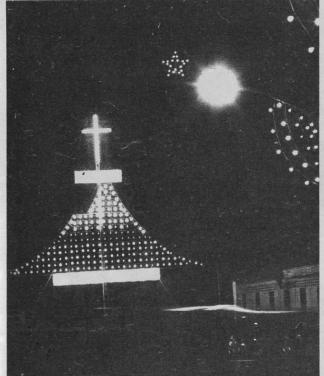


BURGESS PARK KIOSK

Soaking up the summer sun and surrounded by natural beauty is the Tea Kiosk at Burgess Park. The ideal place for a quiet summer Sunday stroll, the park offers cool respite from the summer heat. And, of course, the Kiosk is always handy for a refreshing drink.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS



Waitara's Christmas lights this year surpassed anything the town had previously done. The triangle (wishing everyone Christmas Greetings) was crowned with a cross and, above that and to the right, appears the Star of Bethlehem

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In Hotel for 50 Years



Mrs S. M. Fahy, who is 88 years of age, recently celebrated her 50th year in the Masonic Hotel in Waitara. Joining her for this picture are Jock and Michael Fahy, plus Ian Fahy, who returned especially from Australia to help celebrate the occasion

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OUR COVER

Miss January "Photo News" is Deanne Leach of Okato. Deanne, who will be a sixth form student at Okato College this year, lists her interests as softball, swimming, tennis and modelling.

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XMAS HAMPER WINNER

The winner of our fabulous Xmas Hamper contest in the last issue was Marion Eunson of Hawera. The correct answers to the contest were: A — Roll of paper; B — A glass eye; C — Tip of a cigarette. The three shops displaying the letter 5 were White Rabbit, Fitzroy Bookshop and Mell's Home & Colonial Foodmarket.



Comic book 'Sad Sack' raised a few laughs



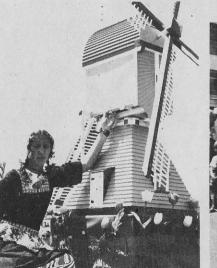
The children flocked to receive a free balloon



Kids from Bell Block kept ringing their ding-a-ling



These little pigs went to market



BLOCK

A Dutch influence was also evident

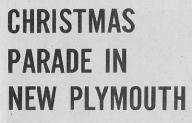


Of course, the trick bikes put in an appearance too

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The annual Christmas Parade through New Plymouth had more colourful and topical floats than we've seen for a while and a large crowd attended the parade.





Even the Arabs put in an appearance (perhaps to improve diplomatic relationships with New Zealand, or do they want our oil?)



What's a carnival without a clown?



The oil crisis was portrayed and here we revert to man power





Dreamland characters were also to be seen . . .



... and so was that timeless bearded gentleman

WHEELBARROW DERBY

A large crowd was attracted to the Wheelbarrow Derby held at Inglewood just before Christmas. The event was organised by the Inglewood Jaycees and held just on dusk.



Lynne Higgie and Jenny Acorn coming in first in the ladies' final heat



Lynne and Jenny, happy and exhausted after winning the race



A line-up of the ladies' first heat



Buddy Williams and Peter Robertson, who came first in their



Anton Naus and Colin Gee - they won their heat

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FITZROY STUDIOS

The Arcade, Fitzroy

OR AT

CAMERA HOUSE

Brougham Street, New Plymouth.



Ken Bird receives his present from Santa

Shell B.P. Todd Xmas Party

Santa managed to fit a short call to the Shell B.P. Todd Christmas Party into his busy schedule. The call was obviously appreciated and so were his presents.



Paul Johansen thought Santa was quite



Allan Dixon thought he was a bit big for Santa's knee



"Gosh, a big one for me," said Justine İnglis



Bronwen Jeffreys was a little shy of Santa



Gayle Campbell couldn't handle Santa and burst into tears



Jennifer McNaughton looked as if she liked his beard as much as her big present



Andrew Molchanoff thought his balloon was lovely



Susan Hasselorharua, who came third in the Junior Beauty Contest



Angela Chamberlain



Raewyn Saxton



The winner of the contest was Paula Martin.



Noeline Low



Linda Rustir



The three place-getters, from left, are Susan Hasselorharua (third), Paula Martin (first) and Nadine Woller (second)



Rosemary Thompson



Max Karena, the compere, talking to two of the contestants

OPUNAKE CARNIVAL

Over the New Year, Opunake staged a carnival-mardi gras. "Photo News" managed to get to one section only, as shown in these pages.

W. X



Lane Davey of New Plymouth going down the slide pretty carefully



That wasn't very funny - Mariana Heytley



Kiri Ngarotata of Auckland enjoying a ride on the donkey



A donkey ride was fun and many children took the opportunity



Michael Whittington and Kevin Lewis having a serious conversation



Cheryl Coombe enjoying a ride on the horses, even if they weren't for real



Doreen Maher, Mrs U. Maha and Mrs L. Bernard

Bowling Club's Xmas Party

A few weeks before Christmas, the Waitara Bowling Club held its annual Christmas party. There was a very large attendance including a bus load of bowlers from New Plymouth. The large crowd seemed happy enough, as is evident from the pictures y below.



