

"MISS TARANAKI" CONTESTANTS



The recent "Miss Taranaki" contest, run in conjunction with the Joe Brown quest for "Miss New Zealand", was held recently at the Opunake Surf Club carnival. Thirteen of Taranaki's best contestants - judges, who must have given the girls a headache or two. The girls are, from left, Sandra Hudson (NP), Shirley Wood (NP), Maureen Ingram (Opunake), Patricia Hill (NP), Betty Hawkins (Kawarau), Fay Evans (Manaihia), Judy Robins (NP), Rosemary Sewell (Okaituna) and Gay Sutherland (NP). The winner of the contest, front row, Carole Inskip (Okoiaawa), Valerie Evans (Hawera), Pamela Hollands (Stratford) and Marie Cronin.



TARANAKI CYCLING CHAMPS

Right: George Wharehoka who recently reverted to amateur status won more than one championship on the grass at Stratford when the Taranaki championships were recently decided.

Below: The field for the three-mile senior event was tightly packed early in the race.

Above: In conjunction with the cycling, the 10,000 metre walking championships was decided. The race was won by Norman Read, shown here crossing the line, looking rather tired, but still a very capable walker.



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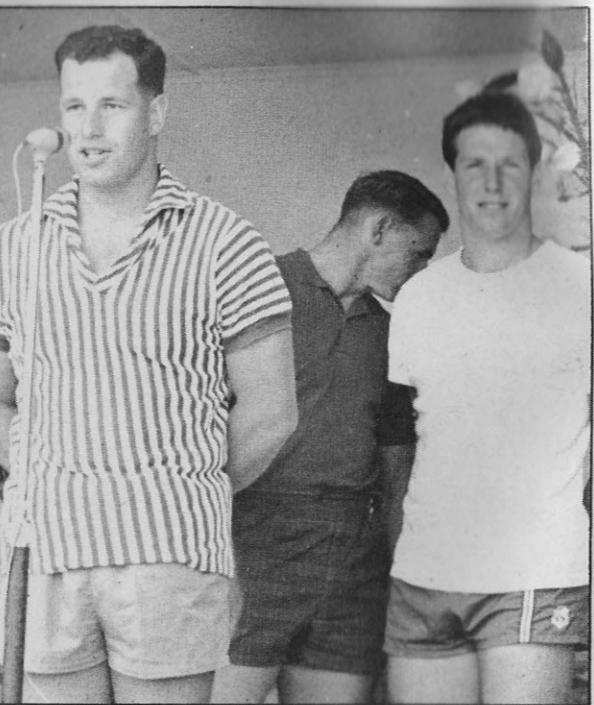
OUR COVER

Attractive Judy Robins, New Plymouth, who won the Miss West Coast beauty contest at the beach carnival at Ngamotu during the holiday period. This picture was taken at the new swimming pool.

BACK COVER

One of the most popular places in New Plymouth during the current spell of fine weather is the new swimming pool at Kawarau Park. The pool has been particularly well patronised in its first season.





Opunake Surf Club's Carnival

Something like 5000 people recently attended the Opunake Surf Club's Carnival on the beach. It was a day of fun and competition, and, being particularly well-organised, was a joy to watch, with competitions and events following in quick succession. The carnival was run to acquire funds for the rebuilding of the Surf Club pavilion. They certainly deserved to achieve their target.

Above, left: Organiser Peter Ranford, himself a Surf member, introduces Cook Strait swimmer, Barry Devonport, to the huge crowd. Above, right: Barry Devonport is here shown with Neil Penwarden who won the surf race. Below: Part of the large crowd of cars which were at the carnival.



"MISS SURF" CONTEST RAISED A GOOD SUM

As part of their fund-raising effort, the Opunake Surf Club organised a Miss Surf contest, in which there were four contestants, each organising their own entertainment of various types to raise money for the club. The whole scheme was most successful, as the four girls, photographed above, worked hard for the period of the carnival and raised a good sum of money. The girls are, from left, Carol Tong, Valerie Bishop, Joyce Taunt and Marie Brophy. Below: Part of the huge crowd estimated at about 5000 which attended the carnival in perfect weather conditions.





Engaged

Above: WILSON-WILSON. Jill Denise, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Wilson, to Donald John, elder son of Mr and Mrs B.H. Wilson, Omata.
 (VOGUE STUDIO)

Below: HARPUR-PARKER. Helen Mary, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C.P. Parker, NP., to Robert William, youngest son of Mrs R.H. Harpur, Hangatiki.
 (VOGUE STUDIO)

Above, left: HAYMAN-DEANE. Pauline Ann, younger daughter of Mrs L. and the late Mr W. Deane, NP, to Bruce John, third son of Mr and Mrs H. Hayman, Inglewood.
 (VOGUE STUDIO)

Left: MILLER-BANNAN. Doreen Joyce, daughter of Mr and Mrs J.W. Bannan, Inglewood, to Rodger Alec, second son of Mr and Mrs J. Miller, NP.
 (VOGUE STUDIO)

Below, left: BRIDGEMAN-RASTRICK. Sheridan Gail Rastrick, elder daughter of Mrs E. Murchie, NP., to Brian Neil, fourth son of Mrs and the late Mr N. Bridgeman, Tataraimaka.
 (VOGUE STUDIO)



Coming of Age

Above, left: Desmond, son of Mrs L.M. Holland, NP.

Above: Maureen Adamson, Normanby.
 (David Paul)

Left: Bruce Dingle, son of Mr and Mrs C. R. Dingle, Hawera.
 (David Paul)

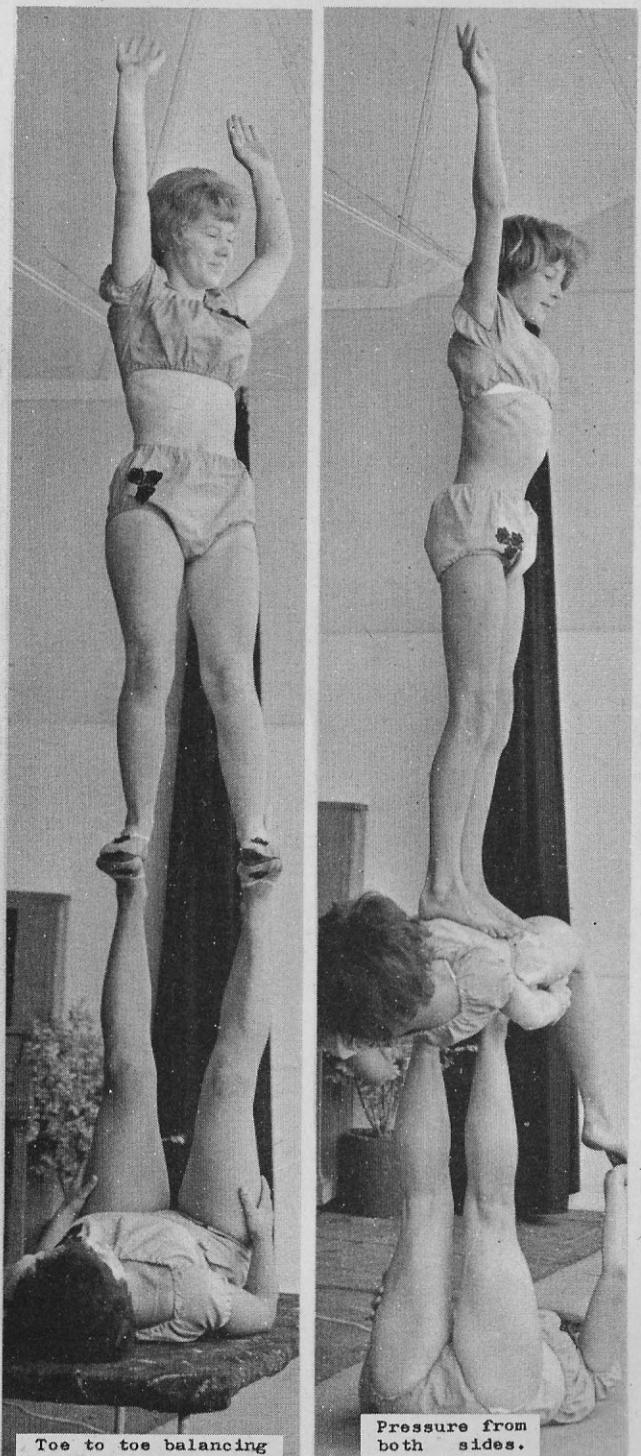
Above, right: Twins Christine and Barbara Whitham, Rahotu, with mother and father, Mr and Mrs G.A. Whitham.

Right: Tui Jean, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Nicholls, Inglewood, on her 18th birthday.

Below, right: Ashleigh Pelham with his family on the occasion of his 21st.



