



Roving Camera

Above: The Taranaki representative brass band, which recently performed at the Bowl of Brooklands in the Wills Band Festival.
(DAVID PAUL).

Left: Alex Peebles of Bell Block shows a crop of maize, half of which has been treated with soil-balancing minerals and the other half with normal fertiliser. Alex stands with this crop showing comparison in size of growth. The taller maize was treated with the right minerals. All the seed was sown at the same time.

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Wills Band Festival

With doubtful weather at 7 p.m. and a not too bright forecast the attendance at this very fine programme was down to only 1500. It was a shame that this was the case, as this was perhaps the best performance of bands ever in the province. With every taste catered for, it was an evening (though chilly) to remember. Here we show a composite photograph of the massed band on stage and the fireworks that concluded the performance.





Engaged

Above: SEXTON-SHERIDAN. Lorraine Mae, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs H.M.Sheridan, NP, to Stewart James, youngest son of Mr and Mrs L.J. Sexton, NP. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Below: CREAGH-BROSNAN. Heather Ellen Brosnan, elder daughter of Mrs M.A.Voullaire, NP, to Trevor Leslie, third son of Mr and Mrs A.R. Creagh, Hawera. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Above, right: JOHNSTONE-OLIVER. Shirley, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Oliver, Inglewood, to Barry, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J.Johnstone, Inglewood. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

Right: YEATES-HUGHES. Kareyn, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.H.Hughes, Inglewood, to Arthur, youngest son of Mr and Mrs M.N.D.Yeates, Inglewood. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

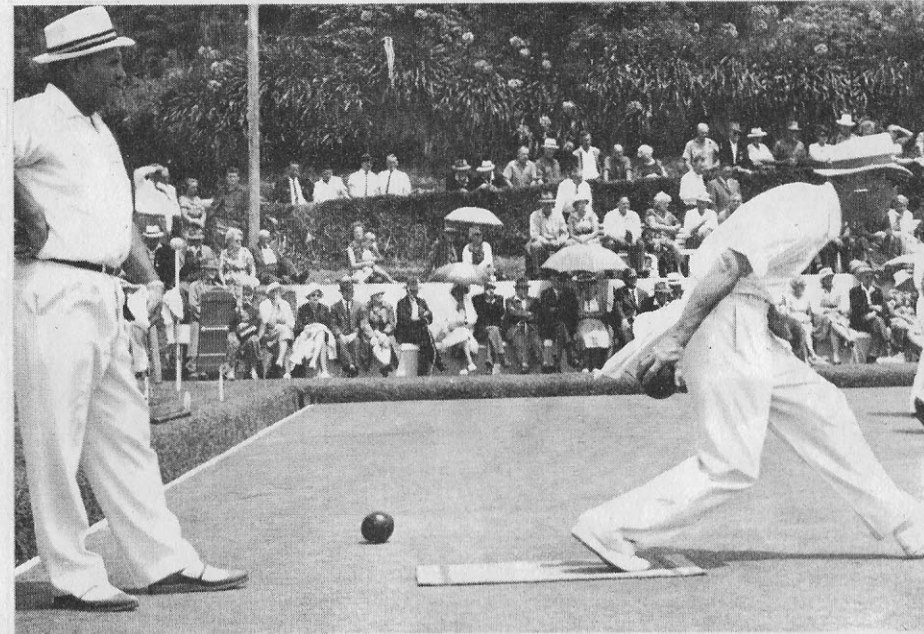
Below, right: HANSEN-MERCER. Vida Joan, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D.M.Mercer, NP, to Michael Morton, elder son of Mr and Mrs M.T.Hansen, South Auckland. (VOGUE STUDIOS).

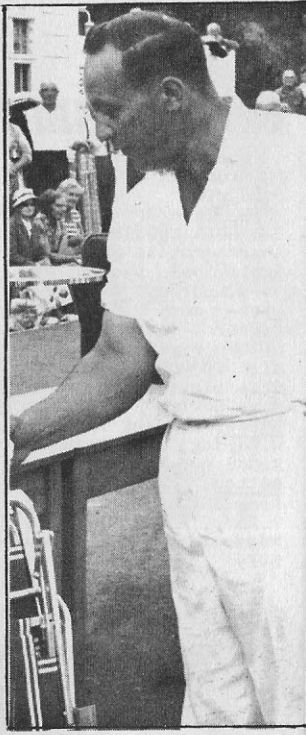
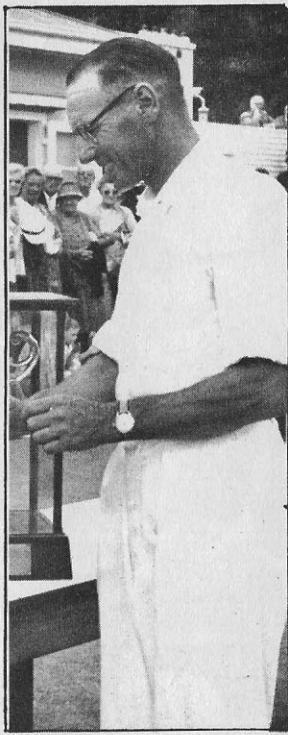
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"OPEN" FINALS

