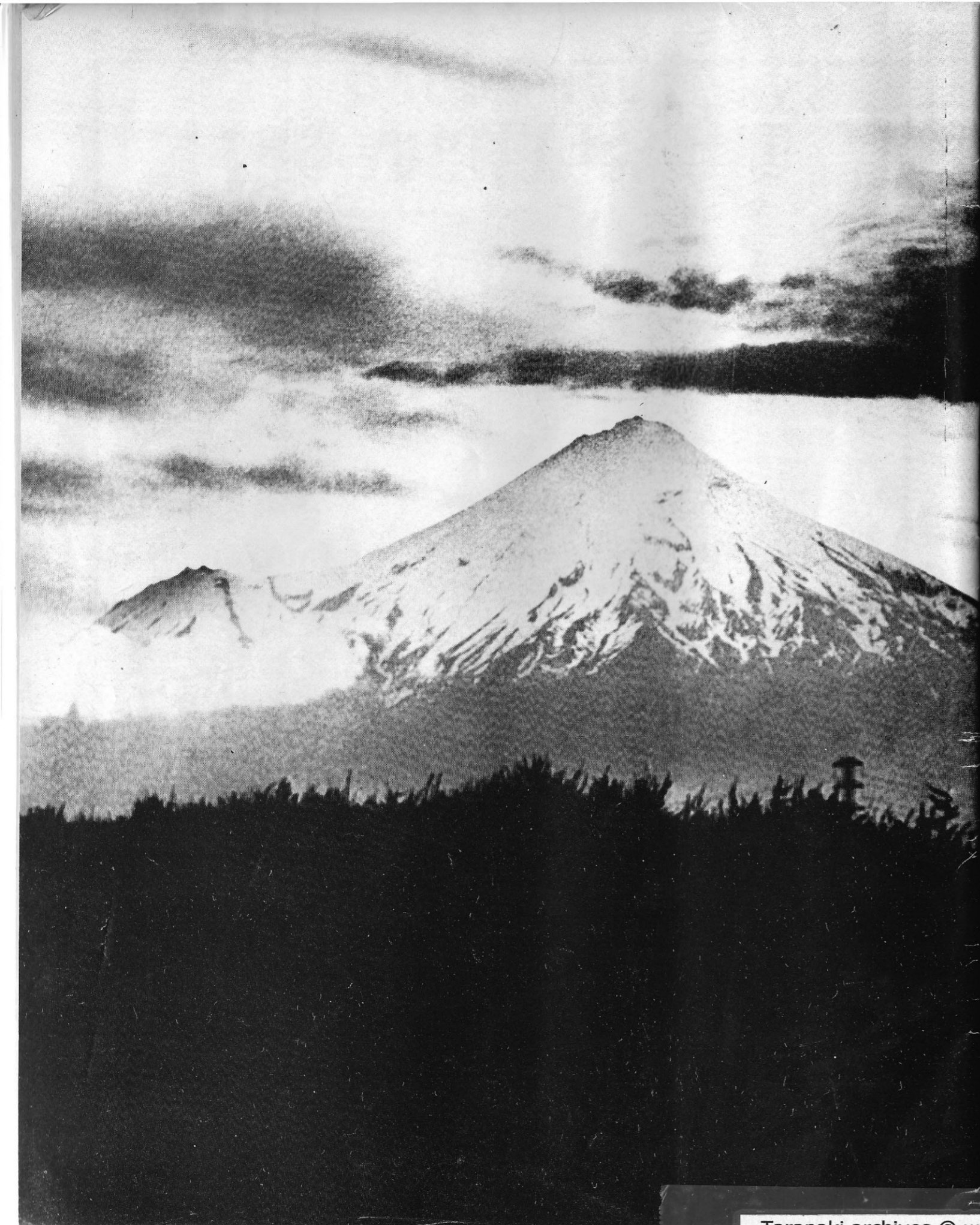


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outstanding gymnasts

Two of Taranaki's outstanding Gymnasts, Linda Whittle, and her brother Wayne; aged 13 years and 15 years respectively. Both represented Taranaki for the first time at the National Championships, this year and both performed exceptionally well. Linda was 3rd Overall in the Junior Girls Championship and was second in the ribbon exercise. Wayne was placed 3rd on the rings and he also gained selection to the New Zealand Junior Training Squad. For more details on the performance of Taranaki Gymnasts, turn to page two.



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ON OUR OWN

After twenty one years of publication, Gisborne Photo News is to close this month.

Sister magazine to Taranaki Photo News, the Gisborne magazine was the first Photo News to be established, back in 1954. Taranaki Photo News followed in 1957, the second, and now the only regularly published Photo News magazine left.

Economic problems forced the closure of the Gisborne magazine and while it would be foolish to pretend that we haven't suffered from the same problems, we do wish to assure readers that at this time, we have no intentions of closing the Taranaki Photo News. We have had problems for some years but have overcome these with two price increases, a change in paper and a change in format. Mostly these have not been popular changes but they were essential to keep Taranaki Photo News going. We will have difficult times in the days ahead and this may well cause further changes, but as long as we continue to have your support, as long as you continue to buy the magazine each month, we believe that we can continue to publish for a long time to come.

