



C & N Chambers: Fish merchants, processors and salesmen

Through the centuries fishing families in Kilkeel have plied their trade on the beach and off the coast of County Down. Brothers Charles and Norman Chambers, owners of C & N Chambers (fish merchants, processors and salesmen) consider themselves to be a proud continuation of this tradition.



Their uncle, Victor Chambers, is remembered as the first person in Northern Ireland to take his boat, the Green Pastures, to Denmark to have it fitted with trawl gear in 1957. For generations, the Chambers family has been at the forefront of developments and innovation within the seafood industry and this has ensured the longevity and continuing profitability of this local family business.

Charles and Norman set up C & N Chambers in Kilkeel in 1995, continuing and expanding the Chambers family tradition in the local seafood industry. Today they serve the fishing community in several ways.





As well as being seafood processors, they are auctioneers in the local fish market and fish merchants.

The fish market in Kilkeel starts at 7am and operates six days of the week except when poor weather prevents the fleet putting to sea. The Chambers brothers have 12 vessels that land their catch specifically to them for auctioning.

In 1997 the Chambers' built a new state-of-the-art processing plant in the centre of Northern Ireland's premier fishing port, Kilkeel. The quayside location gives C & N Chambers access to the highest quality fresh fish and shellfish that the Irish Sea can supply straight from the fish market. They process the catch immediately upon landing for export to customers in the UK, Europe as well as the Far East.

This modern facility processes mainly top quality brown crab, velvet crab, whelks and scallops. Once processed, C & N Chambers export products fresh, frozen or cooked depending on the requirements of customers. The processed orders are vacuum packed for safe and hygienic dispatch on a daily basis to customers all over the world.

The Chambers family are well known and respected in Northern Ireland fishing communities and their continual efforts to encourage quality, sustainability and innovation in the seafood industry will continue so long as the family are involved with the industry they are so passionate about.



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