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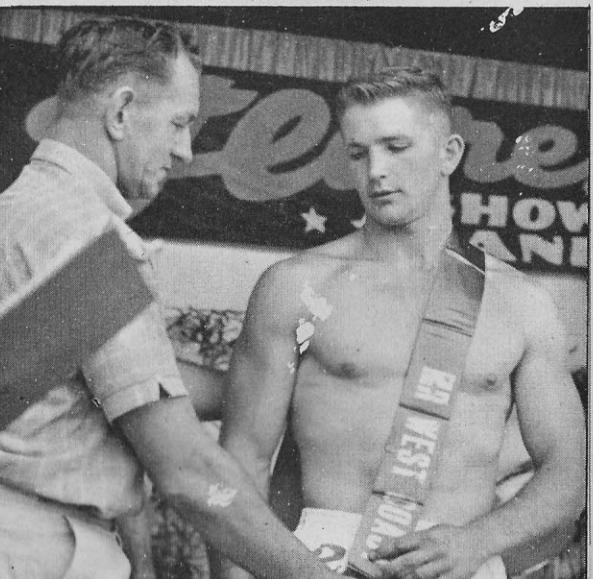


Mardi Gras Had Some Good Performers

Though attendances were not up to expectation, the performers at the holiday Mardi Gras were of a very high standard. Poor attendances were due, in the main, to poor weather conditions, and given fine weather, we feel sure that the carnival would have been an unqualified success.

Some fine feats of balancing were performed by the troupe of youngsters shown on this page, with a pyramid, above, as the finale to a fine act.

Below: Claude Webb, well known in wrestling circles, is shown about to congratulate the winner of the Mr. West Coast title, Brice Wills a visitor from the Bay of Plenty.

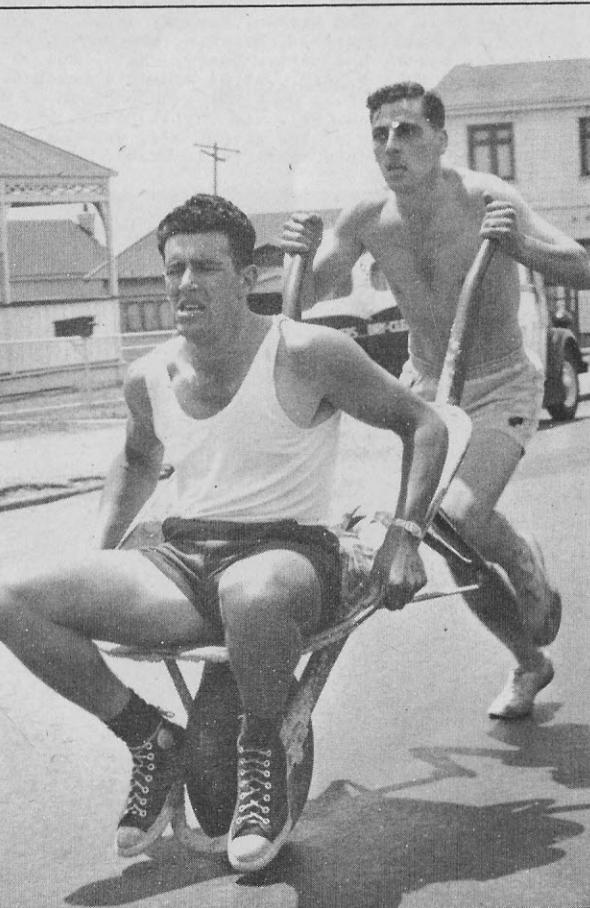
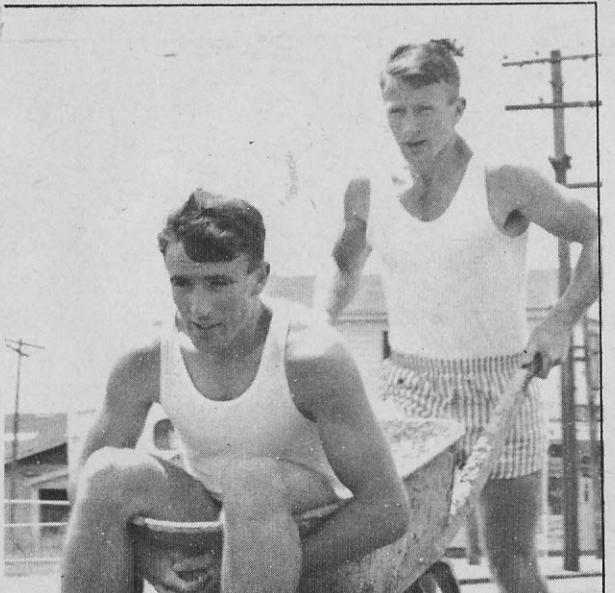


The morning wheelbarrow derby from Queen Street to Ngamotu Beach drew an entry of four pairs of husky young men. The race provided plenty of interest along the route, with each pair receiving encouragement from all and sundry.

Above: The four entrants lined up at the start of the journey in Queen Street.

Below, left: Passengers Richard and Tim Rayward, the winners, are shown during their tiring journey.

Below, right: Part way down St. Aubyn Street, and these two competitors look as if they are getting beaten by the arduous task.





Wedding Bells

Above! LONGWORTH-GEARY. At the Hawera Methodist Church, Judith Pauline, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.S. Geary, Hawera, to Thomas Robert, son of Mr and Mrs T. Longworth, Palmerston North. The bridesmaids were Marion Barton, Hawera, Helen Reynolds, Normanby, and Lesley MacMurdo, Hawera. The best man was Ross Duxfield, Rotorua, and the groomsmen were Don Longworth, brother of the groom, Palmerston North, and Martyn Geary, Okato. Future home, Palmerston North.

(DAVID PAUL)

Below! WILSON-HEAP. At St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, NP., Valerie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G.H. Heap, NP., to Cyril, second son of Mr and Mrs D. Wilson, Okato. Gail Webb, Te Awamutu, Lorraine Johnson, NP., and Phylis Heap, sister of the bride, NP., were the bridesmaids. Donald Wilson, brother of the groom, NP., was best man, and Ken Henderson, NP., the groomsman. The future home of the couple will be in Okato.

(VOGUE STUDIO)



Welbourn School Choir and Orchestra

Under the guidance of teacher George Ryan, the newly-formed Welbourn school choir and orchestra have been making a name for themselves during the latter part of the last school year. The choir, in its first appearance at the Hawera competitions festival, won two banners for primary school singing. The choir is shown above, with banners and conductor, Mr George Ryan.

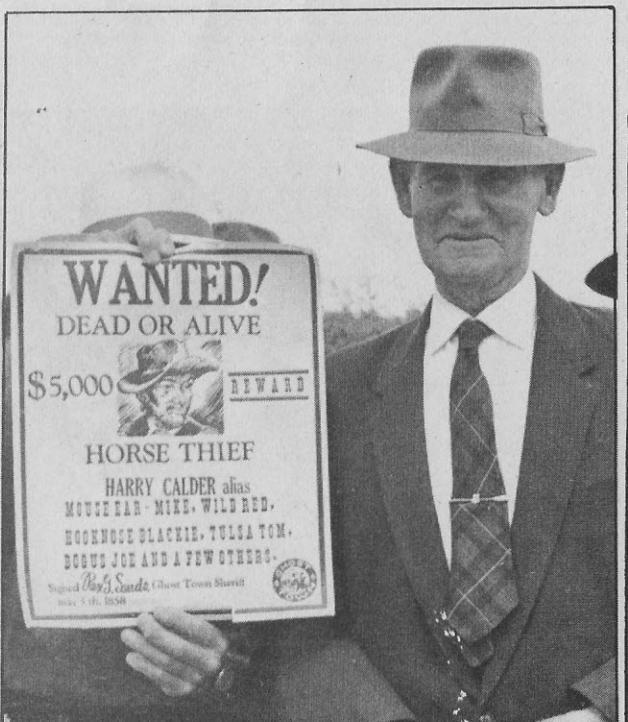
Below! Formed last year, the school orchestra has grown to a sizeable proportion and is a tuneful and pleasant combination to listen to. We feel that music of this description in schools is a wonderful thing for the pupils, and, in this case, a credit to the school.





Matapu School Jubilee

The organising committee of the Matapu School Jubilee did a wonderful job recently, when the school celebrated its 75th birthday. The most attractive part of the programme was the parade of floats, which, for the country, astounded us. The procession was nearly a mile long with some very beautiful floats. Above: Part of the crowd on the school football field watch as one of the floats goes by. Right: Ladies of the district paraded swim togs through the ages. Below: Relic of the past, displayed by Harry Calder. Below right: Cubs' and Scouts' float was filled to overflowing.



