

2010 for the Heritage website

- Jan 5 **No football** – snow covered pitches
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- Football news** – Thistle player Paul Napier the former Elgin City player, .described as wing wizard, signed a three year extension to his present contract with the club.
- Jan 19 **Buckie Thistle 2 Cove Rangers 1 (H/L)** *"Martin's Magic Moment"*
Buckie Strong, C. Angus, Shewan, D. Angus, MacKinnon. Munro (Davidson), Macrae, Stewart, Bruce, Charlesworth, (MacMillan), and Sutherland. Subs- MacDonald and Main. (G.K)
- Buckie Rovers 2 Stonehaven 1 (L)** *"A Well Deserved Victory"*
Rovers: Mike Widdrington, Michael Gauld, (Paul Forbes), Bryan Bell, Dale Fraser, Paul Robertson, Duncan Philip, Tony Fraser, Stuart Wood (Dale Munro), David Blackhall (Scott Mair), Gordon Riddoch, Michael Smith. Subs - ? Murdo, Kieran Ingram and Steve Todd (G.K)
- Football news** - Tony Fraser, an Elgin lad, had previously played in the Welfare League.
- Jan 26 **Buckie Thistle 3 Turriff United 0 (H/L)**
- Forres Thistle 0 Buckie Rovers 6 (L)** *"Six Appeal for Rovers"*
- Feb 2 **Buckie Thistle were idle** due to weather conditions
- Buckie Rovers 0 Forres Thistle 4 (F)** Their opponents Hillhead failed to appear -
- Feb 9 **Buckie Thistle 1 Wick Academy 0 (H/L)** *"Martin Does it Again"*
- Deveronside 1 Buckie Rovers 3 (L)** *"Rovers leave it late"*
- Feb 16 **Buckie Thistle 1 Huntly 1 (H/L)** *"Jags held by the Tigers"*
- Inverurie Locos 3 Buckie Thistle 2 (H/L)** *"Jags run derailed by Locos"*
- Buckie Thistle 0 Aberdeen XI 1 Benefit match** for Neil 'Zico' Davidson
Played on Sunday
- Aberdeen F.C. Youths** – Nelson, Davidson, (Brown), J Robertson, Jarvis, Shaughnessy, Sorensen (Bolger), Jack, McRobbie, (Hansson), Megginson, (Gibson), and Low Best for the 'Loons' was said to be Low.
- Football news** - Alan 'Mickey' McPherson and Paul Lamberton were in the Buckie team.
- New Elgin 1 Buckie Rovers 1 (L)** *" Rovers need a goal scorer "*
Rovers; Widdrington, D. Fraser, Bell, Robertson, Stewart (Munro), Philip, T. Fraser, Gauld (Forbes), Mair, Riddoch, and Wood (Blackhall). Subs – Smith, Ingram, Bryceland, Flynn (G.K)
- Mar 9 **Buckie Thistle 5 Clachnacuddin 1 (H/L)**

Football news - With the race for the Highland League title looking like it will go to the wire, and Buckie still very much in the mix, Jag's manager Gregg Carrol strengthened his squad last week when he captured the signature of Robbie Brown, the former Deveronvale midfielder who becomes reunited with his former boss.

Hillhead 2 Buckie Rovers 3 (Morrison Cup) *"Battling Display see Rovers through"*

Mar 16 **Buckie Rovers 1 Dufftown 0 (L)** *"Rovers do enough to win "*

Keith 0 Buckie Thistle 2 (H/L)

Mar 23 **Buckie Rovers 1 Hillhead 0 (L)** *"Cracking Goal Settles Tie."*

Rovers: Flynn, D. Fraser, Gauld, Robertson, Stewart, Munro (Ingram), Blackhall, Riddoch, and Wood. Subs. Smith, Mair, Innes and Widdrington (G.K).

Buckie Thistle 1 Fraserburgh 1 (H/L) (Wed.) *"Right Result at the Viccy"*

Strathspey Thistle 0 Buckie Thistle 7 (H/L) *"Jags in Cup Cruise"*

Buckie: Strong, C. Angus, (H. Munro), MacDonald, Small (MacKinnon), D. Angus, R. Brown (Duncan), Napier MacRae, Charlesworth, C. Brown, and Sutherland. Subs. Lepkowski and Main (G.K)

Football news - The above game marked Buckie Thistle's first visit to Seafield Park, Grantown, and the home of Strathspey Thistle, who entered the Highland League in August 2009.

