

9/9/82 Good Times



County Fair Opens

CONCERTS by Emmylou Harris and Quarterflash highlight the 41st annual Santa Cruz County Fair, opening Tuesday at the County Fairgrounds in Watsonville. An estimated 60,000 people will visit during the fair's six days; more than 200 displays, demonstrations and events have been scheduled.

"This is when Santa Cruz County gets to show itself off," said publicity coordinator Edie Brown Thayer. "We've been one of the most

popular fairs for our size in Northern California lately, increasing in attendance when others have been dropping."

A main reason for the fair's popularity is the entertainment bargain: for \$3.50, visitors get unlimited access to the live music, displays by local industries and the popular fruit, floricultural and Home Arts exhibits.

Quarterflash, the Portland-based sextet with two Top Tensingles this year ("Harden My Heart" and "Find Another Fool"), plays the

fairgrounds Wednesday at 9 pm. Preceding the show is a new event, the "Ladies Lead," a fashion/obedience show in which area women lead sheep around a show ring while displaying all-wool clothing designs.

The fair gates open at noon Tuesday and 10 am Wednesday, running until 11 pm both days. Admission is \$3.50 for adults, \$1.25 for children 5-11. Seniors 65 or older are admitted free on Tuesday, for \$1.25 the rest of the fair. For more information, call 724-5671. •