

# Begonia Festival Contest Winners

An assortment of rattles, toys and even a vacuum cleaner attachment were used to urge the 17 babies entered in the diaper derby competition of the 26th Annual Capitola Begonia Festival held Saturday.

The festival continues Monday with a golf tournament at DeLaveaga golf course. It concludes next weekend with a variety of events, highlighted by the Nautical Parade down Soquel Creek at 2 p.m. Sunday. Here are the results of Saturday's competitions:

**DIAPER DERBY** — Timothy Jones of Soquel, who is 13 months, blazed home in the fastest time, 8.5 seconds. The estimated 75 spectators watched as Timothy began paddling away before he was even placed down. Second place in the boy's division went to Keven Mowen of Aptos in a time of 18 seconds. Keven went after the vacuum cleaner attachment. Shanan Richmond of Ben Lomond, 11 months, was third in 20 seconds.

Briana White of Capitola, 10½ months, was first among the girls with a 12.3 second finish. Second place went to Ashley Lopez of Capitola, 11 months, in 15 seconds. Courtney Bettencourt of Santa Cruz, 12 months, was third in 20.5 seconds.

Eight-month-old Charlotte Clymer, daughter of Capitola Building Inspector John Clymer, drew some laughs when she didn't make use of her yellow jogger's suit and tennis shoes. Instead, Charlotte sat down and smiled.

The top three finishers in each division received prizes donated by Capitola merchants. First prize was a \$10 savings account from Gavilan Bank and a doll and wooden car from the Woodworm.

**SAND SCULPTURE CONTEST** — Some 375 participants and an estimated crowd of 3,000 to 5,000 people watched this popular event.

Grand sweepstakes winner for the third year in a row was Luis Villarreal and his crew from Wooden Expressions shop in Capitola. Their sculpture was a giant portrait of Groucho Marx. The other grand sweepstakes winner was the "typical Capitola resident" complete with beer in hand laying on the beach. Corky Moody, June Rummel and Dolores Wiemers, of Aptos, were the sculptors. The director's choice award went to the Smith family for their Fat City hippos.

Other category winners were:

Seniors — First, Wooden Expressions' Groucho; second, Easter Island heads, third (tie) Greenpeace whale and a female sunbather, Aisha Hudson.

Family — First, Miranda family's sea otter; Second, French family's sea otter; third, DeSimet and Meyer's family's dog and a bone.

Junior Group: Group F (6-9 years old) — First, Jeff Vertin and Amy Westjohn, castle; second, Blaine and Gerrad, seal and a ball; third, Myles Routh, Simon Evans and Justin Jensen. Group G (10-12 years old) — First, Steve and Andy Cook, dragon; second, Tracie and Kerry Chandler, Mr. Snuffleupagus; third, Dan Zimmer and James Daniels, pilot whale. Group H (13-16 years old) — First, Nancy and Jeff Brett, cold duck; second, Stuart Kuramoto and Jay Williams, three-headed dragon; third, Nannette Matsuko, Janet Hardt and Dee and Rob Robnett.

Junior Individual: Group C

(10-12 years old) — First, Cherissa Moore, Tai Mahal; second, Jennifer Pearce, man; third, Xochitl Dominguez, pyramid. Group B (6-9 years old) — First, Chad Snodgrass, animal; second, Brent Long, muppet movie. Group A (1-5 years old) — First, Brent Crenna, castle. Group E — First, Brian Fitzpatrick.

Contest chairman Jerry Clarke announced the winners and Capitola Mayor Michael Routh presented the awards. Ribbons were given to second and third place winners and actual trophies made out of sand were given to first place winners.

**BEACH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT** — Some 82 two-person teams competed in both the women's category and the seniors (30 years and over), according to coordinator Gustav Gysin. The top two teams in each category are expected to compete in the finals next Sunday beginning at 8:30 a.m.