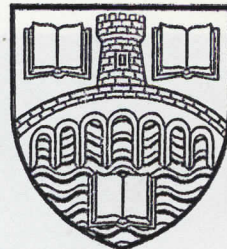


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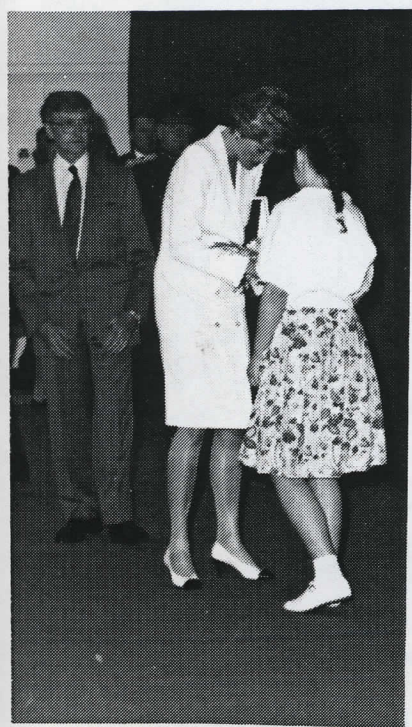
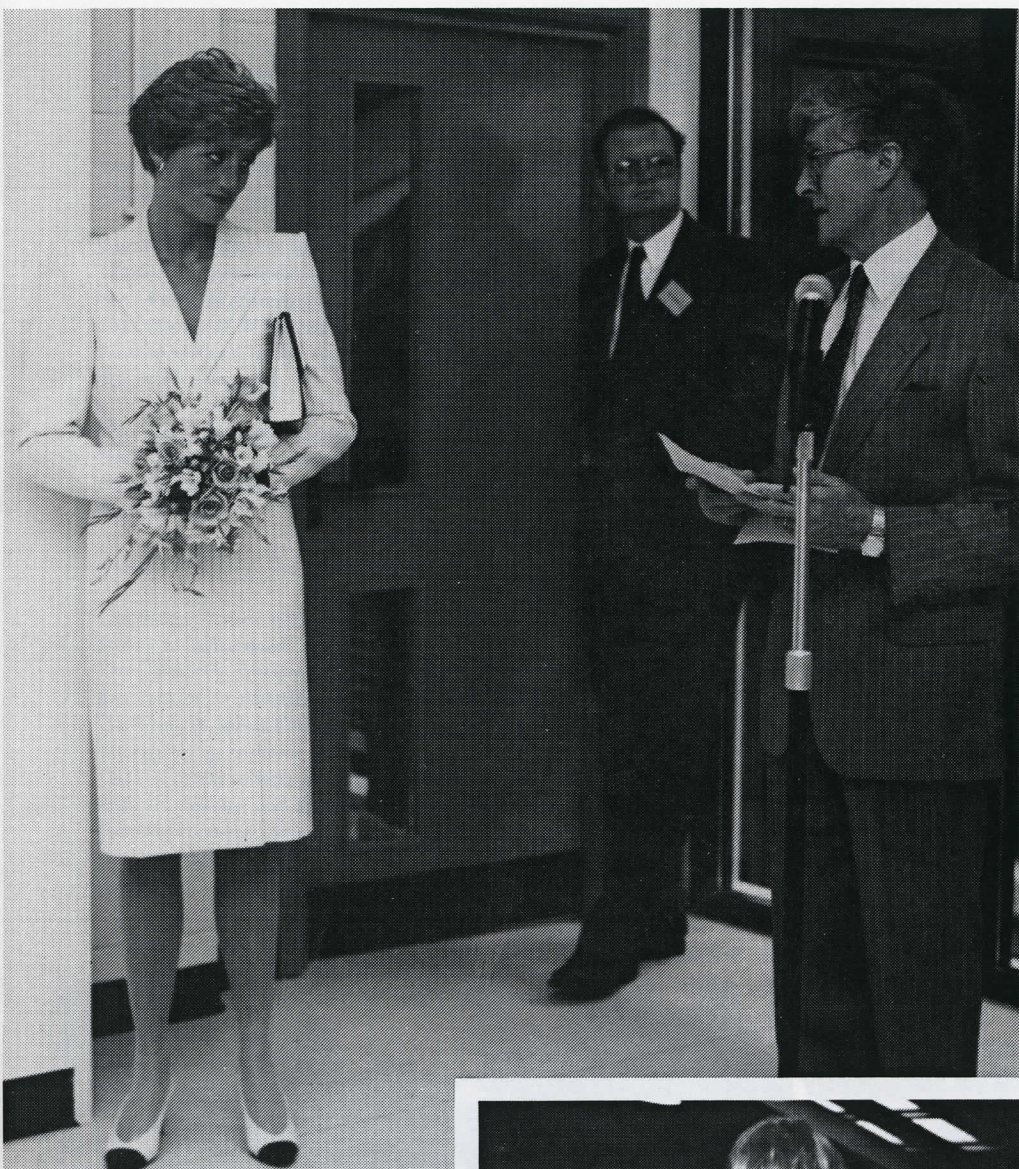
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VISIT BY HRH The Princess of Wales