Mar 30 **Formartine United 0 Buckie Thistles 1 (H/L)** (Wed.)

Buckie Thistle 1 Nairn County (H/L) *"Jags win ugly again"*

Fraserburgh United 2 Buckie Rovers 1 (L) *"Broch on their 'ain midden heid' take the points"*

Apr 6 **Lossiemouth 4 Buckie Thistle 3** (League Cup ¼ Finals)

Stonehaven 1 Buckie Rovers 1 (Morrison Cup 2nd Round) Stonehaven won 5-4 on penalties

Apr 13 **Fort William 3 Buckie Thistle 5 (H/L)**

Buckie Main, McDonald, H. Munro, D. Munro, MacKinnon, Small, Napier, Macrae, (D. Angus, MacMillan (C. Brown), Murray, and Sutherland. (Stewart). Subs. Duncan and Riddoch (G. K.)

Buckie Rovers 0 Islavale 0 (L) *"Game fails to live up to billing"*

Rovers Widdrington, Gauld, Bell, Robertson, Noble, R. Mair, (McLaughlan), Wood (S. Ingram), Blackhall, Bryceland (N. Mair), and S. Mair. Subs K. Ingram and Flynn (G.K.)

Football news - The Rovers were forced to ring the changes for this game on account of a number of players being absent for different reasons and had cause to thank those who came in to take the place of those missing. Shaun Noble, playing here as sweeper, was from Elgin as was S. Ingram who took over from the injured Wood. Russell McLaughlan played for Portgordon in

the Welfare League last season. Ryan Mair who played consistently for the Rovers some time back until injured made his return while Neil Mair, who was also playing in the Welfare League last season has also played for the Rovers before on the odd occasion.

The Vale looked strong up front with George Cowie, Andy Matheson, Kenny Hendry and Richard Shanks all playing in the Highland League last season and although they began as if they were to demolish the Rovers they quite dramatically ran out of steam, with no less than three of them being replaced.

Apr 20 **Fraserburgh 0 Buckie Thistle 0 (H/L)** " *A good point for the Thistle*"

Inverness United 4 Buckie Rovers 1 (L) " A poor Rovers side were put through the wringer"

Apr 27 **Huntly 0 Buckie Thistle 3 (H/L)** " *Wonder Strikes Decisive* " (Wed.)

Football news – The win took Buckie back to the top of the League with 74 points from 31 games

Strathspey Thistle 0 Buckie Thistle (H/L) " *Buckie Steal a March* "

Football news – Thanks to a hard earned victory at Grantown on Saturday Buckie moved five points clear of second placed Cove Rangers.

Hillhead 2 Buckie Rovers 0 (L) " **Rovers suffer from inability to score.**"
Rover's " Flynn, D. Fraser, Bell, Robertson, Gauld, Philip (Riddoch), T. Fraser (D. Clark), Munro, Blackhall, S. Clark and Wood... Sub. Ingram

May 4 **Roths 0 Buckie Thistle 2 (H/L)** (Wed.)

Wick Academy 0 Buckie Thistle 3 (H/L) "League Glory as Jags left feeling just Champion"

Buckie: Main, MacDonald (Duncan), H. Munro, MacRae, (D. Munro), Small, C. Angus, Napier, R. Brown, Bruce (MacKinnon), Charlesworth and Stewart. Sub. C. Brown and Strong (G.K).

Football news – Buckie Thistle won the Highland League for the first time since 1958 with 80 points from 33 games. And still one game to be played at home to Brora Rangers.

Buckie Rovers 2 Lossiemouth United 4 (L) " *Rovers Generosity was their downfall.*"

May 11 **Bishopmill United 4 Buckie Rovers 1 (L)** " *No VE Day at Pinefield for Rovers*"

Rovers Flynn, Gauld, Bell, Robertson, Stewart (D. Fraser), Forbes, T. Fraser, Munro (Blackhall), Mai, Riddoch, Wood (Grant). Sub. Gary Innes.

