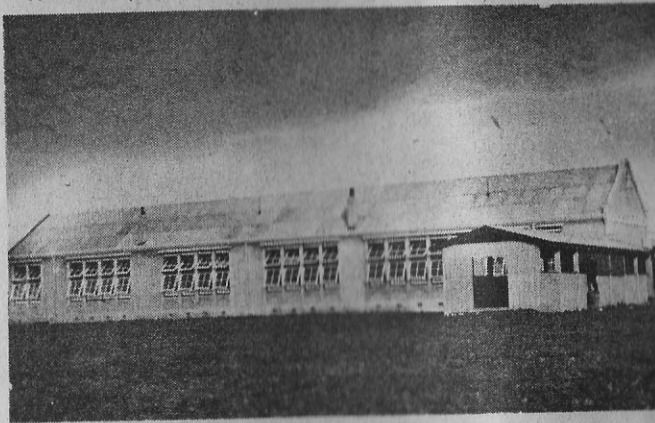
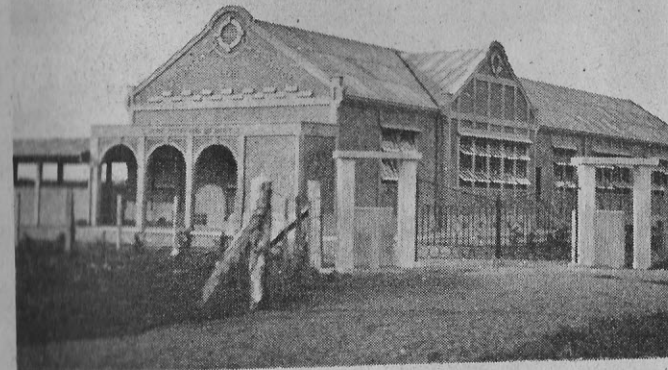


# Westown School Jubilee

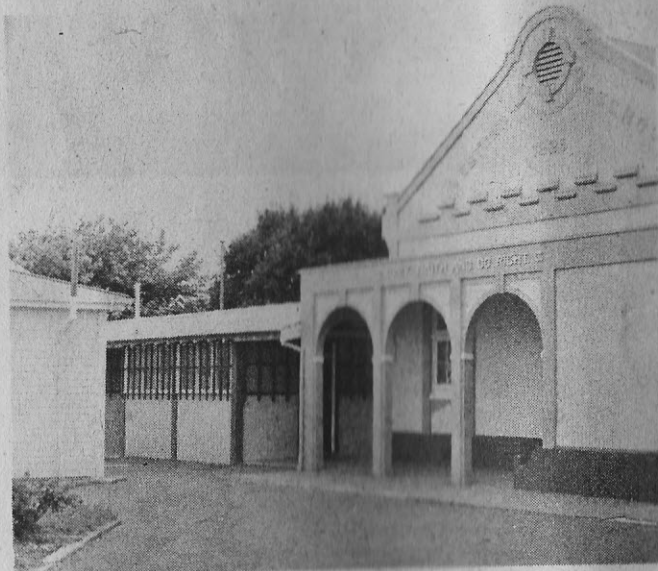
The Westown School Jubilee was held in New Plymouth over the Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Easter break. Some six or seven hundred people attended the Jubilee which consisted of two social functions (a get-together on the Friday night and a Cabaret on the Saturday night) the official ceremony on the Saturday afternoon and a service on the Sunday. Pictured on the following pages are the Decade photographs, pictures from the Get-together, plus pictures from the official ceremony, and a look at the school's past.



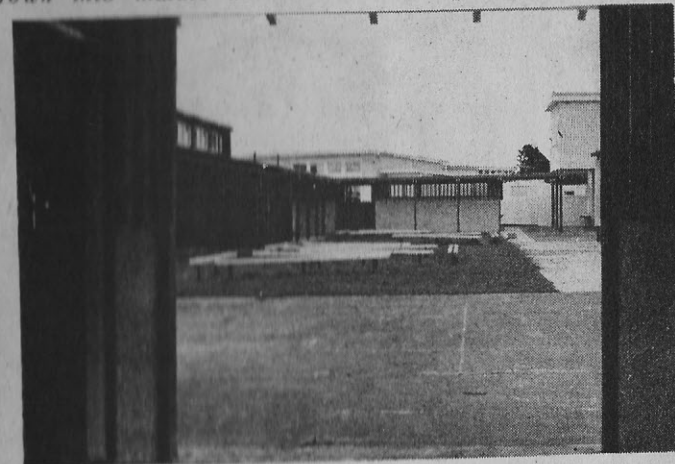
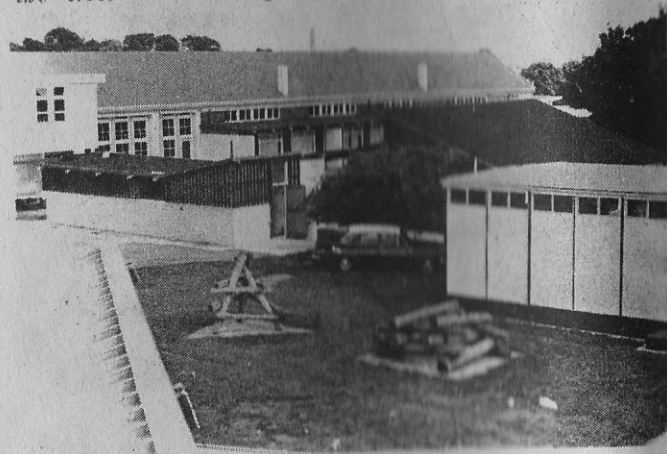
The single block that constituted Westown School when it opened back in 1925.



The original school block under construction.



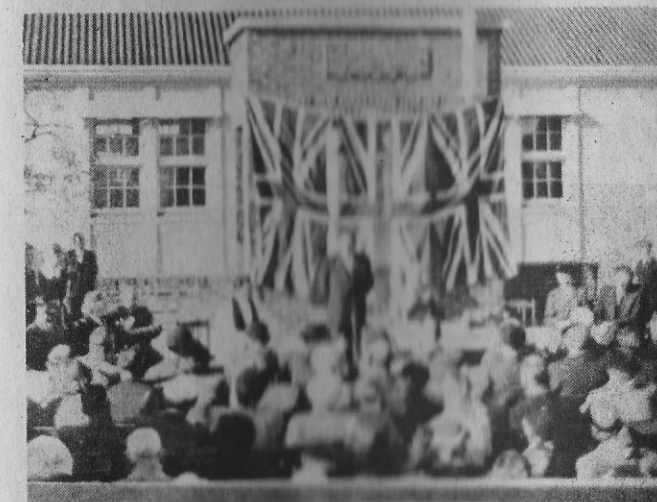
Views of the Westown School as it is today with many new buildings added to the original structure and the trees that were planted when the school opened, grown into mature and valued shade providers.



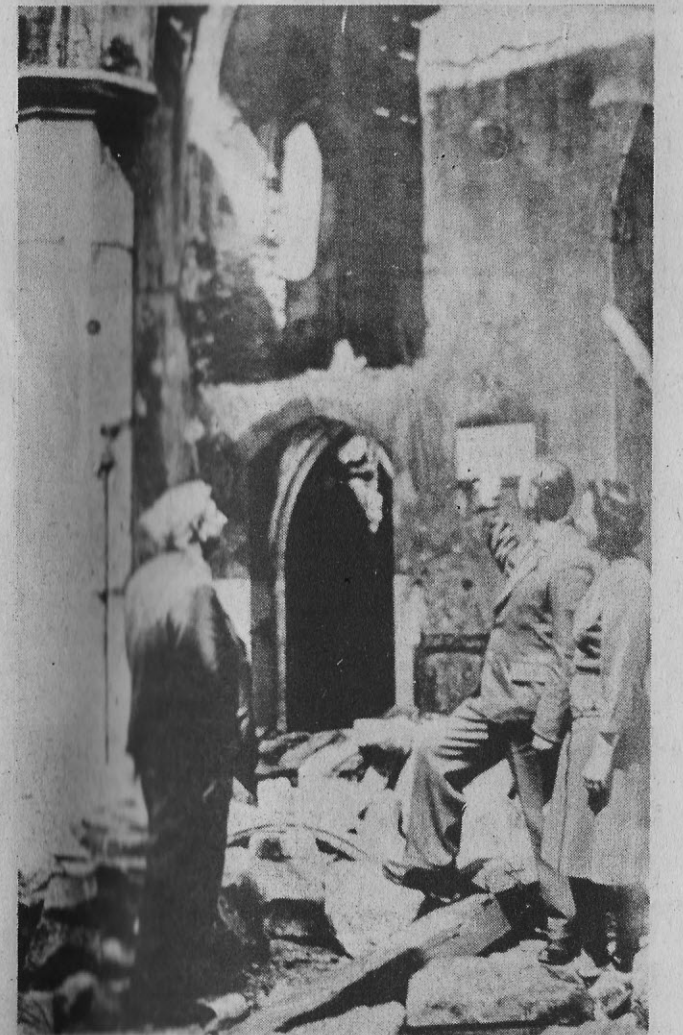
Two ex-members of the School who are well remembered. Left, Laurie Miller who represented New Zealand at Cricket, and Right, Yvonne Gibbons (nee Cowan) who represented New Zealand at the Perth British Empire games.



The bell from this tower at the school has quite a history. Seen ringing the bell is the present Headmaster, Len Ashworth.



During the Second World War, the bell was housed at St. Michael's Church in Plymouth, England. The church was damaged by bombing, and the damage can be seen in the picture at right above. The people of Plymouth in England sent the bell to New Plymouth and a tower was built at Westown School to house it. The opening ceremony for the bell tower is pictured above left. Performing the opening speech is Mr Halstead.







*Jenny Houghton and husband Brian.*



*Jill Gudopp and Pam Gaze.*



*Elizabeth and Roland Rackley.*



*Messrs Masefield and Dick.*



*Ian Jobuston, Julie Jobuston and Graeme Wilson.*

Of the two social functions held as part of the Jubilee the Get Together at the Star Gym on the Friday night drew by far the biggest crowd. In fact the hall was so packed it was difficult to move around. The pictures on this page were taken at this Friday night Get Together.



*Carla Brown, Margaret Lewis, Peggy Thompson and Bill Brown.*



*Mesdames Putt and Healey.*



*Glenda Guardman and Allison Riley.*



*Mary and Ian Cameron.*

On the Saturday afternoon, before the decade pictures were taken, old pupils and their friends, listened to several speakers including the Headmaster, Len Ashworth, who explained the history of the school, and the guest speaker, Denny Sutherland who gave up the opportunity of attending the reunion of his own school (Inglewood) to address the gathering and congratulate the school.



*Speakers were, The Headmaster, Mr Ashworth, who recounted the history of the school.*



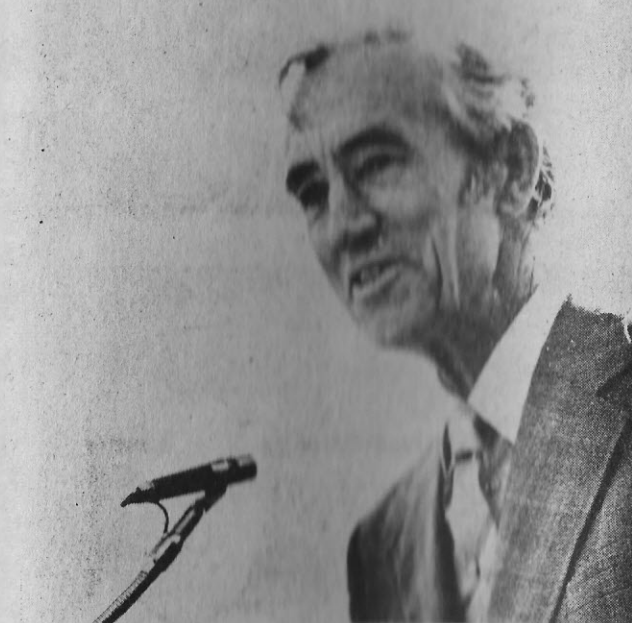
*Barry Darney, Chairman of the Jubilee Committee.*



*J.R. Miller, Deputy Chairman of the Taranaki Education Board.*



*Ron Barclay represented the Prime Minister and the Minister of Education.*



*Denny Sutherland, New Plymouth Mayor, was Guest Speaker.*



*Jim Garvie, Jubilee Treasurer, thanked the speakers.*





By far the greatest registrations came from those who attended the school between the years 1925 and 1934. In fact there were so many present that the group had to split into two, to have their decade pictures taken. These are reproduced above and below.



There was a good muster too, from those who attended between 1935 and 1944.



First Day Pupils.



These twenty seven represented Side School



Representing the decade 1955 to 1964



Representing the years 1965 to the present time. It is noticeable that this decade had the least number in attendance.



Present and Past School Teachers.



## Now Sound

Entertainment News, Views and Reviews

### YOU TELL US

We received two replies to our comment on television which was published in the Now Sound of two issues back.

Sir,  
One hesitates to answer a correspondent who is not prepared to qualify his writings with his name, but the overall impression drawn by your writer 'Now Sound', in his column 19-3-75, should not remain without reply.

His statement that "the blackest day for New Zealand television was the day the Labour Party came to power" is grossly irresponsible and at variance with the facts. Private ownership for a television channel in New Zealand has never received widespread support. His implication that a National Government would introduce a private television network is surely absurd, but since the Broadcasting policies of the major political parties are not dissimilar, it is pointless to politic.

The question underlying was Ministerial control of Broadcasting. And how can a governing Administration be responsible for such television 'goofs' as transmission breaks and other technical faults.

Daniel Keenan  
Wellington.

You have read questions into the story that were never asked or implied. In answer to your claim that the broadcasting policies of the main political parties are not dissimilar, we asked Tony Friedlander to clarify National Party policy on broadcasting...Ed.

Tony Friedlander, National Party candidate for New Plymouth said that while specific Broadcasting policy has yet to be released, it is reasonable to expect that the National Party will in general uphold the principals and procedures which prevailed prior to this Labour Government.

