

# Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: <b>10-12 Dec 1939</b>	Wind Direction:
Event Type: <b>Wind/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

An intense cyclone formed to the north and moved onto the North Island (near Northland); it then moved southeast-ward and was off East Cape on the 12th

## Sea Conditions

High seas on east coast

## Impact Area

Wellington

## Impacts and Damages

- Heavy seas and boisterous southerly weather delayed steamer 'Rangatira' on voyage to Lyttelton
- Strong SE gale

## Data Source

- 1 Rangatira Delayed - Gale and High Seas - Speed Dimished: Gisborne Herald, 12/12/1939, p6
- 2 Torrential Rain - 6 inches in 24Hrs - Deluge in Wellington - Little Below Record - Easing in Downpour: Gisborne Herald, 12/12/1939, p6
- 3 Coast Downpour - 2in. of Rain in 6hrs: Gisborne Herald, 11/12/1939, p6