Mrs S. Bullot and Mrs M. Franklin



Happiness was Mesdames U. Maha (president's wife) and Ina



Mr P. Franklin's motto for the evening was drink, drink!



Call us Jean and Jack



Sharing a joke are Brian Purdie and Duke Carter



Confidentially . . . Mrs Z. Hara and Mr Des Neilson



Jan Taylor, Fiona Parkes (back), Delwyn Franks, Rodney Sinclair, Ross Bowlton, Mr B. V. Kerr (headmaster) and Ernie Croots all appeared to be enjoying themselves

Egmont Village Form II Dinner

Egmont Village School held its annual Form II dinner with parents a few weeks before Christmas. It appears that there were some budding chefs among the Form II pupils.



Mrs W. B. Franks and daughter Delwyn





Mr Sinclair and Rodney



Mrs Croots and Ernie



Jan and her Mum have identical smiles



Mrs Parkes and daughter Fiona



The junior juvenile class

Gadston **Dance School** Break-up

The Gadston School of Dancing held its annual prize-giving and party a few weeks before Christmas. From the demonstrations given at the break-up, a very high standard has obviously been achieved by all pupils.



Kay Withers receiving her Bronze Ballroom Medal



Jenny Little collects her Bronze Ballroom Medal and a certificate for the Cha Cha



Valerie Baxter won the trophy for the highest aggregate points



Kevin Tito receiving his Bronze Ballroom Medal and Cha Cha certificate



Beth Smeaton looking very proud as she collects her Bronze Ballroom Medal and Cha Cha certificate



Mark Teruki receiving his Bronze Latin Medal





Valerie Baxter with her Aggregate Trophy





Jennifer Avery with the Aggregate Trophy for her class



Roger Bird was the second highest in the Aggregate points



Robyn and Gavin receiving their Silver Ballroom Medals



Gavin Peters admitted to being a scally wag and presented Mr and Mrs Gadston with a Christmas present to make up for it

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES - PHOTO NEWS BABY PHOTO CONTEST

It's on again. The 1974 Bank of New South Wales-Photo News Baby Photo Contest starts again today. Prize money offered is a \$50 Savings Account with the Bank of New South Wales and a voucher for \$3.00 worth of sweets or biscuits.

Consolation prizes are five Bank of New South Wales Savings Accounts, each with an initial deposit of \$2.00. The winner will, of course, receive a miniature of the trophy that is won and held for a year by the grand winner.



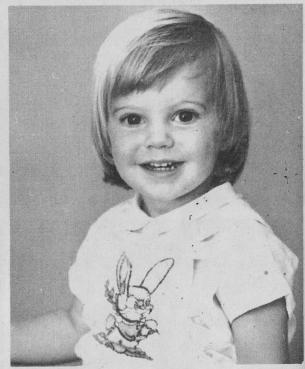
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The normal sitting fee payable to the studio concerned will be required, plus the cost of one only 6" x 4" print. The 6" x 4" print may be claimed after the contest concludes.

South Taranaki residents should phone 80-101 (Vogue Studios) and appointments will be arranged at a convenient time, to be taken in your home.

"Photo News' shall, at its discretion, appoint a judge for the contest, whose name shall not be made



Last year's winner of the contest

known until after the results are announced. "Photo News" reserves the right to publish any photograph entered in the contest at any time. While a selection of the photos entered will be published each month, during the term of the contest, no guarantee will be made that any particular photograph will or will not be published.

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Entries will close at 5.00 p.m. on March 15, 1974.
Results will be published in the April issue of "Photo News."

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Bell Block Kindy Break-up

The Kindy break-up was enjoyed by everyone this year, even the teachers. A special feature this year was a puppet show put on for the kids and after the show they all waited patiently for Santa, who eventually arrived and did his traditional thing.



All the kids sitting on the mat waiting for the puppet show to begin



Grant Rodgers and Tod Parlane enjoyed their ice cream and the wooden spoon tasted good too



"That's my name written on there, Santa," said Steven Elliot



Sarah Voone told Santa he had a big nose



"Can I shoot you with it, Santa," said Brett Ranson



Karen Rowe asked Santa to read the writing on her present.



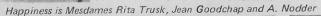
Diane Windwood



A Happy Xmas Party

Members of the Happiness Club held their Christmas party in St Joseph's Youth Centre some weeks before Christmas. Those present really enjoyed the function.

NAMANAMAKA





Singing a happy song were Mrs K. E. Ryan and Mrs L. Knight



Mrs E. Bond and Mrs M. Wraif



Two very happy people - Flo Hancock and Nan



Three of the club's eldest members, all over eighty, are Nan Campbell, Ethel Hopsin and Sis Nodder



Three younger members of the club are Maureen Wright, Janet Wright and Lynette Rook



Mrs A. Kaye

Andrew Molxhanoff looked at the camera and wondered what it was

Global Engineering Picnic

Many nationalities from around the world were represented at the Global Engineering picnic. The feature of the day was a rolling pin throwing competition.