Such procedures were that where a private organisation wished to establish a radio or television station in competition with NZBC they could apply to the Broadcasting Authority who could issue a warrant for such a venture if in their opinion the establishment of such a station was justified and in the public interest. Such a warrant being subject to appeal to the Supreme Court.

Mr Friedlander added that he personally was in favour of competition in the broadcasting field.

Sir,  
It is time that NZBC and its successors were told what the public thinks of their poor quality television transmission.  
Thank you for publicising this subject and while I agree with your criticism, can we hope for an improvement?

Jim Wells  
Stratford.

You can hope.....Ed.

## NEW ALBUMS

### WISHBONE ASH.....There's the Rub....MCA 7709.

Without a doubt, this has to be the best album that Wishbone Ash have yet produced.

The opening track is a number called 'Silver Shoes' and while it is much more commercial (in as much as it has catchy tune and lyrics) than any of their previous work, it still retains the solid, driving and punchy sounds that Wishbone Ash have always been known for.

Other tracks tend to revert somewhat to their more familiar style, they are however still much more appealing than previous albums.

Wishbone Ash have been gradually changing their work over the last few albums and this release shows a much more positive, more alive group than formerly.

### ELEK BACSIK.....I Love You....Bob Thiele Music0698.

If you like your jazz cool and sweet then you'll be overcome with this album.

Bacsik was born in Budapest in 1926, he came to the United States in 1966 and has never regretted the move.

He calls his music gypsy music (he himself being one of that breed) and while I might dispute that from the choice of work on this album, his natural prowess in the musical field, gives the work a very special charm and appeal all its own.

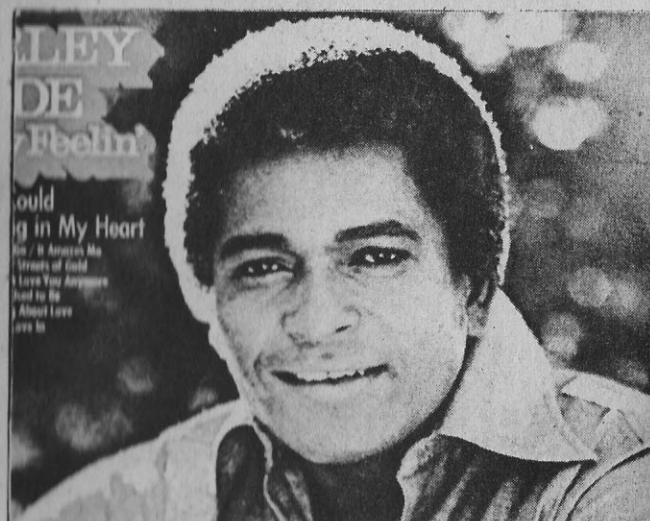
Titles include I Love You, Tea For Two, They Can't Take That Away from Me, Donna Lee and Blups for Elek.

### CHARLEY PRIDE.....Country Feelin'.....RCA1-0534.

Pride has been described as the successor to Jim Reeves. To a degree, this may well be true. Pride certainly has similar qualities in his voice. It is deep throated, full of feeling and very rich.

However the choice of material sung by Charley Pride is somewhat different to Jim Reeves. On this album he sings It Amazes Me, Love Put a Song in My Heart, Which Way do we Go, I Don't See How, Streets of Gold, Let My Love In and The Man I Used to Be, to name just a few.

If your music tastes centre on country music, then Charley Pride is your bag and this album will certainly be worthy of your consideration.



CHARLEY PRIDE

## ABOUT PEOPLE ....



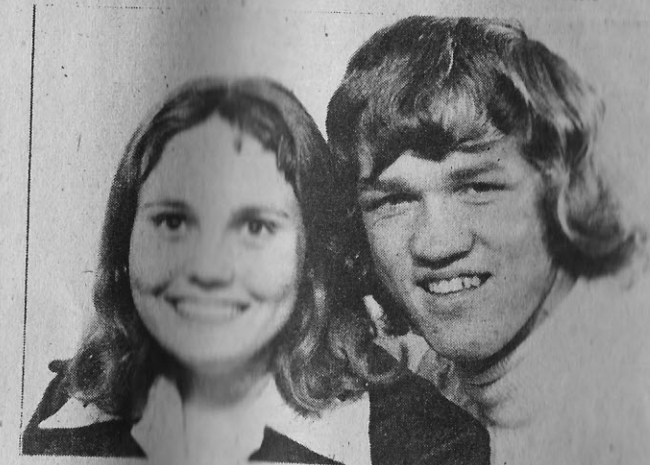
GOLDEN WEDDING.....Mr and Mrs H.A. Cole of New Plymouth celebrated their Golden Wedding with a party at the Hurworth Hall. (Fitzroy Studios).



CHAINED.....One the eve of his wedding, friends of Brian Hardwidge of New Plymouth, decided to play a final prank on him. They stripped him to his underwear and chained him to poles outside a New Plymouth Hotel. He was left chained with only a bottle of beer for company.



TELEPHONE COLLECTOR.....Mr Malcolm Edgar of Waihi Road in Hawera is a collector of telephones. He has a great number in his collection, both modern and antique and is pictured here with a few of them.



ENGAGED.....

MORTENSEN MILLS.....Beverly Ann, daughter of Mr & Mrs B.R. Mills of New Plymouth, to David Timothy son of Mrs L. Mortensen of Woodville (Fitzroy Studios)



PENFRIENDS MEET.....Mrs B. Thomson of New Plymouth has been writing to a penfriend in Canada for 38 years. The two met for the first time last month when Mrs Thomson's penfriend visited her in New Plymouth.





*Saffron was Whittaker's backing band. Two members of the band opened the show with a bracket of their own.*



*Roger Whittaker now stands nearly ten feet tall in the eyes of his fans.*

# Whittaker Show

Roger Whittaker returned to the New Plymouth Opera House last month and packed the building to almost overflowing. Whittaker is one of those entertainers who keeps on coming back to New Zealand, and draws a capacity crowd every time. With each tour his stature grows taller.



*Malcolm White, Anne O'Carroll & "Bubby" Mason.*



*Jan Mathews, Roselyn and Mr. Jenkins.*



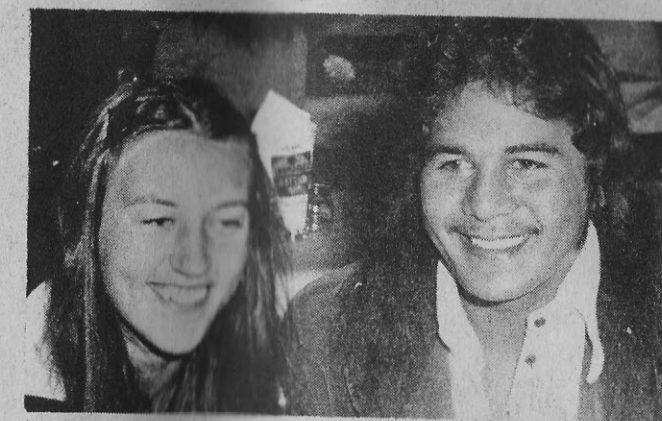
*Irene Brider and Judy Timmer.*



*Dotty Harris and friends.*

# ATIAWA CABARET

The Atiawa Tribal Netball Club of Waitara, held their annual cabaret last month in the Waitara War Memorial Hall. A fairly good sized crowd was in attendance and celebrated the event with much gusto.



*Andrew Hoskins and pretty friend.*



*Raewyn Nicholas and friend.*



*Edwin O'Carroll and friend.*

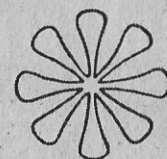




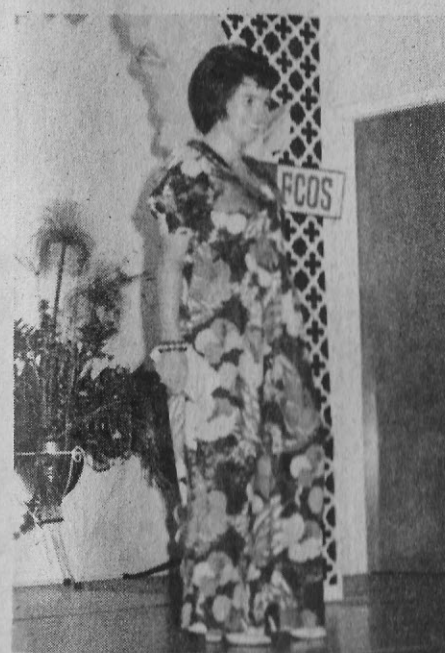
The winners of the make and model Gown of the Year event for Taranaki. Left to right... Margaret Fowler, 2nd, Beryl Jury (Waitara) 1st and Edith Read (Opunake) 3rd.

## GOWN OF THE YEAR CONTEST

A national Gown of the Year is currently being held by the WDFW organisation in New Zealand. Each Provincial area runs a final, the winner of which goes on to compete at national level. Pictured on this page is the Taranaki Final, which was held in New Plymouth a few weeks ago.



Margaret Huckstep.



Denise Wallace.



Sylvia Radford.



Helen Meyer of Waitui.



Margaret Brandt.



Dianne Jelliman.



Vivianne Grigg.



Edith Read of Opunake.



The six finalists in the event.



Margaret Fowler.



Sylvia Stewart.





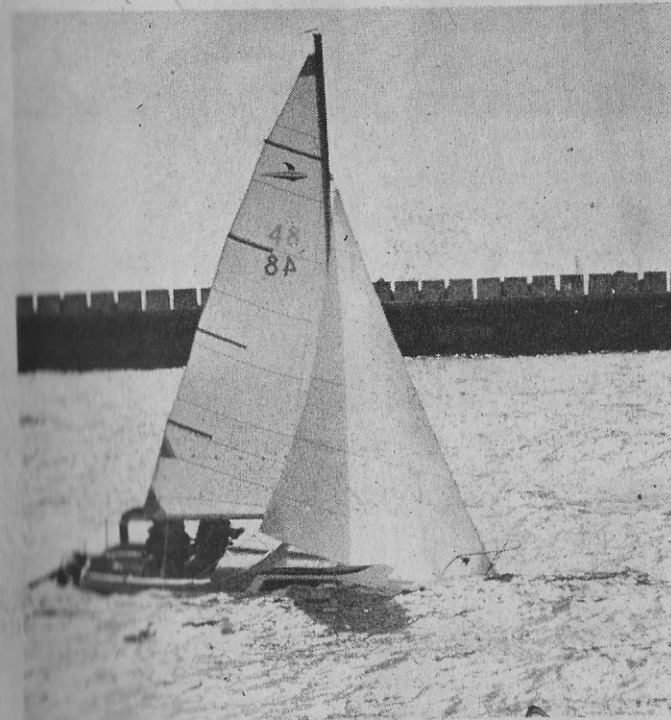
The starting point for the race and even there it is choppy enough.



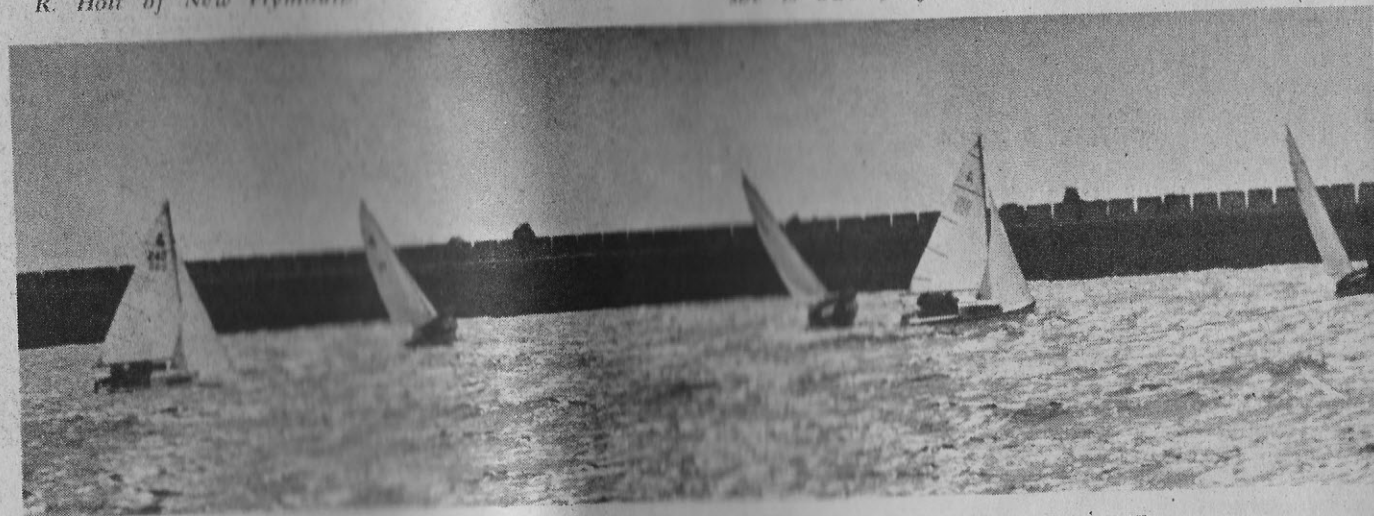
Veronica a 16 foot Trailer Sailer was sailed by R. Holt of New Plymouth.

## Trailer — Sail- er Race

One of the last races of the yachting season was run last month off Port Taranaki in New Plymouth. The feature race of the day was the trailer sailer event. There was also an open race on the same day. Winner of the trailer sailer race was D. Stevenson in Charisma.



Blue Buoy sailed in the open class. A 20 footer, she is owned by A. Kitchingham of Auckland.



Boats move down the harbour and out towards the open sea. The race is on.



The race is on and the boats move out into the swell of the sea.



The winner of the trailer sailer race, D. Stevenson in his boat 'Charisma'.



Charisma crosses the line to win his event.



After the races were over, many a tale was told and a yarn swapped.

