

Photo by Jim Harper

It was batter up at Stevens Park on Saturday as the Dixie Youth League season got off to a smashing start. Youth teams included baseball squads, teeballers and softball for girls.

Brunswick follows state trend

Robinson vote leads ticket in low turnout

Redwine, Hill, Soles selected in district vote

By Jim Harper
Staff Writer

In a low -- 35 percent -- turnout Brunswick County voters Tuesday approved register of deeds Robert J. Robinson as the Democratic nominee in his bid for re-election in the fall.

Robinson earned 2,893 votes in the Democratic register of deeds race, Edward F. Mintz received 2,187 votes and Grace Beasley had 2,012 votes. Robinson avoided a

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runoff election by garnering slightly more than 40 percent of the vote.

Democrat Tom Rabon, Sr., topped the field in the District 4 county commissioners race while Patricia Young was the Republican selection in that district.

Republican Bob Slockett was the

selection in county commissioner District 3, and is to face Democrat Wayland Vereen in the fall election.

Incumbent school board chairman Donna Baxter defeated challenger Bryant Pergerson for the District 4 Democratic nomination, and Billy Carter was the Democratic nominee in District 3.

Republican Janet Pope was the Republican nominee in school board District 1.

As expected, county resident Rep. David Redwine was strong in his race with Dewey Hill, Mike Mills and Shirley Greene for two Democratic nominations for the 14th House District. Redwine received 4,176 Brunswick County votes, Hill 2,510, Mills 2,318 and Greene 746.

Senator R. C. Soles (3,527) led

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Shared police service is among island topics

By Jim Harper
Staff Writer

A single police department for Oak Island, a shared community planner and cooperation in trash recycling were topics that broadened community talks last week on what contributions should be made to the operation of the Long Beach Rescue Squad, which serves all of Oak Island now.

Representatives of all three communities who participated characterized the talks as "idea" sessions, felt

the exchanges had been healthy and helpful and thought more discussion of broader community cooperation was likely.

Mayor Joan Altman, who represented Long Beach with councilman Danny Leonard, tended to downplay the work in the sessions most. "In essence, it was nothing but talk," she said.

However, Altman and Leonard introduced a Long Beach plan for a single police department serving the island.

"Chief (Danny) Laughren had drawn up some preliminary suggestions as to how a combined department could work," said Altman. "It was a combination of existing departments, of all personnel and equipment, with no suggestion for governing of the department."

Commissioner Bill Boyd, who represented Caswell Beach, said he'd discussed the Laughren plan with mayor Jack Cook "and suggested that the council members take a look at it as an idea; that's where it lies; it's gone no further than that."

Yaupon Beach commissioner Joe Broyles, who met with his fellow commissioner Dot Kelly, said, "It's just a proposal; certainly you'd expect commissioners to look at a proposal."

The separate sessions were to discuss how Yaupon Beach and Caswell Beach might be expected to help support the Long Beach rescue squad, which serves all three towns.

Last year they were requested for the first time to formally contribute to

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'Extremely volatile' process

County property valuation task goes to 'best', highest bid

By Holly Edwards
County Editor

Revaluing Brunswick County's 90,000 parcels of property could be an "extremely volatile" process that will require highly professional and highly trained people to carry it out, county manager/attorney David Clegg told the board of commissioners Monday night.

And to acquire those most qualified personnel, commissioners voted 3-0 to enter into contract with the com-

pany that submitted the most costly proposal -- Tax Management Associates of Charlotte. Commissioners Donald Shaw and Gene Pinkerton were not at the meeting.

State law requires all counties to conduct a general revaluation of all real property every eight years. Brunswick County's revaluation must be completed in 1994.

Tax Management Associates submitted a proposal to conduct the county's revaluation for \$834,900, which is \$122,400 more than the

cheapest proposal. However, county tax supervisor Boyd Williamson

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'It was a flow of ideas, an exchange of information. People are thinking and not being stagnant. I think that's significant. It's a positive thing.'

