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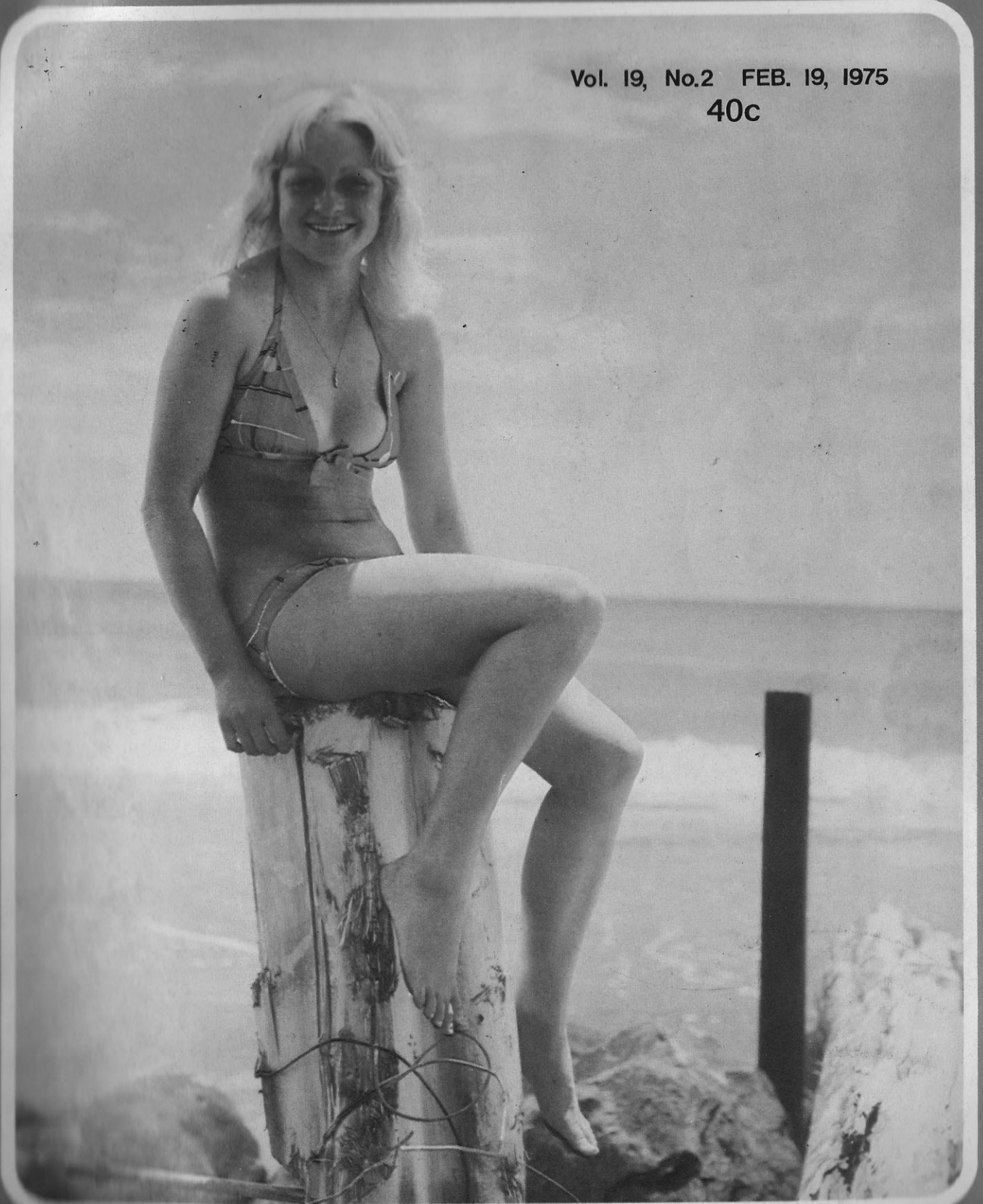


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TOPSY TURVY

This catamaran experienced a few difficulties during the first Class Race of the series of races held off Port Taranaki during the running of the NZ National Catamaran Championships, last month. This Cat was flipped right over with its sail and mast held firm in the water. The mishap put the boat out of this race. For more pictures of the Catamaran Races turn to page 18.



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

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given to companies or organisations who by way of development of a product or service, or by collective efforts, have helped to improve the way of life or environment, or who have offered service to the community that it is felt deserves recognition.

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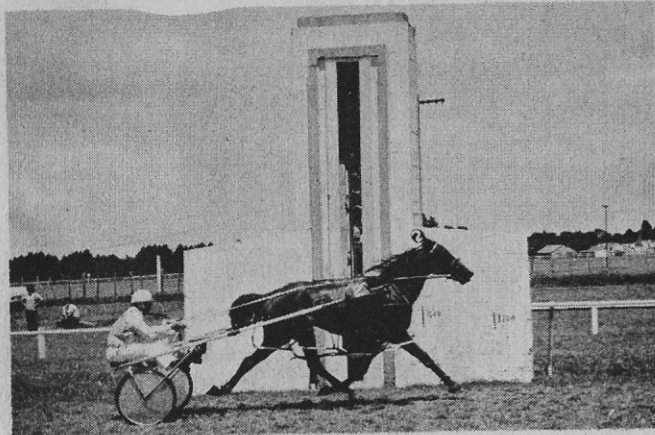
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Our front cover girl this month is Denise Sykes of New Plymouth. Denise loves the summer as it means plenty of time for swimming, she lists her other interests as tennis and horse-riding.

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Red Summer comes home well in the lead to win the cup.



For the Bracegirdle Family it was 'fun in the sun' with a picnic lunch and all.



A little glamour helped the view, N. Hunter and B. Newton.



It looked pretty doubtful at this stage whether her pick would make it.

stratford trots

Photo News took a look at last months Stratford Trots and found it to be a great experience. Of course for us it was the public and their expressive faces that really made the day, but the horses were pretty attractive animals too and some fine races were run.



Red Summer's proud owner, Mr Hunter accepts the winners trappings.



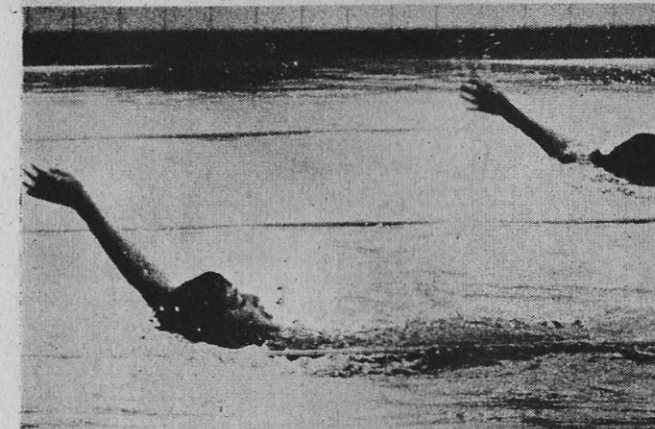
S. Cosey drove Gibous Moon to victory in the second race.



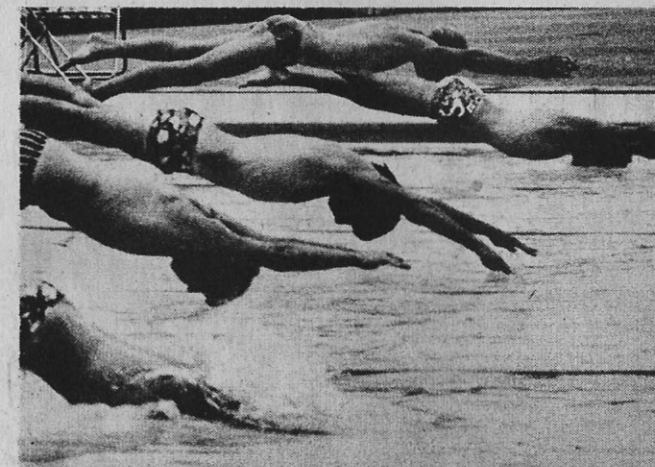
Messrs T Christiansen and K Goodwin study the form.

swimming carnival

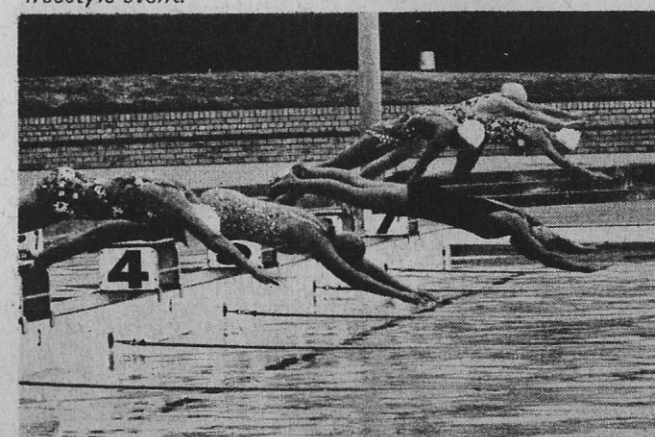
The New Plymouth Old Boys staged their annual Swimming Carnival at Kawaroa Pool, New Plymouth, at the end of last month. There were excellent entries in all races and a very high standard was observed with a few exceptional swimmers noted.



G. Bird of Waitara came second in the 55yard Girls Under ten backstroke event.



A variety of dives is evident at the start of the 220yard mens freestyle event.



Bodies are frozen in mid air by our camera at the start of the 220yards Open Womens Freestyle event.



Catherine Carter put up an excellent effort to win the Girls Under 12 breast-stroke swim.



Irene Petrov came second in the Girls Under 12 years breast-stroke event.



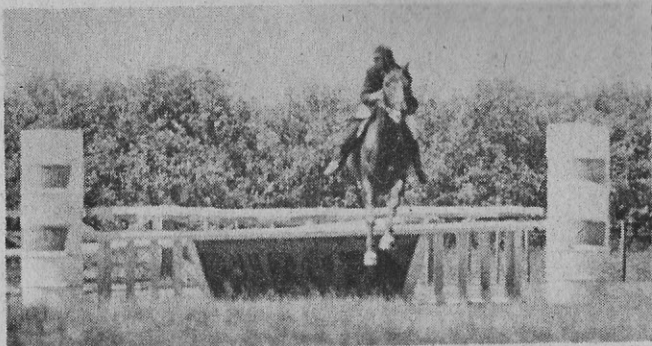
Richard Toss was placed second in the Boys Under 12 breaststroke race.



Sandra Philpott (NPOB) won the race.

gymkhana

The Waitara Pony Club was host club for a Gymkhana at the end of last month. This happened to be the first Pony Club Gymkhana of 1975 and it attracted quite a lot of entries from throughout the province. The Gymkhana was held at Tate Road. On these pages are pictured several of the competitors in the jumping events.



Another clear jump for Inglewood rider Brenda May.



John Henry executes a clear jump.



Joelene Cornwall of Inglewood takes a jump in fine style.



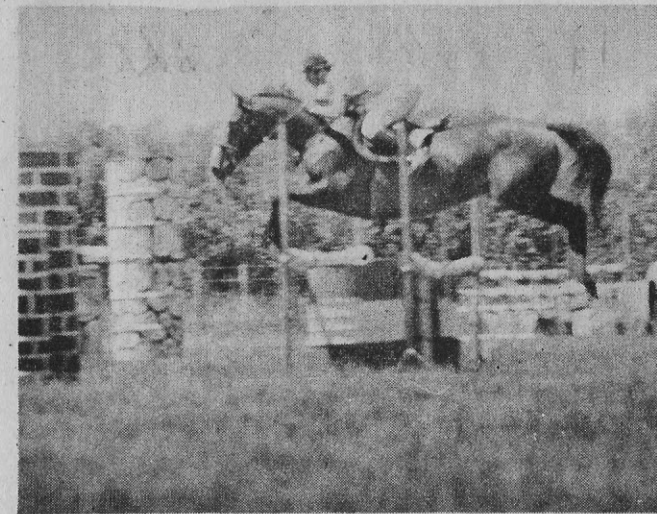
Judith Thompson had no trouble at this jump.