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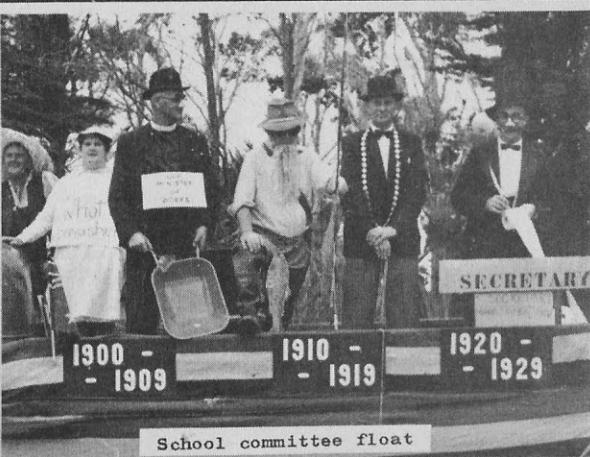
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MOUSE EAR - MIKE - WILD RED,
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BOGUS JOE AND A FEW OTHERS.

Signed *R. G. Sander* Ghost Town Sheriff
May 5th 1958



One bath power...horizontal



School committee float





Wedding Bells

Above: BATY-GIBBONS. At St Mary's Anglican Church, NP., Vivienne Brice, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs F.E.Gibbons, NP., to Max, elder son of Mr and Mrs N.Baty, NP. The bridesmaids were Diane Philpott, Margaret Hill, both of NP., and sister of the bride Ngaire Gibbons, also of NP. Gus Suhr, NP., was best man, and Kevin Gibbons, brother of the bride, NP., was groomsman. The future home of the couple will be in NP. (VOGUE STUDIO)

Below: GIBSON-JACKSON. At St Andrew's Anglican Church, Inglewood, Pat Mae, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs E.R.Jackson, Inglewood, to Michael John McK., only son of Mrs W.Killgour and the late Mr Gibson, Palmerston North. Suzanne Lankshear, Masterton, was matron of honour, and the bridesmaids were Yvonne Austin, Inglewood, and Sue Killgour, Palmerston North. Barry Cranston, Auckland, was best man and Tony Cranston, Wellington, and Brian Forno, Palmerston North, were the groomsman. The future home of the couple will be in Palmerston North. (VOGUE STUDIO)



Engaged

Above: MUGGERIDGE-WINGROVE. Margaret Judith Wingrove, younger daughter of Mrs C.W.Bullett, NP., to Kelvin Bernard, eldest son of Mr B.J. Muggeridge, Lepperton. (VOGUE STUDIOS)

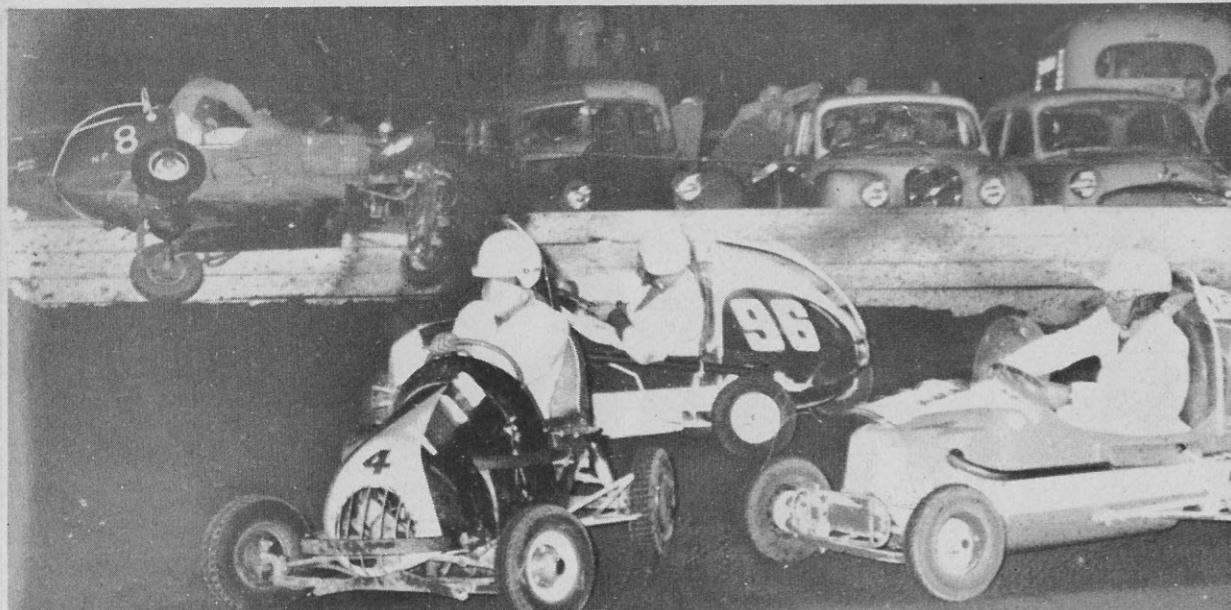
Below: HEAYSMAN-JAMIESON. Wendy June, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W.Jamieson, NP., to Kenneth Malcolm, second son of Mr and Mrs V.G. Heaysman, Lancaster, England. (VOGUE STUDIOS)

Above, right: KIDD-CHAPMAN. Gillian Carole, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs N.Chapman, Epsom, Auckland, to Colin Rayner, elder son of Mrs and the late Mr P.R.Kidd, New Plymouth.

Right: POTROZ-NICHOLLS. Tui Jean, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.W.Nicholls, Inglewood, to Michael Lewis, only son of Mr and Mrs M.L.Potroz, Inglewood.

Below, right: ADLAM-WEBBER. Coral Merle, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J.Webber, NP., to Frank, fourth son of Mrs R.H. and the late Mr Adlam, New Plymouth.





Thrills, Galore at International Speedway

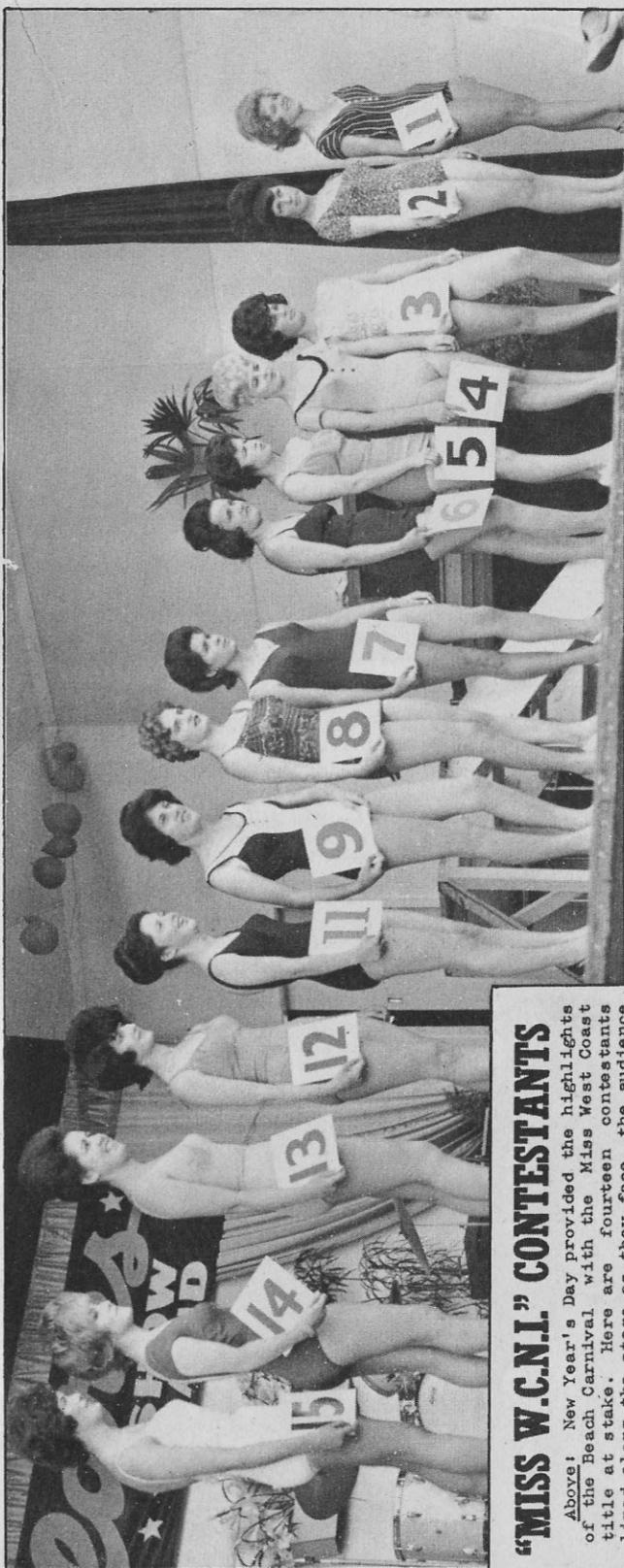
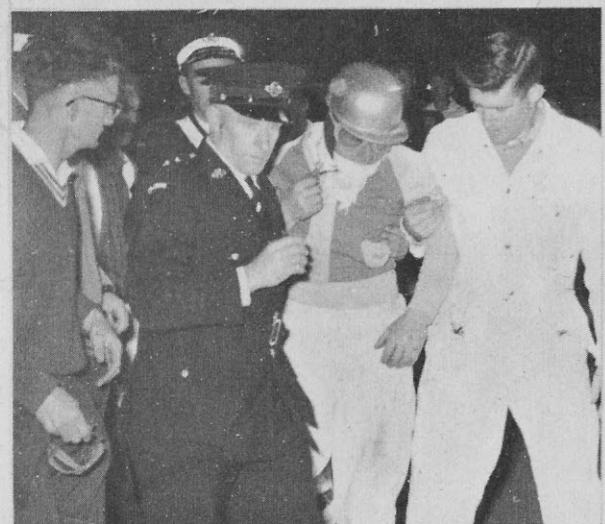
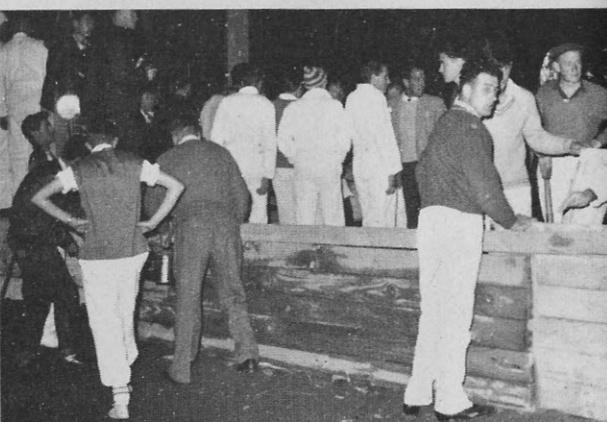
World-class drivers competed in a recent speedway meeting at the showgrounds, when the crowd was treated to two of the most spectacular spills ever witnessed on the track. In the first, two cars locked together, smashed through the fence and landed on top of two parked cars. Fortunately, no one was hurt. In the second, a TQ turned turtle on the track, again with no injury suffered.

