

# Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: <b>3-5 Aug 1932</b>	Wind Direction:
Event Type: <b>Wave</b>	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: <b>Wellington</b>	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: <b>Subtropics</b>	Pressure Gradient: <b>S to SW</b>
Type: <b>East Coast Low</b>	

## Synoptic Conditions

A cyclone was situated near Norfolk Island and at the same time an anticyclone in the Tasman sea advancing towards NZ. On the 4th this cyclone moved rapidly southeast-ward, deepened and was northeast of East Cape. This cyclone generated a strong southerly flow over the northern half of the North Island. This was east of NZ on the 5th and 6th

## Sea Conditions

Very heavy seas on south coast

## Impact Area

Gisborne

- One of heaviest snowfalls of snow this winter
- Loading and unloading of cargo difficult at Port
- Lots of snow on hills around city

Wellington

- Ferry Maori faced moderate southerly gale and very heavy seas on passage to Lyttelton

Wairarapa

- Hills coated with snow

## Data Source

- 1 Snow on Hills - Wide Area Affected: Gisborne Herald, 5/08/1932, p4
- 2 Bitter Weather - A Southerly Storm - Snow Round Wellington: Evening Post, 5/08/1932, p9
- 3 Winters Worst Storm - Heavy Weekend Snow - Falls on Low Ridges: Gisborne Herald, 8/08/1932, p4
- 4 Effect on Shipping - Maori in a Gale: Evening Post, 6/08/1932, p14