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OUR COVER

Eighteen-year-old Jillian Mason strikes the double for our colour covers this month. Jillian makes a pretty picture of youth in bloom, and we have posed her to remind readers at home and away of two of New Plymouth's outstanding attractions--our wonderful sea frontage, and the glory of our gardens.

On the front cover, Jillian is seen on one of the swings down at the beach. With the warmer weather coming, the beaches will soon be thronged with holiday-makers. Here's hoping they have a good season, with plenty of the "Five Esses"....Sun, Sand, Surf, Swimming, and Sailing.

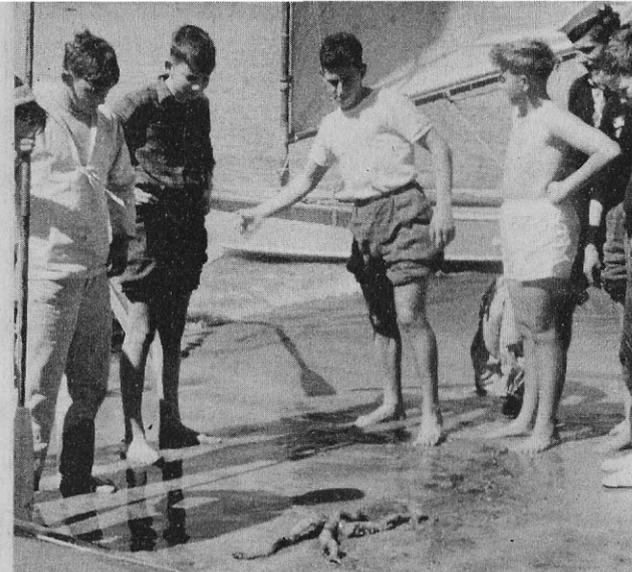
ON THE BACK COVER, Jillian highlights the beauty of the gardens of Mr and Mrs Russell Matthews out at "Tupare" on Mangorei Road. These gardens are now at their best, with colour in plenty for the amateur photographer.

Right: Mrs H.E.Greenway, Hamblin Street, New Plymouth, who recently celebrated her 82nd birthday at the Pukekura Park Kiosk, together with two of her daughters and only son Mr N.D.Greenway.



Above: Four generations were present for the christening of Tina Marie, whose parents are Mr and Mrs George Honor. Seated with Tina is great-grandmother, Mrs H.J.Webb. On the right is grandmother Mrs C.H.Honor and left is dad, Mr George Honor.

Below: The Ladies' Guild of St.Mary's Church, New Plymouth, recently staged a mannequin parade at the church hall. In our picture, we show some of the mannequins who took part for this very worthy effort.



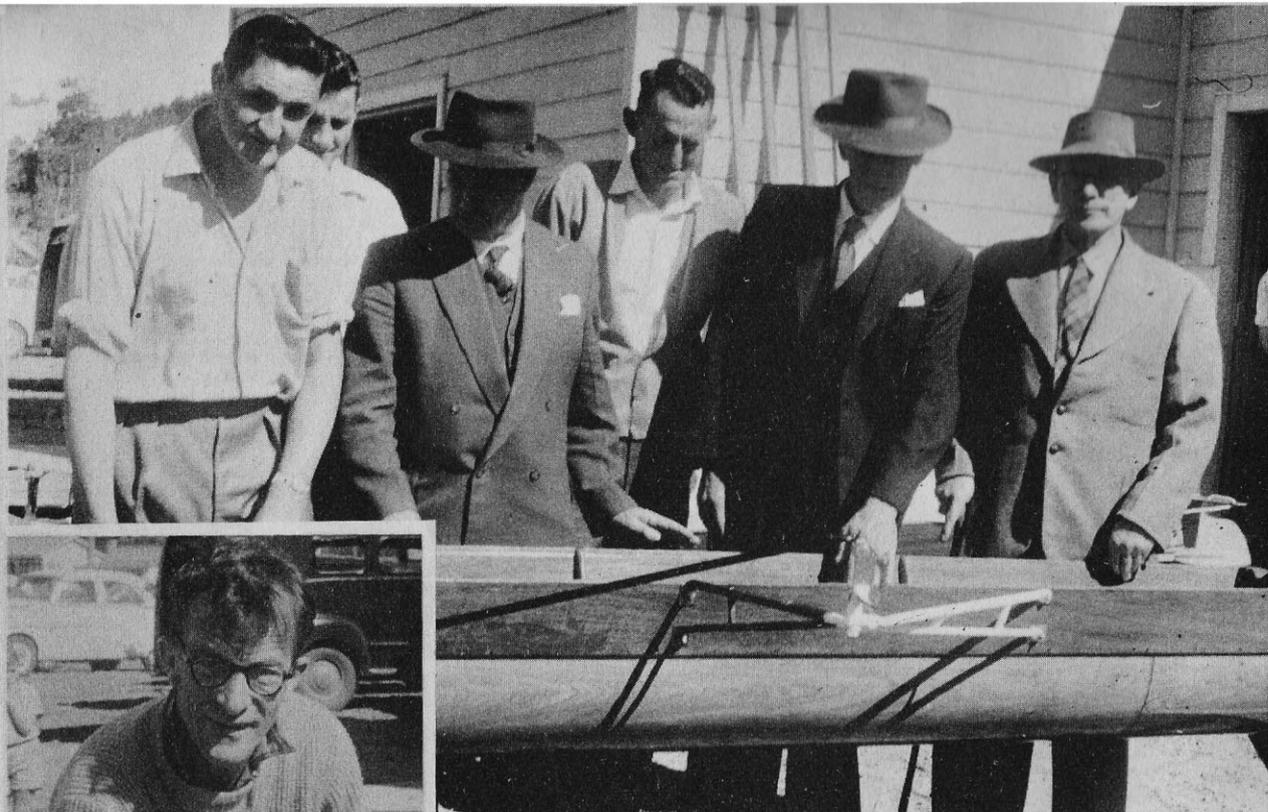
Sea Creatures of the Taranaki Coast

Left: On the opening of the Yacht Club's season, some alert boatie saw an octopus swimming close inshore. It didn't take long for a swarm of young adventurers to get to grips with this intruder. In the twinkling of an eye, it was hauled aboard a dinghy and brought ashore to be inspected by all and sundry. Our photograph shows some of its captors admiring their catch.

Below, left: Earlier in the day, our cameraman was wandering around the wharf, when he came across a fisherman who had caught these two porcupine fish. These ugly things have sharp spikes all over their body which could be very dangerous if trodden upon. Young Ron Hall, whose father caught the fish, is intent on making a thorough inspection of this strange creature.

Below: Wandering a bit further, our cameraman went to the Kawaroa baths, where he spied a mermaid coming out of the water. Janet Christie makes as pretty a picture as we've seen for a long time. Maybe us old codgers ought to take up this swimming again.