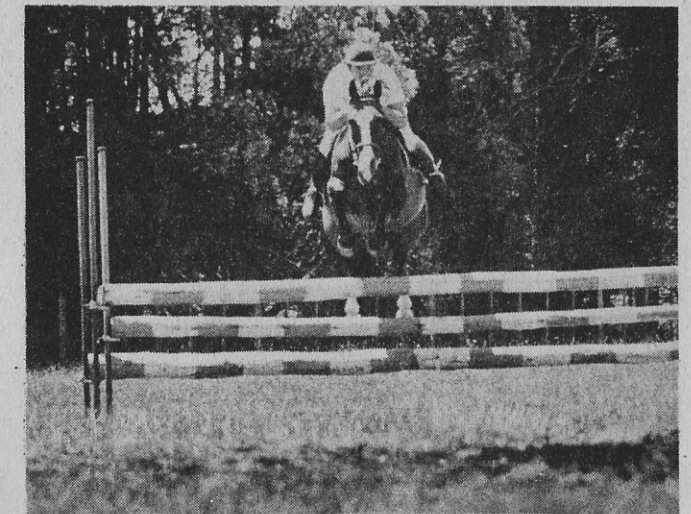
A horse balks at the jumps and that is the end of his chances.



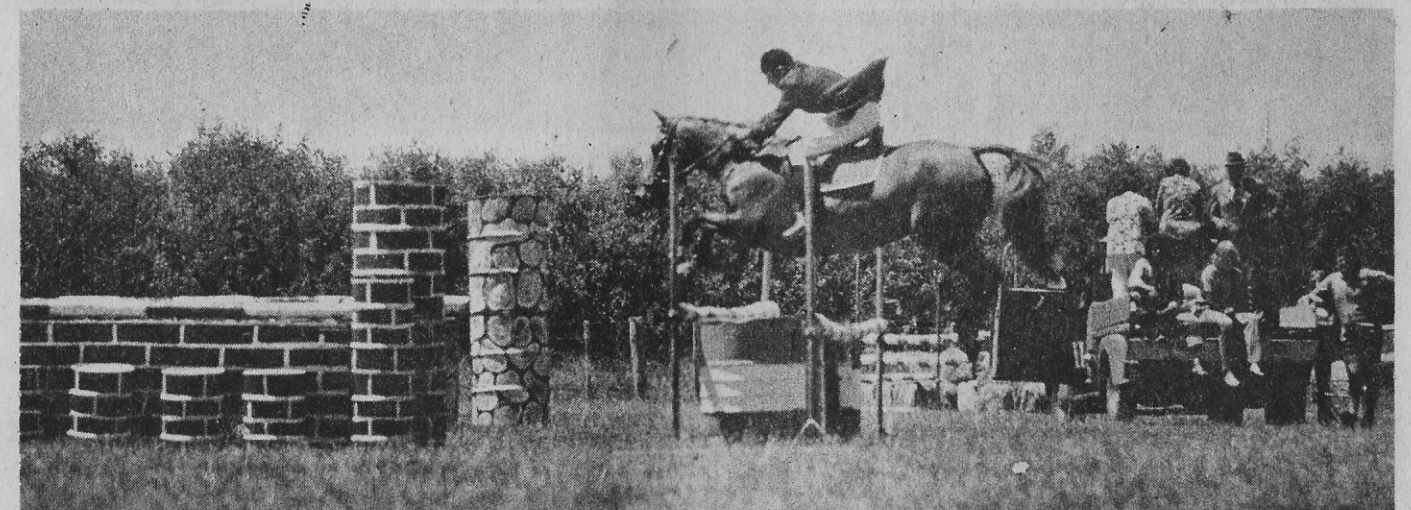
The jumping arena was set up in most picturesque country with a backdrop of beautiful trees.



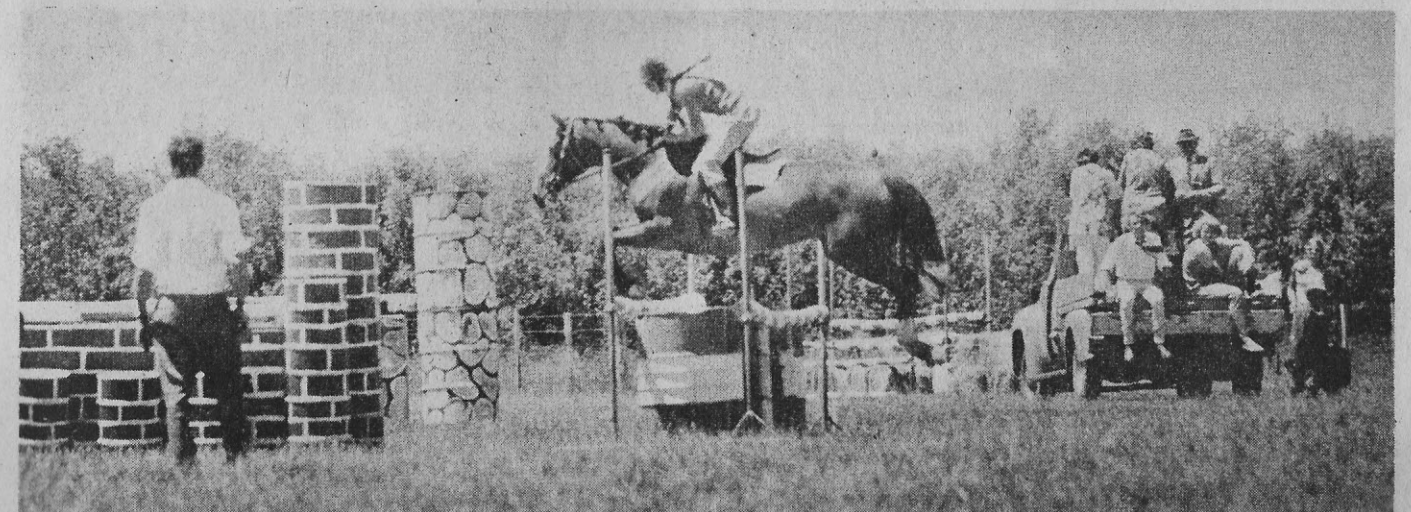
Bruce Clarry clears this jump nicely and then.....



.....goes on to take this jump in great style.



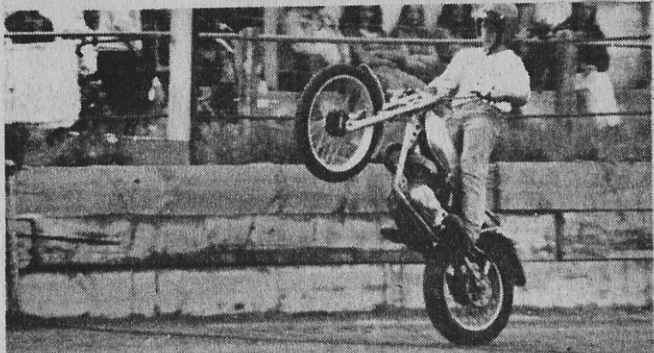
"Snapper" Kamo clears this jump with heaps of room to spare.



This was Christine Smaller's first entry in the P.D.S. class and she had no trouble in achieving a clear round.



Bruce Ovendon drives Muller around the track on a Three wheel trike.



This rider made it three quarters of the way round the course on his rear wheel.



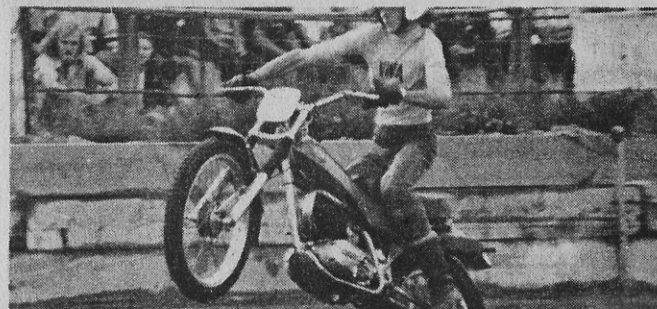
Don Baker was accorded a huge round of applause for his jump of these drums.



The guys had a lot of fun prior to their race with these mini machines.

INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY

The stars of the international speedway circuit toured New Zealand last month giving performances of their skill in several centres throughout the country. Nearer to home, they appeared at a special night meeting at Stratford. Prior to the big race between the stars, an attempt was made by a motorcycle rider to ride the whole circuit entirely on the rear wheel of his machine. Unfortunately the attempt was not quite successful.



This rider attempted a rear wheel circuit but only made it half way round the track.



The action was fast and furious. Pictured are Briggs and Olson with Jansen obscured.



John Louis pictured at speed.



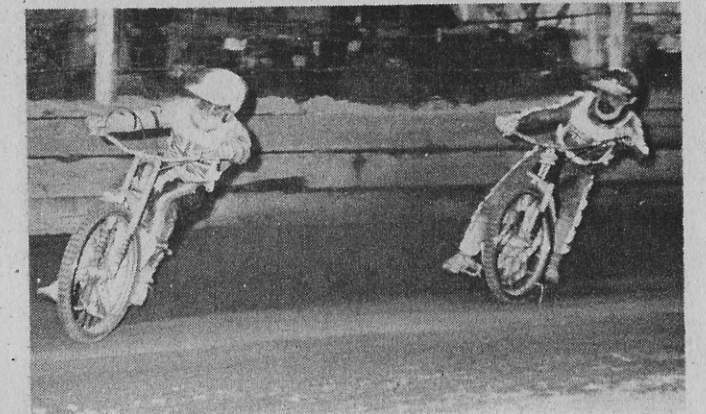
Mauger commences a sliding movement to corner.



Briggs leads Olson and Jansen in a slide movement around the track.



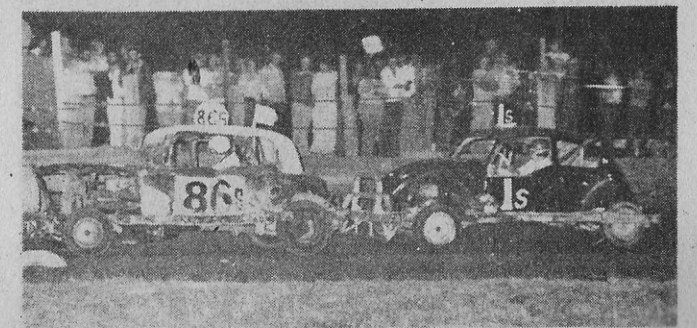
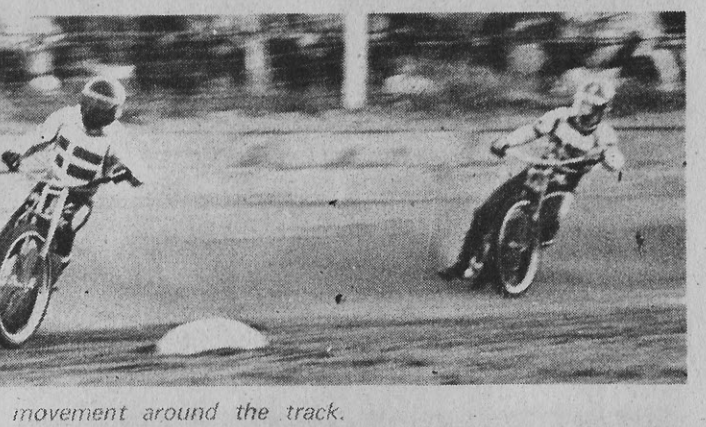
In the Saloon car event, Graham Harris (2) is pictured in the lead from Gavin Webster (48) and Allan George (7).



Louis and Moore show the skill that has put them on top in the international circuit.



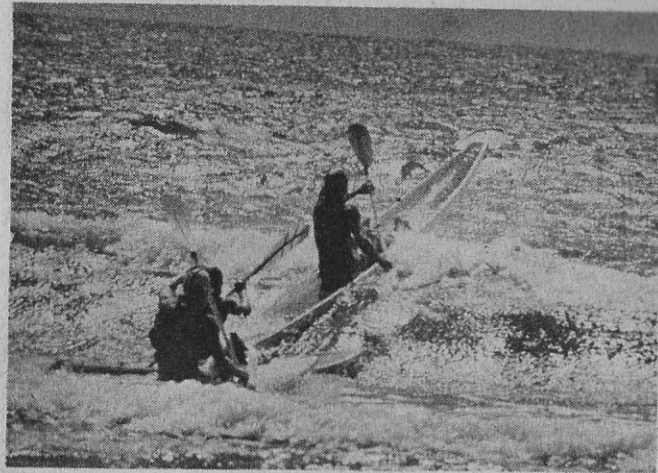
Moore driving his machine at speed.



After the star event, a stock car and a saloon car event were staged. Here Terry Loving (1) bumps Russell Coxhead in car 86.

SURF CARNIVAL

New Plymouth Old Boys were host club for a Surf Carnival at Oakura at the end of last month. There was a good representation of teams from most parts of the province and with the Taranaki championships coming up soon, competition was keen between clubs. Old Boys won the Robert Stone Shield for the sixth year. This shield (which is judged on overall points on the day) was the feature of the Carnival.



Riding the slight swell during the Junior Surf Ski event.



