

- OCTOBER 3rd Bi-Annual Meeting, Thames-Hauraki Plains Country Womens Institut  
 6th S.P.C.A. Animal Week.  
 7th Thames Nurses Reunion.  
 11th & 12th Thames Camera Club Exhibition.  
 11th to 13th Engineers' Union (Auckland). Regional Conference.  
 14th Thames Lions Club : Ball.  
 17th to 23rd Returned Services Association National Golf Championships.  
 18th St. Francis Church Centenary.  
 21st to 23rd Agricultural and Pastoral Show to be arranged by Public Relations Association Inc.  
 27th to 29th Methodist Church Centenary.
- NOVEMBER 11th & 12th Thames Gun Club Open Shoot.  
 28th Thames Women's Bowling Club: Open Tournament.
- DECEMBER 31st Closing of Centennial Year by His Worship the Mayor.

Other functions throughout the year have probably been arranged, but these have not been included as particulars were not received prior to the programme being printed.

PROGRAMME FOR OPENING CEREMONIES.

Tuesday, 1 August, 1967, 2p.m.

Chairman Mr. G.W.F. Price.  
 Secretary Mr. V.A. Matthews  
 Master of Ceremonies Mr. R. Lomas.

1. THAMES CITIZENS' BAND. "God Save the Queen."
2. Tableau.  
 His Worship the Mayor of Thames, Mr. W.C.T. Brunton, will read the Official Proclamation issued on the 30th day of July 1867 by Daniel Pollen, Esq., Deputy-Superintendent of the Province of Auckland. (Pollen was Deputy 1862, and again 25 June 1866 to 3 July, 1868.) AMI
3. Address by Mr. G.W.F. Price, Chairman, Thames Goldfield Centenary Committee
4. Address by the Hon. T.P. Shand, Minister of Mines.
5. Address by Dr. Joan Harcourt Norris, member of the Council of the Borough of Abingdon, England.
6. Dedication of the Memorial Cairn by Rev. N.R. Newman.
7. Unveiling of the Memorial Cairn by Dr. Joan Harcourt Norris.
8. Crowning of the winner of the Queen Carnival Contest, the Maori Queen, Miss. Dawn Makiri, by Dr. Joan Harcourt Norris.

(NOTE by A.M. Isdale. As indicated by a note on p. 132, re reading on August 1, 1867, Proclamation on July 31 is incorrect.

On 27 July, 1869, James Mackay himself made a long report on the Thames Goldfields, from his Civil Commissioner's Office in Auckland. This sums things up.

"On the 30th July, 1867, the Hon. Dr. Pollen issued a Proclamation, constituting the lands mentioned in the agreement to be a gold field, and declaring the same open for gold-mining on and after the 1st August, 1867.

"I received instructions from the Hon. Dr. Pollen to proceed to Kauaeranga (as it was then first named) Shortland, and take temporary charge of the goldfield... I left Auckland on the 1st August in the paddle-steamer "Enterprise No. 2."

Therefore the re-enactment of the reading of the proclamation on August 1, 1967, at the Thames Goldfield by James Mackay, was correct as to date.)