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Yippee-ai-ay . . . looking forward to the 'Rathfriland High School's Got Talent' show are students Melissa Jackson and twins Johanna and Abigail Moorhead who will be taking to the stage as the 'Country Chicks'. The popular show is scheduled to take place in the school's Assembly Hall on Thursday 1st December at 7.30pm. See page 33.

Fishermen rescued off Ardglass

FOUR Kilkeel fishermen were forced to abandon their boat off Ardglass late on Monday night.

The men were rescued by the crew of another vessel who had heard their Mayday broadcast.

The four had been returning to Ardglass when their vessel, the 15-metre Moyuna, which has a wooden hull, got into trouble, running aground just off the mouth of the local harbour.

On realising their boat had hit rocks, and that it was jammed, the crewmen abandoned the stricken boat at around 11.30pm.

The men took to a life-raft as members of Portaferry lifeboat, a search and rescue helicopter from Dublin and South Down Coastguard team made their way to the scene. *(to page 14)*

United call for extra parking

■ By Lisa Ramsden

NEWS that the Roads Service believes there are "sufficient" car parking facilities in Newcastle is set to cause fury among traders, residents and visitors alike.

The announcement came this week after Margaret Ritchie MP, business representatives and other local politicians called for additional parking spaces in the town which, in particular, would counter heavy congestion at peak times.

Ms Ritchie's appeal for the Roads Service to review parking facilities in the

town came on the back of a meeting of the town's Chamber of Commerce last week when traders said land, such as at the former college at Donard Street, could be converted into a car park.

The MP has called on the Department of Regional Development, which oversees Roads Service, to carry out a study which *(to page 14)*

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