie High School in 1972 when he was appointed PT of P.E. (He retired at the end of the summer term in 2005.)

Strathlene Swimming Pool – Buckie Community Council have renewed their call for Moray District Council to do reveal its plans for the future of the derelict former outdoor swimming pool at Strathlene. (Sixteen years went past before the pool was filled in completely and the whole area tidied up. This took place in 2004/05 under a scheme where money was spent on environmental improvements throughout Buckie.)

High honour for Portknockie Guide - Audrey Michie, 15, of 8 Craigview Road, Portknockie received her Baden-Powel Trefoil Badge and Certificate- the Girl Guide highest honour. Audrey is only the third Portknockie girl to have earned it. Assistant District Commissioner Miss Helen Gardner presented the award.

First Honorary Member – Mr Stewart Benson President of Buckie Victoria Bowling Club was made the first ever-honorary member. The award was handed over by Mr Norman Taylor.

Plans to rebuild the Vesper – a zulu fishing boat - A Drybridge man, Mr Alan Burgess has acquired the Vesper, a former zulu fishing boat which he hopes to fully restore to its original condition, sea borne and under her own sail power. He hopes to persuade sufficient people to take an interest with the necessary finance to pay for the work to be done. **The article is found on page 9.**

We are 70 years young -The Buckie Brownies held a party to celebrate their 70th birthday. Some of the original members were present and many others from the years in between. **A photograph and report is to be found on page 13.**

The first meeting - The Royal Burgh of Cullen and Deskford Community Council convened last Tuesday for its first meeting since the election of its members. Len Hall remains as chairman, vice chairman, Bill Davidson with Mrs Joyce Henderson secretary/treasurer. (There is a photograph of the Council in this edition.)

Nov 7 **The 'Advertiser' has a new reporter** - Mr Brian Wilkinson took over the post of News Reporter with the Banffshire Advertiser this week. The previous reporter, Mr Mike Tremlett has moved to the Sports Desk of the Press and Journal.

Pork Factory expansion plans - The front page of the 'Advertiser' had a big report under the heading 'Local Pork Factory has giant plans for expansion.' (Over the years the factory expanded considerably but unfortunately plans were to close it down completely in October 2005 with the loss of over 300 jobs.)

Coffee and Cream Restaurant - The new management team is Denise and Arlene.

Training Scheme comes to an end - The employment-training scheme administered by the Scottish National Council of the YMCA and based at the Rathven Parish Church Hall in Portessie has ended. Starting in September 1987 as a community project employing five full time and ten part-time staff it was changed to an employment training scheme a year later when the government ceased to finance community projects.

Buckie Thistle celebrates their 100th birthday. A big report is given on page 9 though I would say that everything said was correct. Buckie Thistle only came into being in November 1897 when two teams Buckie and Thistle agreed to amalgamate. Buckie Thistle originally played in blue and white, this was mentioned in the report of a game against Huntly United in December 1904, changing to green and white in November 1907, the old 'Union' colours. There was never any mention that Celtic had anything to do with the new strip. The Union was a very successful local team up until they lost seven of their players at one time when they went into abeyance. The first trophy won by Buckie Thistle was the Elgin and District Cup when they beat Keith Strathisla by three goals to two. The game was played at Milnesfield, Elgin in March 1902.

Nov 14 **Rotary Club guest speaker** - Mrs Effie Bremner was the speaker, her subject being 'Things'. Things that give pleasure; things that amuse; things that make us laugh; in fact all sorts of things. Song writers couldn't do without 'things' – how many songs have this word in their titles? Mrs Bremner introduced a number of asides into her talk much to the amusement of all – an example being - A lady wrote to the Inland Revenue to ask why she should pay money to them as she lived on the coast.

Tourist Centre - The Buckie Tourist Centre did record business last year at its new location on Cluny Square.

Cullen House - Two years after fire ravaged Cullen House, the restoration of the historic building to its former glory has won prestigious awards for everyone involved in the enterprise. These were handed over at a ceremony held in London. In addition to the architect firm the contractors Hall and Tawse also received awards, these being accepted by Peter McKenzie, Fochabers, who was General Foreman on the job?

At the presentation mention was made of the oldest part of the building being the south west corner and connected with the nearby church, the rest of the house was built at different times, the architects being the Adams family, Playfair and Bryce.

Nov 21 **Probus Club** - The guest speaker at the lunch meeting held in the Commercial Hotel was Mr Peter Bruce of Buckie and District Fishing Heritage Society. He showed a masterly collection of slides produced from old photographs and gave an explanation of each together with location. In addition he brought along three albums of old photographs. The talk was much appreciated by the lady guests present and by guests from the Banff and Keith Probus Clubs.