After an unsuccessful run of 23 years, colourful Hamilton skip, Mate Borich, won the 60th Jubilee 'Open' Tournament at NP. This again has proved a hard tourney to win, with many of the favoured teams falling by the wayside. **Right:** Bill Greenbury, losing skip plays a shot with Mate Borich watching. **Below:** Winning four of W.Waring, G.Nichol, A. Sunde and Mate Borich. **Bottom:** Runners - up from Mt. Albert were V.Hart, M.Begovich, A. Woodall and Bill Greenbury.

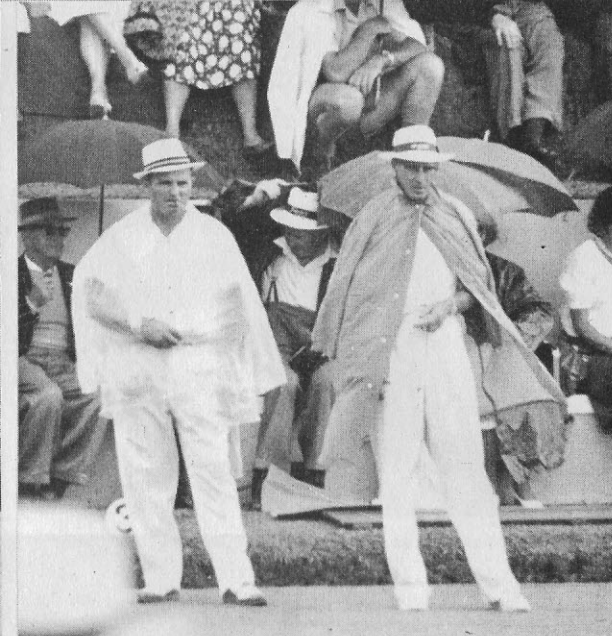
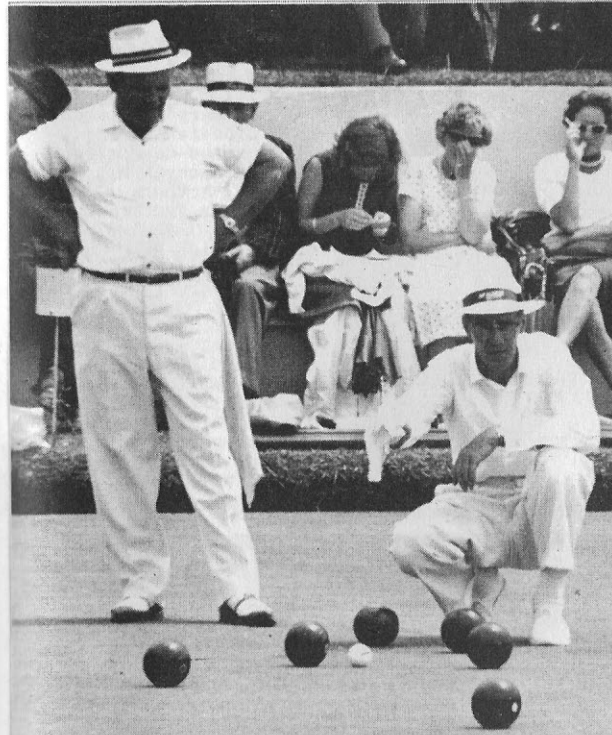




'OPEN' WINNERS....FOURS AND PAIRS

Above, left: Mrs Grace Guy, wife of the centre president, presented the trophies at the recent jubilee 'Open' tournament to Mate Borich, winner of the fours. Centre: Runner up in the fours, Bill Greenbury of Mt.Albert. Right: Ray Stockman, Paritutu, third in the fours.

Below, from left: Howard Andrews, Okato, fourth in the fours. W.Kuhtz, Matamata, winner of the consolation pairs. Bob Boyd, Paritutu, runner-up in the pairs, and his lead Hori Johns.



There was rain and sunshine for the final of the 60th jubilee 'Open' tournament final at the Paritutu green when Mate Borich, Hamilton, defeated Bill Greenbury, Mt.Albert. Shown above are the two skips in the extremes of the weather elements, bathed in warm sunshine, left, and covered from fine rain, right.

