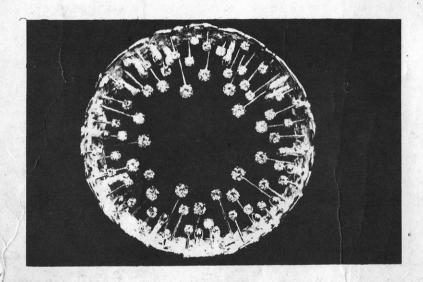
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## SUNSHINE & HOLIDAYS

A Note from the Editor ....

It is with humble thanks that we express our gratitude for the support extended to Photo News with the release of our last issue. This direct support, via sales, coupled with the continued strong support of our advertisers, assures that the publication will continue to take its place as a community magazine in this area.

Photo News will be published, as in the past, at four weekly intervals throughout the year, with the exception of the month of January, during which our offices are closed for the annual vacation.

This issue of the magazine sees the introduction of the first of a number of improvements, that were promised to readers in the last issue. Yes Photo News has grown to 80 pages and that means more pictures.

Holiday-makers will have been grateful to the 'weather-man' for the abundant sunshine enjoyed during the months of December and January, the period that this issue of Photo News covers. The sunshine allowed everyone to enjoy the many events, the entertainments, and the activities held during the holidays and which are pictured within the following pages.

We hope you enjoy the holiday memories pictured in this issue and look forward to seeing you again at the same time next month.



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Featured on cover is our 'Model of the Month', Susan Roger-Allan. Susan who is Director of a Model & Casting Agency is also a compere and Fashion Co-ordinator. She recently left New Plymouth to extend her business into the Auckland area but her Agency in New Plymouth is still operational.

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## WATERSKI CLUB DAY

Lake Rotokare, just a few miles out of Eltham, is the scene where many happy faces can on certain days during the summer, be found. Many of them come for a day in the sun, while others come with powerful boats and sets of waterskis. We visited the lake on a clubday during the heat of January sunshine.



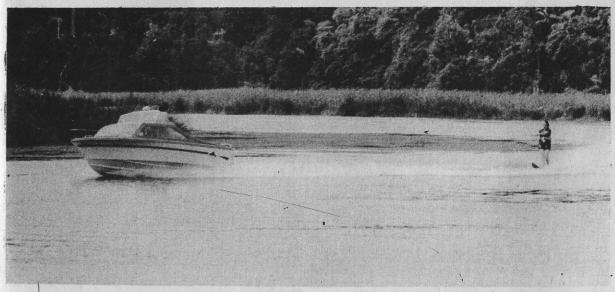
Part of a group from Stratford who came to watch the fun.



Che and Lloyd Evans of New Plymouth riding the waves in tandem.



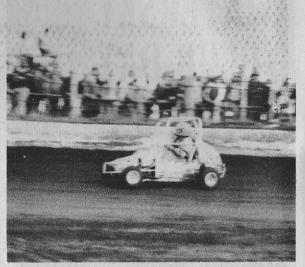
Owen Richardson of Stratford shows his style.



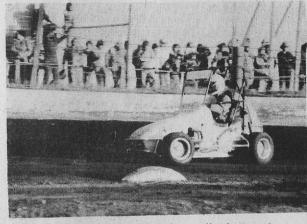
Jeannette Barr of Okaiawa comes back to shore after a trip round the lake.



Wayne Brooker of New Plymouth had his V6 Ford working in top order that évening



Dennis Topping racing in the second TQ race of the night.



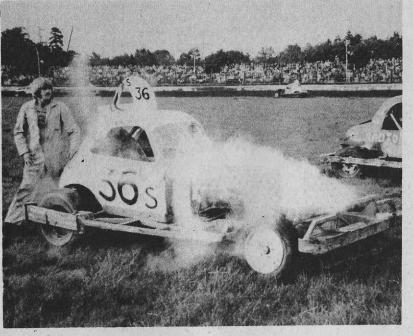
Pat Chapman proved that he really knows how to handle his TQ.



The highlight of the night, and the main attraction was the Demolition Derby.



As in most Demolition Derbys, almost anything seems to go, and usually does. In the two pictures above it can be seen how as the race progresses (????) cars shudder to a shaking, smouldering compulsory stop.



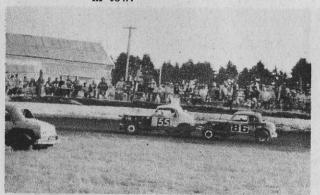
A blown radiator put Steve Tanner out of the race.

#### STOCK CARS: DEMOLITION DERBY

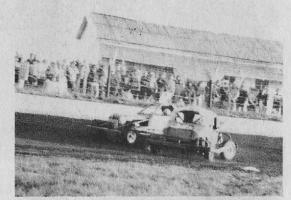
One of the most popular events that any Stock Car Club ever organises is the Demolition Derby. Such a Derby was held at the track in Stratford early in January and predictably it drew very good crowds of spectators. The Demolition Derby did of course live up to its reputation with plenty of crashes and a high pace of excitement.



This car raised the laughs with a miniature in tow.



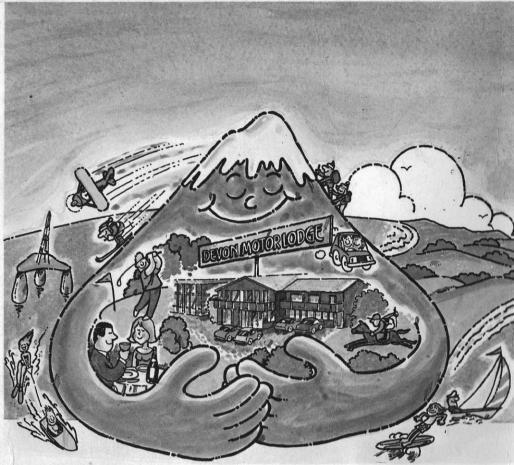
A not too gentle bump in the rear, but for spectators it's all part of the fun.



A spectacular collision had the crowd whistling



Trying to shake each other loose, out in the grass centre.



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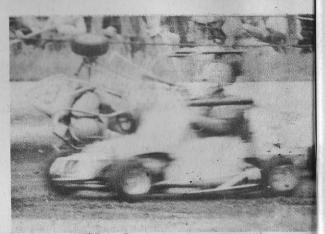
# STOCK CARS: Hillman explodes

Two weeks after the Demolition Derby at the Stock Car Track in Stratford came an evening that was highlighted by the blowing up of a Hillman vehicle by American Doug Brown who drove what he called his Pennzoil Pulse 'Wildfire'

Excitment reached fever pitch as the highlight of the evening approached.



This bike rider slides into a corner in one of the early races. Note the Confederate flag on the riders jacket — shades of 'Dukes of Hazard'?



Dennis Topping wipes out his TQ in a spectacular crash, caused by a slight misjudgement on his part.



Smoke and fire as the Hillman, prepared especially for the event by Blondie Chamberlain, the new N.Z. Stock Car Champion, explodes in a ball of flame.



Doug Brown from California, USA, destroys a Hillman with the thrust produced by his Pennzoil Pulse 'Wildfire' jet, which produced a 5,000 lb. thrust.

# **BEACH RACES**

There's always something of a carnival 'air' to the running of the Waitoetoe Beach Races and this year's event was certainly no exception. The sun shone brilliantly, the crowds came from all over, and turned it into a 'picnic' affair.