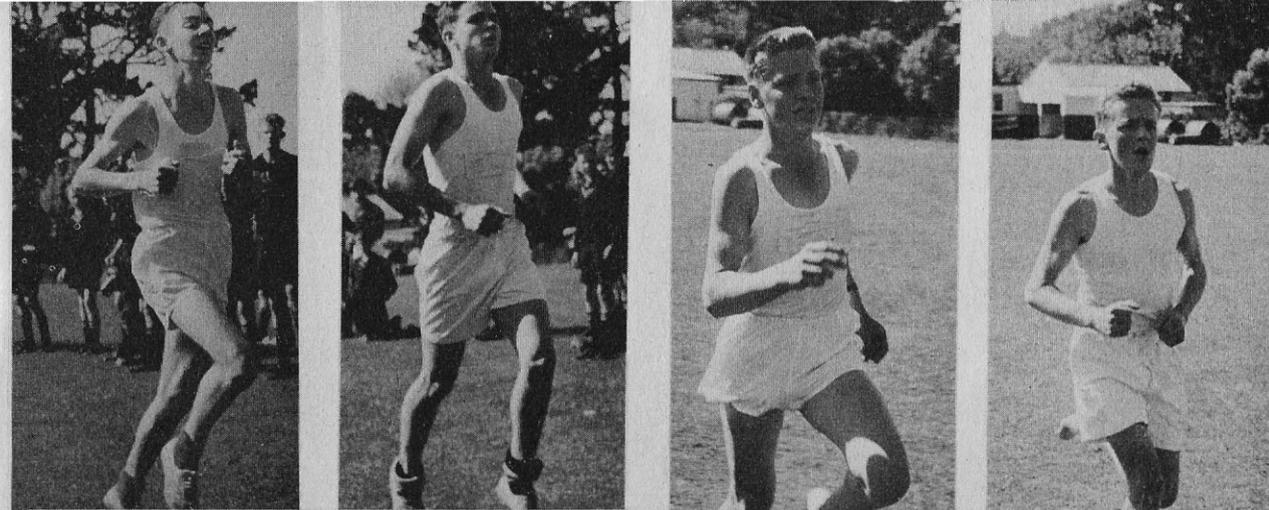
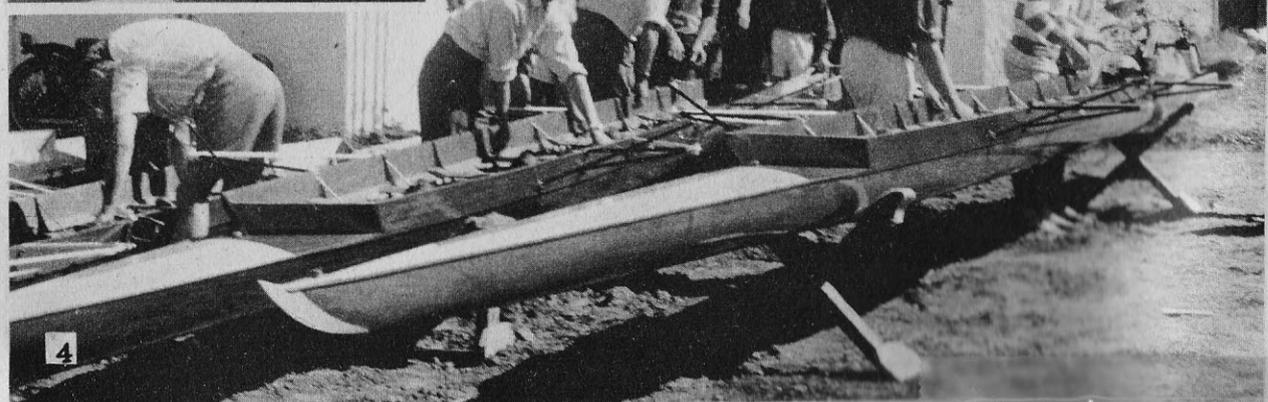
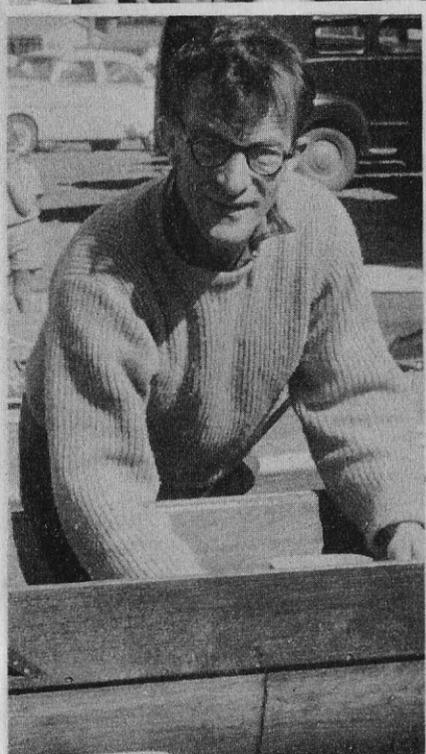
Rowing Club Displays New Craft

Opening their season, the New Plymouth Rowing Club proudly displayed some of their new craft, with which they hope to do well this coming season.

Above: The mayor of New Plymouth, Mr A.G.Honnor, with Mr E.P. Aderman, M.P., inspect one of the £300 craft, together with Brian Medway (club captain), Don McEldowney, Ken Morgan (secretary) and H.C.Collier (president).

Left: Noel Lynch, a past club captain, and coach of the NPBH's crews, had words of praise to say for the new boats.

Below: Club members putting the final touches to the new craft.



High School Steeplechase

Something like a thousand boys took part in the annual New Plymouth Boys' High Schools steeplechase. Divided into three sections, junior, intermediate and senior, the boys put up some remarkable feats of running.

Above, from left: Winner of the Senior event, D.Smith, R.Hedley, 2nd, A.Humphries, the intermediate winner and C.T.Weir who was second.



The start of the race on the school playing fields saw the boys leaping a hurdle over the school wall. In the above picture, most of the boys vault the wall whilst few preferred to go around it.

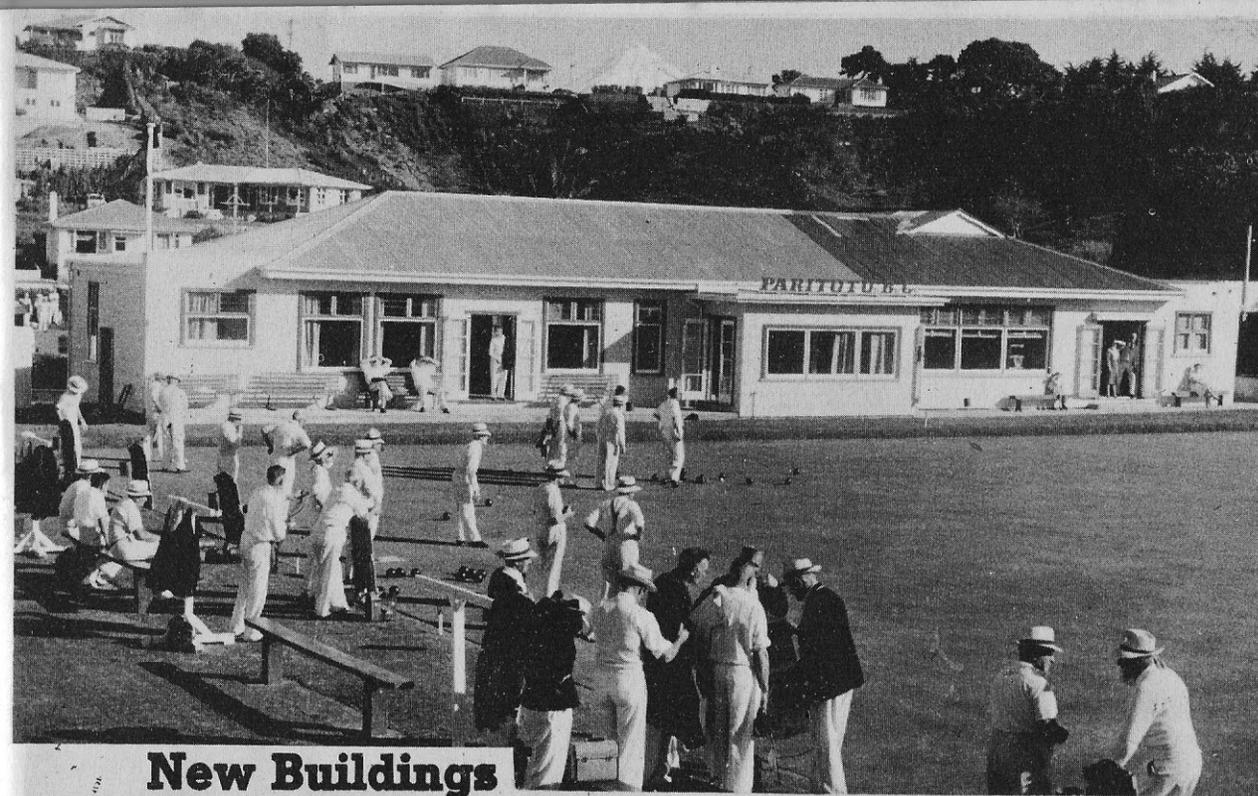
Left: In the case of some of the more enthusiastic, it was a rush of lads for the wall, but one of them touched his foot on the top and went down with a heavy thud. This game lad, though badly grazed, kept going and finished well up with the leader after a gruelling test over a difficult course.