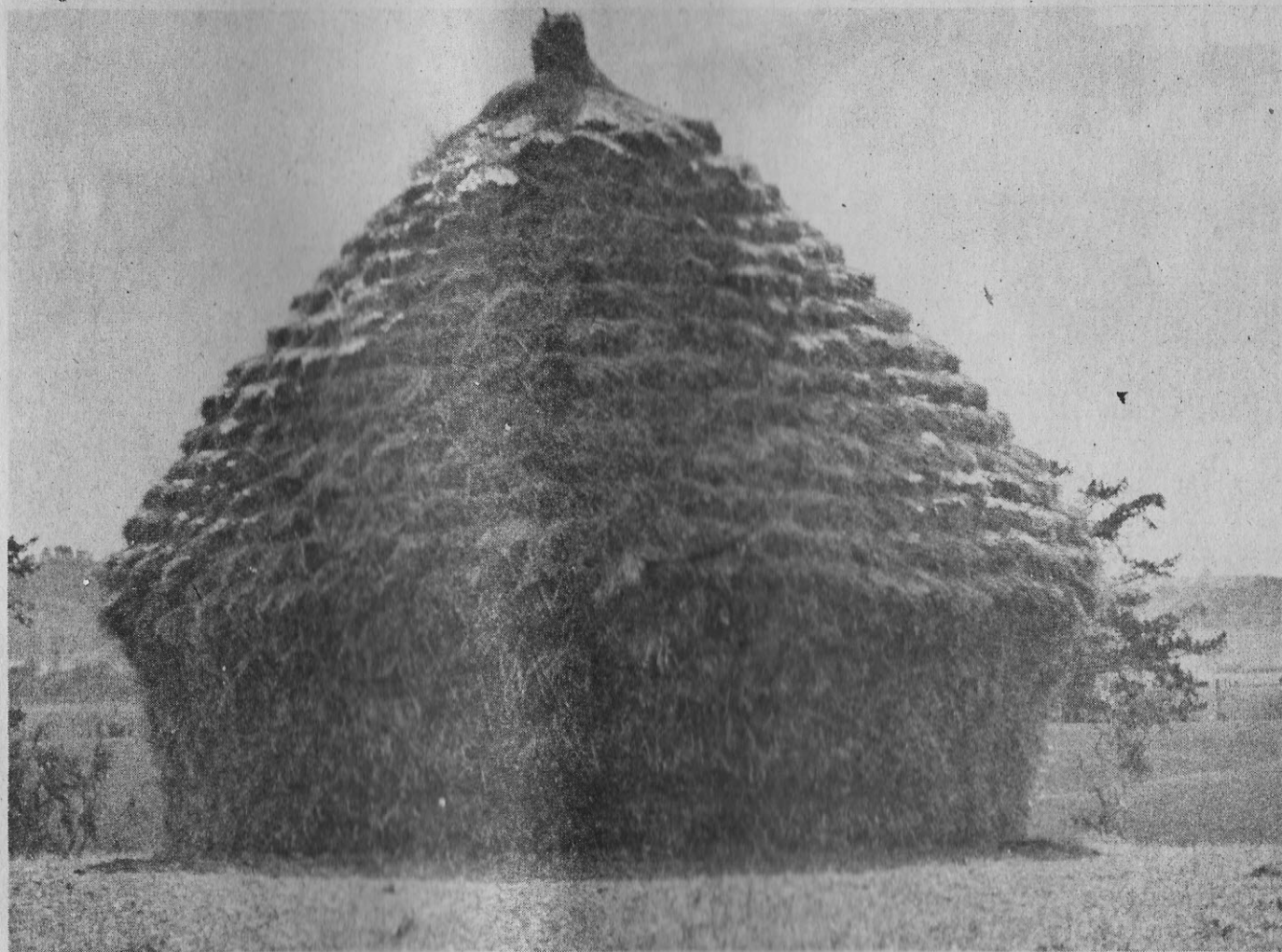
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## THE OLD METHOD



With today's modern mechanised methods of farm production, it is indeed rare to see old methods employed. These haystacks would be a very uncommon sight today when most farmers use balers to press their hay into convenient sized bales that are easy to handle and store. We photographed these stacks a couple of weeks ago just outside of Wanganui.



## RUGBY

INGLEWOOD v. OPUNAKE

It was exciting rugby for the first half of the match between Inglewood and Opunake held at Jubilee Park in Inglewood. Inglewood had the edge on their opponents during the first half but their play worsened in the second half while the Opunake side definitely improved their play and finished the game with a 19 to 12 win over Inglewood.



*Inglewood go over the line to score in the first half.*



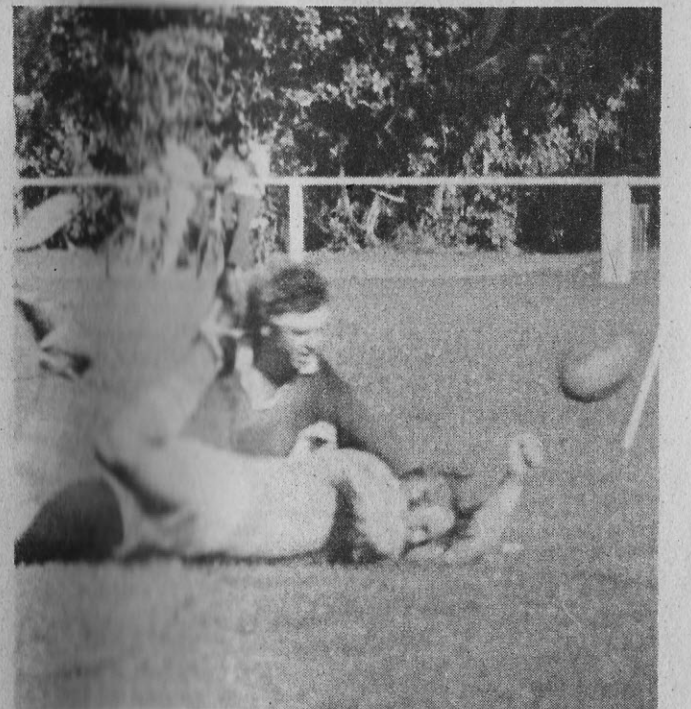
*The match was one in which the ball fairly flew around.*



*Maybe not an All Black yet, but he can dream if he wants, and who knows, one day?*



*Typical of the early action as this player leaps for the ball.*



*No, not a try, but the ball goes over the sideline.*





Marianne Hinga, age 9 months.



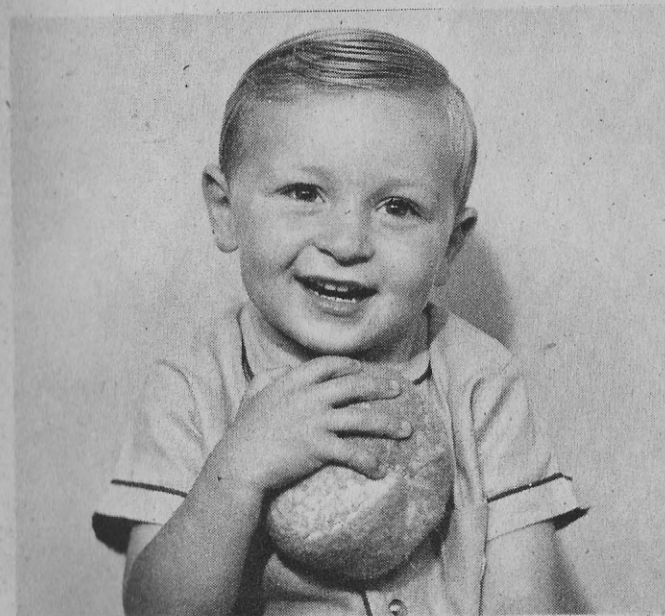
Darren Hocken, age 10 months.



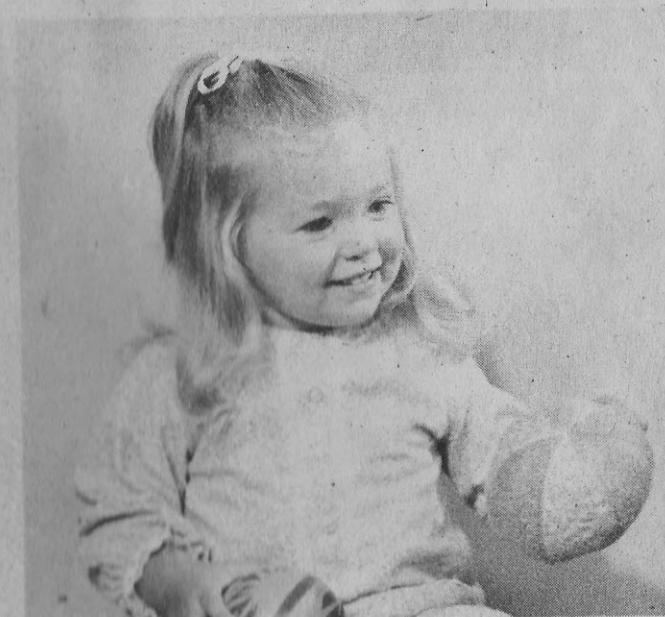
Marisa McDavitt, age 19 months.

## BABY PHOTO CONTEST

This years Baby Photo Contest has now closed. We have had a record number of entries this year and no doubt our judges are finding it extremely difficult to make their final decision. One of the most pleasing aspects of this years contest has been the number of entries received from parts of the province, other than New Plymouth. This would in total amount to something like 25% of the entries and this is indeed most encouraging to us. Many thanks to all of you who entered and we hope to have the final results for you next month.



Lesley Peters, age 22 months.



Jaqueline Rochelle Price, age 23 months.



Andrea Powell aged 14 months.

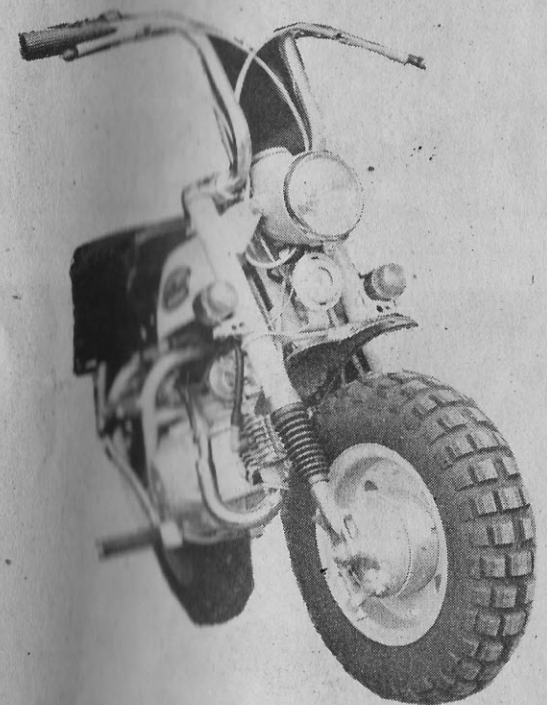


Jason Taylor aged 17 months.



Lana Ellison aged 16 months.

# YOU could WIN this Mini bike



Starting with the next issue of Photo News, we have a new competition with lots of great prizes to be won including the Honda Mini Bike, pictured above. Don't miss our next issue — see how you could win this Mini bike or one of the many other prizes.





Enjoying the night out were Mr and Mrs Bill Maloney.



A private joke between Mr and Mrs Graham Earl.



Mr and Mrs Peter Fisher.



Mr and Mrs G. Bushman.

## chicken & champagne

Ferndale Plunket held their annual chicken and champagne dinner and dance in the middle of last month. The event was held at the Tukapo Gym and attracted about one hundred and fifty people. We are told that the chicken was excellent and that the wine was almost even better.



Howard Jorgensen told us it was better than "finger lickin' good chicken".



Mr and Mrs G. Corbett.



Mr and Mrs K. Plumtree enjoyed the night too.

# 1975 PHOTO NEWS AWARDS BALL

**Saturday September 27**

**War Memorial Hall  
WAITARA**

Plan now to attend —  
last year it was the Ball of the Year

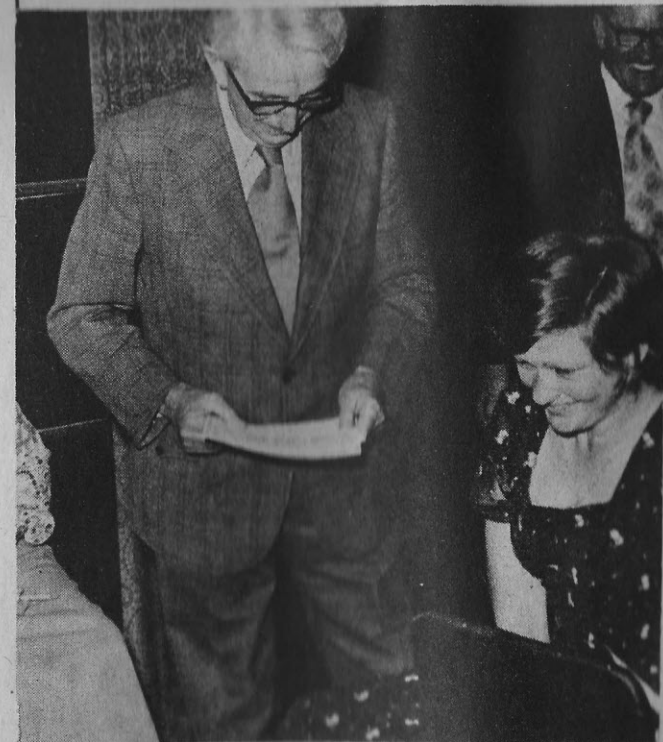
**DON'T MISS IT**

This year's Ball is going to be bigger, brighter and better than before — an event not to be missed. The Mayor of Waitara, Dick Wilson will present this year's Photo News Awards to recipients from throughout Taranaki. There will be people attending from Hawera, Opunake, Stratford, Waitara, Inglewood and New Plymouth and of course Kount Five will be there too; plus a special guest.

**dress - neat casual**



# South Taranaki News



Karen Oakes somehow became tied to her chair and had to be carried, chair and all.

## PRIZEGIVING

The annual Prizegiving and dinner of the Hawera Amateur Athletic and Cycling Club was held last month. Club President Mr Percy Oakes welcomed guests and the presentations were made by the club patron, Mr K. Cambie.



Wendy Howell, Keith Cambie and Percy Oakes.