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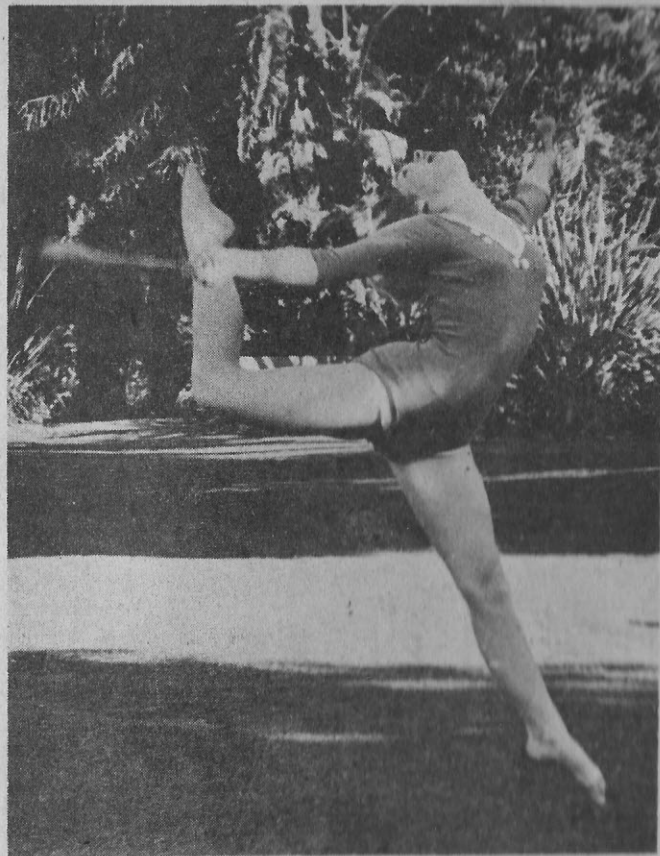
Cheryl Bingley of New Plymouth
is Miss Photo News for November.
Cheryl lists her interests as modelling,
music and sport. She also confesses
to having a particular interest in
clothes and designing.

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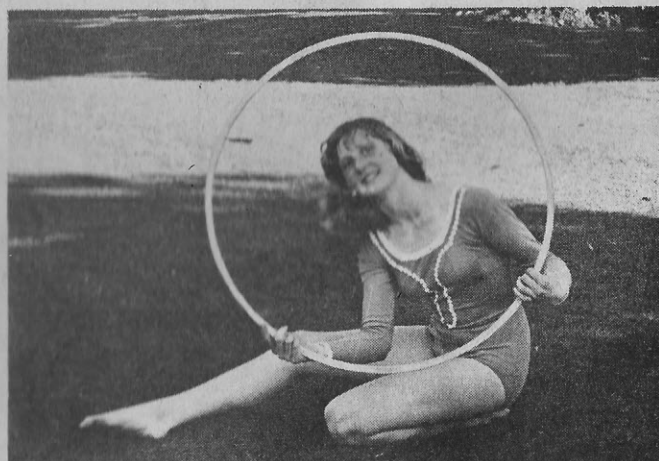
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Taranaki Representatives

The New Plymouth YMCA Gymnastic Club have experienced a most rewarding year. The successes of the club's members has been way above expectations with many medals and placings achieved at the Nationals. Pictured are some of the club's members with their respective achievements noted.



Wendy Flavell performs the jump with the clubs, a compulsory exercise.



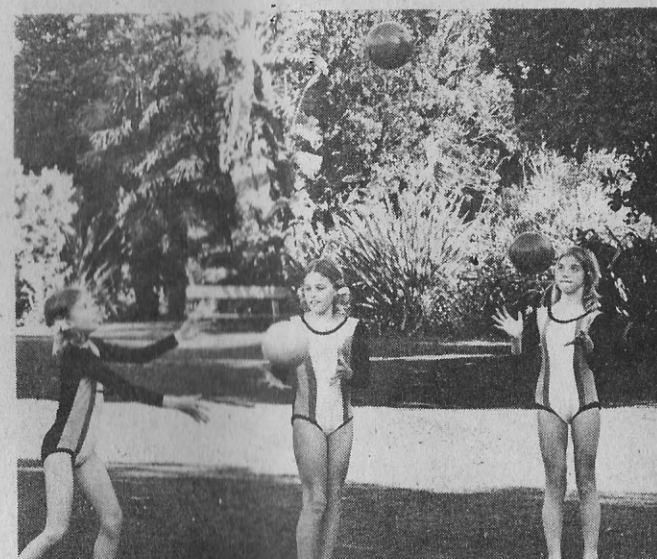
Dianne Knapman showing end of hoop exercise. She gained 2nd at Wellington and Taranaki in Girls' Grade.