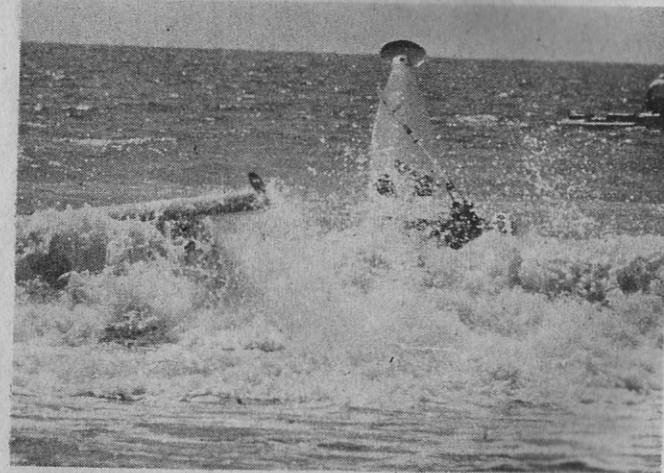
The start of one of the surf ski races.



The Junior Surf Ski race was won by Dalglish of Old Boys club.



Fitzroy won the senior boat race.....



Two ski's catch a wave in the surf ski race and are tossed around like corks.



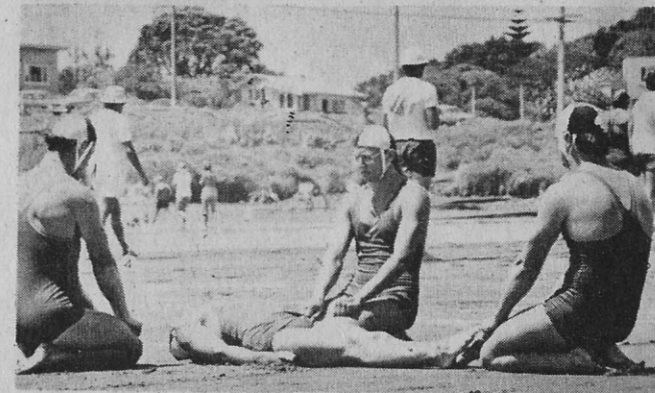
P. Way (Fitzroy) and T. Cork (East End) finish the senior surf ski event.



.....and Old Boys came home in second place.



The East End team won the Ladies Six Man R & R. event.



East End finished third in the Senior Six Man R & R.



A quick start as competitors dash for the water at the beginning of the Surf Race.



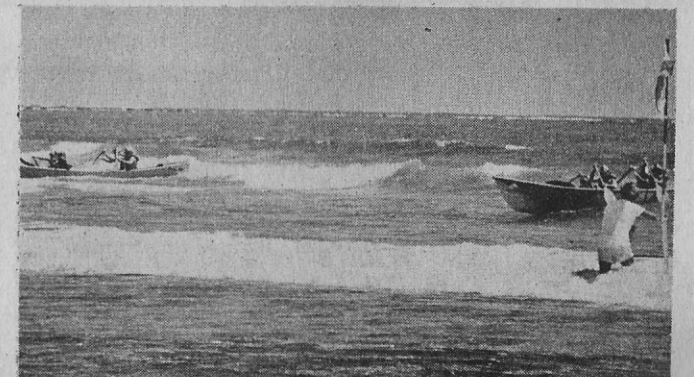
The canoe races were judged on the best of three races. Opunake were an outright winner, with Old Boys second and East End third.



Old Boys (nearest camera) came second in the Ladies R and R event.



Old Boys head to sea at the start of the canoe race.

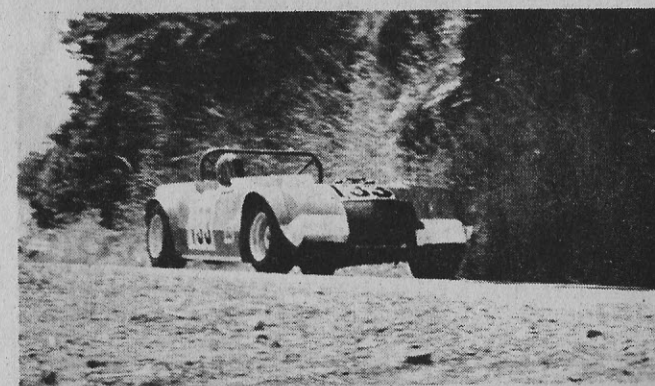




John McDonald dons helmet in readiness for his run.



Brian Blackburn was next on the list for the run.



Ross Calger completed the run in good time.



This driver really worked his car hard on the run.

CAR SPRINT

The Taranaki Car Club held their "Bent Sprint" a couple of weeks or so back and the Photo News camera was their to capture a few of the moments. The club was blessed with fine weather for this event after being unlucky with the weather on a number of prior trials and all who participated and attended enjoyed the day.



Wayne Gray and Brent Hills manned the timing equipment.



Starter Rodney Hills gets a Mazda ready for his run.



Max Sulu takes a very fast turn in his Capri.



WOT'S ON

FEBRUARY

- 19-21 Fitzroy Centennial. Old Trades exhibits and demonstrations, whisker growing competition, Victorian Wedding Party.
- 19-23 Bowls, Taranaki Centre Womens Bowling Tourney.
- 19-24 Army Exercises, Puniho Rd, Okato.
- 19- Re-enactment of ceremony to christen township of Fitzroy, 2-0pm Darnell Street.
- 20- Swimming, NZ Age Group Swimming Champs.
- 21- Reunion at Fitzroy Hotel.
- 22-23 Taranaki Surf Life Saving Championships, Oakura.
- 22- Swimming, NZ Age Group Swimming Champs.
- 22- Old Time Dance, Senior Citizens Hall, N.P.
- 22- Fireworks Display, Bowl of Brooklands, N.P.
- 22- Cabaret, Car Club Beer Festival.
- 22- Fitzroy Centenary Ball.
- 23- Greenwood Archers, Field Shoot, Portland St, NP.
- 23- Hawera Pony Club's One Day Event.
- 23- YMCA Camp Carnival, Camp Huinga.
- 26- Races, Stratford Racing Club's Meeting.

MARCH

- 1- Stock Car Meeting, Stratford.
- 1- Swimming, Taranaki Secondary School's Champs.
- 1- Harry Secombe Show, Bowl of Brooklands, NP.
- 1- Stratford Pony Club's One Day Event.
- 2- Greenwood Archers, Clout Shoot, Francis Douglas College, New Plymouth.
- 2- National Car Club Hill Climb, Kaipikari Rd.
- 2- Recital by NP City Band, Pukekura Park, NP.
- 2- Greyhound Racing, Inglewood Track.
- 8- Te Kiri Gala Day.
- 8- Scout & Guide Talent Festival, Opera House, NP.
- 8- Old Time Dance, Senior Citizens Hall, NP.
- 8- Swimming, Hawera Open Swimming Carnival.
- 8-10 Paritutu Bowling Club's 50th Jubilee Tournament.
- 9- NP Pipe Band Recital, Pukekura Park, NP.
- 9- Carillon Recital, Marsland Hill, NP, 2-0pm.
- 10- Taranaki Jockey Club's race meeting at NP.
- 10- Pony Club Area Trials at Hawera.
- 11- Cine Club's Syme Rosebowl Uncut Film Competition, Chester Hall at 7-45pm.
- 12- Races, Taranaki Jockey Club's race meeting at NP.
- 15- Cilla Black Show, Bowl of Brooklands, NP.
- 15- Taranaki Junior Olympics Swimming Carnival at Kawaroa Pool, 9-30am.
- 15- Stock Car Racing at Stratford.
- 15- Greyhound Racing at Burnside Showgrounds at Hawera.
- 15- Fair, organised by St David's Friendship Club.
- 16- Pony Club inter-club Team Games Day.
- 19- Racing, Opunake Racing Club's meeting at Hawera.

STATE THEATRE, New Plymouth.

- February 21-27- My Name is Nobody
- 28-to March 6- Legend of the Seven Golden Vampires.
- 7-10- Deadly Trackers.
- Matinee 10- Great Race.
- 11-13- The French Connection and The Seven Ups (double feature)
- 14-20- That's Entertainment.
- 21-24- Ash Wednesday.
- Sunday Movies at the State.
- Feb 23- Black Eye and Black Sampson (double feature)
- March 9- Land of the Brave and Chase Step by Step (double feature)
- 23- Dirty Dozen

MAYFAIR THEATRE, New Plymouth.

- February 21-27- Buster and Billie.
- 29-to March 13- Airport 1975.
- March 14-20- Jonathon Livingston Seagull.
- 21-27- The Odessa File.
- Sunday Movies at the Mayfair.
- March 2- Wild Bunch
- 16- No Graves on Boothill and Mr X (double feature).

REGENT THEATRE, Hawera.

- February 21-27- Three Musketeers.
- 28-to March 6- Gone With the Wind.
- 7-20- The Sting.
- 21-25- One Armed Boxer and When Taekwondo Strikes (double feature).
- Sunday Movies at Regent in Hawera.
- 2- Birdmen.
- 9- Five Fingers of Death.
- 9- Dracula A.D. and Col. Hauser's Memory Late Show (double feature)
- 16- Dad's Army.

REGENT THEATRE, Stratford.

- February 21-27- Man With the Golden Gun.
- 28-to March 3- Day of the Dolphin.
- 4-6- Games 1974.
- 7-11- For Pete's Sake.
- 12-13- Vampire Circus.
- 14-20- The Three Musketeers.
- 21-27- The Sting.
- Sunday Movies at Regent in Stratford.
- 2- Deserter.
- 9- Birdmen.
- 9- Chamber of Horrors (late show).
- 16- Five Fingers of Death.
- 23- Black Belt Jones.



Steven Lightfoot found that this was not as easy as it looked.



Ker-zapp and the clown (Bronwyn Bazely is on her way to being drowned.



Georgina Speedy had lots of fun riding those horses.



The marching girls were a most attractive addition to the other events and their display of precision marching was excellent. The girls go under the name of the J. Corkill Guards.

Waitara Extravaganza

There was so much going on at the Waitara Carnival Extravaganza that it was almost impossible to get pictures of every event. The Carnival was even bigger and brighter than last year and more people attended. Of course the question now is, How will the Carnival organisers top this years event?



Wet and bedraggled, but she came up smiling.



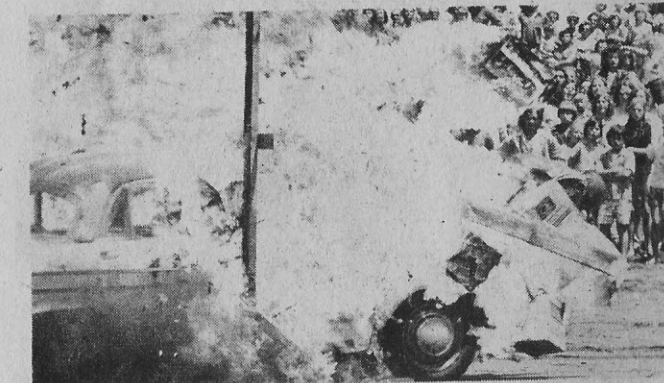
A Marching team from Waitara gave a display.



Firemen's competitions were also staged at the Extravaganza and drew quite a crowd.



It's all in the way you're thrown, and the way you fall.



A stuntgirl drives smash, right into a wall of flame and comes through without burns.



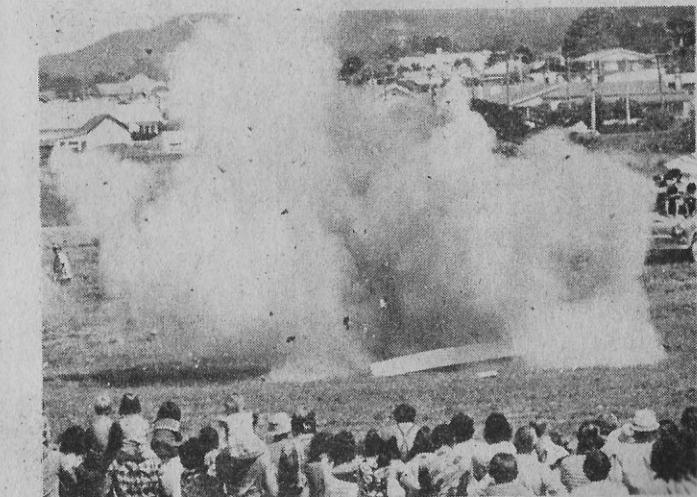
Pat Whelan puts the boot in hard.



