

SECOND MURDER VICTIM IDENTIFIED

Tayside police yesterday revealed the identity of one of the bodies found in the so-called Dundee cannibal's lair. The victim was confirmed as Jason Evans (23) of Brierley Hill near Birmingham, who disappeared last June whilst hitch-hiking to Aberdeen with his girlfriend, Angela Tepper.

Evans' body was one of 9 corpses discovered when the Fire Brigade were called out to deal with a fire in the abandoned warehouses along Dundee's East Wharf in November. The fire - started deliberately - had badly damaged several of the bodies and others were partially dismembered and in an advance state of decomposition. Two killers are believed to be involved in the murders, one of whom may have perished in the fire. A transit van was found nearby, and a coordinated search for the owner is going on at national level.

The bodies of two dobermanns were also found at the scene. Forensic examination of these and other evidence showed that the animals had been fed upon human remains. All the victims bore signs of extreme violence and injury, inflicted by both human and animal sources.

Only one other victim has been positively identified so far - that of the Romany boy Michael O'Donnel (10) who vanished whilst his family was camping near Broughty Ferry. Other bodies are likely to be those of a number of prostitutes and beggars who vanished over the last nine months, but police are checking all the victims against their current missing persons files. When asked if Angela Tepper is likely to be one of the dead, police stated that it was highly probable, but that they were awaiting dental records for confirmation.

Picture of smiling tourists

FARMER SHOTS TOURISTS DOG

Paul Coull of West Lenton farm, Kirkton of Monikie, yesterday afternoon shot dead the family pet of the Walters, visitors to the area. Harvey and June Walters were devastated by the loss of their pet, an alsatian-husky cross known as Wolfie. "I know that he looks like a big, fierce dog, but he's really just an overgrown puppy," Mrs Walters confided tearfully. "He's never bitten a person or another animal in his life." Her husband confirmed this side of the animal's temperament. "We bought him as a guard dog, but he's so soppy that he'd just wag his tail at any burglars. If the farmer had just called him, Wolfie would have bounded right up and licked his hand."

Coull (32) claimed that he was perfectly within his rights. "The dog was wandering loose in a field where I had livestock. It bore a strong resemblance to the dog which attacked my sheep last month - the same dog which has been savaging other animals all round the district. I did what any other farmer would have done in the circumstances."

Sergeant Jim Frazer, heading the "Black Dug" investigation, was sympathetic but said that he could do little to help. "We have posted signs everywhere, warning visitors not to let their dogs off the lead outside designated park areas. If people choose to ignore those warnings then they have to accept the consequences."

The Walters are to cut short their holiday and return to Newcastle. When asked if he was going to try and claim compensation for the loss of his pet, Mr Walters stated that he was "undecided."

STREAKER SIGHTED ON GOLF COURSE

The Arbroath & District Golf Club's Annual Dinner Dance had an unexpected extra guest last night - a streaker was sighted on the edge of the first green. The incident was witnessed by several club members as they were leaving the dance. The streaker - who is described as late teens and short, with long, dark hair - was jogging across the fairway, but raced off into the darkness when spotted. "It's disgusting the way young people behave today," said Mrs Janet Fairweather, wife of the club president. "And in December too. I hope he catches his death of cold."

Club members believe the culprit to be one of the Travellers' currently camped on the nearby Wormiehills aerodrome, or possibly a student from Dundee University on some pre-rag week prank. Police declined to comment on these theories.

DUTY CHEMIST

Robertson's,
22 West Port
10am - 2pm, 872222