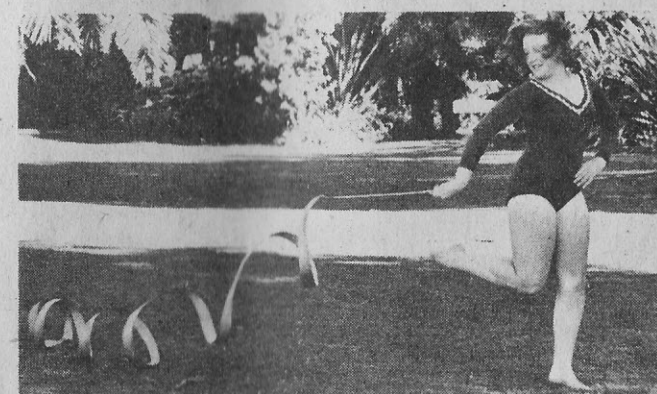
The girls who represented Taranaki so well in the past season. Absent is S. Nickson who represented the club at various competitions throughout the North Island with all. She gained at least one placing or title at each—a great achievement. Performed at Taranaki, Auckland, Wellington and NZ Championships. left to right...S Dawrant, J Knapman, L Whittle, J Dawrant, W Flavell, D Humpbries...front...M Phillips, M Brookes, P Giddy and K Humpbries.



Linda Whittle with medals and certificates. She gained 3rd at NZ Champs, 1st at Wellington, 3rd at Auckland and 1st at Taranaki.



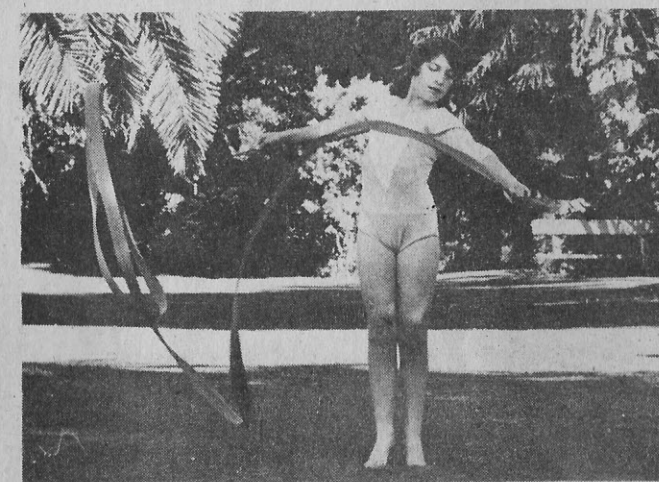
Michelle Phillips, Karyn Humpbries and Debbie Humpbries (Sberyl Nickson absent). They perform the movement from the Group Ball exercise which they won at Wellington in October.



Jenay Knapman — she gained 3rd at Auckland, 1st at Wellington and 1st at Taranaki in Womens B.



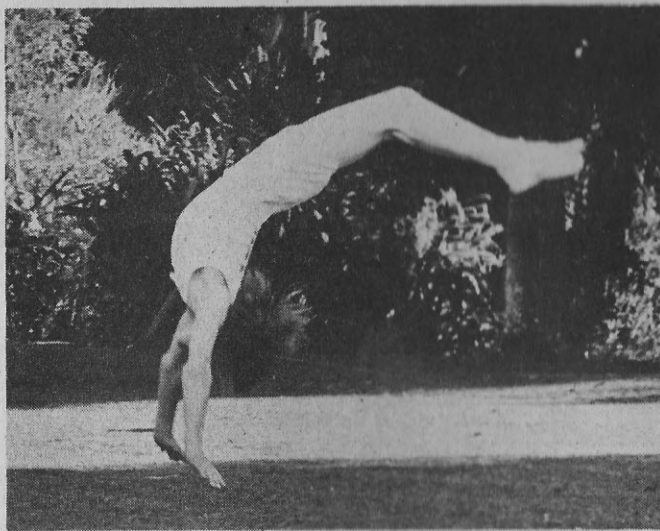
Secondary School members showing positions from various exercises executed.



Linda Whittle, pictured with the ribbon. She gained 2nd in Junior Girls Grade at the NZ Champs for this exercise.



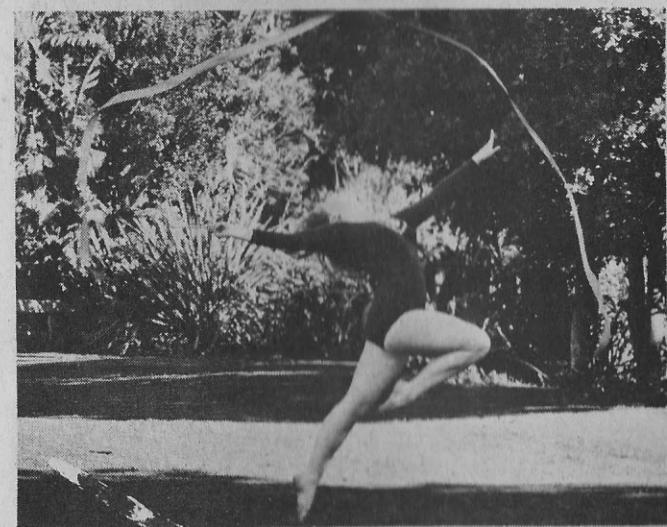
Michelle Phillips with ribbon. She gained 3rd at Wellington, Auckland and Taranaki in this event in Junior Girls Grade.



