



The late Joan Millen of Katikati features in the book, *Fair Weather Hitchhiker*.

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Intrepid journeys of Joan Millen

Newly published memoir *Fair Weather Hitchhiker* features the early exploits of Katikati resident Joan Millen (formerly Joan Royal) who, sadly, died during the Covid lockdown in early 2020.

The book is written by well-known NZ author Julia Millen, who among many works wrote the biography of Ronald Hugh Morrison. She is a cousin of Joan Millen who features on the cover.

Together with Joan's sister Jill Wingate of Opotiki, in the 1960s the girls hitchhiked all over the South Island and later in the United Kingdom and Europe. Adventures included travel over the Lewis Pass by pig truck, crossing the Haast River before it was bridged in a truck towed by a bulldozer, sleeping rough in Stockholm and risky travel through former -communist Yugoslavia.

The book is available from Paper Plus stores.

