

Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 6-8 Jul 1940	Wind Direction:
Event Type: Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: Napier	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: Tasman Sea	Pressure Gradient: S to SE
Type: East Coast Low	

Synoptic Conditions

A complex cyclone west of the South Island (in south Tasman sea) moved across NZ; on the 5th this cyclone was off the Bay of Plenty coast and high pressures were to the west and south; this generated south to southeast winds

Sea Conditions

Heavy seas on Napier coast

Impact Area

Gisborne

Napier

Impacts and Damages

- One of worst storms for some time
- Yacht driven ashore at Napier beach by heavy seas

Data Source

- 1 Yacht Driver Ashore on Napier Beach: Dominion Post, 9/07/1940, p8
- 2 Minor Flooding - Heavy Storm at Wairoa - Slip at Mohaka - Railcar Delayed: Gisborne Herald, 9/07/1940, p5