Wedding Bells

Above: DRAVITSKI-McGREGOR: At Our Lady Help of Christians, Fitzroy, Raewyn Mary, youngest daughter of Mr H. & Mrs E.L. McGregor, New Plymouth, to Kevin Peter, third son of Mr and Mrs J.J. Dravitski, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Carrol Cranson and sister of the groom Marie Dravitski, and the best man was Neil Dravitski, brother of the groom. The groomsman was another brother, Danny Dravitski. The flowergirl was Raelene Terrill. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

Below: WHITTAKER-DERBY: At the Whiteley Church, New Plymouth, Margaret Florence, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Newton Derby, New Plymouth, to Ian George, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Ted Whittaker, New Plymouth. The bridesmaids were Marie Jury and Margaret Wilson. Best man was Trevor Kearns, and the groomsman was Edgar Ogilvie. Linda Kearns was the flowergirl and the page boy was Grant Downs. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.

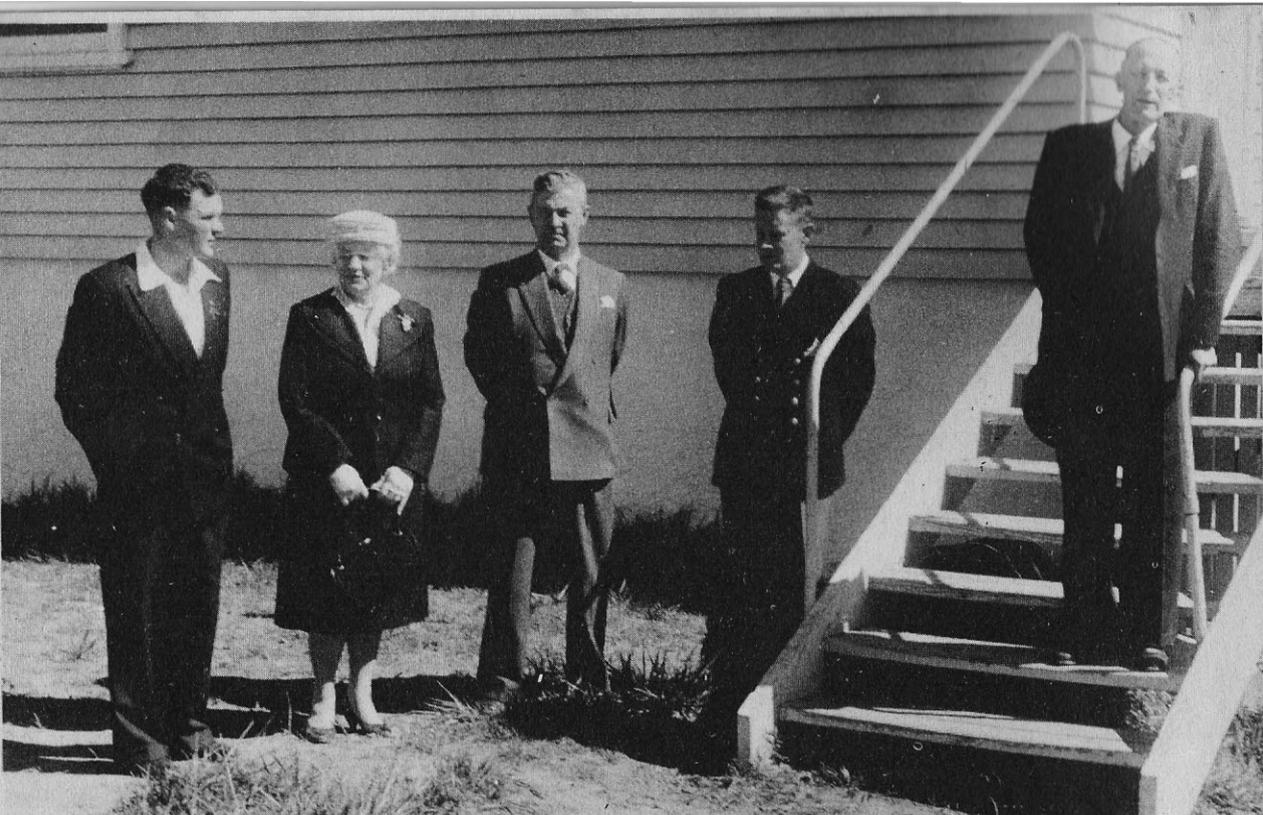


New Buildings

An acquisition to the Paritutu Bowling Club is their new pavilion, which was opened recently. A hard-working committee, backed by ardent members, has resulted in a building that will last for many years, and is a credit to the club. This will make Paritutu one of the best-appointed clubs in the province, as they already have two of the best greens that can be found.

Below: The scene at the laying of the foundation stone for the new wing of the Mercy Jenkins Women's Eventide Home at Eltham recently. Now that the need for boys' homes no longer arises, the Salvation Army has decided to rebuild and remodel this home for elderly women.





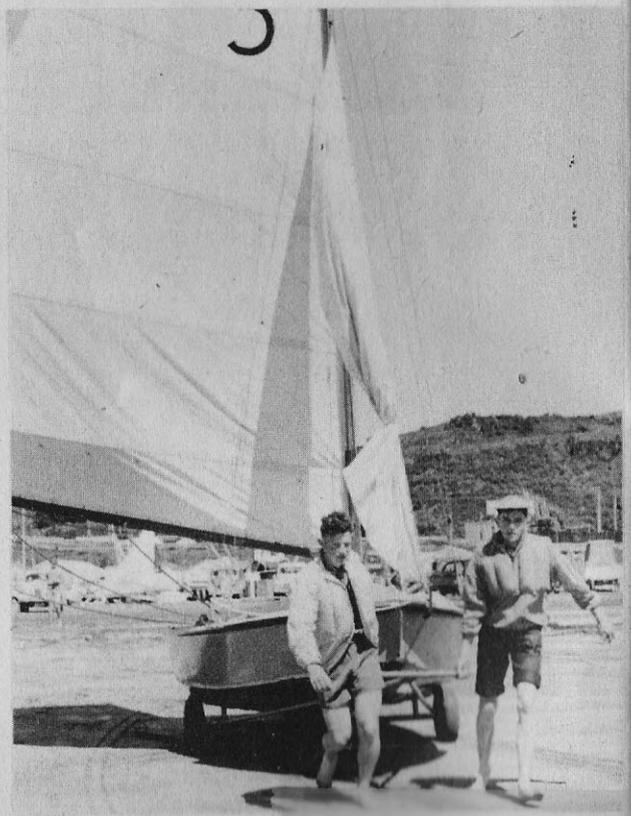
Yacht Club Opening

With weather that was a little better than the opening day last year, New Plymouth Yacht Club got away to a good start. Races were run after the season had been officially opened, and it was not unusual to see many yachts almost becalmed.