Football news – This was the last game of the season and it has to be said that the Rovers didn't play well, probably as poor as they have been all season. The game also saw the departure of Bryan Bell, captain and regular fixture in the Rovers side for the past few years. He was known to have signed for Buckie Thistle where he had been playing in the under 21 side all season. He

- left with the good wishes of all those associated with the Rovers. Also likely to be missing next season is Gordon Riddoch who aimed to move to Australia
- May 18 **Buckie Thistle 1 Brora Rangers 0 (H/L)** *'Last game of a Momentous Season'*
Buckie Main, MacDonald (D. Angus), H. Munro, D. Munro, C. Angus, Small, Napier, (Murray), Macrae, Charlesworth, Bruce (C. Brown), and Stewart. Subs. Duncan and Strong (G. K)
- Football news** At the end of the match the Highland League Championship Trophy was handed over to the Thistle captain Kevin Small by SHFL President Eddie Innes, becoming the first Buckie captain to have the honour of receiving this since 1958, fifty-two years ago.
- May 25 **Days of Yore** - A photograph appears in page 12 of this edition which shows the grandstand at Victoria Park as it was in the early days shortly after being opened, perhaps in the early 1920's. The picture shows a crowded stand and field as they watch Poch Hector run by at an athletic event. The picture belonged to former Jag's player Bert Nicol, a friend of Hector', and was handed in to the 'Advertiser' by his daughter Anne Mair.
- June 1 **Youth Football Tournament.** - Over 700 children congregated at Merson Park over the past weekend for Buckie Thistle Football Development's annual Springbank Tournament, with ages ranging from Primary 1 to under 15. The usual one-day tournament was extended to a two-day event this year to accommodate the Youth and Girl's sections, which took place on the Saturday. A total of 36 teams entered for what turned out to be an excellent day of football on the Saturday with teams coming from as far away as Fort William, Brora and Invergordon to name a few. On the Sunday there were 51 teams registered, coming from as far as Letham in Perthshire and Fort William as well as many others.
- June 8 **Troubled times at Victoria Park** -Buckie Thistle fans have been rocked by the bombshell news that club President Mark Duncan and his brother Murray, a Director of the club, are to leave the club. The duo has quit the title-winning side after what they believe is behind the scenes manoeuvring to change direction at the club. After a month of soul-searching, the Duncans, have decided to bring to a close their eight-year association with the club, which began at a time when the Jags were at a very low point in their history.
- Portknockie F.C.** - A photograph appears in page 12 of this edition which shows the Portknockie F.C. League -winning side of season 1940-41... All in the picture are named as follows - J. Falconer (Provost of the village and John Mair, Coal Merchant, the players being Albert Green, Tommy Bruce, Jackie Clark, David Anderson, Joe Cowie, William Mair, William Mackie, Peter Wood, David Pirie, Pat Duff, George Slater and James Murray.
- June 15 **Board Seek Duncan's Return** - The shock resignation of brothers Mark and Murray Duncan from their roles at Buckie Thistle F.C (President and Board member respectively). Took another twist last Sunday when it was revealed that they are to be asked to return to the club.
- June 22 **Carroll crowned manager of the year** - Buckie Thistle manager Greg Carroll topped a trophy-laden season with one of his own when he scooped the Highland League Manager of the Year Award last week. With typical modesty,

Mr Carroll sought to spread the credit for the award amongst his colleagues. "I am delighted to have won the award with so many other managers worthy of collecting it", he said. "People tend to forget when they hand out these awards that a manager cannot do his job without the players, backroom staff and the whole club doing theirs." The award is testament to everyone at the club and nobody should forget that."

June 29 **Jags swoop for Locos stopper** - Buckie Thistle manager has wasted no time in adding to the Highland League champion's squad after agreeing terms with Michael Morrison. The former Inverurie Locos man is highly rated as one of the leagues's most experienced defenders and the Elgin-based stopper has committed him to a two year stay at Victoria Park.

As Morrison comes in so central defender Dave Angus, central defender moves out. He had been told by the club recently that he was free to leave and it is understood has taken a peg with Huntly.

A number of pre-season friendlies have been lined u; the first being on July 7 when they meet old Highland League rivals Elgin City at Victoria Park. On Saturday the Jags will be away to Forfar followed by a home game against Dundee United at home on July 1. This being an evening game. On Saturday July 17 they will play Deveronvale in Mark Chisholm's testimonial game. On Wednesday 21st July they will travel to play Newmachar with all proceeds going to a charity nominated by former Thistle keeper Joe Wood. This too, will see an evening kick off. The last of the six friendlies will be on Saturday 24th July when they play junior club Dundee Violet at Victoria Park.

