

2025 BMTA Annual Meeting & Hike Fest Agenda

October 30 – November 2, 2025

Bryson City, North Carolina

Lands Creek Log Cabins

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For lodging information, go to **Lodging**.

THURSDAY – OCTOBER 30

1:00 PM - HIKE FEST BEGINS

Check the <u>Hike Fest Sign Up</u> page for Meeting Locations

Harmony Hall, Lands Creek Log Cabins

4:00 PM - Check-in

6:00 – Deli Platters with Tea & Water

BMTA Store Open, BMTA Raffle Tickets Available (BYOB)

Lands Creek Log Cabins

7:30 - BMTA Campfire and Social

FRIDAY – OCTOBER 31

9:00 AM – All hikes begin from the Deep Creek Pavillion, Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Harmony Hall at Lands Creek Log Cabins

3:30 PM - BMTA Board

4:30 PM – BMTA Store Open Raffle Tickets Available

5:00 PM – Supper to honor BMTA Veterans (BYOB)

6:00 PM – Ceremony to Honor BMTA Veterans
7:00 PM – Veteran and Founding Member of BI

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Lands Creek Log Cabins

7:30 PM – Campfire and S'mores at Lands Creek Log Cabins, bring your favorite ghost story!

SATURDAY—NOVEMBER 1

9:00 AM – All hikes begin from the Tunnel to Nowhere Parking Lot near the Tunnel

Harmony Hall – Lands Creek Log Cabins Bryson City, NC

4:00 PM – BMTA Store open Raffle Tickets Available BYOB

4:30 PM – BMTA Annual Meeting

- President's Message
- State of the Trail Report
- National Scenic Trail Update
- Treasurer's Report
- Election of Officers View Nominees

6:00 PM – Keynote Speaker, Marci Spencer, author of *Cherokee National Forest, A History*

SATURDAY—NOVEMBER 1

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6:30 PM – Awards Banquet (BYOB)

7:30 PM – Ken Jones, Here's To 45 Years

Raffle Drawings!

- Blaze Team Awards
- Hike Leader T-Shirts
- 50 Miler Hike Leaders
- 30 Hour Maintenance T-Shirts
- 100 Hour Club Maintenance Awards
- 30 Hour Volunteer T-Shirts
- 100 Hour Club Volunteer Awards
- Volunteer of the Year
- Trail Worker of the Year

Please put on your T-Shirts & jackets for after the banquet photographs.

SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 2

10:00 AM - Hike

Check the <u>Hike Fest Sign Up</u> page for Meeting Locations

10:00 AM – Check-out Time at lands Creek Log Cabins

To Register for the Annual Meeting and to sign Up for Hikes, go to https://bmta.org/2025-annual-meeting-registration-hike-sign-ups/.