It may look like the setting for a western movie, but in reality, these are horses' stalls.



John Hore made himself comfortable and entertained the crowds at Waitoetoe.



Rob Godderidge & Ralph Bryant made a real picnic of the day, complete with barbeque lunch



'Favour' winning the second race, the 'Maple Park Maiden', with 'Summer Sox' following second.



The winning line during running of race four.



### MINI OLYMPICS

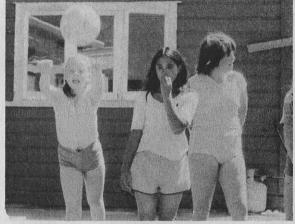
Children from many parts of the province were to be seen at YMCA Camps at Camp Huinga over the Holidays.

During one of these camps we attended their 'Mini Olympics' and found that not only did the 'kids' really have a ball, it was good fun watching too.

The objective here was for the group to 'tie' themselves into 'knots' and then untie themselves.



Passing an apple along a human chain using only the chin — Sheryl Schwass of New Plymouth & Denise Kurta of Urenui



Tracey Black of Awakino takes her turn





Children were instructed to throw a ball to land in a cardboard box some thirty feet away, then run and retrieve it, passing the ball on to the next person. Simone Elston (left) New Plymouth sends the ball flying, while Angela Garlic (right) also of New Plymouth takes aim, and scored.



It's hard to smile with a spoon in your mouth but Kristin Wilkes of New Plymouth does so and doesn't drop the ball either.



This lass was going 'cross-eyed' looking at the ball



Allison Dallas of Patea starts the ball & spoon with supervisor Roanna Davidson of New Plymouth standing by.



Utmost concentration from Raewyn Waters, Bell Block.



Helen Ross of Eltham starts the ball rolling — the idea was to roll the ball along the form without it falling off.



Rebecca Gordon of New Plymouth, a smooth ride down the form.



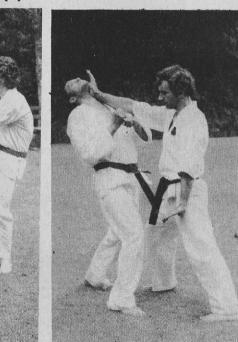
A nice pass from Kristin Wilkes of New Plymouth to Donna Trott of Inglewood.

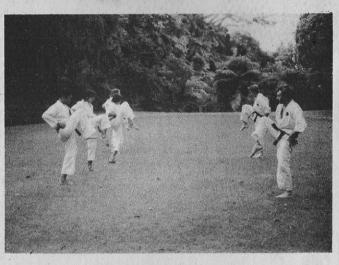
#### **PUKEKURA PARK ENTERTAINMENT**

During much of January, New Plymouth's Pukekura Park was the scene of a number of demonstrations by various local clubs and organisations. These demonstrations attracted much interest from both visitors and Taranaki citizens and several of the activities in the Park are pictured on the following pages.



Above— Chris McMahon & Shane Lyes go through attack & block exercises — Above Right — the karate class in warm up pose.





#### KARATE

The Rembuden Karate Club staged a demonstration of the finer points of karate training and what the art is all about. Their demonstration was well received.



Above from Left – Mark Gallagher & Lee Rose work out, Ken Roberts (instructor) shows Keith Abbott the way its done, Chris McMahon demonstrates how to break a stone with the bare hand.



Club organizer and Caller, Eric Dwyer.

Mrs Pat Mawson shows how the

age old craft is followed and

wears a product of her own

#### BLACK & WHITE SQUARES

Black and White Squares they call themselves. In itself the name may not mean much to Mr & Mrs Average, but those who watched the display soon discovered that this meant Square Dancing and they also learned that this style of dancing has changed a lot over the years.



"Now it's swing your partners round and round"

# SPINNING CLUB The 'Old Frankley School Spinning Club' were proud

The 'Old Frankley School Spinning Club' were proud to display their age old craft and indeed it proved a fascinating sight for those who watched.



ABOVE – Unice Bothwell, Pat Mawson Glad Morecraft and Olive Ward are spinning, spinning, spinning.





Maui De Baffy tunes his boat.

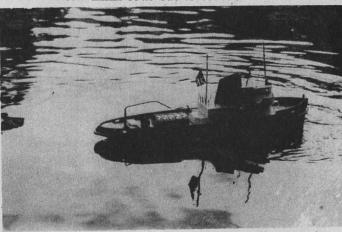


Bert Winmill steers his model, watched by John Polglaze.

# BOATS & TRAINS



Bert Winmill rows out to collect a 'crashed' model.



An intricate two foot model, complete with flag.

ABOVE — A demonstration by the New Plymouth Model Marine Club gave everyone a chance to observe the intricate detail in models that the group have made and their operation on water.

BELOW — During the holidays the train by the Park run by the New Plymouth Model & Experimental Engineers Club received good patronage.



AboveLeft – Jim Clarke stokes the engine before setting out, Above Right – And then takes a a full load of children for a ride around the circuit.

# **CANINE OBEDIENCE**

The North Taranaki Canine Obenience Club took the opportunity to participate in the series of displays at the Park and held a training session for dogs for all to observe.



Members of the class shown walking their dogs at heel, all very obedient, well almost.



"Now she stands there and demands that I jump" the dog might well be muttering, but obeys without hesitation anyway.



Ian Hawkin walks 'Frenzy' through a low jump



Elaine Whiting walks 'Poppet' in proper fashion around the field (above) and then over the high jump (below)



Bwana the Baboon surveys children assembled at a local retail store — a build up to the Circus performance at night.



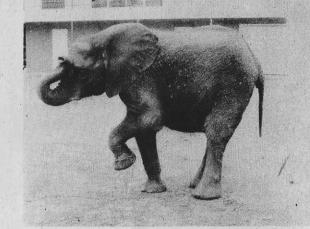
Guess it's not every day you see a clown & a Baboon walking the streets, not in Taranaki anyway



Everybody has to work for his supper in a Circus — even a pet fox terrier.

# WHIRLINGS' CIRCUS

Early in January Whirlings Brothers Circus was seen in Taranaki, entering from the north and working their way through the province, southwards. It was good to see that even very small towns were included in the Circus' itinery, a fact that must surely prove that there is potential in small towns for more entertainment. One feature of the Whirlings Circus was small two man entertainment troupes playing in a local retail store on the afternoon prior to the main performance of the Circus. Obviously the whole idea was publicity for the Circus, with the objective of paying crowds in the tent, but it was an excellent public relations exercise.



Jumbo is a 7 year old African elephant. When full grown she will be 14 feet in height and will weight 12 ton. In this picture she was asked to salute our photographer.



Clowns Charlie & Oscar staged a competition for kids in the audience. This little winner gets to hold the clowns hand as he goes



Our vision was 'stilted' but this guy kept 'clowning around' while wearing stilts.



Clowns are the real heart of any circus and Whirlings was no exception. This 'character' had ideas he could juggle with eggs.



They even taught this poodle to jump twice his own height and — hoop-la — through the hoop.



Willie the Clown was a hit with all the kids. Here he shakes hands with the crowd of kids.



Like Skewthorpe's in the old days, Whirlings were complete with an excellent stock whip act — glad it was the clown on the receiving end, not us.



Ray Ramon chose to talk with words of fire



Jumbo of course trod the centre ring too and was taken through her paces — those paces did not even touch the clown, though of course he tried to 'kid' the audience that she would.