"Make mine a large one, brother," say Peter and Craig Dunning



Janet Brady had a good try



Linda O'Sullivan, Janet Dillan and Heather Glentworth

Newspaper's End-of-Year Party

Just before Christmas the Daily News held its Christmas dinner at the Royal Hotel. The feature of the evening was Dennis Garcia, who held everyone's hands then proceeded to qualify for the 'clown of the year' title.



Doreen Eggleton



Dennis Garcia (with a twinkle in his eye), Murray Moorehead and Mrs Moorehead



Mr A. J. McGee and Mr D. P. McNeil



Carol Morgan and Dianne Fergus



Carol Weir, Karen Finderup and Kushla Blair



Who cracked the funny? Neil Blackhall, Doreen Eggleton or Barry Garcia?



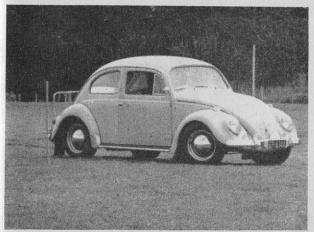
Cars lined up waiting their turn



David Key takes his car into a sharp turn



John Sole drives this, but it doesn't look like a VW



The driver of this VW is Ashley Hill

MOTO-TRIALS

The Volkswagen Car Club held trials one recent weekend at the New Plymouth Racecourse. Tests for drivers involved driving along a premarked course on the grass (course was marked with pegs) and this involved some fairly sharp turns which was a fair test of ability.



Tony Walker is into a straight stretch



Lawrence Larkin skids into a turn



Harry Duynhoven kicks up the dirt



MODEL SCHOOL GRADUATION

Irene Barr's Modelling School recently held its end-of-course graduation at the Ngamotu Tavern.



Glennis Watson, Gaeleen Cocker and Jocelyn Sharrock

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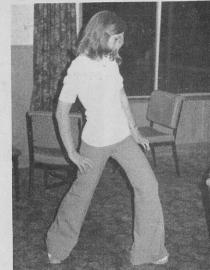
The Arcade, Fitzroy, New Plymouth. Phone 85-893. OR

CAMERA HOUSE

Brougham Street, New Plymouth. Phone 87-733.



Barbara Bosch and Jo Henry



One of the models in classic pose



Sharon Wiltshire





Gillian Sparkes







Catherine Vossen



Gaeleen Cocker





Denise Hutchings





Jo Henry





Barbara Bosch



Jocelyn Sharrock





Sharon Wiltshire



Old Boys



Old Boys' R and R



Brian Schicker (East End)



Percy Clow (Fitzroy)

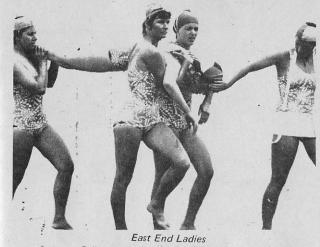


Old Boys, Fitzroy, East End, Old Boys Junior and Fitzroy B

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OPUNAKE SURF COMPETITIONS

The first inter-club surf competitions for the current season were held a few weeks back at Opunake. Although there was only a medium-sized crowd to watch the events, competition between the competing clubs was never keener. Opunake did exceptionally well in the surf canoe races, winning both events.





Fitzroy B



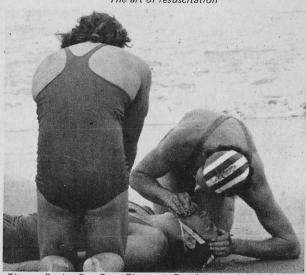
Caroline Nodder (East End)



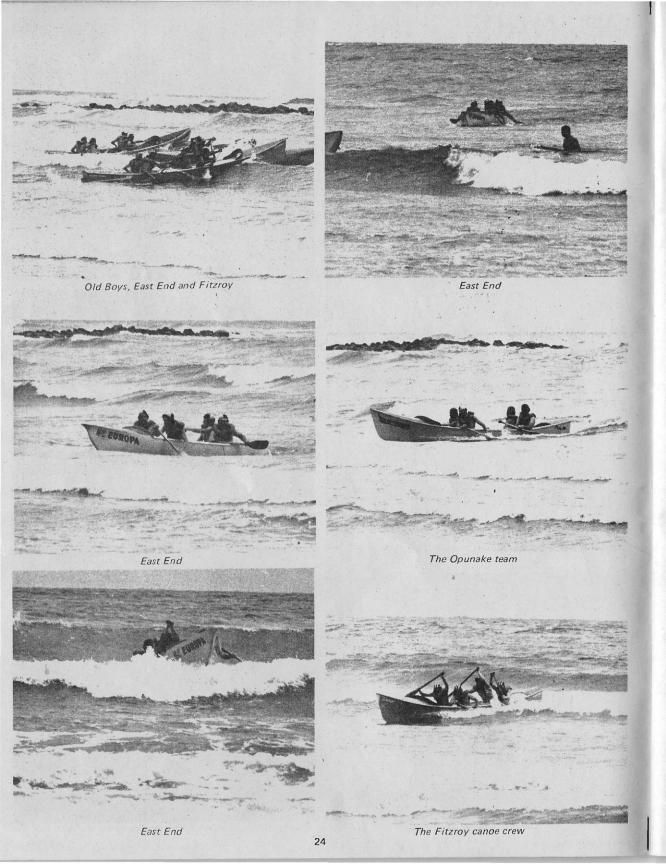
The Fitzroy A team: Ross Fraser, Richard Edwards, Neil Earley, Joseph Gray and Paul Davies