Above: Jim Murphy's TQ turns turtle near the safety fence, while three other drivers fight to avoid a collision.

Below: St. John men help Jim Murphy off the track. He was unhurt.

Right: Spectators' cars suffered damage in an earlier smash.

Below, right: Crowd gathers round the scene of the first crash.

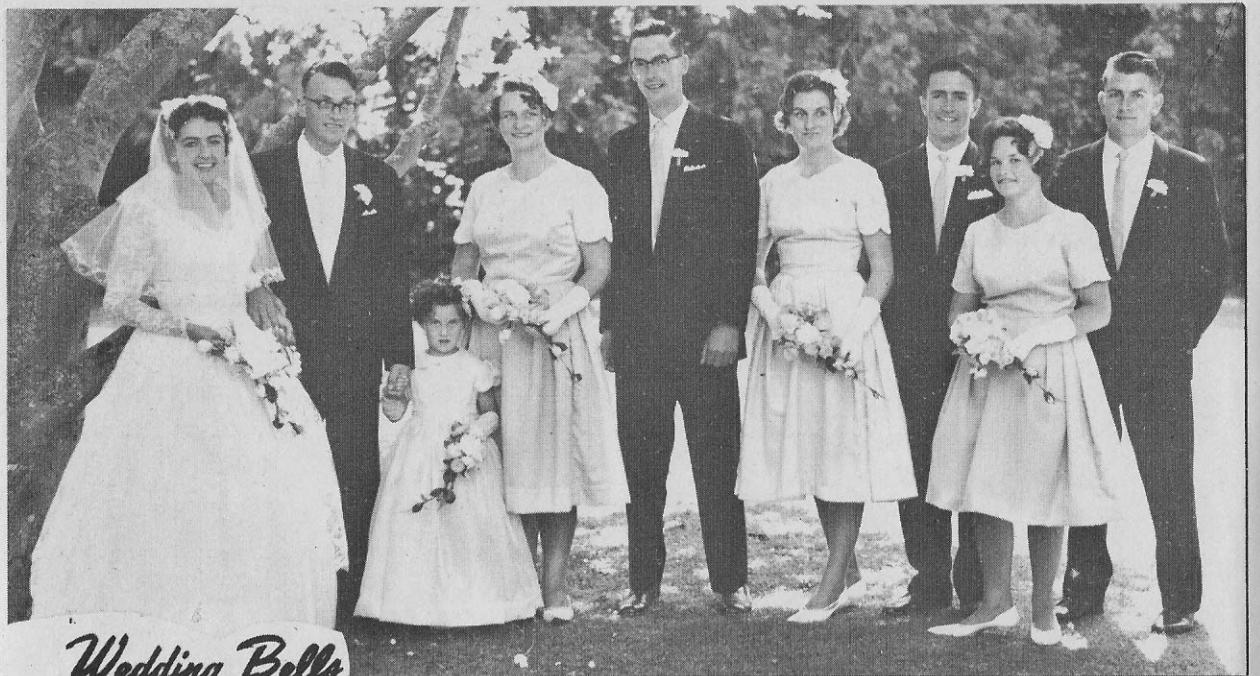


"MISS W.C.N.I." CONTESTANTS

Above: New Year's Day provided the highlights of the Beach Carnival with the Miss West Coast title at stake. Here are fourteen contestants lined along the stage as they face the audience before being judged. The contest was eventually won by New Plymouth's Judy Robins, seen extreme right.

Below: Part of the large crowd that attended this very popular event.