RAIN AND SHINE FOR 'OPEN' FINAL

Below: There were sufficient umbrellas to cover all the large gallery.





Wedding Bells

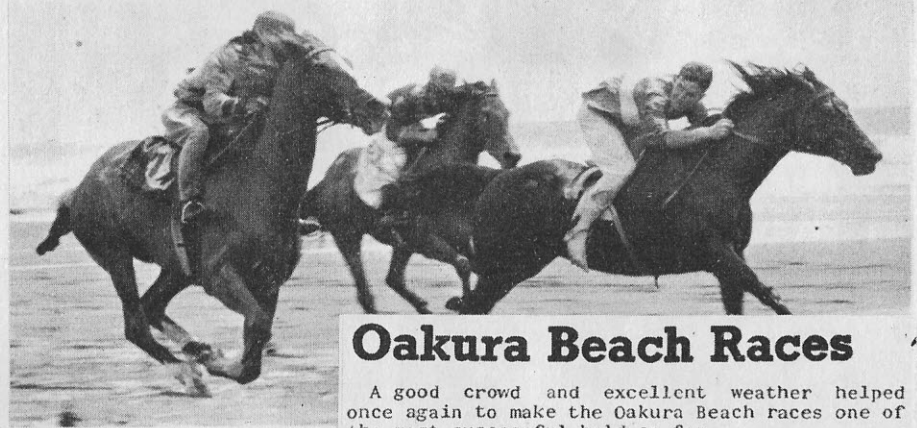
Left: POOLE-SMILLIE. At St. Mary's Church, NP, Claudia Anne Smillie, grand-daughter of Mrs E. Lacey, NP, to Russell Arthur, eldest son of Mr and Mrs O.F. A. Poole, Gisborne. The bridesmaids were Gaylyn Wallis, NP, Eleanor Lander, NP, and Margaret Mandeno, Te Awamutu. Bill Page, Trentham, was the best man, and the groomsmen were Warwick Mills, Rotorua, and Allan Davies, Gisborne. The flower-girl was Lorraine Poole. Future home, Wellington.



Right: TAMATI-SCHWEIKERS. At Holy Trinity Church, Fitzroy, Isabel Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P.A. Schweikers, NP, to Cyril, 4th son of Mr and Mrs T. Tamati, Leperton. The bridesmaids were Yvonne Pryme, Taihape, and Peggy Schweikers, NP. Best man was David Whitehead, Masterton, and the groomsman was Ray Tamati, brother of the groom. Future home, Wanganui.



Left: STAFFORD-BUSH-MOORHEAD. At St. Mary's Church, NP, Margaret Jeanne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Moorhead, NP, to Ian Garth youngest son of the late Mr and Mrs R.H. Stafford-Bush, Auckland. The bridesmaids were Gilda Tompkins, Wellington, Carol Herdson and Bronwyn Andrews, both NP. Bill Stern, Palmerston North, was the best man, and Brian Bush, Auckland, was the groomsman. Future home, Wellington.



Oakura Beach Races

A good crowd and excellent weather helped once again to make the Oakura Beach races one of the most successful held so far.

Above, left: Two race judges watch the horses pounding down the sands: Messrs R. Bell and L. Thompson.

Above: Small field in the New Year Handicap nearing the finishing line.

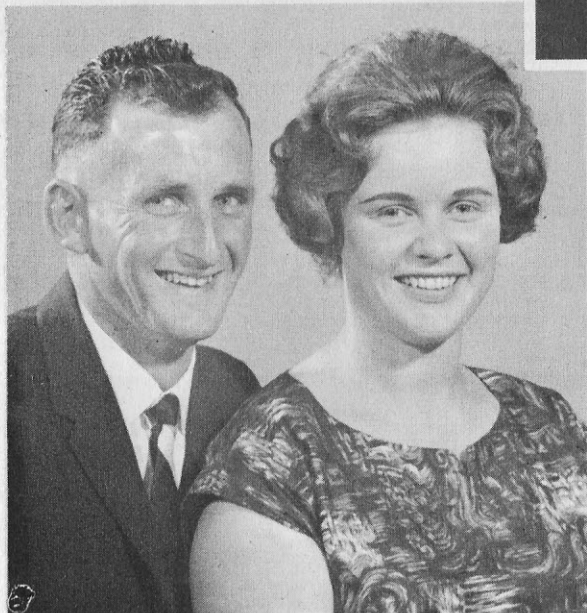
Left: One of the contestants returns to the birdcage after a race.

Below, left: Anne Mullally, a regular visiting rider from Stratford, on her mount.