Susan Black



Pat Meads



Jackie Cook



Allison Pepperell



Paul Jones



Carol Herman

## PM's Visit

The Prime Minister, Mr W.E. Rowling toured the Whareroa dairy complex last month. Soon after their arrival from Wanganui, the Prime Minister and his wife donned regulation white coats and were accompanied around the complex by Mr H.S. Benton, Chairman of Kiwi Dairies Ltd and Mr and Mrs Venn Young.



Mr P. J. Mulder (supervisory manager) shows a cheese to Mr Rowling.



Mr and Mrs Rowling are introduced to Mr J Mills manager of the complex.



Hardy Benton, Chairman of Kiwi Dairies.



Venn Young, MP for Egmont.



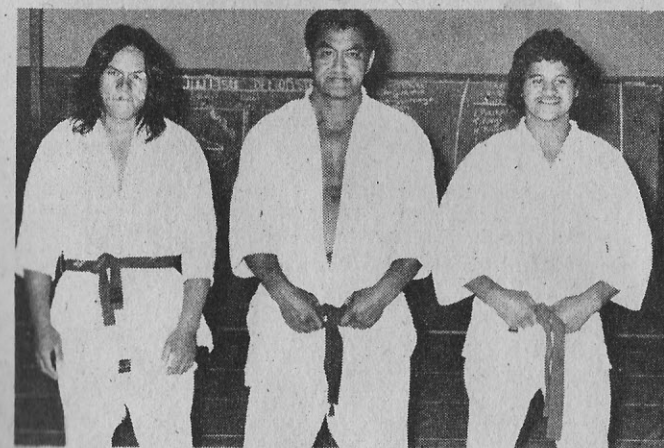
Prime Minister, Mr Rowling.



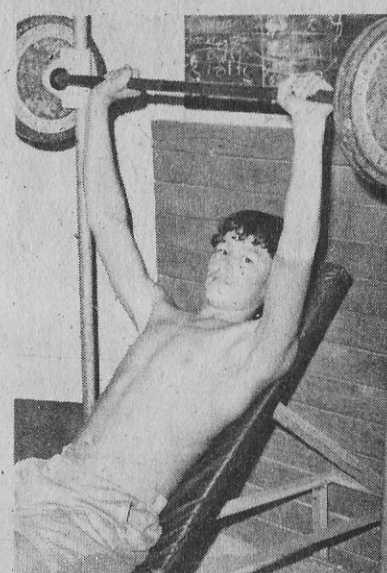
GONE' GLIDING.....Members of No 47, Hawera ATC Squadron were recently given instruction in the technique of gliding. The glider used belongs to the NZ Air Cadet League Gliding Club and is for the use of ATC Squadrons throughout the central North Island. Instruction is being given cadets by NP Gliding Club instructor, Bob Cruthers.



# DO'NT MIX IT WITH THEM -----



One of Hawera's strongest clubs, is the Hawera Judo Club. The club boasts a membership of around 120 and they have some members who have excelled at their form of Martial Art. Above left are four girls who belong to the club, left to right...Diana Frew, Theresa Nuku, Anne Hungerford and Joanne MacBeth. Above Right is pictured three members of the club who participated in the national championships at Easter, left to right...Thomas Rangi, Lou Pirikahu and Henry Katene.



A NEW CLUB has been formed in Hawera called the Hawera Weightlifting Club. The club meets at the Hawera Youth Centre and with the popularity that this sports is now enjoying throughout New Zealand, it should soon become a thriving club. Pictured above are three young members working out.



The Relay team from Hawera St Joseph's Convent School won the Spragg Banner this year at recent inter school swimming sports. left to right is John Kelly, Kim Harrison, Sandra Spurdle and Michelle Keegan.

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ATHLETIC WINNERS The Hawera Junior Womens team won the Molly Durno Cup at recent athletic championships at Wanganui. This is the third year running that Hawera has won the trophy. Pictured is the successful team and the trophy.



FRANCIS DOUGLAS SHIELD...The Hawera St Joseph's senior boys relay team won this trophy at the annual Taranaki Catholic Schools athletic meeting in Stratford recently.

Hawera Repertory's most recent production was called "Twelfth Night". A Shakespearean play it is full of intrigue and counter intrigue. The show pulled excellent houses during its season.



John Salt, Rudi Miles, Joan Dickson and Russ Standing.



Mary Neal as Viola.



Richard Kennedy-Moffitt as Feste the clown.



Russ Standing as Sir Toby and Joan Dickson as Maria.



Wendy Goodwin as Lady Olivia.



# PATEA SCHOOL CENTEN- ARY



Mrs Rose Fake who is 96, is the oldest living pupil of the school and to her went the honour of cutting the cake. She is assisted by the school's two youngest pupils, Nigel Whakarau and Amanda Cooper.

Patea was turned into almost a city (by population figures) over Easter when hundreds upon hundreds of ex-pupils of Patea School returned to the town to join in the school's centenary celebrations. One of the most colourful sights was a parade down the Main Street of Patea by 26 floats on the Saturday morning. This was followed by speeches from the official party, the Roll Call and in the evening, the Centennial Ball.



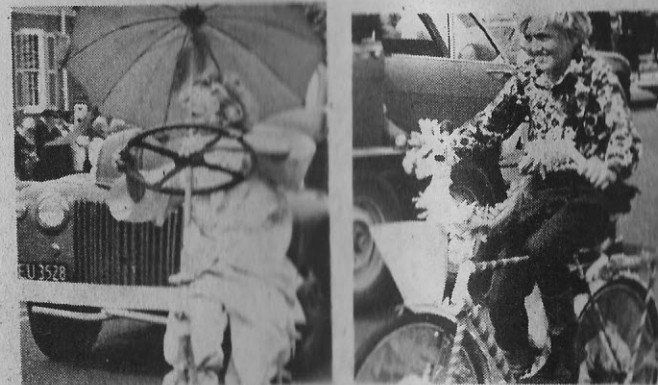
The Minister of Education, Mr. Amos declared the school celebrations open and unveiled a memorial to the old school. The Memorial takes the form of a bell.



Early pupils of Patea School listen to the speeches.



Wendy Meyer looked sweet in the parade.



Kids dressed their cycles and joined in the parade. Some dressed in old style clothing, others as clowns.



Patea Boy Scouts entered this float.



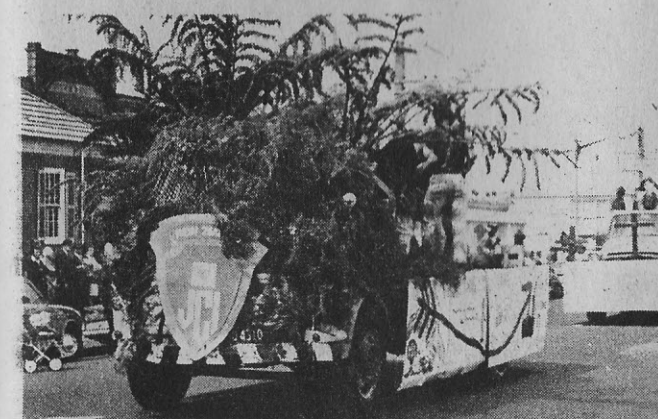
Leading the parade was this pipe band.



Taking many back to early beginnings was this entry in the parade.



One of several marching teams.



Jaycees gained a third place with this entry.



Plunket gained a second place with this float.



The Railways Dept. entered this float.



The Patea Golf Club's entry.



A local church built on the Come Alive concept.



# RECENT WEDDINGS



FRASER-MACE.....At St Andrews Church in New Plymouth, Wendy Barbara, daughter of Marina and Neil Mace of New Plymouth, to Donald McKenzie, son of Helen and Sandy Fraser of Christchurch. The attendants were Karen Mace, Christine Edwards and Julie Mace, all of New Plymouth, and Stewart Richie of Christchurch Ian Wilson of Wellington. The couple will live in Christchurch.



RENTON-DAVIDSON.....At St Marys, New Plymouth, Jan, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.E. C. Davidson of New Plymouth, to Bruce, son of Mr and Mrs A.C.A. Renton of Glen Murray. The attendants were Jannette Morris David Hutchinson, and Roenna Davidson, all of New Plymouth. The couple will live in Brighton, England. (Fitzroy Studios)

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MEREDITH-LAWLOR.....At the Salvation Army Citadel, New Plymouth, Mary daughter of Mr & Mrs T.J. Lawlor of New Plymouth, to Graham, son of Mr and Mrs B.W. Meredith, also of New Plymouth. The attendants were Denise Barnes, Christine Meredith and Sandra Meredith all of New Plymouth, and Ian Battersby of Taihape and Rodney Johns of New Plymouth. Flowergirls were Lisa Long-Taylor of New Plymouth and Sheryl Fletcher of Waitara. The couple will live in New Plymouth.



JULIAN-STRONG.....At St Josephs, Waitara, Maree Adel, daughter of Bill and Nora Strong of Waitara to Mervyn Carl son of Don and Lora Julian of Egmont Village. The attendants were Janine Read of New Plymouth, Beverly Strong of Waitara, Ian MacRae of Waitara, Trevor Biesiek of Inglewood and Karen Strong of Waitara. The couple will make their home in Inglewood. (Fitzroy Studios)

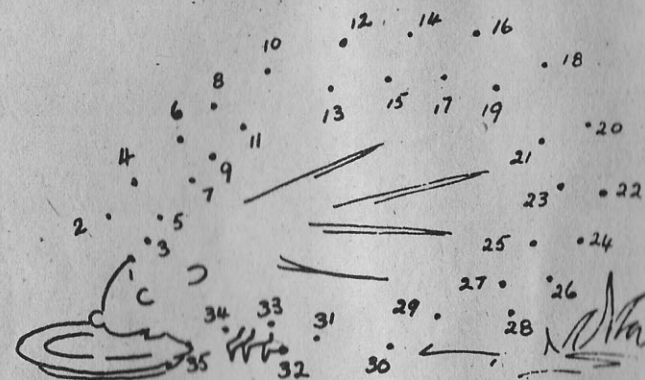
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# Children's Corner

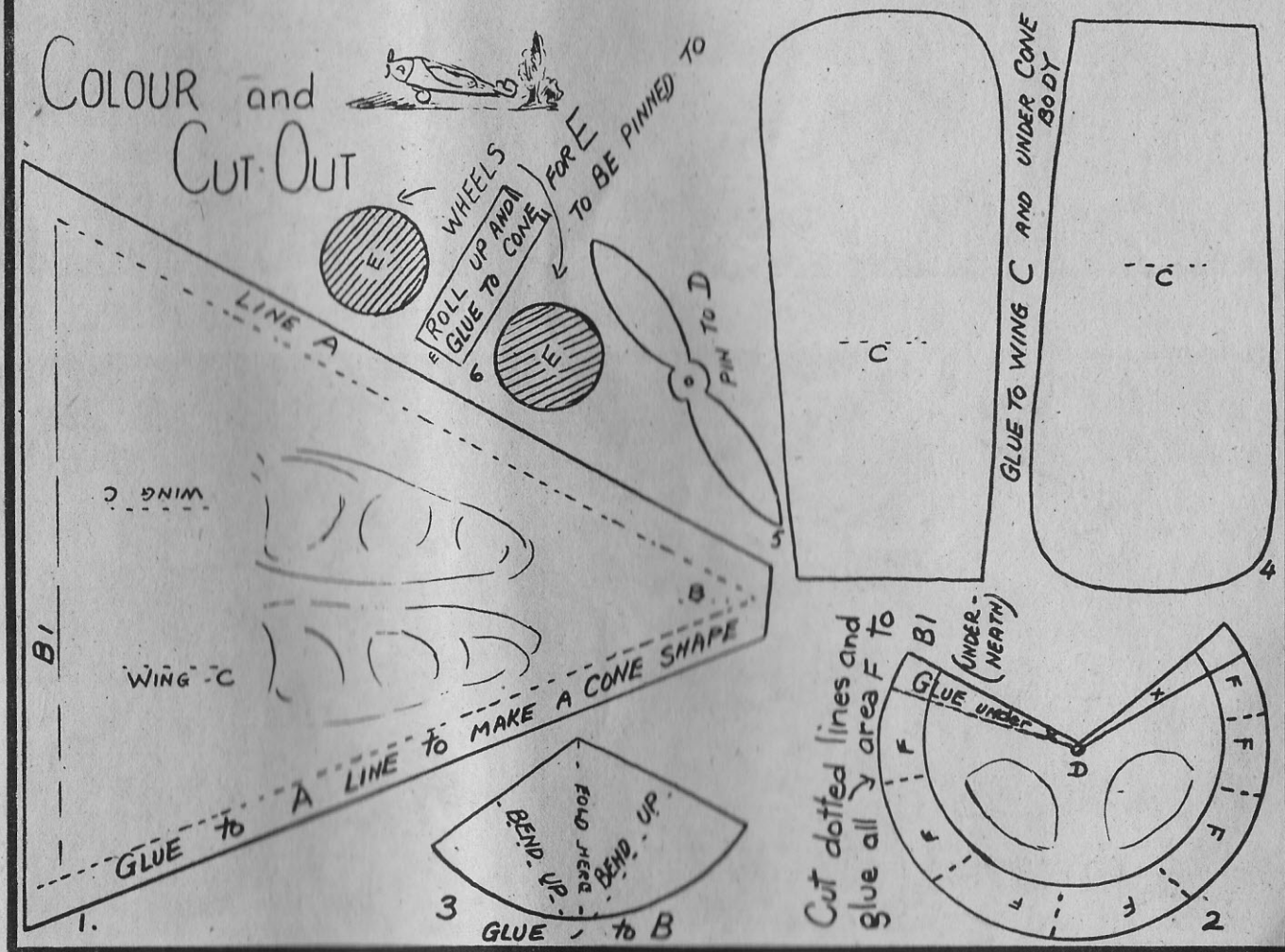
With Grace

## Dot to Dot



- Question— Where do flowers grow?  
 Answer— On their stems.
- Question— When is a penknife noisiest?  
 Answer— When it won't shut up.
- Question— When is a door like a piece of bread?  
 Answer— When it is jammed.
- Question— What is nothing?  
 Answer— A balloon without its skin.
- Question— Spell "hungry horse" in 4 letters.  
 Answer— MTGG
- Question— What letter of the alphabet reminds us of water?  
 Answer— The letter C.