Above: The official party at the opening. From left, Derek Woodhead, secretary of the club, Mrs Aderman, the mayor, Mr A.G.Honnor, Robbie Galvin, the club captain, and Mr E.P.Aderman, M.P.

Below: Preparing for the first race of the 1959-60 season are Errol Styfield and Dick Newman with their yacht Panther.

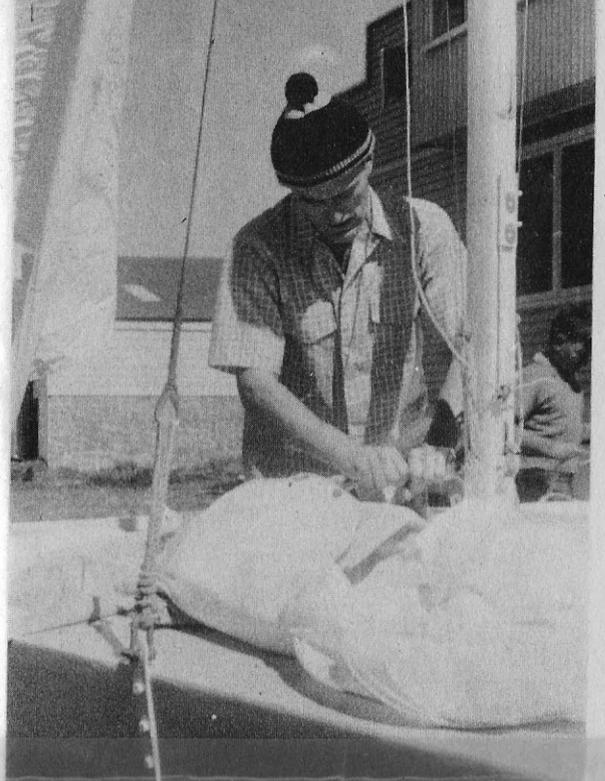
Right: Down to the sea...go John Pettigrew and Brian Johns for the first race of the season.



Above, left: It just goes to show who has to do all the work when a yacht is launched...Marie Lobb certainly does her bit towards an enjoyable afternoon's racing. It might interest you Marie, but Photo News is looking for a f'rard hand for their yacht.

Above, right: With spinnaker filled, the race is on, with a crew of John Pettigrew and Brian Johns.

Below, left: Getting ready for hoisting the main sail is Joe Davidson, who owns a new catamaran.
Below, right: "P" Class expert gets his craft ready for the water. Jim Forrest making sure that he is ship-shape before the fray and spray.





Scouts' Revue

Running for a two-night season to packed houses, the Boy Scouts produced a revue that was a delight to those present. Devising their own acts, which in some cases were highly original, the scouts proved themselves to be really capable actors.

Left: Allan Meads gets dressed for his part of a High school girl.

Above: Val Harnish (Cubmaster), gives Ashleigh Pelham some useful advice with his bust line, while Larry Rodgers enjoys the joke.

Right: Acting the baby is Neil Thompson with Peter Vause looking every inch a cupid.

Below: Cubs around the camp fire rendered songs.





Roving Camera

The army went along to the Greatest Show on Earth to show what their equipment looked like, but did more than that, they gave some of the young ones a ride around on the Bren Carrier. The little fellows got a bit of a shaking up, but they were able to tell mum that they had had a good day. They could also say nice things about the police dogs, which thrilled the large crowd. At right Cito hangs on the top of a 6-foot wall.

Below left: Nicola White finds plenty to do while mum is having a little pow-wow at the New Plymouth Parents Club get-together.



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Left: Arnold Lloyd, one of Hawera's more promising walkers, screws up his face as he crosses the line, the winner of the Junior Mile walk at the Inglewood show.

Below: Scoutmaster of the Central troop, Harold Tuson, lights the candles at the 50th jubilee of the troop.

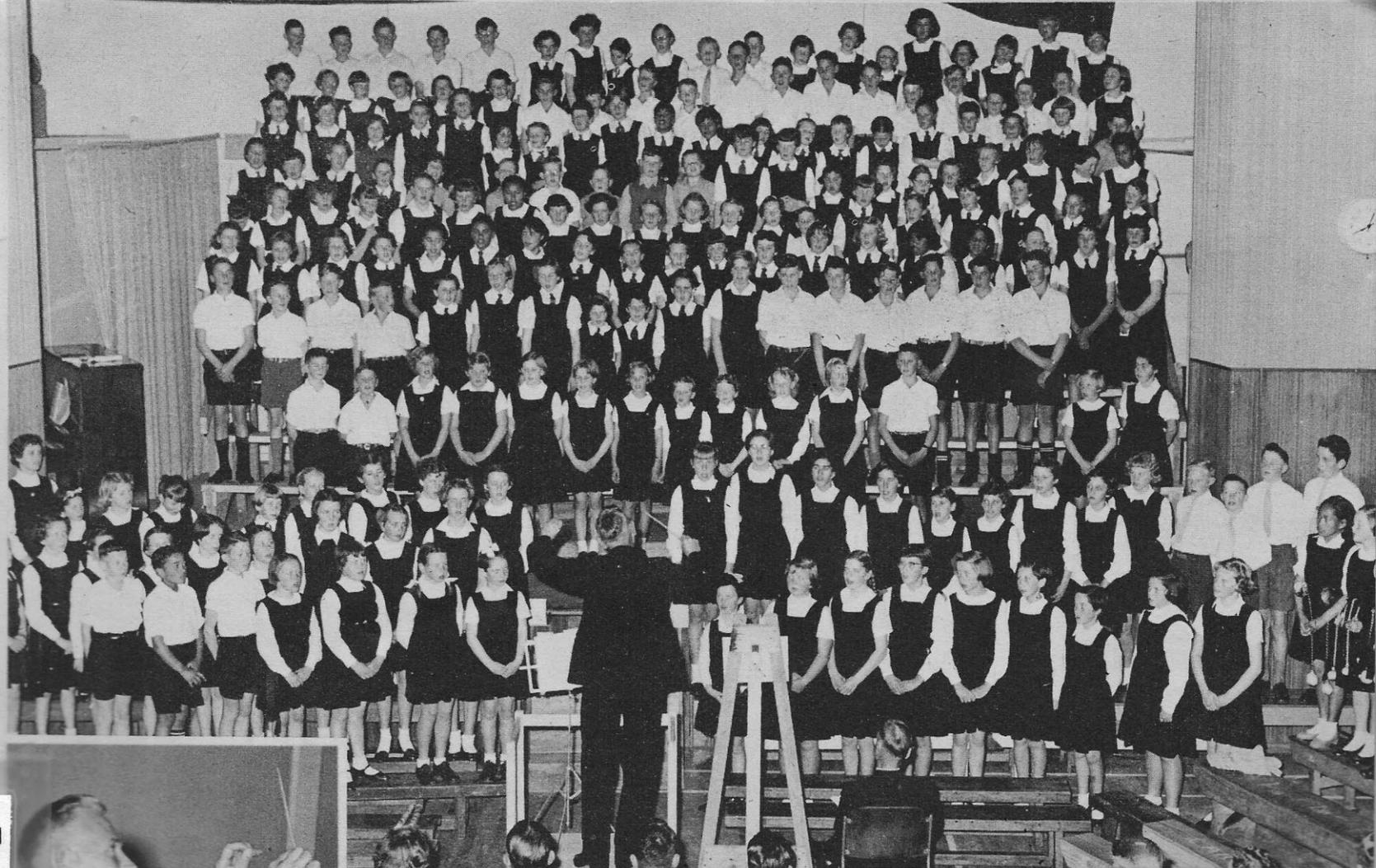




Above: Maurice Walden, teacher at the Otakeho school, gives his Maori group their final instructions before performing at the Kaponga Choirs Festival.

