

As we were 1970 to 1979



District Population 1970 to 1979
Whakatāne, Kawerau and Ōpōtiki: 28,030

Whakatāne Hospital Leaders

Board Chair:
1968-1983 Mr TG Santon

Medical:
1963-1976 Mr J Upsdell
1976-1982 Dr DP Short

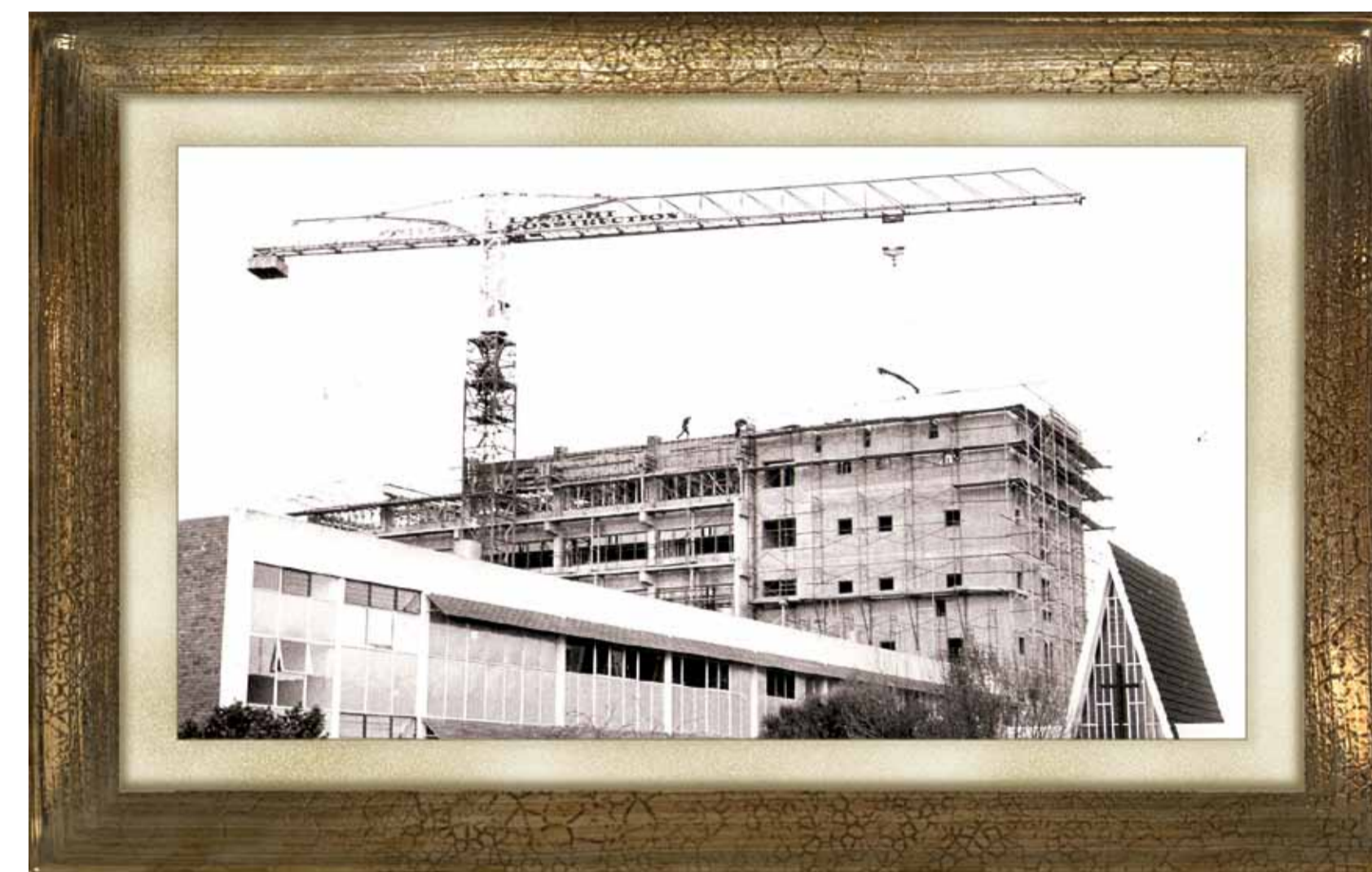
Nursing:
1967-1974 Miss HC Tosswill
1974-1991 Mr RA McMullan

