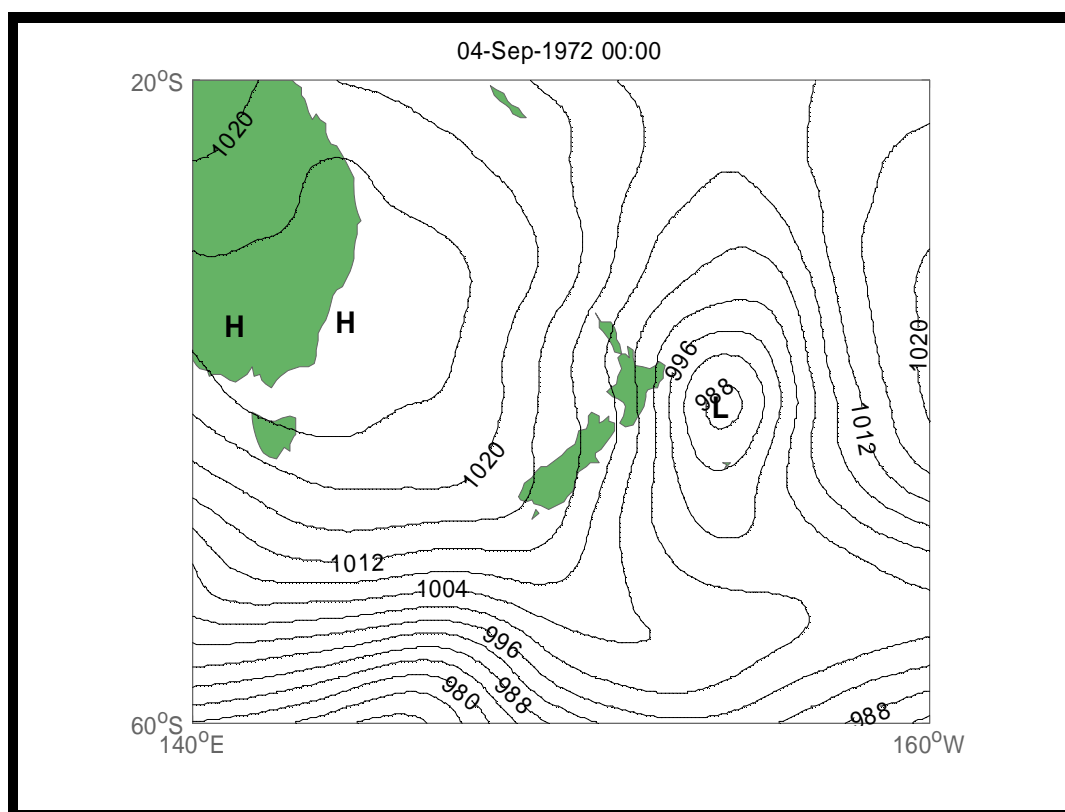


Coastal Storm Database - Event Summary

Date: 3-4 Sep 1972	Wind Direction: S
Event Type: Wave	Gisborne Duration (Hours): 7
Location: Gisborne/Wellington	Wellington Duration (Hours): 32
Origin: Tasman Sea	Pressure Gradient: S
Type: East Coast Low	



Synoptic Conditions

A cyclone developed west of Northland between two large intense anticyclones. On the 3rd this cyclone was north of the Chatham Islands and a ridge of high pressure spread onto the lower South Island. Between these systems a strong southerly airstream was created and swept over the eastern North Island.

Sea Conditions

Rough seas along East Coast

Maximum Wind Gusts (kph and dir)

Date	Gisborne	Napier	Wellington
03-Sep-72	85 (SW)		108 (S)
04-Sep-72	80 (SW)		96 (S)

Impact Area

Gisborne
Wellington

Impacts and Damages

- Rough seas prevented any fishing off Gisborne; fishing fleet port-bound
- High seas experienced by ferry 'Aramoana' in Cook Strait
- Some flight disruptions at airport from planes unable to land

Data Source

- 1 Car Lost off Aramoana in Worst Crossing: Gisborne Herald, 4/09/1972, p12

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- 2 Seas Force Fleet to Shelter: Gisborne Herald, 4/09/1972, p12
 - 3 Rough Trip as Ferry Loses Car: New Zealand Herald, 5/09/1972, p3
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