

Raccoon Creek Partnership

The Raccoon Creek Partnership is a nonprofit organization whose partners include grassroots groups, agencies, organizations, communities, and individuals with a shared interest in preserving and enhancing the Raccoon Creek Watershed for generations to come.

Our mission is "To work toward conservation, stewardship, and restoration of the Raccoon Creek watershed for a healthier stream and community."



We work to:

- Maintain a diverse and healthy ecosystem.
- Educate those who live with-in the watershed about how we all impact our watershed.
- Advocate the responsible use of this scenic waterway as a destination for outdoor recreation activities such as canoeing, kayaking, hunting, swimming, fishing, and wildlife viewing.



Our Many Accomplishments:

- Over 20 abandoned mine land projects completed.
- 70+ species of fish have been documented in the watershed.
- More than 80 miles of stream have been recovered to a healthy biological community.
- Over 110 stream miles meet the pH target of 6.5.
- Restoration efforts will continue as we strive towards our goal of preserving and enhancing the Raccoon Creek Watershed for generations to come.

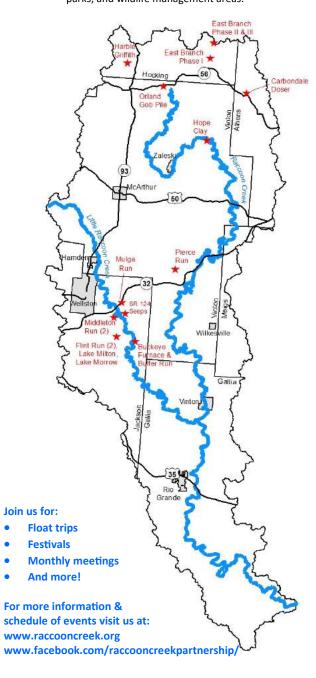


Our challenges:

- Abandoned surface and underground coal mines leach thousands of pounds of sulfuric acid and metals into the creek each day.
- Habitat alteration.
- Run-off and home septic.
- Dumping in or near streams.

Raccoon Creek Watershed

Located in southeastern Ohio's hill country, this 683 square mile watershed is a treasure trove of natural wonders including more than 60,000 acres of national forest, state forest, state parks, and wildlife management areas.



Raccoon Creek Water Trail Association



The Raccoon Creek Water Trail Association (RCWTA) is a group of paddlers, watershed advocates, biologists and outdoor recreation enthusiasts committed to improving canoe and kayak access along Raccoon Creek in southeast Ohio.

Our Mission

Our mission is to encourage stewardship, environmentally responsible recreation, and economic and scenic opportunities through public access and education.

Water Trail Plan

The RCWTA has established boat access sites every 10 miles or less to Raccoon Creek, and it has complied a map that includes access points, trail summary, resources, and the history of the waterway. Water trail activities are largely focused on improving landowner relations, fundraising for permanent launch sites, and hosting community floats.

Great Fun For Everyone

We are an enthusiastic group of boaters that loves to spend time exploring different sections of Raccoon Creek. Please consider becoming a member of one of the most exciting Water Trail projects in southern Ohio.





Becoming a Member

The Raccoon Creek Partnership (RCP) relies on its members for volunteer and financial support. We invite individuals, agencies, organizations, educational institutions, local governments, and businesses to become members.

Please fill out this sheet, indicating your areas of interest, complete the membership application, and mail them to the address at the bottom of the membership application page.

Comments or interests:			

Contact us if you would like to learn more about the project or become involved in our activities. Volunteers can participate in trash pick-ups, stream walks and tours, community education projects and watershed meetings.

We can be reached at: raccooncreekpartnership@gmail.com
Or 740-597-1473

Visit us at www.raccooncreek.org or on facebook: www.facebook.com/raccooncreekpartnership/



RCP Membership Application

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Membership			
	Creek Chub	\$15	
	Johnny Darter	\$30	
	Channel Catfish	\$50	
	Grass Pickerel	\$100	
	Spotted Bass	\$500	
	Paddlefish	\$1000	

Yes, I (we) would like to help protect Raccoon Creek PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY			
Address:			
Phone:			
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Your contributions are tax deductible.

Please make checks payable to:

Raccoon Creek Partnership

And mail to:

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