Management:
1969-1988 Mr KA O'Leary



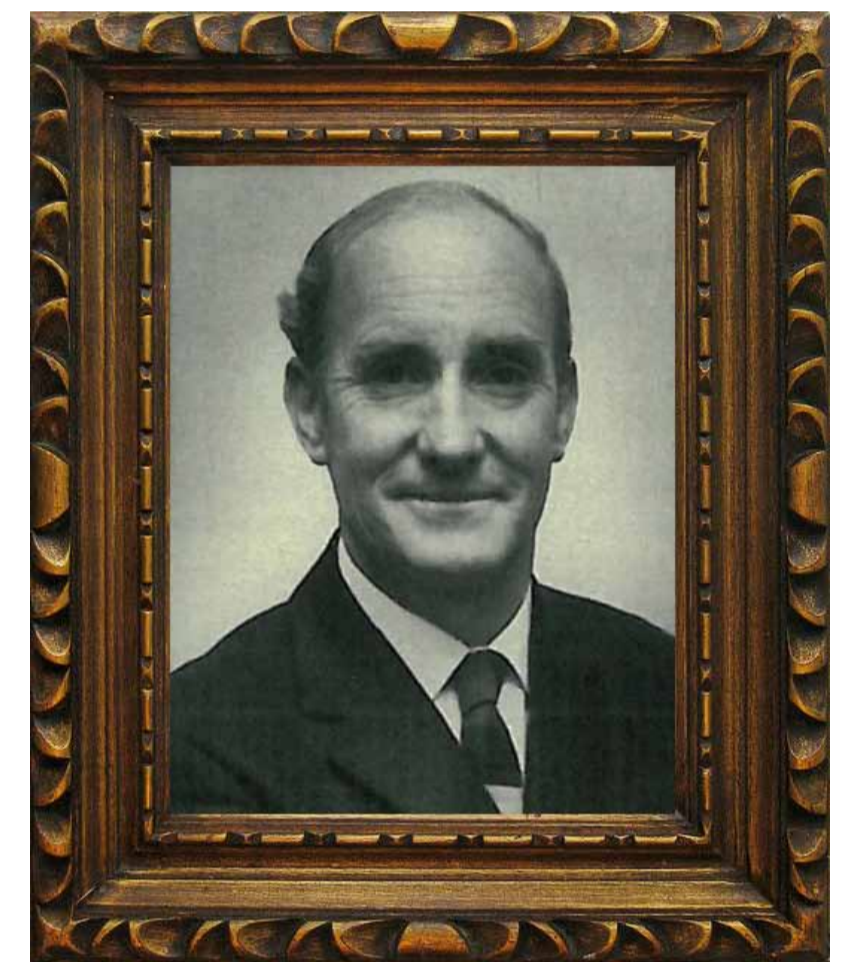
1974 Bay of Plenty Hospital Board

From left standing: Mr KA O'Leary (Chief Executive), Mr RA McMullan (Chief Nursing Officer), Mr AW Iremonger, Mr TR McLelland, Mr DJ Scragg and Mr J Upsdell (Medical Superintendent)
From left sitting: Mrs L French, Mrs J Markland, Mrs PM Cunninghame, Mr TG Santon (Chairman), Mrs TM McLeod and Mrs DFJ McCorquindale



Godfrey Santon block being built in 1973
opened 19 June 1974

Ground Floor - Accident and Emergency, Admissions, Medical Records, Physiotherapy, First Floor - Radiography, Occupational Therapy, Laboratory, **Second Floor** - Administration, Chief Executive, Chief Nurse, Medical Superintendent, Board Room, **Third Floor** - Ward 6 Medical Ward, **Fourth Floor** - Ward 7 - Medical Ward, Intensive Care Unit, Coronary Care Unit, **Fifth Floor** - 4 Operating Theatres, Recovery Room and Central Sterile Supplies.



Dr Douglas Paviour Short
Appointed Medical Superintendent from 1976 to 1982.

Timeline

Eastern Bay of Plenty Area

1970s

1970 the first full time Physician appointed, Dr R Tait, he had been part time since the 1950's.

1971 the first full time Obstetrician and Gynaecologist appointed, Mr Brendan Keane.

1975 the first full time Psychiatrist appointed, Dr Judith Chittenden.



1973

First District Nursing Services (home based nursing care) established in Whakatāne.

1974

The Hospital's five storey Godfrey Santon Block opened by Hon RJ Tizard, Minister of Health.
Ōpōtiki Hospital Board disestablished and BOP Hospital Board reconstituted to include Ōpōtiki.



1977

Rural Health Clinics established in Te Kaha, Raukokere, Minginui, Tāneatua, Te Teko and Ruātōki.



1978

Miss Nancy Neilson, who graduated from Whakatāne Hospital's School of Nursing in 1962, and worked here as a midwife, Ward Sister and Tutor Sister, became Chief Nurse of the Waikato Hospital Board.



1979

1979 First full time Paediatrician appointed. Dr Chris Moyes, also began Paediatric Clinics in Ōpōtiki and Kawerau.

New Zealand (NZ) and World

1970s

ICUs, Long Term Care Units, Post-operative Rooms, Central Supply Departments and disposable equipment introduced, Palliative Care and Family Planning Clinics all established.

Community Health Nursing services expanded to include more specialist services.



1971

Lion's Clubs raised \$70,000 to establish Cancer Hostel at Waikato Hospital and in 1976 a further \$160,000 to double the size of hostel.

1973

First graduates from Auckland Medical School.

Transfer of nursing education from hospital to the education system. Comprehensive nursing courses began in universities and technical institutes.



1975

Annual National Health spend in this year was \$482 million.



1977

"Beer and Baccy Tax" introduced and earmarked for Community Health Initiatives.

Community Nurses changed to Enrolled Nurses and course reduced to one year.

1976

Physiotherapy training began at Auckland Technical Institute.



1978

World's first test-tube baby born in England.



1979

US Surgeon General's report confirmed that cigarette smoking causes cancer.