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**"Whoops"**

Here's one who didn't quite make it. Competing in a Gymkhana, this horse attempted a jump, but landed neatly astride the bar. The momentum threw the rider who landed on the ground, on the other side of the jump. The problem was how to extricate the horse from his awkward position. This was finally achieved by dismantling the jump.



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**ATTENTION HAWERA....** This year we had planned to hold the Photo News Ball at Hawera. However we were unable to obtain the Community Centre and the band of your choice on any suitable date this year. For this reason the Ball will be held at Waitara this year (it was to have been at Waitara in '76) and next year it will be Hawera's turn. We have already booked both Kount Five and the Hawera Community Centre for November 6th next year, so it is now definite for HAWERA in 1976.

### PHOTO NEWS AWARDS

Nominations are requested from members of the public for our annual Photo News Awards. Photo News Awards are in four sections - Valour, Citizenship Arts & Sciences and the Citation Award.

Any resident of Taranaki may nominate another for any of these awards. Awards are as follows....

**VALOUR.....** for personal acts of bravery, especially in an endeavour to save life.

**CITIZENSHIP.....**

for service to the community and/or organisations, endeavours to improve the environment or way of life, and for acts or services not recognised by other awards.

**ARTS & SCIENCES.....**

for specific talent in, or services to the Arts, Science or Music.

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There's so much going on in Taranaki.....Here's a sample of next issue's diet.....Winter gear for tall girls, Fitzroy Plunket Jubilee, Going Hunting and Arts Festival.





The street was closed to traffic early in the morning to allow the transfer of the tree to proceed.



After trimming some of the top branches.....



The Shell BP & Todd Building looks different without the Cabbage Tree in front.

# A NEW HOME

The centre of a controversy that raged for many months in New Plymouth was a Cabbage Tree located outside the new Shell BP & Todd Building. Last month, after a lot of wrangling, the tree was shifted to a new site, at Marsland Hill on the end of Bulteel Street.

The transfer went without a hitch and we are informed that as this species have a reputation for being able to survive extreme conditions, survival of the tree is almost guaranteed.



.....the Cabbage Tree was lifted with a crane.



It was then placed on a truck and carted to its new home.

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Where the crane was again employed to lift the tree into position.



# ANZAC DAY

Long ago, when the young men of New Zealand took up arms to fight a common adversary and many thousands lost their lives in foreign countries, a pledge was made that their sacrifice would not be forgotten. Once a year on Anzac Day we honour that pledge. On Anzac Day this year Photo News attended the service at Inglewood and on this page we show how the people of this town remember the Anzacs.



And veterans marched the streets, followed by many others.



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Wreaths are laid at the foot of the Memorial in honour of those who did not return.



The Last Post is played again.



Four members of the Stratford A.T.C. form an honour quarter guard.

## He Came Here for a Black Belt in Judo

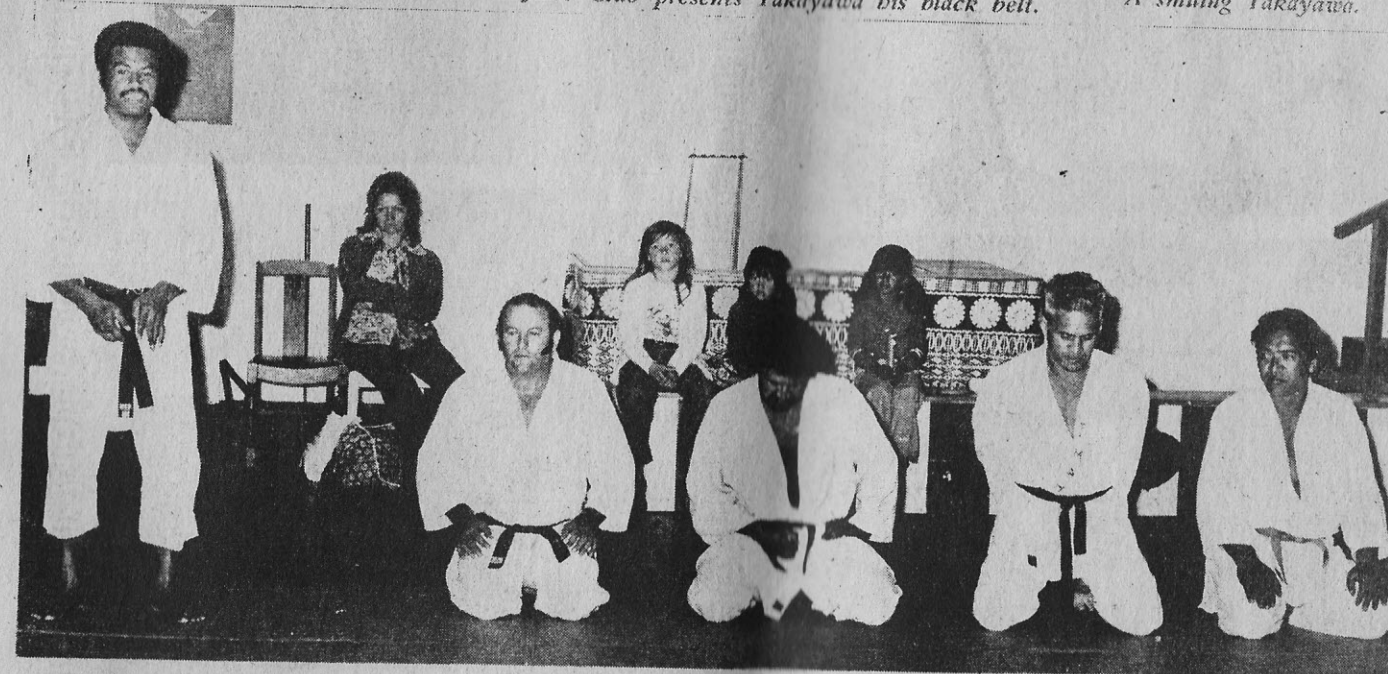


Bruce Murray, an instructor with the NP Judo Club presents Takayawa his black belt.

Takayawa came to New Zealand some time ago to win his black belt in Judo. At the recent Oceania Games in Christchurch he realised this ambition. Takayawa is an instructor at a Judo Club in Suva and he spent three weeks prior to the Games training under Jim Phillips (a 2nd Dan black belt) of the New Plymouth Judo Club Inc. Jim met Takayawa when he was in Fiji some time ago and he has now been asked to manage the Suva Judo Club during an upcoming tour of the South Pacific Islands during September and October.



A smiling Takayawa.



His black belt tied in place, Takayawa takes his place with the club's other instructors. Jim Phillips, who is to manage the Suva Judo Club on a tour of the South Pacific Islands soon, is third from the left.



## BLERTA'S BACK

Blerta are probably as well known for their bus as for anything else that they have ever done. The group, who seem to spend almost all their time on the road have recently returned from a period in Australia and they played a concert in the New Plymouth Opera House as part of their returning home tour. It was only a small audience that went along to see the group and listen to their brand of very, very heavy music.



## BARLOW in town

Inspector Barlow of TV fame, (in real life Stratford Johns) was in New Plymouth last month to appear in a stage production called 'Who Saw Him Die'. While in town he paid a visit to the Police Station where he was given a guided tour. Our camera caught up with 'Barlow' while he was being shown the 'ops room'.

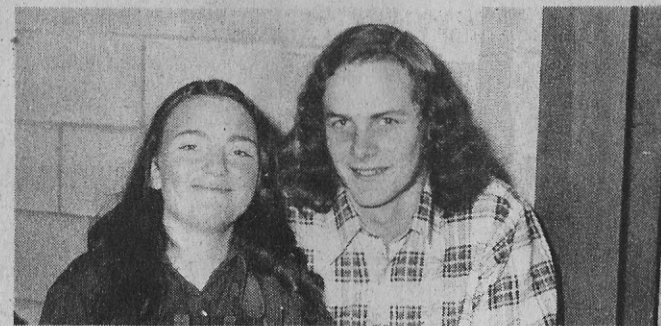


## Marching Cabaret

The Inglewood Marching Association held their annual end of season cabaret at the Inglewood Gym towards the end of last month. There was a huge crowd present and the Gym was absolutely packed, even with the recent extensions to the building.



Mr and Mrs Rex Looney.



Vicky Mumby and Mike O'Sullivan.



Bruce Verry and Brenda Woods.



John Moore and Henry Reade.



Kaye Looney and Joanne Askew.



Hazel and David Roper.



"Honey and friend Sandy".



Mr and Mrs Paul Schrader.



# Apprentices Awards

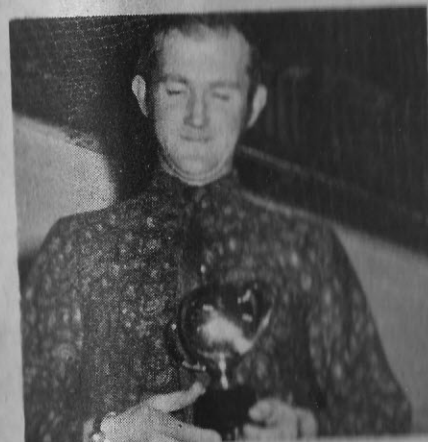
New Plymouth Apprentices received their annual awards at a ceremony in Queen's Hall last month. Pictured on this page are a few of the apprentices receiving trophies and cups for some of the top awards.



C. Kuringer.



B. N. Bland.



R.D. Thompson.



S. E. Judd.



K.K. Malan.



C.J. Aagaard.



Warren Hughes.



Bruce Wells.



M.S. Christiansen.

# Stock Cars

The recent meeting at Stratford when Blenheim Stock Cars met the local drivers, was a thrilling experience even though the races were without mishap. Of course almost anything would be an anti climax after the thrills of the Demolition Derby and the action that we saw in that event, but this was a good meeting and enthusiasts turned out in force to see the action.



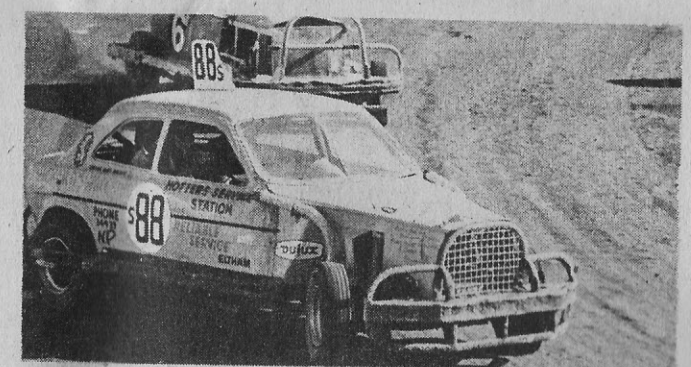
This long, strange looking stock, could really motor.



There were some thrilling moments in the Saloon races at this meeting too.



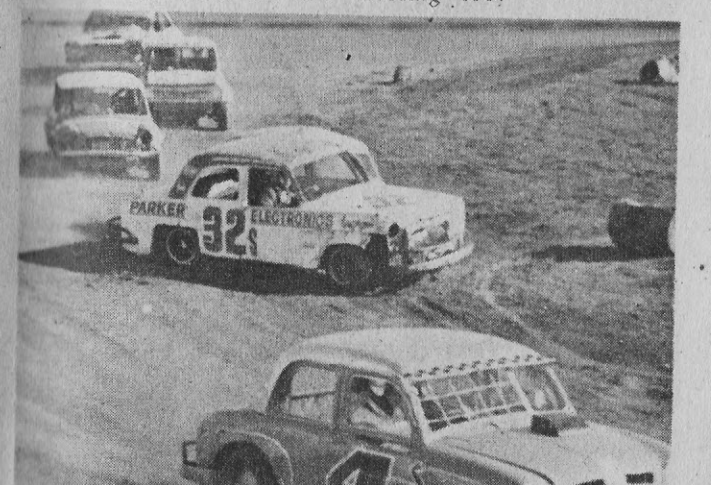
Almost neck and neck it was then a matter of driving technique.



Sliding around the corner, an Eltbam vehicle.



Ramming drums so they would pose a problem for following stock cars is all part of the game.



A Stratford car slides on a tight corner and leaves the track.



# RUGBY

TARANAKI v. WANGANUI

Taranaki got the Rugby season away to a great start (for Taranaki fans that is) when it beat Wanganui in an Anzac Day match at Rugby Park, New Plymouth. While the final score went to Taranaki, 16 to 12, the local side showed that it needs to make a lot of improvement to its play before meeting some of the countrys stronger teams. Wanganui on the other hand showed perhaps more initiative but was not supported prperly by the whole team.



Wanganui dominate this line-out.



Hard slugging brought this try to Wanganui.



A Taranaki player takes the ball out of this ruck.



a mess of bodies in a collapsed ruck.



Wanganui boots the ball into Taranaki territory.



A Taranaki player is felled by Wanganui but manages to get the ball away to a fellow player.



Wanganui on the attack with a Taranaki player making a good blocking attempt.

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# WOT'S ON

## WOT'S ON AT THE MOVIES

### STATE THEATRE, New Plymouth.

May  
9-15— Herbie Rides Again.  
16-22— Peter Pan.  
23-June 5— The Towering Inferno.  
Sunday May 18th— Fist of Shao Lin and Face of Fu Man Chu (double feature)

### MAYFAIR THEATRE, New Plymouth.

May  
9-15— Carry On Dick.  
16-22— Call of the Wind.  
23-29— Watch Out We're Mad.  
30-June 5— Jonathon Livingston Seagull.  
Sunday May 25— ...Support Your Local Gunfighter.  
Sunday June 1st— ...New Centurions and Last Crusade. (double feature)  
Sunday June 1st— ...Dracula Prince of Darkness and Reptile (double feature).  
Late Show

### REGENT — Hawera

May  
9-15— The Odessa File  
13-14— Charlottes Web (matinee only)  
16-17— White Lightning.  
19-20— Bednobs and Broomsticks.  
21-22— Cahill, US Marshall.  
23-26— Bequest to a Nation  
27-29— Hells Angels 69.  
30-June 5— Blazing Saddles.  
Sunday 18— Barquera  
Sunday 25— Stone Killer.  
Sunday June 1st— ...The Great Escape.  
Sunday June 1st— ...Late Show...Hell Benders and Only Way out is Dead (double feature).

