

Facilities



TOWN OF LURAY PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Town of Luray Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for the operation and management of seven parks, consisting of approximately 300 acres of park lands located in and around Luray, Virginia.

Luray, with its scenic views and natural wonders, offer visitors outdoor recreational activities for the whole family. The Town of Luray offers entertainment year-round such as art festivals, concerts, outdoor movie nights, dining & shopping, entertainment, museums, and more! In addition, Luray is known as the gateway to the Shenandoah National Park connecting nature lovers and sightseers to Skyline Drive which extends along the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Ralph H. Dean Recreation Park

Owner: Town of Luray

Address: 625 6th Street
Luray, VA 22835

Total Acreage: 55.19 Acres

Amenities:

- Soccer Field
- 5 Softball/Baseball Fields
- Football Field
- Skate Park
- 1-Mile Fitness Trail
- 9-Hole Disc Golf Course
- 2 Picnic Shelters
- Playground



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Ralph H. Dean Recreation Park. This park is approximately 58 acres and was built in the early 1990's, partially with funding from the Department of Conservation and Recreation and the Virginia Department of Transportation. The Ralph H. Dean Recreation Park is a dynamic recreational facility kept in impeccable condition with scenic mountain views. In 2009-2010 the Town of Luray expanded park facilities to include two National Softball Association regulation softball fields. The principal softball field complex has stadium style seating (capacity 600) and state of the art press box and concession facilities. Also located at the Ralph H. Dean Recreation Park are three Little League baseball fields, a Robert Leathers designed wooden playground the Imagination Station, a 70'x40' skate park, a nine hole Frisbee golf course, several restroom facilities, a 1-1/4 mile Fit-Trail walking trail, and two picnic shelters that are available for daily rental.

Lake Arrowhead

Owner: Town of Luray

Address: 265 Lake Arrowhead Rd.
Luray, VA 22835

Total Acreage: 126.03 Acres

Amenities:

- Beach open Memorial Day through Labor Day with Small Concession Stand
- Kayak/Canoe Rentals
- 1-Mile Hiking Trail
- 6 Picnic Shelters
- Scout Campground
- Special Event Campground
- Volleyball Nets
- Horseshoe Pits
- Fishing



The largest park in our system is Lake Arrowhead Recreation Park, built in the early 1970's and located approximately two miles outside of Town limits. Lake Arrowhead offers a 34-acre lake with fishing, boating, canoe and kayak rentals, a white sand beach for swimming, and a concession stand (seasonally). There are six picnic shelters with restroom facilities, a baseball field, playground areas throughout, two miles of marked hiking trails, and a scout camping area.

Luray Hawksbill Greenway

Owner: Town of Luray

Address: 735 US HWY 340 N
Luray, VA 22835

Total Acreage: 40.84 Acres

Amenities:

- 2 ADA Compliant Fishing Platforms
- 9 Fitness Stations
- 1.9-Mile (one-way) Paved Trail Following the Hawksbill Creek
- Gazebo
- Fishing
- Benches



Luray Hawksbill Greenway Continued

Our beautiful award-winning Luray-Hawksbill Greenway is located along the Hawksbill Creek in downtown Luray. This linear park features a 10' wide paved walking pathway with benches and picnic tables which parallel the Trout-stocked Hawksbill Creek. Phase #1 of this 4-phase trail, which is ½ mile in length, was completed in the Spring of 2002. This phase runs from the Page 2 of 2 Commuter Park-and-Ride (at the intersection of Route 211 Bypass



and Route 340 North) to Main Street. Phase #2, completed in 2003, crosses Main Street, runs for about ½ mile, and stops at the Route 340 (Farm Bureau) Bridge. This phase includes a beautiful plaza area with swings, an arbor, and another small Cliffside pocket park with extensive landscaping, a drinking fountain, picnic tables and benches. In 2004 a ramp was installed under Main Street to ensure that trail users would have a safe passageway. Phase #3, completed in 2005, runs from the Park-and-Ride area under Route 211 Bypass and makes a large loop. This phase is approximately ¾ of a mile in length; this phase also traverses our Riparian area. Phase #4, completed in 2009, runs along Route 340 South for approximately ¼ mile from the Farm Bureau Bridge to Oscar Sour's Bridge. In 2010, with funding from the Virginia Department of Forestry, a permeable paver parking lot was constructed on Phase #4.



Also, in 2010, with funding from the Department of Conservation and Recreation, two trailside comfort stations were completed to provide our trail users with a clean, safe comfort area that is aesthetically pleasing. The completed trail is approximately 1.8 miles in total distance.

Consecutively since 2001, the National Arbor Day Foundation has recognized Luray as a "Tree City USA", Luray is 1 of 56

Virginia communities to receive the "Tree City USA" Award. In addition, the town is 1 of 8 to receive the foundations prestigious Growth Award annually since 2003. Luray is 1 of only 6 in Virginia to earn the Sterling Award.

Pocket Parks

**all pocket parks < 1 acre*

- Ruffner Plaza
- Slye Pocket Park
- Cliffside Pocket Park
- Inn Lawn Park
- Eugene Park
- Luray-Page Chamber of Commerce
- East and West Luray Monuments

Inn Lawn Park, located across from the Page Public Library, consists of a community gazebo, picnic areas, playground equipment, and a water fountain. The second community park is Eugene Park, located on Rosser Drive. This park consists of picnic areas and playground equipment. These two parks have a total acreage of 5 acres. Other pocket parks that the Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for are.

Slye Pocket Park, located on East Main Street, and Cave Pond Park, which is located on West Main Street. Cave Pond Park includes a one-acre pond with a lighted fountain, a handicapped fishing dock, covered picnic tables, and benches.

The total acreage of both parks is 20.

For any parks and recreation related questions, please feel free to call 540.843.0770 OR email parks@townofluray.com