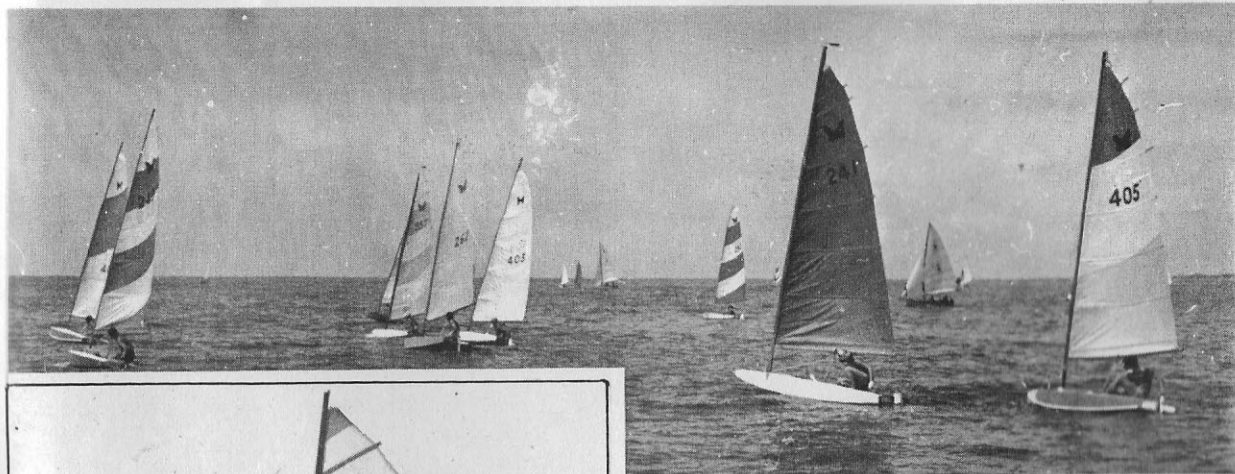
Below: Clerk of the scales B.A. Purcell weighs in jockey K. Parrish.



Engaged



Above, left: **TODD-TIPLER.** Theresa, second daughter of Mr and Mrs F.G.Tipler, Eltham, to David Blair, second son of Mr and Mrs E.A.D.Todd, Rawhitiroa. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).
 Left: **SORENSEN-PARTON.** Jennifer Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs F.Parton, NP, to Gilbert George, son of the late Mr and Mrs J.A.Sorensen, Stratford. (VOGUE STUDIOS).
 Below, left: **OLDFIELD-CAPPER.** Lesley Muriel Capper, Westmere, Auckland, to Bruce Lawrence Oldfield, Norfolk Island, formerly of Waitara.
 Above: **CROWE-LOVERIDGE.** Helen, second daughter of Mr and Mrs E.H.Loveridge, Eltham, to Ian, second son of Mrs W.E.Wills, Eltham, and Mr E.W.Crowe, Stratford. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).
 Below: **MITCHELL-ORR.** Joan Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.Orr, Hawera, to Owen William, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D.Mitchell, NP. (DAVID PAUL STUDIOS).