Wayne Whittle (15 yrs) gained various titles at Open Championships throughout New Zealand. He capped his successes with a 3rd on the rings at the NZ Sports Champs in August and gained selection in the NZ Junior Training Squad. Wayne performs the "L. Sit" position and a "Flic-Flac" movement, backwards.



The girls look to the 1976 season and even greater achievements.



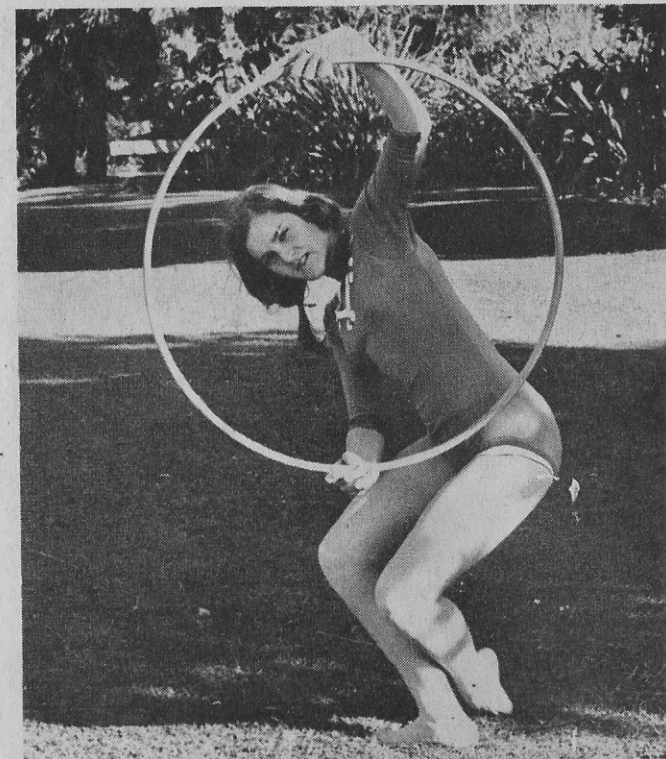
Jenny Knapman performing with the Ribbon. This is a position executed in her voluntary exercise.



Linda Whittle, Jenny Knapman, Wendy Flavell, Julie Daurant & Dionne Knapman represented Taranaki at the NZ Modern Rhythmic Championships.

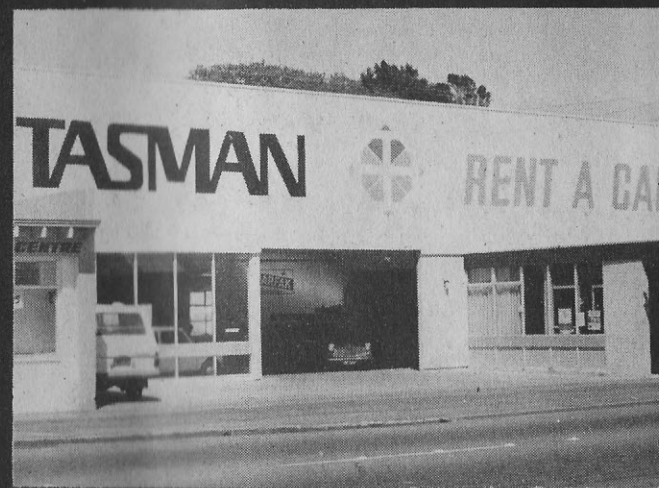


Julie Daurant, final position of rope exercise. She gained 2nd at Wellington and Taranaki in Junior Girls Grade for this event.



Wendy again, showing finishing position of the hoop exercise. She gained 1st at Wellington and Taranaki in the Girls Grade.

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CARGILL SHOW

Patrick Cargill of Father Dear Father Fame, performed a show at the New Plymouth Opera House last month.

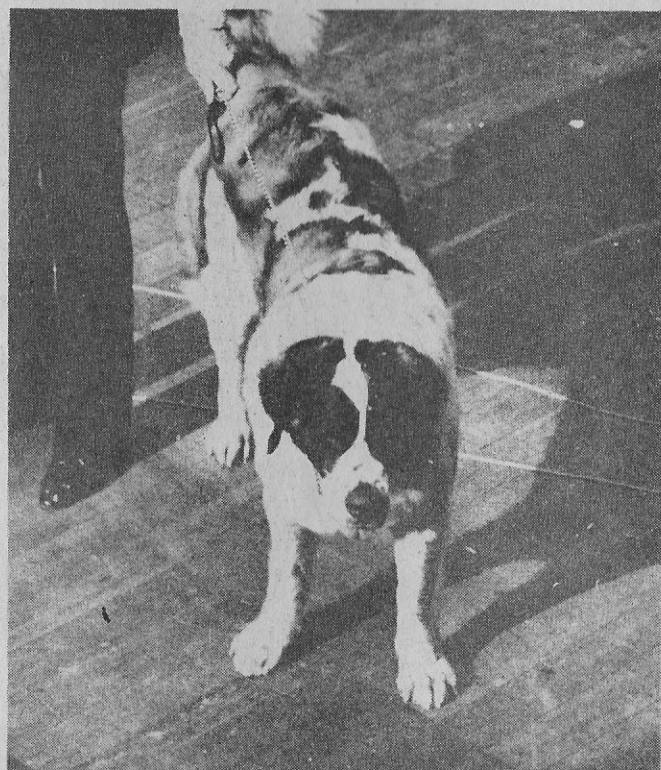
There were not as many attending the show as we would have expected and the Opera House was only about three quarters full, but, never-the-less, a good crowd. Pictured is Patrick and his supporting acts.