### REGENT — Stratford.

May  
13-15— The Angry Dragon  
14-15— Willy Wonker (matinee only)  
16-19— Bequest to a Nation.  
16-17— Charlottes Web (matinee only)  
20-22— Steptoe & Son and Carry On Again Doctor (double feature)  
23-29— Blazing Saddles.  
30-June 5— The Odessa File.  
Sunday 18— Hornets Nest  
Sunday 25— Hunting Party.  
Sunday June 1st— ...Billy Jack  
Sunday June 1st— ...Late Show...A Quiet Place to Kill and Corky (double feature).

# KARTING

We looked in on the last race of the day at a recent meeting by the North Taranaki Kart Club at their track at Waitara.  
The event we photographed is called the Murray Martin Feature Race and is held over the whole season with the actual race always being the last of the day and the year's winner being judged on a points basis; aggregate of the races for the season.



Wally Brown slides around the tight corner.



Gordon Brown had to pull out of the race early on.



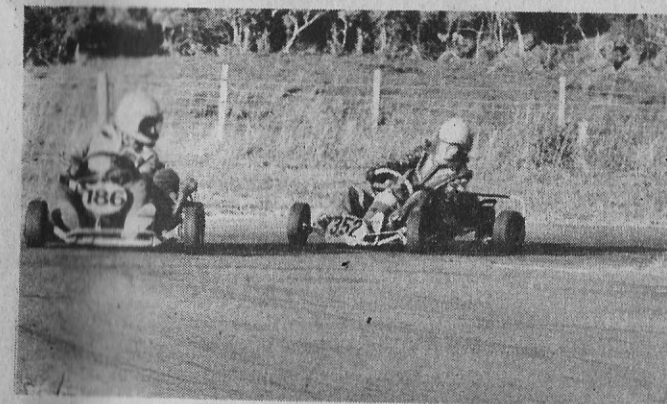
Wally Brown leads Terry Hayman (39) out of the corner.



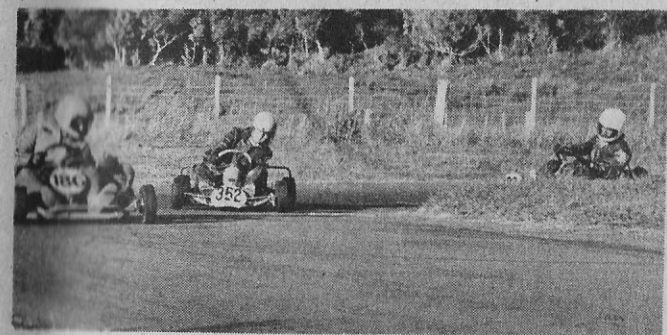
Charles Le Breton fights off a challenge from Wally Brown



The only dramatics of the race were caused by Sandra Brown.

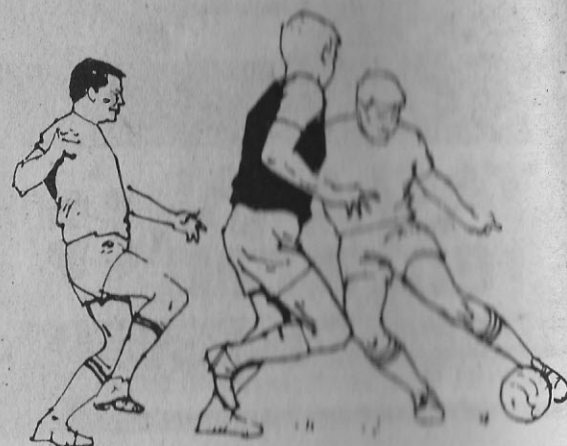


Sandra Brown (352) almost manages to pass Charles Le Breton (186) but he accelerates away from her.



Le Breton leads Sandra Brown and Wally Brown around a tight corner.

May  
16-17— N.P. Competition Society's National Dancing events.  
17— Old Time Dance, Senior Citizens Hall, NP.  
17— Car Club Cabaret.  
17— Hunt at Vickery's property, Tikorangi.  
19-24— Philatelic Youth Camp, Willow Grove Clawton Street, New Plymouth.  
21— Hunt at Grigg Bros property, Ratapiko.  
24— Young Farmers Club, Regional Conference, Devon Lodge, New Plymouth.  
24— Hunt at B. Jordan & T&J Pearce's property Lincoln Road, Inglewood.  
24-June 7— Little Theatre production (NP).  
25— Car Club Sprint, Waitara Road.  
25— Hunt at Honeyfield's property, Tatraimaka.  
26-31— Downstage Theatre production, Repertory House.  
28— Stratford Reing Club's meeting, Stratford.  
30-June 22— Contemporary N.Z. Photography at Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth.  
31— Old Time Dance, Senior Citizens Hall, N.P.  
31— Clough Family Centenary Reunion, Inglewood Gymnasium.  
31— Hunt at Laurence's property, Frankley Rd, New Plymouth.  
31— Hunt Club social at Hillsborough Hall.  
JUNE  
6— NP Nurses Graduation Ball, NP War Memorial Hall  
7— Pony Club Cabaret at Opunake.  
7— Point to Point event at Ohanga Road Onaero.  
8— Visitor's Hunt at Aitken Bros property Lower Waihou Rd, Waverley.  
9-14— NZ National Dog Trial Championships at Mangamingi.







*The club's instructors keep recruits working hard.*

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# KARATE CAMP

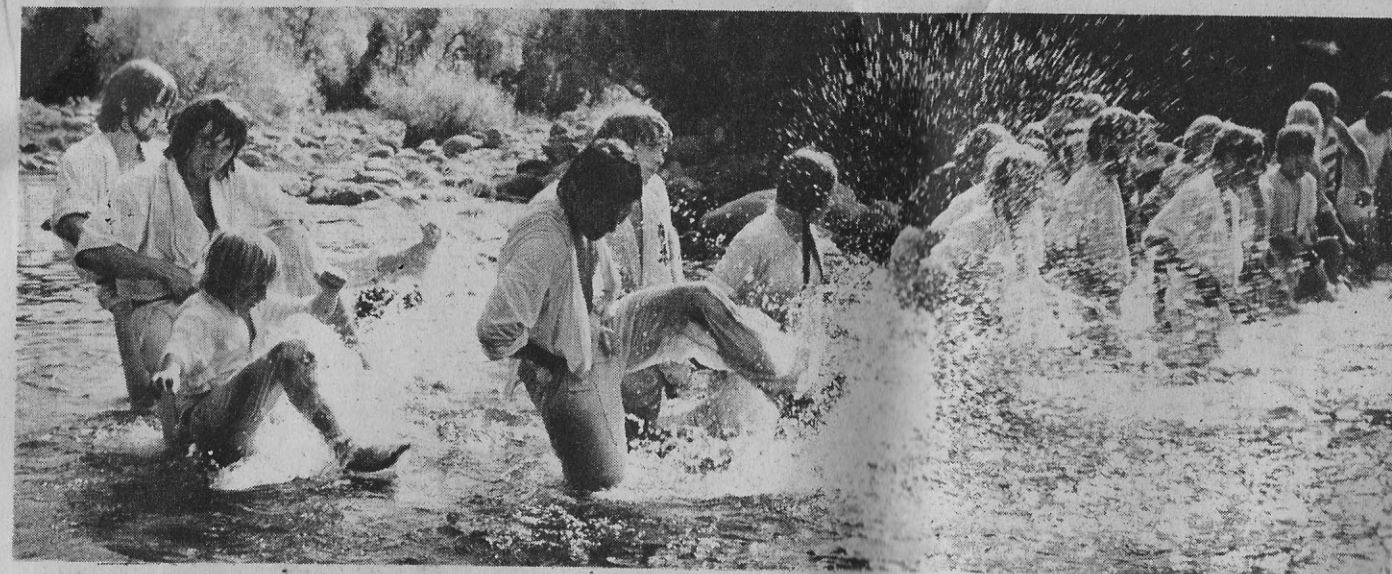
There exists in New Plymouth today, two Karate clubs. The newest club is called the Oyama Club and was formed in January when some members of the Rembuden Club decided to break away and form a new club. We caught up with members of the Oyama Club at a Camp they were holding early last month at Camp Huinga. The going was tough, especially on the new members, there was lots of hard exercises to be done by everyone. No doubt it was all in the cause of building up strength. The only thing we didn't like was the obvious antagonism between some members of this club, towards the club that they had recently left. Such open antagonism will not help the new club achieve their ambitions.



*Club members practise a side kick.*



*New members are taught basic exercises first. Then comes the learning of the kick in self defense*



*Ever tried kicking water when you are knee deep in it yourself? Try it then, it's not easy.*



*The water in the river was very cold but the advanced class waded in and performed exercises there. This particular exercise was designed to build arm muscles.*



*Karate, regardless of the style that is taught, is definitely not for the faint hearted.*





Karen Hampson shows off casual teen wear.



Dana Alcock models a knee length velvet suit with wide lapels and lace trimmed pockets.

## A LOOK AT WINTER FASHION WEAR

Models from Le Fillettes Agency displayed new winter fashion wear, both casual and formal, to an audience consisting of Plunket members from Moturoa branch. There were some gasps of delight from the audience when the new clothing was modelled and one or two expressions of surprise were also noted.



Brenda Laursen gave the audience a look at evening wear.



Judy White wears a check patterned long frock, matched with a strikingly plain top.



Naomi George in casual winter gear.

## Ladies Soccer

FITZROY LADYBIRDS v.

STRATFORD LADIES

On the first day of the season, Fitzroy met Stratford at Fitzroy, in a hard-hitting game in which no quarter was given by either team. A point of some confusion arose over the use of soccer boots. It would appear that the Stratford team had decided to wear boots while the Fitzroy team were under the impression that sand shoes was the required footwear. The end result was that Fitzroy suffered three injuries as a direct result of the use of boots by the opposing team. It is to be hoped that such confusion does not continue. Fitzroy ended up the victors, (regardless of the quarrel over boots) with a 2 Nil win over Stratford.



Fitzroy about to score their first goal.



A Stratford player puts the boot in hard — and misses.



Stratford on a strong attack.



A Stratford player misses the ball and the momentum makes her fall.



A save by the Stratford goalie.



Good team work by Stratford but they are effectively blocked by a Fitzroy player.



Stratford break through the Fitzroy defence line.





Star of the show, Patricia Phoenix,

## GASLIGHT

Three of the stars from Coronation Street appeared in a stage production called 'Gaslight' which played at New Plymouth recently. Most well known of the three was Patricia Phoenix and with her were her husband, Alan Browning and Ivan Beavis. The show was well attended during its three day season in New Plymouth and it is hoped that we are to see more of this type of show in the future.



Elsie the Maid reports everything she hears to a retired policeman, played by Ivan Beavis.



The unwanted visitor is received. He is Ivan Beavis.



Patricia Phoenix drinks a toddy after Ivan Beavis tells her that her husband may be a murderer.

## Out in the Mall

During her stay in New Plymouth, Patricia Phoenix of Coronation Street fame, made a lunchtime appearance in The Mall. Hundreds of people gathered around her and when it came to autograph time, she was literally rushed.



"Ladies and Gentlemen, she needs no introduction I'm sure, Patricia Phoenix". — and the crowd gasped and clapped.



"That's lovely dear; she looks just like the girl in Coronation Street on tele doesn't she?"



She certainly won the hearts of many there.



Patricia Phoenix was literally rushed when the word was given that she would sign autographs.



# We Win the Cup



Another short lived attacking run by Canterbury is thwarted by the home side.



Excellent tackling and a distinct weight advantage helped Taranaki achieve its impressive win.



And when Taranaki felled an opponent, their weight advantage kept him pretty well pinned.



Near the end of the first half, Taranaki players were felled by Canterbury time and again almost on the line but this determined play by Taranaki paid off and they scored.

## LEAGUE

TARANAKI v. CANTERBURY.

Taranaki made a mockery of a strong Canterbury side, winning their match against them at Waitara, by 43 to 13, thereby winning the Rugby League Cup. Possibly Canterbury's defence of the Cup the day before their match with Taranaki may have taken its toll, but they never really looked to be in the running and it was Taranaki who took most of the initiative throughout the whole of the match and who really piled on the score, especially in the second half when it was lifted from 18-3 to the final score of 43-13. While Taranaki are to be congratulated for their win and possession of the Cup, it should be remembered that the most difficult days are ahead when many challenges will have to be met, and hopefully, disposed of.



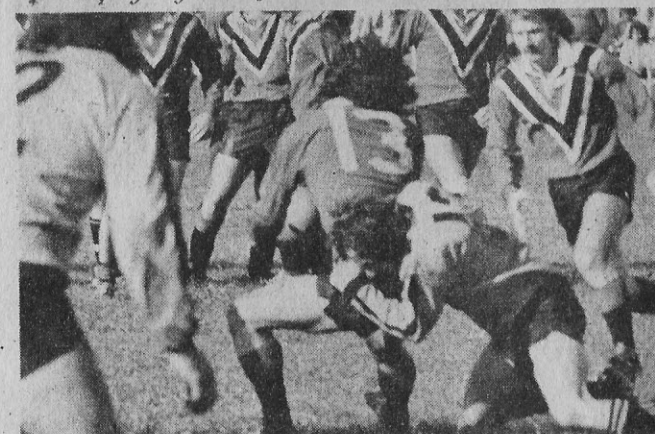
In the series of three pictures above, we can see Taranaki on the attack. A player is felled by Canterbury (top), he passes the ball and although the Canterbury pursuit is hot, a clear break is achieved and another try scored.