Below: The Manaia school choir, which treated the large audience to some delightful Maori stick games. Not very many sticks were dropped, and the children were well-trained, and keen to do their best for both teacher, school and audience.





Superb Choir Festival at Kaponga

Sponsored by the Methodist Church, the Kaponga Choirs Festival proved to be a great success, with choirs, though less in number than previous years, being generally of a much higher standard. The choirs came from Eltham, Manaia, Matapu, Mangatoki, Otakeho and Kaponga. The massed choir, photographed here, provided wonderful entertainment for the full house to enjoy. Mr Gordon Simpson (inset), did a creditable job in the training of this festival choir.





Another Season Opens

The 1959-60 bowling season opened in fine weather for a change. The day was very like a summer's day, with brilliant sunshine and little wind to hamper play. Our pictures on this page were taken at the opening ceremony of the West End Club, which this year celebrates its Golden Jubilee.

Above: A representative of the Taranaki Bowling Centre, addressing the members at the opening.

Below, left: Mrs Duckworth, wife of president Arbor Duckworth, puts down the first kitty of the new season.

Below, right: Champion and veteran bowler Jim Lobb had the honour of bowling the first bowl, which was up to the Lobb standard, and within reach of the kitty.



Ladies Guild Fashion Show

The St. Mary's Ladies' Sewing Guild recently staged a fashion parade which was particularly well-attended. Those present were rewarded with a preview of things to come in the world of fashion.

Left: Compere Mrs E. Brown helps two of the smallest models Susan Wood and Julie Sheat, who are displaying frilly lime-green net flower-girl dresses.

Above: The trading tables did a very good business during the afternoon. Mrs Zetta Hopkins is shown on the right busily engaged in wrapping another article sold.

Right: Members of the concert party run by Canon Liggett, who recently paid a visit to Okato, included this male quartet, who rendered well-received items which were a pleasure to listen to. From the left they are Alex Ramsay, Bill Okey, Malcolm Liggett, and Len Kerr.

GIRLS....

Get those cameras out in readiness for the forthcoming "Photo News" competition, details of which will be announced soon.

PARENTS...

You can get your cameras out too, because we shall be running a tiny tots competition too.





Queen Carnival Fashion Show

One of the best of the fashion shows seen recently was that held in the Hawera Memorial Hall to raise funds for the sports queen in the Carnival, now in its sixth week. The models were all local girls, ranging from toddlers to the more mature types. All played their part with professional aplomb.



Top: Grand finale, when Princess Joy, the Sports Queen, took the stage with two of her princesses. Also in the picture are four of the young mannequins and the compere.

Above: Coy Robyn Grace showing some of the latest in summer wear to a delighted audience.

Left: The critical eyes of the women are on what the smart woman will be wearing this season. Hope all their budgets are balanced!



Above and below: Robyn Grace and Christine Rowlands absolutely stole the show with their pert and charming manner. They are shown above with the compere, making their final departure from the stage, and below, modelling the latest in night attire.

Right: These are eight of the beautiful mannequins who did such a good job for such a worthy cause, at this Hawera Fashion show.





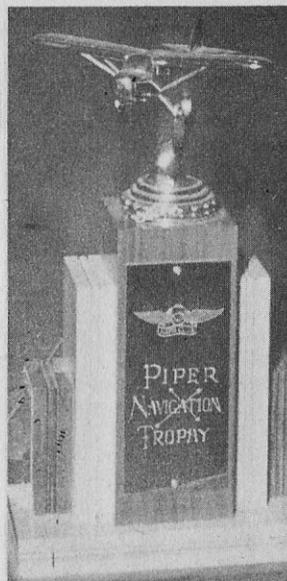
Wedding Bells

Above: At St. Andrew's Church, Inglewood, Betty Gaille, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.L.Cowley, Tariki, to Brian Charles, third son of Mr and Mrs C.Maulder of Stratford. Rae Young and Rae McLaggan, both of Bulls, and Dawn Reed of Inglewood were the bridesmaids, Bob Ryan was the best man and John Cowley and Barry Webb were the groomsmen. The future home of the couple will be at Stratford.

Below: At St. Joseph's Catholic Church, New Plymouth, Catherine Winifred, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs F.Bezzant, to Henry Reid of the West Coast. Barbara Astwood of New Plymouth was the bridesmaid, and Maurice Phelan was the best man. The flowergirls were Jill Hanover and Glennis Tolley. The future home of the couple will be New Plymouth.



Aero Clubs' Navigation Competitions



Keen competition was encountered in the recent navigation contest for a trophy presented by the Piper Aviation Company.

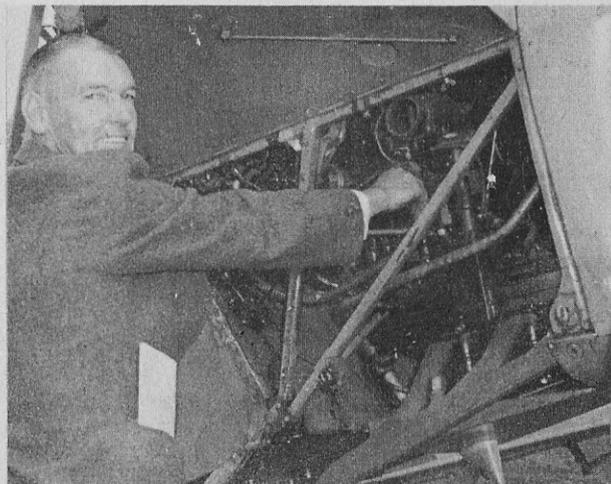
Above: Husband and wife team Albert and Anne Larsen, in the cockpit of a Cessna aircraft.

Left: The Piper trophy.

Right: Dick Allen tinkers at the engine of a Tiger Moth.

Below, left: Bruce Crosby, club instructor, gives Len Johnson his final briefing.

Below, right: Michael Johnson, who accompanied his dad Len, in the competition.



Galaxy of Sportsmen at at Inglewood's "Greatest Show on Earth"

Something like 6000 people flocked to Inglewood for the annual Greatest Show on Earth. Despite the weather and the soft track, which made conditions dangerous for the athletes, some exceptionally fine performances were witnessed. The photographs on this page are of the highlight of the show, the 3000 metres steeplechase.

Above: Coming over the water-jump is the eventual winner K. Williams of Nelson, followed by E.O'Keefe, Hawera who finished second. Tailing off is N.Z.'s sub-4-minute miler, Murray Halberg.

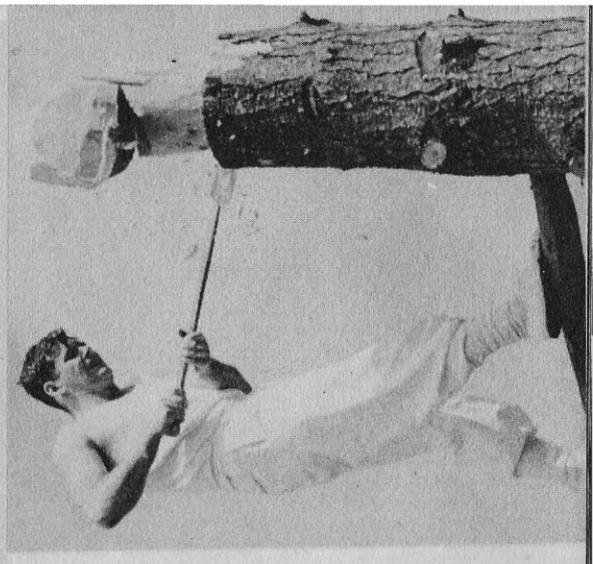
Left: The winner comes home, only yards in front of his rival.