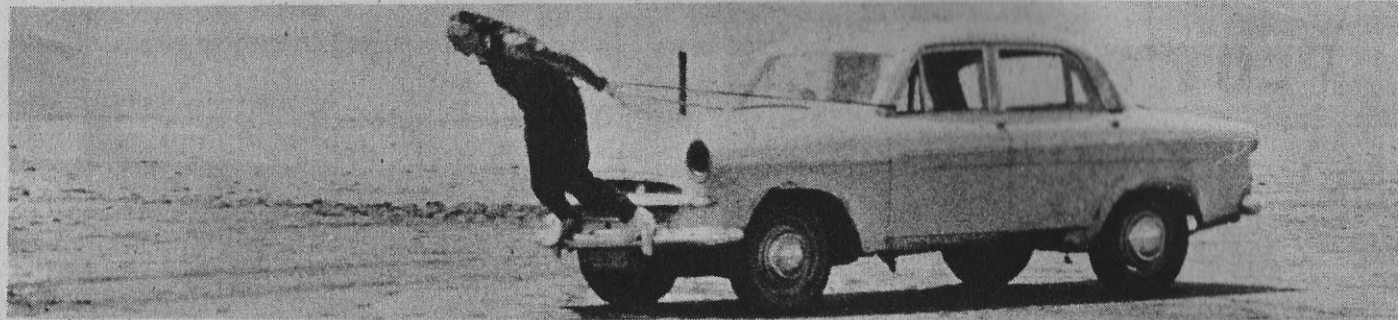
A stuntgirl is dragged, at 35 miles an hour.



Pat Whelan is loaded into a wooden coffin and.....



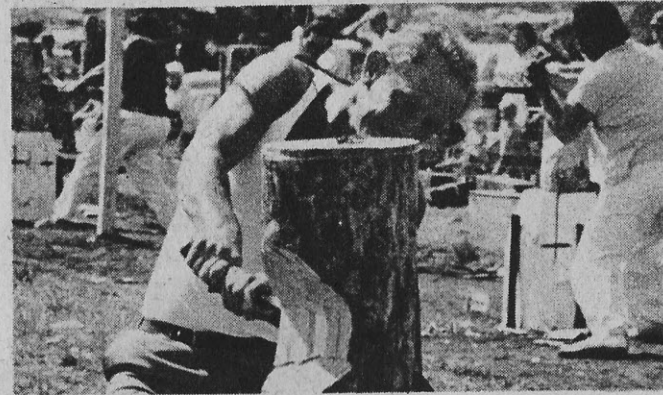
.....Boom.....he is blown to the sky, but comes out of it all apparently unscathed.



The stuntgirl gives a demonstration of how she will make her entry head first into a wall of flame.



Mark Hughes from Te Kuiti also entered the wood chop.



Jack Hann competed in the wood chop and was placed fifth in this event.



A kiss for the winner. Glenys Bridgeman wins the Miss Marine Park '75 title.



The winner with two other entrants in the contest, Maxine Taylor and Wendy Anglesey (right).

FLOWER SHOW

A two day Gladiolus Show was held in St Josephs Community Centre in New Plymouth early last month. The event was a National Show but it also featured a Taranaki section and winners entries in this section are pictured on this page. Simultaneously with the Show, the National Conference was also held.



Mr M.E. Brogden of Normandy won the National section with this magnificent bloom.



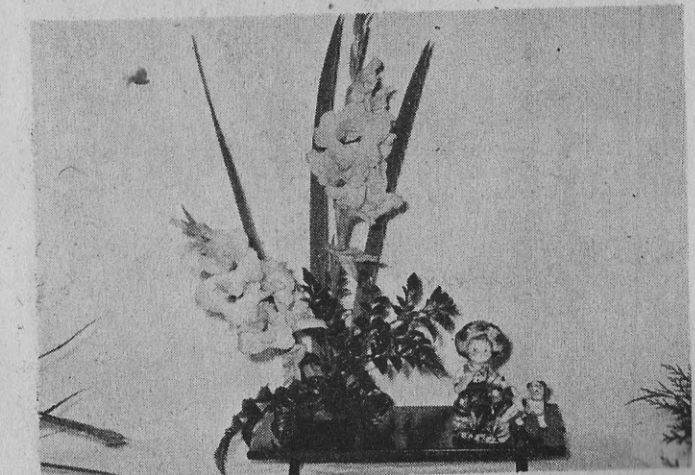
This entry won the North America Gladiolus Council's Award for the best artistic arrangement featuring gladiolus.



These blooms took the Premier awards in the Taranaki section.



This very beautiful display was prepared by the New Plymouth Fuschia Group.



Mrs E. King's entry took out third prize in the 'Two's Company' class.



Before the meeting all the cars took part in a big parade around the track, showing the flag so to speak.



A Hawkes Bay Monaro takes a corner at speed during one of the early heats.



Ross Baker drove this car to second place.



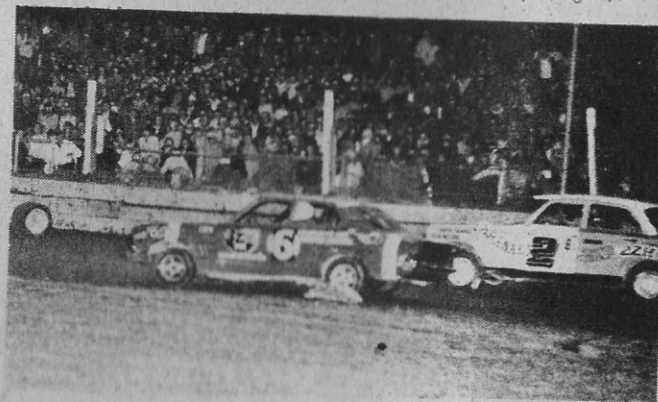
Moving nicely along the straight in an early heat is New Plymouth driver Graeme Harris.

Taranaki does well in Saloon Champs.

The New Zealand Saloon Car Championships were held at Stratford at the beginning of this month. While Auckland driver Ron Kendall retained his title and won the final, with Rotorua's Ross Baker in second place, two Taranaki drivers came home in equal third place. New Plymouth driver Graeme Harris and Inglewood's Mark Julian represented their province with honours, drove an excellent race and came home with winners smiles. Photo News congratulates you both Mark and Graeme, well done.



The winners of the Big Race. First was Ron Kendall of Auckland (centre), second was Ross Baker of Rotorua (left) and third equal were Graeme Harris and M. Julian of New Plymouth and Inglewood respectively. (right).



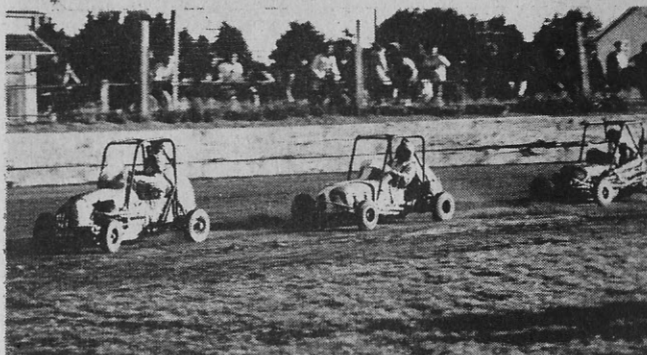
Graeme Harris (Car 2s) overtakes during the race. He did well and drove himself into third equal place.



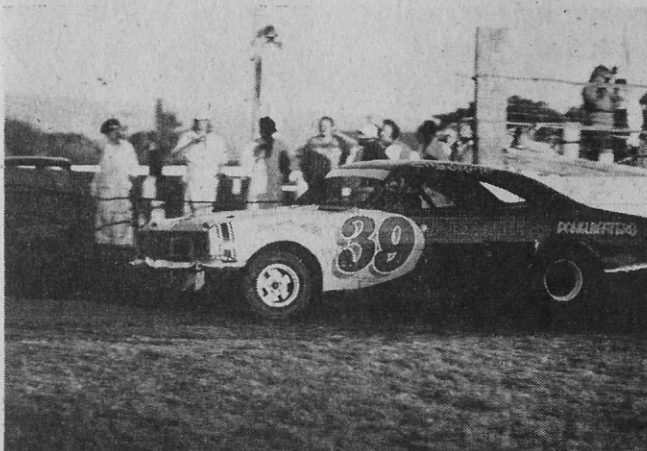
Tom Waite and Peter Wackeldene drag up the main straight.



The start of one of the heats.....



The first event of the meeting was a demonstration by T.O.'s.



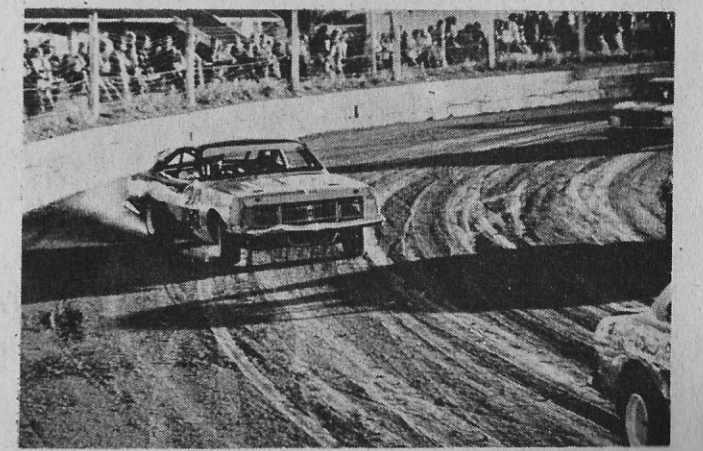
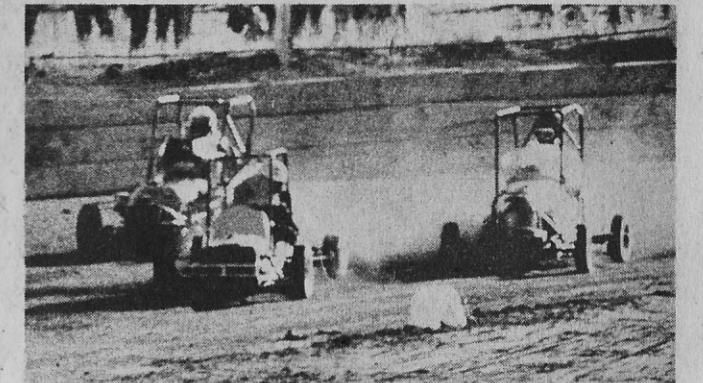
Hawkes Bay driver William Watt was one to watch in his Monaro. He is pictured above spinning out on a corner and also speeding up to gain time along the straight.



New Plymouth driver, Tom Waite takes his Comaro on a high speed cornering jaunt during the race.



.....in which David Wakefield (front) and N. Eaves (Stratford) turn on the gas.

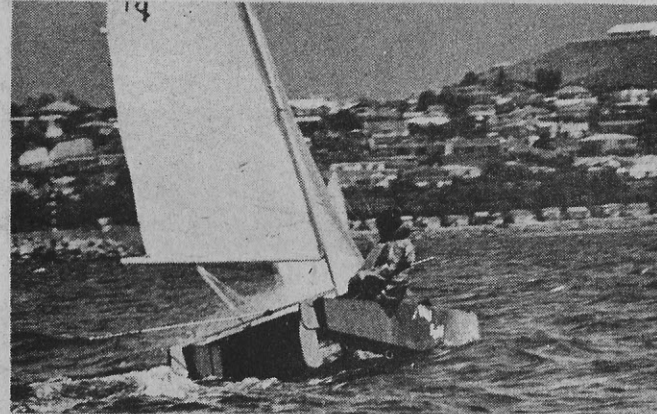


Catamaran Champs.

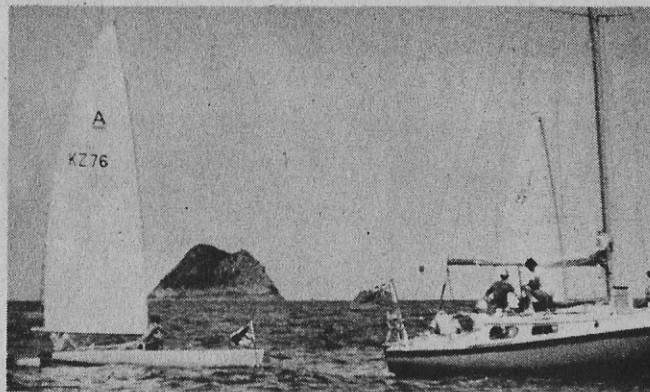
The New Zealand National Catamaran Championships were held off the coast of New Plymouth over a one week period, early in the New Year. Many hundreds of Catamaran craft in all classes, from all over New Zealand converged on New Plymouth, or to be more precise, Ngamotu Beach, for the running of the races. Unfortunately the lack of wind was a major problem for many of the competitors during the weeks racing as at that time the weather was almost stiflingly hot without even a breath of wind.