"I say, come here H. G." — but she didn't want to.



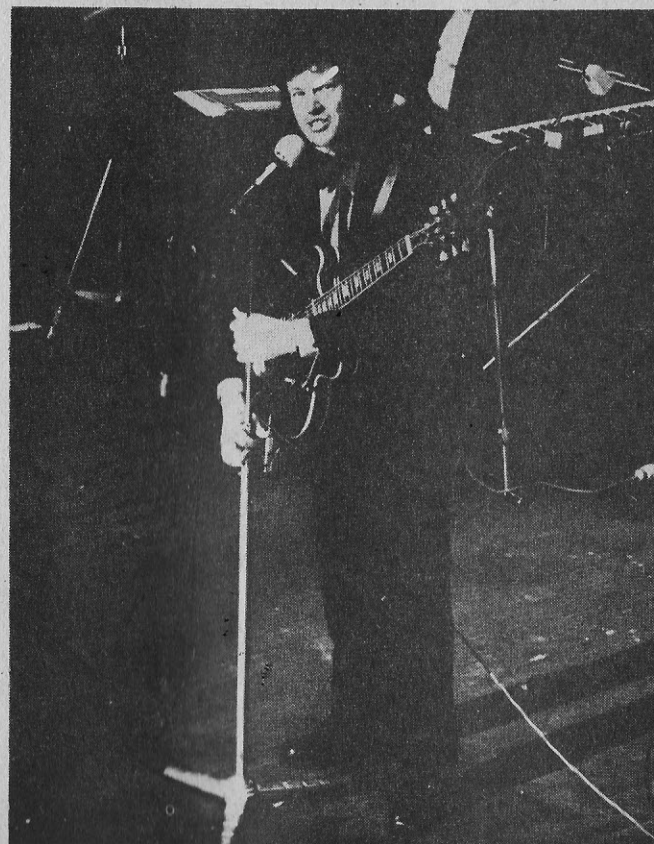
Allen — a change of clothes and a guitar.



While the dog who took the part of 'H. G. Wells' was beautiful, she (her name is Rachael) was not very well trained.



Oh Oh ... Cargill cracked one of his 'tongue in cheek' funnies.



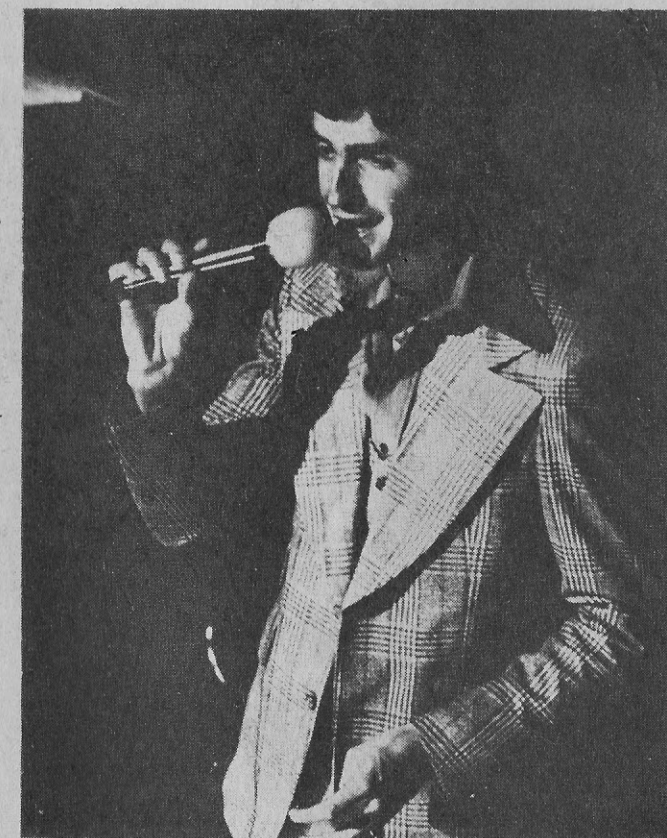
New Zealand's most accomplished guitarist, Gray Bartlett.



Bridgette Allen, a polished performer.



A song from Patrick Cargill.



Steve Allen has been seen many times and his repertoire is well known.



Susan Bellamy came 2nd in 10 yr Tap Dance.



Tracey Snowden came 3rd in 10 yr Tap Dance.



