

Buffalo, Rice, & Rock Lake Association

Spring 2025 Newsletter



Happy Spring from your BRRLA Board!

We are looking forward to lots of fun on the lake this summer! Included in this newsletter are some upcoming events, membership information and an invitation to our Annual Meeting. You can also visit our website at BRRLA.com for links to lake information, BRRLA membership, sponsorship, and events.

Become a member!

It is time to renew or become a BRRLA member. Visit the BRRLA website scan the QR code or fill out the membership form.

Annual Meeting!

Members are invited to the BRRLA Annual Meeting on **June 28th at 10 AM at 29724 Buffalo Run**. The agenda includes elections, discussion on lake swag, and a presentation on caring for our lakes. Stay for door prizes and lunch after the meeting. Pulled pork, chips and water will be provided. **Please bring a dessert, side, or salad to share.** If you would like to donate a door prize, please reach out to Bryan Olschlager.

The slate of board 3-year terms to be voted on are Secretary (Carla Solem) and Beach Captains for South Buffalo (TBD), North Buffalo (TBD), and North Rock (Mark Solem). The slate for 2-year terms are Communications chair (TBD) and Beach Captains for Rice (Rick Morris) and South Rock (TBD).

Upcoming events

- **BRRLA Annual Meeting** is June 28th @ 10 AM
- The **Buffalo Lake Boat Parade** is on Friday, July 4th at 10 AM.
- **July lake clean-up** will be scheduled by your Beach Captains.
- **Buffstock** is celebrating its 10th Anniversary on Saturday, August 9th. Buffstock is an annual music event hosted and held at the home of Kevin and Brenda Wolf.
- **Lake-wide Yard Sales** on BRR lakes will be on Saturday, August 16th from 9 AM - 2 PM. If you want to host a sale, please sign up on the BRRLA website.
- A **BRRLA Social** event will be held on Saturday, August 16th at 5 PM. Come grab a bite to eat and meet your lake neighbors.
- If you know or have ideas for other BRRLA events, please contact one of your board members.

Statement of Purpose

The Association shall:

- Work to promote and maintain the environment and recreational quality of our lakes, as individual and collective members.
- Work in conjunction w/ federal, state, county, and local agencies to maintain and improve the qualities of our lakes.
- Provide educational resources relating to the protection and quality of the lakes and its wildlife.
- Work to monitor and report water quality.
- Be a non-profit & COLA member.

BRRL Board Members

Officers

1. Bryan Olschlager, *President*
2. Rick Morris, *Vice President*
3. Becky Burns, *Treasurer*
4. Carla Solem, *Secretary*
5. Roger Lee, *COLA Rep.*
6. VACANT, *Communications*
7. Kevin Wolf, *Past President*

Beach Captains

8. Kurt Ehrmantraut, *Buffalo Access*
9. Betty Hund, *Buffalo Run*
10. Dave Oakes, *S. Buffalo Road*
11. Darv Oelke, *Campground*
12. Marlin Pfingsten, *N. B. Road*
13. Bryan Bontje, *S. Chippewa*
14. Mark Solem, *NE Rock*
15. JJ Kappes, *SW Rock*
16. OPEN, *Rice*



Buffalo, Rice, & Rock Lakes Membership/Sponsorship Form

Join the BRRLA! Membership dues support Becker COLA membership, BRRLA communication, education, as well as funds projects on our lakes and helps us connect with our members and the community. Whether you live on the lake, use the lake, or just want to be a supporter of Buffalo, Rice and/or Rock Lakes, you are welcome to join!

- **Education.** Communication and information to educate residents about our lakes.
- **Ecological Monitoring.** Monitoring and communication of ecological information such as water depths, water clarity, invasive species presence, and loon counts.
- **Social.** Opportunities to get to know your neighbors and other lake residents.
- **Security.** A network of lake residents looking out for one another's property and wellbeing.
- **Referral Network.** A network of referrals for different needs that our lake residents have.

First Name(s):	Last Name(s):	
Email:	Cell #:	Is it ok to text? Y or N

What lake are you on? (circle one)	Buffalo	Rice	Rock
Lake address:	City:	Zip:	
Mailing address (if different):	City:	Zip:	
Are you interested in lake swag? T-shirts hats mugs stickers other _____			

MEMBERSHIP TYPE: Please select one or more of the membership options:	Amount*
Owner/Year-round Renter	☐ \$20
Seasonal Renter/Campground Tenant	☐ \$10
Business/Organizational Sponsor***	☐ \$ _____
Donation: Want to help the lake or contribute to BRRLA events? Give more than just dues!	☐ \$ _____

*Checks should be addressed to BRRLA. If mailing your membership, mail to: BRRLA c/o Becky Burns, 29665 Buffalo Run, Rochert, MN 56578 or visit <https://www.brlla.com/copy-of-association-membership> to complete your application online.

**BRRLA is recognized in the State of Minnesota as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations to the Buffalo, Rice, and Rock Lake Association are tax-deductible for federal income tax purposes.

*** Sponsors: The BRRLA relies on the support of local businesses and organizations. These businesses see value in the BRRLA and their mission. A lake sponsor will be recognized on the BRRLA website, on social media channels, and at the annual association meeting. If you are a new lake sponsor, please send your company name, address, logo, and website address to cmsolem@gmail.com and enter BRRLA Sponsor in the memo line.



Membership QR



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