Faun and Gayle:

As I said, creating a format for a collection of entries usually means adjusting things at least a little as we play with a few examples. Toward the end the meeting, Gayle mentioned his theory that Joseph Taylor was not the first of his family on Coneto=Crisp creek —if I understand him correctly— and thus Joseph inherited the right to the 652-acre tract. So instead of making the collection the 1750s and 1760s, let's take it back to when Edgecombe was created, in 1741. That should catch Taylors if Gayle is correct. ++++See bottom of this page changing the date back to 1732.

Starting from 1741 means a dozen years of double-dating, since England and its colonies before 1752 started the calendar year on 25 March. While it's probably no big deal, I like to keep track of the double dates. So how about the format below, using the first three "words" as sortable? I said this compilation would include six counties, but actually only five, since Martin didn't exist until 1774. Happily, the six counties that cover or approach very near to Coneto=Crisp creek all start with different letters: Beaufort, Edgecombe, Halifax, Martin, Pitt, and Tyrrell, hence the second "word" can be a county's first letter, if we wanted to sort by county—given name—date.

Where there's more than one Taylor in a reference, make an entry for each Taylor, so we can sort by first name. I suggest turning given Taylor names into modern spelling, just to make sorting easier, hence Johnathan becomes Jonathan, Tho. becomes Thomas. If the first name isn't given, then xxx Taylor. To cope with double-dating, put the entry under the year as if the year began 1 January, but put the double date in square brackets at the end of the date:

1742.02Feb.11[41/42] E Jonathan Taylor....

I use the odd "10Oct" or "02Feb" just to avoid the confusion of whether the month or day comes first, since Americans and Europeans use the opposite systems.

1743.10Oct.28 T Joseph Taylor and Richard Taylor chain carriers for Marcum Manning on Flat Swamp (Tyrrell deed 2:383).

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1741.03Feb.03[40/41] B Samuel Taylor......

1755.xx.xx T Samuel Taylor and Jonathan Taylor in 1755 Tyrrell tax list.

CORRECTION, already. Forgot that Edgecombe created 1741 by the legislature, but actually functioning by 1732 when created by the governor. (In a bit of turf war, the legislature objected that IT had the right to create counties, hence it refused to recognize the governor's Edgecombe. The squabble was resolved in 1741. So let's take the compilation back to 1732, just to test Gayle's theory.

Will now go through some of my old notes and trying using the above format. Do the "co." thing as you wish. In fact, after the date/co.date/given-name first three "words," input as you like. Just so we get a sense of what the record entry says.

Margaret M. Hoffmann, Abstracts of Deeds: Edgecombe Precinct, Edgecombe County, North Carolina, 1732 through 1758 (Weldon, NC: 1969), p.19: Andrew Taylor witness 24 Aug 1737 land in fork between Fishing creek and Deep creek (1:225). Becomes:

1737.08Aug.24 E Andrew Taylor witness deed land between Fishing and Deep creeks (E Deeds 1:225).

Margaret M. Hoffmann, Abstracts of Deeds: Edgecombe Precinct, Edgecombe County, North Carolina, 1732 through 1758 (Weldon, NC: 1969), p.52: Richard Horne of Edge. Co., to Margaret Taylor of Edge. Co., 27 Oct 1754, 100a on Tosnote swamp, adj swamp as by patent to John Taylor 11 Apr 1745. Becomes:

1745.04Apr.11 E John Taylor patent ref in deed 27 Oct 1754 Richard Horne to Margaret Taylor, both Edge co., for 100a on Tosnote swamp, adj swamp as by sd pat to John Taylor (Edge Deeds 2:137).

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Tyrrell County, NC, Deeds, vol.1, 1736-1759 (FHL 019,984). p.296, Samuel Taylor of Flat Swamp, Tyrrell co., planter, to Titus Leggett of Bertie co., tract lying on or near Flat swamp now in possession of Andrew Brown, 100a, 13 Aug 1744, part of said Samuel Taylor 400a granted him 16 June 1739. Becomes:

1739.06June.16 T Samuel Taylor of Tyrrell co., planter, patent 400a ref in his deed selling 100a of tract to Titus Leggett (Tyrrell Deeds 1:296).

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NOTE: My system uses three-letter abbreviations for the counties —Jan Mch— except spell out June and July. To avoid mistyping Jan Jun and Jul.

Tyrrell County, NC, Deeds, vol.2, 1748-1755 (FHL 019,984).

p.394, 22 Aug 1759, John Holland of Tyrrell co., planter, to Jonathan Taylor of same, tract or dividend 150a between Cockburn swamp and Mother Parker's, adj George Ballantine; being part of Granville grant acreage not stated to said John Holland 31 Aug 1759; signed: Jo Holland; wit: Edward Ballantine, Samuel (x) Taylor, Ann (x) Black. Sic the dates. —Thorndale: This one included to delight Gayle. Becomes:

1759.08Aug.31 T Jonathan Taylor of Tyrrell co., buys 150a fr John Holland of Tyrrell co., planter, between Cockburyn swamp and Mother Parkter's, adj George Ballantine; part of Granville grant acreage not stated to said John Holland 31 Aug 1759 [sic]; wit Edward Ballantine, Samuel (x) Taylor, Ann (x) Black; sic the dates (Tyrrell Deed 2:394).

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Marvin K. Dorman, Jr., Edgecombe County, North Carolina, Abstracts of Court Minutes, 1744-46, 1757-94 (Winston-Salem, NC: 1968).

p.28, 15 Oct 1766, John Taylor appointed guardian of his brothers and sisters Drewry, Celia, Molly, and Kit Taylor, and chosen guardian by his brother Wilson Taylor, all orphans of Arthur Taylor. Becomes:

1766.10Oct.15 E John Taylor appointed guardian of his brothers and sisters Drewry, Celia, Molly, and Kit Taylor, and chosen guardian by his brother Wilson Taylor, all orphans of Arthur Taylor (Edge court minutes).

1766.10Oct.15 E Drwry Taylor = John Taylor appointed guardian of his brothers and sisters Drewry, Celia, Molly, and Kit Taylor, and chosen guardian by his brother Wilson Taylor, all orphans of Arthur Taylor (Edge court minutes). —Thorndale: This seems the fast way, using Copy.

1766.10Oct.15 E Celia Taylor = John Taylor appointed guardian of his brothers and sisters Drewry, Celia, Molly, and Kit Taylor, and chosen guardian by his brother Wilson Taylor, all orphans of Arthur Taylor (Edge court minutes).

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No author, *Tyrrell County, North Carolina, 1755 Tax List* (Signal Mountain, TN: n.d.), p.6, Jonathan Taylor and Samuel Taylor the only Taylors listed, together in an initial-order arrangement. Becomes:

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Bill Thorsale

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