Bulk Rename Utility – Change Log

Revision History

!=Bug, +=new feature / enhancement / change

Version Date

2.7.1.3 24/06/14

! Fixed an issue on Windows 8.1 which could cause Bulk Rename Utility to freeze or start very slowly.

2.7.1.2 20/06/10

- + Restored / Fixed the "Bulk Rename Here" Windows Explorer extension
- + Correctly extract "Date Taken" field for pictures edited on Windows 7/Vista
- + Updated main program icon

2.7.1.1 18/09/08

- + Added ability to browse for folder in "jump to path" action
- ! Treat EXIF timestamps individually

2.7.0.4 15/08/08

! Correct bug which prevented "select from clipboard" working properly

2.7.0.3 09/03/08

- + Allow new %z tag to add the file size
- + 64-bit version now handles the Bulk Rename Here installation
- + New version of PCRE supplied (version 7.5)
- + Add new "WordSpace Additions" feature
- + Ensure that GUI is updated during long rename operations
- + Make better use of hourglass icon
- ! Unable to sort by MP3 track number

2.7.0.2 08/01/08

- ! Prevent crash when encountering zero-byte MP3 files
- + Change the way that A-Z and a-z autonumber padding works
- + Attempt to process malformed EXIF headers
- + Allow for > 20 sections within EXIF
- + Allow the root to be Desktop (NB READ Forum Announcement!)

2.7.0.1 28/10/07

+ Remove visual styles again (they're pointless!)

2.7.0.0 27/10/07

- + Reinstate visual styles (some people like them, apparently)
- + Timestamp and File Attribute settings now stored in Favourites files
- + Handle additional TIFF structures
- + Document root now My Computer instead of Desktop (sorry, but it has to be)
- + Allow *Insert At* and *Autonumber At* to be negative (e.g. position from end)
- + Ensure that Escape key can cancel a scan
- + Disable Ctrl+A whilst scan is in progress
- + Timestamp dialog reformatted to accommodate new fields.
- + Allow the timestamps to be set to the "date taken" value
- + Include the Formatted file-size (2.6.1.0) in the Clipboard Copy feature
- ! Timestamp "set to modified" was not reflected in the file list

- ! Clipboard Copy feature had misleading size for Folders
- ! Prevent screen corruption when closing whilst minimised.
- ! Prevent error on timestamp screen in non-GMT locales
- ! Remove the mysterious "D" from the Timestamp screen ©

2.6.1.0 30/08/07

- + Allow control over the file-size display unit (B, KB, MB, GB, Mixed)
- + Allow the filename segment to be reversed

2.6.0.1 29/07/07

A .TIFF file was occasionally missed from the EXIF processing

2.6.0.0 28/07/07

- + EXIF tag support now extended to include TIFF, .CR2, .NEF files
- ! Prevent conflict with %e and %eb (Exposure Bias now %xb)

2.5.4.3 08/07/07

- ! Prevent crash on poorly formatted EXIF data
- ! Prevent crash when appending folder-names beyond the current depth
- ! Folder Name Separator was not cleared by the "Reset" features

2.5.4.2 17/06/07

- + Improve the screen functionality on the "Character Translations" dialogue.
- + Increase the no. translations from 200 to 500 (and display warning if excess)

2.5.4.1 10/06/07

+ Allow a +/- delta (up to 23:59:59) to be applied to any of the timestamps

2.5.4.0 28/05/07

- + Allow Autonumbering to reset on a change of subfolder
- + Allow EXIF "User Comments" tags
- + Allow EXIF "Exposure Bias" tags
- + ID3/EXIF tags now specified inside the Prefix/Suffix/Insert fields
- + Seek confirmation from the user before performing an "Undo"
- + Include the MP3 track number as a column
- + Allow the "not" operator ("!") in the filename-filter box
- ! Fix minor issue with the "Move n to pos n" function
- ! EXIF logic was aborting early on certain files.

2.5.3.1 27/03/07

- ! Prevent crash when keying a custom date format
- ! Leading Dots dropdown didn't expand with mouse (OK with keyboard)

2.5.3.0 09/03/07

- + Minor reformatting of the Change Timestamp window
- + Allow removal of leading dots
- + New Character Translation facility

2.5.2.0 02/03/07

- + Active Criteria groups are now shown with coloured text, rather than background
- + Case-change exceptions now use colons for delimiters (allowing spaces)
- ! Roman Numerals dropdown didn't expand with mouse (OK with keyboard)
- ! Favourites Name on status bar incorrect when loaded from MRU list

2.5.1.0 13/02/07

+ Allow sorting of files and folders together, instead of grouping them

- + Allow "tree" window to be hidden (F11)
- + Algorithm for sorting files has been made more robust (hopefully)
- + Optimisation of internal code sections for speed improvements

2.5.0.3 12/02/07

- ! I broke the "Remove High" option (in Unicode builds only).
- ! Odd issue on Windows 98 (Do people still use Windows 98?)