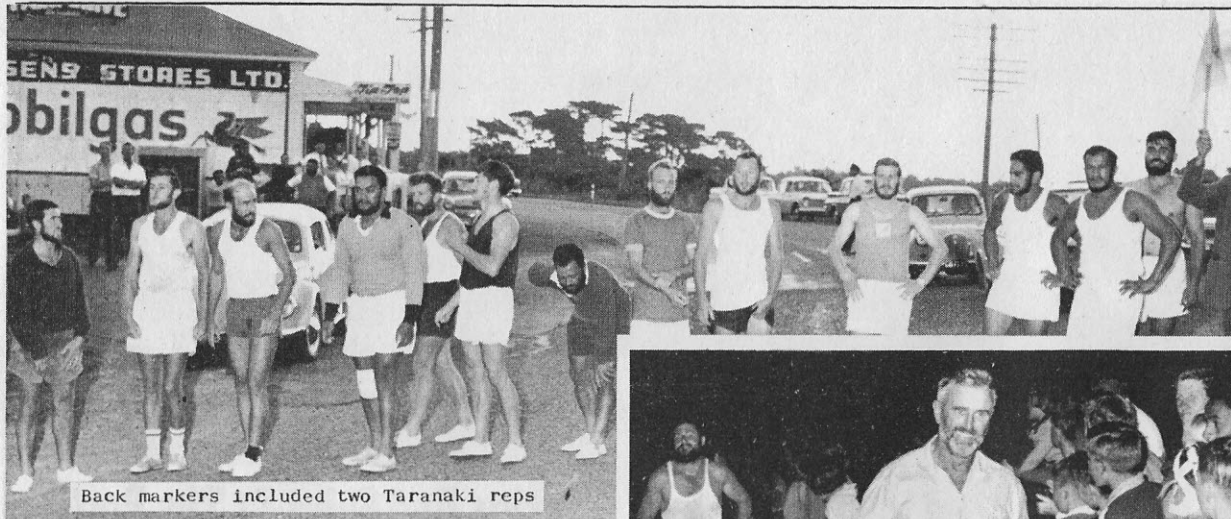


Yachts And Ships At The Port

The holiday season has seen much activity in the waters off Ngamotu beach. With a North Island yachting contest over the holidays, many craft from all over the North Island came to race and enjoy the hospitality of the local club and city. Above: Butterfly class craft line up at the start of a race. Left: One of the visiting X class yachts. Below: Temptation (R.Saunders, NP) and Zephyr (M.White) jockey for starting position.

Below, left: Atys, a large tanker which recently discharged her cargo of fuel at Port Taranaki leaves port with her screw churning up the blue waters of the harbour.





Back markers included two Taranaki reps

Beardies' Marathon

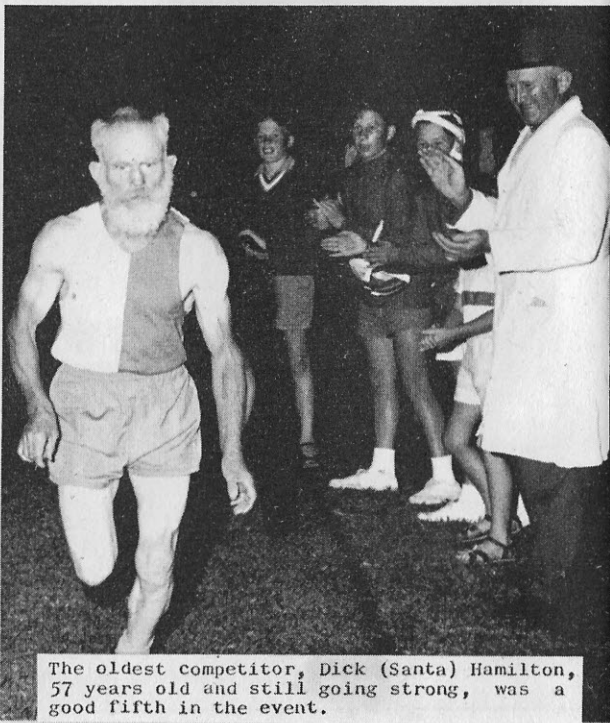
Forty-four bearded men of Okato recently ran in a marathon from Puniho to the Okato domain, and what a race it was! The handicapper could use only his judgment on age and not performance, consequently putting the younger fry well back on the limit mark. What a shock the capacity crowd at the domain had when the first dozen home were the old uns! Just shows who's got all the stamina!



Sid Balsom finishes, smiling, just in front of Rex Bridgeman.



Winner Sid Balsom receives his trophy and a kiss from Miss Taranaki, Janice Barkley.



The oldest competitor, Dick (Santa) Hamilton, 57 years old and still going strong, was a good fifth in the event.



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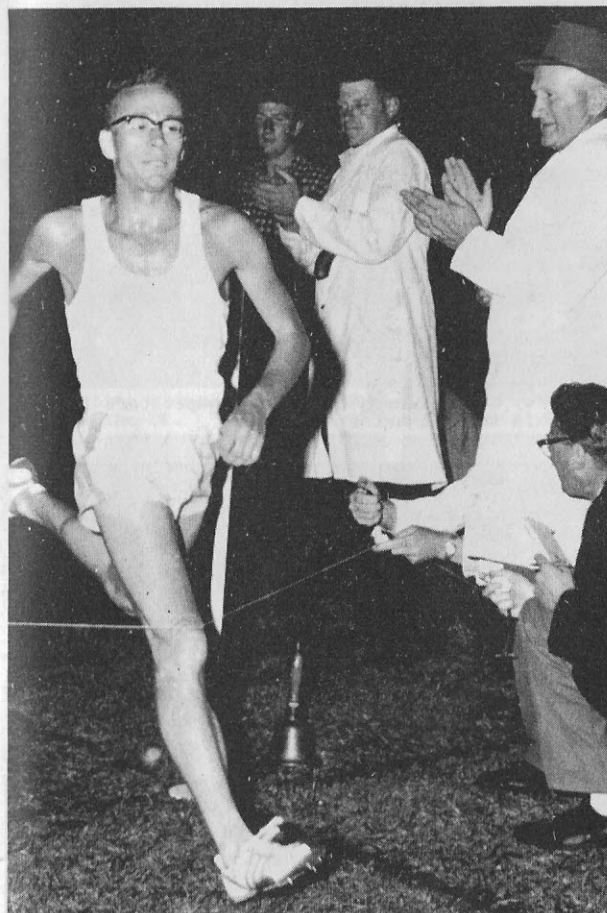
RECORD BREAKER--SULKIE BREAKER

A packed domain enjoyed a good night's entertainment at Okato recently, when the local athletic club staged a beardie marathon and sulkie race for those not taking part in the marathon.

