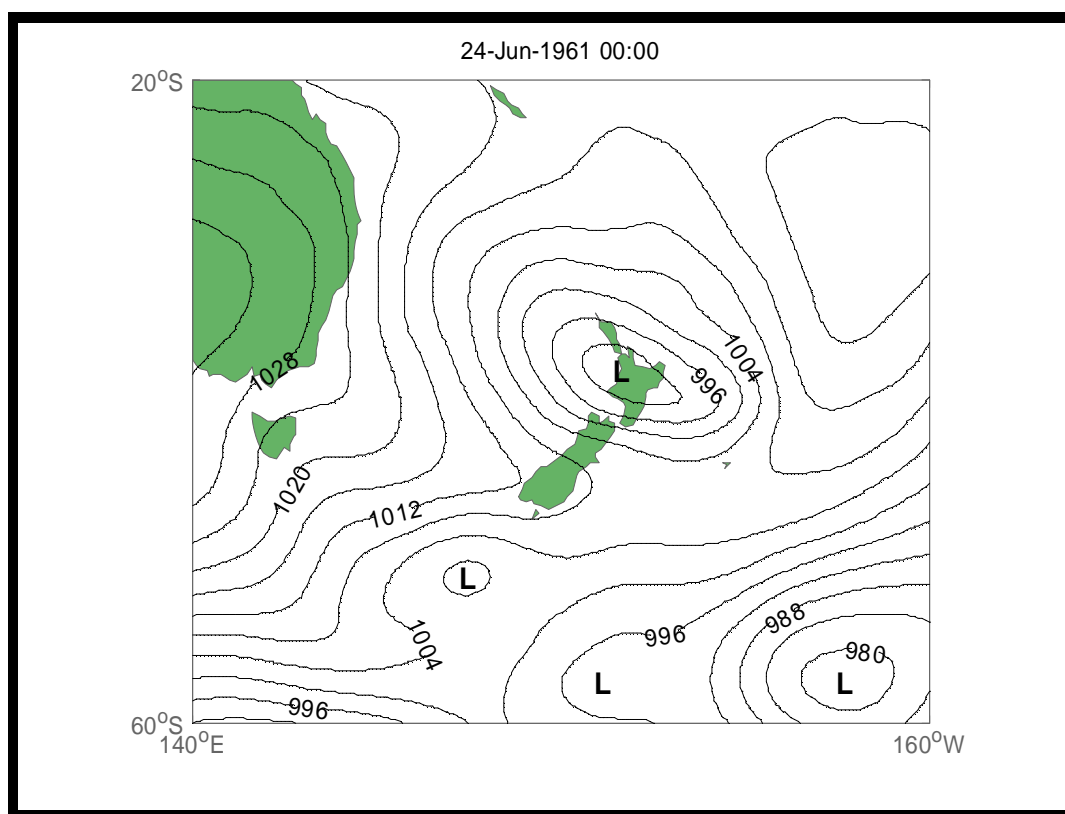


Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 23-24 Jun 1961	Wind Direction: S
Event Type: Wind/Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: Gisborne/Wellington	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: Tasman Sea	Pressure Gradient: ESE to SE
Type: East Coast Low	



Synoptic Conditions

A cyclone developed off Sydney and moved eastward, intensified and crossed the North Island. On the 23rd, the cyclone was directly over the North Island and had a strong SE to ESE airstream on the southern side that swept over the lower North Island and through Cook Strait and later spread up the eastern North Island as the cyclone moved eastward. The flow then veered to the south and weakened.

Sea Conditions

Heavy seas near East Cape

Impact Area

Napier

Wellington

East Cape

Impacts and Damages

- Flooding in city and Hastings
- Yacht washed ashore at Evans Bay
- Minor surface flooding around city
- All DC3 aircraft diverted from airport due to gale force winds
- Heavy seas experienced by coastal vessel

Data Source

- 1 Boat For Burning: Evening Post, 27/06/1961, p18
- 2 Sea Smashes on to the Matua's Stern: Evening Post, 26/06/1961, p12
- 3 Rain and Gale Hit Wellington Area: Evening Post, 24/06/1961, p18

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- 4 Flood Causes Midnight Evacuation of Hastings Homes: Evening Post, 24/06/1961, p18
 - 5 Rain Clears for North-South Rugby: Gisborne Herald, 24/06/1961, p8
 - 6 Many Streets in Napier Flooded: Gisborne Herald, 24/06/1961, p8
 - 7 Washout on Coast Highway: Gisborne Herald, 24/06/1961, p8
 - 8 Flood Sweeps Through Homes: Gisborne Herald, 24/06/1961, p8
 - 9 Air Services Disrupted: Gisborne Herald, 24/06/1961, p8
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