

BRMTU Board Meeting August 5th 2025

ITEMS:

Attending:

Bob Wetzsteon, Jim Reich, Roger Johnson, Paul Carlson, Bob Borgwat, John Jenkins, Bill Williams.: Quorum was present.

Calendar of Events –

Discussion of full calendar by month, but focus on remaining months

- Three Way Camper's Road Show (Bill Whittaker) – August 8-10 at the KOA
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- Rivers Alive (Sandy Reinauer) – September 27 at Tammen Park
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- Christmas Party - Paul Carlson/John Jenkins
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- Annual Meeting (March 2026?)

Potential events –

- Sep/Oct Chapter fishing trip (Harmon Smith) - TBD
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- New Business: Bear Creek restoration (from Sandy/Randy Carpenter)

Discussion on Coordinators – We need to map who has what responsibility, who is stepping down where, leaving what gaps.

- Current List of Roles and Coordinators:
- Roger Johnson stepping down as Education Coordinator.
- Main responsibility is School involvement for Trout In the Classroom.
- Update on Trout In the Classroom : Aaron - Start in Jan, Tori Fall needs eggs in September
- Jim Reich to check with Max White about being the sole Education Coordinator?
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- Max - do you also want to serve as an adjunct Board member?
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- Hatchery Events - John Jenkins coordinating with the Blairsville TU Chapter
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- Carl Riggs - Was he appointed to the Board? Does he continue to to be the Chapter contact for 5 Rivers UNG and Young Harris?
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- Continue of Review of Descriptions/Roles Responsibilities
- Bob Borgwat current roles “grouped” to be Communications Coordinator.
- Newsletter - needs a new person_____. Takes minimal training.
- Data Management : Proposing _____ to take this over? Go Daddy, Website, TU, Google Docs. Tracking.

- How do we penetrate the filters to get the email messages out. Paul to get Randy Carpenter - is to take a look at our "STACK" and advise.
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- Raffles: Carl stepping down - John Jenkins stepping in here.
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- Membership. John Jenkins taking this role.
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- Program Coordinator - Bill Williams, VP taking this role.
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- Advocacy Coordinator - Who? Carl with Dutch?
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- Should we have a Fall Fishing Trip - similar to the Holston? 1 day, multi day?
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- Conservation Opportunities : Ellijay River Restoration/ Curtis Switch?/ Bear Creek ?

Infrastructure –

Email – Lists, tools, what is working/what is not

SHED Storage

- Need someone to help clear out the storage - John Jenkins and Paul Carlson - Paul Mailman

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- Materials – Flyers, stickers, swag (koozies, coffee mugs, flies/containers w/ BRMTU, etc)
- SWAG: Hats , shirts , - speakers, new members, ROGER JOHNSON to handle this. John Jenkins to help. Poker Chips - BRMTU and Grumpy.

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- Next State TU Meeting at Fannin Connection. Date
- Horseshoe Bend Park and Tammen New Pavillion is booked a year in advance
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- **September Date for FF101 - Sept 24th**
- Trout Fest made only \$24K in 2025
- \$112 Collected Spent \$85K
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- Where will we hold Trout Fest? Blue Ridge?
- McCaysville Cannot Support Electrical Needs! - Farmers Market as the Site?