2.5.0.2 11/02/07

- + Provide new option to crop text from within a name, using a wildcard.
- + Provide new option to "debug" a filename (e.g. to show how the name is derived)
- ! Context menu did not work in Unicode builds

2.5.0.1 09/02/07

- Fix misleading error message
- ! Check for additional "file already exists" messages

2.5.0.0 09/02/07

- + Escape key can be used to abort a scanning operation
- + New option to process files in reverse sequence
- + Trying to launch a 2nd instance now correctly updates the 1st instance
- + Additional version with native 64-bit compilation (fast!)
- + New option to retain autonumber between operations
- + Extensions in filenames can now be ignored (much like for Folders)
- Minor screen reformatting
- + All files now built using Visual Studio 2005 instead of Visual Studio 6
- ! Fix crash on Windows 2000 (only 2000) when using Logical Sorting
- ! Inconsistent handling of hidden folders in the tree

2.4.3.0 24/01/07

- + Enhanced removal of accented characters on Unicode
- ! Warning message on Timestamp dialog was using wrong conditions
- ! Preview showed wrong Modified date in specific situation

2.4.2.0 12/01/07

- + Allow extended details to be copied to the clipboard
- + Allow Modified and Accessed timestamps to be the same as Created
- + Reformat a couple of dialogue windows
- + Significant changes specifically for one organisation. Not publicly available.
- + Autonumber options a-z and A-Z now pad with a or A.
- + Allow special value of ":" in the autonumber separator field.

2.4.1.1 26/11/06

! Resolve pathname issue when opening Favourites from MRU list

2.4.1.0 12/11/06

- + Provide new Invert Selections feature (Ctrl+I key now remapped)
- + Support for re-ordering of columns
- + Provide new option to remove accented characters

2.4.0.0 01/10/06

- + Full support for Vista (32-bit and 64-bit)
- + The Context Menu makes a welcome return (with unreserved thanks to Ron at Tarma Research for his incredible generosity and assistance).
- + Allow files/folders to be dragged onto the main window (major enhancement)

2.3.8.1 26/09/06

+ Provide new entries in Numbering>Base to go from A-Z (Base renamed)

2.3.8.0 24/09/06

- + Support for Vista
- ! File-list was not refreshed when loading a Favourite from the MRU list

2.3.7.2 02/08/06

- ! .BRU file types were not being assigned the correct icon
- ! New Shell Extension causing problems; reverted back until solution found.

2.3.7.1 23/07/06

- Fix long-standing cosmetic issue on the Warning window
- ! "Bulk Rename Here" wasn't correctly handling subfolders

2.3.7.0 17/07/06

- + Hidden entries are now shown as Ghosted
- "Bulk Rename Here" handler updated

2.3.6.0 03/07/06

- + Ctrl+U allows you to move to the parent folder (Ctrl + "U"p!)
- + Allow limited extraction of EXIF tags (JPEG files)
- + Allow limited extraction of ID3 tags (MP3 files)
- ! Fix hang if "Favourite" pointed to an invalid drive letter
- ! Fix truncated clipboard-copy problem in Unicode version
- ! Accelerator-key Ctrl+I did nothing.
- ! Resolve issues with pipe-delimited import of Unicode files.
- ! Resolve EXIF date-issue on certain JPEG files

2.3.5.0 18/06/06

- + Change font BACK to MS Sans Serif (from Arial) for international support
- + Context-menu in the Tree view now includes the Clipboard/Copy submenu
- + Include some additional "Clipboard Copy" menu items.
- + Allow multiple levels of folder names to be appended to the filename
- ! Manual rename (F2) was leaving the New Name field coloured
- ! Crash when right-click and "Bulk Rename Here" on a file in the root folder.
- ! If no "Date Taken" field available, program returned 01/01/1970

2.3.4.1 02/05/06

! EXIF "Date Taken" date was getting carried between images in certain situations

2.3.4.0 26/04/06

- + Display warning when using an Auto-date if that date isn't necessarily available
- + Allow creation of a batch file for undoing a rename operation
- + Allow rename-activity to be logged to a text file (NB not attribute/date changes)
- ! RegExp engine now honours the "ignore folder extensions" Options Menu item

2.3.3.0 11/04/06

- + New facility in Box 10 for capitalising Roman Numerals (when space-delimited)
- + Sorting the filelist by the Date columns is now much guicker
- + Windows XP "Logical Sorting" now available on all platforms
- + No longer display Hidden folders in the tree
- + Allow the "new timestamp" information to be used in the file names
- + The main window now shows the dates in green if they are being updated
- + The main window now shows the attributes in green if they are being updated
- + Timestamps and Attributes can be changed, even if not renaming the file