The art of resuscitation



Fitzroy Senior B - Buzz Florence, Reg Johns and Alan Drent







Opunake Juniors



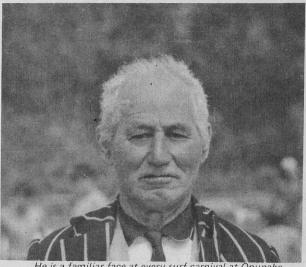
Two surfers trying the waves



Buzz Florence taking off



Two children just content to play in the sand



He is a familiar face at every surf carnival at Opunake

It Looks Real —But It Was Only An

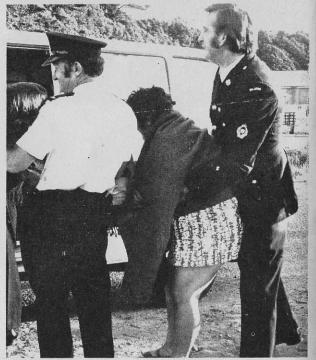
Exercise

Members of St John, the Fire Brigade, Police and Traffic Departments all took part in an emergency exercise in mid-December. The scene was a 'vehicle accident' on the Waiwakaio Hill. One car was on fire down the bottom of a bank and several "injured victims' required immediate attention.





On the spot attention. One "victim" has a "head injury and the other "broken legs"







This "victim" is loaded into a station wagon

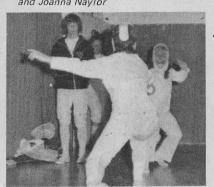


Graeme Phillip, now the men's champ, and Gary Wiltshire

Gary Wiltshire and Graeme Phillip



Sandra McArthur, now ladies' champ, and Joanna Naylor



Joanna Naylor and Gail Peterson

FENCING CHAMPIONSHIPS

The New Plymouth Fencing Club recently had its end of season Club Championships followed by a dinner at the Braemar.



Peter Brighton



Gail Peterson and Laurice



Carl Lehndorf and Peter Brighton

The Australian "New World Construction Co:" Elaine Harwood (Australia), Alan Cowley (Invercargill), Moira Reid, Dianne McDonald and Andrew Blake of Australia

Baha'i Conference

Members of the Baha'i community recently held a conference at the North Egmont Chalet. Visiting participants were from as far away as Hamlton, Christchurch, Wanganui, Palmerston North, Canada and Australia.



Heather-Ann Black (Wanganui) and Andrew Blake (Australia)





Heather-Ann Black and Andrew Blake



Peter Mains (Wellington), Hugh, Liz, Tricia Kite (Palmerston North), Moira Reid (Australia) and friends from Wanganui 28



Barbara McLellan (Palmerston North)





Moira Reid (Australia)



Mike Collins, Co-ordinator for New Plymouth Baha'i community



Friends from Wanganui and Hamilton



Mr and Mrs Phil France of Canada



Paul Gunderson and Heather Buchan



Miss C. Allan and Mr B. Schmitz



Mrs C. Wilks and Mr D: Frank



Coudine Leong



Graeme Heap and Shirley Batchelor



Neil Lovegrove and Ann Vinnicamba



Richard Ballintine and Sue McKenzie



John McKenzie, Debbie Radie and Sue McKenzie

Spotswood College Ball

The Spotswood College recently held its end-of-year ball, for 5th, 6th and 7th Formers. Approximately 150 attended and seemed to enjoy themselves.

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Johna Carstens, Sharon Walker and Robyn Meredith



Martin Humphrey and Janine Stewart



Lynda Baker and Graeme Berry



Russell King and Alison Weatherall



Ken and Rosemary Malan



Mr and Mrs H. Ashley-Brown



"Titch," owned by Mr and Mrs K. Modre



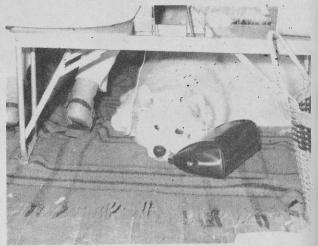
"Bruno," owned by Mrs Osborne of Masterton



"Pahan," who is five months old, decided it was time he had a rest

DOG SHOW

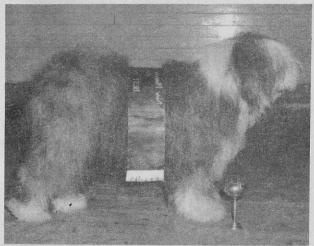
A large number of entries was recorded in all sections of the recent Dog Show held in New Plymouth's Queen Hall. We were particularly fascintated by two Samoyed puppies which seemed to steal everyone's hearts and also by a frosted Afghan hound.



