

# Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: <b>1-3 Feb 1936</b>	Wind Direction:
Event Type: <b>Wind/Wave</b>	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: <b>Gisborne/Napier/Wellington</b>	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: <b>Subtropics</b>	Pressure Gradient: <b>S to SE</b>
Type: <b>East Coast Low</b>	

## Synoptic Conditions

A deep depression originating some days before as a tropical cyclone to the northwest of Vanuatu moved down the western side of upper North Island and then across the central North Island and headed towards the Chatham Islands

## Sea Conditions

Heavy seas in Poverty Bay, Napier and Wellington

## Impact Area

## Impacts and Damages

Gisborne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Heavy seas in Gisborne caused problems in the Port and one ship forced to ride out storm in the Bay</li><li>• Bridges, roads and power lines suffered major damage</li><li>• Heavy losses to crops</li></ul>
Napier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Winds described as hurricane force by Postmaster</li><li>• Fishing fleet unable to work due to heavy seas</li><li>• Trees down around city</li></ul>
Wellington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Railway line between Kaiwarra to Petone sustained damage from high seas</li><li>• Gale all day Saturday night and all day Sunday</li><li>• Telephone and power services interrupted</li><li>• Shipping and small craft at anchor broke loose</li></ul>
East Cape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• House washed off beach at Te Kaha due to high seas; 8 fishing boats lost</li></ul>
Wairarapa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flooding</li></ul>

## Data Source

- 1 Abnormally Wet - February Weather - Dominion Summary: Evening Post, 5/03/1936, p11
- 2 Gale Effects - Taking Stock - House and Boats Lost - Storm Peak at Te Kaha: Gisborne Herald, 5/02/1936, p4
- 3 Worst on Record - Gale in Wharerata - Many Sheds Destroyed: Gisborne Herald, 4/02/1936, p8
- 4 Cyclonic Storm Sweeps the North Island: Gisborne Herald, 4/02/1936, p4
- 5 Fury of the Gale - Damage to Property - Floods and Slips - The City Yesterday: Evening Post, 3/02/1936, p10
- 6 North Island Whipped by Southerly: Evening Post, 3/02/1936, p10
- 7 Hurricane Force: Evening Post, 3/02/1936, p11
- 8 Gale at Napier: Evening Post, 3/02/1936, p11
- 9 Holed Badly - Peril Escaped - Ship Makes Port: Gisborne Herald, 3/02/1936, p5
- 10 Worst for 14 Days - Telegraphic Delay - General Dislocation - All Lines Affected: Gisborne Herald, 3/02/1936, p13
- 11 Coast Escapes Lightly - Only Minor Slips: Gisborne Herald, 3/02/1936, p4
- 12 Waiwera Leaves the Bay - Stormy Weekend at Sea: Gisborne Herald, 3/02/1936, p4
- 13 Three Inches of Rain - Deluge in Gisborne - Heaviest for Years - Downpour in Country: Gisborne Herald, 3/02/1936, p4
- 14 Extensive Damage - District Storm - Rivers Rise Alarminglly: Gisborne Herald, 3/02/1936, p4