



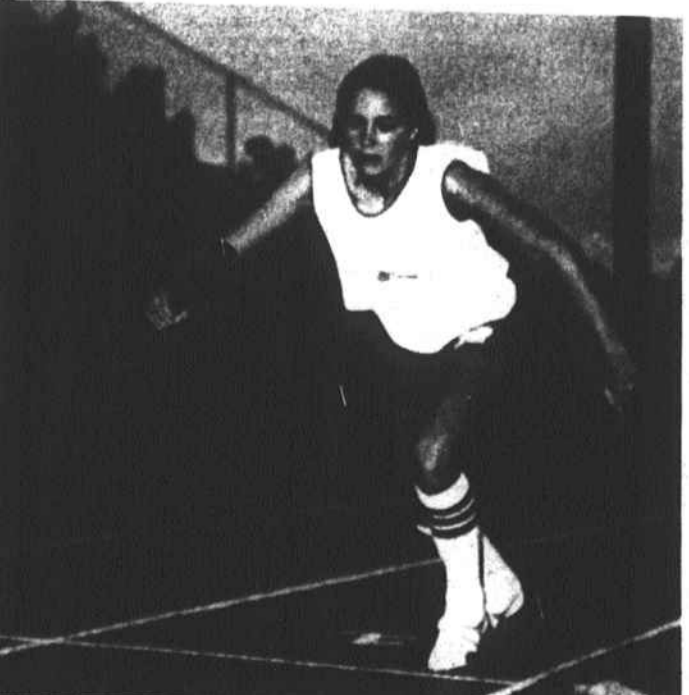
GOLF TOURNAMENT-The Sandpipers held their 27th Annual Member-Guest Golf Tournament at the Elks Southern Pines Country Club over the week-end, with a total of 180 members and guests playing. Photo shows Pete Sawyer, at right, with guest, Bob Townsend, receiving \$125.00 Gift Certificate from Wiley Barrett, club tournament director. At left Sawyer and Townsend was the low team with a score of 53. [Photo by Emerson Humphrey]



UP AND OVER - Franklin Jordan clears the bar during competition at the sectional track meet held at Pembroke last week. Jordan won the pole vault event by clearing thirteen feet and will go on to the regional meet at East Carolina University in Greenville tomorrow (Friday). Jordan will be joined in the regional meet by Carnell Andrews (miler) and the Hoke 880 relay team. (Photo by Hoke High Photography class)



GIVE ME THE BATON - Lillian Stubbs receives the baton from Madalyn Miller during the 880 yard relay at the state girls' track meet here Friday. (Photo by Hoke High Photography class)



RUNNING FORM - Tondea Jackson displays proper running form as she runs her leg of the 440 yard relay. Jackson and her teammates won the event for the Hoke girls' track team, as they were competing in the state girls' meet here last Friday. (Photo by Hoke High Photography class)

Wildlife Afield

By Jim Dean N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission

It is considered lucky to have a cricket singing on your hearth, but I speak from sad experience when I tell you that a basket of crickets singing in the bottom of a wooden skiff is a whole heap better.

During the last week in April, several of us fished the Black River. Reports were that the robin (red-breast sunfish) had been hitting popping bugs during the warm spell, so I decided to take a fly rod and an ultra - light spinning outfit. I would have been far wiser to pack along a cane pole and some crickets.

The night before we left, the temperature plummeted to the freezing mark. When we arrived at the river, the cold snap had apparently knocked the fish out of their surface feeding mood.

Duane Raver and I persisted with our ultra - light and fly rod because we had no crickets, but we caught only a few scattered fish.

Later in the day, we joined the other members of our party and found out that their crickets were paying dividends. Don Baker and Jimmy Davis had caught a nice string of bluegills and pumpkinseeds (called grass perch by some). In another boat, Rudolph Inman and Ted Dossett also had a nice string, with a couple of fat crappies to boot.

Ted was shooting movie footage for a film which he is making for the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission. Duane and I were concentrating on still photographs for an upcoming issue of WILDLIFE IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Had it not been for the crickets, our photographs would have been rather sickly, but the combined catch from Don, Jimmy and Rudolph yielded as handsome a string of fish as I have seen recently. Most of the fish -- about 35 - 40 -- were pumpkinseeds. There were also several nice bluegills and an assortment of crappies, robin and spotted sunfish.

Desite the fact that black water rivers like the one we fished are generally more famous for their robin, it was the pumpkinseeds that impressed me. These were not the small pumpkinseeds you may be accustomed to. Many were eight to 12 ounces and if there is a more beautiful freshwater fish in North Carolina, I don't know what it is. Not even the brook trout can surpass the brightly colored pump-

kinseed with its blue - striped cheeks, scarlet and white "ear", and golden undersides. The flanks of these fish were splattered with bright red spots.