Karryn McNamara of New Plymouth



Julie Murray won the 10 yr. Tap Dance.



Tracey Crosswell of Opunake.



Karen Wingrove of Waitara.

Trophy Competitions

The newly formed Taranaki Fancy Dancing Association held their first 'Trophy Competitions' at the Highlands School in New Plymouth over Labour Weekend.

A large number of entries competed in all sections and classes. A few are pictured on these pages.



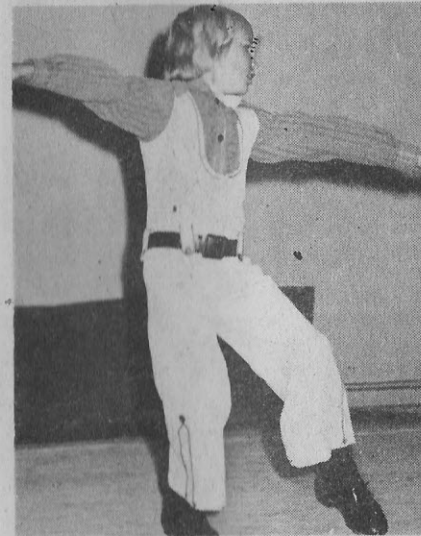
Melba Penny of Te Kuiti.



Nicki Spence of New Plymouth.



Shannon Fulton of Auckland.



Kerry French of New Plymouth



Monique Butler of Waitara.



Myleen Blair of Okato.



Brenda Cavanagh of Opunake



Andrea Haldane of New Plymouth



Amanda King of Te Kuiti.



Donna Maag of Te Kuiti.



Carmen Moffatt of New Plymouth.

Fashions

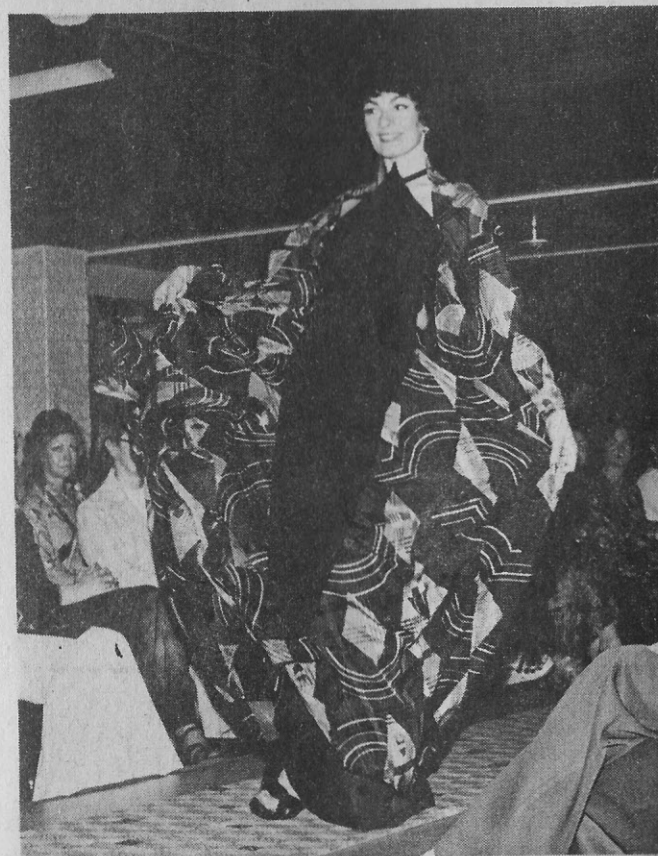
The Bensen & Hedges Gown of the Year, was held at the Westown Hotel last month. Local and out of town city models displayed the various entries which are pictured on these pages.



Filmy material is certainly popular this year, at least with designers.



A mid length dress featuring flared bottom.



A striking full length gown with a flowing pattern.



A mid length garment which is striking because of it's contrasting trim.



Light and airy, flimsy and filmy.



It's that filmy look again. The dramatic lines of simple design make this gown a winner.



A plain, but striking design in full length gown.

PRObe

with Bryce McPherson



Got your Taranaki envelope, and/or luggage/bumper stickers yet?

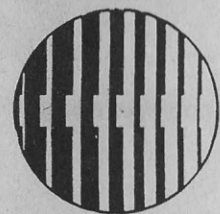
They are available at my office, from Dean Kelly (Stratford), Jack Worthington (Eltham) and most service stations.

One bird (winged variety) to another as they flew over suburbia " That fool's washed his car again.....is it your turn or mine? "

You always know which people have found life a bed of roses — you hear them complaining about the thorns.

Things have changed since grandma hauled the wash water from a well in a bucket — but at least grandma didn't have to stay up nights figuring out how to make payments on the bucket.

Men still die with their boots on — but usually one boot is on the accelerator.



I SUPPORT
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The latest break-through in the promotional field is inclusion of our region in the NAC Convention Directory.

About 2,500 conventions and seminars are organised annually in New Zealand, benefitting not only the host venue and back-up services directly involved, but the entire business community, through the injection of convention and individual delegate expenditure.

