

Fun and Joy on 4th of July

The day dawned cool and foggy, but by parade time everyone was so excited that the lingering fingers of fog in Orinda didn't matter. The newshounds of your friendly neighborhood newspaper were thrilled to be part of the parade this year, and it was great to see so many of you out there! Next year, we will pack more candy; we ran out a bit too early. It was mortifying to pass empty-handed by the open bags of eager children. We

tried handing out newspapers instead, but the younger crowd was not impressed. The day was chock full of fun and games throughout our fair communities. That pesky fog made a repeat appearance just in time for Moraga's fireworks, but from our vantage point on the hill it served only to create a soft after-glow around the brilliant display. It seems that the grand finale gets better each year!



Publisher Andy Scheck constructed a wooden replica of an old-fashioned printing press for our float. Rear: Andy Scheck, Amanda Griggs, Wendy Scheck; Front: Cathy Tyson, Ava Tajbakhsh, Hana Sun, Molly Dick (not pictured: Lee Borrowman at the wheel, trying not to run over anyone) Photo Tod Fierner



Many started the day with a pancake breakfast



Runs in Orinda and Moraga



Bike parade in Moraga



Buddy ready for Dog parade



"I'm watching the Orinda parade"



Orinda parade



East Bay Banjo Club plays in the Orinda parade



The Lamorinda Weekly float, awarded "Most Creative"



Clown and Llama

Fun day at the Moraga Commons



Line dancing until the Moraga fireworks bring a grand finale to a wonderful day. Thank you to the many volunteers, staff and committees that made these events possible!

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