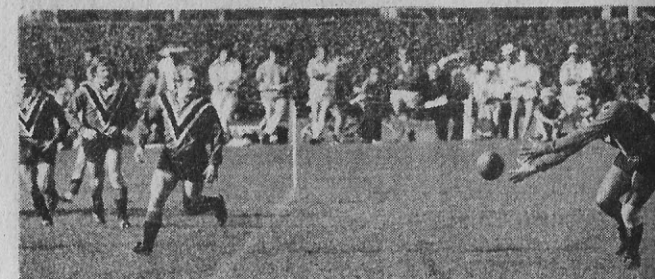
Another attack by Canterbury is foiled by a Taranaki tackle.



Half time entertainment was provided with a display by the J. Corkill Guards.



Canterbury's defence work seemed sluggish by comparison with the local team.



There was no disputing the fact that Canterbury seemed tired. Both their defence and attack was sluggish.

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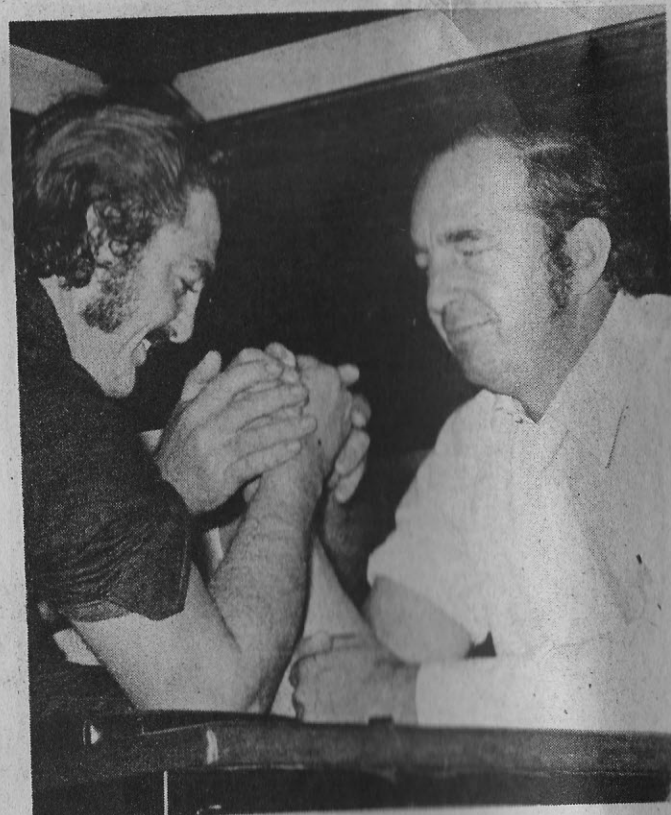
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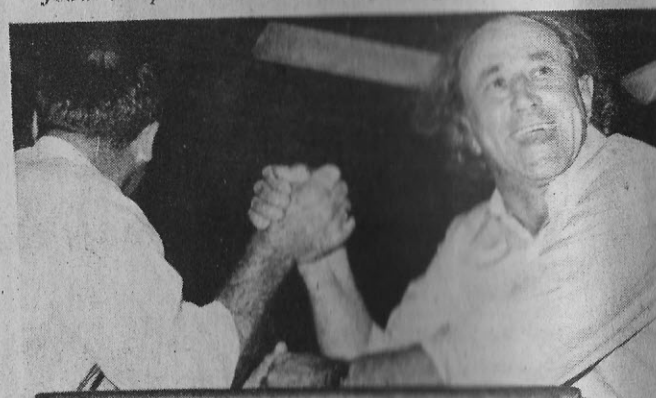
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*John Campbell and Colin Riley begin their match.*



*There was humour too... in the match between Jan Soster and Wally Saunders.*



*Malcolm Keighley versus Harold Kirkby.*

# NEW SPORT

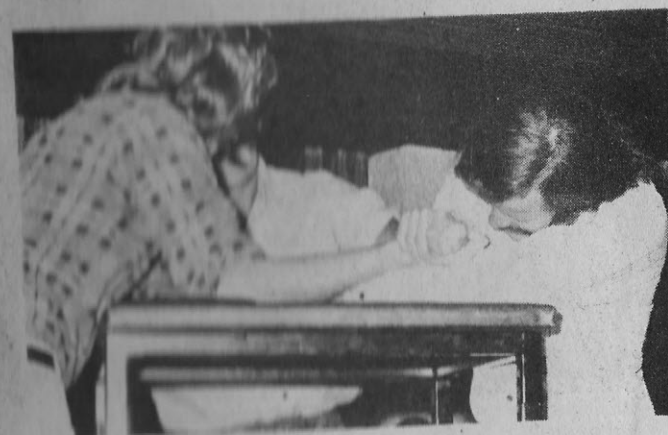
A new sport has reared its head throughout New Zealand; gathering momentum no doubt from television coverage of matches in the Chatham Islands. Wrist Wrestling made its public debut in New Plymouth in the Westown Hotel. It was obvious from those who attended the series of matches in the Westown, that there is a great amount of public interest in wrist wrestling.



*and John Campbell gains the advantage.*



*Robbie Cipollini and Noel Collier line up hands for their match.*



*and Harold Kirkby wins the match.*



*High spirits as the match between Bernie O'Regan and Shamus Wheelan gets underway.*



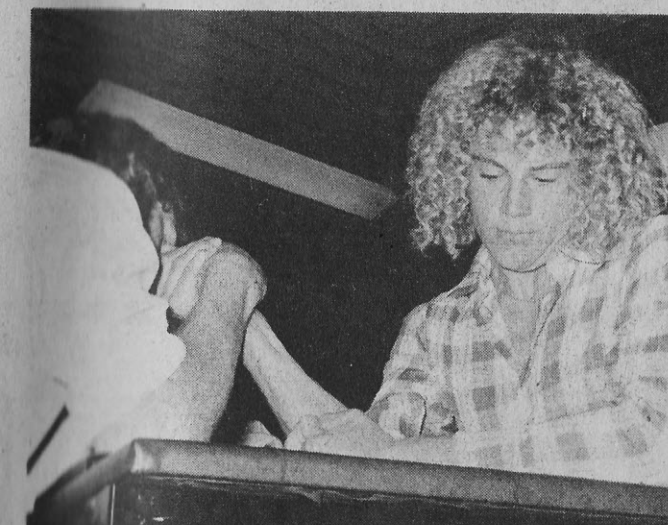
*Shaun Wheelan versus John Guppy.*



*A match between Martin Barber and Wayne Zodan.*



*this was an exciting match and took a long time for a decision.*



*Shaun gets the better of John.*



*and a final few ounces of strength to win.*





team work as the ball is driven up field.



Another goal added to the score.



A save by the goalie.



ACTION...as the camera catches two players in mid-air.

## SOCCER

### FITZROY v. STRATFORD

Despite a final score that went to Stratford, Fitzroy fought brilliantly in this senior match held at Bell Block. The Fitzroy team were raw on this occasion; the first match of the season. They have many new members in the team and have yet to meld as a team. However if the keenness displayed on this occasion is anything to go on, they will develop into a side to be reckoned with. Final score was Stratford 7, Fitzroy 1.



Closely fought to the last minute, but a goal.



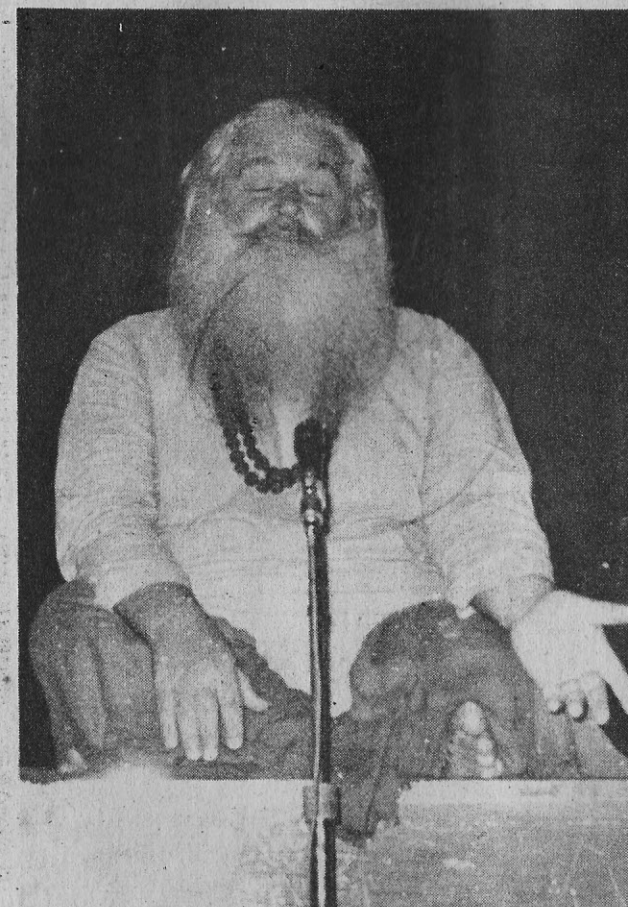
Some excellent footwork displayed.



more action, this time right at the goal-mouth.

## PRObe

with Bryce McPherson



**YOGA VISITOR.....** Dr Swami Gitananda of the Hatha Yoga movement visited New Plymouth last month for a couple of days. He took the New Plymouth Yoga class while he was here and also addressed a public meeting in the War Memorial hall where this picture of him was taken.



The Canadian High Commissioner, Mr Clive E. Glover and his lovely wife, paid a visit to New Plymouth last month.

They arrived from Otorohanga in time for lunch, and afterwards visited city highlights. The High Commissioner was conducted through the Power Project, while Mrs Glover (extremely interested in the Arts) went to the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery, Taranaki Museum and Richmond Cottage before rejoining her husband for afternoon tea at the Power Project.

A brief call at the project's Information Centre preceded a drive through industrial areas and new housing developments to Churchill Heights, St Marys Church and thence to Pukekura Park.

The visitors voiced considerable interest in all they saw and many other aspects of the region they had obviously read about. They left next morning for Wellington but diverted at Stratford to drive up the mountain. The High Commissioner and his wife, who have only been in New Zealand since October, proved to be an entirely approachable and pleasant couple. And I for one, look forward to their next visit.

I'm almost ready to launch a Home Hosting Panel to allow visitors the opportunity of meeting people with similar interests.

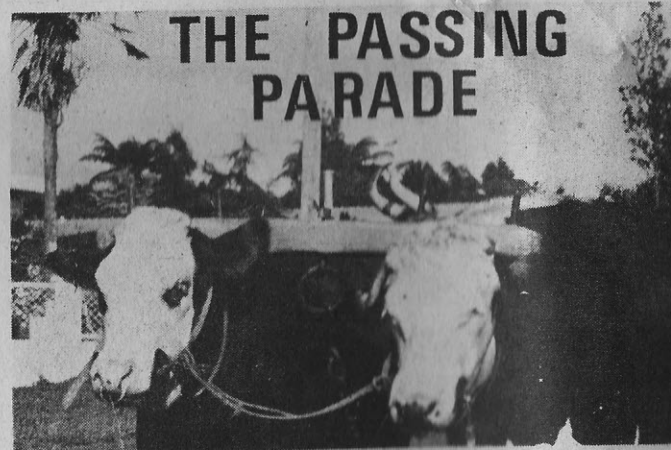
If the exercise proves to be successful and there is no reason why it shouldn't be—it may be pertinent to expand the panel's membership to give full provincial coverage.

A man took his pregnant wife to a Government clinic. She was given a brisk examination, a tiny rubber stamp was applied to her abdomen, and she was ushered out. At home the husband got a magnifying glass and finally managed to make out the inscription, which read: "When you can read this without a magnifying glass, bring your wife back".

I'm constantly amazed to note the migration of ducks to safe waters (sanctuaries) a few days before the shooting season starts. It's as if they 'know' that it is 'that time again'.

The hunter had missed the last six birds he had shot at. Embarrassed, he turned to his companion and said: "I guess I'm about the worst hunter in the world". "Oh no," protested the companion, "there are lots worse than you—but they don't hunt".





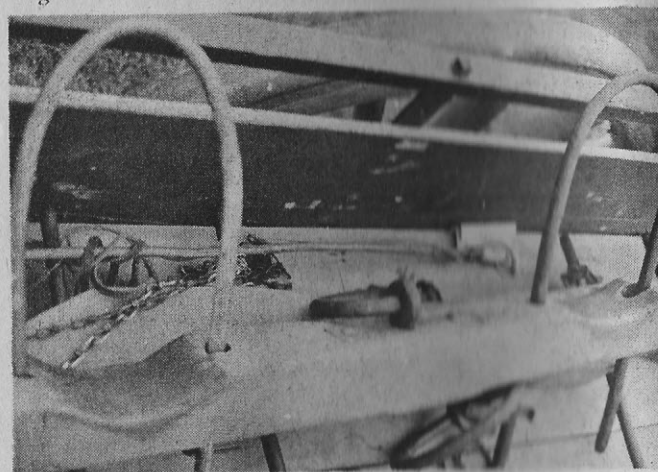
## THE PASSING PARADE

Some weeks ago a bullock team was seen in the Easter parade at Inglewood. This would have been the first time such a team had been seen for most of those who watched that parade, and yet bullock teams played a very important part in the history of land development in this country. Accordingly we decided to take a closer look at this piece of our history that has virtually disappeared.

Mr Chris Aplin who operates the team as a bobby, comes from Dannevirke in Southern Hawkes Bay and is close to 80 years of age. His team is used for display purposes mostly and he appears at many shows and parades around the country.



An indication of the manner in which the bullocks are yoked can be seen from this picture of the team's leaders. It should be noted that only the leaders wear bridles with bits and that the bits of these two leaders are roped together.