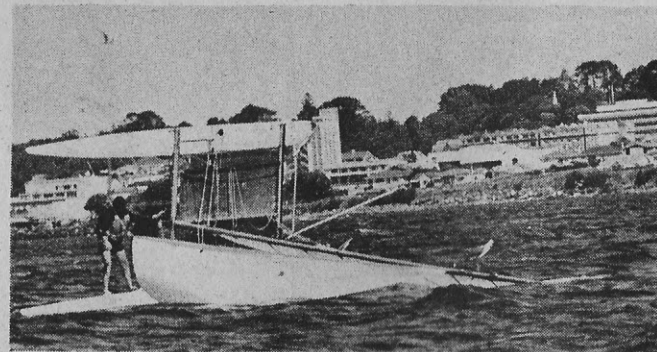
Some of the boats had strange names. This Paper Tiger bears the name, Dry Rot.



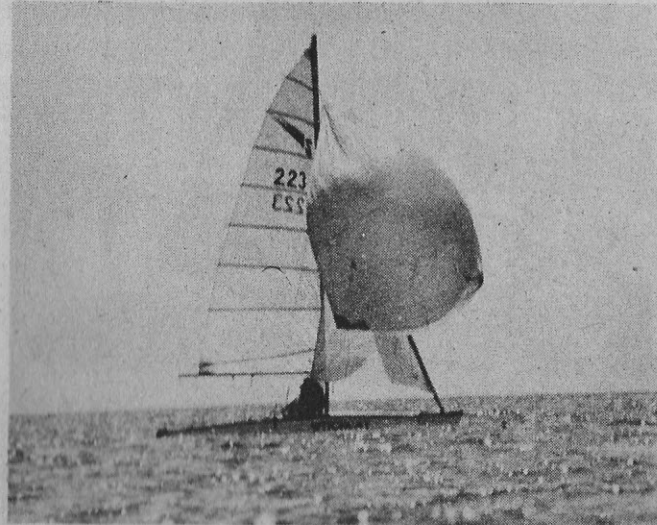
A New Plymouth lad races in his Arafura.



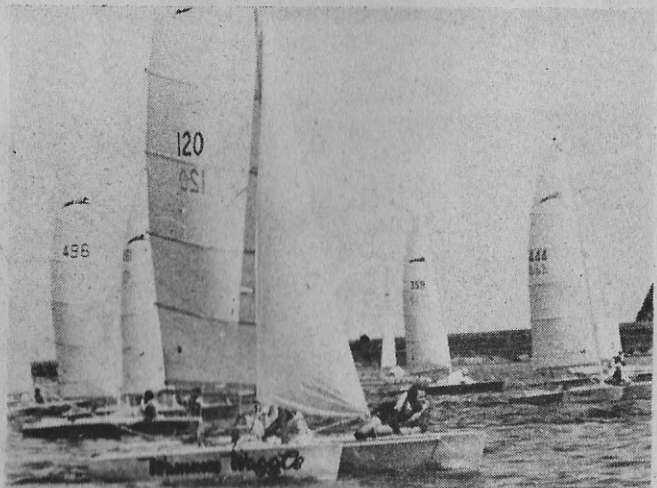
Tempest turns by the starter boat. She is owned by Alister Palmer, an ex New Plymouth resident who now lives in Wellington.



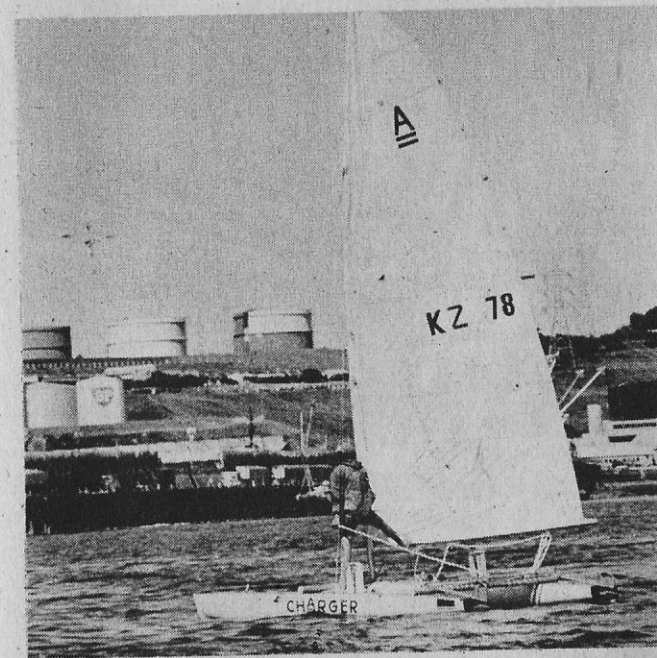
This Cat, flipped over and had to retire from the race.



Pete Green's Shearwater had a girl crew.



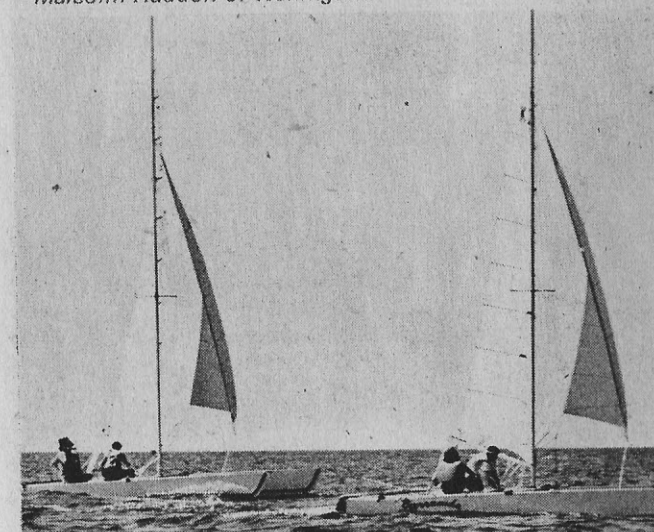
Wammes Wiggle (foreground) a Picton boat, won the Open.



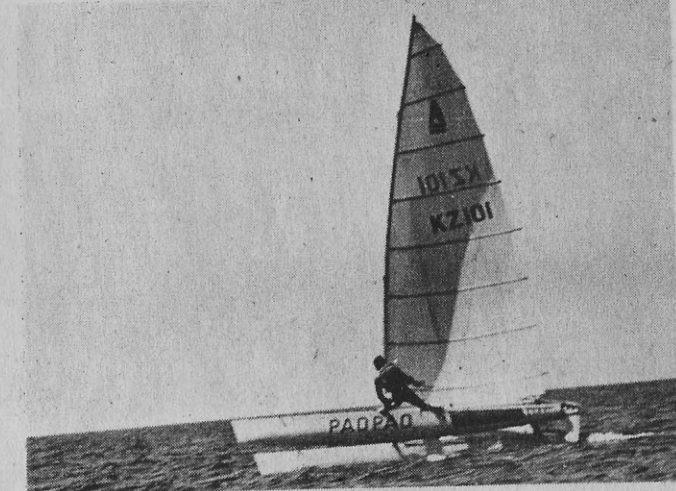
Charger won the National A Class Title. She is owned by Malcolm Haddon of Wellington.



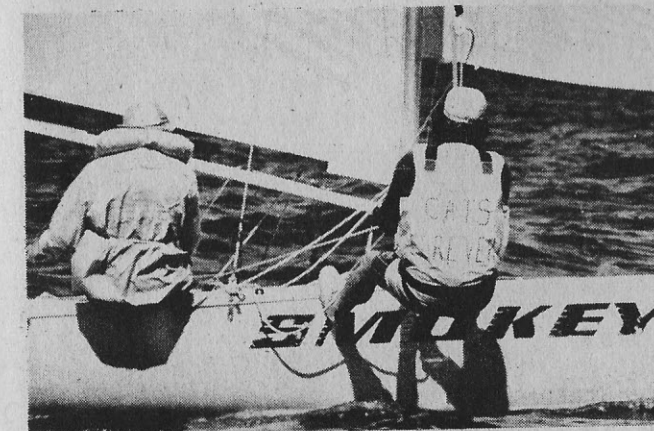
Chris Timms won the National Tornado Class title for the second year in a row in Iron Butterfly.



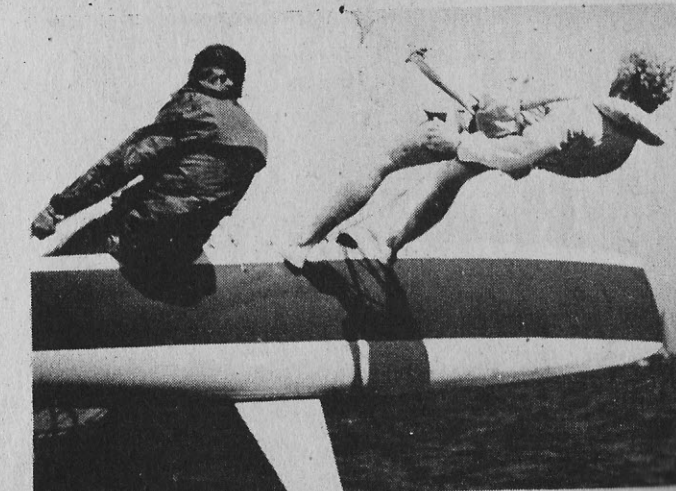
Barracuda (right) pushed the leaders in most of the races.



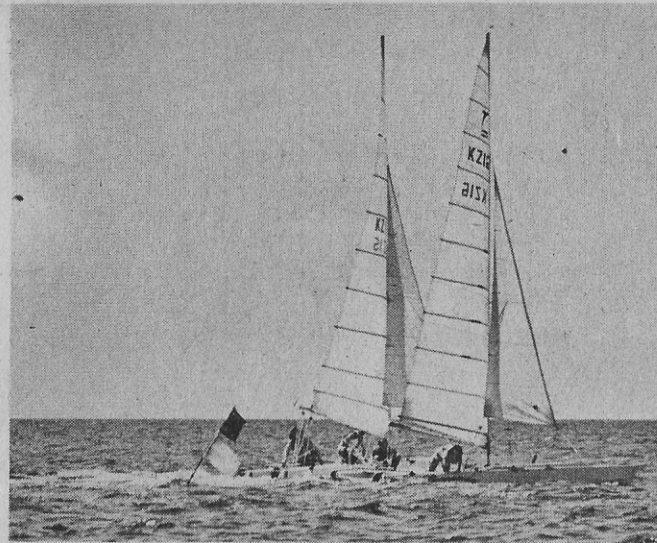
Pao Pao lifts well as she is caught by the wind.



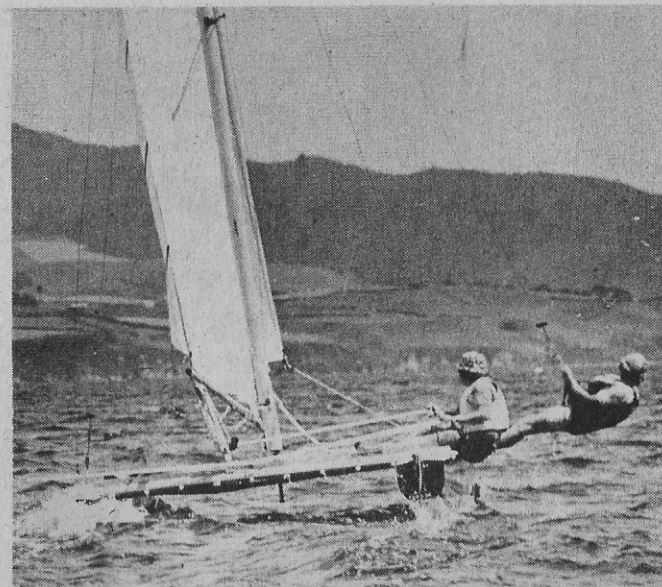
Smokey's owner is an ex Shearwater owner from the South Island who is now racing a Tornado. He bears the message on his back 'Cats Forever'.



While most of the races had problems from lack of wind, some of the races were luckier and gave yachts a lift.



A fast change of direction is required as Cats round the marker.



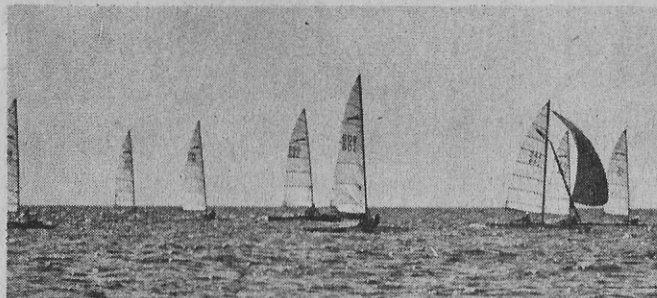
A Tornado catches the wind and starts to lift.



