

No. 813-815

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of a reference by the Magistrate's Court in Auckland for a decision in respect of the books *The Mouth as a Sensual Trap* by Lydia Wilkinson, published by Brandon Books; *The Swinging Singles Report* by Thomas Eastwood, published by Brandon Books; and *With his Mother and his Sister and Diana's Black Chauffeur* by Michel Bourjade, published by Montmatre Press.

There were no appearances and no submissions were made.

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THE first and second of these books purport to be "case histories" and the third an original translation of a privately printed French book.

Each is a collection of explicit and crudely written sexual encounters devoid of any merit or honesty of purpose.

The Tribunal classifies each book as indecent.

13 May 1974.

L. M. GREIG, Deputy Chairman.

No. 816

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by Marketing Services (N.Z.) Ltd., for a decision in respect of the magazines: *New Exclusive*, Vol. 5, No. 7, 8, 9, and 10, published by Exclusive Man, London.

Mr. P. J. Downey appeared on behalf of the applicant and made submissions.

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A salient feature of the Act under which the Tribunal operates is the attention that must be given to the effect on the public good in determining the character of any publication. The Tribunal must assess the public good with due regard to changing conditions. This need is most apparent in dealing with magazines of light entertainment, which, in a very competitive market, are constantly adjusting their content, style, and format to readers' tastes. The limits of acceptability, likewise, are not static and over a period of time may change considerably. The fundamental question to be asked of the four issues of *New Exclusive* now before the Tribunal is this: are these publications acceptable within the criteria laid down by the Act for circulation in this community at this time?

The answer in this instance can be readily given. The text, photographs, and advertisements in the magazines concentrate on presenting sex in a crude and prurient way, the special feature being a detachable poster-size centre-fold of a provocatively posed female. There is nothing in the magazines to complicate the simple, direct appeal they make to vicarious indulgence in their parade of poses and possibilities. The overall effect is to debase sex in a way that the Tribunal judges to be harmful.

The Tribunal classifies these four issues as indecent.

13 May 1974.

L. M. GREIG, Deputy Chairman.

Producers' Representatives on Nelson Raspberry Marketing Committee Elected in the Southern Ward (No. 771 Ag. 61338)

PURSUANT to clause 20 of the schedule to the Nelson Raspberry Marketing Regulations 1940, notice is hereby given that only 2 persons having been duly nominated in the Southern Ward for election to the office of producers' representative on the Nelson Raspberry Marketing Committee, I hereby declare

Alan James Mathewson, and
Horace Charles Warnes

being the persons so nominated, to be duly elected as producers' representatives in respect of the said Southern Ward.

Dated at Nelson this 13th day of June 1974.

S. J. UREN, Returning Officer.

Producers' Representatives on Nelson Raspberry Marketing Committee Elected in Northern Ward (No. 772 Ag. 61338)

PURSUANT to clause 20 of the schedule to the Nelson Raspberry Marketing Regulations 1940, notice is hereby given that only two persons having been duly nominated in the Northern Ward for election to the office of producers' representative on the Nelson Raspberry Marketing Committee, I hereby declare

Arnold James Barlow, and
Walter Vernon Robinson

being the persons so nominated, to be duly elected as producers' representatives in respect of the said Northern Ward.

Dated at Nelson this 13th day of June 1974.

S. J. UREN, Returning Officer.

Producers' Representatives on Otago Raspberry Marketing Committee in Southern Ward (No. 776 Ag. 60766)

PURSUANT to clause 20 of the Schedule to the Otago Raspberry Marketing Regulations 1950, notice is hereby given that, only two persons having been duly nominated in the Southern Ward for election to the office of Producers' Representative on the Otago Raspberry Marketing Committee, I hereby declare

James Thomas Breen and Kenneth Edward McArthur
being the persons so nominated, to be duly elected as Producers' Representatives in respect of the Southern Ward.

Dated at Dunedin this 17th day of June 1974.

I. D. McLAREN, Returning Officer.

Producers' Representatives on Otago Raspberry Marketing Committee in Northern Ward (No. 777 Ag. 60766)

PURSUANT to clause 20 of the Schedule to the Otago Raspberry Marketing Regulations 1950, notice is hereby given that, only two persons having been duly nominated in the Northern Ward for election to the office of Producers' Representative on the Otago Raspberry Marketing Committee, I hereby declare

Charles Victor Nye and Henry Walker
being the persons so nominated, to be duly elected as Producers' Representatives in respect of the Northern Ward.

Dated at Dunedin this 17th day of June 1974.

I. D. McLAREN, Returning Officer.

Tariff and Development Board Report No. 289—Wire Rope Grips and Clamps

GOVERNMENT has considered the above report and the decisions made thereon will be implemented in the following measures:

Tariff Decision List No. 4 (to be published on 1 July 1974).

Import Control Exemption Notice (No. 21) 1974.

N. W. LAKING, Acting Comptroller of Customs.

The Standards Act 1965—Specification Declared to be a Standard Specification

PURSUANT to section 23 of the Standards Act 1965, the Standards Council, on 14 June 1974, declared the under-mentioned specification to be a standard specification:

Number and Title of Standard Specification	Price of Copy (Mailed) \$
NZS 9202:1974 Standing orders for municipalities and counties. (Superseding NZS 1167 and NZS 1501)	2.30

Copies of the standard specification are available from the Standards Association of New Zealand, World Trade Center, 15-23 Sturdee Street (or Private Bag), Wellington.

Dated at Wellington this 17th day of June 1974.

G. H. EDWARDS, Director,
Standards Association of New Zealand.

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