Above, Left: It will be a long time before a sulkie is asked to carry as much weight as it did for this event. 23-stone Hona Ruakare is pulled by Harold Moffitt.

Above: Off to a flying start, this sulkie should have been put back on the limit mark. He won, below, only with the help of half the inhabitants of Okato.

Below, left: Brian Rose broke a long-standing record when he won the 2-mile invitation race.



Thrills At Speedway



Midget driver Bill Jarden takes the inside to pass another car

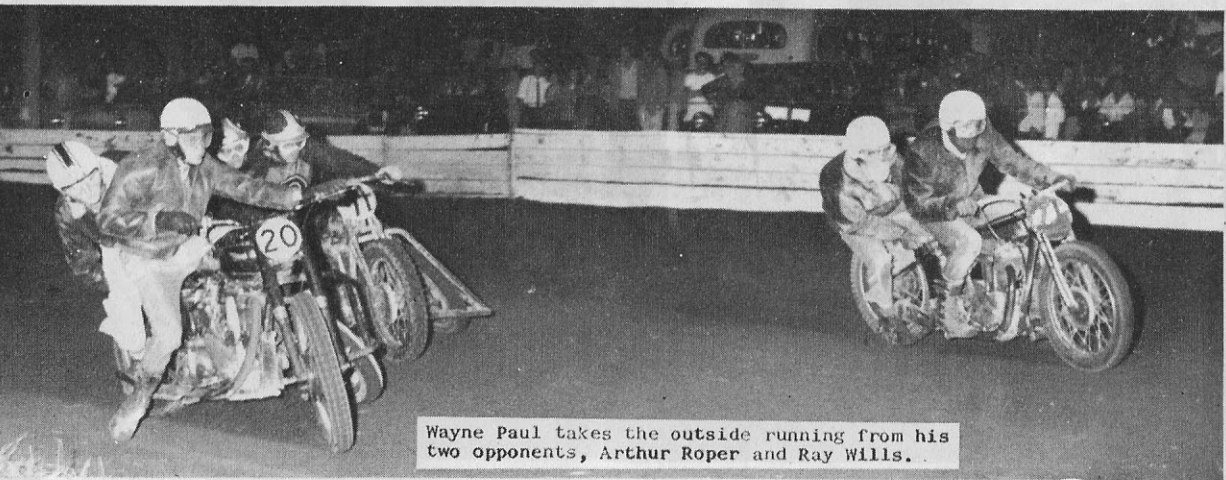


Merv Neil (Auckland) was one of the fastest on the track and a skilful driver

With visiting riders and drivers, the recent series of speedway meetings has been exciting for the large crowds which have been attending. With large fields in every event, some spectacular racing has been witnessed. Perhaps this could be the most successful season that the TMCRC has had. New riders and drivers are coming to the fore and giving the older hands a run for their money.



Ray Christianson leads two competitors in his three-quarter midget



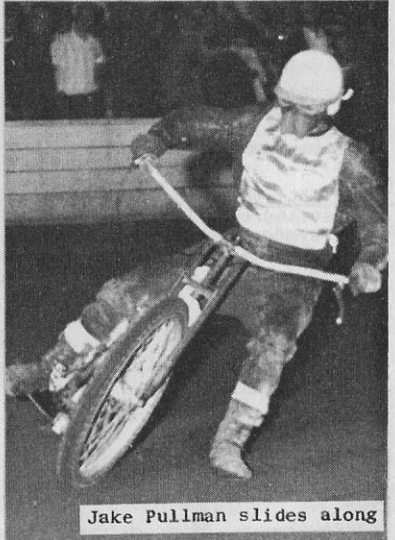
Wayne Paul takes the outside running from his two opponents, Arthur Roper and Ray Wills.



Bryce Subritzky passes Rim Malskaitis after the latter had spilled

DIRT TRACKERS

Dirt trackers at the speedway have been at their best recently with opposition from Auckland and overseas riders. The competition has been keen, and our local boys have been putting the hurry-up on the visiting riders.



