

Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 8-9 Nov 1946	Wind Direction:
Event Type: Wind/Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: Wellington	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: Southern Ocean	Pressure Gradient: S to SE
Type: East Coast Secondary Low	

Synoptic Conditions

This storm was caused by a large cyclone near the Chatham Islands coupled with a large anticyclone moving across the south Tasman sea.

Sea Conditions

Heavy seas on Wellington coast

Impact Area

Gisborne
Napier
East Coast
Wellington

North Island

Impacts and Damages

- Government steamer ship 'Matai' sheltering at Tolaga Bay
- Trees and telephone lines brought down
- Pressure reached a minimum of 975 hPa at the Chatham Islands
- Driving hazardous on Eastbourne coast
- Heavy seas battered the harbour seawalls
- Snow in hill country
- Snow on hill country around North Island

Data Source

- 1 Still Adrift - Dredge and Oil Barge: Evening Post, 12/11/1946, p6
- 2 Southerly Storm Sweeps Wide Area of North Island: Dominion Post, 11/11/1946, p6
- 3 Touch of Winter - Cold Southerly: Evening Post, 9/11/1946, p11
- 4 Grounded by Wind - Visiting Aircraft - Darton Field Callers: Gisborne Herald, 9/11/1946, p6