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Boaters enjoy a day at Loch Lomond Reservoir on Wednesday. The dam was dedicated 50 years ago this week.

Loch Lomond's 50-year celebration on tap

Loch Lomond 8411

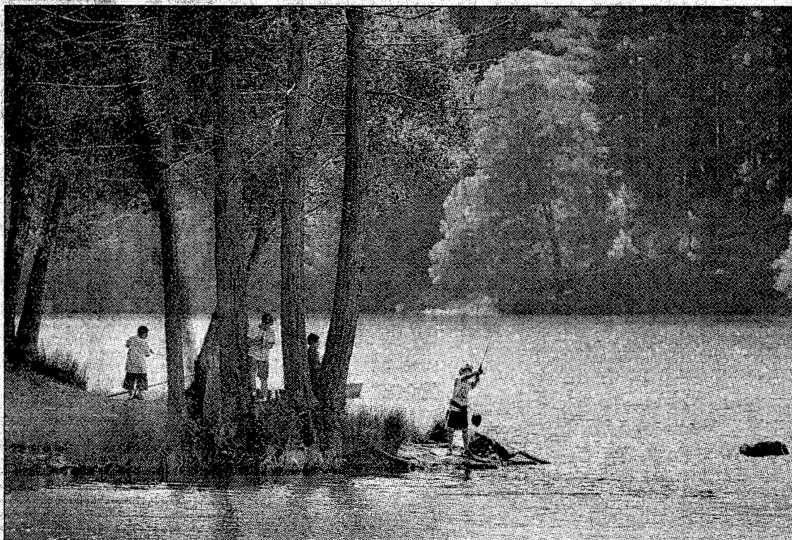
City to offer discounts at popular destination to highlight its role in history

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FELTON — Originally, there were to be 19 reservoirs snaking through valleys in the Santa Cruz Mountains, a proposal that would have dramatically altered not only the local landscape, but water policy debates that persist decades later.

But there is only one. And Saturday marks the 50th anniversary of the dedication of Newell Creek Reservoir, a valuable source of water for the city of Santa Cruz and a recreational hub better known by the name



Fishermen cast their lines Wednesday at Loch Lomond Reservoir.

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DAM FACTS LOCH LOMOND

DAM DEDICATION:

Aug. 6, 1961

RECREATION AREA

OPENED: 1963

LAKE DEPTH: Up to 150 feet

LAKE LENGTH: 3.5 miles

VOLUME: 3 billion gallons

DETAILS: At 24 miles long, Loch Lomond's Scottish namesake is the largest lake in Great Britain. To prevent invasive species, only boats stored at Loch Lomond are allowed in the water.

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