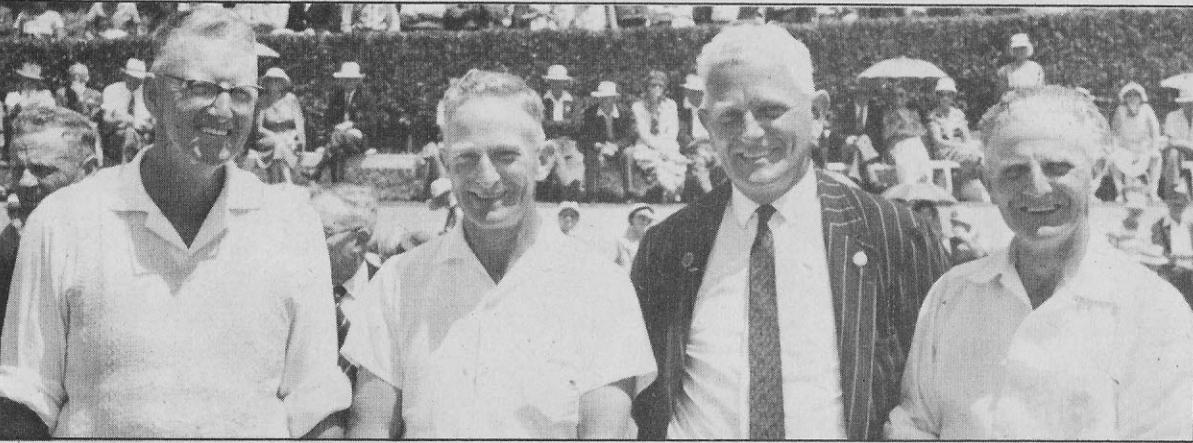




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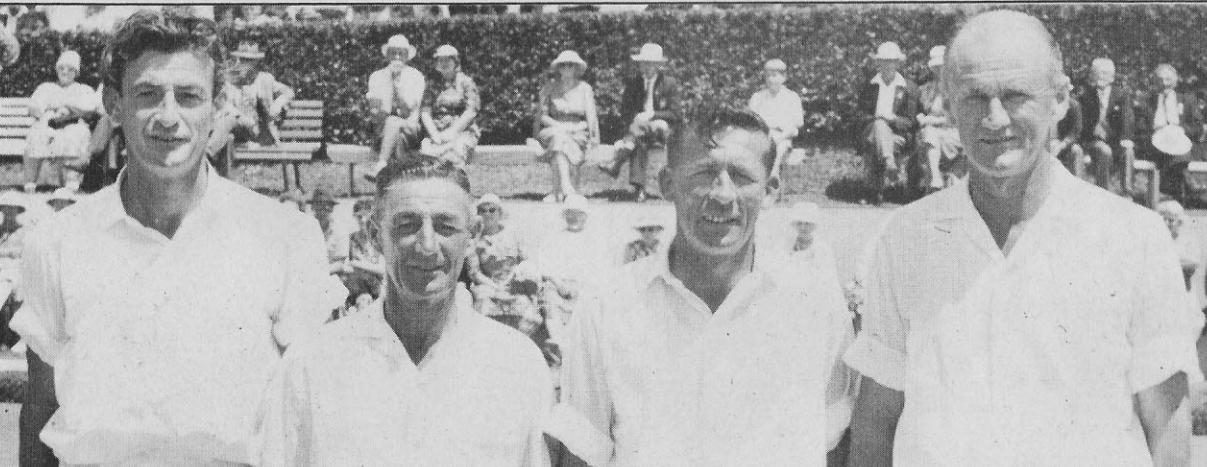
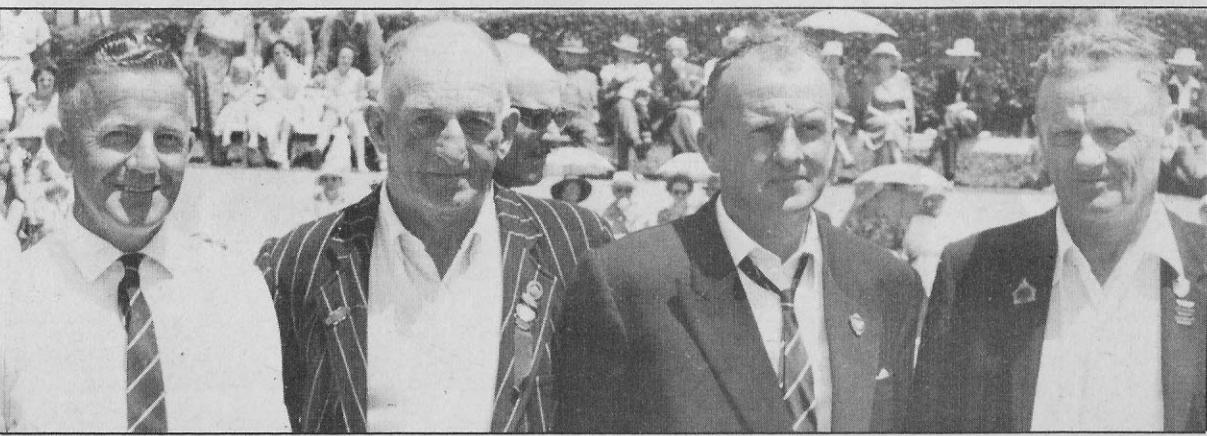
Above: SHEATH-KEOGHAN. At St Mary's Anglican Church, NP., Janice, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Keoghan, NP., to John Graham, second son of Mr and Mrs V. Sheath, England. Lorna LeFlemming, Manaia, was matron of honour, and Maureen Gray, Waitara, and Jessie Price, NP., were bridesmaids. Colin Brown, Stratford, was best man, and groomsmen were Terence Keoghan, brother of the bride, NP., and John Sharpe, Omata. Caroline Browne, Douglas, was the flower-girl. Future home of the couple will be NP. (VOGUE STUDIO)

Below: BENNET-WEBB. At the Presbyterian Church, Inglewood, Colleen Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.W. Webb, Inglewood, to Kelvin McLaren George, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R. Bennet, Inglewood. Shona Des Forges, Winifred Batten, both of NP, Aletha Bennet, sister of the groom, and Raewyn Webb, sister of the bride, both of Inglewood, were the bridesmaids. Warwick Bennet, brother of the groom, Inglewood, was best man and Peter Webb, brother of the bride Inglewood, was groomsman. The future home of the couple will be Kaimata. (VOGUE STUDIO)



Taranaki "Open" Creates a Record

Probably nowhere in the history of New Zealand bowls has a final of a major tournament ever been fought out between brothers. In this year's 59th Open, the Spurdle brothers from Inglewood and Waitara fought out the final. Bill Spurdle's Inglewood team emerged the winners after a final that looked like his from the first end. **Above:** Winners' smiles from Ron Ashton, Roy, Ernie and Bill Spurdle of the Inglewood club. **Below:** Runners-up from Waitara: Barney Spurdle, John Telfar, Bruce Johns and Joe Kebble. **Bottom:** Third place went to a visiting team from Palmerston North. From left: E. Hunt, Billy Broughton and Vic Sellers, the jockeys and skip D.G. Leng-Ward.





GOOD BOWLS AT "OPEN" FINALS

Some very good bowls were witnessed in the finals of the "Open" fours and pairs.

Above: Bill Spurdle, skip of the winning four, receives congratulations and the Goodwin trophy from Mrs J.J. Goodwin.

Above, right: Barney Spurdle receives his trophy from Mrs D.J. Goodwin, wife of the Centre president.

Right: Robin Andrews (Onehunga) was the skip of the winning pair.

Below: Robin Andrews and Aubrey Smith (Onehunga) pairs winners.

Bottom, left: Second place in the pairs went to Dave Baldwin and Vic Pruden (Paritutu).

Bottom, right: Third place in the pairs went to Ken Murtagh and Henry McGee (Paritutu).



3000 WATCHED "OPEN" FINALS

About 3000 spectators watched the finals of this year's open tournament, in absolutely perfect conditions. Above, left: Empire Games representative, Robin Andrews (Onehunga), surveys a head. Above, centre: Conference between Barney Spurdle and his third John Telfar. Above, right: Colourful Mate Borich, complete with cigar, was unaffected by the crowd. Below: The banks were filled to capacity for the finals.

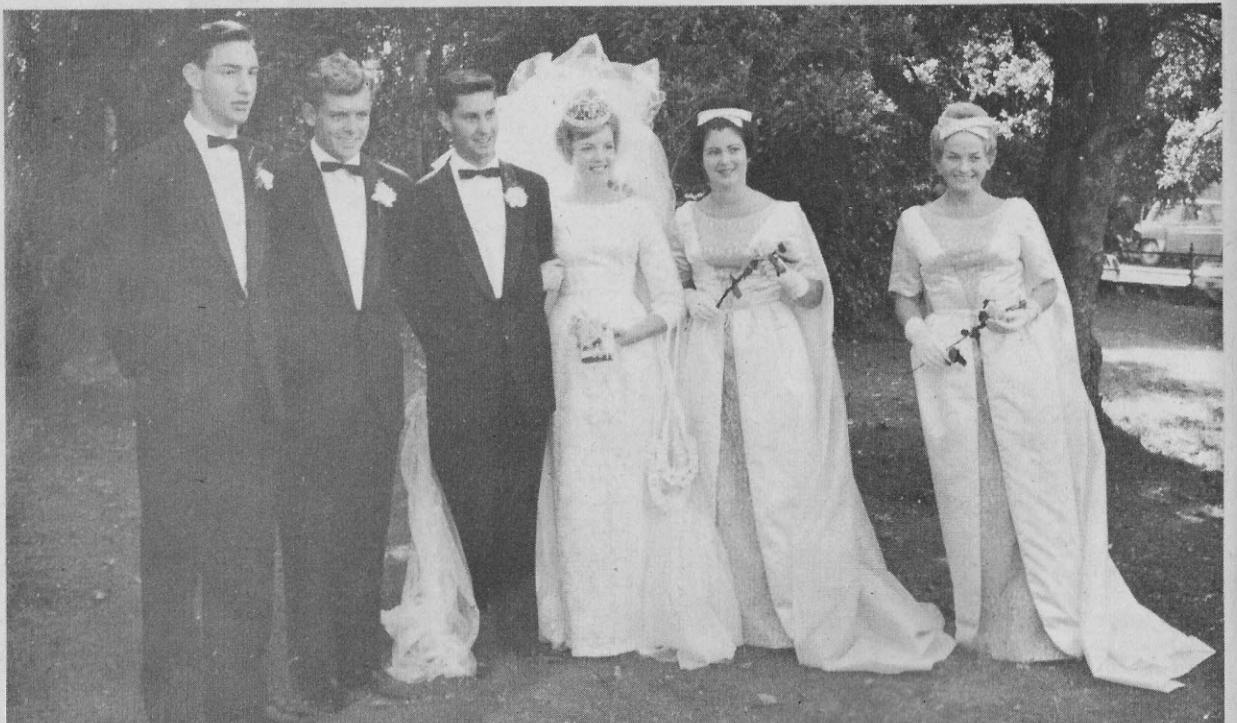




Married

Above: INNES-ANDREWS. At St Mary's Anglican Church, NP., Maree Joan, eldest daughter of Mrs and the late Mr S. Andrews, Inglewood, to Peter Charles, eldest son of Mrs and the late Mr G. Innes, Okato. The bridesmaids were Judy Martin, Ngaere, Linda and Susan Andrews, sisters of the bride, Inglewood. Barry Swift, Hawera, was best man. Future home, Okato.

Below: MARSHALL-CAVE. At St Mary's Anglican Church, NP., Anne, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J.H. Cave, NP., to Gavin Ross, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.B. Marshall, Waitara. Gail Wood, NP., was matron of honour, and Marilyn Butler, NP., bridesmaid. Barry Allen, Waitara, was best man and the brother of the groom, Murray Marshall, Waitara, was groomsman. Future home will be in NP.



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SPEEDBOATS AT WAITARA

Speedboats took part in the recent regatta celebrating the 75th jubilee of the Clifton Rowing Club. Some very fast times were recorded.