Tuesday, 21 May 1991







BUCKINGHAM PALACE

From: The Lady-in-Waiting to H.R.H. The Princess of Wales

22nd May 1991

Dear Professor,

The Princess of Wales has asked me to write and thank you so much for inviting her to visit Stirling University yesterday and open the Scottish Tennis Centre.

Her Royal Highness was so pleased to have been able to officially open such a splendid development and was extremely impressed by all she saw. The Princess was very glad to have had the opportunity to meet some of the coaches and students already enjoying the excellent new facilities, as well as those instrumental in its building.

The Princess also very much enjoyed her visit to the Department of Aquaculture. It was a most fascinating and informative occasion and Her Royal Highness was extremely interested to learn a little about the important work the Department is involved in.

The Princess has asked me to thank you for the tennis rackets and rucksacks that were so kindly presented to her for Prince William and Prince Henry. Her Royal Highness was also delighted with the splendid box of smoked salmon and would be most grateful if you could convey her thanks to all those concerned.

With again many thanks for a most happy and interesting visit.

Yours sincerely,

Jarah Campden.

Viscountess Campden

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THE GANNOCHY NATIONAL TENNIS CENTRE

Her Royal Highness, The Princess of Wales opened the £1.2m Gannochy National Tennis Centre last week.

Her Royal Highness was received on behalf of the University by the Chancellor, Lord Balfour of Burleigh. The Lord Lieutenant then introduced the Principal and Mrs Forty, and Mr and Mrs R G Bomont to the Princess of Wales before the party entered the new Tennis Centre to be shown round by Mr Alan Nichols, Director of Physical Education and Sports Development.

The idea of bringing Scotland's first indoor Tennis Initiative Centre to this University was conceived by Dr Ian Thomson, former Director of Physical Recreation, and currently organiser of the University's Sports Bursary Scheme.

Funding and grant assistance for the £1.2m project was provided by:

The Indoor Tennis Initiative, whose £375,000 contribution enabled the project to be initiated.

The Gannochy Trust, whose £500,000 contribution enhanced the building specification to provide an outstanding community facility.

The Scottish Sports Council, whose £230,000 grant brought the playing and spectating facilities up to the highest international standards.

The University, whose provision of the site and £95,000 completed the financial package and enabled the project to proceed.

The Development Directorate of Stirling District Council were the project managers; Morrison Construction Ltd were the Design and Build Contractors.