- + Last Accessed timestamps can also now be changed
- + Undo Rename option also reverses Attributes and Timestamp changes
- ! When not using Logical Sorting, files were incorrectly sorted (by case)
- ! Prevent double-processing of a routine when loading Favourites
- ! Criteria-highlighting was incorrect when using Revert
- ! Prevent long-standing crash when using Context menu on a hidden folder
- ! Incorrect handling of new "Inc. Ext" element of Regular Expressions
- ! Crash if "Title Case Exceptions" contained just a single space

2.3.2.0 25/03/06

- + Replace the non-functioning RegExp "Match Case" box with "Include Extension"
- + Entries in the file/folder window now support the shell context-menu (right-click)
- + Entries in the tree window now support the shell context-menu (right-click)
- + New facility to show image-preview window (Ctrl+W)
- + Right-clicking files in Explorer now offers "Bulk Rename Here"
- + Allow changing of a file's Created and Modified dates
- + Allow exceptions to the change-case routine
- + Favourite name (on status bar) now shown without path to avoid truncation
- + Significant performance gains (list-building, Exif-extract, and name-generation)
- + Allow a section of filename to be copied or moved to a different position
- + No longer request confirmation when using the "revert" feature
- ! Improve the context-sensitive help (press F1 on virtually any field)

2.3.1.0 n/a Internal Release

2.3.0.0 23/02/06

- + New version of PCRE library (6.4.2) shipped
- + New option to install sample Favourites files
- + Explorer Extensions now selectable during installation phase
- + New version of Tarma Installer used
- + Allow selection of filenames based upon the contents of the clipboard
- + Quicker access to the "Move Not Copy" option
- ! Resolve issue with trailing slash
- ! Incorrect BRU XP.DLL shipped with 2.2.9.0 (sorry...)

2.2.9.0 04/02/06

- + Remove unnecessary call to an internal function (ModifiedName)
- + New facility to handle duplicate filenames
- + Most Registry-based settings now held in an INI file for portability
- + New facility (on Start menu) to reset any registry settings
- + Title Case now also breaks after "_" and "-" symbols.

2.2.8.1 30/12/05

- ! RegExp logic was broken
- ! Error when displaying Tips dialog

2.2.8.0 27/12/05

- + Allow multiple "filter" patterns to be entered (separate with a space)
- Allow grouping of "affected" files in the list.
- + Support for Unicode (limited support for Regular Expressions)
- + Double-clicking a file now launches the application for that file
- + Recursive control renamed Subfolders.
- ! Calling BRU with a path didn't work if the path had a trailing slash
- ! Jump To Path (Ctrl+J) didn't work if path contained quotes
- ! Minor screen-reformatting

2.2.7.0 31/10/05

- + Choose whether or not to process Exif data (speed up processing)
- + Change crop-after logic to exclude entered term
- + Increase limits on the "spin" buttons

2.2.6.0 30/09/05

- + Rename-pairs can be imported from a pipe-delimited file (see below)
- + User can now press ESCape to cancel an F2-rename operation
- + Screen-formatting changes for clarity (yes, more of them)
- + Support for creating Sentence case (Box 4)
- + Add link to Website Forum on the Help menu
- + Enhanced logic to detect (and prevent) multiple instances of BRU
- + Distribute a later version (6.3) of the PCRE library
- ! Focus on the "you are about to rename" box was incorrect (Thanks Steve!).

Example pipe-delimited file:

Track01.mp3|Headlong.mp3

Track02.mp3|Rhapsody.mp3

NB No support for pathnames

2.2.5.0 24/08/05

- + Screen-formatting changes for clarity
- + Allow cropping (before or after) a string (Box 5)
- + Allow replacement of double spaces (D/S) with single spaces (Box 5)
- + Global Reset button has returned!
- + Display file/folder Attributes as a new column
- ! Focus retained when "auto select entries" is ticked
- ! File Exit now saves state

2.2.4.0 21/06/05

- + Allow trimming of leading and trailing spaces (Box 5)
- + For New Location renames, new menu-option to determine Move or Copy
- + Enhanced folder-browser when browsing for "New Location" folder
- + Make better use of available screen space
- + Allow file attributes to be set/cleared.
- ! Tickboxes no longer partially-obscured by frames

2.2.3.0 11/03/05

! Files were being MOVED instead of COPIED if New Location specified

2.2.2.0 26/01/05

- ! One of the up/down pairs not working
- ! Reset buttons were rebuilding the filelist

2.2.1.0 26/01/05

- Brand new installer technology
- + Allow individual criteria-groups to be enabled/disabled ad-hoc
- + Allow auto-number to reset on a "break" (only useful in Suffix mode)
- + Allow copying of pathname to clipboard (as well as filename)
- + Filter now works properly with Recursion
- + Allow restriction of list according to pathname length
- + Using the New Location box now moves files, rather than copies them
- + Right-click copy-filename now copies the names of <u>all</u> selected entries
- + Internal code optimisation for speed.
- ! Resolve issue with moving folders to new location

- ! Resolve issue with auto-select
- ! Resolve issue with Reset button not rebuilding the file list

<All version history prior to 2.2.1.0 now removed>

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