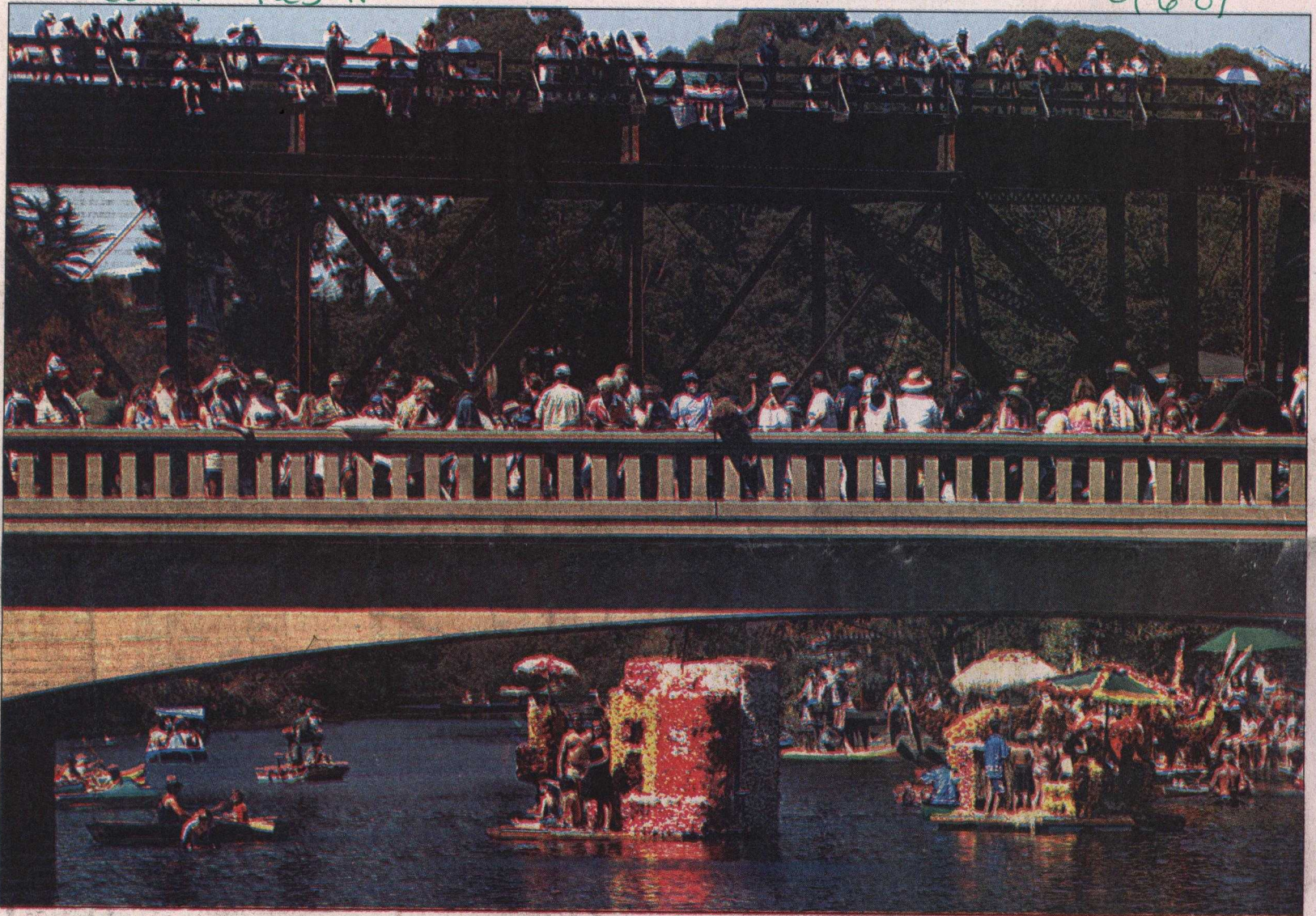


BEGONIA FEST IN FULL BLOOM

Begonia Festival

9.6.04



If You Go

WHAT: Capitola Begonia Festival: Fishing Derby, Children's Art Event and Rowboat Races.