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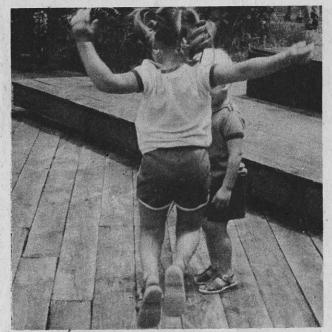
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It became a fun thing all their own for Michelle King and Janaya Kopu.



Karen Hollis, Gaye McCarten, Arlene Brigg and Alistair Moran operated the Candyfloss stand.



There were stalls of several types at the Bowl selling all manner of paraphenalia.

### Fleamarket

A Fleamarket and general Gala was held at the Bowl of Brooklands on January 24th and while we heartily endorse the usage of the Bowl for other activities, such as this one, it was quite disapointing, especially for the organisers, that more people did not attend the event.



A book stall was operated by Pauline Grigg and Jane Collins.

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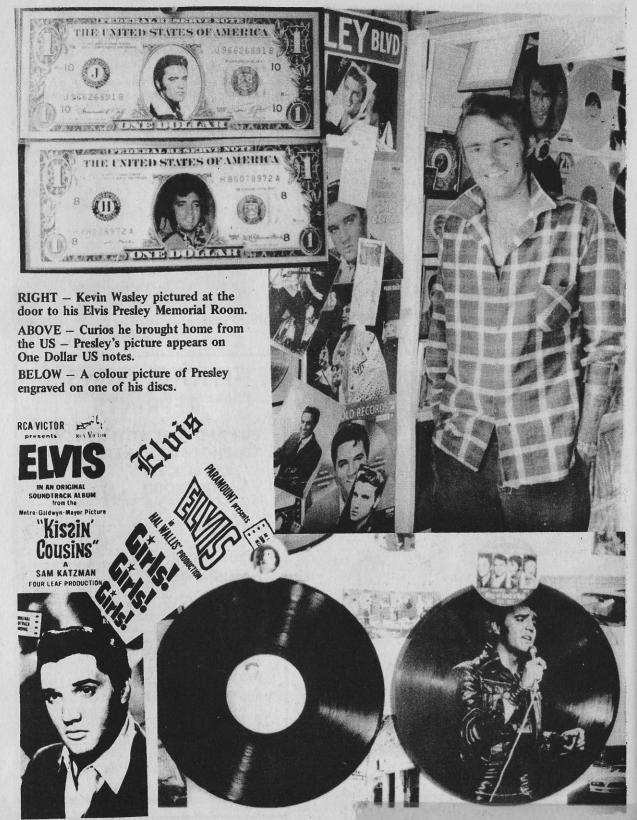
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A painter in Hawera, Kevin Wasley, some time ago dedicated a whole room to the Late Elvis Presley.

He was building a new workshop back in 77-78 and decided to incorporate one room at that time as his personal memorial to Elvis.

Today the Room has become something of a sightseers stop in Hawera and Kevin has a number of visitors all of whom are politely asked to sign a visitors register.

Kevin started collecting Presley records when he was 13. "Some kids collect cars, I collected Elvis records" he recalls, and today his collection number about 1,120.

In 1979 Kevin won a national competition which gave him a prize of a trip to Memphis. This year he hopes to return as host of a 3 week tour which is due to leave in October.





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# New Plymouth Trots

Our camera-girl went along to the Taranaki Trotting Club's meeting held in New Plymouth during January.

Those who spent the day at the meeting, commented more on the weather than on the racing, but there were a number of exciting moments for punters who bet, and lost......or won.



The start of the Festival 81 Mile......



The Starter, Mr N. Jones with Mr Mailman and son Ian who help him on the day.



....and the finish, a really close result.



A 'starter's eye view' of the beginning of the Leopard Breweries Race.

#### The Firefighters team from New Plymouth competing in the Tug-O-War.



Social Credit's candidate for the Taranaki electorate, Brian Herlihy, finishes 2nd in the single handed sawing event.



Stewart Osbourne trys his skill Stratford A team were winners

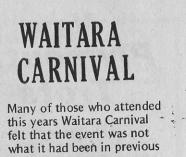


Brendon Harris and Teresa Hori enjoyed the day out.....for them it was great fun.





Competitor in the 11" under hand chop.



years. However it is well to remember that this year there was no gate charge & the event was more like a
Gala Day. It was run this
year jointly by the Taranaki Axemen's Association
and the N.P. Cycle Club.



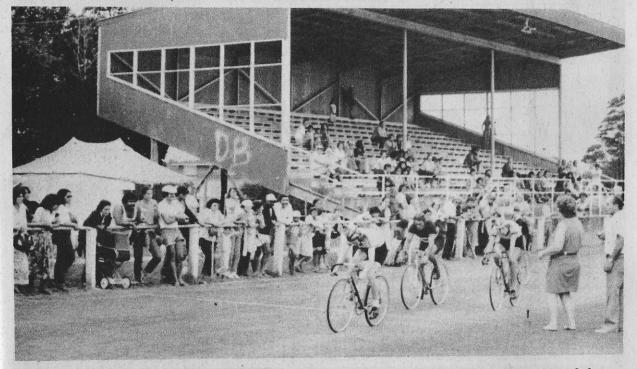
B Richard in the chopping



Dean Purdie aims most carefully



T. Haupapa had a tough block in the 12" standing chop and was last to finish



The finish of the second lap in the cycle race with K. Stratton 1st, B. Lambert 2nd and C. Haldane 3rd.

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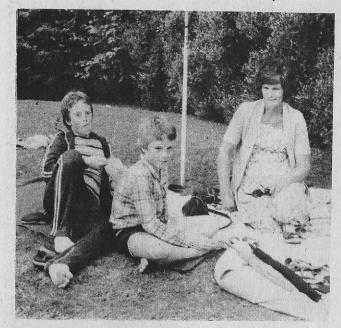




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## Kaponga Swimming Carnival

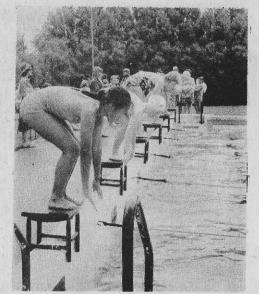
Sunday morning February 1st dawned bright and sunny and organisers of the Kaponga Swimming Carnival breathed a sigh of relief. The good weather brought good crowds and the Carnival, which was held at the Kaponga Public Baths was deemed a great success.



Making a picnic day of it were the Mueli family from New Plymouth



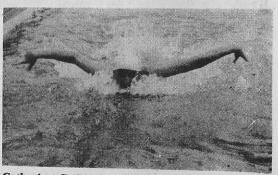
Part of a large crowd which attended the Carnival



Start of the 12 years old 66 2/3rds breast-stroke.



Organisers, Michelle Wisnewski, Karen Betts, Shirley Wisnewski and Heather Flinthof.



Catherine Gadd applying the power in the 66 & 2/3rds open butterfly.

The Salexin raft not only had peddle power, they also had an elaborate canopy & cabin.



'Moa-Nui' Social Club's raft looks like it's struck a little swampy ground



First raft home was this entry by the National Dairy Association all the way from Hawera.

# Raft Race

The annual Raft Race on the Waitara River took place as usual close to Christmas and caused as many laughs amongst spectators and entrants as is normal.

Long may this event continue, it is light hearted moments in life such as this provides that we all need.