Bill Boyd
Caswell Beach commissioner

OUTSIDE



Forecast

The extended forecast calls for cool temperatures and rain likely on Thursday, with highs 60 to 65; mostly cloudy and continued cool on Friday. Saturday expect mostly cloudy skies with highs reaching into the 70s, with variable cloudiness following on Sunday with highs again in the 70s.

Tide table

HIGH	THURSDAY, MAY 7	LOW
11:29 a.m.		5:24 a.m.
11:53 p.m.		5:32 p.m.
FRIDAY, MAY 8		
12:33 a.m.		6:20 a.m.
1:00 p.m.		6:35 p.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 9		
12:54 a.m.		7:18 a.m.
1:38 p.m.		7:41 p.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 10		
1:55 a.m.		8:18 a.m.
2:42 p.m.		8:47 p.m.
MONDAY, MAY 11		
2:57 a.m.		9:16 a.m.
3:42 p.m.		9:52 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 12		
3:56 a.m.		10:12 a.m.
4:41 p.m.		11:51 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13		
4:53 a.m.		11:04 a.m.
5:34 p.m.		11:46 p.m.

The following adjustments should be made:
Bald Head Island, high -10, low -7; Caswell Beach, high -5, low -1; Southport, high +7, low +15, Yaupon Beach, high -32, low -45; Lockwood Folly, high -22, low -8.

911 answers call on Friday



How to use 911 . . .

Dial the numbers 9-1-1.
A dispatcher will answer. Speak in a loud and clear voice. Tell the dispatcher:

The number from which you are calling:

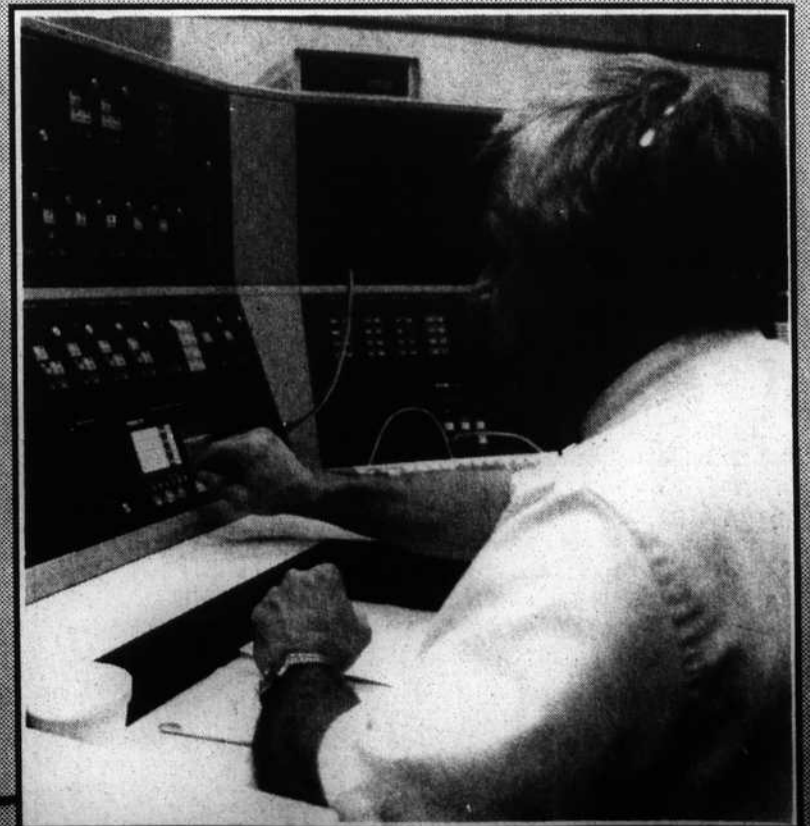
Your name:

Your address:

The problem:

Answer all the questions the dispatcher asks.
Do not hang up until you are told to do so.

(Clip and place near your phone)



Wayne Covington is one of the 911 dispatchers who will be on duty beginning at 8 a.m. Friday to take the county's emergency calls.