WHEN: Today.

WHERE: Capitola.

DETAILS:

www.begoniafestival.com.

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■ A list of Begonia Festival Parade winners.

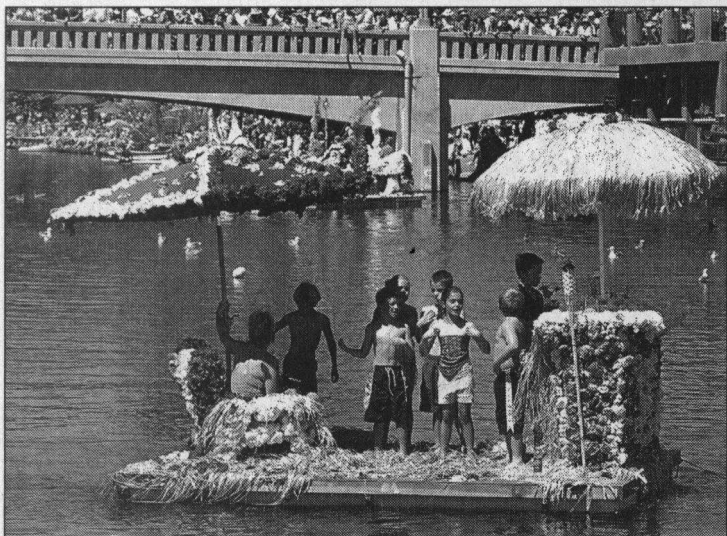
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TOP: Nautical floats make their way down Soquel Creek beneath a bridge of spectators lining the Stockton Avenue Bridge and the Capitola trestle at Sunday's 52nd annual Capitola Begonia Festival.

LEFT: Youngsters wave from Westwind Surf Club's entry in the Nautical Parade, which took nearly 15,000 begonia blossoms to create.

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The Windmill House nautical parade entry, the Tiki Bar, floats down Soquel Creek during the Capitola Begonia Festival on Sunday.

Capitola Begonia Festival results

■ NAUTICAL PARADE

Grand Prize: Soul Daddy-Capitola Lifestyles by Casa Finkel.

4-way tie: Capitola Carousel by Maureen's Marauders; Dreamboats-Swan of the Brooke by West Wind Surf Club; Dreamin' in Paradise by Body Time Chiropractic; and Tiki Bar by Windmill House.

■ HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

Amateur Division

First Place: Matt Draper.

Second Place: Jon Gallo.

Pro Division

First Place: Jeff Williams.

Second Place: Tex Ronning.

■ SANDSCULPTURE CONTEST

Adult Grand Winner: "Abstract" by Richard Drelich and Roberto Gustalamenty, El Cerrito.

LARGE GROUP

First Place: "Unless" Maloney and Johnson families, San Jose and Santa Cruz.

Second Place: "In Your Dreams" Sanders family, Orange County.

SMALL GROUP

First Place: "Big Woman with Dogs Devoted" Carrie Cox, Santa Cruz.

Second Place: "Ollie" Scott Adam and friends, Capitola.

ONE ADULT/ONE CHILD GROUP

First Place: "Dig'n Buddie" Andrew Krasts and Dad, Los Gatos.

Second Place: "Sea Creatures Features" Sherry and Kendall Palmer, San Jose.

CHILDREN 9-14 GROUP

First Place: "Sea Beast" Naas family, Chico.

Second Place: "Gator Boogies" Metcalf and Irias families, Walnut Creek.

CHILDREN 8 & UNDER GROUP

First Place: "Sea Turtle" Monasial family, Tracy.

Second Place: "Sea World" Stephens family, Walnut Creek.

■ TODAY'S EVENTS

Fishing Derby: 6 a.m. at Capitola Wharf.

Children's Art Project: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Esplanade Park.

Row Boat Race: 1 p.m. on Soquel Creek.