Tikorangi Young Farmers tended to prove that they were farmers, not seamen!



Nothing elaborate about the Round Table raft from Waitara, but it made speed (at times)



Coming home in style to take third place.



Boons raft was the subject of considerable ingenuity



Two of the rafts ran out of 'gas' and had to be towed across the line.



Yes the CB'ers were there too with those strange call sign numbers all over their raft.



Putting considerable effort into the oar-work are those aboard the 'moa-nui' raft

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#### CRICKET: Taranaki v. Marlborough

Taranaki took the Chapple Cup match against Marlborough held at New Plymouth in January with a show of skill and determination that paid off with a most convincing win for the home team.



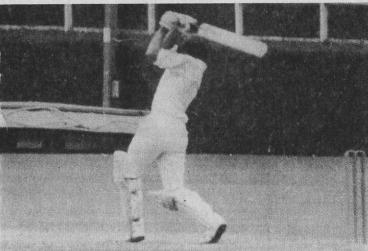
A late effort from a fielder does not save and another boundary is made.



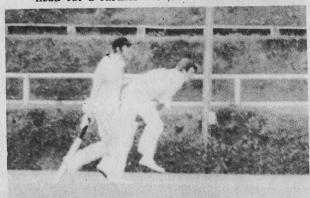
Peter Blackbourne hits Thomas through midwicket for another 4 runs.



Not out batsmen Crowley and Blackbourne return after a partnership of 30.



Keiran Crowley sends it across Cresswell's head for a further 4 runs.



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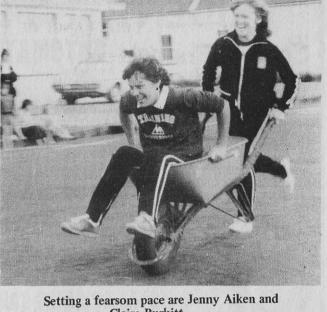
# Trolley Derby

On a late shopping night just before Christmas, Moa Street in Inglewood became the scene of many weird and wonderful looking 'machines'. The event was a Trolley Derby organised by the local Jaycee Chapter.



'Just Like Chasing Cows' - the Tariki Young Farmers appear to be saying.





Claire Burkitt



The Hatcher kids really put some strain "Okay buster - we'll show these old clowns how it's done"



Ron Dodunski found this barrow pushing thing wasn't that easy, especially with a passenger (passenger is Rodney Ewing)

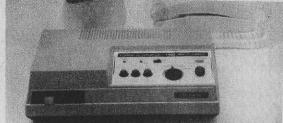


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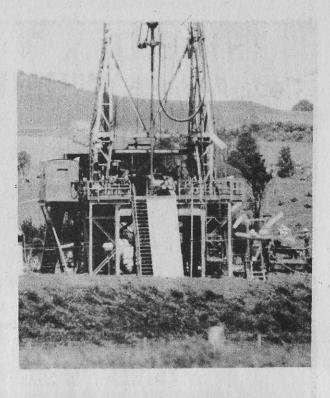
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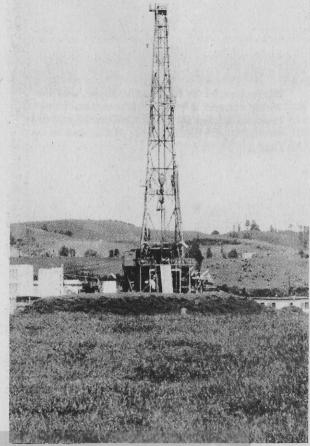
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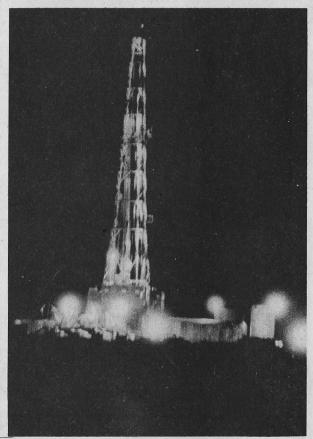
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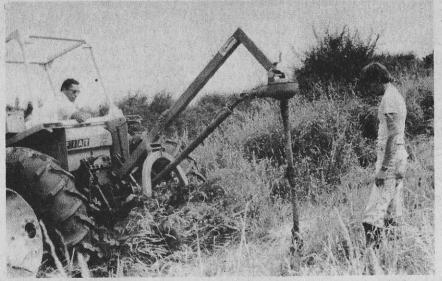
As the Oil Search in Taranaki steps up in pace a growing public interest mounts over the many questions now associated with all aspects of the projects involved.

Pictures on this page depict the Petrocorp Drill when it was operating on the Onaero site which has officially been declared 'dry'. The shot of the rig at night makes a most interesting contrast to the daytime shots.









Four wheel drive tractors equipped with post hole type diggers are used and holes are called for in all manner of terrain, from flat, to hillsides.

### SEISMIC SURVEY

An English firm has been busy carrying out a seismic survey in the area where oild was struck at the McKee field. The objective of the seismic survey is to determine where the best places are likely to be to drill production wells and also to determine the size of the McKee field. We followed through the survey team during one day and the following pictures show the work involved.



Small charges of Gelignite are placed and wired then the holes are filled with sand & rammed.



Equipment boxes such as the above have the wiring connected to them (the control boxes are estimated to cost \$3,000 each) and are strung out the entire length of the area to be fired.



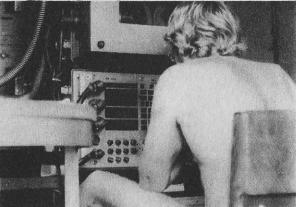
A general view showing the team working on a farm in Waitui area.





The final stages of wiring and preparing to blow the charges. Above right we can see one member of the team in phone contact with the control base. It is from this control base that the charges are actually fired, after that is, a warning blast of vehicle horns has been sounded.





The control base for the operation. It is here that computer equipment records the series of explosions on each section and also records the shock waves of these explosions downswards into the earth's structure. These are recorded on computer tapes and these tapes are later analysed to produce maps for study.



Simultaneous explosions in a difficult stretch of terrain — difficult because of a swamp area. The arrows show the blow-uot of sand where each piece of 'jelly' was planted.



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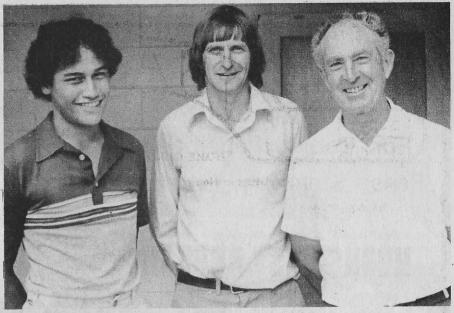
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# Golf Reps.

The Taranaki finals of the National Peter Stuyvesant event was played at the Inglewood Golf Course on February 1st.

It was the Hawera team of Beauchamp, Lloyd and Ropiha that took the honours (to the surprise of some).



The winners who go on to the National Stuyvesant event — Junior — Dick Beauchamp, Intermediate— Selwyn Lloyd, Senior — Bernie Ropiha.



Dayle Montgomery of Eltham holds the flag on the final green for a fellow player.