The inclusion of Taranaki in the NAC Convention Directory will ensure that we, as a region, will gain at least our share of the convention market.

A father of four says he gets obedience from his family once a year, anyway. Every time his birthday rolls around he tells them not to spend a lot of money on him — and they never do.

What's in a name? Makes you wonder, what with all the "who-ha" about renaming Egmont, Taranaki. From my point of view the repercussions of such a move are too great to justify real consideration. Every publication would have to be revamped (at tremendous cost) and it is true to say that people, be they New Zealanders or from overseas, know Mt. Egmont but not Taranaki.

Still think the quickest way around town is on a motorcycle. You never find one sitting in behind a car travelling at the legal speed limit. No, with a hiss and a roar, past they go.

It seems the Taranaki Promotion Association is to be invited to affiliate to the New Zealand National Travel Association as an industry member. In this way TPA will be able to keep in touch with tourist development on the national scene.

Readers Write

Dear Sir,

I attended the Photo News Ball on Saturday September 27 and would like to tell of my absolute disgust at such haphazard arrangements.

I purchased two double tickets at the cost of \$30 for myself and friends and when we arrived at 7-30 the place was in darkness. We managed to find an official who told us proceedings should start at around 8-0pm. We then had the choice of waiting in the freezing cold or repairing to the local tavern adding more expense to the already exorbitant cost of the evening.

I went to the trouble of purchasing a new dress, an absolute waste of time as I didn't take my coat off as the heating wasn't working. The group was minus two members and I presume the comedian was that rather odd character I saw wondering about in gumboots. Enough said on that subject.

Then the highlight of the evening, the supper. I have been to many cabarets but a worse supper I have yet to come across.

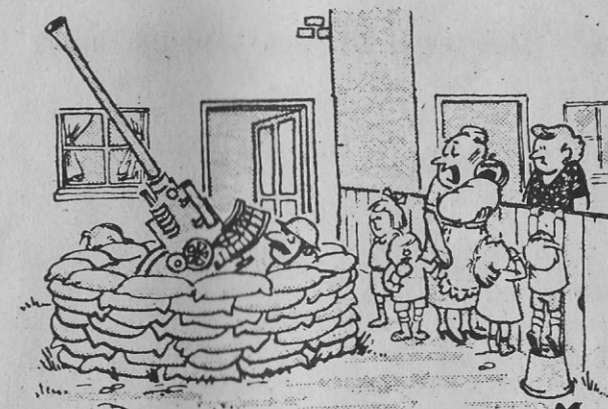
We were thoroughly disgusted with the whole affair and wouldn't recommend a Photo News Ball to anyone. In consequence our party left early.

If I don't hear from you to my satisfaction I shall have no compunction in writing to the local press expressing my complete dissatisfaction in what was advertised as a ball.

Janice M. Maddox,
36A Doone St,
New Plymouth.

Your comments have already been expressed in a previous letter to the Editor, published in our last issue — Vol. 19 No 10, October magazine.

.....Ed.



"Heaven help that Stork if he shows his face round here again."

Dear Sir,

What does Mrs J M Bayes of New Plymouth mean when she says the supper at the Photo News Ball was a disgrace to the catering profession. Perhaps, more to the point, where was she at supper time? Supper, as we enjoyed it, consisted of chicken, oysters, savouries, pavlova, cream cakes, ham, curry and rice, plus the usual sweets like sponge cake etc. Furthermore, we were late to supper, still found plenty and when we left, (one of the last to leave the supper room) there was still plenty left over. Mr Bayes, I don't think you belong at a cabaret. I think you set out intentionally not to enjoy the evening, so enjoy it you would not. Next time I would suggest that you stay home.

Mrs M. G. Rogers, New Plymouth.

Dear Sir,

I have read the letter by Mrs Bayes in the last Photo News and the reply by the Editor. I note that it is intimated that there will not be any future Photo News Balls. I am concerned that the management of this magazine should be so influenced by one nasty letter that they would stop the enjoyment of many who have attended past Photo News Balls and who would attend again in future years, just because of one person's complaint.

Surely your management would not let one person who it seems set out to ensure that she did not enjoy the night and who probably upset others because of her attitude, ruin what has been a most enjoyable night out for several hundred other people. I would point out that most people realise that in these difficult economic times, it is not easy to organise a social event on a shoe-string budget, in fact virtually impossible. I believe that Photo News has done a good job with the Ball and that their recognition of Taranakians efforts in many fields, both community and sport is something we should be thankful for. May the Photo News Awards and the Photo News Ball continue and be supported by all of us who live in the province.

R.M. Williams Inglewood.

