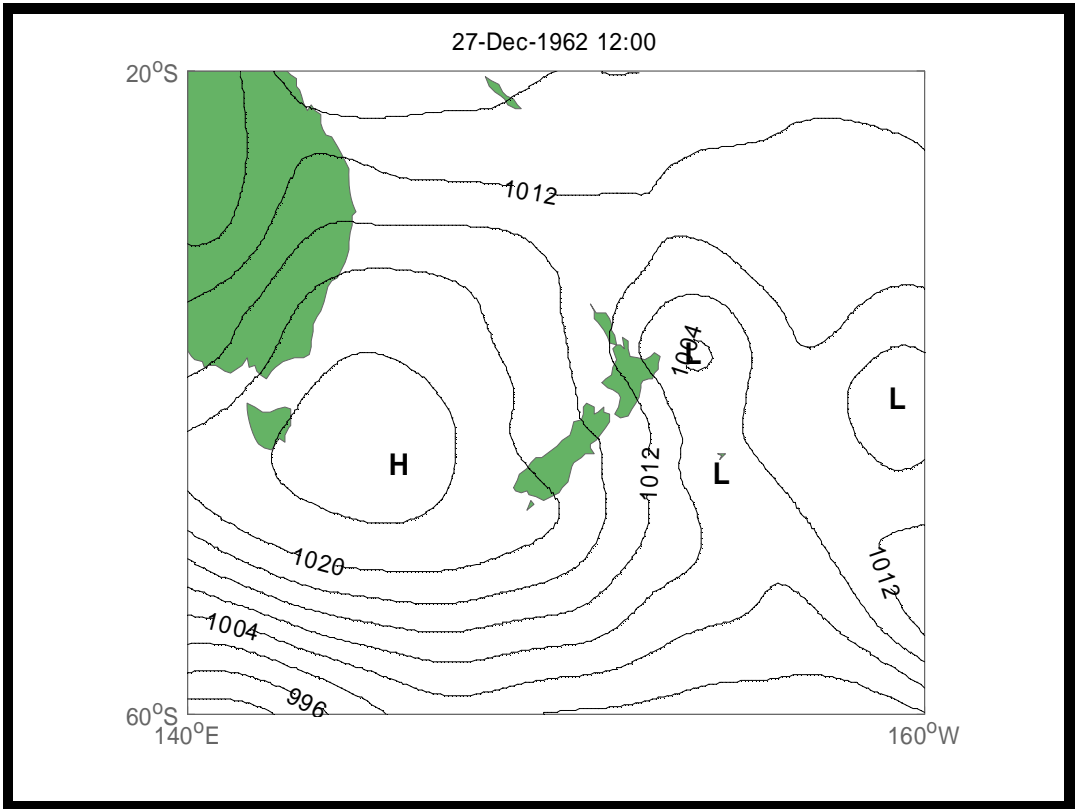


# Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 27 Dec 1962	Wind Direction: S
Event Type: Wind/Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): 7
Location: Gisborne/Wellington	Wellington Duration (Hours): -
Origin: Eastern NZ	Pressure Gradient: S to SSE
Type: East Coast Secondary Low	



### Synoptic Conditions

A cyclone developed off the Gisborne coast from a southern trough and covered the upper eastern North Island. At the same time, a large anticyclone in the south Tasman sea covered the South Island. Between these features a S to SSE airstream developed over the eastern North Island.

### Sea Conditions

Heavy Seas along east coast

### Impact Area

Gisborne

East Coast

Wairoa

Wellington

### Impacts and Damages

- Heavy seas lashing Gisborne coastline
- Telephone services out north and south of the city due to fallen trees and branches
- HMNZS Paea, Mako and Ngapona (Fisheries Protection launches) put into to Por Gisborne to shelter from southerly storm
- Telephones out and uprooted trees over the place due to gale force winds
- Surface flooding throughout Petone, lots of tree's downed in Hutt Valley, and many small-scale slips in some suburbs (Korokoro, Belmont)
- Ferry sailings of Aramoana cancelled overnight
- Ferry Maori and other vessels battled strong southerly winds and heavy seas in Cook Strait

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**Impact Area****Impacts and Damages**

- Some flight cancellations and diversions
- Te Aro bath timber wall at Oriental Bay destroyed by sea

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