Jake Pullman slides along



Visiting rider, Bob Andrews from the UK.



Local boy Bill Dixon



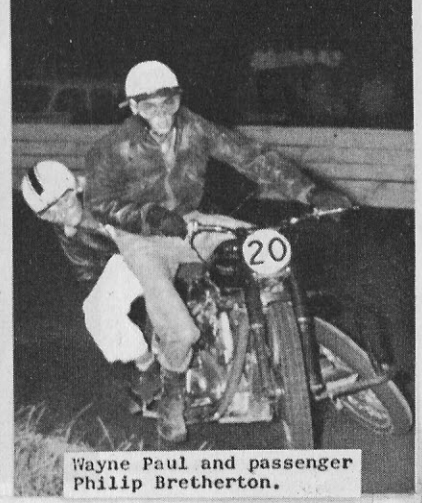
Bryce Subritzky again



Ron Schultz (Hawera)



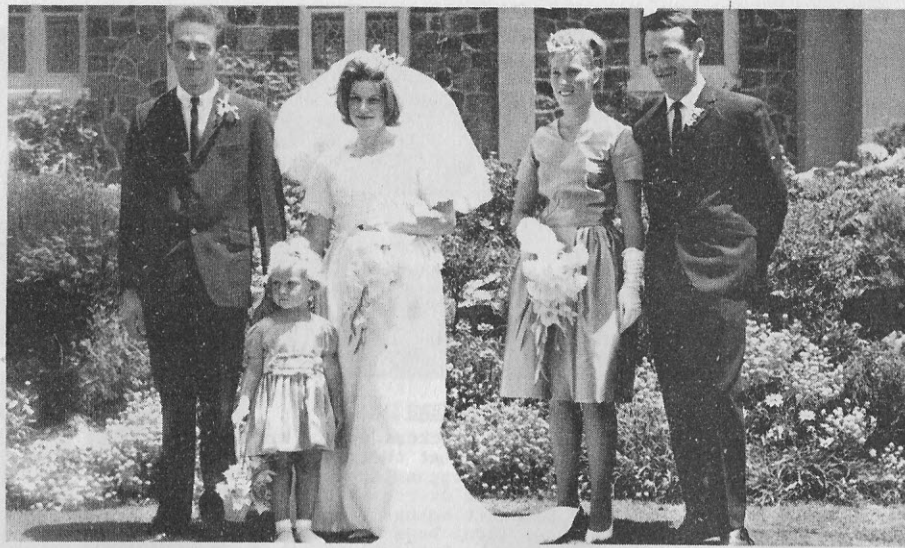
Arthur Roper and passenger John Henderson



Wayne Paul and passenger Philip Bretherton.

Married

Right: BROWN-RIDDLE.
At St. Andrew's Church, NP, Brenda Mary, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.J. Riddle, NP, to Frank James Brown, Hamilton. The bridesmaid was Maureen Hopkinson, NP, Bob Meredith, Hamilton, was the best man and Allison Deane, Inglewood, was the flower-girl. Future home, Hamilton.



Left: PRICE-BROWN.
At St. Luke's Methodist Church, Westown, Joy Lyvonne, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs H. J. Brown, NP, to Neville Laurence, second son of Mr and Mrs C.K. Price, Oakura. The bridesmaid was Janet Brown, sister of the bride, NP, and the best man was Trevor Green, Omata. Future home, NP.



Right: HARVEY-LAMBERT.
At St. Mary's Church, NP, Betty Anne, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs T.A. Lambert, Blenheim, to Gordon, 4th son of Mr and Mrs G.W. Harvey, NP. The bridesmaids were Betty Hannaford and Jeanette Taylor, both NP. Best man was Colin Harvey, brother of the groom, and the groomsman was Paul Lambert, brother of the bride, both NP. Future home, NP.



£165 Prize Won By Boy

In a recent nation-wide art competition, a New Plymouth boy, Paul de Abaitua, Moana Crescent won for himself a cheque for £25, a further cheque for his school, Spotswood Primary, for £50, study den valued at £85 for himself and a parcel of the sponsor's products for his mother, valued at £5.

Above: A presentation ceremony was held at the Farmers' Co-operative in New Plymouth and our picture shows, at left, Paul with his parents, Mr and Mrs M. de Abaitua and sister, Mr R. Lyndon, Farmers' branch manager, Mr Phil Medlands, sponsor's representative and Mr V. Purdy, headmaster of Spotswood school, and Mrs Purdy.



Paul receives his £25 cheque from Mr R. Lyndon.



Mrs De Abaitua gets her groceries from Gordon Lander.