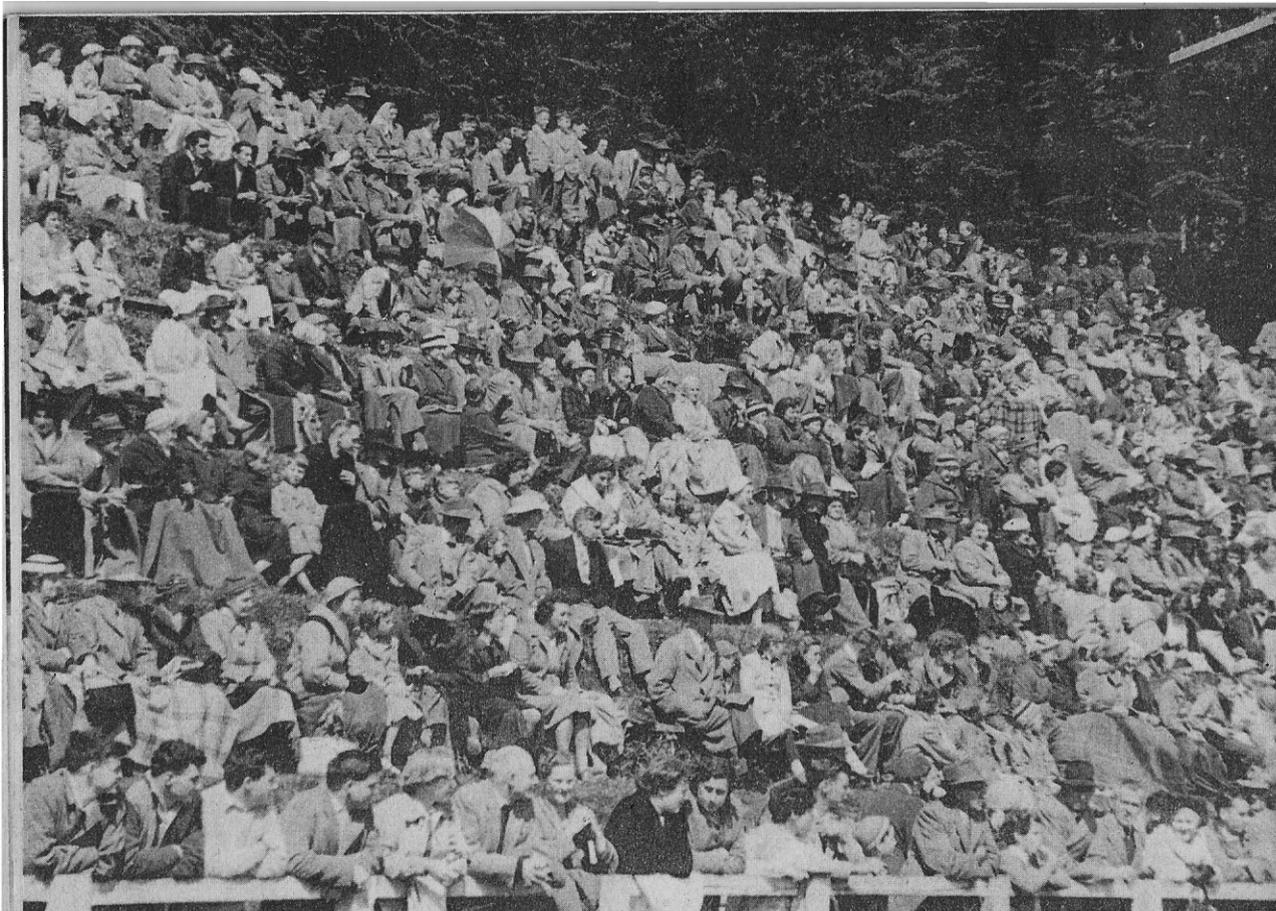
Right and below: Murray Halberg gets a bath and finishes strongly.



Below: Jigger chopping is a thing that is rarely seen in the North Island, but the crowd at the Inglewood show were treated to an exhibition of it by some experts from Nelson. Rob Hunt, a very agile axeman, mounts his final Jigger prior to attacking the block. Centre he gets on with the task, and right, off comes the top, to hurtle twenty feet to the ground.

Above: Our automatic camera captures the movements in a baton change-over in the primary schools relay final. Lynne Loveridge keeps her eye on the baton she is receiving from her team-mate Gail Davidson. Though a precision movement, their team, Norfolk School, was beaten into second place.

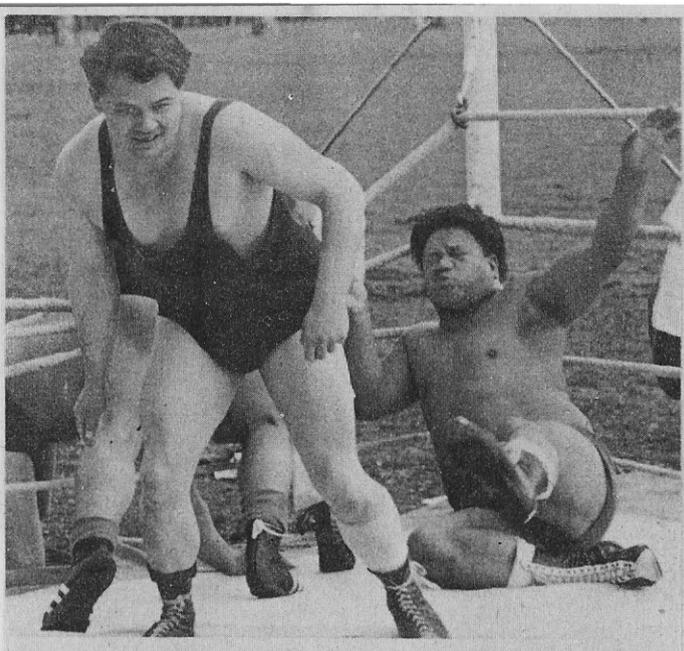




Above: Not many seats were available on the terraces at Jubilee Park for the Greatest Show On Earth, and those people who did brave the cool wind and threatening weather were rewarded with some grand athletics, a superb display by the police dogs, and aerobatics with model aeroplanes.

Below, left: Lex Lawrence, Inglewood, just misses the bar by a fraction in a high jumping event that was postponed because of the ground condition.

Below, right: The National champion Bob Thomas clears the bar well at 5ft.7ins.