The first 'real' game of season 2010/2011 will be a league game against Clach at home on July 3

July 6 **Wins for Buckie teams in Winter League** - Buckie Tigers a P6/7 league side won their section in the first Moray Winter League. A photograph shows the team taking a photo-call with manager Caroline Cameron with Jamie Shewan and Neil Davidson of Buckie Thistle looking on. The players are - Greg Newlands, Ethan McNeil, Ryan Duthie, Connor Cameron, Matthew McMillan, Ethan Cowie, Steven McLennan Scott Vass, and Liam Wood

A second Buckie team- the Pumas (P6) took the runner up spot. A second photo shows the team with the manager Martin Christie. The players are - Rob Coull, Ryan Matheson, Lee Cowie, Evan Smith, Brodie Christie, Ryan Brindle, Joseph Campbell, and David Wilson.

Buckie Thistle 3 Elgin City 1 (F) 'Jags Sink Cit Slickers'

Buckie: Strong (Main), Duncan, Bell (Angus), Davidson, Small (McKinnon), Morrison (Wood), Napier, Shewan, MacMillan (Gardiner), Charlesworth (Low) and Sutherland (Lepkowski). Sub Stewart

Football News - The report had the following words to say about the new players, Morrison was a an imposing figure in defence; the youngsters Bryan Bell and Darren Wood caught the eye standing out well while Andrew Gardiner looked a class act. Bell was previously with Buckie Rovers and Wood with Islavale.

July 13 **Buckie Thistle 3 Elgin City 1 (F)**

Forfar Athletic 0 Buckie Thistle 3 (F)

July 20 **Buckie Thistle 1 Dundee United Youths 1 (F)**

Buckie Thistle 3 Dundee Violet 1 (F)

Aug 3 **Buckie Thistle 3 Clachnacuddin 1 (H/L)** *'Champions Show Killer Instinct'*
Buckie: Strong, Angus, Duncan, Wood, Small, D. Munro, Napier (Charlesworth), Macrae (Davidson), Low, MacMillan (Gardiner) and Sutherland. Subs. Shewan and Main (G. K.)

Football news - The Thistle as Highland League Champions were applauded on to the field on Saturday by their opponents of the day the players of Clachnacuddin. They then went on to make a successful start to their title defence with a deserved victory albeit they were not at their fluent best and the score line did flatter them a bit.

Football news - The first new Highland League title flag to fly at Victoria Park for 52 years was unveiled on Saturday prior to the kick off against Clachnacuddin. A picture in the 'Advertiser' of this date shows the flag being shown off by the proud Thistle manager, Gregg Carrol, Eddie Innes HFL President; Alan Scott, John Grant HFL Secretary and Mark Duncan, Buckie Thistle President.

Aug 10` **Brora Rangers 2 Buckie Thistle 1 (H/L)** *'Champions brought down to earth'*
BUCKIE; Strong, Duncan, Angus, Macrae, Wood (H. Munro), Small, Napier, Stewart, Low, MacMillan (Murray), and Sutherland. Subs. Charlesworth and Main (G.K)

Burghead Thistle 3 Buckie Rovers 4 (Grill League Cup) *'A Goal Abune Them A'*

Football news - The Rovers opened their new season account with a trip to the Broch and had guesting for them in goal veteran Mike Munro, gallantly helping the club out of a fix.

The Rovers scored four goals with one by David 'Coco' Blackhall being a superb individual effort and worthy of acclaim. Also in the team were Stevie Grant who played a few games the previous season, Scott Davidson who had played the previous season for Deveronside and was to return there, also Jordan Sutherland and Scott Thain, two schoolboys, with ? Kerr on the bench.

Buckie Rovers 0 Banchory St Ternans 3 (Grill League Cup) *'Beaten but effort worthy of credit'*

ROVERS: Widdrington, Gauld, Stewart, Robertson Sam Clark, Kerr (Milton), Shane Clark, R. Mair, (Taylor) Sutherland, Thain and Wood. Sub. Flynn (G. K)

Football news -Andy Milton and Kris Taylor were two other local youngsters like Thain and Sutherland.

Aug 24 **Buckie Thistle 5 Formartine United 1 (Aberdeenshire Cup)** *'Mercurial, Majestic, Magnificent'* Easton Thain (Jags Man) gets carried away.