This Samoyed puppy looks a bit tired



A. Sorenson, who owns "Benjamin," a Great Dane



Champion Taninda Blue, owned by Mrs P. A. Wansbrough,



This beautiful dog is owned by Kent Baillie



Sjellika and Rose-Melba are two 10 weeks-old Samoyed puppies 33



Pharoah, owned by Bruce Fleming, was the Best Puppy in the



Jill Dainow with two "Papillons" (French for butterfly ear dogs). Their names are Peter and Fancy



"Charm" is looking very sweet and beautiful

THE KENNY RODGERS SHOW

The Festival of the Pines season got off to a very fine start this year with a concert by Kenny Rodgers and the First Edition. They proved themselves to be fine musicians and good entertainers, but once again we saw the case of another world-renowned group of artists complaining about the impossibility of reaching the audience when playing at the Bowl. The lake may help to keep the audience away from the entertainers but any contact between the two (usually considered important) is impossible.





The front line members of the group fooling around between numbers 34





Drummer Mickey Jones takes his bow



Kenny Rodgers, star of the show



CANINE **CLUB** CABARET

The Canine Club recently had a cabaret after the dog show, and there were quite a few out of town visitors.



K. Roebuck, A. Valentine and P. Matenga



Margaret and Gordon Webber



Darcy Weir and Loreen Lee



Mrs L. Preston and Bill Meehan



Mr and Mrs Jack Webster



Mr and Mrs P. Gregory (president of Obedience)





Topsy Reed, one of the ladies responsible for the supper



Cess Goodwin (obedience judge)

ARMY DINNER

Three weeks before Christmas, A Company, fifth battalion R.N.Z.I.R. held its ladies dining-in night at the Tea Kiosk in Pukekura Park. The guest for the evening was Major J. T. Shaw.





Sergeant and Mrs Val Worthington, W.O.1 and Mrs T. R. Samuels and W.O.1 and Mrs Gar Shaw



Anne Hornblow and Carol Trott



Sergeant Perry and Staff Sergeant Biltig



Anne Boskall and Frances Noonan



Major Shaw, Mrs Wagstaff and Captain Peter Ferens



Tony Robinson, a cartwheel



Jenny Avery over the vault

HIGHLANDS SCHOOL'S GYMNASTIC DISPLAY

As part of Highlands School's end-of-year activities, a gymnastic display was staged one evening about a week before the end-of-year break-up. This included beginners doing what appeared to be simple movements, right through to seniors who performed quite intricately.



Joanna Nichols on the beam



Tracy Carter works out on the beam



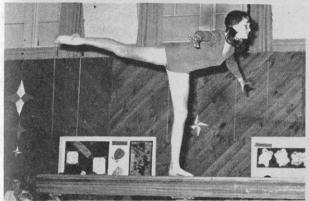
... and Bruce Thompson



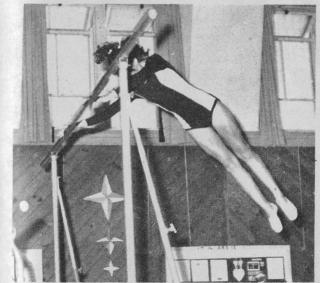
. . . and Jane McCarthy, too



Jocelyn Cole, a movement in balance



Jenny Avery on the beam



Sandra Thompson the moment before she let go





Joanne White, an extremely graceful movement on the bars



Darryl Walker on the way down to mother earth

Terry Pope and Val Hildred

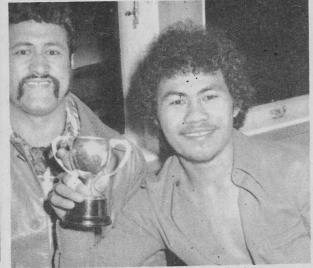




Ron Campbell with his cup

POWER PROJECT LEAGUE CABARET

The Cabaret was held at the Power Project's single men's dining-room. It was held at the end of November and approximately 200 people attended.



Foe Paulo with the cup he received



Doug Campbell



Joan Whitehead



Howie Taute, Dianne Edwards, and Willy Mathews



John Fox



George and Carol Kidwell, Myra and Nigel Raddich and Jenny Taylor



Wendy Anderson with her cup



Tex Kundall and Shona Fernee



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Taranaki is famous for the spectacular beauty of Mt

Egmont, also for its lush green farmlands, its status as

The province is also notable for its friendly people;

Where are they hiding? The search is on for Miss

Taranaki 1974. Sponsors have been organised and all

First prize is \$500 cash, the right to compete for the

Miss New Zealand crown and the possibility of over-

seas travel. There are awards for second and third and

With petrol rationing a distinct probability, movement within the country will be minimalised. But the

Miss New Zealand quest will continue, and the winner

of the Miss Taranaki title will have the opportunity of

That is just one attraction. Any eligible girl — and

visual surveys indicate there are plenty of them -

could have the world at her feet. And there is the

additional honour: of representing a province of

not only pretty scenery and attractions, but also

which she can be justly proud, a province that offers

that remains is the emergence of a number of lovely

a leading horticultural centre and for its many

"special" attractions.

and what about the pretty girls?