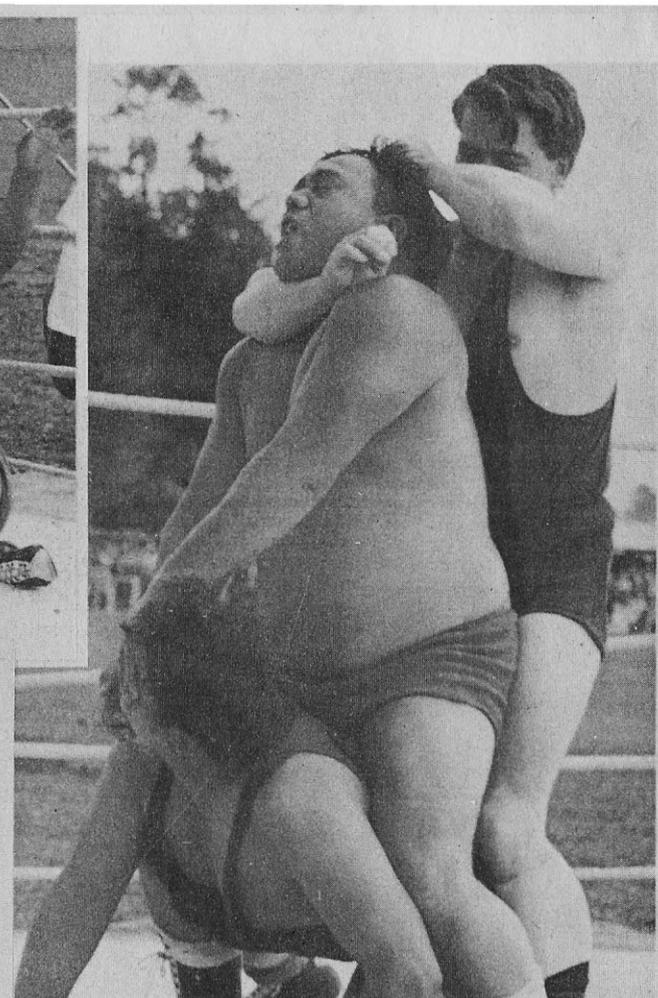


An unusual sporting event not very often seen in Taranaki, but an amusing interlude to athletics, was the tag wrestling. Buster and his brother Manu Governor from Hawera mixed it with a couple of tough birds from Auckland. With a commentary by wrestler Earl McCready, the crowd was kept on its toes for a hectic three rounds.

Above: Buster, having tossed one opponent out of the ring and dumped the other in the corner, grins with satisfaction.

Right: Hey, Fattie, that's me brudder's nose you're twisting. Two on to one is hardly fair, but it did cause a lot of amusement for the crowd.

Below: And when the wrestling started, the youngsters flocked to the ringside to see these musclemen at work. They howled and howled for their favourites, and offered all sorts of advice, and as the photo shows, they did this physically as well.

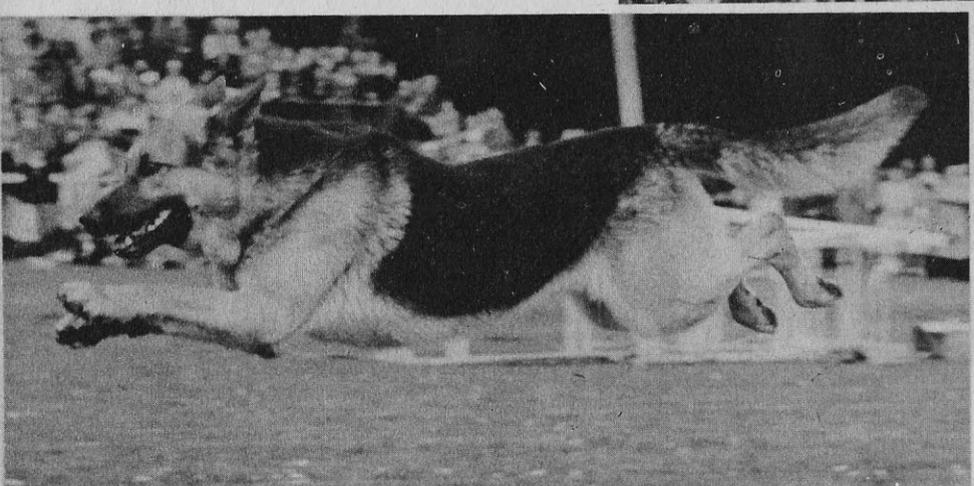
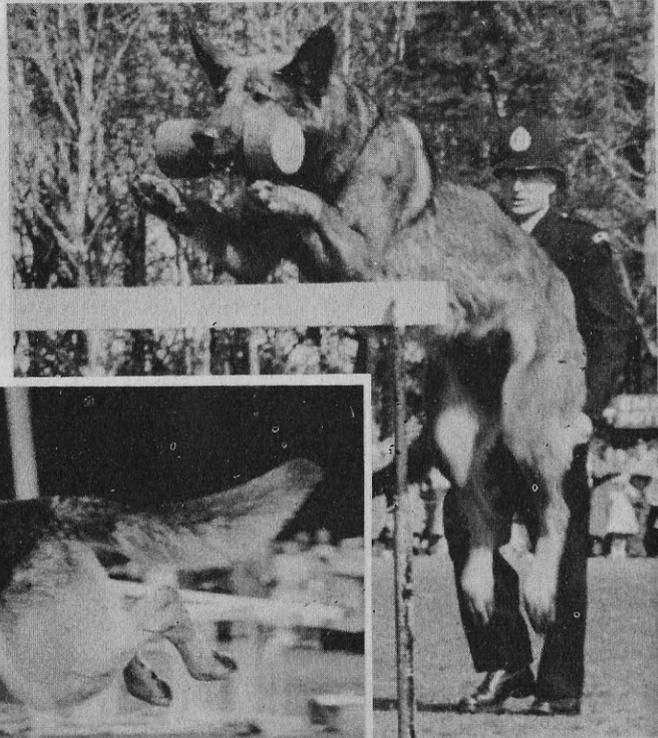


Another highlight of the show was the display given by the police dogs. These canine chasers showed the public just how obedient they could be to a word or movement of command. Not only are they helping the law, but they showed that they are both excellent high and broad jumpers.

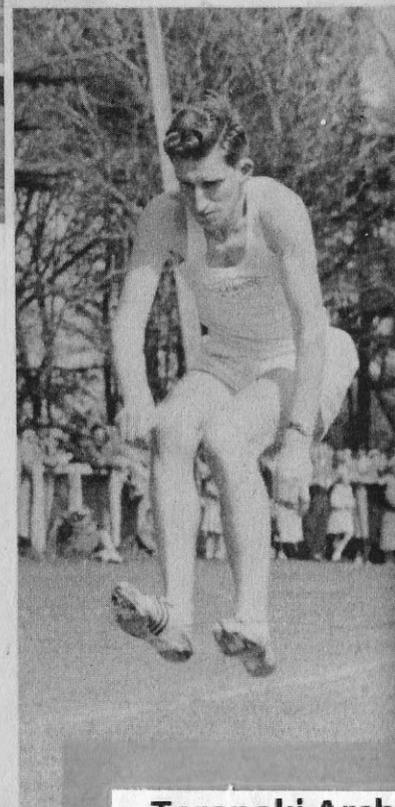
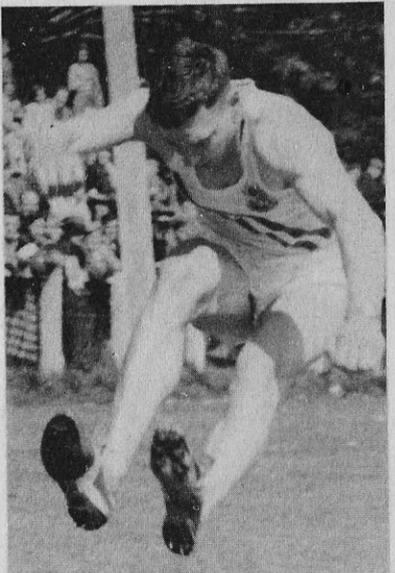
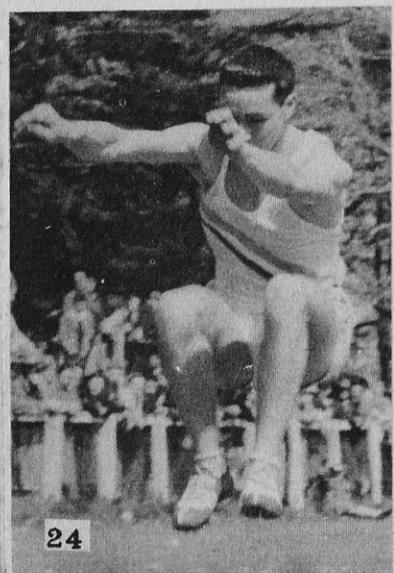
Right: Cito takes a high hurdle with a fairly weighty dumbbell between his teeth.