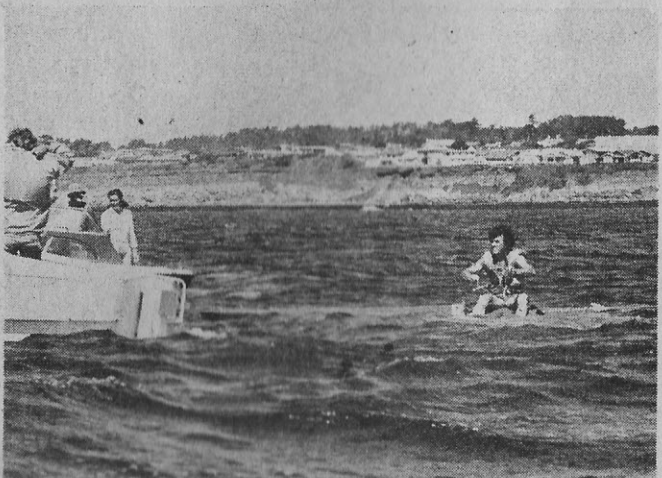
Radar flipped after the race was over and he was heading back to port.



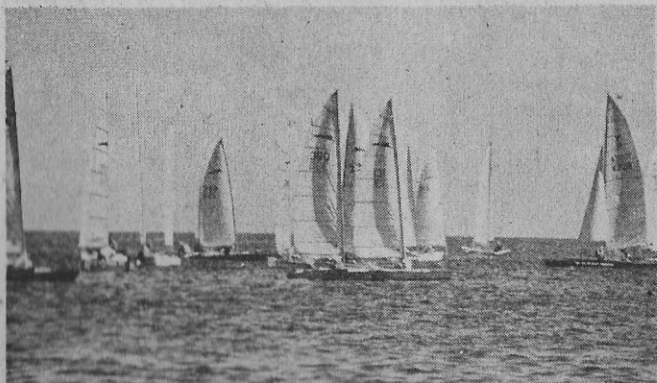
This boat features a wing mast which is rather uncommon in New Zealand.



Frank Albertson's Shearwater moves forward to lead this pack.



Bruce Ewings was very unfortunate. One of the hulls of his Cat was holed on the first days racing and it took a lot of effort and time to bring the craft back to port.



The start of the first Open race of the series.



Peter Brown.



David Saes.



Chris Timms and Simon Grain take the winner's cup for their win the the Tornado Class.



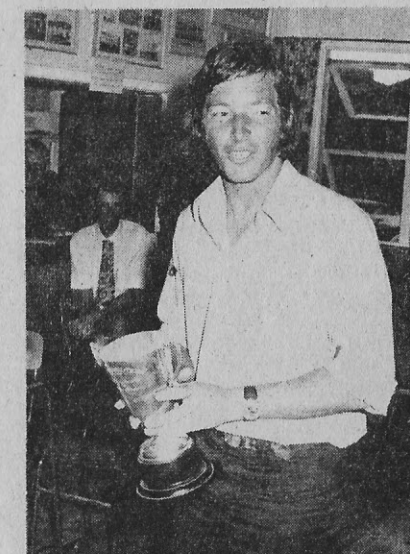
Andy Brown.



Ray Tomasi took the Arafura title.



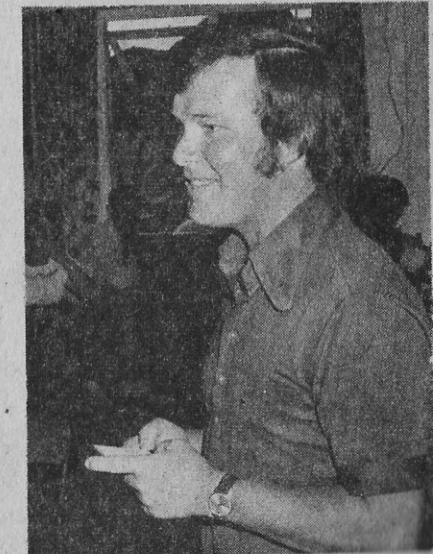
Grant Amor.



Simon Grain



Jim Lister.



Dave Peato.

PRObe

with Bryce McPherson



LEAVING THE DISTRICT

Two well known Hawera people are leaving the district to live at KeriKeri in the Bay of Islands. Mr G Wilson has been head of the English Dept. at Hawera High School for the past four years. He and his wife have been active in drama circles in Hawera and their experience in this area will surely be missed.



BIRTHDAY

Bill Kate, son of Mr & Mrs J. Kate of Takapau in Hawkes Bay, celebrated his 21st with a large party at the Memorial Hall in Mokau, early in January. Bill's birthday coincided with his grandmother's so the party was combined for a dual birthday party.

It was a busy Christmas—New Year Holiday period in Taranaki: and while a number of accomodation houses reported late cancellations, thousands of visitors enjoyed our varied provincial attractions. With a few exceptions, beds were found for those who arrived without making prior arrangements and the influx seemed to be in keeping with that of previous years. The weather was kind, though people did complain about the humidity. But it was nothing compared with the density we experienced in Northland, of the holiday concentration.

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MAN WHO CROSSED A CARRIER PIGEON WITH A WOODPECKER — SO THAT WHEN MESSAGES ARE DELIVERED IT CAN KNOCK ON THE DOOR?

We hear so much about man-hours lost through illness and/or injury. But I wonder whether the statisticians have considered the time wasted (?) by the ill and/or injured trying to see a physician?

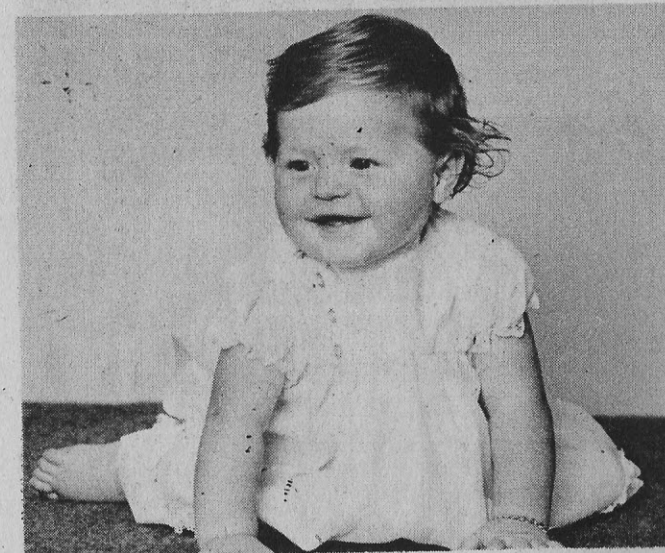
After being examined by a doctor, an old mountaineer was given definite instructions as to what he should do. Just as he was about to leave the consulting room the doctor said: "Look here, you forgot to pay me".
Hillbilly....."Pay yer fer what?"
Doctor....."For my professional advice".
Hillbilly....."No sir. Made up me mind ah 'ain't goin' ter take it".

Taranaki was featured as part of Chris Carter's "Wonderland" at the Summer Carnival at the Auckland Show—grounds in January. Several thousand people visited 'Wonderland' and most took the opportunity to use the Taranaki Promotion Association's two display consoles to view a sequence of slides: and those who liked what they saw took brochures detailing provincial highlights and facilities.

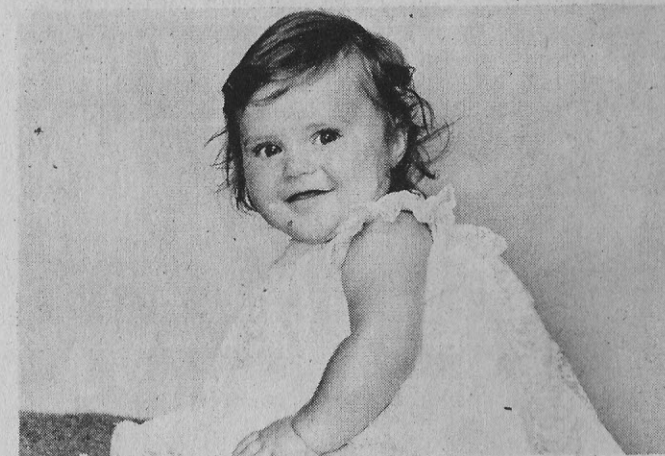
The display will be revamped for the Easter Show (largest in New Zealand) at the same venue and immediately after that occasion one of the consoles will be lodged at the NZ Holiday and Travel Exhibition Centre in the heart of Auckland where it will be of continuous promotional value.

On a recent weekend drive I closed on a large car occupied with what looked like an entire rugby team of bobbing up-and-down children. The car had a sticker in the back window which read.....(with apologies)
"I Got This Lot from Paines Too".

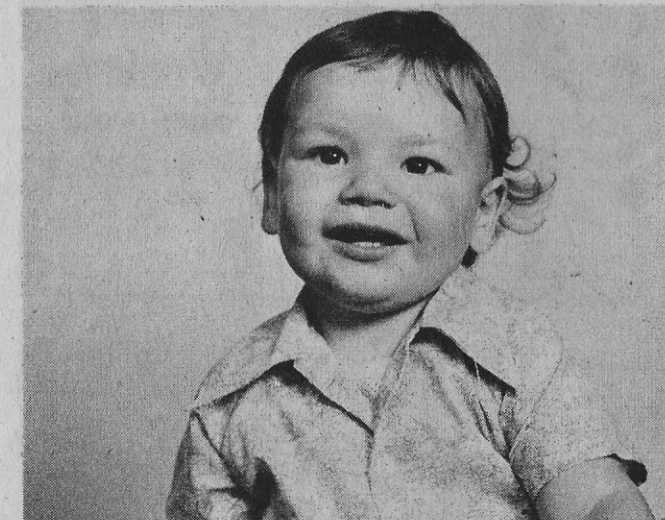
Pictured below are three of this year's early entries in the Contest. More pictures of this year's entries will be published next issue.



Wendy Carter, age 12 months.



Elizabeth Ireland, Age 8 months.



Tony Hyland, age 16 months.

1975 Bank of New South Wales-Photo News CHILD PHOTO CONTEST

1st

\$50 SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNT with the Bank of New South Wales, plus Winners Trophy and miniature.

2nd

A large size hand coloured, framed picture of the child you entered in the contest. value \$37-00.

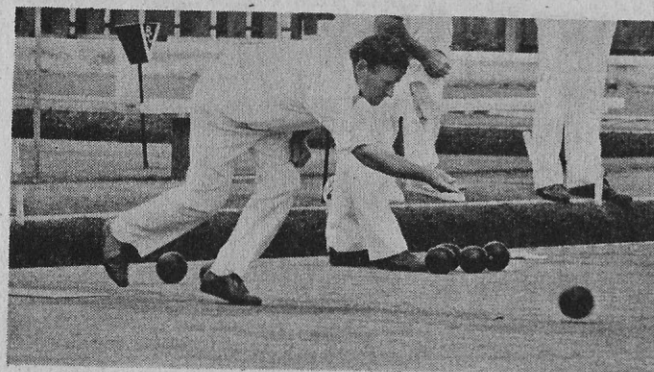
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Hand coloured miniature of the child you entered in the contest. value \$24-00.

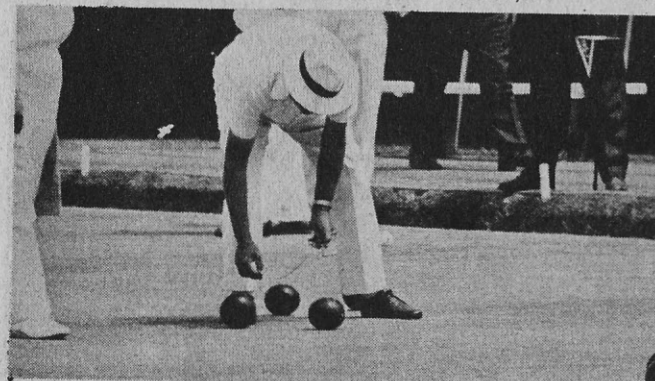
CONDITIONS

- 1.... All photos for the contest must be taken by Fitzroy Studios, New Plymouth.
- 2.... A Sitting Fee of \$6-50 will be payable at the time the photos are taken and this price will include one 6 X 4 print of your choice which will be entered in the contest. This print may be re-claimed after judging is complete.
- 3.... Any child may be entered in the contest provided he or she is between the age of 6 months and 6 years. Photos will be judged in sections according to age and then section placegetters will be judged against each other to find the eventual winners.
- 4.... Staff of the Bank of New South Wales, Photo News and Fitzroy Studios will not be eligible to enter their children.
- 5.... All photos for the contest must be taken between January 6th, 1975 and April 30th, 1975. Judging will take place as soon as possible in May and results will be published in the May or June issue of Photo News.
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Phone Fitzroy Studios on 85-893 to make your appointment but state that it is for the contest when you phone.