Taranaki lassies to contest the title.

presentations for those who are not placed.

an all-expenses-paid New Zealand 'holiday.'

with BRYCE McPHERSON

exceptionally attractive lassies. The search for Miss Taranaki 1974 is on. Contact the organising secretary: Mrs Lorraine Cowley, New

ness). Eligibility involves being not younger than 18 years of age as at March 15, 1974, and no older than 25 as at November 30, 1974. An entrant must be a naturalised New Zealander and resident in Taranaki at the time of

Plymouth. Phones: 89-847 (Private), 80-859 (Busi-

Don't be shy. Ring NOW!!! You could be Miss Taranaki 1974.

A bachelor never quite gets over the idea that he is a thing of beauty and a boy forever.

Here it is, the programme for the 1974 Festival of the Pines at the Bowl of Brooklands.

January 1: Tiny Tim (tentative) and New Faces for 1973, the Bulldog Goodtime Band.

January 4: Davco Happen Inn Show, featuring television entertainers.

January 19: A family variety show.

The N.Z.B.C. Symphony Orchestra. January 23:

February 2: To be announced.

February 9: Miss Brooklands Proclamation, with entertainment by Dame Sister Mary Leo's choir and soloists.

February 12-13: An overseas attraction to be confirmed.

February 16: English tenor John Boulter returns, supported by Jonathon Cohen (pianist), Gillian Humphries (soprano) and Gray Bartlet.

February 22: A firm booking by a top overseas pop

March 2: Local production, Sounding Brass and Voices, featuring young artists from

city colleges and the champion city brass band.

March 9: An unconfirmed booking for an over-

seas performer.

The festival blow-up. Fireworks display March 16:

by Thomas Doo.

Parting thought: "That's enough out of you," said the surgeon as he sewed up a patient.





Jocelyn and Willy Wood



Robby and Shona Bullot



Ian Weir and Bob Donnelly attended the door



Jill and Laurie Peacock



Allan and Kay Vanner



Moira Boone and Paul Stewart



Max Rodgers



Bob Skipper who was the guitarist

Firemen's Hillbilly Xmas Party

Recently the firemen held their Christmas party at the Fire Station The costume was hillbilly and almost everyone arrived in their best. A prize was given for the best one.



Max Rogers, Tony Powell, Carol Rogers and Bernice Powell



Fire Chief Ron Smith with his wife, Daphne, and Allan Proctor



The Sheriff was hanging from the rafters keeping a close eye on everyone



Murray and Delwyn Andrews



Mike Wesley, winner of the best costume, and Julie Webster

OPUNAKE BEER FESTIVAL

A large crowd attended the Beer Festival and we are sure they all enjoyed it. The small hall was literally packed to capacity. The beer flowed, people danced and sang and many a toast was proposed (even to the Opunake Surf Club).



to get up and do a Cossack dance



Bryce Feather and Russell Fenwick, both of Hawera



Jim Corric of Rahotu, and Danny and Cathy McIntyre of Pungarehu



Wayne Tipler played an accordion



A happy group



J. Williams, M. Askew and L. Quintus



Michael Quintus and Chris Thom





Eddie Bayliss, Bob Douglas and Ian Strong, all of Opunake



Margaret Peters and Patria Horgan were beer maids for the evening



Glenda Adlam and Rosalie Moorie

Fraser Stephenson of New Plymouth, who was the compere

for the evening

Here we see Lee Astridge meeting Santa



Linda Hale receives her present



Sharon Keetley had a sweet smile for the bearded one



. . . but Martin Megaw wasn't at all sure about Santa

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR CHILDREN

(COURTESY PHILLIPS MOTORS).

Employees of Phillips Motors in New Plymouth all took their children along to the Tukapo Gym one Saturday afternoon a few weeks before Christmas. There the children met Santa (some for the first time) and each received a present from the bearded gentleman.



. . . and so does Susan Wellington



Gregory Moore had no fears at all

IF IT LOOKS LIKE A NEWS PHOTO RING PHOTO NEWS-80-101



Tracy Norwood loved her balloon



. . and John Eagles needed some help from Mum



Steven Weather was complete with party hat . . .



Leanne Mayhead thought Santa was really nice



Baby Susan had to take Dad (Nev Goldsworthy) with her



Greg Astridge was happy to receive his gift



. . . and Gavin Webber showed no fear of Santa either



GUIDES' CONCERT

Girl Guides held a concert a few weeks back at the Welbourne School Hall. The concert, which was varied and most enjoyable to the audience, was to raise funds to purchase new equipment.