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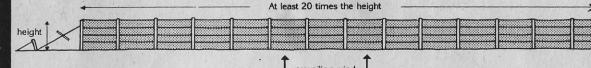
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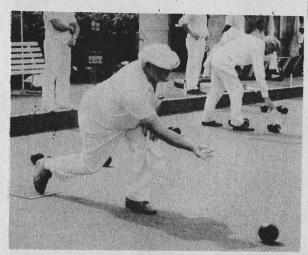
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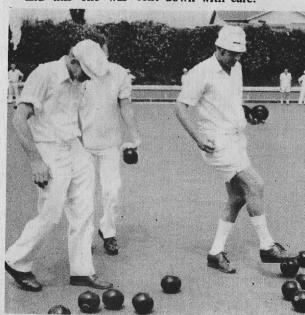
#### BOWLING TRIPLES AT HAWERA

At the end of last month an Open Triples Bowling Competition was held at the Nolantown Green in Hawera.

Photo News was there to catch some of the play, much of which is reproduced below.



Ed Hurley had a very precise shot to make and this one was sent down with care.



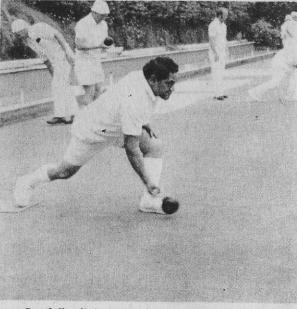
All hands get there preparing for another end.



Nick Sinclair, Ian Norgate, Eddie Bayliss and John Lawrie bring the bowls back for another.



Technical discussion between Ken Fairbrother and Jack Richards



Carefully lining up the objective and Wally Omahura sends his bowl 'a-spinning'.

#### OAKURA BEACH CARNIVAL

This years New Years Day Oakura Beach Carnival must have surely seen a record crowd, or at least a near record crowd. Attendance was estim -ated at twelve and a half thousand.

All of those thousands had plenty to watch and a enjoy for there was a wide range of demonstrate. ions, events and attractions.



A small part of the vast crowd which was estimated to be twelve & a half thousand.





The Mini Ferris Wheel was very popular

Two Sky divers, Grant Olsen and Nick Elliot demonstrated a free fall from 5,000 feet to 3,000 feet at which height they opened their chutes and then proceeded to land in a pre-determined position.



Messrs M. Winder and B. Herlihy prepare to operate the new rescue craft 'rubber duckie'.



Chopper pilot Alan Beck lifts a life-saver by rope and .....





.......ferries him out to sea to pick up a mock 'distressed' swimmer. The demonstration showing the advantages of using a chopper in difficult situations was appreciated by the crowd.

#### BEACH CARNIVAL cont.



Children making the most of the water slide — this was really fun.



Susan Rogers-Allan was compere of the Miss Oakura Beach Girl contest.



Kevin Ryan strikes a blow in the 11" standing chopping event.



The three prize winners in the Miss Oakura Beach Girl contest stand up front with their bouquets of flowers, and the winners cup, to applause from the unplaced entrants.

#### Horticultural Summer Show

The Horticultural Society's Summer Flower Show was held in St. Joseph's Hall, New Plymouth Friday 30th and Saturday 31st of January. Some excellent blooms were sighted and also many very artistic displays and arrangements.



Mrs T Johnston prepared this striking entry - 'Rhythmic Red'.



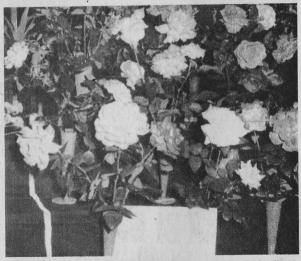
Jim Rumbal prepares and exhibit.



Some of the many admirers of the Floral Art Class - Open



Mrs T. Robins took out the Champion Bloom.

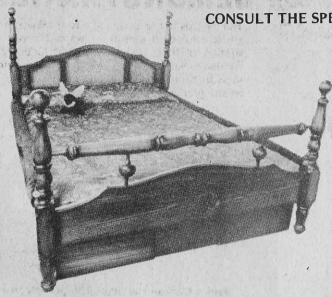


This Open Rose Display was by Mr H. Burwell.

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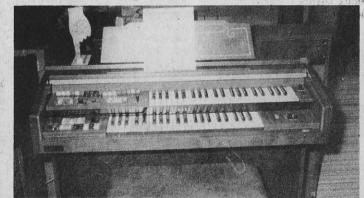


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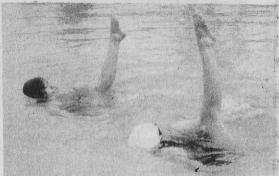




Marriane Frechting coaches the girls.

#### PRACTISING FOR **DEMONSTRATION**

The 'Naiads Synchro Squad' from Hawera are scheduled to perform a water demonstration of their skills at the King Country Women's National Party Meeting to be held soon in Stratford. Our camera caught a recent practise at King Edward Pool.



Janice Duncan and Susan Hill practise their routine

Photo News looked in on the One and Three Metre Diving Champs early rounds which were held at the King Edward Pool in Hawera



Louise Volaire of Hawera, airborne.



Alex Spooner of Manaia about to start his dive



Darryl Hebner and Selena Kirkconnell have been selected to represent the home area in the National Diving Championships to be held in Christchurch during March.



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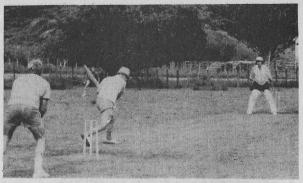
#### **OKOKI VALLEY FUN DAY**

This year's Okoki Valley Fun Day was held on Boxing Day. For the uninitiated the Okoki Valley is some miles north of Urenui, a well knit farming community.

The day was primarily a social get-together for the residents and some of the activities are pictured on this page.



Many of the children palyed softball and pictured is Norma Sanders marking the ball.



A friendly game of cricket saw both husbands and wives in the team.



However one of the most popular places, especially for the children was the swimming pool.

#### RAB HORSE SHO

A show for All Arabian horses was held at the New Plymouth Racecourse on January 24th. While it did not attract huge numbers, no doubt the organisers did not expect this for there are still only limited numbers in the province. Pictured below left is Ngapa Golden Lad, a purebred owned by Jack Hamilton, who took out the Supreme Champion title on the day. Below right is Caramere Hi Aimee with Sharon Collingwood. This foal came 2nd in the class for part-bred Arab (colt or filly).







The Highland Guards from Waikato



Checking things out are — Deborah Hotter, Wendy Anderson & Tania Gooch all of Berkley Bendalier, Stratford.



Two Marching Days were held mid January, one in Eltham on a Saturday, followed on the Sunday with another in Stratford. The Eltham Marching day photos appear on the opposite page and Stratford's Medal Day photos appear on this page. Many visiting teams travelled to the Eltham day and stayed over for the Stratford Marching Day as well.



Ivan Plumb of Hawera and Mrs R. Rice of New Plymouth, Judge, & Centre Secretary.



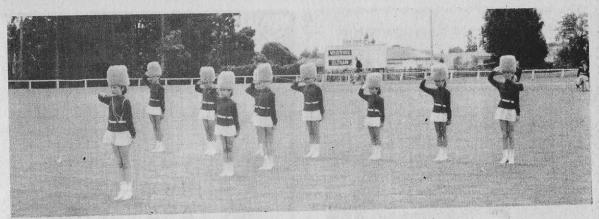
Tension mounts for Julie Morris of the Kapiti Majorettes of Paraparaumu



Julianne Nalle, a Ruanui Midget from Patea



The 'Lochaber' team from Wellington show their paces and their mettle.

