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# Tom Lowry

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## Thomas Coleman Lowry

Tom Lowry was a test cricketer who captained New Zealand in its first seven test matches.

A large man, his sporting prowess was quickly evident at Christ's College where he captained the 1st XV, 1st XI, and was a member of the shooting team. He also won prizes for Greek, Latin, and English. After leaving school, Lowry trained as a pilot and joined the Royal Air Force. While at the New Zealand Flying School in Auckland, he made his first-class cricket debut. Lowry later attended Cambridge University in England, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in History before returning home in 1924.

Lowry was also a highly respected racehorse breeder and administrator, and owner of Okawa Stud where he bred several top gallopers. He was a foundation member of the New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, and served as president of its council for many years. He was also a committee member of the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club for 21 years. Aside from his racing interests, Lowry served on the Napier Harbour Board for 18 years and was a director of several companies.

Tom died in July 1976.



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