

Beachfront Owners Can Order Sea Oat Plants

Submitted by Bob Curry

Sea oat plants from the greenhouses of Steve Mercer of Bolivia, N.C. will be available for sale to beachfront homeowners at \$45 per hundred if you wish to plant your own. He also will provide small bags of appropriate fertilizer for sale. If the homeowners wish the plants to be installed, the price is \$1.25 each,

complete with fertilizer and viability guarantee.

In compliance with the latest horticulture information, the plants were grown from Bogue Banks seed collected last year. The best results stem from growing from local seed for local plants.

Mercer will conduct two workshops at a public beach access to demonstrate proper planting techniques for the best results. These workshops will be held during the last two weeks in May.

If you would like to place an order for sea oats to help protect your beachfront or for information on the demonstrations, Mercer may be reached at 1-800-331-7409 from May 1 through the end of the month.

The Community Appearance Commission will initiate planting the 1500 or so freebie plants from Mercer, a part of the original deal, shortly after the first of May.

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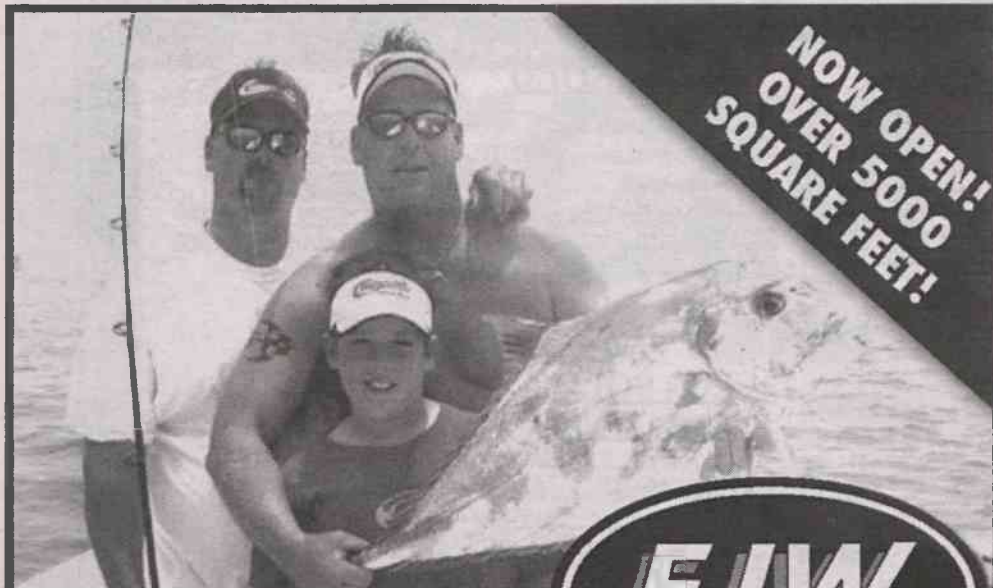
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Thirty Years Ago

May, 1975

"A report of town taxes showed that only 3.16% of property owners have not yet paid their taxes. That is a good record, 96.84% of our 839 property owners have paid their taxes.

It has been suggested we tell you where the Town Hall is, since many of our readers are either new residents or occasional visitors. You'll find it by turning right off the Salter Path Road on Bridge Road, just beyond the Pine Knoll Townes condominiums. The Town Hall is on the left at the far end of the road; it is a small house set far back on the land. The first annual meeting and luncheon of the Pine Knoll Shores Garden Club was held Wednesday, April 30, 1975 at 11 a.m. at the Henderson House, New Bern. Business meeting with annual reports was held before luncheon; also the new slate of officers for 1975-76 was installed. President, Dortha Hall, Vice President, Vivian Macdonald, Secretary Irma Brossman, Treasurer, Janet Robbins, Project Chairman Mary Catherine Smith, received corsages which the outgoing officers had worn as their badges of honor. Next regular meeting will be held at the home of Vivian Macdonald May 19, 1975 (Note change of meeting time) at 10 a.m. Vivian will give the program at this meeting: "Bonsai."

A recent postcard was received by Ken Haller. It read:

"Mon Pere,
The fish stories we are all hearing
Are rapidly growing quite wearing.
The big ones you caught
Were probably bought
And your bluefish all turned to red herring!

An old salt went fishing most days
Catching fish in incredible ways
The fish he was gleaming
Were like ovens - self cleaning
And often he caught just fillets!"

There was no signature, only a surprised looking fish drawing. We suspect son, Hugh Haller. Ken caught a trout (18"!) right off his own dock.

The 'sittum' at Mimosa Beach has been gloriously enlarged and picnic-tabled by a group of Pine Knoll Association trusty workers. The crew decided to make room for more chit chat and general activity on the deck overlooking our sea. So - see you at the sittum."



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