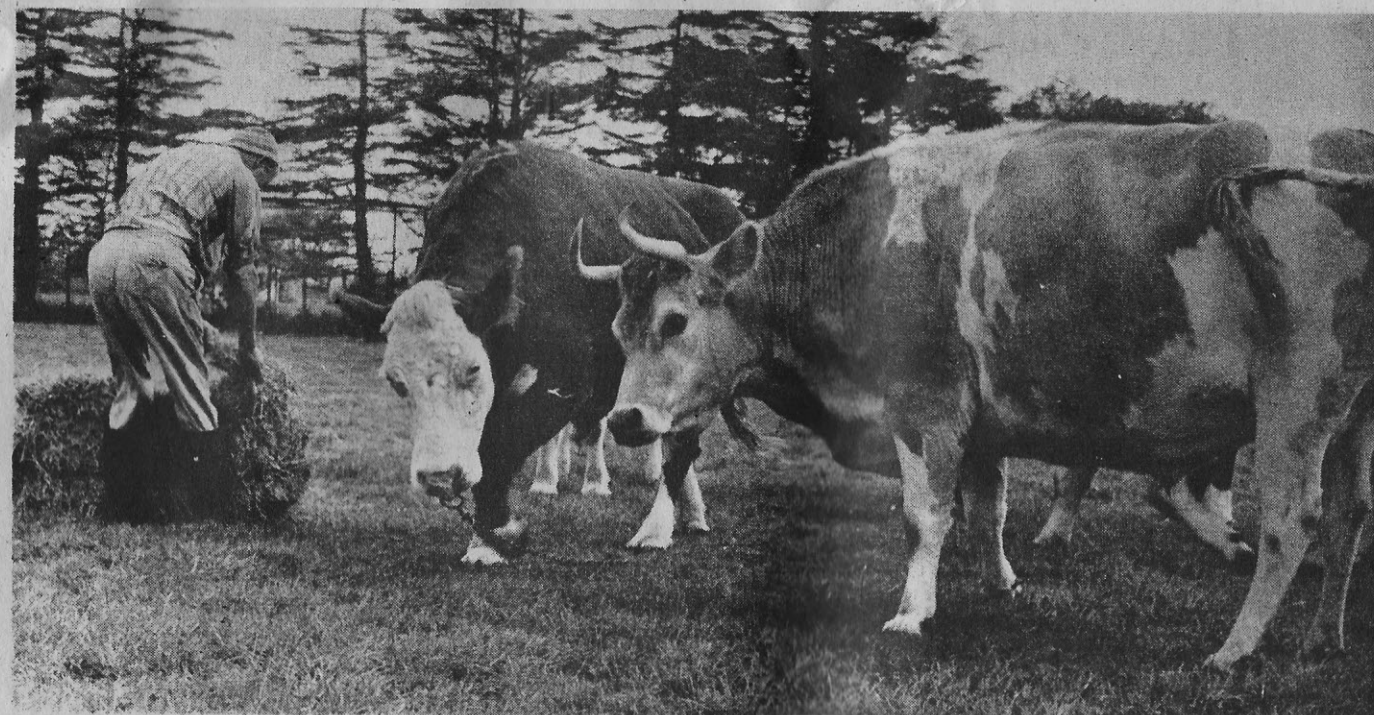
The yoke. The hoops are placed around the neck of the bullocks while the iron ring in the centre of the yoke, connects to the shaft or chains as the case may be.



The largest bullock, a Fresian, stands almost as tall as a six foot man and it is estimated that he weighs about a ton.



Mr Aplin suffers from rheumatics and is now unable to yoke the team by himself. However he never seems to find any difficulty in locating a helping hand or two to yoke the oxen.



The bullocks from Mr Aplin's team would probably be about the most pampered in New Zealand. They are kept in excellent condition and are extremely mild mannered. The animals are of mixed breed and include Jerseys, Fresians and Herefords.



The new and the old. Above is a photograph of a bullock team taken about the turn of the century. Below is Mr Aplin's team during the parade at Inglewood.





# REGATTA

To end the current speed boating season, a two day regatta was held at Lake Rataipiko over Easter. These pictures were taken on the Sunday, which was the last days racing for the season and some fine performances were witnessed during the day.



*Stampede the Second clocks a good speed.*



*Larrikin is sleek and fast.*



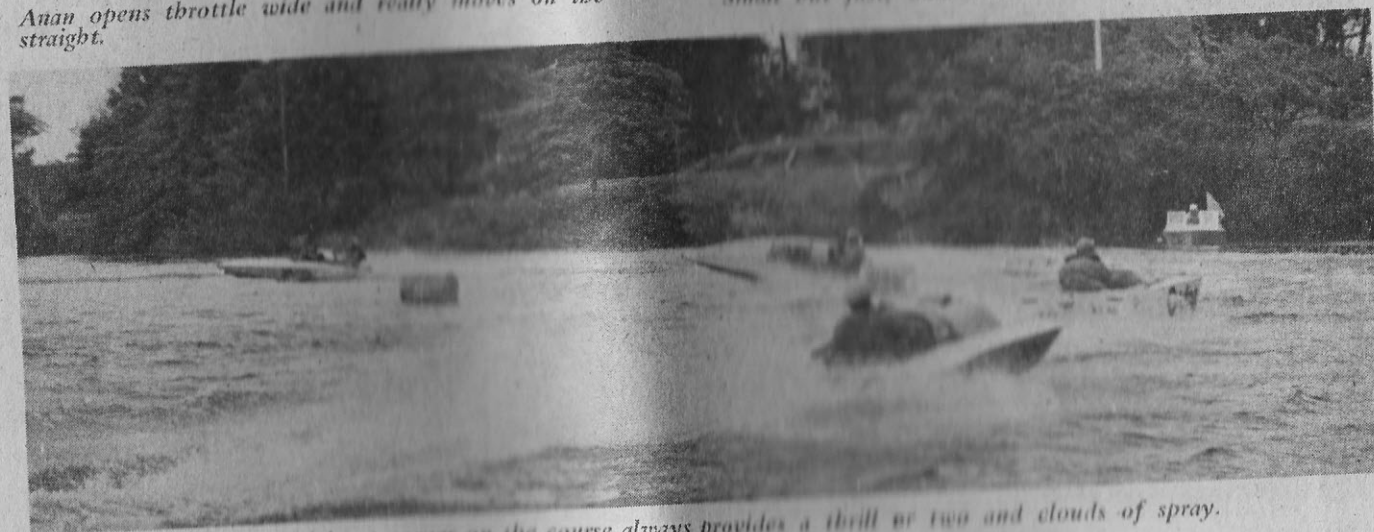
*Anan opens throttle wide and really moves on the straight.*



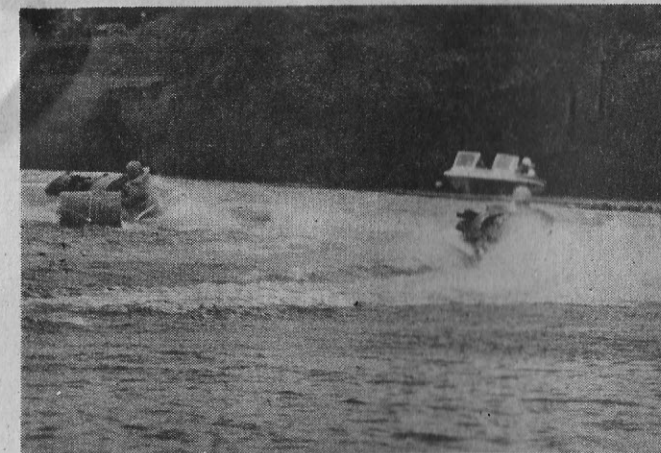
*Susie chases Dr. Zhivago.*



*Small but fast, Cilla moves out along the straight.*



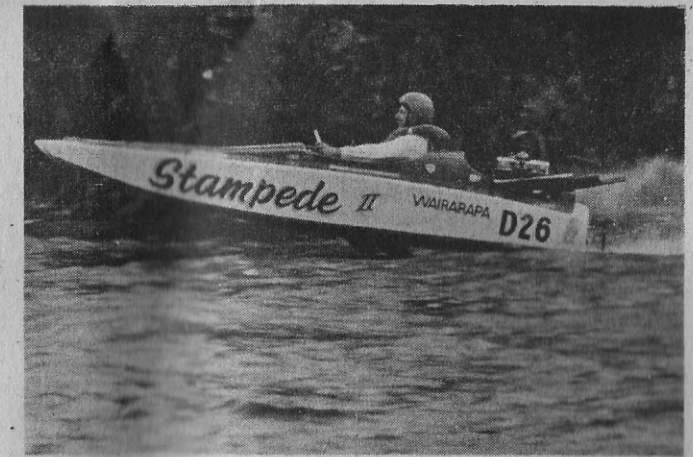
*The tightest corner on the course always provides a thrill or two and clouds of spray.*



*That tight corner again.*



*Bee Jay put up its usual good performance.*



*Stampede puts her nose up on the straight as the throttle is increased.*



*Flat as a pancake so it seems but does she move.*



*Orbitor takes off. With only the motor riding the water the boat gives the illusion of being about to leave the water and become airborne.*



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A new Toastmistress Club has been formed at Okato. Charter Night for the new club took place early in April at the Hempton Hall in Okato. Guest Speaker was Mr Stuart Hayton, Chairman of the Taranaki Harbours Board and the charter itself was handed over to the Okato club President by Jean Ashcroft.



Kathy Atkinson and Jan Rosemergy.



Jean Ashcroft and husband Leo.



Joan Williams and Alec McQuahy.



Jean Ashcroft presents the charter to the club President



The club's first President with the Senior and Junior Vice Presidents. The secretary appears extreme left.



Mr and Mrs Stuart Hayton. Mr Hayton was Guest Speaker.



Barbara England and Allan Jackson.

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Living right on the southern border of Taranaki (about ten miles from Waverley) is a farmer who has turned a hobby into a sideline for which he is unable to keep up with the demand. He has long waiting lists for every product that he produces.

Mike McGee produces leather goods of all description, and these feature hand tooled designs and plaited leather or a combination of both plaiting and tooling. Some of the leather is dyed to produce startlingly rich colour contrasts in the finished work and other articles are finished with a coat of leather varnish which in turn produces an equally appealing finish.

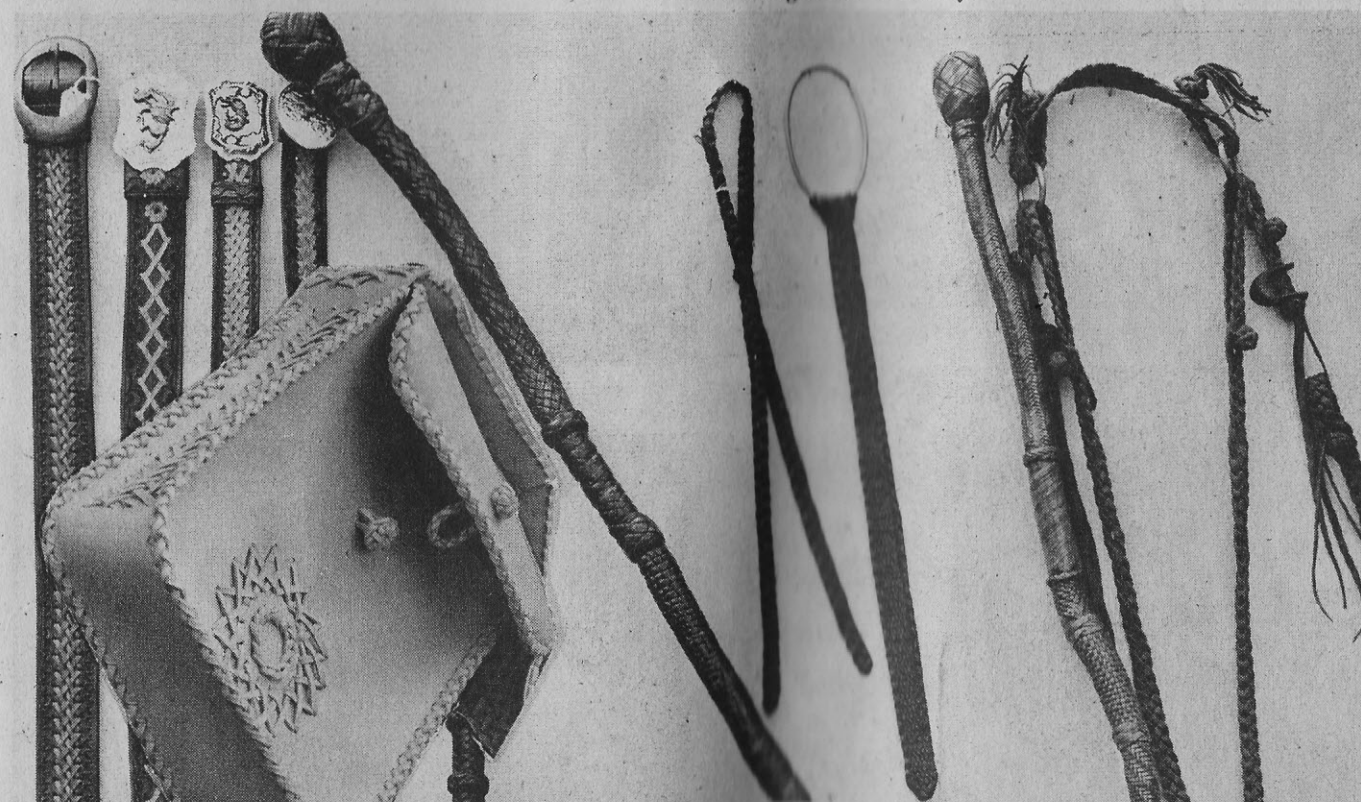
The articles that Mike McGee produces would be snapped up by tourists if they were available to this market.



Mike McGee produces beautiful articles in leather.



We found this an interesting combination. Mr McGee wears a plaited belt, a pouch which combines hand tooled leather and plaited sewing work plus a knife sheath of similar style; the knife itself was also made by Mr McGee using deer's antlers for the handle.



All manner of products are made by Mike McGee. In the picture above can be seen a fair variety including plaited leather bridles (right), plaited leather neck-ties (centre) and belts of both plaited leather and tooled leather plus a combination of both plaiting and tooling.





A group picture showing most of the six hundred who attended.



## McDonald Reunion

Some six hundred odd members of the McDonald Family gathered at Manukorihi Pa in Waitara over the Easter break for a Reunion of the many branches of the family. Members came from near and far, both North and South and many a tale was told. The organisers were quite happy with the attendance, (though it was less than previous reunions) and perhaps most important of all, those who attended went home feeling that the event had been really worthwhile.



Most members of this branch of the family reside in Taranaki.



First and Second Generation McDonalds.