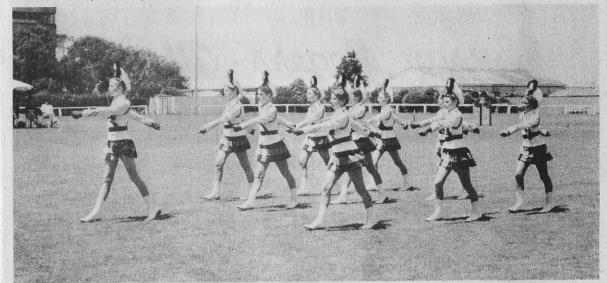


The Miltonettes from Inglewood perform their salute.



Malone's Militairs from Stratford being measured for accuracy by a judge.

Inglewood's Mountain Rangers in classical position



Hertz Lancers from New Plymouth stepping out

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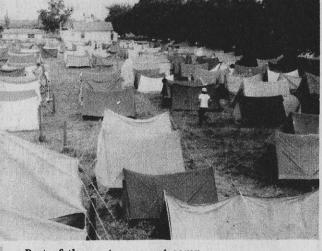
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### SCOUT JAMBOREE AT HASTINGS

Scouts of all ranks and from all over New Zealand, gathered at the Tomoana Show grounds in Hastings during January.

The event received much publicity at the time, but we bring you on these two pages a selection of pictures featuring Taranaki Scouts. —photos courtesy John Schofield.



Part of the venturer scout camp



The Governor General greeting Assistant Leader Murray Keast:



Peter Sampson and Robert Rose collecting some of the daily rations.

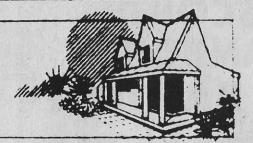


The Governor General is introduced to Assistant Leader Murray Roberts by M.P.



Dean Maxwell making his concrete block on the Community Service Project.

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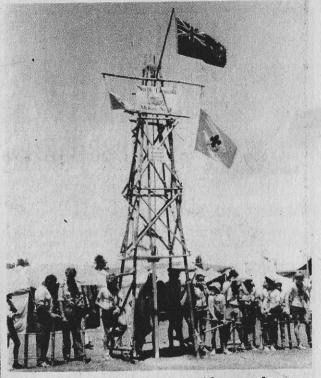
North Taranaki's contingent Leader John Schofield meeting Sir David Beatty at gateway proir to lunch.



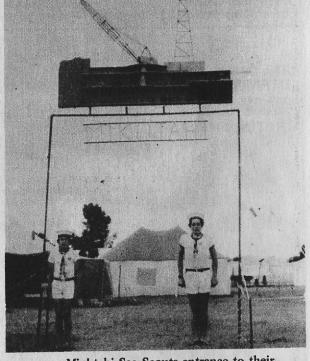
Coming off the wall on the Hazard course.



Hazards "Mud" Hole



North Taranaki gateway with most of contingent awaiting for the Governor General



Mioktahi Sea Scouts entrance to their site with sea scouts standing guard



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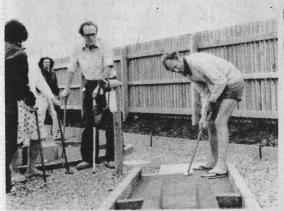


# Crazy Golf

At East End Beach in New Plymouth, (down Nobs Line) there's the craziest 18 hole golf course that we've ever seen. Some of the obstructions on the course are fantastic, just no other words for it. Over the holidays the course received good patronage from visitors.



Large crowds were sighted during the holidays at the golf course. A local man holds the course record of 52.



Rob Riley of Hamilton trying his luck at the 12th hole.



Catherine Collins of Auckland had to smile at the obstacles encountered at the 18th. 

# Frankley Drag Races

The New Plymouth Motor Cycle Club held Drag Races at Frankley Road on January 2nd. A windy, but sunny day saw a good attendance with bikes racing in six classes according to power.



Steve Halliwell performs a little 'rough riding'



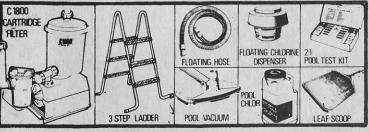
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# CWI PANTO.

Tikorangi Country Womens Institute members staged a Christmas Pantomime called 'The Beauty & the Beast'. We caught the final performance which was held at the Waitara War Memorial Hall. Production & direction was by Gay May.



The cast of the CWI Christmas Pantomime 'beauty & the beast'.



The Grandfather and one of the two selfish sisters



The beast has turned handsome prince



There's a real surprise when a huge cracker appears on stage and out pops Father Christmas.

#### FORM TWO DINNER



Each year just before the end of the school year, the Home & School Association of Egmont Village School, arranges what is commonly known as the Form 2 Dinner. This event takes the form of an evening meal at the school, the meal having been prepared and served by the Form 2 students. Pictured with their Headmaster, Mr Ian Jones, are Form 2 students of last year, Sarah Canwell, Joanne Marsh, Giselle Rowe, Judith Major, Rosemary Bolton, Mavis Beard, Wayne Dixon, Murray Pierce and Timothy Beard.

# OPENING OF NEW BUILDING



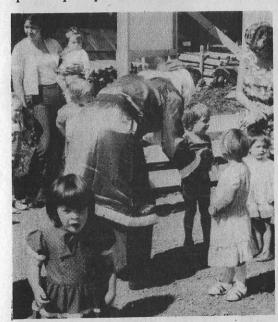
Leo Carrington, Mayor of Stratford speaks at the opening of a new 'shed' at the Kiwi Tanneries in Stratford. The expansion to the business has been made necessary due to the firms' continued expansion into exports. The new shed was opened officially early in December.



A non traditional Santa this one, he arrived by
Fire Engine



Shane Paul had help from a friend when he picked up his present from Santa



.....and then proceeded to hand out sweets to the children

### Christmas Party

The Urenui Playcentre Christmas Party was held early in December and saw a high turnout of Urenui pre-schoolers to meet Santa. Santa arrived this year in a Fire Engine.



A sweet little miss was Phillippa



Richard Orchard was ecstatic over his Santa gift



Teresa Hopkinson went all coy when she got close to Santa.

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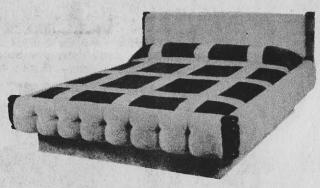
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#### CHRISTMAS PARTY

North Taranaki Country Womens Institute held their Christmas Party at Inglewood's Norfolk Hall a few weeks before Christmas.

There was entertainment, a jovial Santa and in addition to a huge Christmas stocking as a raffle a Christmas cake which was cut on the night.



Queenie Surrey won the huge Christmas stocking.



Santa is piped into the hall by Jim Shepherd.



Barbara Hunt had the honour of cutting the Christmas Cake



Mrs Sutton wanted to dance with Santa.



Santa is officially welcomed by Barbara Hunt and Betty Hucker.



Carol singing time from the Kaimata Skiffle group and the Inglewood Song group, combined.



Ruby Yates gives Santa a present – that's a twist!



Joanna March says thanks.

#### SURFCASTING CLUB'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

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One of the most sociable clubs that we've met is the Waitara Surfcasting Club, and social was the key to their Christmas Party. The Christmas Party was held on a private property near Waitara.