Clachnacuddin 3 Buckie Thistle 5 (H/L) *'Another Thistle Nap Hand'*

Football news - The Jags campaign to retain their Highland League title was given a huge fillip last week with the news that talismatic striker Ian Murray has signed a new deal. Experienced forward Murray, 34, has penned a deal tying him to the Victoria Park side for another two years.

Buckie Rovers 1 RAF Lossiemouth 2 (Grill League Cup) *'Listless Rovers Shot Down'*

Rovers; Bain, Kris Taylor (Cooper), Forbes, Sam Clark, Robertson, Scott Mair, Ryan Mair, Thain (Tony Fraser), Blackhall and Sutherland (Munro).

Football news – The Rovers continued to blood local youngsters with the introduction of Craig Bain in goal and Jamie Cooper being introduced at full back

Following this game it was learnt that Mike Widdrington, goalkeeper, had tendered his resignation and was being allowed to go. Mike had arrived at Merson Park the previous season and played the odd game when Mike Todd (Lossiemouth) was the regular keeper. Though the whole story was not told to all there were those who saw most of the games, like yours truly, who felt that this perhaps was not the wisest of decisions as Mike had been seen to play some good games for the Rovers and was now quite experienced

Fraserburgh United 4 Buckie Rovers 1 (Grill League Cup) *'Another late collapse by the Rovers'*

Rovers – Bain, Forbes, Milton (Sam Clark) Fraser, Robertson, Bryceland (Sutherland), R. Mair (Blackhall), Munro, Shane Clark and Thain. Sub- Taylor and Flynn (G.K)

Aug 31 **Fraserburgh 2 Buckie Thistle 4** - (Aberdeenshire Cup – semi-final)

Formartine United 0 Buckie Thistle 3 (H/L)

Buckie Rovers 1 Forres Thistle 1 (L) *'Innes was Inspirational'*

Football news – The Rovers had veteran Gary Innes in the team in the centre of defence and he proved to be the piece in the jig-saw that had been missing in recent games, plugging the hole through the centre as with head and feet he was the rock on which so many Thistle attacks foundered. On the day he was entitled to be described as indefatigable, indomitable and hugely inspirational the rest of the team taking a cue from him to turn in one of the best displays this season.

Football news - The Rovers received a set of new strips from J. G. Robertson, Bakers, Buckie, etc. These were handed over by George Robertson, Production Manager and accepted by his son, Paul Robertson, captain. A photograph in the 'Banffshire Advertiser' recorded the event. Players seen in the photograph are as follows Gary Innes, Graham Flynn, Jamie Cooper, Grant Bryceland, Shane Clark, Mike Gauld, Paul Robertson, Tony Fraser, Dale Munro, David Blackhall, Jordan Sutherland, Shaun Wood, Kris Taylor, Andy Milton, Sam Clark, Scott Thain and Craig Bain. Also in the picture are Dave Roberts, secretary, Keith Ingram, manager, Mike Munro, bag-man, and George Clark committee man

Sept 7 **Buckie Thistle 0 Fraserburgh 0 (H/L)**

Buckie: Main, Duncan, Angus, Brown (Low), Small, MacKinnon, Napier (Sutherland), Stewart, MacMillan (Charlesworth), Murray and Shewan. Sub-MacRae and Strong (G. K)

Buckie Rovers 1 Hall Russell United 2 (1st Round GA Inter-Regional Cup)

Sept 14 **Buckie Thistle 0 Cove Rangers 3** **Final of the Aberdeenshire Cup**
'Jags Cup Final Woe'

Buckie Main, Duncan, Angus, D. Munro, Small, McKinnon, Low (McRae),
Stewart, Bruce, Murray (Charlesworth) and Sutherland. Subs – H. Munro and
Strong (G.K). THE GAME WAS PLAYED AT INVERURIE.

Buckie Rovers 1 Glentanar 4 (L) *'Rovers still to beat Glentanar'*

Football news - The Rovers had Steve Todd in goal for this game; the Lossie lad had been the regular keeper last season but had disappeared towards the end with his place being taken by Flynn and Widdrington. Widdrington chose to leave presumably after not getting enough games with the Rovers having schoolboy Bain between the sticks for a few games.

The Rovers weren't only short-staffed for players in the above game but also officials with manager Keith Ingram on holiday and David Robertson unavailable on account of work commitments with Mike Fraser taking on the dual roles of manager and bag man.