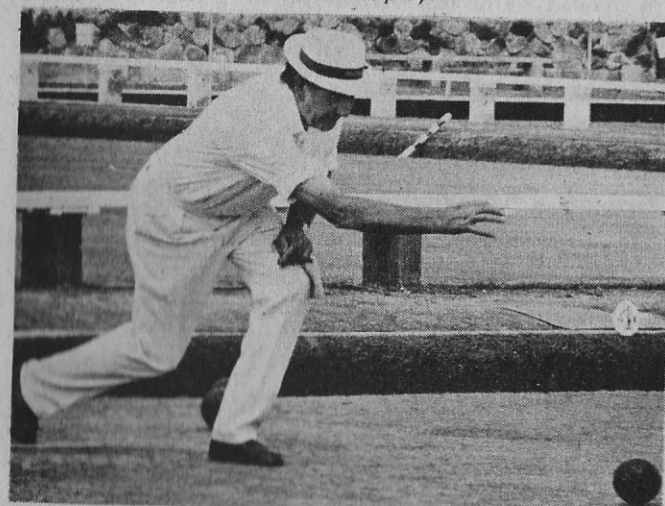
J. Stewart (Waihi) makes his delivery.



A measure on the 21st end.



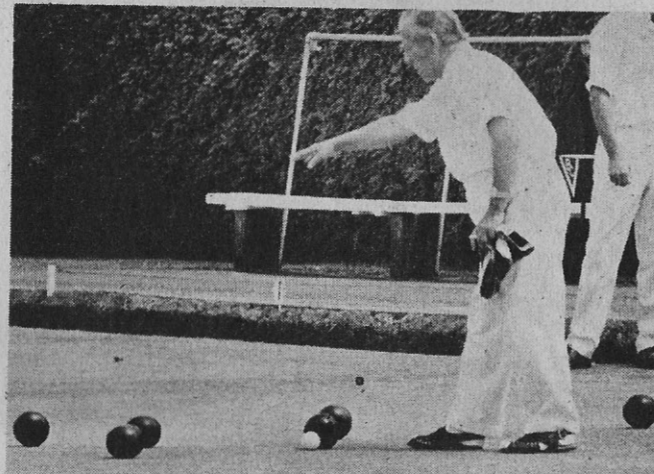
Spurdle makes his play.



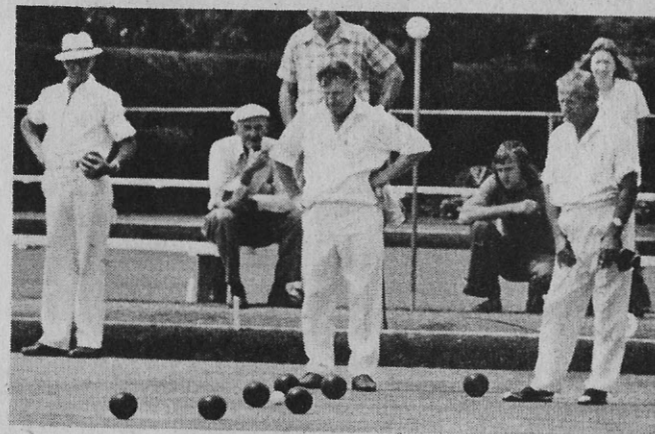
Another interesting player seen at the tournament was Mr H.H. J. Robson of Tokoroa. Mr Robson was a New Zealand representative at the Commonwealth Games last year. He is pictured making a drive and then surveying his play.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT

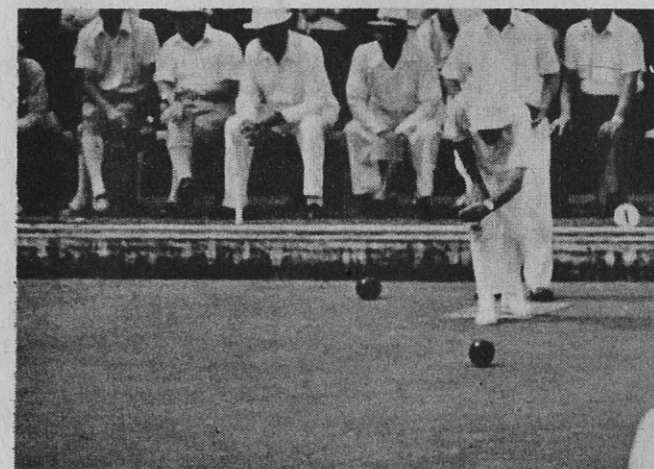
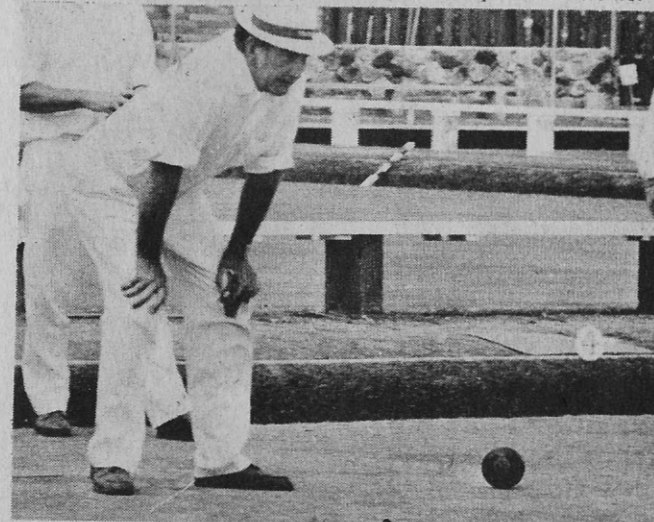
Taranaki Mens Bowling Championships were held last month over a full one week period. Bowlers came from many parts of the country to compete in the event which was not without its surprises. Pictured on these pages is the final days play in the Open Pairs and the Open Fours.



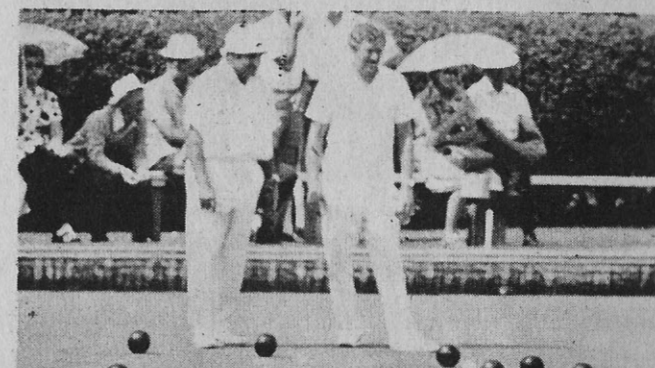
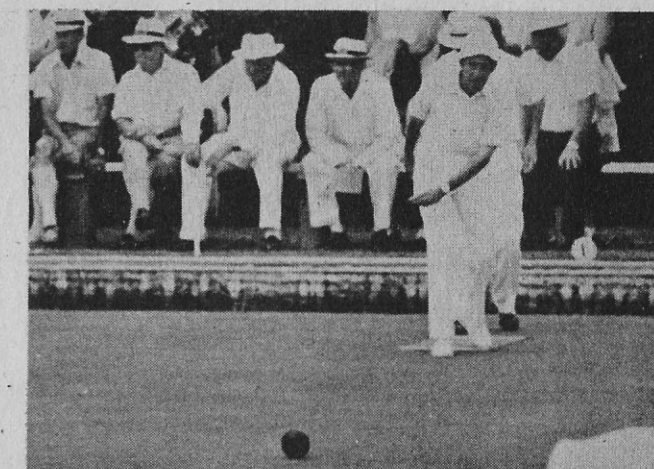
Spurdle (Paritutu Club) is seen directing a team mate.



Spurdle (right) and Stewart survey the way the bowls lie.



Bob London of Wanganui was a player of particular interest. He overcame serious illness which left him with disabilities and constructed his own green at home, gradually recovering movement in his limbs. Today, apart from some obvious disabilities he is a fine bowler and a regular participant in the Taranaki Open Fours as well as other major tournaments.



Unkovich (wearing hat) and Wing, opposing skips in the final days play in the Open Fours.



Their faces a study of anxiety, spectators play each bowl with the favourites.



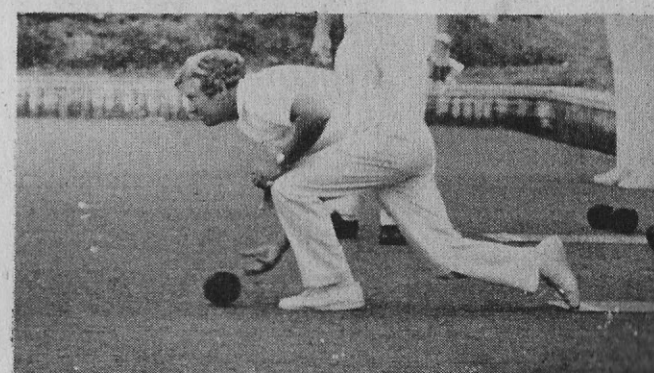
Wing's lead — a left hander.



Unkovich lead, and its a good one.



Unkovich follows through.



Wing tries to salvage and end.



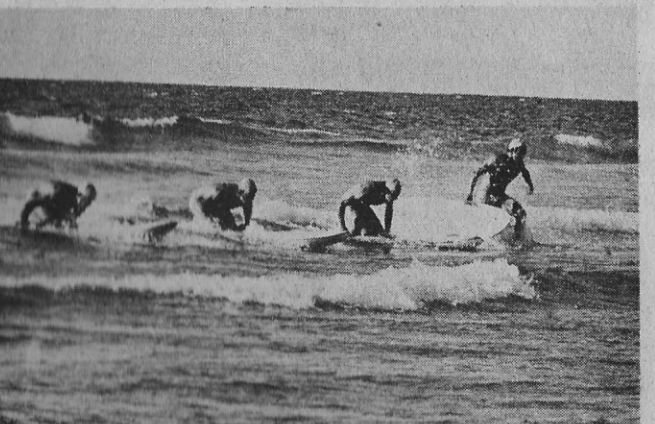
The Australians had to borrow a boat to compete in the surf boat race which was won by Old Boys.



The Old Boys team came second in the canoe event



Entrants start the surf-ski race.



Competitors near the beach at the finish of the Paddle board race.

TWILIGHT SURF EVENT

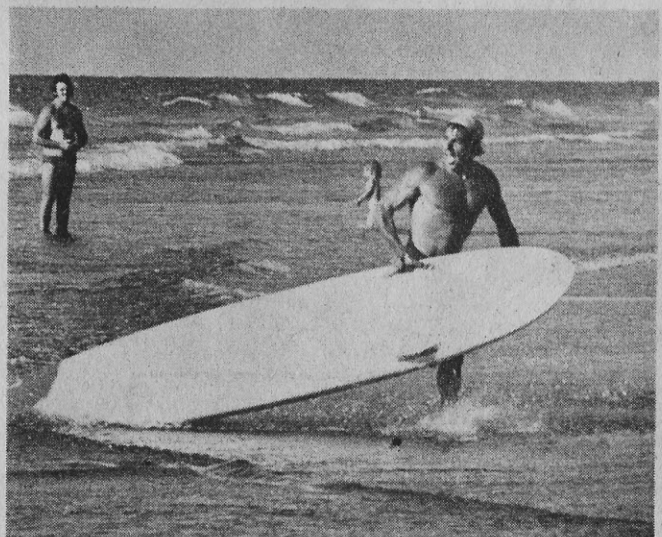
A team from Central Coast of New South Wales (Australia) met Taranaki Life Saving teams in competition at a Twilight Surf Carnival held at Fitzroy Beach last month. The Australian visitors won almost all the events except notably the canoe and boat races where they had to borrow a boat in order to compete.



