

Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 24-25 Aug 1936	Wind Direction:
Event Type: Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: Gisborne	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: Tasman Sea	Pressure Gradient: NE
Type: Anticyclonic	

Synoptic Conditions

An intense anticyclone was centred east of the Chatham Islands (central pressure of 1030 hPa) on the 22nd while a cyclone was advancing across the Tasman sea. Between these systems a northeasterly wind developed over the North Island. On the 24th another cyclone from near Tasmania was crossing the Tasman sea while the anticyclone remained east of NZ.

Sea Conditions

Very heavy seas in Poverty Bay

Impact Area

Gisborne

Impacts and Damages

- Coast drenched with rain from a NE gale
- Very heavy swell on Gisborne coast

Data Source

- 1 Coast Drenched - NE Rain - Traffic Delayed - Slip on Kopua Hill: Gisborne Herald, 26/08/1936, p4