Santa arrived and was promptly rushed



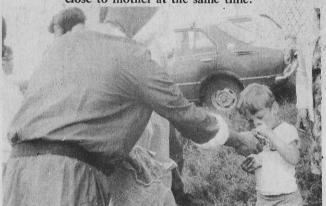
Brian & Lorraine Andrews and children Chris and Erin make the most of lunch



A picnic lunch for Mrs L. Mould, Rachael Mould. Robert Peters, E. Mould, C. Evans, E. Evans and C. Mangino



Scott Wilson shyly took his present, but hung close to mother at the same time.



Robert Peters strode up like a little man to receive his present from Santa



Mr & Mrs C. Herbert unpack the ice-box



Santa with members of his fan club - Adriane Claridge, Julie-Ann Perritt, Alistair Perritt & friend.

#### INLAND REVENUE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Staff of the Inland Revenue Department at New Plymouth held their Christmas Party on a bright sunny day down at Ngamotu Beach.

The atmosphere was relaxing and it was quite evident that those there enjoyed the event.



Murray Duke and Neil Candy were delegated to look after a bunch of kids.



Mark Sargent was apprehensive about the whole affair.



Neville Busing with neice Jenny Sargent watches the Santa reactions.

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#### WAITARA PONY CLUB GYMKHANA

The Waitara Pony Club held a Gymkhana at the end of January at Brixton Road. The event saw a number of spills, the most spectacular of which is captured on this page, but apart from that, also saw a number of excellent rounds by competitors.



J. Coleman, captured in mid air



P. Paterson makes an excellent clean jump



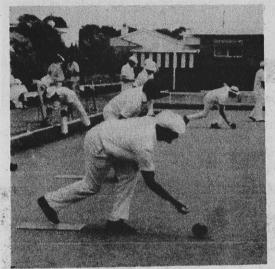
It just wasn't her day ! S. Conquest did not conquer all, but instead, a spectacular fall.



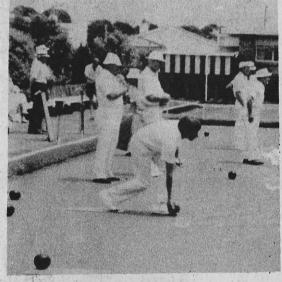
Jenny Haughton & Patricia Martin entered the 'Pair of Hacks' class with 'Benjamin' and 'Classique'.



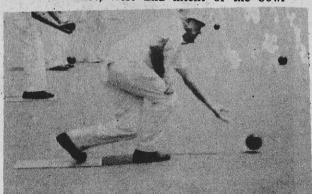
Relaxing between events - Mary & Matthew Grayling, and Richard Gravling & Joy Newby.



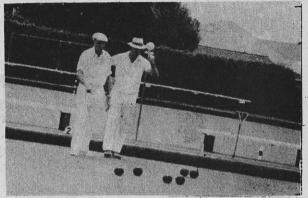
Sending down a carefully placed bowl is Doug Colbourne of Fitzroy



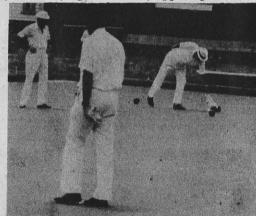
Dave Bennet, West End intent of the bowl



This was a beauty by Tom Ditchfield, Wanganui



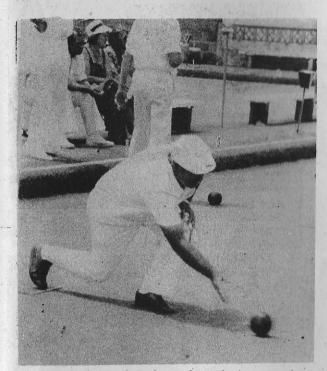
It may look to be a 'mess' of balls everywhere to the casual observer, but for these guys it is necessary to study and direct the next ball most carefully — studying is what's happening.



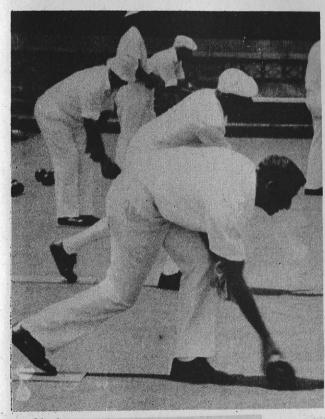
Jon Howe of Fitzroy indicates placement to a team-mate



Watching the state of play with interest are Messrs A. Walker & A.G. Williams of Palmerston North



Alister Nelson of Inglewood sends 'em on down.



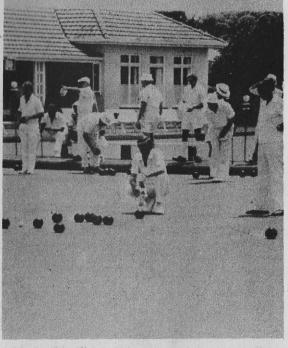
N. Sanger of Paritutu sends down the bowl that's needed to put his team ahead.

#### BOWLING TOURNAMENT

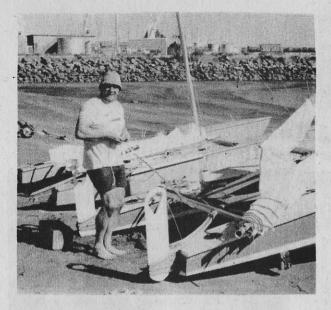
Apart from dairy cows, oil and Mount Egmont, Taranaki is also famous for the Bowling competitions held January—February each year. Our Photo News camera visited the New Plymouth RSA green while Pairs play was still in its early stages.

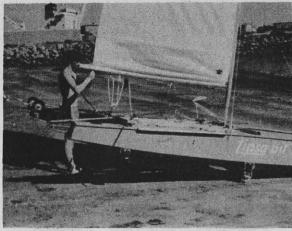


Rod McCullum of Inglewood sends another down the green.



Dave Bennet, West End contemplates a very tight grouping





ABOVE-A last minute check by Graeme Coles LEFT-Terry Coles makes final adjustments before heading out to sea.



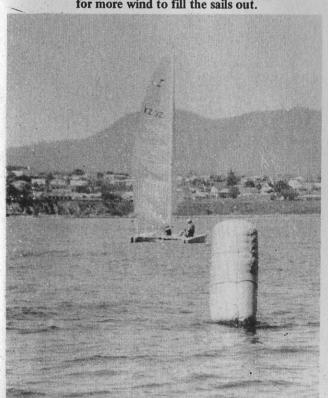




Fred's boat, sailed by Fred – Fred McLea of Palmerston North



Willy Woods of New Plymouth praying for more wind to fill the sails out.



Sailing around a marker is E. Clay

#### **National** Catamaran Championships



The 'Sleepyhead' National Catamaran Championships were held off Port Taranaki during the week of January 3rd through January 10th. The pictures on these pages were taken on the Final Day, the 10th with a fine day & dead calm sea. Pictured is the 3rd Open Race.

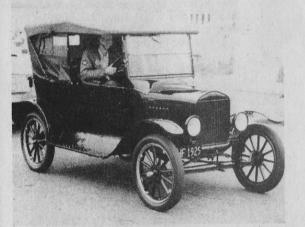


The racing committee, hard at work

L. Wheeler of New Plymouth in the two pictures above finds that sailing in a colm see her it's problems



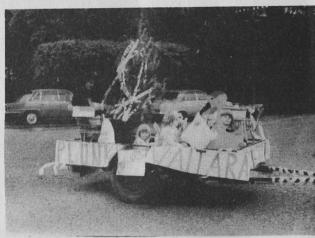
We couldn't figure out why this beach buggy was in the parade, but there it was!