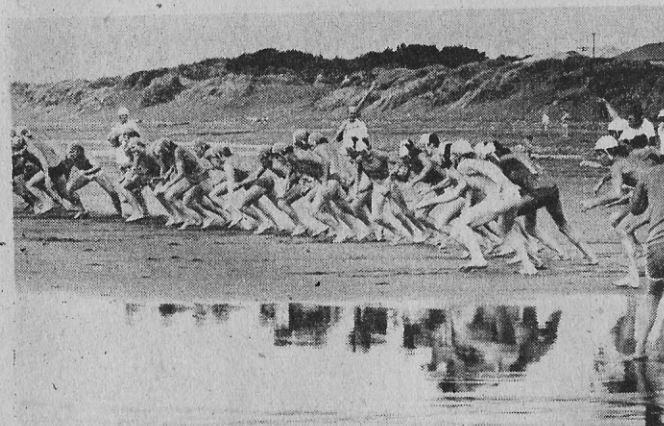
The Opunake canoe won the canoe event.



Australia's B. Grace wins the Surf Ski race.



First home and the winner in the paddle board race was A. Nicholls (Australia).



They're off - its the start of the open surf race.



Into the water and out to the marker.



and back to the beach.



S. Yeo (Australia) was first in the surf race.



J. Andrews (Australia) came second in the surf race.



The Ladies Beach Sprint in progress. It was won by J. Nowell (Old Boys), S. Nowell (Old Boys) was second and third was L. Sutherland (East End).



Noses lifting out of the water, the boats pick up speed on the straight run up the lake.



A portable bath with her own patch of water was a bigger attraction to this lass than the lake and its boats.



After the extreme noise of some of the faster boats, it was pleasant to hear the quiet thrum of Navajo's engines.

SPEEDBOAT RACING

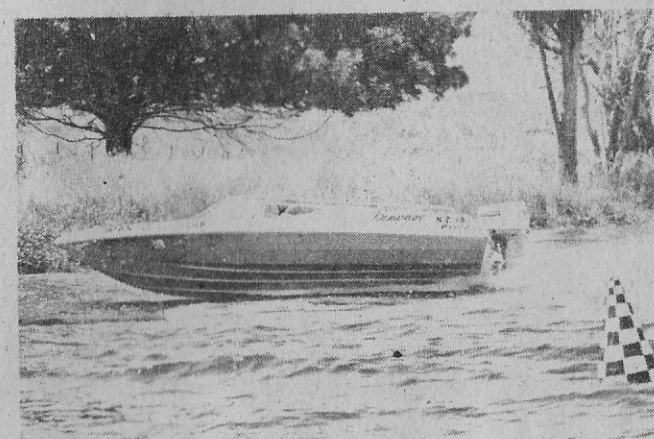
The Taranaki Power Boat Club held races at Lake Rata-piko over two days in the middle of last month. These pictures were taken on the first days racing when there were a total of seventeen races scheduled. There were a large number of power boats entered in the various races and we are told that some excellent times were recorded.



Blockbuster (back of picture) takes a fast turn to catch up on the smaller craft (at front of picture).



Taurus is a Hawkes Bay boat.



This Manawatu boat tried to live up to its name — Rampage.



This tight turn always causes a few 'moments'.



Picketty Witch is a Bay of Plenty boat who raced at Rata-piko on the day.



Teena was driven by a woman. She was the only woman who raced in a man's world.



Loopy Lou is a slender craft with a high powered motor. It put up some excellent times.



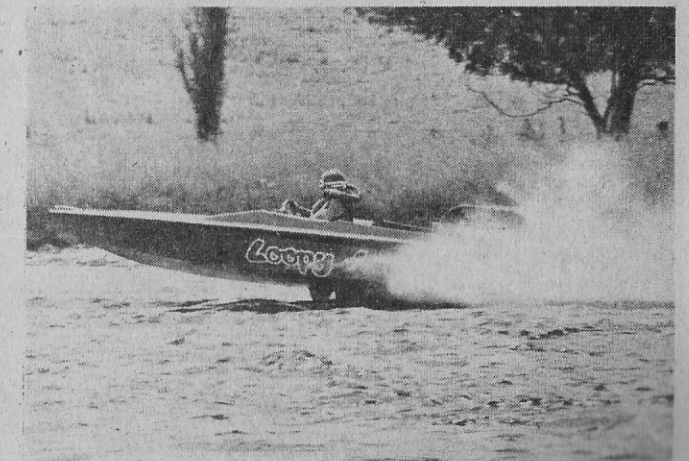
Blockbuster is raced by Kevin Riley of Inglewood.



Waikato boat Peanut may have been small but it sure could move at high speed.



Bee Jay drove straight into a bank and suffered the indignity of being towed back to base.





From a distance, the Big Dig looked just like 500 dogs all digging in the same place for a bone.



As far as this child was concerned, they could all get lost he was only interested in playing in a pond of water.



Someone cried dig, so she did just that.

BIG DIG

The Jaycees Big Dig was held last month at the East End Beach. A large number of people bought 'mining rights' tickets at 50 cents a time and joined in the big hunt for prizes. Of course some were lucky (in fact we know of one guy who won 33 biros) but for many it was all a big joke.



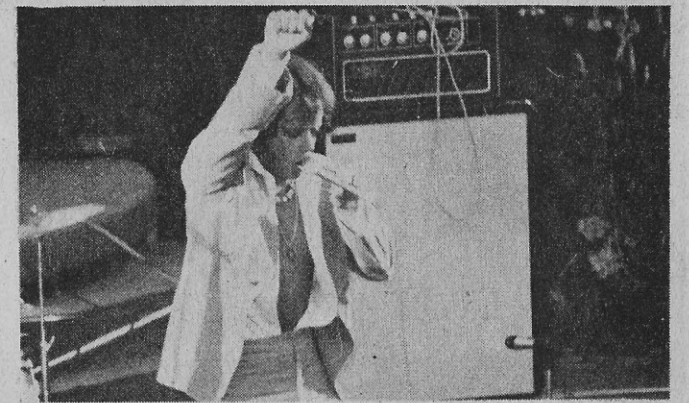
This wee girl tried to copy her parents efforts and ended up looking like this.



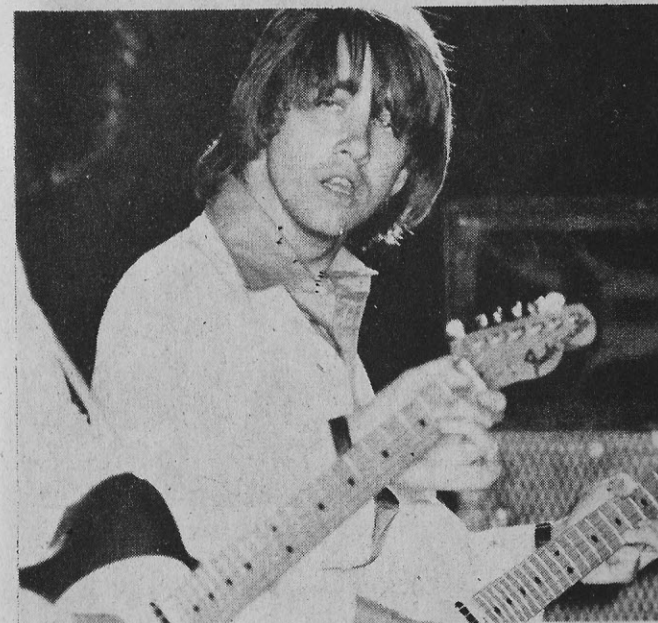
It's serious business shifting all that sand and looking for prizes.

HOLLIES SHOW

The Hollies Show was without a doubt, the best show to have played the Bowl this season. Obviously the people of Taranaki thought it would be a great show too, for they came in thousands and soon filled the Bowl of Brooklands. It was a night for memories with Ray Columbus opening the show and singing his old hits, like 'She's a Mod' and then the Hollies coming on stage and performing many of the hits they've made over the years.



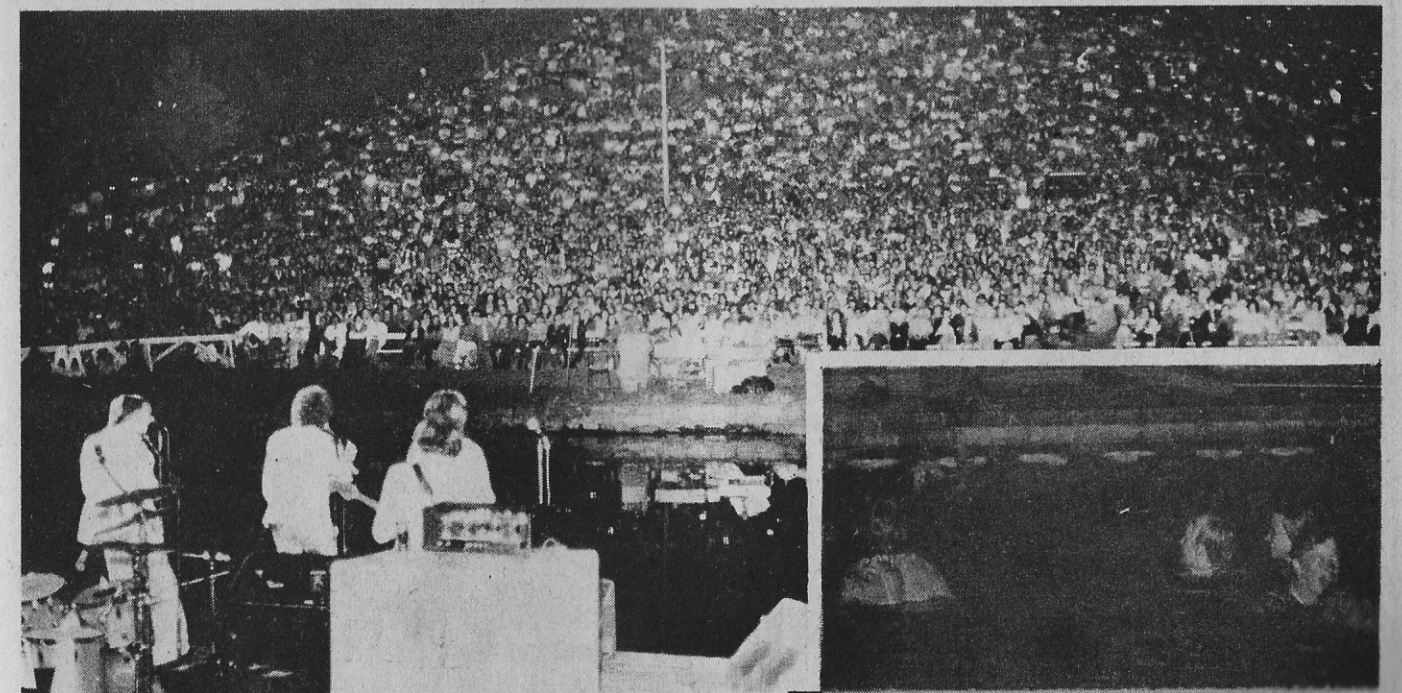
Ray Columbus opened the show with a set of his early songs.



Lead guitarist Tony Hicks and.....

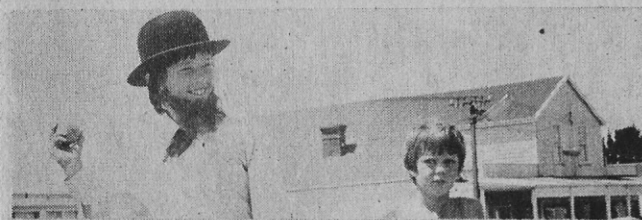


.....singer Clarke.



It was the biggest crowd that we've seen at the Bowl for quite a long time. Once again, swimmers took to the Bowl lake.

INGLEWOOD CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS



David Wackrow (complete with bowler and whiskers) tries his luck at the 'Aunt Sally' stall.



Len Wellington and Des Schreiber gave a demonstration of pit sawing — the method used to saw timber in the early days.



Cliff Pittams and Dan McPhillips prepare to start their double hand saw.



Mary posts her centenary mail in the mail box that was specially erected for the occasion.

The Centenary of the naming of the town of Inglewood took place in January with a series of festivities that culminated with a ceremony on January 22nd. This was the day, one hundred years before when a Mr Standish broke a bottle of champagne on a stump and names the town Inglewood. This was re-enacted by the gentleman's grandson, Mr M.L. Standish. Previously the town had been called Milton but it was re-named when it was discovered that a town in the South Island bore the same name. While the festivities were not lavish they were a fitting memorial for the occasion and most residents and businessmen joined in to make it the success that it was.



Many stores in Inglewood displayed old articles and photographs.



Rex Dowman and Merv Jensen make quick time of the double saw.



Bruce and Joan Orchard prepare to take their place in the parade.



Even the "hayseeds" came to town for the celebrations.



Just like out of a history book. Ladies in their finery.



and Mrs Peter Austin dressed as real old timers.



There was dancing all day long. Pictured are Wendy Avery and Andrea Commerer.



Janet Ayles manned this stall.



Mrs Wackrow manned a stall outside her florist shop.



Passap Centre had a large stall outside their store.