Sept 21 **Buckie Thistle 2 Keith 0 (H/L)** *'Buckie Bounce Back'*

Football news of a kind - For a Keith supporter of sixty five years the above score line doesn't make for good reading making it now five games on the trot that the Gows have come out on top over the Cyards; my prayers went unanswered.

Islavale 5 Buckie Rovers 1 (North Regional Cup 1st Round) *'Rovers were overwhelmed'*

Rovers: Todd, Gauld, Clark, D. Fraser, Robertson (Thain) (Milton) Bryceland, T. Fraser, Wood, Taylor and Blackhall, Subs – Nil.

Football news of a kind Though I like to think of myself as a cyard my sentiments don't stretch as far as to cover the Vale being a long time supporter of the Rovers and was fair 'seek' on Saturday to see them being given a real going over by their Banffshire rivals. However I have found that the Vale supporters have had reason to be more 'seek' with some thing like a record when they were beaten by 11 goals to two by the Rovers in the early seventies. Keith Sinclair, a Vale official today, scored one of the goals

Sept 28 **Newmachar United 0 Buckie Thistles 7 (F)**

Football news - The 'Jagsman' Easton Thain wrote - Playing memorial matches is always an emotional occasion and so it was for former Jags keeper 'Joe' Wood, his wife Audrey and daughter Kerry as Newmachar United (an amateur side managed by former Buckie Thistle player Ray Pirie) and the Thistle met at the Charlie Gordon pitch in the village on Saturday to honour the memory of their loving son and brother Stuart. Stuart was one of the tragic victims of the helicopter disaster in April 2009.

The match, however, was an occasion where two deserving charities benefited from the money raised on the day.

Buckie took the opportunity to give some of the youngsters a game while manager and assistant manager both had a chance to show off their skills when they came on late in the game.

BUCKIE: Strong (Main), Shewan, H. Munro, Brown, Bell, McRae, (D. Munro), Gardiner (Hake), Davidson Carrol), Charlesworth (J. Sutherland), Murray and Low (Cooper).

Hillhead 7 Buckie Rovers 1 (L) *'Hard hill to climb for the Rovers'*

Oct 5. **Free date** - Buckie Thistle had a free date having a bye in the Scottish Cup

Buckie Rovers 0 Yoker Athletic 2 1st Round of the Emirates Scottish Cup *"Rovers were heroes all"*

ROVERS; Todd, Gauld, Stewart, Wood, Ingram, Bryceland (Clark), Fraser, Mair, Blackhall, Grant (Munro) and Milton (Thain). Sub Robertson.

Football news - Yoker Athletic, a team from the Glasgow area meantime top of their league and the previous week had beaten the team that had hammered the Rovers last season by 11 goals to nil by four clear goals. The Rovers put on an excellent show to keep the score as it was with Steve Todd in goal having a great game.

Shaun Ingram in at number 5 made a difference. He had played for the Rovers on a previous occasion as had Kyle Stewart. Others who played really well were Stevie Grant, Tony Fraser and Shaun Wood.

Oct 12 **Buckie Thistle 2 Rothes 1 (H/L)**

Buckie: Main, Duncan, H. Munro, Angus, Morrison, Low (Stewart), Napier (Gardiner), MacRae, D. Munro, Murray and Sutherland (Charlesworth), Subs - Shewan and Strong (G.K).

Football news - The death took place on September 28 of former Thistle player Andy Morrison. Andy was born in Buckie but lived most of his life in Cullen. A joiner to trade he worked for many years as a Clerk of Works with the Seafield Estates.

He joined the Thistle in 1954 and made his first team debut in April 1955 against Elgin City in a league clash.

He was to be first pick for the first team through much of season! 1955-56 even playing in goal against the Broch in a cup game when both regular keepers Cook and Lenny Marshall were unavailable.

In December 1956 he played at centre-forward against Peterhead at Victoria Park and wrote his name into the annals of the club when he scored four goals in a 5-0 romp.

He was called up for National Service in 1957 and on return played his last game for Buckie on January 2 1960 against Rothes who he was to later join and star for a considerable time after.