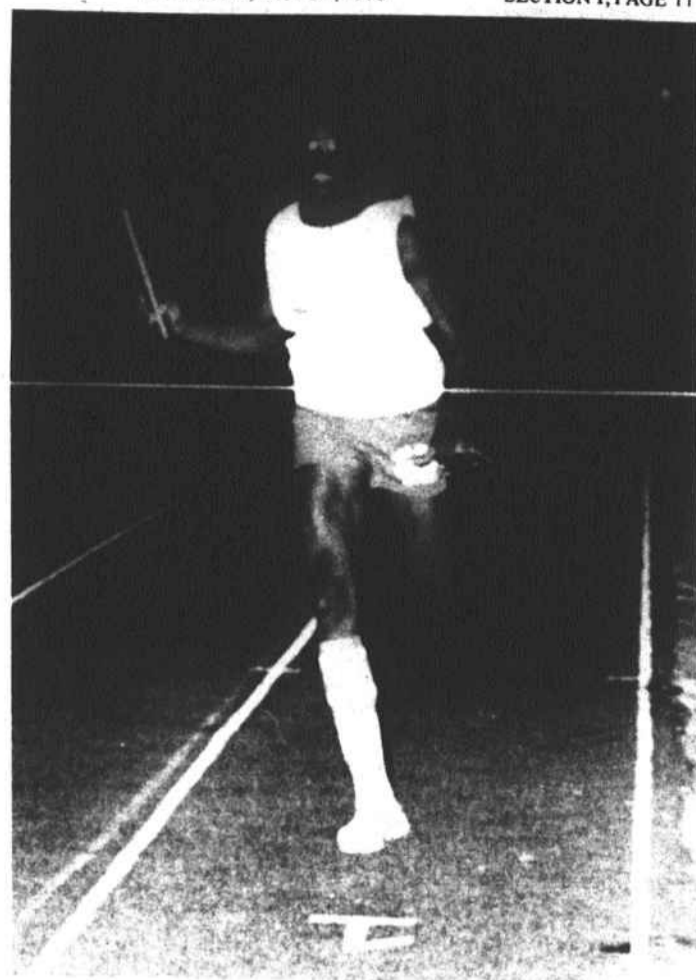
Later this spring, a fly rod and popping bug or an ultra - light spinning rod and an assortment of spinners and Beetle - spins will catch plenty of fish, but while we were there, crickets were far away the best medicine.

Indeed, crickets are hard to beat anytime on these coffee - colored waters - especially for robin and pumpkinseeds. Also, don't let anybody con you into believing that fishing with crickets and cane or collapsible pole doesn't require skill. A good cricket fisherman is an artist. If you're concentrating on robin, you drift the swifter currents along the rugged shoreline and "cast" your cricket as close to the tangle of stumps as you can. It's not easy, and the novice will get hung frequently (don't ask me how I know).

If you're interested in other species, particularly bluegills or pumpkinseeds, it's generally considered best to fish the slack water around stumps, weed beds or fallen trees.

There are also many other species, including pickerel, bass, blackfish and gar -- and who knows what else.

Duane hung one of those big gar on his ultra - light. The four - foot fish took a tiny lure and departed for parts unknown. It's just as well. The boat wasn't big enough for all three of us. But it will be big enough to hold a basket of crickets the next time I fish that water.



FAR AHEAD - Kathy McMillan gets ready to break the tape as she finished the last leg of the 880 yard relay. The relay team not only won the event but broke their own state record. (Photo by Hoke High photography class)

WHFD Benefits From CB Club

Approximately \$150 was raised by the Hoke County Communications Center, a CB club, to benefit the West Hoke Fire Department.

The check represented the proceeds of last weekend's coffee breaks set up on Hwy 211 and U.S. 401. H.B. Nixon, West Hoke Chief, accepted the check and expressed appreciation to the CBers.

This Is The Law

WILLS

Assuring that one's property is disposed of after death according to the desires and best interests of all concerned requires continuous diligence. Case in point:

Joe Brown left his real property "to the children of Henry Hudson." Henry Hudson had no children at the time of the execution of Brown's will. But at the time of Brown's death Henry Hudson had a small daughter, and three years later there arrived twin sons. To whom does the real property now belong?

The daughter is the sole and absolute owner of the property.

Children not living at the time of Brown's death are not included. The twins were not able to answer the roll call of children on the effective date of the will and to keep the roll open for them to be born would unduly delay the division or distribution of the property. In fact, there was not on the effective date of the will any certainty that there would be an increase in the number of children.

Any children begotten or conceived at the time of Brown's death and born thereafter would have been included. But the twins in this case were born three years later - a time far in excess of the period of gestation.

The above rules are applicable to provisions in deeds as well as in wills. For example, if the same provision had appeared in a deed, only the children living at the time of the execution of the deed would have been included.

If a person wishes to include subsequently born children in his will or in a deed there is nothing in our law which prevents him from doing so. In the case cited here Brown's will could have conveyed the property "to the children of Henry Hudson that he now has or hereafter may have."

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