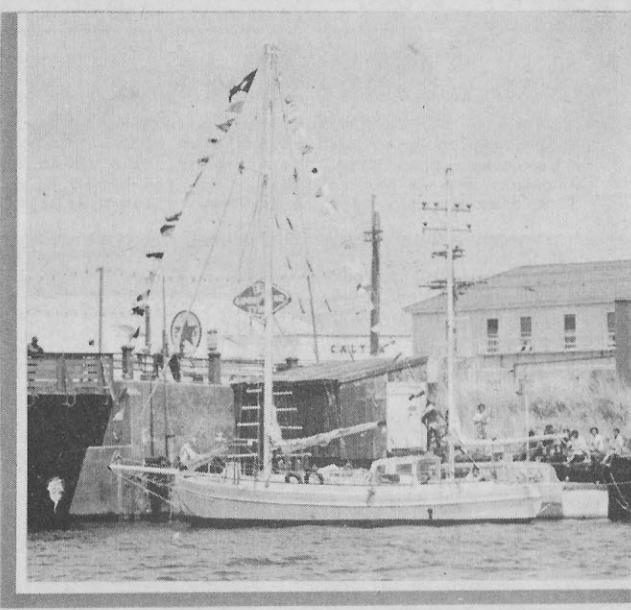
Above: Ken Ward in Susie and Wally Vincent in Glen Maree fight a stern duel.

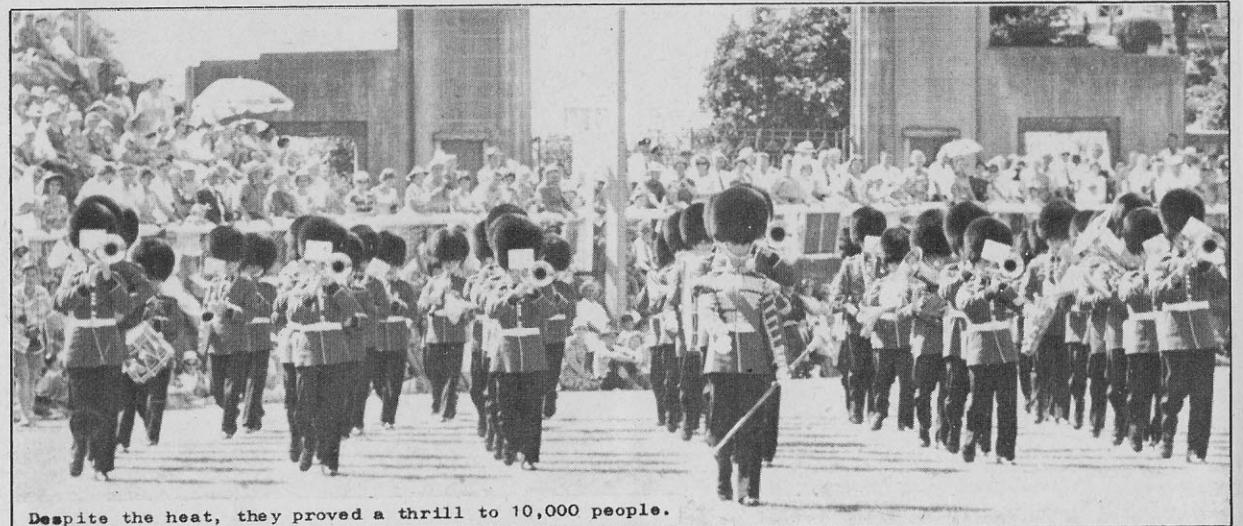
Above, right: Don Rutherford, ex-speedway star, has now taken to the water and his Marlin was the fastest boat in the regatta.

Right: Boats at the wharf were "dressed" for the jubilee.

CHANGING FACE OF DEVON STREET

Below: Making way for extensions to Woolworths Store, Tait's Medical Hall has been moved temporarily, while workmen pull down the old building.





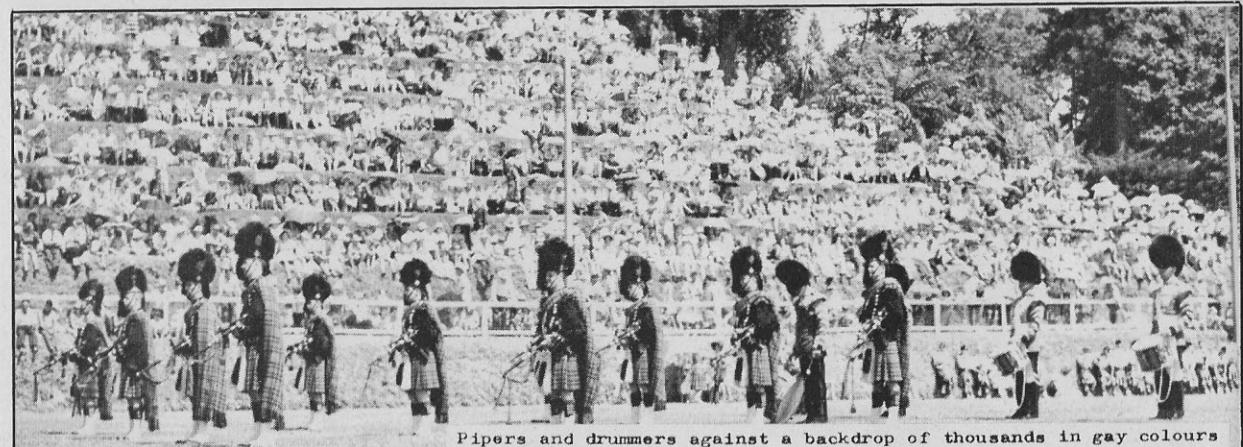
Despite the heat, they proved a thrill to 10,000 people.

Scots Guards A Thrilling Sight

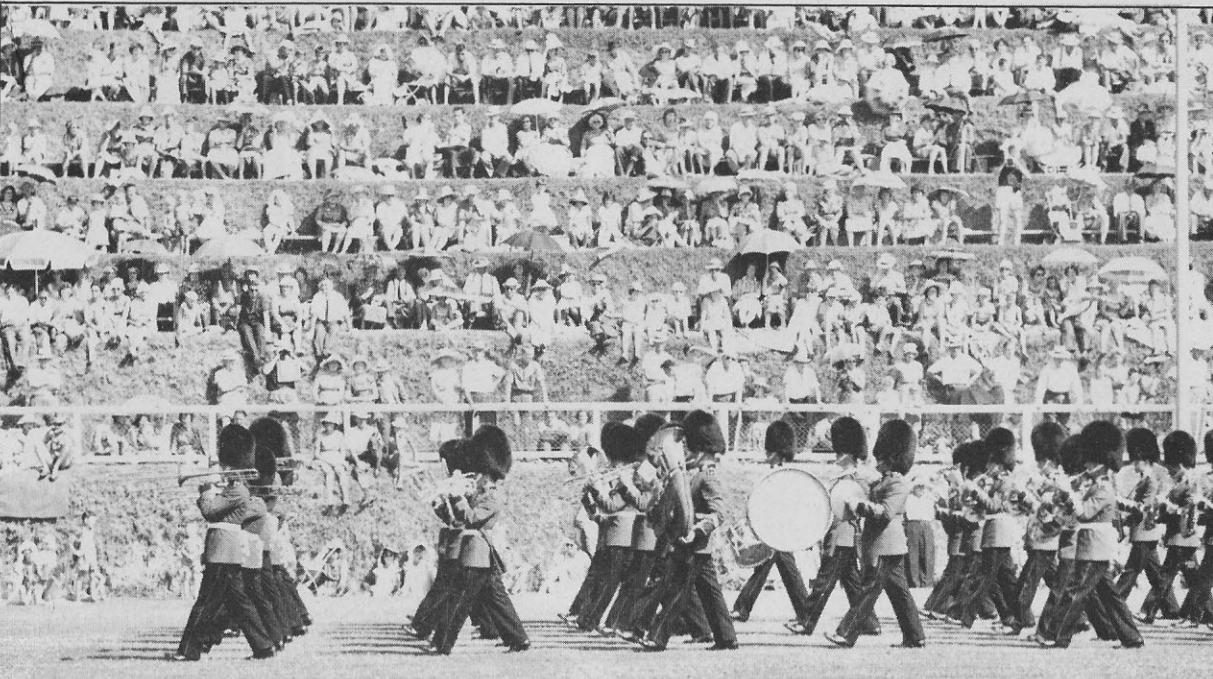
With the recent visit of the Scots Guards, the province has been treated to the best display of marching and music that it has been our lot to witness. Only once in a lifetime will we see such a performance as this. The marching, like their music, was the most precise that could be imagined. Not only did we see all this, but the band had a certain amount of showmanship about it, and a fine display will live in our memory for a long time to come.



Musical director, Captain Howe, stands his men to receive thunderous applause.