Below: This dog, Axel, makes a fine picture as he broad jumps over a row of low hurdles.

Bottom, from left: Hop Step and Jump exponents are, Dave Norris (Auckland), winner of the event with a jump of 47ft 3½ ins. Roy Williams (Auckland), second in the event, and Trevor Martin, the Inglewood boy, who was third.



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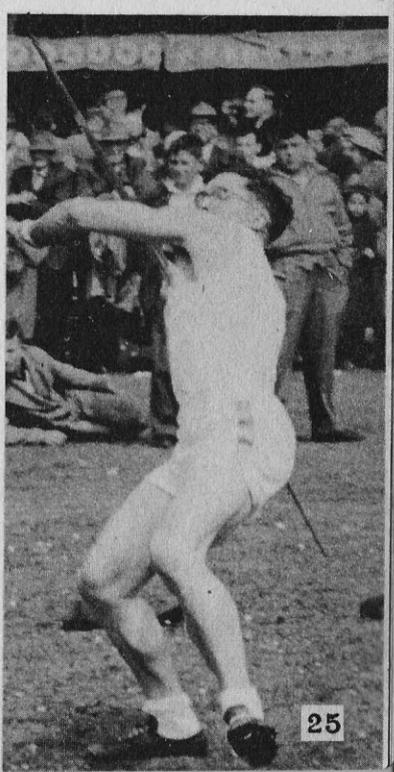
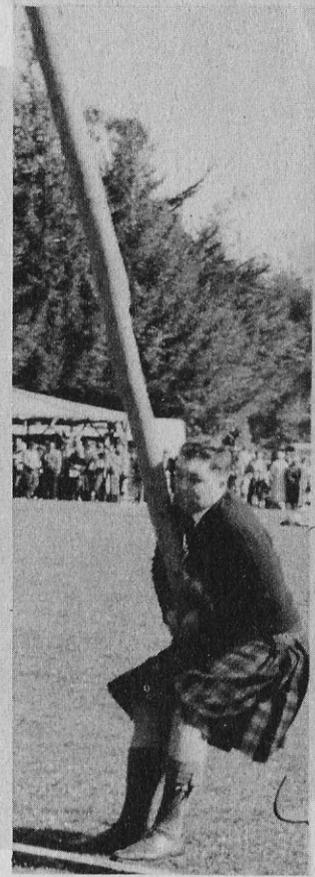


The only record that was created at the Inglewood show was that put up by the ladies in the invitation mile race. This is believed to be the first and only time that a mile event has been run solely for women. So it appears that those taking part have made not only a record, but history. It is thought that this could be the first time that the race has been run in Australasia.

Left: Faye McBeath and Robin Hames, both from Christchurch, are across the finishing line together for the epic mile event.

Right: Eric Churton of Wanganui makes a strenuous effort at tossing the caber.

Below, from left: B. Okasini, Stratford, made a brave showing against the country's best in the discus event. Jennifer Thomson, the national discus champion, prepares for a mighty throw. Theo Hintz (Inglewood) who was outclassed by the country's best in the javelin event.



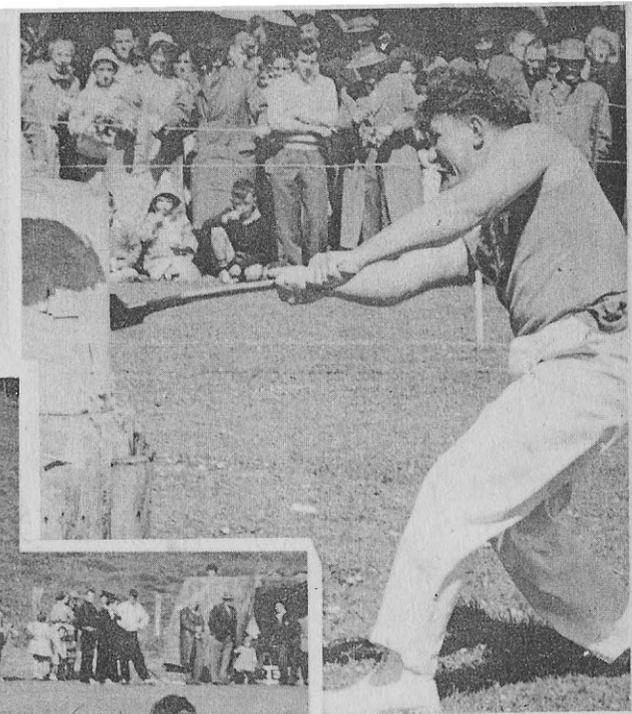


What a great day it was at the Greatest Show on Earth for the children! They saw some of the country's best athletes on show, besides some of the best that Taranaki can produce. A word in their favour can be said here for the behaviour of the youngsters. They were a model audience in every way.

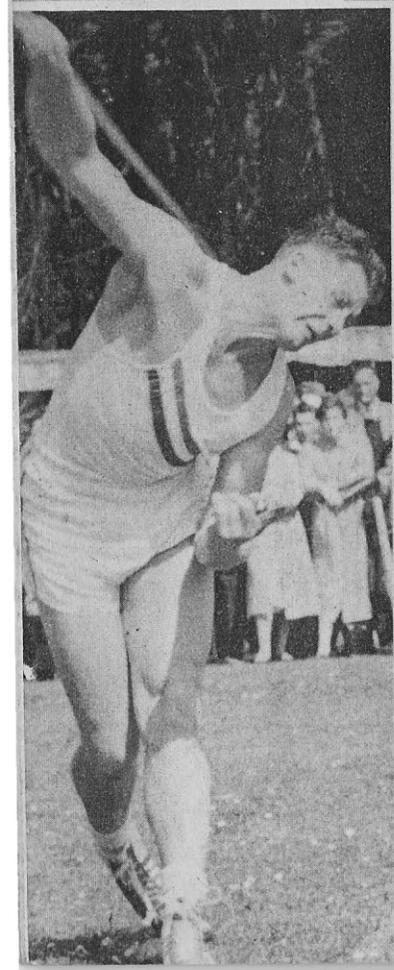
Right: Jack Stachurski chops his way through ten inches of tough timber.

Below: The field for the junior steeplechase having thinned out, leaves the way clear for the top trio to fight out the event.

Bottom: Now just look at these boy spectators! They are some of the hundreds of children who enjoyed the show. They just sat and thrilled to the wonderful programme taking place before their eyes.



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One of the highlights of the show was the senior 2-mile walk - a great finish to a great meeting of top-line athletes.

Above, from left: M.Hinton, Waikato, looks a tired winner of the event. Australia's ace walker, R. Nixon, who finished in second place. The Olympic champion, Norman Read, gets home just in front of his clubmate Arnold Lloyd.

Left: N.Z. champ javelin exponent Malcolm Hahn sends the javelin hurtling for 212ft.

Right: D.Skinner and D.Mott, both from Wellington, neck and neck at the tape in the mile schoolboys walk.

