

## Begonia golf tourney

A new event has been added to the Capitola Begonia Festival — a golf tournament sponsored by the Portola House Restaurant in cooperation with the festival.

This year's tournament will be held at DeLaveaga golf course on Wednesday, Sept. 15. The format will be a scramble, or best ball foursome. Foursomes will be chosen by a committee according to the golfers' handicaps.

This year's emphasis will not be so much on competition, said tourney director Fred Marcucci, as on the enjoyment of the game.

Prizes will be given for the best ball, closest to the pin, longest drive, and many others.

Marina Pontiac-Cadillac, Surf City Dodge and Toyota of Santa Cruz have jointly pledged a new car to the first golfer who makes a hole-in-one during the tourney.

Al Cheney Ford has donated a car for a week's free use to the golfer who makes the shot closest to the pin. Other businesses have contributed prizes that will be given away during the tourney.

A barbecue dinner, with live musical entertainment, will be held after the tournament at the picnic area at DeLaveaga Park.

A revival of an earlier Begonia Festival tournament, the size of the tourney is being kept small this year, Marcucci said, to insure proper administration. The response has been good.

"Unfortunately not everyone who would like to play will be able to do so this year," he said. "But next year's tournament will be on a much larger scale."

# It's Begonia weekend in Capitola

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Skateboarding, a diaper derby, a rowboat race, sand sculpturing and sailing regatta are on tap this weekend at the 23rd edition of the Capitola National Begonia Festival.

A spaghetti dinner, benefitting the festival, will be held at the Capitola city hall Saturday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Proceeds will be used by the Begonia Festival directors to purchase new equipment and provide prizes and trophies. Donation of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children under 12 will be accepted.

Skateboarders can compete for trophies Saturday morning, starting at 11 a.m., on Monterey Avenue, near Capitola Avenues.

On Sunday, the popular sandsculpturing contest starts on the city beach at 9 a.m. Judging usually takes place in the mid-afternoon. Anyone interested in the contest — open to groups, families and children — should contact Jerry Clarke, 475-3789.

For the toddlers, the diaper derby will offer plenty of fun at 11 a.m. on the Esplanade, across from the entrance to the city beach. Chairman Nancy Evans said the contest is open to all crawling babies. Balloons will be given to everyone participating in the contest, with prizes donated to the winners by local merchants. For more

information, call Mrs. Evans at 475-4502.

Two nautical events start at noon Sunday off the Capitola wharf. For people looking for a contest of strength and coordination, there is the rowboat contest, open to juniors and adults.

And sailors will be interested in the big Begonia Regatta. The regatta is being coordinated by Bob Larson, 475-7107.

Dinners at four local restaurants are the prizes for the winners in the adult division of the rowboat contests. Trophies will be given to the winners of the junior division. Prizes have been donated by Shadowbrook, the Crow's Nest, Portola House and the Grapesteak. The Capitola wharf will be providing rowboats again this year. For more information, call Diane Graves, 475-8404 or 475-3567.

The "pairs" volleyball tourney will be held Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 11 and 12, on the city beach, organizer Dale Cooksey said this week. Prizes will be donated by Olympia Beer. For more information, call Cooksey at 688-1344.

A dozen or more entries are expected this year for the water parade, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 12, at 2 p.m. on Soquel Creek.

The 1976 Festival theme is "America is Great."

This year, Fidelity Savings and Loan has joined with the festival board of directors and is offering cash prizes to the sweepstakes and division winners.

A \$150 cash prize will be given to the builders of the best float in the parade.

The savings association is offering \$100 first place prizes for

the leading entries in the commercial, community group and junior divisions. Entry forms are still available. Contact festival president Ron Graves, 475-8404 or 475-3567 for entry forms and information.

The final event this year is a revival of the Begonia Festival invitational golf tournament. It will be held Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the DeLaveaga golf course.

Organized by Fred Marcucci of the Portola House restaurant, it features a new car, donated by Surf City Dodge, Toyota of Santa Cruz and Marina Pontiac-Cadillac for a hole-in-one. Al Cheney Ford is donating the use of a new car for one week to the winner of the "closest to the pin" competition. For more information, contact Marcucci at 476-2733.