Pipers and drummers against a backdrop of thousands in gay colours



More than a decade will pass before Pukekura Park sees such a wonderful display of precision marching and music as was witnessed by over 10,000 who saw the Scots Guards. Despite the terrific heat, they performed like the well-disciplined soldiers they are, in what must have been, for them, most uncomfortable conditions. Their repertoire of music was such that it could be enjoyed by all sections of the audience. A further performance at the Bowl proved that they are musicians of the very best quality.

Above: The Guards march onto the park to spine-tingling music which drew full appreciation from the very large audience.

Below: The novelty item in which the bandmen defected one by one, leaving their conductor with only one bass player at the finish, was a piece of showmanship which deserved the thunderous applause with which it was greeted.





PARADE PREPARATIONS

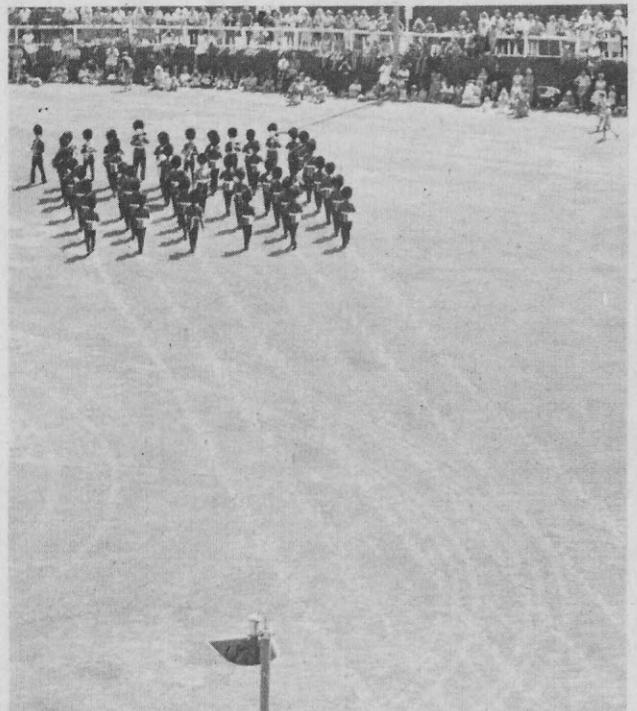
In much cooler outfits, the Scots Guards did some parade preparations in the shade of the trees around the Pukekura Park pavilion.

Above, left: Having brushed his bearskin, one of the guardsmen put it on the head of Terry Davis of Opunake, who was at the park to see the stirring sights.

Above: Metal polish was in demand for the cleaning of the brass.

Below: Drummer puts the finishing touches to his drum before the parade.

Below, left: Here's an idea of the guard's precision. They marched across the park, leaving their footstep trail behind, which were as straight as a die.



Married

Above: KNOWLES-HILL. At St Mary's Anglican Church, Sandra, only daughter of Mr and Mrs L.W.Hill, NP., to Lester, only son of Mr and Mrs J.Knowles, Palmerston North. The bridesmaids were Helen Benbrook, Wanganui, Gael Vincent, Wanganui, and Marilyn Crocker, NP. Dennis Pinker, Palmerston North, was best man, and the groomsmen were Michael Davidson and Stan Turner, both of Palmerston North. The future home of the couple will be in Levin.

Below: RICHARDS-STREET. At St Mary's Anglican Church, NP., Sally Anne, only daughter of Mr B. and the late Mrs Street, NP., to Allan Wallace, only son of Mr and Mrs A.W.Richards, Inglewood. Shirley Richards, sister of the groom, Inglewood, and Joy Macks, NP., were the bridesmaids. Ian Collinson, Inglewood, was best man and Jeff Adlam, NP., the groomsman. Future home, Takapuna.





N.Z. Catamaran Championships

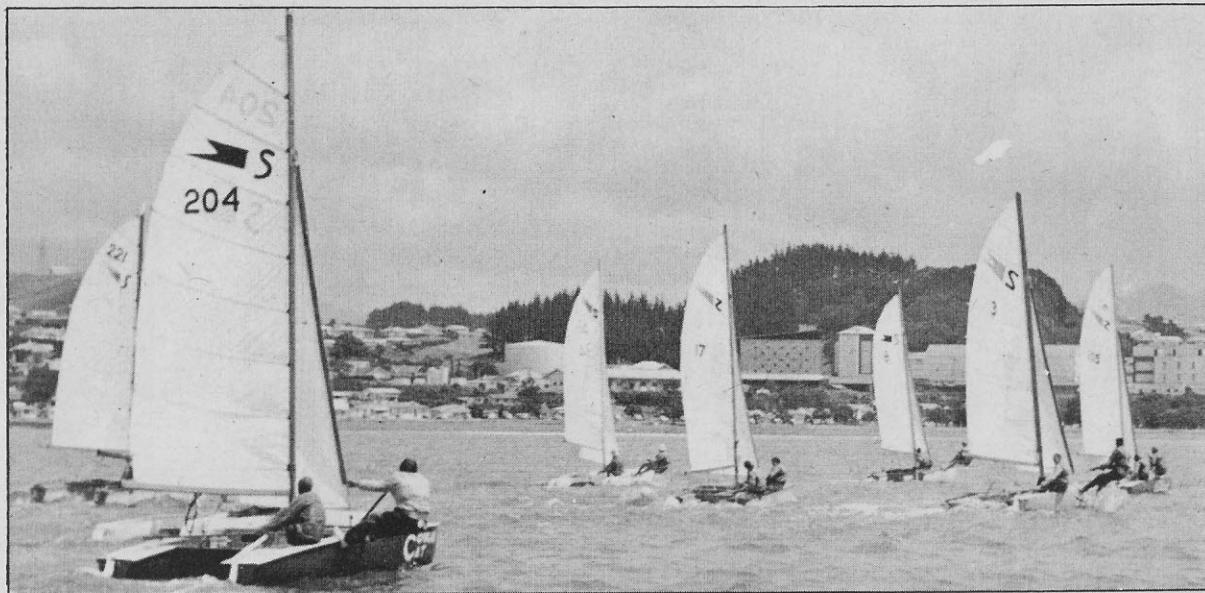
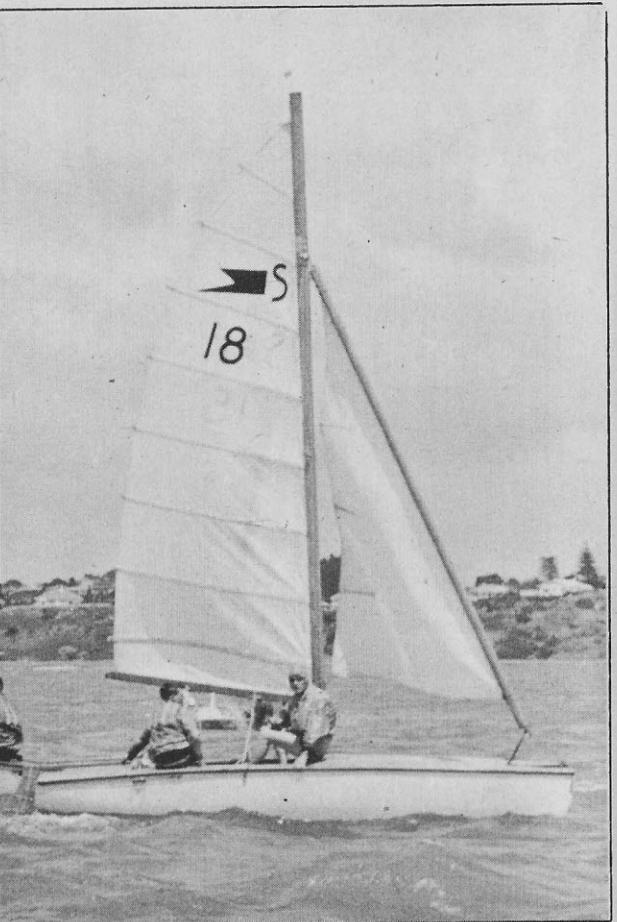
For the first time, the NZ Catamaran championships were held at Port Taranaki, when good fields and fair weather helped to make them a success.

Above: The champion, Cool Cat (B.Thomas, NP), moves towards the finishing line.

Below: This unfortunate Masterton crew had to be towed home after a capsize.

Above, right: Catalina, a Wellington visitor.

Below, right: Close positioning as the boats cross the line for the start of the second race.

