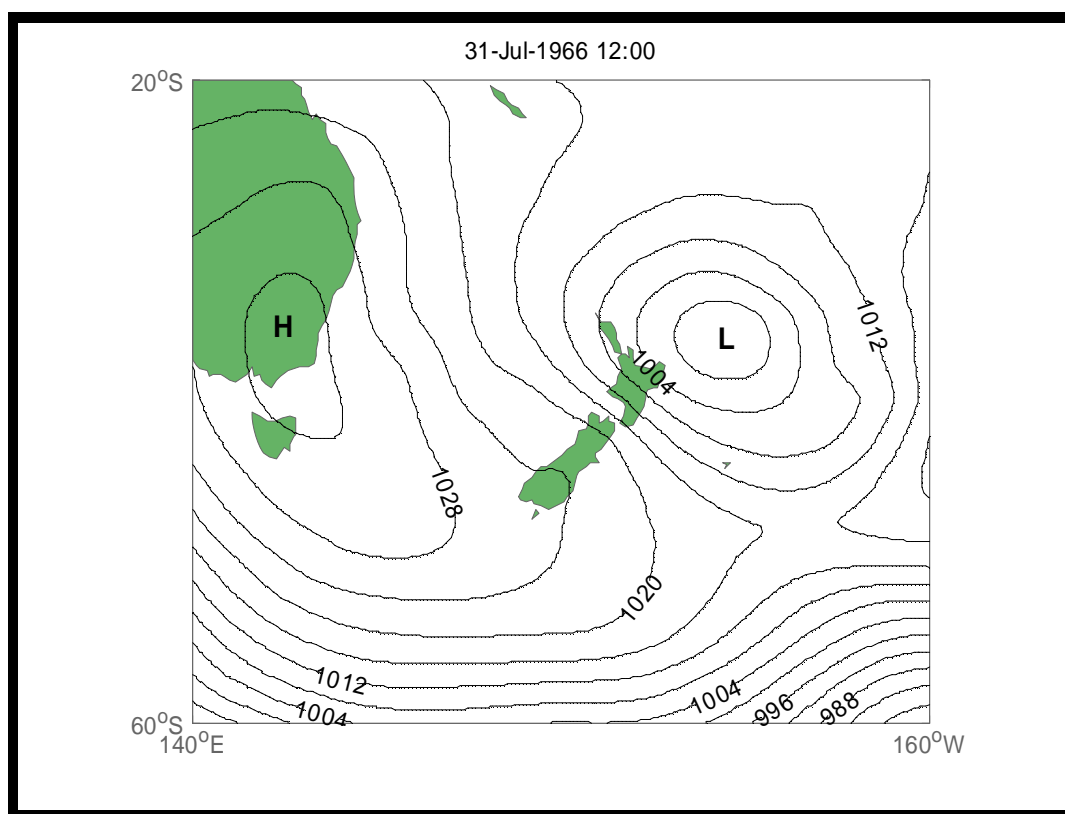


# Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: <b>31-1 Aug 1966</b>	Wind Direction: <b>S</b>
Event Type: <b>Wind/Erosion</b>	Gisborne Duration (Hours): <b>11</b>
Location: <b>Gisborne/Wellington</b>	Wellington Duration (Hours): <b>35</b>
Origin: <b>Australian Bight</b>	Pressure Gradient: <b>SE</b>
Type: <b>East Coast Low</b>	



## Synoptic Conditions

A southern ocean cyclone travelled southeast-ward from below Tasmania to East Cape. On the 31st this cyclone was east of East Cape and was accompanied by a large intense anticyclone on its westward side that had spread a ridge over the South island. Between these two systems a strong SE airstream developed over the eastern North Island and through Cook Strait throughout the 31st and had weakened by the early hours of the 1st.

## Impact Area

Gisborne

North Island

## Impacts and Damages

- Erosion by the sea weakened foundations of Kaiti Beach Road and forced its closure
- Low cloud and high winds closed nearly all major airports

## Data Source

- 1 Section of Kaiti Beach Road Closed: Gisborne Herald, 1/08/1966, p8
- 2 Air Services Hit By Weather: Evening Post, 1/08/1966, p19