

sets (including the pool and surrounding land) in the event of liquidation.

Both Seasonal and Certificate memberships are available at reasonable rates for families and individuals. For current rates, please see our website at [www.blueridgeswimclub.org](http://www.blueridgeswimclub.org).

The Blue Ridge Swim Club is firmly committed to the principle of equal opportunity and nondiscrimination. The Club welcomes members regardless of their race, color, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, age, ancestry, or national or ethnic origin.

### Directions

The pool is located on Owensville Road less than a mile south of Meriwether Lewis Elementary School.

From Rt. 250 West (next to Duner's Restaurant), turn north on Owensville Road, and look for the pool entrance just over 1 mile on the right.

From Garth Road, go about 1/2 mile past Foxfield, turn south (left) on Owensville Road, and look for the pool entrance approximately 2.8 miles on the left.



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# Join the Club

Since the early 1900s, the Blue Ridge Swim Club has been a place to relax, swim laps, and have family fun. We invite you to join us and begin enjoying this unique summer experience.

## About the Pool

Nestled between overhanging trees and grassy areas for sunning and socializing, the pool at the Blue Ridge stretches more than one hundred yards long by ten yards wide. Distance swimmers can travel a mile in just over seventeen lengths. Unique among pools in this area, it is fed by a spring and a small stream. Because the water is continually replenished and only lightly chlorinated, it more nearly resembles lake water than the treated water found in most pools.

At the shallow end of the pool, a roped-off area with wide steps provides a safe place for young children to splash and play. A diving board over the deep end diverts older children while their parents relax on a sunny deck or catch up with friends under poolside beach umbrellas. A deck at the shallow end of the pool offers an ideal setting for family picnics.

## The Grounds

Sixteen acres of fields and woods surround the pool area. A large playing field provides space for soccer, volleyball, badminton, croquet, and ultimate Frisbee. Rec-

reational equipment including inner tubes for use in the pool are available at the guard house. There are picnic tables next to the pool and on both decks. Members arriving by car will find ample parking, including handicapped access from the lower lot.

## A Bit of History

The pool was originally designed by an engineer who worked on the Panama Canal. In the early 1900s, it became part of a large boys camp. Campers would arrive at the Ivy train station and spend the summer in tents. In 1966, the Club became a nonprofit corporation owned by certificate members and operated by a volunteer board of directors and numerous helpful members.

## The Spirit of the Place

The Blue Ridge spirit has always been casual and neighborly. Pool members value safe fun for children and strive to maintain a quiet retreat for people of all ages. Many members walk to the pool from their homes in surrounding neighborhoods, and others drive from all over the area to enjoy a bit of country life close to town.

We believe that the Blue Ridge Swim Club is an exceptional place. For many members, it offers an attractive alternative to overly commercialized, crowded, and expensive clubs. For other members, our comparatively modest annual dues allow them to join the Blue Ridge as a second pool and enjoy a welcome refuge in bucolic surroundings.

Prospective members are invited to drop by the pool at any time to enjoy a complimentary day of swimming and fun. Please introduce yourself to the lifeguard on duty when you arrive.

## Details, Details

The pool and grounds are open daily from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, weather permitting, and until 8:00 pm on Sunday evening. Red Cross certified lifeguards are always on duty during pool hours.

A lifeguard is available for swimming lessons from 10:00 to 11:00 am by appointment. Members may also reserve the pool for private parties after regular pool hours.

## Membership Information

Two types of pool memberships are available:

**Seasonal members** may use the pool and other Club facilities for the summer season (ordinarily Memorial Day through Labor Day).

**Certificate members** participate in the pool's governance. They elect the Club's Board of Directors and have the right to vote on other matters relating to the operation of the pool. In addition, certificate members receive a modest discount on annual dues.

Purchasing a certificate membership also entitles the holder to a share of Club as-