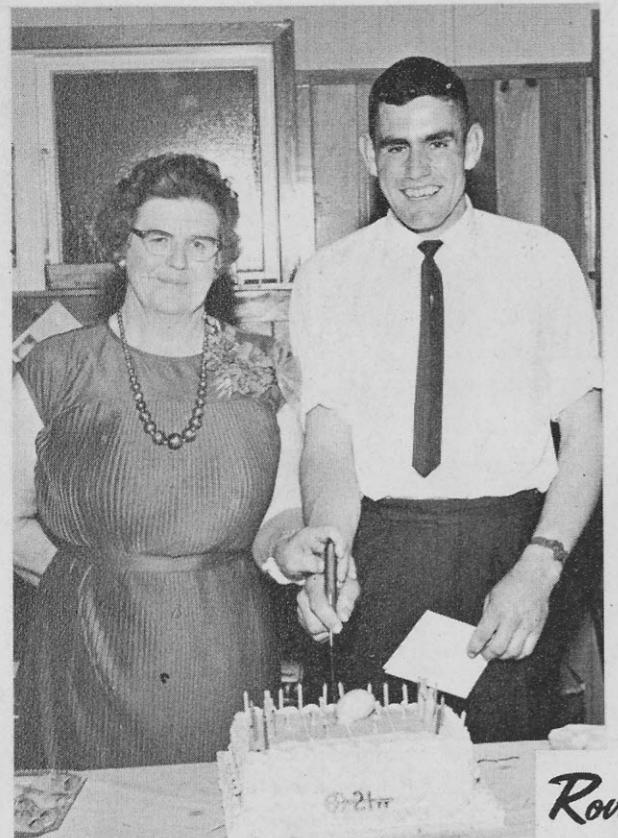


Above: Here is the start of one of the five races which constituted the championship.

Below, left: A Wellington contestant glides through a slight swell. Hot Foot, another boat from Wellington, is seen in the background.

Below, right: Hot Foot (B.Riley), Wellington, launched on the first day of the champs performed well, actually winning the first race of the champs.





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Above left: Richard, only son of Mrs E. and the late Mr H. W. Eagles, is shown with his mother on the occasion of his 21st birthday recently.

Above, right: Mr Phil Henry, the only first-day pupil at the recent Matapu school jubilee, had the honour of cutting the huge jubilee cake. (Armstrongs).

Left: Close-up of a Scots guardsman. He is Sgt. Brian Abethell of London. He is a master drummer.

Right: Betty, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Candy, South Road, Hawera, is shown cutting her 21st birthday cake. (David Paul).



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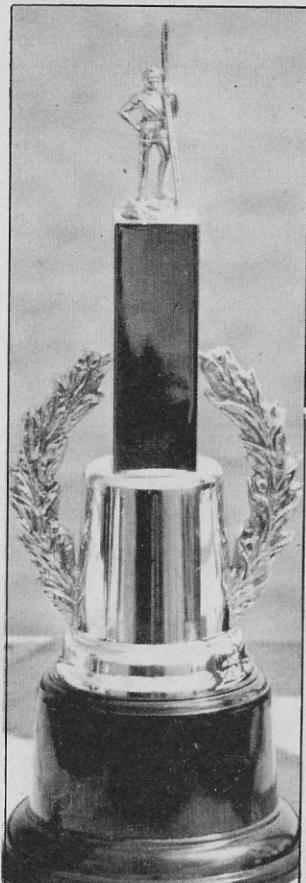
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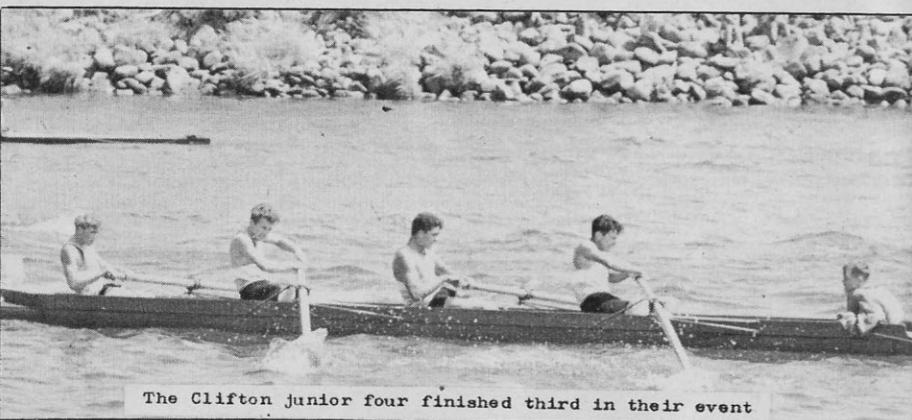
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Clifton Rowing Club's Jubilee Regatta

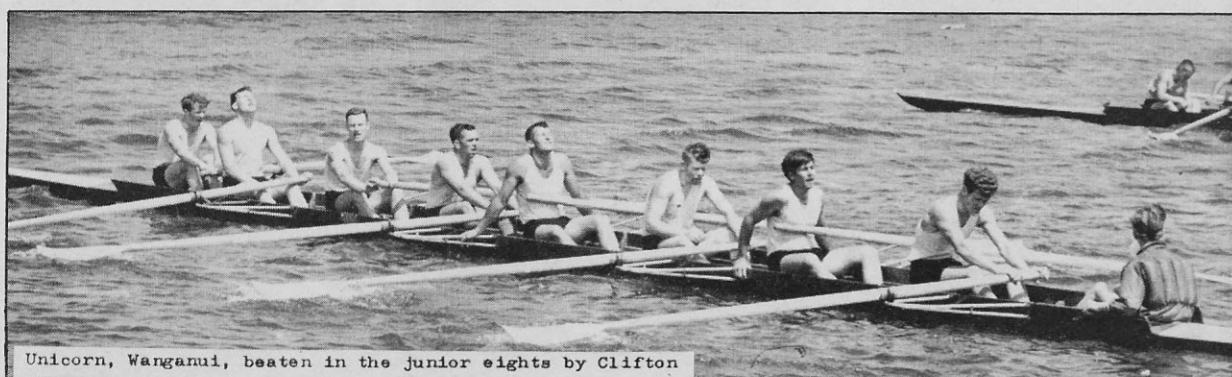


Crowds enjoyed both sun and racing

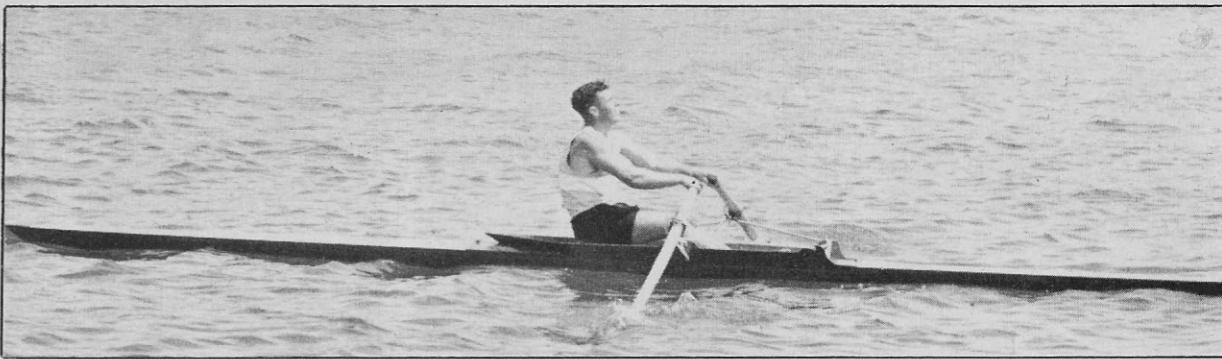


The Clifton junior four finished third in their event

This year's annual Clifton Rowing Club regatta marked the 75th jubilee of the club. Crews from New Plymouth and Wanganui took part in a day of first class racing, when a new trophy, above, left, the W.R.Johns trophy, was up for competition. With the weather at its best, a good crowd lined the banks of the Waitara river for this important event.



Unicorn, Wanganui, beaten in the junior eights by Clifton



Above: Gordon Brown, the Clifton rower, won the single sculls after a fine race against some of the best rowers in this area, including those from Wanganui.

Below: The Junior 8's was won by the Clifton Club crew, who rowed extremely well to hold off a stern challenge by the Unicorn crew from Wanganui.

Bottom: The Clifton Junior 4's were beaten into third place in their event, after leading for most of the journey.





Sharon Johns,
Miss
Brooklands
1964.



Beverley Knapman,
Maid to Miss Brooklands.



Marlene Mitchell,
Maid to Miss Brooklands



Valerie Hickey



Carol George



Colleen Landrigan



Helen Macdonald



Carol Hinz



Maxine Lancaster

MISS BROOKLANDS CONTESTANTS

We are sure that nowhere else in New Zealand do such lovely girls come forward for a contest as those who enter in the "Miss Brooklands" event. And the 17 who entered this year were even better than usual, as we think you will agree on looking at the pictures on these two pages.

When the girls lined up on the stage at a special concert in the Opera House, it was obvious that the judges had no easy task in choosing Sharon Johns as "Miss Brooklands" for 1964.



Dianne Betts
Miss Friendship



Rana Wingrove
Miss Friendship



Sue Nolan



Janis Sutherland



Pat Fanthorpe



Lorraine Brown



Nicki Piggott



Janis Roberts