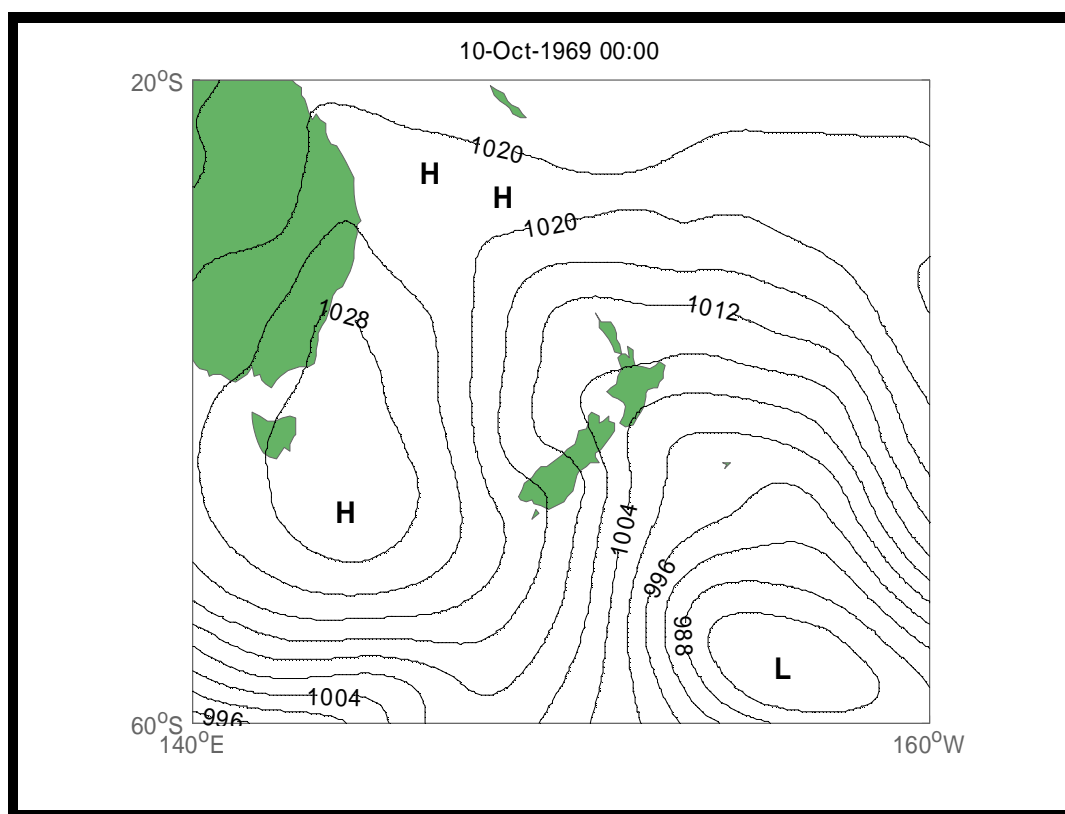


Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 10-11 Oct 1969	Wind Direction: S
Event Type: Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): -
Location: Napier	Wellington Duration (Hours): 32
Origin: Southern Ocean	Pressure Gradient: S to SW
Type: Trough	



Synoptic Conditions

A southern ocean cyclone propagated eastward well south of NZ and extended a trough over NZ and the Chatham Islands. At the same time a large intense anticyclone occupied the Tasman sea. Between these features a S to SW airstream developed over NZ.

Sea Conditions

Heavy surf on the Wairoa coast

Impact Area

Gisborne
Wairoa
Wellington

Impacts and Damages

- Heavy snowfall in back country
- Heavy surf on Wairoa River bar
- Snow and heavy hail

Data Source

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- 5 Snow Falls in Outer Suburbs: Evening Post, 11/10/1969, p6
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