WOLFSON LABORATORY OF AQUATIC BIOTECHNOLOGY

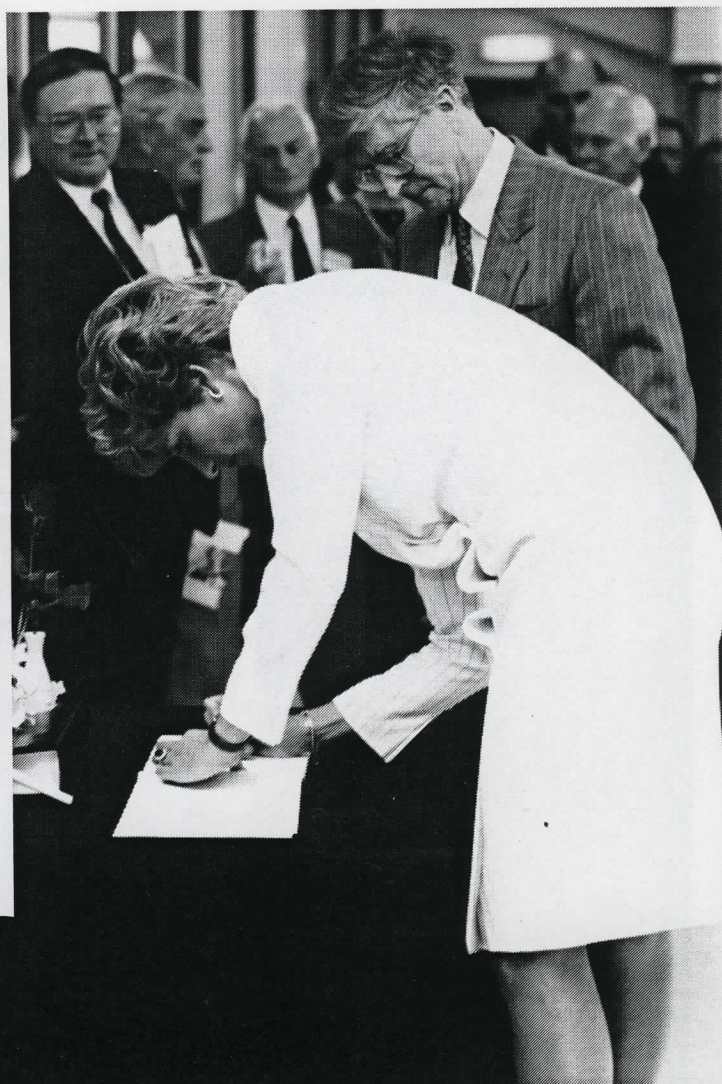
A major new laboratory extension to the Institute of Aquaculture was opened by HRH the Princess of Wales on 21 May.

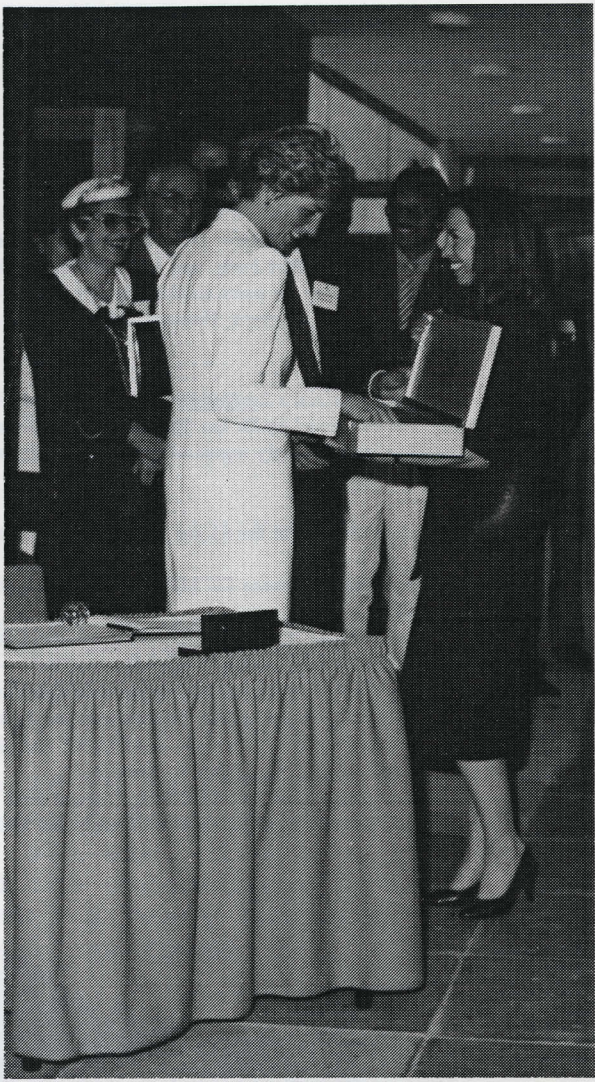
This modern purpose-built laboratory - the Wolfson Laboratory of Aquatic Biotechnology - greatly expands the research capability of the Institute for work on fish reproduction and genetics.