Buckie Rovers 2 East End 2 (L) *'Draw a Fair Result'*

Oct 19 **Strathspey Thistle 0 Buckie Thistle 7 (H/L)**

New Elgin 5 Buckie Rovers 1 (L) *'Rovers Melt in the Sun'*

Oct 26 **Wigtown & Bladnoch 1 Buckie Thistle 7 2nd Round of Scottish. Cup**

Buckie: Main, Duncan (Shewan), H, Munro, Macrae (Charlesworth), Angus, Morrison, Napier, Stewart (Small), D. Munro, Murray and Sutherland. Subs. Gardiner and MacMillan (G.K)

Rovers had an idle day

- Nov 2 **Lossiemouth F.C. 1 Buckie Thistle 2 (H/L)**
- Buckie Rovers 2 Bishopmill United 5 (L)** *"Rovers suffer from yet another late collapse."*
- Rovers:** Widdrington, Gauld (Fraser), Stewart (Findlay), Robertson, Ingram, Wood, Shane Clark, Munro, Blackhall, S. Mair and Grant (Bryceland). Subs – Sam Clark, R. Mair, Thain and Sutherland.
- Football news** - Buckie Rovers were supplied with new kitbags supplied by Chris Simpson, proprietor of the Harbour Bar, Buckpool. A picture on page 14 of the 'Advertiser' shows Mr Simpson handed over one of the bags to Teresa Innes, treasurer, as Gary Innes, vice president, and Mike Fraser a committee member look on. The sponsorship is greatly appreciated by the junior side.
- Nov 9 **Buckie Thistle 2 Huntly 1 (H/L)**
- Inverness City 2 Buckie Rovers 0 (L)** *'No joy for the Rovers against the league leaders in Inversnecky.'*
- Nov 16 **Cove Rangers 2 Buckie Thistle 3 (H/L)** *'Main the Magnificent'*
- Buckie:** Main, H. Munro, Angus, Stewart, Morrison, MacKinnon, Napier, Brown, Brown (Davidson), D. Munro, Murray (Charlesworth), and Low (Shewan). Subs. Bruce and Sutherland.
- Football news** ` A quite brilliant display by Buckie Thistle goalkeeper Kevin Main was the highlight of an exciting game at Allan Park on Saturday in a match that had everything you could want, thrills, controversy, goals and an astonishing conclusion after which the Jags emerged victorious'.
- Buckie Rovers 1 Lossiemouth United 0 (L)** *'Second win of the season for the Rovers'*
- Rovers:** Todd, Wood, Stewart (Davidson), D. Fraser, Robertson, Gauld (Ingram), T. Fraser, Munro Blackhall, Grant, Thain (Mair), Sub. Clark.
- Nov 23 **Bo' ness United 0 Buckie Thistle 2 3rd Round of the Scottish Cup**
- Buckie:** Main, H. Munro, Angus, Stewart, Morrison, MacKinnon, Napier (Macrae), Brown (Shewan), Davidson, Charlesworth (Gardiner), and Sutherland. Subs. Low and MacMillan.
- Football news** - The win saw the Thistle advance in the last 32 of the Scottish Cup for the first time since season 2000/01 and will face East Stirling in the fourth round on January 8
- Islavale 5 Buckie Rovers 2 (L)** *'Understrength Rovers are punished'*
- Nov 30 **No football for either the Thistle or Rovers** - - Snow-bound grounds.
- Dec 7 **No football – snow-bound pitches and frost.**
- Dec 14 **Buckie Thistle 2 Brora Rangers 1 (H/L)** *"Martin (Charlesworth) the hero again"*
- Buckie** `Main, H. Munro, Angus, Brown, MacKinnon, Small, Napier, MacRae Stewart, Charlesworth and Sutherland. Subs. Low and Wood.

Buckie Rovers 2 New Elgin 5 (L) " *Five an Unlucky Number for Rovers* "
Rovers: Todd, Forbes, B. Mair, Wood, Robertson, Grant (Sutherland), Fraser (Gauld, Munro (Thain), Blackhall, S. mair and Clark. Subs- Findlay, Stewart and Ingram.

Dec 21 **No football - - snow a foot deep on local pitches** Both the Thistle and the Rovers were idle.

Dec 28 **No football for either the Thistle or the Rovers yet again** due to ground conditions.

Football news – Buckie Thistle augmented their strike force by signing Shaun Scott' Biscuits' from his home side Lossiemouth. Scott will be no stranger to either the supporters of Victoria Park as he was previously with the Jags five years ago when Duncan Shearer was manager. He has signed for a period of three years.