Coming of Age

Above: Mr and Mrs S.Way, NP, with their family on the occasion of the 21st birthday of their son Gavin, shown in the centre with Joan Pettit.

Above, right: Wendy Miscall, daughter of Mrs G.Crawford, NP, cuts her birthday cake.

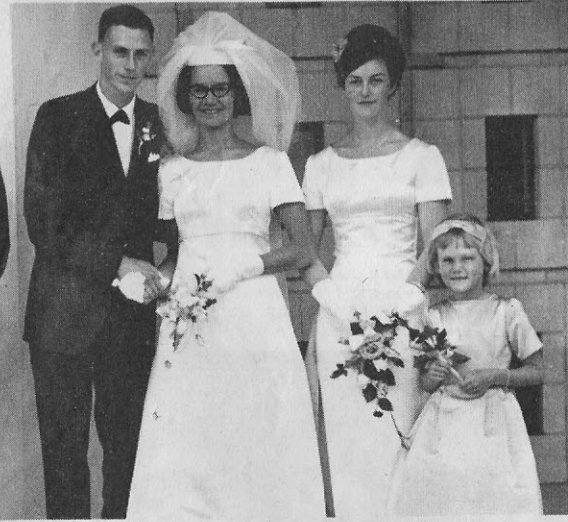
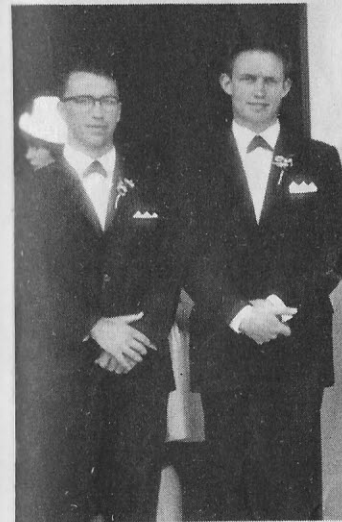
Below, left: Eris Kathleen, elder daughter of Mrs C.Brown, NP. Below, centre: Mrs Phyllis Higgins, daughter of Mrs M.Keith, poses with her key of the door on the occasion of her 21st birthday celebration.

Below, right: Anne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs N.Hale, poses with her mother and father. The family are now living in Palmerston North.



Married

Right: SHEPHERD-FROST. At St.Andrew's Church, NP, Merilyn, second daughter of Mr and Mrs A.L.Frost, Manaia, to Robert, second son of Mr and Mrs G.R.Shepherd, NP. The bridesmaids were Lynette Klenner, Linda Frost, and Janeane Frost. The best man was Stuart Kidd and the groomsman was Don Shepherd. The future home, Hamilton.



Left: McLAUCHLAN--SEARANCKE. At Whiteley Methodist Church, NP. Ira Moerangi, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T.Searancke, Waitara, to John Burgess, youngest son of Mrs F.McLauchlan, Lower Hutt. The bridesmaids were Ann Thomas and Juli Whittaker. Edward Bisdée was the best man and Ken Morley was the groomsman. Future home, Lower Hutt.

Right: HEFFERNAN--GEORGE. At St.Joseph's Catholic Church, NP, Marie, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.George, NP, to Frank, third son of Mr J.Heffernan, Ireland, and the late Mrs Heffernan. Sister of the bride, Suzanne George, NP, was the bridesmaid, and Terry Maunsell, Wellington, was the best man. The future home, Palmers-ton North.





Dominion W.D.F.F. President's Visit

Dominion president of the W.D.F.F. recently paid a visit to the district. Shown in this photograph are members of the North Taranaki provincial executive with Dominion president, Mrs Mary Irwin, seated centre. On her left is a past president and life member of the North Taranaki provincial, Mrs Mary Parker. On her right is the N.T. president, Mrs Eileen Clelland.



Wedding Bells

McELDOWNEY-BUCHANAN. At St. Augustine's Anglican Church, Napier, Patricia, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Buchanan, Napier, to Dennis, fourth son of Mrs J. McEldowney, New Plymouth, and the late Mr McEldowney. The bridesmaids were Margaret Gower, Hawera, and Elizabeth Pinder, Hastings. The best man was Lance McEldowney, and the groomsmen were Donald McEldowney, both brothers of the groom. Future home, Wellington.



1965 National Band Of New Zealand

The 1965 National Band of New Zealand was recently formed in New Plymouth, and with only one week of training together, gave two very fine displays of their talents. The concert at the GHS proved that this was a band that would equal or better the best ever to go on a world tour from this country. The following day the band gave a display at Pukekura Park before a delighted audience of over 5000. They were a credit to their instructors and will no doubt be a credit to this country on their forthcoming world tour.