

## Today in History

13 April



1896 NCW formed in Christchurch

The National Council of Women of New Zealand (NCW) was established in Christchurch by women who had been active in the suffrage campaign that won women the right to vote. They gathered to discuss how to secure reforms to improve the status and condition of women.

The office holders of the NCW included heavyweights of the suffrage movement: Kate Sheppard was the first president, Anna Stout the first vice-president and Ada Wells the first secretary.

Three years after New Zealand became the first self-governing country to grant the vote to all women in 1893, a convention of representatives of 11 women's groups from throughout the colony formed the NCW. Its aim was to 'unite all organised Societies of Women for mutual counsel and co-operation, and in the attainment of justice and freedom for women, and for all that makes for the good of humanity'. The NCW still works in the interests of women, but it is a very different organisation from that established in the 1890s.

### Internal links

The National Council of Women - women and the vote    Ada Wells

### External links

National Council of Women (NCWNZ)    National Council of Women (1966 encyclopaedia)

## This Week in History



4 April 2001  
Silvia Cartwright becomes Governor General



5 April 1932  
Death of Phar Lap



6 April 1864 Pai Marire ambush in Taranaki



7 April 1856 First state secondary school opens in Nelson



8 April 1873 Julius Vogel becomes Premier



9 April 1932 Unemployed disturbances in Dunedin



10 April 1968 Sinking of the Wahine

## Timeline Section

Month Calendar View

Today in History

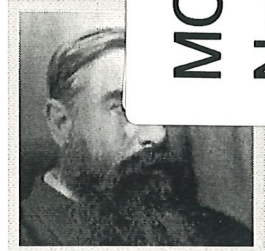
## What happened

See historic events the year by entering below. Why not try

DD/MM

Visit the fu

## Kiwi of the W



## Julius Vogel

Premier Julius Vogel's great plan was to borrow heavily to build infrastructure and to lure migrants. It was controversial, but the money and migrants stimulated the economy and created a viable consumer market for producers.

more

Get KotW as RSS

## THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

Test your knowledge of NZ history

page 73

### Culture and Society

PRE-1840 CONTACT  
HOLIDAYS AND EVENTS  
CRIME AND PUNISHMENT  
DISASTERS  
ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT  
HEALTH AND WELFARE  
IMMIGRATION  
TRANSPORT  
DECADE STUDIES  
SPORT  
LIFESTYLE  
PLACES  
THE GREAT OUTDOORS  
MEMORIALS

### Politics and Government

POLITICAL MILESTONES  
PROTEST AND REFORM  
TREATY OF WAITANGI  
MAORI LEADERSHIP  
THE GOVERNORS  
PARLIAMENT'S PEOPLE  
WORK OF GOVERNMENT  
NZ IN THE WORLD

### War and Society

NZ'S INTERNAL WARS  
SOUTH AFRICAN WAR  
FIRST WORLD WAR  
SECOND WORLD WAR

POST SECOND WORLD WAR  
OTHER CONFLICTS  
WAR MEMORIALS

### The Classroom

NCEA LEVEL 1 HISTORY  
NCEA LEVEL 2 HISTORY  
NCEA LEVEL 3 HISTORY  
SOCIAL STUDIES LEVELS 4 AND 5  
PRIMARY SCHOOL HISTORY  
LINKS AND RESOURCES

### Hands On History

LINKS AND RESOURCES  
HISTORY GUIDES

### Media Library

INTERACTIVES  
VIDEOS  
SOUNDS  
PHOTOS

### General

SITE INFORMATION  
QUIZZES  
CALENDAR  
BIOGRAPHIES

### Other MCH websites