Mrs Riordon's group recites a poem





Ranger Julie Smith played her accordion between acts



Sheryl Jones and Helen Rusco sang a well known Christmas Carol. (They each acted out a part while singing too)



This sketch was modelled on 'the Dating Game'

Tap Dance School's Break-up

Peter Gray's Tap Dance School held its end-of-year break-up and prize-giving just before Christmas. There was a good attendance of parents who seemed to enjoy the function as much as the children.



Members of the dance school



Michelle Kettle and Christine Harris doing a duo



Rachel Palmer



Lane Tito





Graeme Peters



Armistead

Santa Visits Playcentre

This year, when Santa went to the New Plymouth Playcentre, some of the children were very pleased to see him, although some were not so pleased by his appearance. I am sure the child-ren that did not like him at first, changed their minds when they saw the big bag of presents for





"Can I eat it, Santa?" says Blair Joblins



Tasha Trigg was very apprehensive and needed Mum's help



The kids look amazed as Jacky Arnold receives her present



Leon McIntyre can't wait to open his present



"Thank you Santa," said Sharron Smith



"Gee! It's nice and big," thinks Kath Johnson



Sarah Coombes got a reassuring hand from her mother



, Mrs A. V. Tomasi, Mrs J. Hanks and Mr A. V. Tomasi

Senior Citizens' **Xmas Party**

A few weeks before Christmas, the Senior Citizens held their party in the Old Folk's Hall. There was a very large attendance of happy people.



Mesdames J. Parker and L. G. Waters listening to the Christmas



Mr and Mrs L. Swab of Inglewood were obviously enjoying



Mr S. M. O'Bryne, Mr S. Philpatrick, Mrs A. Growcotts and Mrs D. Loae



Mrs S. Barham was content to watch the proceedings



The company brought back many old memories for Victor Hardgrave and Charlie Newell



Another merry senior citizen

Some of the contestants for the Miss Holiday Beach Resorts contest



As usual, the annual Oakura New Year's carnival was very much a fun thing. Well, there was a Jesus band, an Indian warrior, beauty contests, and a guy who blew himself up... what more could you want except maybe a warm sea, and boy was it warm.







The winner of the contest, Wendy Armstrong (Miss Charles Key Pharmacy Ltd). Second was Wendy Luthard and third Lyn Clark



They say there's oil down there



Wendy Titcombe found that being a clown (and occasionally getting drowned) was a neat way to keep your cool



The winner of the Mrs Oakura contest was Mrs Lyn Bourn from Patea



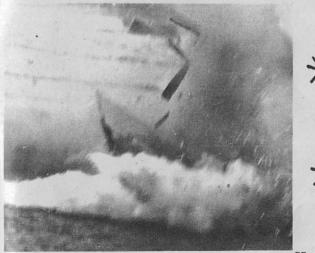
The Hollywood (?) stuntman, down and out with a kick in the midriff



cream war paint



Very carefully Lou places himself in the box (ABOVE) and, after the ignition of the explosive (BELOW), finds himself at the water's edge







Anna Leah was brought to New Plymouth by the Fitzroy Businessmen's Association as the star attraction of their annual Christmas Carnival. While here, Anna accepted a Now Sound Award which she had won (Single of the Year Award for 'Love Bug') and she also represented EMI at the presentations. Prior to her free concert, Anna visited the Fitzroy Kindy and held a fun singing session with the kids there



"Does anyone know Love Bug?" asked Anna, to which the children chorused "Yes!"



Just like the proverbial Pied Piper, Anna gathered the children around her and sang them (and herself) to happiness

ANNA LEAH AT FITZROY



Our Editor, Lin Annabel, presented the Now Sound Awards. Here he presents Brian Tobech of WEA with Carly Simon's Award





Backing band for the concert was 'Lil Big Band,' who also performed a bracket of songs



Anna with the EMI Awards



Lil Big Band drummer Grant Houston puts his heart and soul into the music



During her act, Anna got a bunch of children onto the stage and they helped her sing



Compere Les Hyland introduces Anna



Anna belts it out in more serious vein . . .



. . and after the show she was mobbed for autographs



Anna and Les had no trouble at all getting rid of the give-aways which included copies of "Photo News" and records



"That's sweet, Santa, but I did want a horse," said Annette Law

ST JOHN XMAS PARTY

Santa was a busy boy this year and once again we caught up with him, this time at the St John Christmas Party. Santa delighted all the kids and everyone had a great time.







Ross Harvey



Santa was greated by Don Robinson and the kiddies



We wonder what she had to attract all that attention from the other kids



"Hurry, Santa, I want to open it," said Denise Harvey



Ann Ryan



David Harvey thinks his present is heavy



Neville Dixon plays the "burst the balloon" game

Firth—Conroc Kids' Party

The Firth-Conroc Company gave a free Christmas party for their employees' children a few weeks ago. There were games for the adults and children and it was apparent that everyone had a great time.



