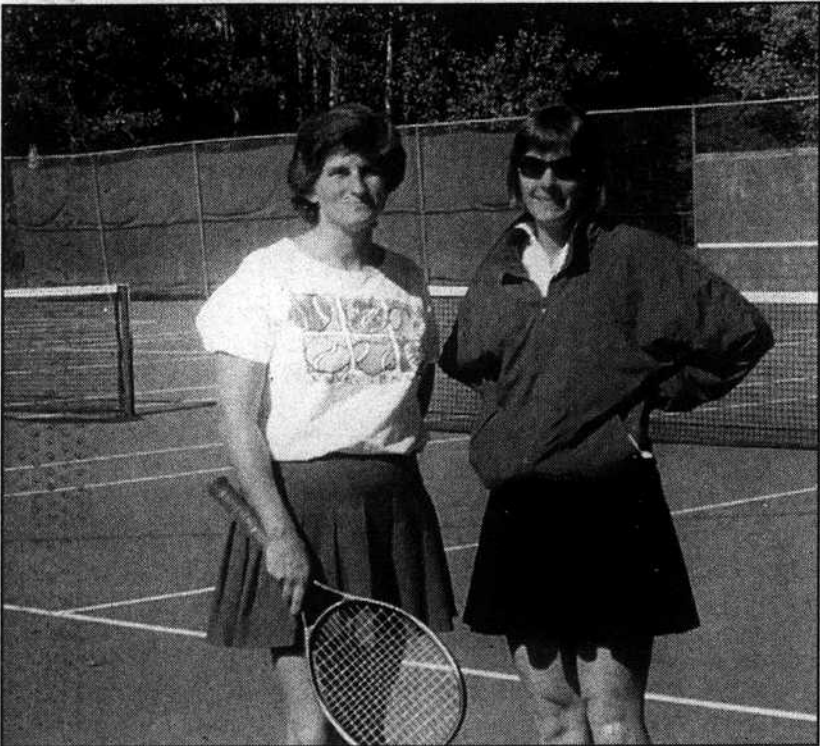




Overall winning team at the first annual Regional American Cancer Society Golf Tournament held in Edenton was made up of Dalton Furlough, Nick Furlough, Jim Darnell, and Cullen Baker.



Tennis winners were Deanna Chesson and Carolyn Burns

## Regional Golf Tourney is held at Country Club

The first annual Regional American Cancer Society Golf Tournament was held at Chowan Golf and Country Club in Edenton on Oct. 28. As an alternative, a Tennis Tournament was also held. McDonald's served as the major sponsor for the event.

- Tournament winners included:
- Overall winning team: Dalton Furlough, Nick Furlough, Jim Darnell, and Cullen Baker
  - First Flight winner: Edenton Motors
  - Second Flight winner: Dalton Furlough
  - Third Flight winner: Perry Auto Group
  - Women's Winner: Regulator Marine
  - Tennis winners: Deanna Chesson and Carolyn Burns.

A luncheon, and an "after-play" social hour, were provided for the participants.

The event raised \$6,827 to benefit cancer research as well as to help fund services and programs for cancer patients in the community.

All tournament winners are invited to participate in the state-level tournament. The state-level winners may then advance to play in

## Courses slated

"Boating Skills and Seamanship, Part II" will be offered this winter by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. These tuition-free courses will be open to boaters and non-boaters alike. Come learn the tricks of boat handling and more, in the "Boating Skills and Seamanship" course.

This sequel to the 5-week "Boating Skills and Seamanship, Part I" course will begin Dec. 9 at the COA Chowan County Center, Edenton Village Shopping Center. The 2 1/2-hour class gets underway at 7 p.m. each Thursday. The class will take a 2-week break for the holidays, and resume on Jan. 6.

Taught by trained and experienced Auxiliary instructors, the courses will cover topics from marine radio to hypothermia.

During each session, tying knots will be practiced. Course is tuition-free; cost of books and materials is \$25. Couples can share a book for \$30. For more info, call Bobor Doris Miller at (252) 426-9614 or Gerry Atkinson at (252) 482-0233.

## Canadian hunting won't soon be forgotten

I experienced my first Alberta hunt last year and saw the largest whitetail deer that I'd ever seen. I was bow hunting and couldn't quite get in close enough to get a shot. The deer was later killed by a Canadian gun hunter and scored a whopping 192 B&C. This experience was a powerful lure to me for returning to hunt in Alberta this year.

My guide in '98 was the noted Floyd McKeever from Fort Assiniboine, the second oldest fort in Canada and home to some of the finest whitetail deer hunting in Alberta. McKeever was distressed because I didn't bag my deer with a bow last year and very kindly invited me back this year to hunt under his wife Chrystal's C-license.

My first few days hunting were on the edge of an immense alfalfa field that had never received its second cutting for hay. McKeever had observed many deer (and moose) feeding in the field before my visit and had already picked out the spot for my stand. The field was bordered on one side by a Provincial Park, on another side by a stream and beaver dams and woodlands on three sides. Deer sign and trails were everywhere. It looked good for the hunt.

What McKeever had not figured

on was wolves.

My last year's hunt had been interrupted by timber wolves and so was this year's hunt. To quote Floyd McKeever, "When the wolves move in, the deer move out."

If I'd ever doubted the abilities of the 7mm-08 I lost them one morning. About 30 minutes after legal shooting hours opened a buck stepped out of the woods about 125 yards down the cut-line and stopped to see who (or what) was standing to his north. That pause gave me enough time to throw up my binoculars and take a good look at the headgear he was wearing.

I easily counted ten points, the antlers were outside the ears and the size of the buck was huge (we later estimated the deer's weight at over 300 pounds). I double-checked to be sure that the deer was a white tail (mule deer are also present here and my license was for white tail only), threw up the rifle and shot.



Fred Bonner

The deer immediately dropped, briefly attempted to rise and then disappeared into the low grass.

When I went to look I found him about 20 feet into the woods and quite dead. I'd just taken my first Alberta deer.

Chrystal McKeever was absolutely ecstatic about my kill too. Evidently this was her first kill by a hunter that she was guiding.

I still had a week to hunt in Alberta and my deer hunting was over because my deer tag was filled. I didn't want to stop hunting so I purchased a wolf/coyote license (\$10.00 Canadian) that allows a hunter to take

unlimited numbers of timber wolves and coyotes. The Canadians hate these animals and think that we "Yanks" are "crazy as Hell for introducing wolves in our woods." I know for a fact that wolves will wreck deer hunting and wonder myself about the wisdom of introducing these predators in North Carolina.

It'll be at least three years before I can take advantage of the class C-license again so I can only dream about hunting in Alberta for a few years. One thing you can be sure of, though, I'll be back.

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