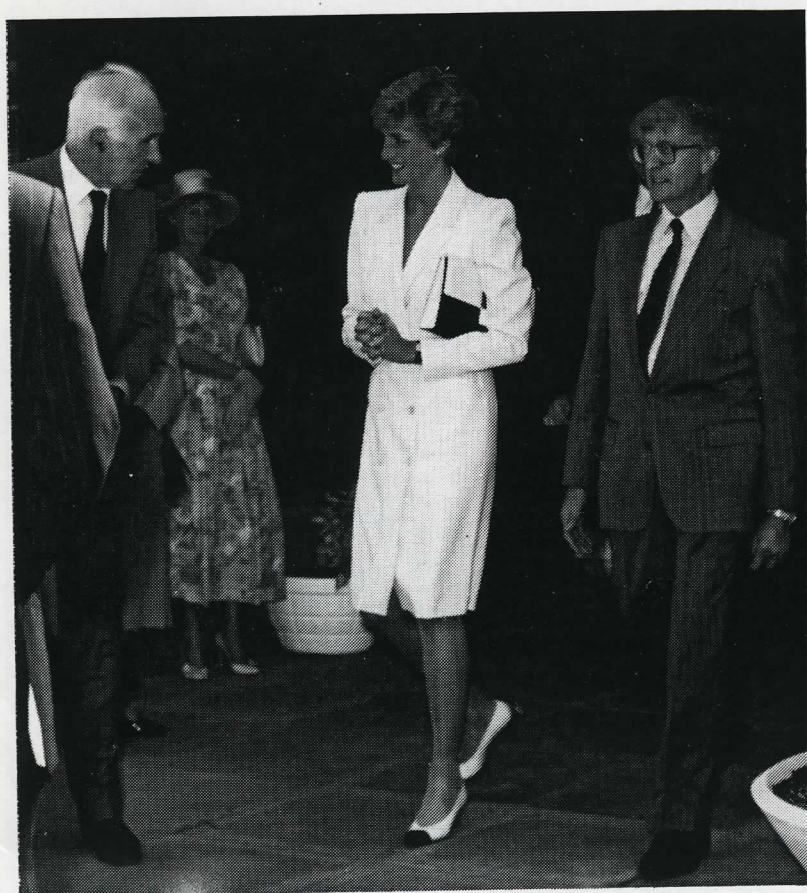
The new laboratory was built within an existing part of the Pathfoot Building with financial support from the Wolfson Foundation, the Universities Funding Council, the University itself and from some of the earnings of the University's Howietoun fish farm. Total refurbishment costs were £250,000 and it took approximately 5 months to complete.

No financial provision was made within these awards for research equipment and running costs. However, grants totalling almost £1 million have been received to support projects in the laboratory, principally as individual research grants from the NERC, EEC, ODA and BP Nutrition (UK) Ltd to Drs Niall Bromage, Brendan McAndrew, Krishen Rana and David Penman.

During her visit the Princess of Wales met Professor R J Roberts, Director of the Institute; Professor James Trainer, Deputy Principal; Mr and Mrs Wolf (on behalf of the Wolfson Foundation) and many of the Institute's staff.







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