.A happy couple were Harrod and Mum (Mrs Hancock)



Mr Bishop and Lorraine



Mr Hancock and his closest friend Paul



Margaret and Elaine look sweet, but why, Sir, do you look so glum?



We didn't know what this contest was called, but were the contestants funny!



Mr and Mrs Wilson and Kirsty



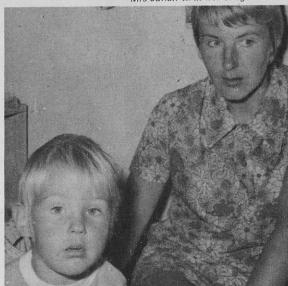
John and Brett Whalen



Mrs Julian with her daughters

FITZROY KINDY PICNIC

End-of-year activities at the Fitzroy Kindy this year included a family picnic, which had to be held inside because of the rain. This event was extremely well received by both parents and kiddies. Everybody present had a great time, and head teacher Ann Brotherson made sure of it.



Helen Hicks with son Blair



Renee Lambert and Murray Easthope were really enjoying themselves



Gloria Bourke and young Peter



Shelly West thinks happiness is a Christmas party



Mrs Dianne Smith with her son and daughter Elaine



Paula Carter with Mum and young brother



We wonder what the object was that caught Mrs Nicholls and Douglas's attention



"The present's corny, so let's get back to the bottle!"



"Don't know what they put in this nowadays, but boy it tastes good" 61



Alan Benton put in his thumb (whoops, fingers) and pulled out a ???



Standard 4 pupils bunny-hop their way round the hall

Welbourne School's Std 4 Social

At the beginning of December, last year, Welbourne School held its annual Standard 4 social. This time even the Mums and Dads joined in the dancing and everyone, even the teachers, enjoyed the occasion.



On and on they hopped, seemingly forever



Mrs E. Pilbrow and Mr Jack Reid



Terry Nickson, Bryan Gernhoffer, Ian Reihy and Rodney Williams



Russell Kirkwood and Brett Stear appeared awfully solemn and we wondered why



Marleen Grundy



Carolyn Pilbrow appeared to be having a great time



Donna Reid



Scott, Debbie and Eleanor Pearson all holding their Christmas presents



Carlton Tce

Junior Residents'

Xmas Party

Iain Hunt looks inquisitively at his present from Santa





"You're a nice guy, Santa," says Kaye Goldsworthy



"I'll have both of them, Santa," says Suzanne Cronin



Susan Goldsworthy seems also a little unsure of Santa

RECENT WEDDINGS



Above: O'BYRNE—TROTTER. At the Anglican Church, Stratford, Gayle Maree, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. H. Trotter of Stratford, to Roger William, son of the late Mr and Mrs W. J. O'Byrne of Auckland, and formerly of Inglewood. The attendants were Karen and Vicki Trotter, both of Stratford, Janice O'Byrne of Auckland, and Colin Vesty and Kevin Hann of Stratford. The couple will live in Stratford.

Below: GOODIN—HIESTAND. At St Patrick's Catholic Church, Kaponga, Helena Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Hiestand of Awatuna, to John Francis, son of Mr and Mrs H. B. Goodin of Auroa. The attendants were Joy Willison of New Plymouth, Marie Goodin of Auroa and Gary Butler of Awatuna. The couple will live at Auroa. (Paul Connell Studios).





Above: ASQUITH—SKELTON. At St Andrew's Church, New Plymouth, Shirley May, daughter of Mr and Mrs V. Skelton of Waitara, to Graeme Douglas, son of Mr and Mrs R. D. Asquith of New Plymouth. The attendants were Annette Shotter of New Plymouth, Maree Crofskey of Waitara, Brian Williams of Inglewood, Wayne Asquith of New Plymouth, and Grant Skelton, Tracy and Sharon Keith, all of Waitara. The couple will make their home in New Plymouth. (Charters and Guthrie).

Below: SHOEBRIDGE—TUUTA. At the Base Hospital Chapel, New Plymouth, Dawn Sharon, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. M. Tuuta of Pungarehu, to Peter David, son of Mr and Mrs K. E. Shoebridge of Auckland. The attendants were Faye Shoebridge of Avondale, Raena Tuuta of Pungarehu, Tom Dyett of New Plymouth and Neil Shoebridge of Avondale. The couple will live in New Plymouth. (Charters and Guthrie).



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Brent Proctor receiving his present



After opening his present Carl Dombroski watched everyone



Debbie Robertson and Kathleen Parish were really engrossed in opening their presents

FIREMEN'S KIDS PARTY

Naturally Santa arrived on a fire engine at the firemen's children's Christmas party. The engine was quickly surrounded by eager children so Santa proceeded to dish out the presents while still seated on the engine, much to everyone's delight.

We thought the expressions on the kids' faces when they opened their presents were delightful. And, after all, Christmas really is for the kids, isn't it?



There goes another



"Wow that's neat," says Brent Proctor