Harbour tours - Buckie harbour tours introduced during this last summer have proved so popular that Moray Tourist Board has recommended that they be increased next year.

The 12 tours operated during the summer months attracted a total of 480 participants. The places visited were Moray Seafoods, the Buckie Lifeboat and Herd and Mackenzie Boatyard. James 'Jake' Smith gave a retired skipper guidance a retired skipper

The fishing scene - A total of thirty boats, one Dutch and one Danish called into Buckie harbour last week, putting ashore 1248 boxes of white fish and squid, 386 boxes of prawns, 218 boxes of shrimps and 73 bags of scallops.

Nov 28 **Site for new cemetery** - A site for a new cemetery has been identified. It will be sited near to the refuse compactor station with access along Golf View Drive. The writer of the report said how there was bound to be adverse comment about a funeral cortege sharing a single-track road with refuse lorries. Buckpool Golf Club has already launched an objection.

Hamish Watt - Hamish Watt is to stand as an Independent in the Rathford/Lennox ward now that the Moray SNP group have decided not to re-adopt him as their candidate.

Dec 5 **Former Thistle player in jail** - Donald Buchannan, a former player with Buckie Thistle is serving four months in prison following being sentenced at Aberdeen Sheriff Court.

He admitted 15 charges under Prevention of Corruption Act relating to his employment as a housing allocation officer with Aberdeen City District Council, accused of accepting and obtaining gifts of money as inducement or reward for assisting people to obtain tenancies of Aberdeen City District Council houses or flats. A senior allocation officer who admitted five similar charges received three months.

Dec 12 **Murder charge** - One Buckie man is in hospital and another under arrest following a shooting incident in the town last week. It happened last Wednesday evening in the Crown Hotel on Low Street. The injured man is Walter Clark (24) who was rushed to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary for an emergency operation. The arrested man is Bruce Henderson (28).

Buckpool centenarian dies - Mrs Jessie Clark Coull, Cathedral Street, died last week at the ripe old age of 101.

Dec 19 **Snow** - The first snow of the winter gave a seasonal, if chilly, welcome to the first of Buckie's Carnival days last Wednesday.

Fifty years wed - Our neighbours John and Margaret Fordyce are seen cutting the cake at celebration to mark 50 years of married life. A party with a small group of friends took place in the Commercial Hotel.

Quinns - The restaurant at 5 Cluny Square which at different times has been called Popeyes, Mr C's etc, etc is now called Quins. Their advert stated - We are open on Christmas Eve - a few tables still available. (The restaurant opened in 2004 as Jacqui's but it closed early in 2005.)

The Fishing scene - A total of forty boats landed at Buckie harbour last week. Put ashore were - 1845 boxes of fish and squid, 419 boxes of prawns, 1804 boxes of shrimps and 179 boxes of scallops. Among the boats were 4 Danes and one Dutch. The others were - Lily Oak, Accord, Anna Bhan, Crosby, Hallmark, Moray Endeavour, Ardelle, Kedana, Altair, Moray Explorer, Dalma, Choice, Glene Contester, Kilravock, Crimond, Heathery Brae, Avail, Mistletoe, Integrity, Quest, Pilot Star, Lynn Marie, Blue Angel, Crystal River, Rival, Dexterity, Elegant, Pisces, Suilven, Volente, Intrepid, Shellona, Amethyst and Craighall.

Dec 26 **Opening announcement** - John W. Campbell, Carpenter, Joiner and Shipwright, is to take over the funeral parlour on Baron Street formerly owned by Alex Bain who has retired due to ill health.

Now open - Norma's Fashions and May's Flowers at 20 west Church Street.

St Andrews Hotel - The new proprietors of the St Andrews Hotel, are Susan Holloway and David.

The new cemetery - The community council accepted the site for the new cemetery but were opposed to the access road. Councillor Jappy said the first option was a site south of Buckie off the Barhill Road but the farmer wanted £34,000 for the ground, which was away above the valuation price. An extension of the present New Cemetery immediately to the south and west was out because of water problems.

Scout Post - The Buckie Scouts delivered 21,000 cards an increase on the previous year, and raised the sum of £1,162.76 for funds. The figure in 1988 was £937.

Advert - Jim Sherman, Upholsterer and Antique Renovators, 31-33 Commercial Road, Buckie. We are not removers, polishers or do house clearances but we are the best when it comes to upholstery - 29 years in the trade.