Many eyes fastened on this vintage — Lord Mr Ford look what you 'done'.



Plans had been made many months ahead for the New Plymouth Christmas Parade, and it was a great disappointment at the last moment to have the event rained out & cancelled. However Waitara fared better with their 1980 Christmas parade and many members of the community took part.



The Plunket Society mustered up this trailer and decorated it for the parade.



This Pipe Band, followed by Waitara's "creme de creme" marching girls lead the parade.



Waitara Cubs manned their own float and appeared to be packed "wall to wall".



The float from Atiawa Softball Club



Kids from everywhere hung over the vintage Fire Engine



This float was entered in the parade by the Waitara Lions Club

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The start of the girls 75 metre handicap race



Gavin Landers leads the pack in the 800 metres
Boys Open

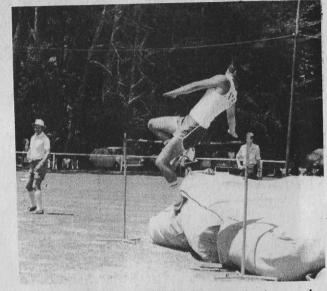


A nice clean jump from Allan Bailley

# ATHLETIC CHAMPS

This years Taranaki Athletics Association, Taranaki Centre Athletics Championships were held over a number of days, the first being at Inglewood on January 31st and Sunday 1st February.

Pictures on these pages were taken at Inglewood on the afternoon of Saturday the 31st.



Deceiving this one! It looks as if the jumper is about to descend. In reality it's up, to go over.



Laurie McGregor clears height in the steeplechase



Heading for a big splash in the steeplechase



A good throw in the discus event



Close to the finish of the mens senior 75 metre event



Allan Bailley was able to increase his best performance by some 20 centimetres

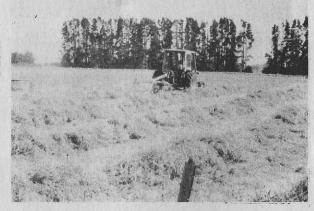


The first step is to cut the hay and todays modern mowers make swift work of it. Most mowers today are of the large disc type (similar to rotary lawn mowers) outmoding the old blade system.

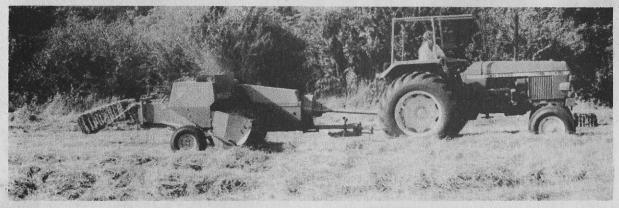


After allowing a period for drying by sunlight, (the time varies depending on weather) the hay is turned by a rake, or tedder.

Shown turning his hay is Barry Rose.



When dry, and before baling the hay is then winrowed, using the same implement used for turning.



Now its time to bale the hay and pictured performing this task is Barry Rose on his new John Deere.

## MAKING HAY

Fine weather during January has meant that farmers throughout the province have been able to harvest their hay without too many problems, a situation exactly the reverse of last season. For those who live in the City, Photo News brings you a picture by picture essay on the conventional way to make hay.

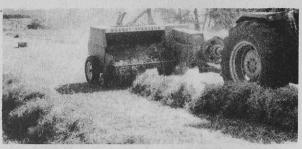




The bales are then placed on an elevator and this piece of equipment (far left of picture) carries the bales to the deck of the truck.



The truck then carries the baled hay to the hay shed.....



A front view of the baler showing the winrow entering the baler.



......This job is now made easy using a tractor fitted with a front sweep to literally sweep the bales up to a waiting truck for loading and cartage.



.....where the bales are stacked manually. Shown performing the stacking chore are Dave Weedon, Bronwyn Collingwood, Ken Higginson and Peter Potroz.



......where they are again stacked and stored until winter's feed situation demands supplementary feeding. Pictured stacking is Terry Cash.

Opunake are jubilant as they win the Surf Boat race.



The Fitzroy club's boat suffered a 'wipe out' on its way back to shore which resulted in considerable damage



Womens teams compete in the Surf Rescue event.

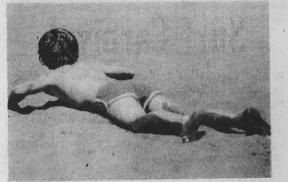
# Surf Carnival

A Surf Carnival at Oakura Beach on Saturday January 24th was held with heavy surf running and this made conditions pretty difficult for teams involved in competition. The surf was also largely responsible for damage to equipment that amounted to several thousands of dollars.



Cameron McLean ignored all of the fuss around him and entered his own little world of make-believe.

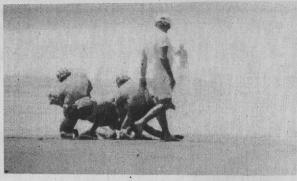




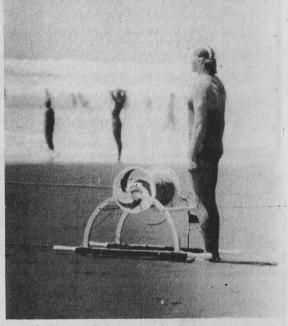
It was all too much for Dean Magan who decided to try and get some suntan.



Steven May, Craig Dent & Neville Nodder, East End Surf Club members, reel in the line



Fitzroy team members bring their "victim" to shore and prepare to commence rescue breathing.



Paul Ryan of Fitzroy mans the reel during an event.





Two teams bring in their "victims" during the Surf Rescue event for mens teams.

## TARANAKI BRIDES

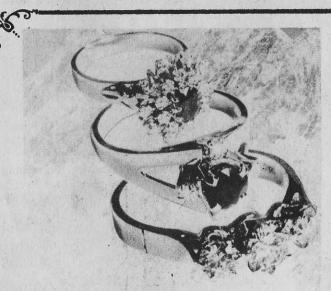
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## Wedding Bells





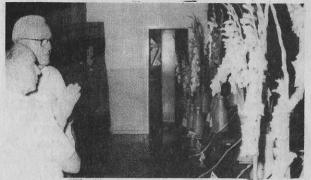
At Left – SHEEHY-TAYLOR...... At St. Marks' Church in Eltham, Grant Sheehy to Lynette Taylor. The couple both come from Eltham and will make their home at Mangatoki.

Below — EVANS—MAY....At the Bell Block Co-operating Church, Kerry, son of Mr & Mrs R.L. Evans of Oakura, to Lynda, daughter of Mr & Mrs B.E. May of Bell Block. Attendants were Bob Russell, Peter May, Helen Russell, Brenda Hopkins, Michelle Gyde, Danielle Gyde & Melissa Moir. The couple will live in Bell Block.



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Mr R. Wilcox of Hawera took out the premier vase, best exhibit, novice section, formal champion.



A. Eadie of Stokes Valley & R.J. Yardley of Hawera talk about finer points



Mr M.E. Brogden of Normanby, the champion vase, informal section

#### Gladiolus Show

The Silver Jubilee Show of the North Island, West Coast Gladiolus Society was held mid January in the Normanby Town Hall. The Glads. were spectacular and crowds really turned out to admire them, not only the winning entries, but all entries.



B Hughes of Wanganui took out the premier bloom in amateur section

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