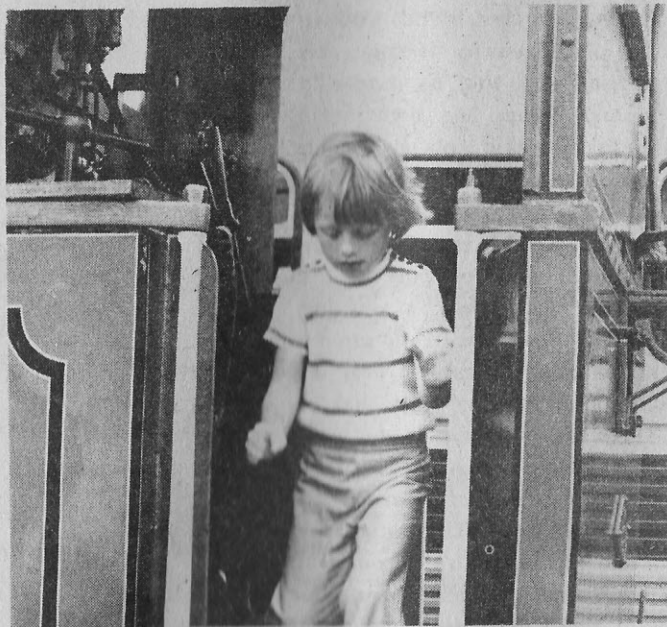


Diane and Peter Barker exit a carriage.

Display of Trains

To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the opening of the New Plymouth -- Waitara Railway line the Railways Dept. staged an interesting display of engines and rolling stock.

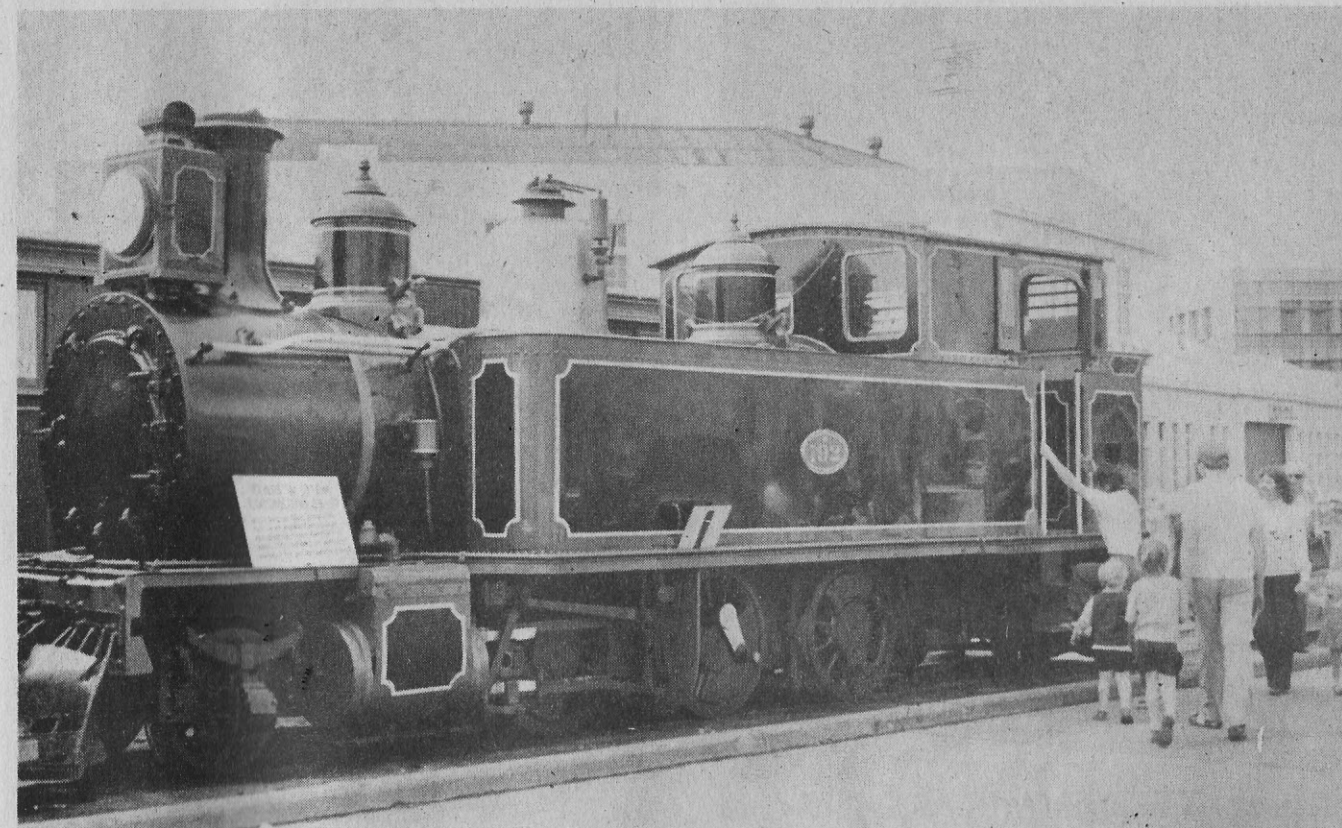
The display was set up at the New Plymouth Marshalling yards and proved to be a children's delight.



Kris Vinsen found train driving hard work.



"As towns and plains whistle past the fast moving loco, visions are forced to mind"



A Class W steam locomotive that was imported to New Zealand in 1889.



This Class F Steam loco was one of the first locos to be seen on New Zealand railways.